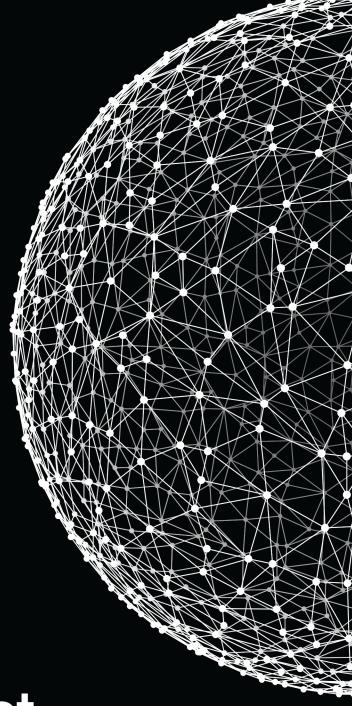
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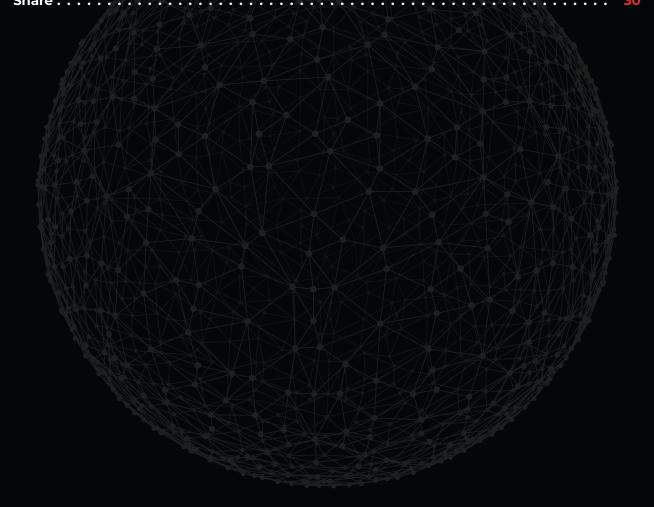
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# **Engage**

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Hey there.

The next challenge in  $Track\ C$  is to create your own library of functions. The implementation of this challenge will help simplify your programming life and save a lot of time in future development. By creating various functions, you can understand even more deeply how they work, why and how they are used, and understand the algorithms of their work

Of course, you can use the functions from the created library in the next  $\frac{C}{C}$  challenges. In addition, you have a great opportunity to expand your library with even more useful functions and make it unique.

Good luck, The Chosen One!

#### **BIG IDEA**

Stay DRY. Don't Repeat Yourself.

#### **ESSENTIAL QUESTION**

How can I reuse my code, modules, programs, etc.?

#### **CHALLENGE**

Create your own library.



# **Investigate**

#### **GUIDING QUESTIONS**

We invite you to find answers to the following questions. By researching and answering them, you will gain the knowledge necessary to complete the challenge. To find answers, ask the students around you and search the internet. We encourage you to ask as many questions as possible. Note down your findings and discuss them with your peers.

- What are libraries in programming?
- What is the difference between a framework and a library?
- Why is it useful to create your own library?
- · Have you ever developed a library before?
- What is the difference between static and dynamic libraries?
- What do you know about dynamic libraries?
- What are static variables? What is their life span?

#### **GUIDING ACTIVITIES**

Complete the following activities. Don't forget that you have a limited time to overcome the challenge. Use it wisely. Distribute tasks correctly.

- Define the terms of the challenge (library, function, solution, product, etc.).
- Ask students who have already begun this challenge about what is best to start with and what problems they have encountered.
- Make a plan where to start. Read the tasks, examine all the functions that you must create.
- · Think about the extra functions you would like to have in your library.
- Carefully read the instructions, as well as the man for the functions that have similar behavior to the standard libc functions.
- · Ask other students to test your solutions. Help each other find mistakes.
- Think about how you can improve your functions.
- Clone your git repository that is issued on the challenge page.
- Push your solutions.

#### **ANALYSIS**

Analyze your findings. What conclusions have you made after completing guiding questions and activities? In addition to your thoughts and conclusions, here are some more analysis results.

