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Assignment 2

Deadline: 11:59PM on Mar 30

Requirements

Write a function that draws a line following the coordinates and fill in the space. For this lab, there is no skeleton file provided, so you have to write your main function that interacts with the files (descriptions to follow).

You are given an input file which contains a set of (x, y) coordinates. These coordinates are written, so that a line segment is connected from the coordinate in the preceding line to the coordinate. For example, let's assume that input.txt contains the following coordinates:

```
>> cat input.txt
0,0
0,1
1,1
1,0
0,0
E
```

The character 'E' specifies the end of file.

The first coordinate is at coordinate 0,0 and the next coordinate is at 0,1. There is a line segment of a length 1 from 0,0 to 0,1 in the xy plane. The next line segment moves from 0,1 to 1,1 with a length of 1. This continues until line #5 is processed. In your output file (descriptions to follow), the line segments are represented by a sequence of asterisks (*). From the previous input file, the output file will contain the following:

```
>>cat output.txt
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**
```

Let's take a look at another example where we are drawing a rectangle this time.

```
>> cat input.txt
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0,0

0,4

2,4

2,0

0,0

F

>> cat output.txt

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In this case, the area enclosed by the line segment is filled with asterisks (*). Finally, your input and output can be the following as well.

>> cat input.txt

2,2

4,0

0,0

2,2

E

>> cat output.txt

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Our program will read an input from a file and write an output to a file. There will not be any output to the console. In order to read/write from/to a file, we need to use file I/O libraries. I am not restricting on what functions you are using as long as they are a part of a standard library mentioned in learning hub. Here (https://www.tutorialspoint.com/cprogramming/c_file_io.htm) is a reference that might be useful to enable this.

Detailed specifications are below.

The command line arguments are in this order <executable> input_file output_file You are guaranteed that your line segment will be strictly vertical, horizontal, or at 45 degree angle. In our example, the triangle was at 45 degrees.

You will write a main function as well as other helper functions.

Your input is in X,Y format and order. No spaces allowed between , X and Y coordinate. You can assume that the coordinates can be any integer values. However, the test case will not request large memory where malloc fails due to insufficient free memory in the system.

There will not be line segment crossings.

The line segment will always come back to the original starting position.

There will be error case testing. If error case, write letter "Error" without double quotes to the output file.

The program should handle the error cases to write Error to output file and code must not break on error or invalid data.

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How to Compile and Run

- The Makefile for the assignment is provided.
- The Makefile is supposed to work with assignment2.c, input.txt, output.txt and ref.txt files so, make sure to save your files accordingly.
- Run the following command in vs code Terminal.

make

It should compile the code without any errors.

make convert_input

It should convert the input.txt file to unix encoding.

make run

It should run the compiled code.

Run the following command to delete the out file.

make clean

It should delete the specified file.

make convert output

It should convert the output.txt file to unix encoding.

 Run the following command to test your output with provided relevant reference output.

make check

- You are not supposed to make any changes in the Makefile.
- Make sure to install dos2unix utility, if not already installed using the following command:

sudo apt-get install dos2unix

For Mac

brew install dos2unix

Restrictions

You must use malloc or a variant of malloc to allocate necessary memory. You are not allowed to allocate arbitrarily large array. In our triangle example, the malloc is supposed to only allocate 15B. Your malloc must be the smallest to be able to draw the shape. Your draw does not need to start from 0,0. Any malloc that uses extra space will get automatic 50% penalty in the overall grade.

Grading

- Any code that does not compile or breaks will result 0. For full marks this week, you must:
- (1 point) Correctly submitting the files with correct A numbers included.
- (6 point) Generate a correct solution to the problem(s)

Submission Files

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- You must submit only one file named: assignment2.c
- The file that you submit should be a .c file (not .txt, not .cpp or any other type)

• Submit it to the course website before the deadline