

Exercise 9: Recursion

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1 Text processing

Read a text from stdin. Define functions for doing each of the following operations. Test the functions individually.

1. Store the lines in as an array of lines, each line a C-string.
2. Store each line as an array of words, each word a C-string.
3. Count the number of lines.
4. Count the number of words.
5. Define a function to “search and replace” a word by another word.
6. Capitalize the first letter of each line.

1.1 Specification

5 functions `search_replace()`, which takes the original array, word to be searched and replacing word as input and modifies the array, `capitalize()`, which takes the array as input and capitalizes the first letter of each line, `count()`, which takes the array as input and returns the number of elements to the calling function, `store_words()`, which takes an array and an empty array as input and stores each word to the empty array, and `print_strings()`, which takes an array as input and prints the array.

1.2 Prototype

```
int search_replace(char* k[],char s[],char r[]);  
void capitalise(char* p[]);  
int count(char* k[]);  
void store_words(char* k[],char* c[]);  
void print_strings(char* c[]);
```

1.3 Program Design

The program consists of 5 functions `search_replace(char* k[],char s[],char r[])`, `capitalise(char* p[])`, `count(char* k[])`, `store_words(char* k[],char* c[])`, `print_strings(char* c[])`, which do the necessary task, and `main()`, which gets the input from `stdin`, and calls the function.

1.4 Algorithm

```
def search_replace(k,s,r):
    i,j,p,h=0
    newline=""
    while k[h]!=NULL:
        i=0
        l=k[h]
        while i<len(l):
            while l[i]!=' ' and l[i]!='\0':
                word[j]=l[i]
            j+=1
            i+=1
            word[j]='\0'
            if word==s:
                word=r
            word+=" "
            newline+=word
            j=0
            i++
        print(newline)
        //allocate memory for k[h]
        k[h]=newline
        newline=""
        h++
def capitalise(p):
    i=0
```

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while p[i]:
    p[i][0]=toupper(p[i][0])
    i+=1
def count(k):
    c=0
    while k[c]:
        c+=1
    return c
def store_words(k,c):
    i,j,h,p=0
    while k[h]!=NULL:
        i=0;
        l=k[h]
        while i<len(l):
            while l[i]!=' ' and l[i]!='\n' and l[i]!='\0':
word[j]=l[i]
j+=1
i+=1
        word[j]='\0';
        //allocate size for c[p]
        c[p]=word
        p+=1
        j=0;
        i+=1;
        h++;
    c[p]=NULL;
def print_strings(c):
    i=0
    while c[i]:
        print(c[i])
        i+=1

```

1.5 Source Code

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
#include<string.h>
int search_replace(char* k[],char s[],char r[]){
    int i=0,j=0,p=0,h=0;
    char l[300],word[20],newline[300];
    strcpy(newline,"");
    while(k[h]!=NULL){
        i=0;
        strcpy(l,k[h]);
        while(i<strlen(l)){
            while(l[i]!=' ' && l[i]!='\0'){
word[j++]=l[i++];
            }
            word[j]='\0';
            if(strcmp(word,s)==0){
strcpy(word,r);
            }
            strcat(word," ");
            strcat(newline,word);
            j=0;
            i++;
        }
        printf("%s \n",newline);
        k[h]=(char*) malloc(sizeof(newline));
        strcpy(k[h],newline);
        strcpy(newline,"");
        h++;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

```

}

void capitalise(char* p[]){
    int i=0;
    while(p[i]){
        p[i][0]=toupper(p[i][0]);
        i++;
    }

}

int count(char* k[]){
    int c=0;
    for(;k[c];c++){
        ;
    }
    return c;
}

void store_words(char* k[],char* c[]){
    int i=0,j=0,p=0,h=0;
    char l[300],word[20];
    while(k[h]!=NULL){
        i=0;
        strcpy(l,k[h]);
        while(i<strlen(l)){
            while(l[i]!=' ' && l[i]!='\n' && l[i]!='\0'){
word[j++]=l[i++];
            }
            word[j]='\0';
            c[p]=(char*) malloc(sizeof(word));
            strcpy(c[p],word);
            p++;
            j=0;

```

```

        i++;
    }
    h++;
}
c[p]=NULL;

}

void print_strings(char* c[]){
    for(int i=0;c[i];i++){
        printf("%s \n",c[i]);
    }
}

int main(){
    char *p[100], *c[30];
    int x=0;
    char inp[300],find[50],replace[50];
    while(fgets(inp,300,stdin)!=NULL){
        p[x]=(char*) malloc(sizeof(inp));
        strcpy(p[x],inp);
        x++;
    }
    p[x]=NULL;
    store_words(p,c);
    printf("%d\n", count(p));
    printf("%d\n", count(c));
    printf("\n");
    strcpy(find,"is");
    strcpy(replace,"to");
    scanf("%s%s",find,replace);
    int j=search_replace(p,find,replace);

```

```

print_strings(p);
printf("\n");
capitalise(p);
print_strings(p);
}

```

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my ambition to to study

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1.6 Test Input

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```
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is to play sports.
```

1.7 Output

```
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2 Tower of Hanoi

There are three poles fixed in the ground. On the first of these poles, 8 discs are placed, each of different size, in decreasing order of size. How will you move the discs from its pole to the clockwise pole (`cw_pole`) according to the rule that no disc may ever be above a smaller disc. Figures 1.

We can solve the problem recursively.

- Base case: There is no disc in the pole.
- Recursion step: Reduce the size of the tower to $n - 1$ discs. Move the tower of top $n - 1$ discs to the anti-clockwise pole. Move the exposed disc (n) on the pole to the clockwise pole. Then, move the tower of $n - 1$ discs from anti-clockwise pole to the clockwise pole. This idea is illustrated in Figure 2. Define `hanoi()`. Let the function print the sequence of moves on the `stdout`.