- Be attentive to all statements of the story.
- The challenge must have the following structure:
  - src directory contains files with extension .c
  - obj directory contains files with extension .o (you must not push this directory in your repository, only Makefile creates it during compilation)



- inc directory contains header libmx.h
- Makefile that compiles and builds libmx.a
- Complete the challenge according to the rules specified in the Auditor .
- Submit your files using the layout described in the story. Only useful files allowed, garbage shall not pass!
- Compile C-files with clang compiler and use these flags: clang -std=c11 -Wall -Wextra -Werror -Wpedantic.
- You are allowed to use such functions: malloc, malloc\_size, free, open, read, write, close, exit.
- Pay attention to what is allowed. Use of forbidden stuff is considered a cheat and your challenge will be failed.
- A memory that is no longer needed must be freed, otherwise, the function is considered incomplete.
- All functions that are given in all parts of the story must be done in separate files.
- It is recommended to reuse already written functions for writing new ones.
- · You can add some custom functions if you need it.
- The solution will be checked and graded by students like you.
   Peer-to-Peer learning.
- · Also, the challenge will pass automatic evaluation which is called Oracle.
- If you have any questions or don't understand something, ask other students or just Google it.



# **Act: Utils pack**

In this pack, you must create util functions that make your work easier. You have already developed some of these features during the Refresh Marathon C. Find the prototypes for every function below.

#### **NAME**

Print character

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that outputs a single character to the standard output.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

void mx\_printchar(char c);

## NAME

Print multibyte characters

#### DESCRIPTION

Create a function that outputs ASCII and multibyte characters to the standard output.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

void mx\_print\_unicode(wchar\_t c);

#### **NAME**

Print string

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that outputs a string of characters to the standard output.

## **SYNOPSIS**

void mx\_printstr(const char \*s);

#### **NAME**

Print array of strings



Create a function that outputs:

- an array of strings arr to the standard output with a delimiter delim between the elements of an array
- nothing if arr or delim do not exist
- a newline at the end of the output

arr must be NULL -terminated, in other cases the behavior is undefined.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
void mx_print_strarr(char **arr, const char *delim);
```

#### NAME

Print integer

#### DESCRIPTION

Create a function that outputs integer values to the standard output.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
void mx_printint(int n);
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
mx_printint(25); //prints 25
mx_printint(2147483647); //prints 2147483647
```

#### **NAME**

Exponentiation

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that computes n raised to the power of zero or a positive integer pow.

## **RETURN**

Returns the result of n to the power of pow.



```
double mx_pow(double n, unsigned int pow);
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
mx_pow(3, 3); //returns 27
mx_pow(2.5, 3); //returns 15.625
mx_pow(2, 0); //returns 1
```

#### **NAME**

Square root

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that computes the non-negative square root of  $\mathbf{x}$ . The function must compute square root in less than 2 seconds.

#### **RETURN**

Returns the square root of the number x if it is natural, and 0 otherwise.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
int mx_sqrt(int x);
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
mx_sqrt(3); //returns 0
mx_sqrt(4); //returns 2
```

#### **NAME**

Decimal to hex

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that converts an unsigned long number into a hexadecimal string.

#### **RETURN**

Returns the number converted to a hexadecimal string.



```
char *mx_nbr_to_hex(unsigned long nbr);
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
mx_nbr_to_hex(52); //returns "34"
mx_nbr_to_hex(1000); //returns "3e8"
```

#### **NAME**

Hex to decimal

## DESCRIPTION

Create a function that converts a hexadecimal string into an unsigned long number.

#### RETURN

Returns the unsigned long number.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
unsigned long mx_hex_to_nbr(const char *hex);
```

## **EXAMPLE**

#### **NAME**

Integer to ASCII

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that takes an integer and converts it to a string.

#### **RETURN**

Returns the number as a NULL -terminated string.



```
char *mx_itoa(int number);
```

#### **NAME**

For each

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that applies the function f for each element of the array arr given size.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
void mx_foreach(int *arr, int size, void (*f)(int));
```

## NAME

Binary search

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that:

- searches the string s in the array arr with the given size of array
- uses the binary search algorithm assuming that the input array has already been sorted in a lexicographical order

#### RETURN

- returns the index of the found string in the array
- returns -1 in case of errors or if the string has not been found
- assigns the number of required iterations to the count pointer

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
int mx_binary_search(char **arr, int size, const char *s, int *count);
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
arr = {"222", "Abcd", "aBc", "ab", "az", "z"};
count = 0;
mx_binary_search(arr, 6, "ab", &count); //returns 3 and count = 3
count = 0;
mx_binary_search(arr, 6, "aBc", &count); //returns 2 and count = 1
count = 0;
mx_binary_search(arr, 6, "aBz", &count); //returns -1 and count = 0
```



