

# **EXERCISES** — Rotx

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#### File Tree

```
rotx/
rotx.c (to submit)
```

**Authorized functions**: You are only allowed to use the following functions

- read(2)
- write(2)
- atoi(3)

**Authorized headers**: You are only allowed to use the functions defined in the following headers

- err.h
- errno.h
- · assert.h
- stddef.h

**Compilation**: Your code must compile with the following flags

• -std=c99 -pedantic -Werror -Wall -Wextra -Wvla

Main function: Required

## 1 Objective

You have to implement a *rot*X algorithm. The rotX applies a rotation of X on each letter of a message in order to make it unreadable. The revert rotation must be applied again to get the original message back.

It is called a rotation because when incrementing the value of a character, the value comes back to the beginning when it goes beyond the last possible symbol. For example, when applying a rotation of 3 on the letter 'Y', the result is 'B' because the value went through 'Z' then 'A' and finally 'B'.

You only have to handle input characters from a to z, from A to Z and from 0 to 9.

Your program must apply the rotX algorithm to the text on the standard input, and display the rotated text on the standard output, where the X value is passed as the first argument to the program. If no argument is given, do not display anything.

Return 1 if any syscall fail, 0 otherwise.

#### Going further...

A famous rotX is the rot13, a 13-character rotation. Because the alphabet contains  $2 \times 13 = 26$  letters, applying the rot13 twice gives the original message.

## 2 Example

```
42sh$ cat decoded.txt

I wanted to do an album with the sounds of the 50s, the sounds of the 60s, of the 70s and then have a sound of the future.

42sh$ cat decoded.txt | ./rotx 15 > encoded.txt

42sh$ cat encoded.txt

X lpcits id sd pc paqjb lxiw iwt hdjcsh du iwt 05h, iwt hdjcsh du iwt 15h, du iwt 25h pcs iwtc wpkt p hdjcs du iwt ujijgt.

42sh$ cat encoded.txt | ./rotx -15

I wanted to do an album with the sounds of the 50s, the sounds of the 60s, of the 70s and then have a sound of the future.
```

The way is lit. The path is clear. We require only the strength to follow it.