CSCI 1300 CS1: Starting Computing Instructor: Fleming/Wong, Spring 2019

Homework 9

Due Wed, April 17, by 11 pm

+5% bonus if submitted by Tuesday, April 16, by 11:59 pm

All 3 components (Cloud9 workspace, Moodle Coderunner attempts, and zip file) must be completed and submitted by Wednesday, April 17, at 11 pm for your homework to receive points.

1. Objectives

- Learn binary numbers and how to use recursive functions
- Develop some methods that will be useful in your future!

2. Submission Requirements

All three steps must be fully completed by the submission deadline for your homework to be graded.

- 1. Create Hmwk8 directory on your Cloud 9 workspace: Your recitation TA will review your code by going to your Cloud9 workspace. TAs will check the last version that was saved before the submission deadline.
 - Create a directory called Hmwk9 and place all your file(s) for this assignment in this directory.
 - Make sure to save the final version of your code (File > Save). Verify that this version displays correctly by going to File > File Version History.
 - The file(s) should have all of your functions, test cases for the functions in main() function(s), and adhere to the style guide. Please read the submission file instructions under Week 4. You must include a test case for each one of your member functions for your classes.
- Submit to the Moodle Coderunner: Head over to Moodle to the link Homework
 Coderunner. You will find one programming quiz question for each problem in

the assignment. Submit your solution for the first problem and press the Check button. You will see a report on how your solution passed the tests, and the resulting score for the first problem. You can modify your code and re-submit (press *Check* again) as many times as you need to, up until the assignment due date. Continue with the rest of the problems.

3. **Submit a .zip file to Moodle:** After you have completed all questions from the Moodle assignment, zip all 2 files you compiled in Cloud9, and submit the zip file through the **Homework 9 (File Submission)** link on Moodle.

3. Rubric

Aside from the points received from the <u>Homework 9 Coderunner</u> quiz problems, your TA will look at your solution files (zipped together) as submitted through the <u>Homework 9 (File Submission)</u> link on Moodle and assign points for the following:

Style and Comments (5 points):

- The <u>style guide</u> is posted on Moodle under Week 6.
- Your code should be well-commented. Please review the standard for well-commented code, presented in more detail in previous homework write-ups.
- Please also include a comment at the top of your solution with the following format:

```
// CS1300 Spring 2019
// Author: my name
// Recitation: 123 - Favorite TA
// Cloud9 Workspace Editor Link: https://ide.c9.io/...
// Homework 9 - Problem # ...
```

Global variables (use will result in a 5 point deduction):

• To keep things simple, straightforward, and easy to debug and test, you may not use global variables in this homework.

Algorithm (5 points):

 Before each function that you define, you should include a comment that describes the inputs and outputs of your function and what algorithms you are using inside the function. Please review the standard for including your algorithm for each function, presented in more detail in previous homework write-ups.

Test Cases (5 points):

1. Code compiles and runs (2 points):

All the files you submit on Moodle under the zip file submission should compile and be free of bugs. It is important that your programs can be compiled and run on Cloud9 with no errors. The class files and the functions included in these programs should match those submitted to the CodeRunner on Moodle.

2. Test cases (3 points):

For this week's homework, 2 problems are asking you to create a function. In your Cloud9 solution file for each function, you should have 2 test cases present in their respective main() function, for a total of 4 test cases (see the diagram on the next page). Your test cases should follow the guidelines, Writing Test Cases, posted on Moodle under Week 3.

Please make sure that your submission files follow the the <u>submission file instructions</u> under Week 6.

4. Background

Binary Numbers

Remember counting using your fingers? When you've counted to five and you want to proceed, what would you do? The five fingers on your left hand are not enough, so you borrow from your right hand to do the job.

The most familiar numeral system is decimal where we use symbols from 0 to 9. When we want to represent some number larger than 9, the existing digits are not sufficient. So we string some of the existing digits (0 to 9) together to represent numbers larger than 9. There are 10 symbols (0 to 9) in terms of which all other numbers are represented. The decimal system has a base of 10, or is "base 10" for this reason.

This decimal representation is not the only numeral system, and in many fields, it is not an ideal one either. Which system to use usually depends on specific applications. For example, you might have a sixty-two-based numeral system, whose 62 symbols are:

0, 1, 2, ..., 8, 9, a, b, c, ..., x, y, z, A, B, C, ..., X, Y, Z.

We say this system is "62-based", or "base 62". Since it has 62 unique symbols, we can represent the decimal numbers 0 to 61 using them. We start counting from 0 through 9. When we get to 10 we still haven't run out of symbols, so we keep counting from a to z, and from A to Z. Z is the last symbol, or the 62nd. It represents the decimal number 61. Then how do we represent the decimal number 62 in our "62-based" system? We string together some of the existing symbols. For example, we can string 1 and 0 together, so 10 in our new system represents 62. And then, counting 63 is represented by 11 in our new system and so on.

Binary Numeral System

In computer systems, a binary numeral system (with symbols only 0 and 1), is the most important representation, since it can be easily mapped to logic gates: 1 represents "on" and 0 for "off". Let's start counting in decimal first, and see how the number is represented in binary, as shown in the following table.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0	1	10	11	100	101	110	111	1000

Note that when we are addressing numbers, leading 0s don't matter. That is, 0001 is the same as 1.