#### **NAME**

Bubble sort

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that:

- sorts an array of strings in place in lexicographical order
- uses the bubble sort algorithm

## **RETURN**

Returns the number of swap operations.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
int mx_bubble_sort(char **arr, int size);
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
arr = {"abc", "xyz", "ghi", "def"};
mx_bubble_sort(arr, 4); //returns 3

arr = {"abc", "acb", "a"};
mx_bubble_sort(arr, 3); //returns 2
```

#### **NAME**

Quick sort

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that:

- · sorts an array of strings by their lengths in ascending order
- uses the quick sort algorithm. Select the middle element of the array as the center

You must not check the validity of left and right.

#### **RETURN**

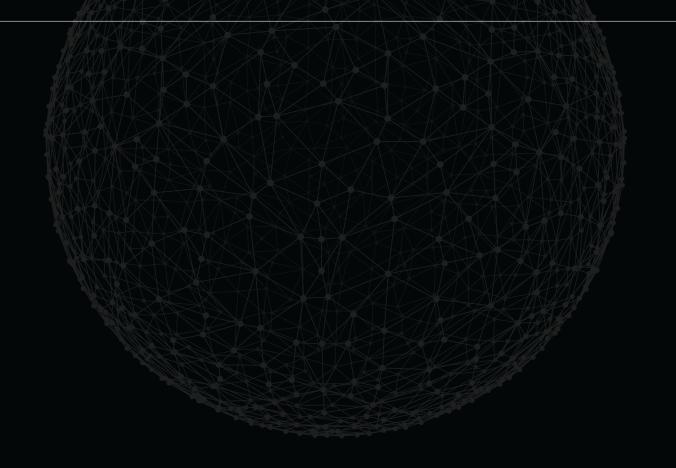
- returns the number of swaps
- returns -1 if arr does not exist



```
int mx_quicksort(char **arr, int left, int right);
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
arr = {"Michelangelo", "Donatello", "Leonardo", "Raphael"};
mx_quicksort(arr, 0, 3); //returns 2
//arr = {"Raphael", "Leonardo", "Donatello", "Michelangelo"};
arr1 = {"DMC", "Clint Eastwood", "Dr Brown", "Einstein", "Jessica", "Biff Tannen"};
mx_quicksort(arr1, 0, 5); //returns 2
//arr1 = {"DMC", "Jessica", "Dr Brown", "Einstein", "Biff Tannen", "Clint Eastwood"};
```



# **Act: String pack**

In this pack, you must create functions to operate with strings. You already developed some of these functions during the Refresh Marathon C. Find prototypes for each function below.

#### **NAME**

String length

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that has the same behavior as the corresponding standard libc function strlen .

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
int mx_strlen(const char *s);
```

#### NAME

Swap characters

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that swaps the characters of a string using pointers. Do nothing if s1 or s2 does not exist.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
void mx_swap_char(char *s1, char *s2);
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
str = "ONE";
mx_swap_char(&str[0], &str[1]); //'str' now is "NOE"
mx_swap_char(&str[1], &str[2]); //'str' now is "NEO"
```

#### **NAME**

Reverse string

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that reverses a string using pointers. Do nothing if a string does not exist.



```
void mx_str_reverse(char *s);
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
str = "game over";
mx_str_reverse(str); //'str' now is "revo emag"
```

#### **NAME**

Delete string

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that:

- takes a pointer to a string
- frees string memory with free
- sets the string to NULL

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
void mx_strdel(char **str);
```

#### **NAME**

Delete array of strings

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that:

- takes a pointer to a NULL -terminated array of strings
- deletes the contents of the array
- frees array memory with free
- sets a pointer to NULL

```
void mx_del_strarr(char ***arr);
```



#### **NAME**

Get character index

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that finds the index of the first occurrence of the character c in a string str . A string is a sequence of characters, excluding NULL in the end.

