# Sequential-Access Files

## Lab 12: Processing Data in Files

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### 8.1 Introduction

- Storage of data in memory is temporary.
- Files are used for data persistence—permanent retention of data.
- Computers store files on secondary storage devices, such as hard disks, CDs, DVDs, flash drives and tapes.
- ▶ Here, we explain how to build C++ programs that create, update and process sequential files.

#### Sally B1ack 8.2 Data Hierarchy Blue Tom File Judy Green Iris **Orange** Randy Red Judy Green Record Ju'd y Field 01001010 Byte (ASCII character J)

Fig. 8.1 Data hierarchy.

Bit

#### 8.3 Files and Streams

C++ views each file as a sequence of bytes (Fig. 8.2). It imposes no structure on a file.



**Fig. 8.2** C++'s view of a file of n bytes.

- ▶ Each file ends generally with an end-of-file marker.
- When a file is opened, an object is created, and a stream is associated with the object.
- In Chapter 15, we saw that objects cin, cout, cerr and clog are created when <iostream> is included.
- The streams associated with these objects provide communication channels between a program and a particular file or device.

### 8.3 Files and Streams (cont.)

- To perform file processing in C++, header files <iostream> and <fstream> must be included.
- Three kinds of file streams
  - **ifstream**: Input file stream for reading (input)
  - **ofstream**: Output file stream for writing (output)
  - **fstream**: File stream for reading and writing (input and output)

### **Example of Creating a Sequential File**

```
// Fig. 8.3: Fig08_03.cpp
   // Create a sequential file.
 2
 3
    #include <iostream>
    #include <string>
    #include <fstream> // file stream
    #include <cstdlib>
    using namespace std;
 7
                            In CodeBlock, here this file is created
 8
                            and located at the same directory of
 9
    int main()
                            the program that creates this file.
10
        // ofstream constructor opens file
ш
        ofstream outClientFile( "clients.txt", ios::out );
12
13
       // exit program if unable to create file
14
        if ( !outClientFile ) // overloaded ! operator
15
16
           cerr << "File could not be opened" << endl;</pre>
17
           exit( 1 );
18
        } // end if
19
20
        cout << "Enter the account, name, and balance." << endl</pre>
21
           << "Enter end-of-file to end input.\n? ";
22
23
```

```
int account; // customer's account number
24
       string name; //customer's name
25
26
       double balance; // amount of money customer owes company
27
28
       // read account, name and balance from cin, then place in file
29
       while ( cin >> account >> name >> balance )
30
          outClientFile << account << ' ' << name << ' ' << balance << endl;
31
32
          cout << "? ":
33 } // end while
    } // end main
34
Enter the account, name, and balance.
Enter end-of-file to end input.
? 100 Jones 24.98
? 200 Doe 345.67
? 300 White 0.00
? 400 Stone -42.16
? 500 Rich 224.62
? \Z
```

Fig. 8.3 | Creating a sequential file. (Part 2 of 2.)

# **Create and Open an ofstream File at the Same Time**

- In Fig. 8.3, ofstream outClientFile( "clients.txt", ios::out ); creates an ofstream object outClientFile and open it at the same time for output by associating it with the file named clients.txt.
  - Two arguments are passed to the object's constructor—the filename and the file-open mode (line 12).
  - For an Ofstream object, the file-open mode can be either ios::out to output data to a file or ios::app to append data to the end of a file (without modifying any data already in the file).
  - By default, Ofstream objects are opened for output, so the open mode is not required in the constructor call.
- **Existing files** opened with mode ios::out are truncated—all data in the file is discarded.
- If the specified file does not yet exist, then the ofstream object creates the file, using that filename.

#### File Open Modes

Mode	Description
ios::app	Append all output to the end of the file.
ios::ate	Open a file for output and move to the end of the file (normally used to append data to a file). Data can be written anywhere in the file.
ios::in	Open a file for input.
ios::out	Open a file for output.
ios::trunc	Discard the file's contents (this also is the default action for ios::out).
ios::binary	Open a file for binary (i.e., nontext) input or output.

- Fig. 8.4 | File open modes. ◆ Default open modes:
  - > ifstream is ios::in
  - > ofstream is ios::out
  - ➤ fstream is ios::in | ios::out
  - ios::trunc is used when we would like to overwrite (replacing old data with new data)

# Create and Open an ofstream File at Different Times

- An ofstream object can be created without opening a specific file—a file can be attached to the object later.
  - For example, the statement below creates an ofstream object named outClientFile.

