

Exercises — Display Square

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File Tree

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display_square/
    display_square.c (to submit)
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Authorized functions: You are only allowed to use the following functions

putchar(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: None

1 Goal

Write a function that displays a square on the standard output using putchar.

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void display_square(int width);
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The square must be written with multiplication characters (*) and filled with spaces. Since characters in your shell are not squares but rectangles, here are a few tricks to display good looking squares:

- The width of your square must be an odd number. If the parameter is even, increment it.
- The number of rows must be (n+1)/2, with n the width of the square.

If $n \le 0$, nothing should be displayed. You must add a line break at the end of your square.

Output of display_square(6):

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Output of display_square(11):

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