

## SYDE 121

### Lab Number 9

You are expected to complete both of these exercises. However, submit only **Exercise 2** for grading purposes.

#### Exercise 1 (non-graded):

**Learning Objectives:** Opening and closing files. Using strings. Using arrays of structs. Sorting. Passing filestream objects. Reading from and writing to files.

#### Read This First

In this problem, you will be asked to count the number of occurrences of each lowercase letter found in a sentence. Just focus on determining the number of occurrences of each *lowercase* letter (ignore uppercase letters and all other alphanumeric – this makes writing the program a bit easier!).

Also, you are required to output the data in a sorted fashion. So, the letter with the most counts should appear first, then the next letter, etc. You are welcome to use the sort algorithm of your own choosing. For example, for the input string “I need some sleep!!!”, the output should appear in the following manner:

Letter	Occurrence
e	5
s	2
d	1
l	1
m	1
n	1
o	1
p	1

#### What to do

Set up your program to read in the line of characters from a file (you can create test \*.txt files using Notepad). Choose a suitable input file name (e.g., input.txt). The output filename can be hardcoded i.e., force the output file to be “output.txt”.

As in Lab #8, set up your project using an interface file (lettercount.h), an implementation file (lettercount.cpp), and the main file (main\_lettercount.cpp) (the naming is helpful when the TAs have to grade your submissions, so please use the indicated names). Your main program should perform the following tasks in this order: allow the user to enter the input filename, set the output file name, open the input and output file streams (with error checking), then call a function to perform the counting (pass both file streams to this function), and then close the file streams.

Make proper use of the ‘const’ parameter modifier when creating functions.

Note: You need to modularize your code. As an example, Prof. Clausi’s solution code has 8 functions defined in lettercount.h (other than the main function). You may not create exactly the same type or number of functions, but this gives you an idea of the extent of the modularization.

#### Hints

- The small letters in the alphabet (a to z) are listed sequentially in the ASCII character set (see Appendix of your text). The compiler will treat 'b' as being larger than 'a', 'c' as being larger than 'b', etc. You can use `int( char )` as a means of determining the ASCII numerical equivalent for a given char. Similarly, you can use `char( int )` as a means of determining the ASCII character for a given integer. The integer equivalent for ASCII letter ‘a’ is 97, which might be a helpful const in your program.

- The `getline` function can be used with a sentinel character other than the newline character. For example, to use a period '.' as a sentinel character for a `getline` call, do the following:

```
instream.getline( line, 1000, '.' );
```

where `line` will store a maximum of 1000 characters from the `instream` ifstream up to (but not including) the terminating '.'.

- If you are using the `string` class, note that the `getline` function is called in the following manner:

```
string line;  
getline( instream, line, '.' );
```

- If you are using the `string` class, you sometimes have to convert `string` objects into `cstrings`. To do this, use the '`c_str()`' member function. For example, the '`open`' member function is not overloaded to handle `string` objects (such as `infilename`), so do the following:

```
instream.open( infilename.c_str( ) );
```

- Instead of just sending your output to a file, you should also send it to the screen. This should assist code debugging. To create a separate function to send the output to the screen is appropriate.

#### What To Hand In

Nothing. This exercise was for learning purposes only. It will not be marked.

## Exercise 2 (graded):

**Learning Objectives:** Opening and closing files. Using strings. Using multidimensional arrays. Reading from and writing to files.

### Read This First

Basically, this exercise asks you to multiply two matrices and write the result to a file.

### What To Do

Setup your program in the same manner as Exercise #1 (and the Exercises from Lab 7) i.e. use three different files (in this case, named 'matrixmath.h', 'matrixmath.cpp', and 'matrices.cpp') and allow the main program to perform the actions in the same manner (cutting and pasting should save some time here!).

Read the two matrices from the same file. Here is an example of such a file (**asterisks are not included in the file**). Read the first two numbers as the row/column of the first matrix and then read in the first matrix. Then, do the same thing for the second matrix. Assume that there are no blank lines in the data file. Assume that only integer arrays will be used.

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```
3 4
1 1 1 1
2 2 2 2
1 1 1 1
4 5
1 1 1 1 1
1 1 1 1 1
1 1 1 1 1
1 1 1 1 1
*****
```

Since we have not covered dynamic memory allocation for multi-dimensional arrays, just set up your matrices in your program to some fixed large size eg. 100. (*If you feel adventurous, you can use 2-dimensional dynamic arrays to handle these matrices (see the Optional section "Multidimensional Dynamic Arrays" in Section 9.2 in the text for more information). Make sure to do proper memory management of these arrays (i.e. proper use of delete).*) If you use the 100x100 static arrays, make sure that you only perform operations on and display the "true" parts of the array i.e. only output the resulting 3x5 matrix, not the 100x100 matrix. Set error conditions to check for appropriate number of row and columns to conform to the rules of matrix

multiplication, and to check where the input matrices, and the resulting matrix product fit within the bounds of the declared arrays. If any errors are found, notify the user and exit the program. Output the matrix product into an output file (and to the screen as well). Echoing the input data to the screen is also quite helpful, to make sure that you read the data file properly into the matrices (write a separate function to display a single generic matrix given its rows and columns).

Note that your TAs will probably use input files different than the one above, so you should write your code to handle any matrices (up to size 100x100, of course).

Make sure that you properly use 'const' modifiers wherever appropriate.

Create a "*README\_matrices.txt*" file, and create detailed instructions on how to run your *matrices.cpp* program, including what file input (and format) is expected, and the assumptions being made for this input file, and also, what output file will be produced.

### What to submit

Submit your three source files *matrices.cpp*, *matricmath.cpp*, *matricmath.h* and *README\_matrices.txt* files to the Lab Assignment 9 LEARN dropbox.

### Due Date

All materials for this lab are due **Friday, November 21 by 1:30pm.**