#### ofstream outClientFile;

The ofstream member function open () opens a file and attaches it to an existing ofstream object as follows:

```
const string fileName = "clients.txt";
outClientFile.open(filename, ios::out);
```

# Terminating Input from Keyboard and Closing a File

- Once the user enters the end-of-file indicator (^Z), Input from the keyboard are terminated.
- You can close the **ofstream** object explicitly, using member function close() in the statement, for example outClientFile.close().

### 8.5 Reading Data from a Sequential File

- Creating an ifstream object opens a file for input.
- The ifstream constructor can receive the filename and the file open mode as arguments.

Note that if a file is opened for input and it does not exist, this will cause an error. Especially, this will occur when you want to create an fstream file for input&output, but the file does not exist. To solve this problem, you can first create the file with output mode, then close it, and then reopened it with input&output mode.

```
// Fig. 8.6: Fig08_06.cpp
 2
   // Reading and printing a sequential file.
    #include <iostream>
 3
    #include <fstream> // file stream
 5
    #include <iomanip>
    #include <string>
    #include <cstdlib>
    using namespace std;
 8
10
    void outputLine( int, const string, double ); // prototype
11
12
    int main()
13
       // ifstream constructor opens the file
14
       ifstream inClientFile( "clients.txt", ios::in );
15
16
       // exit program if ifstream could not open file
17
       if (!inClientFile)
18
19
          cerr << "File could not be opened" << endl;
20
          exit( 1 );
21
       } // end if
22
23
```

Fig. 8.6 Reading and printing a sequential file. (Part 1 of 3.)

```
24
       int account; // customer's account number
       string name; // customer's name
25
       double balance; //amount of money customer owes company
26
27
28
       cout << left << setw( 10 ) << "Account" << setw( 13 )
           << "Name" << "Balance" << endl << fixed << showpoint;</pre>
29
30
31
       // display each record in file
       while ( inClientFile >> account >> name >> balance )
32
          outputLine( account, name, balance );
33
    } // end main
34
35
36
    // display single record from file
37
    void outputLine( int account, const string name, double balance )
38
       cout << left << setw( 10 ) << account << setw( 13 ) << name
39
           << setw( 7 ) << setprecision( 2 ) << right << balance << endl;
40
41
    } // end function outputLine
```

**Fig. 8.6** | Reading and printing a sequential file. (Part 2 of 3.)

**Fig. 8.6** | Reading and printing a sequential file. (Part 3 of 3.)

## Open a File for Reading

- Line 15, ifstream inClientFile("clients.txt", ios::in); creates an ifstream object and open the object by associating it with a file named clients.txt.
  - An ifstream object is opened for input by default, so to open clients.txt for input we could have used the statement
    - ifstream inClientFile( "clients.txt" );
- I Just as with an ofstream object, an ifstream object can be created first and opened later by associating it with an existing file.
- Each time line 32 executes, it reads another record from the file into the variables account, name and balance.
- When the end of file has been reached, the while condition returns false, terminating the while statement and the program; this causes the ifstream destructor function to close the file.

### Where to read or write next?

- By a file-position pointer which is associated with reading (or writing).
- It is an integer value that specifies the location in the file as a number of bytes from the file's starting location.
- If a file is opened for input and output, it has two fileposition pointers, one for input and the other for output.
- When a record is read or written, its file-position pointer is advanced to the location where the next record starts.
- A file-position pointer can be set to a certain location using seekg member function for an input stream and seekp member function for an output stream.

### Reading All the File Data Several Times

- To retrieve data sequentially from a file, programs normally start reading from the beginning of the file and read all the data consecutively until the desired data is found.
- To process the file sequentially several times, each time we must reposition a file-position pointer to the beginning of the file. Both ifstream and ofstream provide member functions for repositioning a file-position pointer.
  - Seekg (n, dir) for ifstream to set the "get" file-position pointer for "read"
  - Seekp(n,dir) for ofstream to set the "put" file-position pointer for "write"
  - seekg(n,dir) and seekp(n,dir) for fstream
- If a file is open for both read and write, the "get" and "put" file position pointers are in fact the same one. In other words, there is only one file position pointer for any kind of files.
- A file position pointer is modified based on the two arguments **n** and **dir**. The argument **n** normally is a long integer.

