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1 TAS Editor (25 pts)

TAS (Tool-assisted speedrun)_{link} generally defined as a speedrun or playthrough composed of precise inputs recorded with tools such as video game emulators. e.g. Super Mario Bros and Pokemon. It is commonly employed to achieve records in various categories like any%_{link}, 100%_{link}, glitch end run_{link} and arbitrary code execution_{link}. TAS can do the console actions that would be impossible for a human to perform in reality.

Your TA was very love to play DS and Wii which are Nintendo video game consoles in his childhood. One of his favorite series game is Super Mario Bros_{Fig5.1}. He repeatedly completing the game 100%, even attempting speedrun on it. Of course, he sometimes watches something cool video about TAS speedrun. And he is also curious about the principles behind it. He finds out that TAS control based on reading the contents inside files.
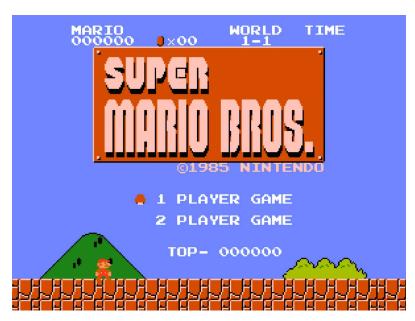

Figure 1: Super Mario Bros game

So this time, I want you implement a function about TAS edit action. For

your convenient, it is not necessary to test TAS on DS or Wii platform which are require high performance. And your program is required to generate a file named with the extension fm2_{link} for testing on the NES_{link} platform, with the classic game being Super Mario Bros.

There's the description of this function:

```
void button_set_frame(uint8_t **src, size_t *size, const uint8_t
    button, const uint64_t start_frame, const uint64_t end_frame,
    const bool unset);
/*
    Parameters:
        src: Button value array pointer for generate fm2 file.
        size: src size for pointer.
        button: Button uint8_t value to set/unset, not replace.
        start_frame: Represent start frame to set/unset button.
        end_frame: Represent end frame to set/unset button.
        unset: If true, clear button but not delete it. Otherwise,
    as above description.

    Examples:
        Set 130 value (R, B button) from frame 381 to frame 480.

        $ button_set_frame(src, size, 130, 381, 480, 0);

        Button set list: R, L, D, U, T, S, B, A.
        That is uint8_t range value convert to. For example:

                RLDUTSBA
        130 -> 10000010 -> set R, B

    Note:
        If the frame range is overflow, please increase the size of
    src automatically
*/
```

TAS achieves high-precision control by manipulating button events frame by frame in a game. To let a NES emulator to do the TAS, the input is provided in the form of an fm2 text file. Each line in the fm2 file represents a button set, as the TAS input for each frame. There's fm2 file example here:

```
|0|........|||  # Frame 0:  Nothing, value: 0
|0|....T...|||  # Frame 1:  Button T event, value: 8
|0|........|||  # Frame 2:  Nothing, value: 0
|0|........|||  # Frame 3:  Nothing, value: 0
|0|R.....B.|||  # Frame 4:  Button R, B event, value: 130
|0|R.....B.|||  # Frame 5:  Button R, B event, value: 130
|0|........|||  # Frame 6:  Nothing, value: 0
|0|........|||  # Frame 7:  Nothing, value: 0
|0|R......A|||  # Frame 8:  Button R, A event, value: 129
|0|R.....B.|||  # Frame 9:  Button R, B event, value: 130
|0|..D.....|||  # Frame 10: Button D event, value: 32
|0|..D.....|||  # Frame 11: Button D event, value: 32
|0|R.....BA|||  # Frame 12: Button R, B, A event, value: 131
|0|RLDUTSBA|||  # Frame 13: All buttons event, value: 255
```

The src array to generate fm2 file above is:

```
1 src: {0, 8, 0, 0, 130, 130, 0, 0, 129, 130, 32, 32, 131, 255}
```

To generate fm2 file, I'll give you decode.c and decode.h to extract your fm2 file. The prototype of this function is:

```
1 void extract_fm2_file(const uint8_t *src, const size_t size);
```

I'll use a NES emulator called FCEUX_{link} while running your fm2 file. To install it, you can run the following command:

```
1 $ sudo apt install fceux #Ubuntu, Debian
2 $ sudo brew install fceux #macOS
3
4 # Windows version following this URL:
5 # https://fceux.com/web/download.html
6
7 # Note: Maybe other Linux distribution also has repository that able
        to install FCEUX. You can try to find out yourself.
```

Emulator require an NES ROM to start. You can find your ROM here. And this is how to run it:

```
1 $ fceux --playmov <your fm2 file> <your NES game ROM>
```

There are some FCEUX shortcuts:

- NES Gamepad_{Fig5.2} (keyboard map to gamepad button):

  - D: B
  - F: A
  - Enter: T (Start)
  - S : S (Select)
  - Keypad up: U (Up)
  - Keypad left: L (Left)
  - Keypad down: D (Down)
  - Keypad right: R (Right)

- Show Frame Count: .

- Frame Speed Up: +

- Frame Speed Down: -

- Enter or Quit Fullscreen:

  - Alt + Enter (For Ubuntu or Windows)
  - Option + Enter (For macOS)

You should also prepare a header file called tas.h. TA will prepare hw0505.c which includes tas.h and uses these functions. **Do not forget to make hw0505.c to hw0505 in your Makefile.**

Figure 2: NES Gamepad