

File handling in C++:

File: represents storage medium for storing data or information.

Streams: refer to sequence of bytes.

ofstream: represents the output streams and used for writing in files.

ifstream: represents the input streams and used for reading from files.

fstream: represents both input stream and output stream. used for reading from and writing in files.

Operations in file:

open(): creating a file.

read(): reading data from a file.

write(): writing new data to a file.

close(): closing a file.

File creation:

Filepointer.open("path", ios::mode);

mode:

out: writing

in: reading

app: appending

trunc: truncating

//creating/opening a file:

```
#include<iostream>
```

```
#include<fstream>
```

```
using namespace std;
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    fstream s;
```

```

s.open("D:/JU/2022 1st sem/IT 2nd year/ab.txt", ios::out);
// D:\JU\2022 1st sem\IT 2nd year\ab.txt

if(!s) //s==NULL
{
    cout<<"file creation failed: \n";
}
else
{
    cout<<"new file created: \n";
    s.close();
}
}

```

//writing to a file:

```

#include<iostream>
#include<fstream>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    fstream s;

    s.open("D:/JU/2022 1st sem/IT 2nd year/ab.txt", ios::out);

    if(!s) //s==NULL
    {
        cout<<"file creation failed: \n";

    }
    else
    {
        cout<<"file opened: \n";
        s<<"Hello world: ";
        s.close();
    }
}

```

//reading from a file: [character by character]

```

#include<iostream>
#include<fstream>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    ifstream s;

    s.open("D:/JU/2022 1st sem/IT 2nd year/IT_1.txt", ios::in);

    if(!s) //s==NULL
    {
        cout<<"file creation failed: \n";
    }
    else
    {
        char ch;
        while(!s.eof())
        {
            s>>ch; //retrieving each character from the file..
            cout<<ch; //print it to the console
        }

        s.close();
    }
}

```

```

#include<iostream>
#include<fstream>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    ofstream fout;
    string line;

    fout.open("D:/JU/2022 1st sem/IT 2nd year/abc.txt");

```

```

    cout<<"Enter data to the file: ";
    while(fout)
    {
        getline(cin,line); //take a line from standard input

        if(line=="-1")
            break;

        fout<<line<<endl;
    }

    fout.close();

    ifstream fin;
    fin.open("D:/JU/2022 1st sem/IT 2nd year/abc.txt");
    while(fin)
    {
        getline(fin,line); //read a line from file
        cout<<line<<endl;
    }

    fin.close();
}

```

Special operations:

put(): it writes a single character to file.

get(): it reads a single character from a file.

tellp(): tells the current position of the put pointer.

filepointer.tellp()

tellg(): tells the current position of the get pointer.

filepointer.tellg()

seekp(): moves the put pointer (output) to the mentioned location.

filepointer.seekp(no of bytes, reference mode)

seekg(): moves the get pointer (input) to the mentioned location.

filepointer.seekg(no of bytes, reference point)

3 reference points are passed:

ios::beg -> beginning from a file.
ios::cur -> current position in the file.
ios::end -> end of the file.

//implementing tellp() and seekp() operations in file:

```
#include<iostream>
#include<fstream>
```

```
using namespace std;
```

```
int main()
{
    fstream st;
    st.open("D:/JU/2022 1st sem/IT 2nd year/abcd.txt", ios::out);

    if(!st)
    {
        cout<<"file creation failed:" ;
    }

    else
    {
        cout<<"file created: \n" ;

        st<<"Hello";
        cout<<"File pointer position: "<<st.tellp()<<endl; //5

        st.seekp(-1, ios::cur);
        cout<<"As per tellp: current File pointer position: "<<st.tellp()<<endl; //4

        st.seekp(2, ios::cur);
        cout<<"As per tellp: current File pointer position: "<<st.tellp()<<endl; //6
    }
}
```

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using namespace std;
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```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    fstream st;
```

```
    st.open("D:/JU/2022 1st sem/IT 2nd year/abcd.txt", ios::out);
```

```
    if(!st)
```

```
    {
```

```
        cout<<"file creation failed:" ;
```

```
    }
```

```
    else
```

```
    {
```

```
        cout<<"file created: \n" ;
```

```
        st<<"Hello";
```

```
        cout<<"File pointer position: "<<st.tellp()<<endl; //5
```

```
        st.seekp(-1, ios::cur);
```

```
        cout<<"As per tellp: current File pointer position: "<<st.tellp()<<endl; //4
```

```
        st.seekp(2, ios::cur);
```

```
        cout<<"As per tellp: current File pointer position: "<<st.tellp()<<endl; //6
```

```
        st.close();
```

```
    }
```

```
    //reopening the file in input mode:
```

```
    st.open("D:/JU/2022 1st sem/IT 2nd year/abcd.txt", ios::in);
```

```
    if(!st)
```

```
    {
```

```
        cout<<"no such file: \n";
```

```
    }
```

```
    else
```

```
    {
```

```
        char ch;
```

```
        st.seekg(-5, ios::end);
```

```
        cout<<"\n\nAs per tellg: File pointer position:"<<st.tellg()<<endl; //0
```

```
        st.seekg(2,ios::cur);
```

```
        cout<<"As per tellg(): File pointer position:"<<st.tellg()<<endl; //2
```

```

        st.close();
    }

}

```

//after reaching -1, no file write operation can be performed: [pointer does not move further in the negative direction:]

```

#include<iostream>
#include<fstream>

```

```

using namespace std;

```

```

int main()
{
    fstream st;
    st.open("D:/JU/2022 1st sem/IT 2nd year/abcd.txt", ios::out);

    if(!st)
    {
        cout<<"file creation failed:" ;
    }

    else
    {
        cout<<"file created: \n" ;

        st<<"Hello";
        cout<<"File pointer position: "<<st.tellp()<<endl; //5

        st.seekp(-4, ios::cur); //st.seekp(-6, ios::cur); no updation
        cout<<"As per tellp: current File pointer position: "<<st.tellp()<<endl; //0

        st<<"a";
        cout<<"As per tellp: current File pointer position: "<<st.tellp()<<endl; //0

        st.seekp(2, ios::cur);
        cout<<"As per tellp: current File pointer position: "<<st.tellp()<<endl; // 2

        st.close();
    }
}

```

}