### Modifying a File-Position Pointer (cont. from previous page)

- The first argument **n** specified the number of bytes used to calculate the value of the file-position pointer.
- The second argument **dir** specifies the seek direction, which can be
  - ios::beg (the default) for positioning relative to the beginning of a stream,
  - ios::cur for positioning relative to the current position in a stream or
  - ios::end for positioning relative to the end of a stream
- ▶ The value of the file-position pointer is calculated as follows:
  - If **dir** is **ios::beg**, the value is **beg+n**.
  - If dir is ios::cur, the value is cur+n.
  - If **dir** is ios::end, the value is **end-n**.
- The statement inClientFile.seekg( 0 ); repositions the file-position pointer to the beginning of the file (location beg, i.e., 0) attached to inClientFile.

# Some examples of Setting File-Position Pointer's Value

```
// position to the nth byte of fileObject
(assumes ios::beg)
fileObject.seekg( n );
// position n bytes forward in fileObject
fileObject.seekg( n, ios::cur );
// position n bytes back from end of fileObject
fileObject.seekg( n, ios::end );
// position at end of fileObject
fileObject.seekg( 0, ios::end );
```

- The same operations can be performed using ofstream member function seekp.
- Member functions tellg and tellp are provided to return the current locations of the "get" and "put" pointers, respectively.

## Example of File-Position Pointers

- File-position pointers are maintained in the file object. You typically need not explicitly specify the pointer when you read/ write a file.
- If you would like to read a file again from the beginning of the file, you have two ways:
  - Close the file and then re-opened it. Not suggested.
  - Reposition the file-position pointer to the beginning of the file using fileObject.Seekg (0, beg) for input.
- If you would like to overwrite the file from the beginning of the file, you should use fileObject.Seekp(0,beg).
- To update a file, you should be more cautious. You normally can not just write the data at the location (pointed by cur) where the original data is stored.

	a	beg = end-19
	b	beg+1
	С	beg+2
cur-3	d	
	е	
	f	
cur	g	
	h	
	i	
	j	
	k	
	Ι	
ur+6	m	
	n	
	0	
	р	
	q	
	r	end-2
	S	end-1
	t	end = beg+19

cur+6

### **Example of Processing a File**

- Figure 8.7 enables a credit manager to display the account information for those customers with
  - zero balances (i.e., customers who do not owe the company any money),
  - credit (negative) balances (i.e., customers to whom the company owes money), and
  - debit (positive) balances (i.e., customers who owe the company money for goods and services received in the past)

```
// Fig. 8.7: Fig08_08.cpp
    // Credit inquiry program.
 2
    #include <iostream>
 3
    #include <fstream>
    #include <iomanip>
    #include <string>
    #include <cstdlib>
 8
    using namespace std;
 9
10
    enum RequestType { ZERO_BALANCE = 1, CREDIT_BALANCE, DEBIT_BALANCE, END };
    int getRequest():
11
    bool shouldDisplay( int, double );
12
    void outputLine( int, const string, double );
13
14
    int main()
15
16
       // ifstream constructor opens the file
17
       ifstream inClientFile( "clients.txt", ios::in );
18
19
20
       // exit program if ifstream could not open file
       if ( !inClientFile )
21
       {
22
          cerr << "File could not be opened" << endl;</pre>
23
24
          exit( 1 ):
25
       } // end if
```

Fig. 8.7 | Credit inquiry program. (Part 1 of 7.)

```
26
27
        int request; // request type: zero, credit or debit balance
        int account; // customer's account number
28
29
        string name; // customer's name
        double balance; // amount of money customer owes company
30
31
32
        // get user's request (e.g., zero, credit or debit balance)
33
        request = getRequest();
34
35
       // process user's request
36
       while ( request != END )
37
38
           switch ( request )
39
40
              case ZERO_BALANCE:
41
                 cout << "\nAccounts with zero balances:\n";</pre>
                 break:
42
43
              case CREDIT_BALANCE:
                 cout << "\nAccounts with credit balances:\n";</pre>
44
45
                 break:
46
              case DEBIT_BALANCE:
                 cout << "\nAccounts with debit balances:\n";</pre>
47
48
                 break:
           } // end switch
49
```

