

CS 531: Fundamentals of Systems Programming

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Homework # 1

Design and implement a C language program based on the following specifications:

1. The user interface will prompt for ten unique *character strings* to be entered from the keyboard. The program sorts this series of ten character strings (based on ascii value), and reprints all ten strings in ascending OR descending order based on user specification. The program then prints and labels the character string with the lowest ascii value and that with the highest ascii value.
2. Include as much error checking as possible.
3. Include at least 2 *user defined* functions.
4. Program must be well commented.
5. Up to 10% extra credit will be given for successful utilization of *dynamic memory allocation*.
6. Students will work in groups (3 students per group), and each group will submit source code and Makefile

Example:

<pre>Hals-iMac:~ halgreenwald\$./hw1 Enter 10 character strings: Enter string 1: Test string 1 Enter string 2: Test string 1 Enter string 3: hello world Enter string 4: CS 531 Enter string 5: George Mason University Enter string 6: abcd fg hjk Enter string 7: George Mason University Error: duplicate string – please re-enter Enter string 7: k j i Enter string 8: Test string 2 Enter string 9: test string 1 Enter string 10: test String 1</pre>	<pre>...cont Print character strings in <u>A</u>scending or <u>D</u>escending order: A <u>Ascending order:</u> CS 531 George Mason University Test string 1 Test string 1 Test string 2 abcd fg hjk hello world k j i test String 1 test string 1 String with lowest ascii value: CS 531 String with highest ascii value: test string 1</pre>
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c	Hx	Oct	Char	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr
0	00	00	NUL (null)	32	20	040	 	Space	64	40	100	@	@	96	60	140	`	`
1	01	01	SOH (start of heading)	33	21	041	!	!	65	41	101	A	A	97	61	141	a	a
2	02	02	STX (start of text)	34	22	042	"	"	66	42	102	B	B	98	62	142	b	b
3	03	03	ETX (end of text)	35	23	043	#	#	67	43	103	C	C	99	63	143	c	c
4	04	04	EOT (end of transmission)	36	24	044	$	\$	68	44	104	D	D	100	64	144	d	d
5	05	05	ENQ (enquiry)	37	25	045	%	%	69	45	105	E	E	101	65	145	e	e
6	06	06	ACK (acknowledge)	38	26	046	&	&	70	46	106	F	F	102	66	146	f	f
7	07	07	BEL (bell)	39	27	047	'	'	71	47	107	G	G	103	67	147	g	g
8	08	08	BS (backspace)	40	28	050	((72	48	110	H	H	104	68	150	h	h
9	09	09	TAB (horizontal tab)	41	29	051))	73	49	111	I	I	105	69	151	i	i
A	0A	0A	LF (NL line feed, new line)	42	2A	052	*	*	74	4A	112	J	J	106	6A	152	j	j
B	0B	0B	VT (vertical tab)	43	2B	053	+	+	75	4B	113	K	K	107	6B	153	k	k
C	0C	0C	FF (NP form feed, new page)	44	2C	054	,	,	76	4C	114	L	L	108	6C	154	l	l
D	0D	0D	CR (carriage return)	45	2D	055	-	-	77	4D	115	M	M	109	6D	155	m	m
E	0E	0E	SO (shift out)	46	2E	056	.	.	78	4E	116	N	N	110	6E	156	n	n
F	0F	0F	SI (shift in)	47	2F	057	/	/	79	4F	117	O	O	111	6F	157	o	o
10	00	20	DLE (data link escape)	48	30	060	0	0	80	50	120	P	P	112	70	160	p	p
11	01	21	DC1 (device control 1)	49	31	061	1	1	81	51	121	Q	Q	113	71	161	q	q
12	02	22	DC2 (device control 2)	50	32	062	2	2	82	52	122	R	R	114	72	162	r	r
13	03	23	DC3 (device control 3)	51	33	063	3	3	83	53	123	S	S	115	73	163	s	s
14	04	24	DC4 (device control 4)	52	34	064	4	4	84	54	124	T	T	116	74	164	t	t
15	05	25	NAK (negative acknowledge)	53	35	065	5	5	85	55	125	U	U	117	75	165	u	u
16	06	26	SYN (synchronous idle)	54	36	066	6	6	86	56	126	V	V	118	76	166	v	v
17	07	27	ETB (end of trans. block)	55	37	067	7	7	87	57	127	W	W	119	77	167	w	w
18	08	30	CAN (cancel)	56	38	070	8	8	88	58	130	X	X	120	78	170	x	x
19	09	31	EM (end of medium)	57	39	071	9	9	89	59	131	Y	Y	121	79	171	y	y
1A	0A	32	SUB (substitute)	58	3A	072	:	:	90	5A	132	Z	Z	122	7A	172	z	z
1B	0B	33	ESC (escape)	59	3B	073	;	;	91	5B	133	[[123	7B	173	{	{
1C	0C	34	FS (file separator)	60	3C	074	<	<	92	5C	134	\	\	124	7C	174	|	
1D	0D	35	GS (group separator)	61	3D	075	=	=	93	5D	135]]	125	7D	175	}	}
1E	0E	36	RS (record separator)	62	3E	076	>	>	94	5E	136	^	^	126	7E	176	~	~
1F	0F	37	US (unit separator)	63	3F	077	?	?	95	5F	137	_	_	127	7F	177		D