#### **RETURN**

- returns the index of the first occurrence
- returns -1 if no occurrence is found
- returns -2 if the string does not exist

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
int mx_get_char_index(const char *str, char c);
```

## NAME

Duplicate string

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard libc function strdup.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
char *mx_strdup(const char *s1);
```

#### **NAME**

Duplicate part of string

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard libc function strndup.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
char *mx_strndup(const char *s1, size_t n);
```

#### **NAME**

Copy string



Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard libc function strcpy.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
char *mx_strcpy(char *dst, const char *src);
```

## **NAME**

Copy them all

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard libc function strncpy.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
char *mx_strncpy(char *dst, const char *src, int len);
```

#### NAME

Compare strings

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard libc function strcmp.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
int mx_strcmp(const char *s1, const char *s2);
```

#### **NAME**

Concatenate strings

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard libc function streat.

```
char *mx_strcat(char *restrict s1, const char *restrict s2);
```



#### **NAME**

Locate a substring

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard libc function strstr.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
char *mx_strstr(const char *haystack, const char *needle);
```

#### **NAME**

Get substring index

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that finds the index of a substring.

#### **RETURN**

- returns the index of the first character of sub in str
- returns -1 if sub is not found in str
- returns -2 if str or sub does not exist

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
int mx_get_substr_index(const char *str, const char *sub);
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
mx_get_substr_index("McDonalds", "Don"); //returns 2
mx_get_substr_index("McDonalds Donuts", "on"); //returns 3
mx_get_substr_index("McDonalds", "Donatello"); //returns -1
mx_get_substr_index("McDonalds", NULL); //returns -2
mx_get_substr_index(NULL, "Don"); //returns -2
```

#### **NAME**

Count substrings

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that counts the substrings sub in the string str.



#### **RETURN**

- returns the count of sub in str
- returns 0 if sub is an empty string
- returns -1 if str and / or sub do not exist

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
int mx_count_substr(const char *str, const char *sub);
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
str = "yo, yo, yo Neo";
sub = "yo";
mx_count_substr(str, sub); //returns 3
mx_count_substr(str, NULL); //returns -1
mx_count_substr(NULL, sub); //returns -1
```

#### NAME

Count words

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that counts words in a string.
Word is a sequence of characters separated by a delimiter.

#### **RETURN**

Returns the number of words in the string.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
int mx_count_words(const char *str, char c);
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
str = " follow * the white rabbit ";
mx_count_words(str, '*'); //returns 2
mx_count_words(str, ' '); //returns 5
mx_count_words(NULL, ' '); //returns -1
```

#### **NAME**

New string



Create a function that:

- allocates memory for a string of a specific size and one additional byte for the terminating '\0'
- initializes each character with '\0'

#### **RETURN**

- returns the string of a specific size and terminated by '\0'
- returns NULL if creation fails

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
char *mx_strnew(const int size);
```

#### NAME

Trim string

## DESCRIPTION

Create a function that:

- takes a string, and creates a new one from it without whitespace characters at the beginning and the end of the string
- frees all unused memory

#### **RETURN**

- returns a new trimmed string
- returns NULL if the string str does not exist or string trim fails

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
char *mx_strtrim(const char *str);
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
name = "\f My name... is Neo \t\n ";
mx_strtrim(name); //returns "My name... is Neo"
```

#### **NAME**

Clean string



Create a function that:

- takes a string, and creates a new one from it without whitespace characters in the beginning and/or at the end of the string
- separates words in the new string with exactly one space character
- frees all unused memory

A word is a sequence of characters separated by whitespaces.

#### **RETURN**

- returns a new created string
- returns NULL if the string str does not exist or string creation fails

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
char *mx_del_extra_spaces(const char *str);
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
name = "\f My name... is \r Neo \t\n ";
mx_del_extra_spaces(name); //returns "My name... is Neo"
```

#### NAME

Split string

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that:

- converts a string s to a NULL -terminated array of words
- frees all unused memory

A word is a sequence of characters separated by the character c as a delimiter.

#### **RETURN**

- returns the NULL -terminated array of strings
- returns NULL if the string s does not exist or conversion fails