**Fig. 8.7** | Credit inquiry program. (Part 2 of 7.)

The statement in line 52 should read a record first and then check **eof** (end of file) in the while loop below. If this statement is omitted, the program will not work correctly.

```
50
          // read account, name and balance from file
51
          inClientFile >> account >> name >> balance:
52
53
54
          // display file contents (until eof)
55
          while ( !inClientFile.eof() )
56
57
              // display record
              if ( shouldDisplay( request, balance ) )
58
59
                 outputLine( account, name, balance );
60
              // read account, name and balance from file
61
62
              inClientFile >> account >> name >> balance;
          } // end inner while
63
64
          inClientFile.clear(); // reset eof for next input
65
          inClientFile.seekg( 0 ); // reposition to beginning of file
66
          request = getRequest(); // get additional request from user
67
68
       } // end outer while
69
       cout << "End of run." << endl;</pre>
70
71
    } // end main
72
```

```
// obtain request from user
73
    int getRequest()
74
75
76
       int request; // request from user
77
78
       // display request options
       cout << "\nEnter request" << end1</pre>
79
           << " 1 - List accounts with zero balances" << endl
80
           << " 2 - List accounts with credit balances" << endl
81
           << " 3 - List accounts with debit balances" << endl
82
           << " 4 - End of run" << fixed << showpoint;
83
84
85
       do // input user request
86
87
           cout << "\n? ":
88
           cin >> request:
       } while ( request < ZERO_BALANCE && request > END );
89
90
91
       return request;
92
    } // end function getRequest
93
```

**Fig. 8.7** | Credit inquiry program. (Part 4 of 7.)

```
// determine whether to display given record
94
    bool shouldDisplay( int type, double balance )
95
96
97
       // determine whether to display zero balances
       if (type == ZERO_BALANCE && balance == 0)
98
99
           return true:
100
101
       // determine whether to display credit balances
102
       if (type == CREDIT_BALANCE && balance < 0)
103
           return true:
104
105
       // determine whether to display debit balances
       if ( type == DEBIT_BALANCE && balance > 0 )
106
107
           return true:
108
109
      return false:
    } // end function shouldDisplay
110
111
```

**Fig. 8.7** | Credit inquiry program. (Part 5 of 7.)

```
112 // display single record from file
113 void outputLine( int account, const string name, double balance )
114 {
cout << left << setw( 10 ) << account << setw( 13 ) << name
          << setw( 7 ) << setprecision( 2 ) << right << balance << endl;
116
117 } // end function outputLine
Enter request
 1 - List accounts with zero balances
 2 - List accounts with credit balances
 3 - List accounts with debit balances
 4 - End of run
? 1
Accounts with zero balances:
300 White
                         0.00
Enter request
 1 - List accounts with zero balances
 2 - List accounts with credit balances
 3 - List accounts with debit balances
 4 - End of run
? 2
```

**Fig. 8.7** | Credit inquiry program. (Part 6 of 7.)

```
Accounts with credit balances:
400 Stone -42.16
Enter request
1 - List accounts with zero balances
2 - List accounts with credit balances
 3 - List accounts with debit balances
4 - End of run
Accounts with debit balances:
100 Jones 24.98
200 Doe 345.67
500 Rich 224.62
Enter request
1 - List accounts with zero balances
2 - List accounts with credit balances
 3 - List accounts with debit balances
4 - End of run
? 4
End of run.
```

**Fig. 8.7** | Credit inquiry program. (Part 7 of 7.)

### 8.6 Updating Sequential Files

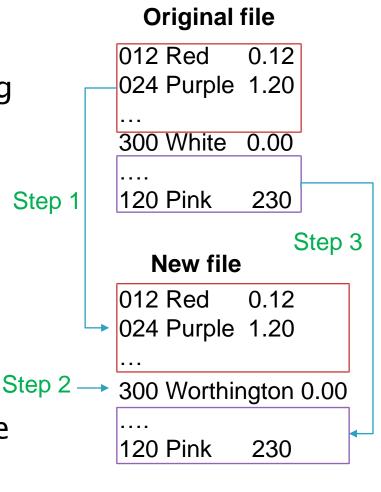
- Data that is formatted and written to a sequential file as shown in Section 8.4 cannot be modified without the risk of destroying other data in the file.
- For example, if the name "White" needs to be changed to "Worthington," the old name cannot be overwritten without corrupting the file.
  - The record for White was written to the file as
    - 300 White 0.00
  - If this record were rewritten beginning at the same location in the file using the longer name, the record would be
    - 300 Worthington 0.00
  - The new record contains six more characters than the original record. Therefore, the characters beyond the second "o" in "Worthington" would overwrite the beginning of the next sequential record in the file.

