CSC 209 – Week 5 Post-Lecture Task

Reflection Task

In today's lecture, we combined the usage of two concepts we already introduced earlier: File I/O and structs. In this reflective assignment, we would like to know what you learned about this combination. Please answer each question within a few sentences. If you like, you may also present examples such as short code snippets, where appropriate.

- 1. Which pros and cons arise from combining file I/O and structs, compared to working with files without using structs?
- 2. Which requirements must be met in order to leverage the combination of file I/O operations and structs?
- 3. Describe and explain a situation (e.g., an imaginary problem context) where the usage of structs is NOT adequate when reading data from files.

Please make sure to work and hand in your solution individually and not in groups.

- 1. pros: less complex, cons: less efficient
- 2. Understanding of both file I/O and structs
- 3. When reading a regular text file character by character, while structs can be used it is more complicated and unnecessary.