Lab 4

Deadline: on the learning hub

Write a C program that performs basic text encryption using a substitution cipher. Create a main function that interacts with command line arguments (details to follow).

Requirements

- Create a function named **encrypt_text** that takes an input text file path, output text file path and a number shift as arguments.
- Read the contents of the input text file.
- Implement a substitution cipher to encrypt the text. You can use a basic letter shift (e.g., shifting each letter by 3 positions).
- In said encryption 'a' will be shifted with 'd' and 'z' with 'c' (case sensitive).
- Any special characters in the input will remain the same.
- Write the encrypted text to the output file.
- The main function reads the command line arguments for input, output files and shift number etc.

Restrictions

- You are not allowed to write any **printf** statement throughout your code.
- Before using any standard library functions other than stdio.h and stdlib.h you must consult with me prior to using it.
- If you have any doubts, ask during the lab session.

Example

Here is an example of the input:

>> input.txt

Hello, World!

>><executable> input.txt output.txt 3

Here is the output of running the input file through your program when it is encrypted:

>> encrypt output.txt

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Detailed Specification

- You will write main function as well as other helper functions.
- You are guaranteed to have no numbers in the input file.

How to Compile and Run

- The Makefile for lab4 is provided.
- The Makefile is supposed to work with lab4.c, input.txt and output.txt files so, make sure to save your files accordingly.
- Run the following command in vs code Terminal.

make

It should compile the code without any errors.

make convert input

It should convert the input.txt file to unix encoding.

make run

It should run the compiled code.

Run the following command to delete the out file.

make clean

It will delete the specified file.

make convert output

It should convert the output.txt file to unix encoding.

- Run the following command to test your output with provided reference output.
 make check
- You are not supposed to make any changes in the Makefile.
- Make sure to install dos2unix utility using the following command:

sudo apt-get install dos2unix

For Mac

brew install dos2unix

Grading

Any grading failure due to not following instructions will result in 0.

- (1 point) All files are submitted correctly using the instructions below.
- (6 point) Generate a correct solution to the problem(s) in this lab.

Submission

- You must push only one .c file named: lab4.c (case sensitive) & 2 screenshots of sample runs.
- Submit a PDF version of the code (lab4.pdf) to learning hub.
- Make sure to add your A number at the top of lab4.c as comments. Write your A number including leading 0's. e.g //A012345
- Please **do not submit ZIP files**. Instead, upload each file **individually** as part of your assignment submission.