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Exercise

Note: If you are on a RPM packaging system, you should do this exercise. If you are on an APT packaging system, you should do the following one.

We give you the source files for a trivial **Hello world** application:

Makefile

myhello.c

README

We also give you a slightly modified version of the source:

Makefile - modified

myhello.c - modified.c

README - modified

Note the source directory includes a **README** file; without it, some versions of RPM will bail out in error; it is always good practice to have one anyway.

Construct the patch file, i.e. by doing something like:

```
$ diff -Nur my_app_1.0.0 my_app_1.0.0_PATCHED > my_app-1.0.0.patch
```

Write a **spec** file. Construct source and binary RPM's using **rpmbuild**.

Install and test the binary **rpm** by doing:

```
$ sudo rpm -ivh $HOME/rpmbuild/my_app-1.0.0.x86_64.rpm
```

```
/usr/local/bin/myhello
```

and then remove it with:

```
$ sudo rpm -e my_app
```

Also, try rebuilding from the source package:

```
$ rpm --rebuild $HOME/rpmbuild/SRPMS/my_app-1.0.0-1.src.rpm
```

and test as before.

Note the script **build_rpm.sh** will demonstrate one possible way to do the procedure.

Solution

build_rpm.sh

nomake.sh

my_app-1.0.0.spec

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