

Programming with Persistent Data CMPU 1028

Week 4

Lab 3:

Exercises with binary files using `fread`, `fwrite`, `fseek` and `ftell`.

- a) Use the code given in `random.c` to generate a binary file of 1000 random¹ numbers (integers). Do this by breaking the tasks down into their steps: create the variable, write the variable to an appropriate file. Call the file `num1000.bin`.
- b) Write a program to read and display the file `num1000.bin` that was just created in part a) - Use a loop.
- c) Write a program that reads the file `num1000.bin`, but this time use an array and `fread`. The program should/will produce the same output as the program at point b).
- d) Write a program to copy the file `num1000.bin` to a new file named `num1000Copy.bin`.
- e) Write a program that uses `fseek` to set the 3rd and 10th number to 0 in either of your random number files.
- f) Write a program to display the file, copy the previous code written into this files such that the file content is displayed pre-modification of part e) and post implementation of part e).

¹ These are pseudo random in that each time your run the code the randomised numbers are the same! Not good as a security feature!