```
1: 1 -> 2
```

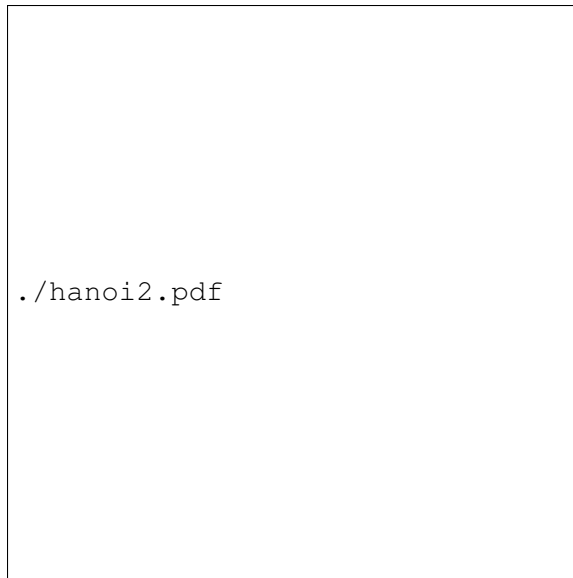



Figure 1: Tower of Hanoi, pole, clockwise pole, anti-clockwise pole

2: 1 -> 3

...

```
move_tower (n, pole, cw pole, acw pole)
-- pre:  tower of size n on pole,
--       towers in cw and acw poles are broader than the tower on pole
-- post: tower of size n on cw pole
    if n > 0
        move_tower (n-1, pole, acw pole, cw pole)
        move_disk (pole, cw pole)
        move_tower (n-1, acw pole, cw pole, pole)
```

2.1 Specification

2 functions `print()`, which takes 2 characters as input and prints the result, and `tower_of_hanoi()`, which takes an integer and 3 characters as the input and recursively calls itself and does the required steps.

2.2 Prototype

```
void print(char c, char d);
void tower_of_hanoi(int n, char fpole, char tpole, char apole)
```

2.3 Program Design

The program consists of 2 functions `print(char c, char d)`, which prints the result on `stdout`, `tower_of_hanoi(int n, char fpole, char tpole, char apole)`,

which calls itself recursively until the condition is satisfied, and `main()`, which gets the input from `stdin`, and calls the function.

2.4 Algorithm

```
def tower_of_hanoi(n, fpole, tpole, apole):  
    if n>0:  
        tower_of_hanoi(n-1, fpole, apole, tpole)  
        print(fpole, tpole)  
        tower_of_hanoi(n-1, apole, tpole, fpole)
```

2.5 Source Code

```
#include<stdio.h>  
void print(char c, char d){  
    printf("%c->%c\n", c, d);  
}  
void tower_of_hanoi(int n, char fpole, char tpole, char apole){  
    if(n>0){  
        tower_of_hanoi(n-1, fpole, apole, tpole);  
        print(fpole, tpole);  
        tower_of_hanoi(n-1, apole, tpole, fpole);  
    }  
}  
int main(){  
    int n;  
    scanf("%d", &n);  
    tower_of_hanoi(n, 'A', 'B', 'C');  
}
```

2.6 Test Input

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2.7 Output

```
A->B  
A->C  
B->C  
A->B  
C->A  
C->B  
A->B
```

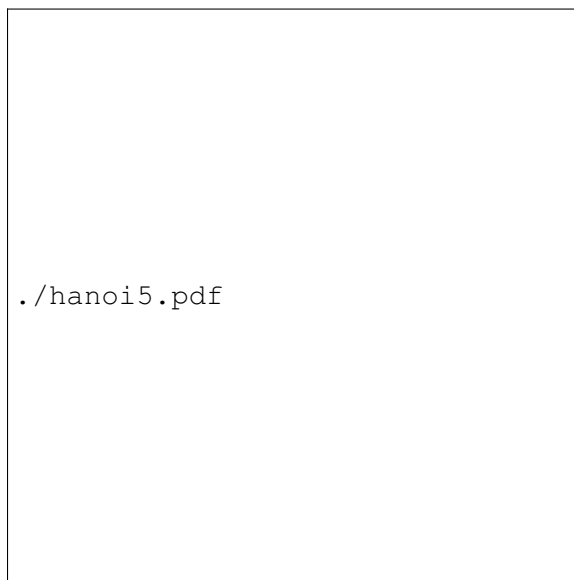


Figure 2: Tower of Hanoi: move tower in two recursive steps