```
char **mx_strsplit(const char *s, char c);
```



#### **EXAMPLE**

#### **NAME**

Join strings

## DESCRIPTION

Create a function that:

- concatenates strings s1 and s2 into a new string
- terminates the new string with '\0'

#### RETURN

- returns the string as a result of concatenation s1 and s2
- returns the new copy of non-NULL parameter if one and only one of the parameters is NULL
- returns NULL if the concatenation fails

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
char *mx_strjoin(const char *s1, const char *s2);
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
str1 = "this";
str2 = "dodge ";
str3 = NULL;
mx_strjoin(str2, str1); //returns "dodge this"
mx_strjoin(str1, str3); //returns "this"
mx_strjoin(str3, str3); //returns NULL
```

## **NAME**

File to string



Create a function that:

- takes a filename as a parameter
- reads data from the file into a string

#### **RETURN**

- returns a NULL -terminated string
- returns NULL in case of any errors

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
char *mx_file_to_str(const char *file);
```

#### NAME

Replace substrings

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that replaces all occurrences of sub in str with replace.

#### **RETURN**

- returns a new string where substrings are replaced
- returns NULL if sub or str or replace does not exist

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
char *mx_replace_substr(const char *str, const char *sub, const char *replace);
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
mx_replace_substr("McDonalds", "alds", "uts"); //returns "McDonuts"
mx_replace_substr("Ururu turu", "ru", "ta"); //returns "Utata tuta"
```

## **NAME**

Read line a.k.a. Mr. Big



Create a function that reads the line from the given fd into the lineptr until it:

- reaches a delim character. The delimiter must not be returned with lineptr
- reaches the End Of File (EOF)

A line is a sequence of characters before a delimiter.

#### The function:

- works correctly with any file descriptor fd
- works correctly with any positive integer buf\_size . buf\_size must be passed to the function read as a parameter nbytes
- can read all data from the given fd until the EOF, one line per call
- · may contain a single static variable while global variables are still forbidden
- · may have undefined behavior while reading from a binary file

#### **RETURN**

- returns the number of bytes that are written into lineptr
- returns -1 if EOF is reached and there is nothing to write in lineptr
- returns -2 in case of errors or fd is invalid

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
int mx_read_line(char **lineptr, size_t buf_size, char delim, const int fd);
```

#### **EXAMPLE**

```
/* lets imagine that there is a file 'fragment' and it contains:
FADE IN:

ON COMPUTER SCREEN

so close it has no boundaries.

A blinking cursor...
*/
fd = open("fragment", O_RDONLY);

res = mx_read_line(&str, 7, '\n', fd); //res = 8, str = "FADE IN:"
 res = mx_read_line(&str, 35, 'a', fd); //res = 34, str = "
//ON COMPUTER SCREEN
//
//so close it h"
```



```
res = mx_read_line(&str, 1, '.', fd); //res = 15, str = "s no boundaries"
res = mx_read_line(&str, 10, '\n', fd); //res = 0, str = ""
```

## **TIPS**

- Function uses lineptr as it is. No changes needed in spite of the file's content.
- Function does nothing with lineptr if an input file is empty.
- Your function will be more handy and usefull if it works with multiple descriptors. But it is not neccessary.
- It's okay that your function doesn't work correctly while trying to read from different files with the same descriptor.

## FOLLOW THE WHITE RABBIT

man 2 read



# **Act: Memory pack**

Correct work with memory is an integral and important part of the interaction of your program with the computer. To do this, we need the following functions.

#### **NAME**

Fill memory

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard libc function memset .

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
void *mx_memset(void *b, int c, size_t len);
```

## NAME

Copy memory

#### DESCRIPTION

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard libc function memcpy.

#### SYNOPSIS

```
void *mx_memcpy(void *restrict dst, const void *restrict src, size_t n);
```

## **NAME**

Copy memory to ...

## DESCRIPTION

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard stdlib function memccpy.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

#### **NAME**

Compare memory



Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard stdlib function memcmp.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
int mx_memcmp(const void *s1, const void *s2, size_t n);
```

#### **NAME**

Locate byte from start

## DESCRIPTION

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard stdlib function memchr .

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
void *mx_memchr(const void *s, int c, size_t n);
```

#### NAME

Locate byte from end

#### DESCRIPTION

Create a function  $mx\_memrchr$ , which is similar to the function  $mx\_memchr$ , except that it searches in the opposite direction from the end of the bytes n points to s instead of directly from the beginning.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
void *mx_memrchr(const void *s, int c, size_t n);
```

## **EXAMPLE**