When we're counting 2, we run out of symbols, so we have to add a new bit (the *bi*nary version of digit). Similarly, when we are counting 4, we add new bit. A bit simple math - pun intended, you're welcome - shows how to convert a number from binary to decimal. Say we have a binary number 11010. Below is a step-by-step guide:

Binary:	1	1	0	1	0
Location:	4	3	2	1	0
Power of 2:	24 = 16	2 ³ = 8	2 ² = 4	21 = 2	20 = 1
Multiply by the binary:	16 * 1 = 16	8 * 1 = 8	4 * 0 = 0	2 * 1 = 2	1 * 0 = 0
Add them up	16 + 8 + 0 + 2 + 0 = 26				

This procedure applies to any numeral system. If the system is based on 62, in the step of "power of 2", we replace "2" with "62", and the rest of it is the same.

Here's a similar example in the more-familiar base 10:

Number:	8	5	2	7	7
Location:	4	3	2	1	0
Power of 2:	10 ⁴ = 10000	$10^3 = 1000$	$10^2 = 100$	10 ¹ = 10	100 = 1
Multiply by the binary:	8 * 10000 = 80,000	5 * 1000 = 5,000	2 * 100 = 200	10 * 7 = 70	1 * 7 = 7
Add them up:	80,000 + 5,000 + 200 + 70 + 7 = 85,277				

Converting Decimal to Binary

To convert a decimal number to its binary representation, we simply keep dividing our number by 2, and get the remainder of the number. We won't go into details now, but let's work on an example. For starters, consider the decimal number 26.

			Remainder	
26	Divided by 2	13	0	1
	Working on this number			
13	Divided by 2	6	1	
6	Divided by 2	3	0	
3	Divided by 2	1	1	
1	Divided by 2	0	1	

We should stop this procedure when the last number we work on is 1 or 2. We get all the remainders, and align them from bottom to the top, which is **1 1 0 1 0**, and we get our binary number.

Now that we know how to do this by hand, think about how to do that in your code. If you have an integer 13, how do you get the integer result 6 instead of 6.5? Then how do you get the remainder? What structure came to your mind first about this repeating procedure? Then how do you store the remainders and go back from the bottom to the top once you're done?

Recursion

A recursive function is one which calls itself. Recursion can be used to accomplish a repetitive task, like loops. Indeed, it turns out that anything you can do with a loop, you could also do with recursion, and vice versa. However, some algorithms are much easier to express with loops, and others are much easier to express with recursion. You'll want both in your toolkit to write elegant, simplistic, short code.

Every recursive function includes two parts:

- base case: A simple non-recursive occurrence that can be solved directly. Sometimes, there are multiple base cases.
- **recursive case:** A more complex occurrence that can be described using smaller chunks of the problem, closer to the base case.

To write a recursive function, we often use the following format:

```
returnType functionName(arguments) {
    if (/*baseCase?*/) {
        return /*baseCase result*/;
    } else {
        // some calculations, including a call to functionName
        // with "smaller" arguments.
        return /*general result*/
    }
}
```

Consider the following simple recursive function which calculates the sum of the numbers 1, 2, 3, ..., n:

```
int numberSum(int n) {
    if(n==0) { //base case
        return 0;
    }else{ //recursive case
        int sumForSmallerNumbers = numberSum(n-1);
        return (n + sumForSmallerNumbers);
    }
}
```

Consider this example; what does this function do?

```
int findValue(int n) {
    if (n < 10) {
        return n;
    }else{
        int a = n/10;
        int b= n%10;
        return findValue(a+b);
    }
}</pre>
```

This table shows both the final returned value and intermediate recursive function calls. For example, the top right cell reads: "findValue (27) returns findValue (9) which returns 9."

findValue(8)	findValue(27) ☐ findValue(9) ☐ 9
findValue(93) ☐ findValue(12) ☐ findValue(3) ☐ 3	findValue(84676) ☐ findValue(8473) ☐ findValue(850) ☐ findValue(85) ☐ findValue(13) ☐ findValue(4) ☐ 4

5. Problem Set

Problem 1 - binary!

Write a function **decimalToBinaryIterative** that converts a decimal value to binary using a loop. This function takes a single parameter, a non-negative integer, and returns a string corresponding to the binary representation of the given value.

- Your function should be named decimalToBinaryIterative
- Your function should take a single argument
 - An integer to be converted to binary
- Your function should not print anything
- Your function should use a loop
- Your function should return the binary representation of the given value as a **string**

For example, the call decimal ToBinary Iterative (5) should return "101".

Problem 2 - recursion!

Write a function **decimalToBinaryRecursive** that converts a decimal value to binary using recursion. This function takes a single parameter, a non-negative integer, and returns a string corresponding to the binary representation of the given value.

- Your function should be named decimalToBinaryRecursive
- Your function should take a single argument
 - \circ An **integer** to be converted to binary
- Your function should not print anything
- Your function should use recursion instead of a loop
- Your function should return the binary representation of the given value as a string

For example, the call decimalToBinaryRecursive (8) should return "1000".

5. Homework 9 checklist

Here is a checklist for submitting the assignment:

- 1. Complete the code **Homework 9 Coderunner**
- - 1. iterative.cpp
 - 2. recursive.cpp

6. Homework 9 point summary

Criteria	Pts
Coderunner	35
Style and Comments	5
Algorithms	5
Test cases	5
Recitation attendance (Apr 9 or Apr 11)*	-15
Using global variables	-5
Total	50
5% early submission bonus	+5%

^{*} If your attendance is not recorded, you will lose points.

Make sure your attendance is recorded on Moodle **before you leave recitation**.