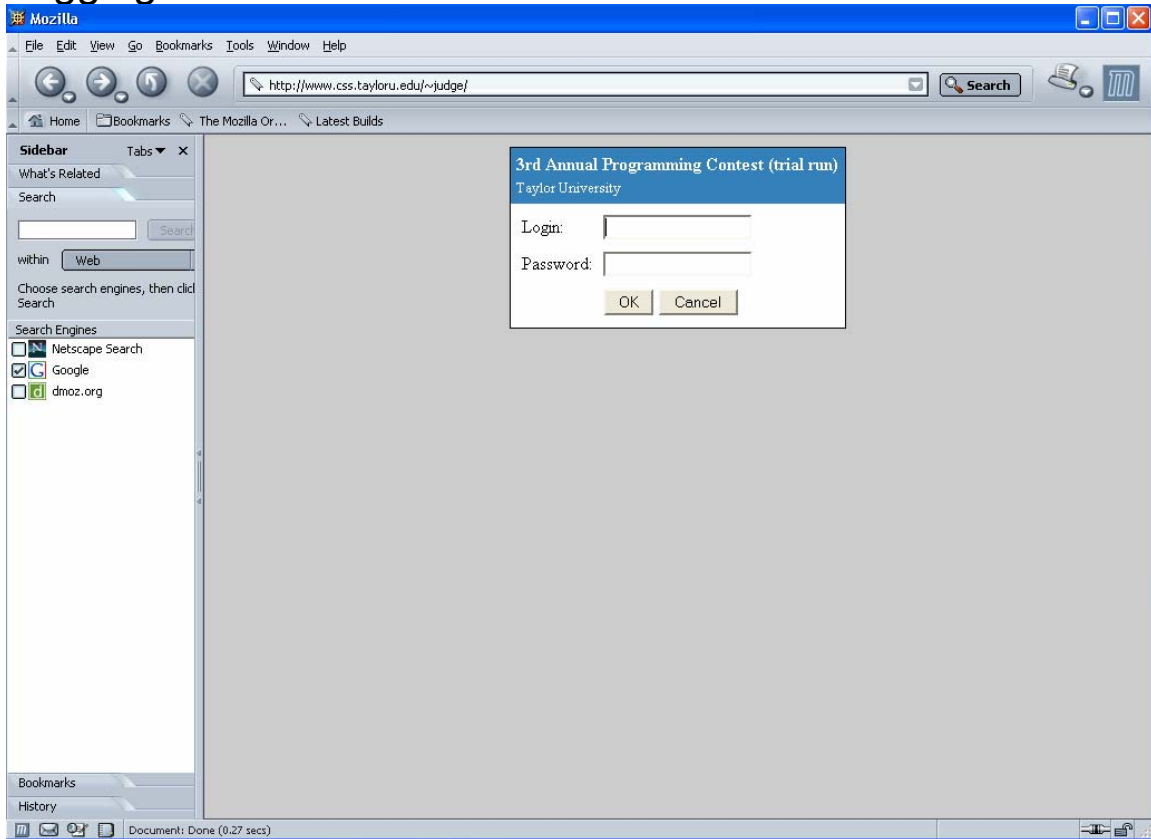


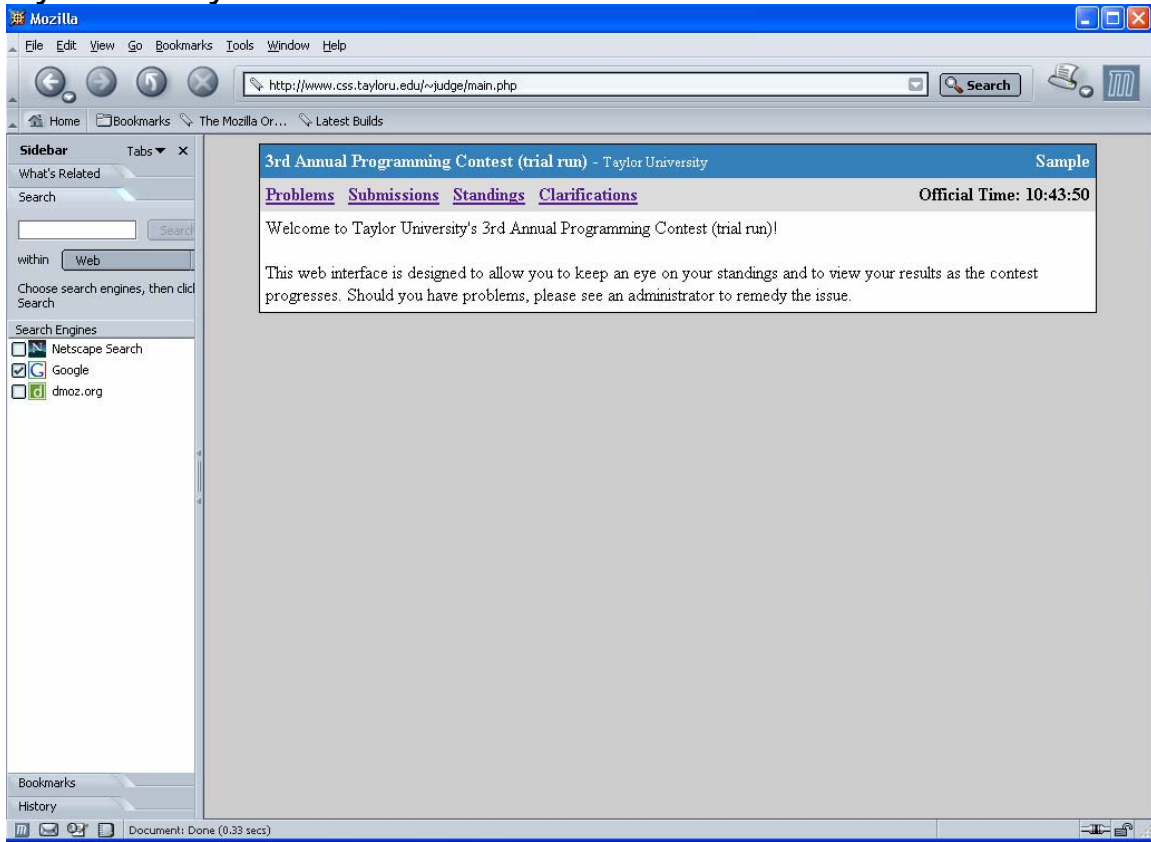
# Taylor Programming Contest Client User Guide

## Logging In



The first thing you see when you connect to the contest website is a login page. To gain access to the system you must have a user name and password for the contest that is currently running. Presumably whoever is in charge of the contest should have given you this information. In order to login simply enter your username and password and hit login.

