

MSC - INF101B

C Programming Language

Travaux Pratiques (TP) 4

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1 Introduction

The practical session TP 4 proposes coding exercises that will allow you to strengthen your understanding of the notions presented during Course 4. In the beginning of each TP, you should create a separate folder that will contain your work. For the fourth TP 4, create a folder named TP4 from a terminal and go into this directory.

2 Exercises

2.1

Write a program that can retrieve a web-page containing information about the price of stocks and present to the user the array of stocks ordered depending on their properties (*Name*, *Current price* (p), *Day change*). You may use the **wget** utility which allows to retrieve the content of a web-page by the linux command line. By the following example, you can save the content of a web-page into a text file:

```
wget --quiet --output-document=stocks.txt http://www.site.com
```

For this exercise, you should retrieve the stock market information from the site <https://www.hl.co.uk/shares/stock-market-summary/ftse-100>.

NOTE1: the file that you will retrieve by using wget contains HTML (HyperText Markup Language) code, which is formatted human-readable web site code. Inside the *stocks.txt* file that will contain the HTML code, the information related to each stock is preceded by a line containing the string "**View equity details for**". For every appearance of that word in the file, you should create a stock and retrieve the data corresponding to the *Name*, *Current price* (p) and *Day change* of that stock. To do so, you will need to use the C functions `strtok`, `strstr` and `strcmp`.

NOTE2: you should define an appropriate C *structure* that will hold each stock and its properties/fields.

NOTE3: you will need to use the `qsort` function and define new functions for comparing the different fields of the stock C structure.

An example of file "stocks.txt" and expected program output of ordered stocks depending on the user's choice can be accessed from the moodle <https://bit.ly/2Vbab7o>.

2.2

Separate your code to a main source file and a functions source and header file. Create a makefile that can build (compile and link) 2 versions of your program, one for debugging and the other for normal (optimized) execution.

Finally, add rules in your makefile allowing to run the exercise of the TP, using various possibility of inputs.

2.3

Repeat Exercise 2.2 for all exercises of the previous TPs (TP1-TP3).