

Program Design & Testing Document for Program 1

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Problem Statement

This problem/assignment is asking me to construct a C++ program that:

- Takes one CLI arg
- Interpret (read) from a file that has economic data in it
- Interprets the format of that file and correctly allocates an array of structs (state) with subarrays of structs part of the state array that contains data for counties.
- Deallocates the memory accurately.
- Prints out specific sets of data by state, or shows the data for all the counties of a state.
- Ask the user to repeat or what operation to do
- Exit with an error if the CLI args are wrong (nonexistent, too many, none ...)
- Works and looks clean doing so.

I assume that:

- The data file contains valid data in the valid format

Everything else will be checked within the program. I will do this by:

- Taking input from the user as to where the text file is
- Turning that input into an array
- Asking the user what they want to do, and doing that until they want to quit
- Deallocate memory!

Understanding the Problem

As described in the requirements, the problem asks me to create a program that can load and let the user explore economic data. To achieve this, I will use the code version of the pseudocode below to achieve this goal.

Pseudo Code (Simplified)

Function: read_data:

 First gather the first line

 Dynamically allocate an array of that size, made of structs (see guidelines document)

using arr_alloc_state

 For each state:

 Read line for that state

 Add that data to the struct for a state

 Gather the last integer on that line (the # of counties)

Arr_alloc_county an array of that length
 Call county_add with the number of counties and the pointer to that array
Return the pointer to the array of states

Function: county_add

 For number of counties
 Read line, and save in appropriate instance of the county struct

Function: Input_check

 Seek input
 If input on acceptable range:
 Return input
 Else
 Return Input_check

Function: arr_alloc_state

 Create a new array of size specified, and of type state struct
Return pointer

Function: arr_alloc_county

 Create a new array of size specified, and of type county struct
Return pointer

Function: cli_check (argc, argv)

 Check that:

- Right amount of params are there
- The file exists

Function: print_data (array pointer, len)

 Print the max income
 Print min income
 Print highest unemployment 2015
 Print lowest unemployment 2015

 Print the array, sorted by delta of unemployment
 Print array sorted on income

Function: Mem_free

 Read data from text file and free array as such (using the same heuristic that was applied to make these arrays, simply deleting them)

Function: Main

User input using read_data
 While the user wants to !quit
 Print out list of options, ask for input with input_check
 If they want to view the data for all counties, ask which state by printing the array
 Call print_data with the pointer to the counties array
 If they want to view county data for all states
 Call print_data with the pointer to the state array
 Play again? Use input_check
 Print goodbye message

Data Verification Tables

| Value passed as an arg | What Should Happen | Does This Happen |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| "" | Error - nothing entered | |
| "2" | Error - no file by such name in dir | |
| "Oasdj fasone" | Error - too many arguments | |
| "test_data.txt" | Success - normal functioning | |

| Play again (1 or 0)? answer | What Should Happen | Does This Happen |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| yes | Error - please enter again | |
| 19 | Error - out of range | |
| 9ks0 2- | Error | |
| 1 | Play again | |
| 0 | Break and quit | |
| "" | Error - nothing entered | |