### Updating Sequential Files (cont.)

- The problem is that, in the formatted input/output model using the stream insertion operator << and the stream extraction operator >>, fields—and hence records—can vary in size.
  - For example, values 7, 14, –117, 2074, and 27383 are all ints, which store the same number of "raw data" bytes internally (typically four bytes on today's popular 32-bit machines). Hence, if they are stored in file with a **binary open mode**, all integers use four bytes.
  - However, these integers become different-sized fields when output as **formatted text** (character sequences, ASCII code for example). It uses one byte to store 7, two bytes to store 14, four bytes for -117, four bytes for 2047 and five bytes for 27383.
  - Therefore, the formatted input/output model usually is not used to update records in place.

## Suggestion for Updating File

- Such updating can be done with formatted I/O, but a bit awkwardly.
- For example, to make the preceding name change
  - Step1: the records before 300 White 0.00 in a sequential file could be copied to a new file
  - **Step2: the updated record** then written to the new file
  - Step 3: the records after **300 White 0.00** copied to the new file.
- This requires processing every record in the file to update only one record.
- If many records are being updated in one pass of the file, though, this technique can be acceptable.



### **Lab 12: File Processing**

- You are given a file name clientFile.txt that consists of some bank account records. Each record has four fields. The first field is firstName, the second field is lastName, the third field is actBalance which is a real number. The fourth field is the date and time when the record is created. You are asked to do the following tasks:
  - Step 1: Check whether clientFile.txt exists or not. If it does exist, print the prompt message "Existing file content: " and then display the file content. Otherwise, print the prompt message "Creating a new file: ".
  - Step 2: Print the prompt message "Enter first name, last name, and balance: ".
  - Step 3: Read firstName, lastName, actBalance from keyboard and form a record. Add this record to the end of this file if the last name and first name are not the same as any existing one in the file. Repeat this step until a ctrl ^z is entered from keyboard to stop reading data.
  - **Step 4**: Display the file content.

## Requirements

- The number of accounts is at most 1000.
- You must create the following function for Step 3: void createRecord(fstream &fptr, string firstN, string lastN, double actBal);
  - ✓ This function stores a record into the file. **fptr** is a file object, **firstN** is first name, **lastN** is last name, and **actBal** is account balance. You should store date and time in the number of seconds passed since 00:00:00 GMT, Jan 1, 1970, to the end of each record.
  - You should not add a record whose last name and first name are the same as any existing one in the file.
- You should not change int main() and void displayFile(ifstream & ).
- Check TA grading notes to understand how your program will be tested.

### Time and Date in C++

Current time is: Sat Dec 01 16:51:09 2018

```
#include <iostream>
#include <ctime> /* time_t, time, ctime */
using namespace std;
int main ()
 time_t currentTime;
 time (&currentTime);
// get the time and date which is the total number of seconds passed since
00:00:00 GMT, Jan 1, 1970
Cout << "current time is: " << currentTime << endl;
cout << "Current time is: " << ctime (&currentTime) << endl;
// ctime converts the number of seconds into ASCII representation of date and
time.
 return 0;
Below is the output of running the program.
 Current time is: 1543654269
```

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### int main()

```
int main()
 fstream clientFile:
 fstream tempFile:
  string firstName;
  string lastName:
  double actBalance:
  const char *fileName = "clientFile.txt";
  const string fileN = "clientFile.txt";
 //exit program if unable to create file
 clientFile.open(fileN, ios::in);
 if (clientFile) { // overloaded! operator
    cout << "Existing file content: " << endl;
    displayFile(clientFile);
  else {
     cout << "Creating a new file: " << endl;
     clientFile.open(fileN, ios::out):
  clientFile.close():
 clientFile.open(fileN, ios::in | ios::out);
 cout << "Enter first name, last name, and balance:" << endl;</p>
 while(cin >> firstName >> lastName >> actBalance)
 createRecord(clientFile, firstName, lastName, actBalance);
 displayFile(clientFile);
 clientFile.close();
```