```
mx_memrchr("Trinity", 'i', 7); //returns "ity"
mx_memrchr("Trinity", 'M', 7); //returns NULL
```

#### **NAME**

Locate block of bytes

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard libc function memmem.



## **NAME**

Non-overlapping memory copy

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard libc function memmove.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
void *mx_memmove(void *dst, const void *src, size_t len);
```

#### NAME

Reallocate memory

## DESCRIPTION

Create a function that has the same behavior as the standard stdlib function realloc.

```
void *mx_realloc(void *ptr, size_t size);
```



# **Act: List pack**

So now we come to an important and convenient data structure. You will use it in the future. You can find prototypes for every function in the list of tasks and solist structure below. Your library header must contain the structure solist and the required includes and prototypes to compile the functions successfully.

```
typedef struct s_list {
   void *data;
   struct s_list *next;
}
t_list;
```

#### **NAME**

Create node

## DESCRIPTION

Create a function that creates a new node of a linked list t\_list. The function assigns a parameter data to the list variable data and assigns next to NULL.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
t_list *mx_create_node(void *data);
```

## NAME

Push front

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that inserts a new node of t\_list type with the given parameter data at the beginning of the linked list.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
void mx_push_front(t_list **list, void *data);
```

#### **NAME**

Push back

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that inserts a node of  $t_{list}$  type with the given parameter data at the end of the linked list.



```
void mx_push_back(t_list **list, void *data);
```

#### **NAME**

Pop front

#### **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that removes the first node of the linked list and frees the memory allocated for the node.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

```
void mx_pop_front(t_list **head);
```

#### NAME

Pop back

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that removes the last node of the linked list and frees the memory allocated for the node.

## **SYNOPSIS**

```
void mx_pop_back(t_list **head);
```

## **NAME**

Size of list

## **DESCRIPTION**

Create a function that calculates the number of nodes in a linked list.

## **RETURN**

Returns the amount of nodes in the linked list.

```
int mx_list_size(t_list *list);
```



## **NAME**

Sort list

## **DESCRIPTION**

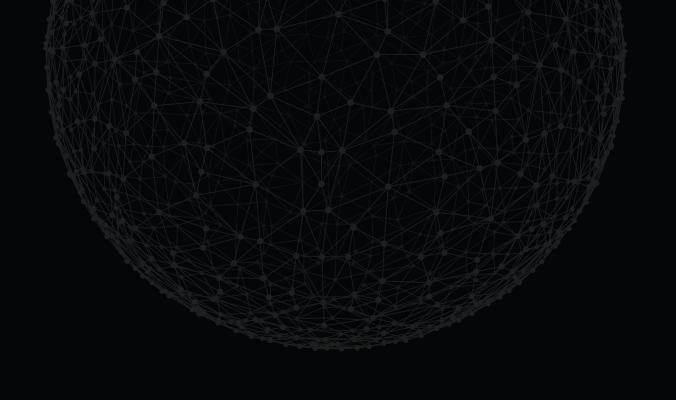
Create a function that sorts a list's contents in ascending order. The function cmp returns true if a > b and false in other cases.

#### **RETURN**

Returns a pointer to the first element of the sorted list.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

t\_list \*mx\_sort\_list(t\_list \*lst, bool (\*cmp)(void \*, void \*));





## **Share**

#### **PUBLISHING**

Last but not least, the final stage of your work is to publish it. This allows you to share your challenges, solutions, and reflections with local and global audiences. During this stage, you will discover ways of getting external evaluation and feedback on your work. As a result, you will get the most out of the challenge, and get a better understanding of both your achievements and missteps.

#### To share your work, you can create:

- a text post, as a summary of your reflection
- charts, infographics or other ways to visualize your information
- a video, either of your work, or a reflection video
- an audio podcast. Record a story about your experience
- a photo report with a small post

#### Helpful tools:

- Canva a good way to visualize your data
- QuickTime an easy way to capture your screen, record video or audio

#### Examples of ways to share your experience:

- Facebook create and share a post that will inspire your friends
- YouTube upload an exciting video
- GitHub share and describe your solution
- Telegraph create a post that you can easily share on Telegram
- Instagram share photos and stories from ucode. Don't forget to tag us :)

Share what you've learned and accomplished with your local community and the world. Use #ucode and #CBLWorld on social media.