# System Layout



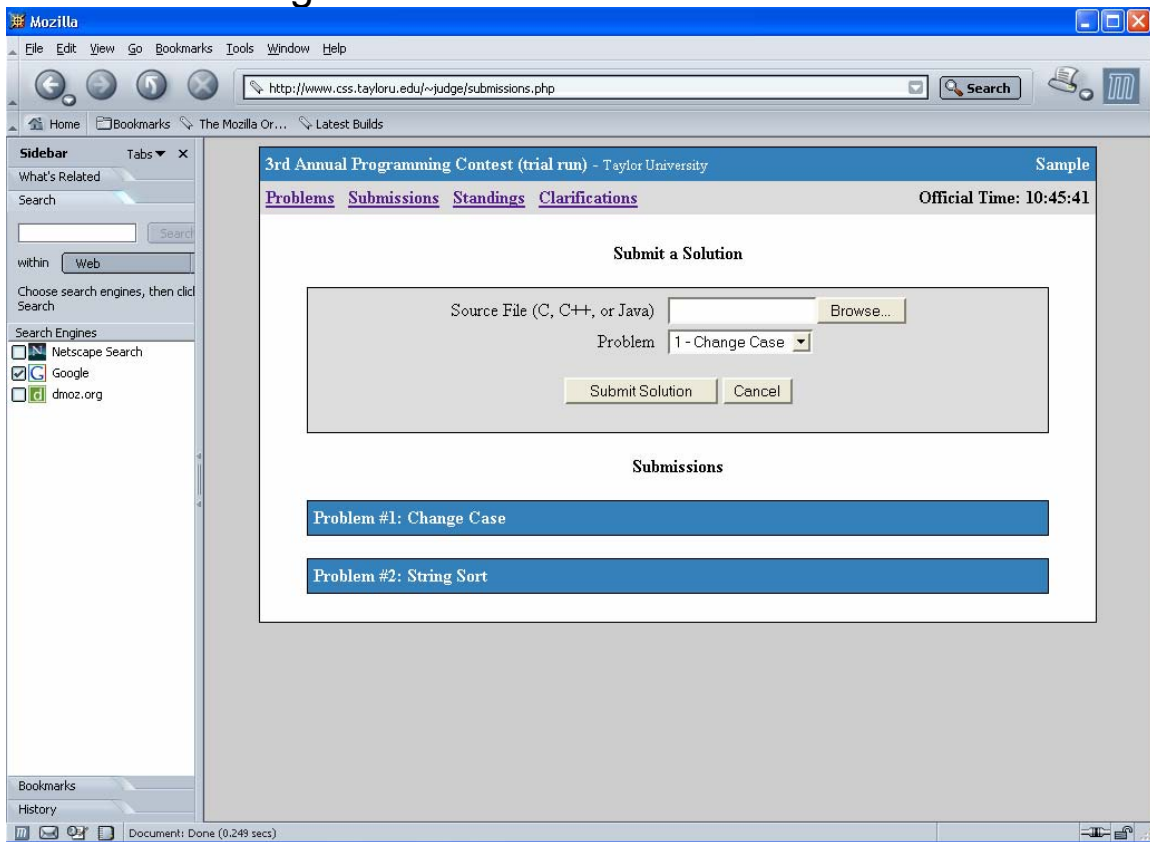
Once you log in you are presented with a screen that displays a welcome message along with the contest name, your team name, the current contest time, and a series of links for different contest pages.

There are four contest pages: the problems page, the submissions page, the standings page, and the clarifications pages