## void displayFile(fstream&)

```
//This function prints all the records stored in a file.
void displayFile(fstream &fptr)
   string str1;
   string str2;
   double balance:
   int numAct = 0;
   time_t transTime;
   fptr.clear();
   fptr.seekg(0);
   while(fptr>> str1 >> str2 >> balance >> transTime) {
     cout << setw(15) << str1 << ' ' << setw(15) << str2 << ' '
     << setw(7) << balance << " " << ctime(&transTime);
     numAct++;
   cout << "Number of records in the file: " << numAct << endl;</p>
```

### Hints

- If a file is open for both read and write, the "get" and "put" file position pointers are in fact the same one. In other words, there is only one file position pointer for any kind of files.
- You may have to close a file object and then re-open the file object with different file-open mode when removing a record in the file.
- Before checking whether an account for the given first name and last name already exists in the file, you may have to reposition the file-position pointer to the beginning of the file before you do search again. Before doing so, you may have to first use clear() member function to reset eof flag.
- Note that a file object of fstream has two file-position pointers, one for reading and the other for writing.
- A file is opened once. It should have a corresponding close. That is, if fileObject.open(...) is called, there should be a fileObject.close(...).

# Input & Output (First Run)

Each line consists of a record as shown below.

Sample input	Sample output	t			
Lisa Lin -23	Lisa	Lin	-23	Tue Dec 28 13:51:45 2021	
James Liu -3	James	Liu	-3	Tue Dec 28 13:51:45 2021	
Shih-Yi Chung	Shih-Yi	Chung	19.8	Tue Dec 28 13:51:45 2021	
19.8	Peter	Lin	120	Tue Dec 28 13:51:45 2021	
Peter Lin 120	Tomas	Lee	5	Tue Dec 28 13:51:45 2021	
Tomas Lee 5	Tom	Huang	5	Tue Dec 28 13:51:45 2021	
James Liu -3	Rung-Bin	Lin	-34	Tue Dec 28 13:51:46 2021	
Tom Huang 5	Number of records in the file: 7				
Peter Lin 123	Creating a new fi	1e•			
Rung-Bin Lin -34	Enter first name,	last name,	and balan	ace:	
	Lisa Lin -23 James Liu -3				
	Shih-Yi Chung 19.	8			
	Peter Lin 120 Tomas Lee 5				
	James Liu -3				
	Tom Huang 5 Peter Lin 123		Sample output		
	Rung-Bin Lin –34 ^Z				
	Lisa		in -2		
	James	L	iu -	3 Tue Dec 28 13:51:45 2021	

Lin

Lee <u>H</u>uang

Tomas

Number of records in the file: 7

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# Input & Output (Second Run)

This run is conducted with an existing file clientFile.txt.

```
Existing file content:
          Lisa
                             Lin
                                              Tue Dec 28 16:14:05 2021
                                              Tue De 28 16:14:05 2021
Tue De 28 9 1 205 2021
          James
                             Liu
                                     19.8
        Shih-Yi
                           Chung
                                     120
                             Lin
          Peter
          Tomas
                             Lee
            Tom
                                              Tue Dec 28 16:14:05 2021
                           Huang
                                              Tue Dec 28 16:14:06 2021
      Rung-Bin
                             Lin
Number of records in the file: 7
Enter first name, last name, and balance:
Rung-Bin Lin -34
Mary Chuang -2
Gerge Huang -5
ames Lin -3
Cheng-Yi Lim -12
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Number of records in the file: 19
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# TA Grading Notes (1)

- To test a program, ask students to run the program twice. Before running the program, remove clientFile.txt from work library.
  - The first time runs the program with the first part of public test cases. This should create clientFile.txt.
  - The second time runs the program with the file created in the first time and the second part of public test cases.
- Should have the following statement in the main() function:

void createRecord(fstream &fptr, string firstN, string lastN, double actBal)

This function should be contained in a loop.

## TA Grading Notes (2)

- Ask students to explain how to remove duplicate records.
- main() and displayFile(fstream &) functions should not be modified.
- Should make sure that the duplicate records are correctly removed.