## Problems Page

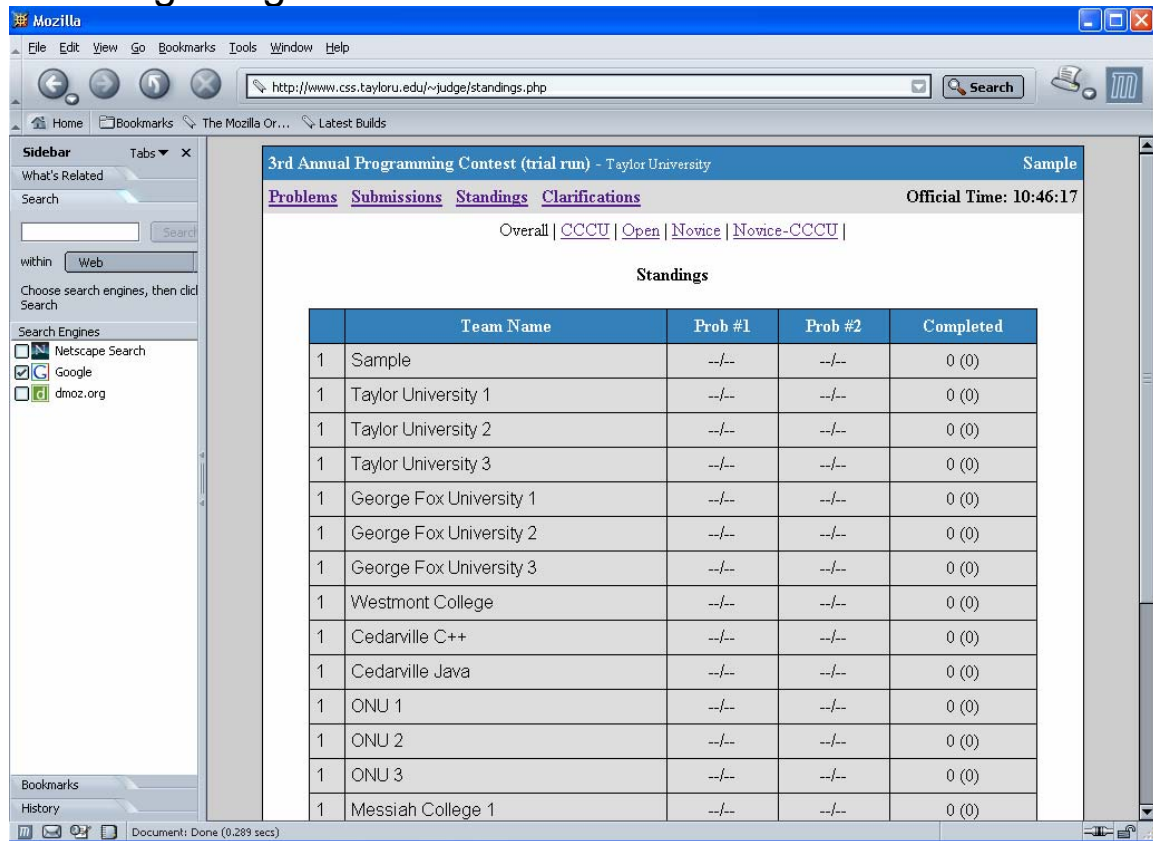
The problems page consists of a list of the problem names. Next to each problem name are links to download the problem description in several different formats. Clicking on any of the links will download the problem description to your computer (or perhaps display it depending on your browser configuration).

## Submission Page



The submissions page consists of a problem solution submission form and a listing of all submission made so far. The problem submission form contains a file box which lets you choose a source file that you would like to submit as a solution and a drop down box that allows you to choose the problem which for which your code is a solution. Once a submission has been made it should appear as a solution pending judging underneath the name of the problem for which you submitted it.

## Standings Page



The screenshot shows a Mozilla browser window displaying the '3rd Annual Programming Contest (trial run) - Taylor University' page. The page title is 'Sample' and the official time is '10:46:17'. The page has navigation links for 'Problems', 'Submissions', 'Standings', and 'Clarifications'. Below these links, there are links for 'Overall', 'CCCU', 'Open', 'Novice', and 'Novice-CCCU'. The main content is a table titled 'Standings' with the following data:

	Team Name	Prob #1	Prob #2	Completed
1	Sample	--	--	0 (0)
1	Taylor University 1	--	--	0 (0)
1	Taylor University 2	--	--	0 (0)
1	Taylor University 3	--	--	0 (0)
1	George Fox University 1	--	--	0 (0)
1	George Fox University 2	--	--	0 (0)
1	George Fox University 3	--	--	0 (0)
1	Westmont College	--	--	0 (0)
1	Cedarville C++	--	--	0 (0)
1	Cedarville Java	--	--	0 (0)
1	ONU 1	--	--	0 (0)
1	ONU 2	--	--	0 (0)
1	ONU 3	--	--	0 (0)
1	Messiah College 1	--	--	0 (0)

The standings page displays the rankings of the teams during the contest. It displays what problems have been attempted as well as what problems have been solved and how many attempts they took to solve. At the top of the page are different divisions for which one can view the standings. The contest software allows separate sets of standings to be maintained for different divisions in a single contest. This allows novice teams and experienced teams to compete on the same problem set while still being scored independently of each other. Of course, there is always an overall placement listing as well so if a novice team wants to see its placement relative to an experienced team they can do so.

## Clarifications Page

What contest would be complete without clarifications? To submit a clarification one must go to the clarifications page and click on the "Request Clarification" link. The link goes to a page that allows the user to select a problem name (or General for questions that are not problem specific) and enter a question about the problem. To submit the clarification request from this page one presses the "Submit Request" button. When the button is clicked the clarification is submitted and a page is displayed announcing that the clarification was successfully submitted from that page one can then return to the main clarification listing. Clarification responses appear as judge's reply to them. Clarifications are divided

on to separate pages by problem name. Clarifications for a given problem can be viewed by clicking on the link with the appropriate problem name at the top of the page.