

NWEN 241 Assignment 1

(Weeks 1–2 Topics)

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This assignment is divided into 2 parts.

- In Part I (Tasks 1–3), you will be asked to answer questions about Weeks 1–2 topics, submitted in a plain text file named `part1.txt`
- In Part II (Tasks 4–7), you will be asked implement C functions, submitted in a file named `editor.c`

You must submit the required files to the Assessment System (https://apps.ecs.vuw.ac.nz/submit/NWEN241/Assignment_1) on or before the submission deadline. Late submissions (up to 48 hours from the submission deadline) will be accepted but will be penalized. No submissions will be accepted 48 hours after the submission deadline.

Full marks is 100. The following table shows the marks distribution:

Task Type	Part I	Part II	Total
Core	20	45	65
Completion	8	12	20
Challenge	5	10	15
Total	33	67	100

Part I: Concepts

This part will test your conceptual knowledge of C fundamentals, including operators, arrays, and strings. Your answers must be submitted in a plain text file named `part1.txt`.

Task 1.**Core [20 Marks]**

1) [4 Marks] Are the following valid or invalid C identifiers?

- (a) `while` **False**
- (b) `record_100` **True**
- (c) `$record` **True/False (this works in some situations)**
- (d) `integer-counter` **False**

2) [8 Marks] Suppose `a`, `b` and `c` are integer variables that have been assigned the values `a = 7`, `b = 3` and `c = 5`. What is the value of each of the following expressions?

- (a) `a + b + c` **15**
- (b) `a / b` **2**
- (c) `a % b` **1**
- (d) `a * b % c` **1**

3) [8 Marks] Suppose `c1`, `c2` and `c3` are character-type variables that have been assigned the characters `'D'`, `'4'` and `'?'`, respectively. Based upon the ASCII character set, what is the numerical value of each of the following expressions?

- (a) `c1 + c2 + c3` **183**
- (b) `c1 - 'A'` **3**
- (c) `3 * c2` **156**
- (d) `'3' * c2` **2652**

Task 2.**Completion [8 Marks]**

- 1) [2 Marks] Given the following C code snippet, what is the type of the expression `c+i+l`? Briefly explain your answer.

```
char c;  
int i;  
long l;
```

long, because all values get promoted to the highest ranked integer

- 2) [2 Marks] Given the following C code snippet, what is the value assigned to `k` in the 2nd line? Briefly explain your answer.

```
int i = 8, j = 6, k;  
k = (j > 5) ? i : j;
```

8 (or partial marks for explanation)

- 3) [2 Marks] What is the problem (if any) in the following C statement?

```
int rem = 10.0 / 4 % 2;
```

Binary operator '%' does not work on floating point types

- 4) [2 Marks] Rewrite the following code, using a for-loop, to produce the same output.

```
int main (void)  
{  
    int j = 5;  
    while(j >= 0)  
        printf("%d ", --j); prints: 4 3 2 1 0 -1  
    return 0;  
}
```

```
int main(void) {  
    for (int j = 4; j >=-1; --j)  
        printf("%d ", j)  
    return 0;  
}
```

There are many other "correct" answers to this question. As long as it produces the same output and uses a 'for' statement instead of a 'while' statement, it gets full marks

Task 3.**Challenge [5 Marks]**

- 1) [3 Marks] What is the value of *i*, *j*, and *k* after the last statement in the following C code snippet? Explain your answer by showing step-by-step solution.

```
int i = 5, j = 10, k = 1;
(k += 3*--i) - j++;
```

***i* = 4, *j* = 11, *k* = 13 (or partial marks for explanation)**

- 2) [2 Marks] What is the output of the following code fragment? Explain your answer.

```
char string[] = "One\0Two\0Three";
printf("%d", strlen(string));
```

3, because 'strlen' counts the number of characters up to, but not including, the first null character.

Part II: Practical Programming

This part will test your application of the conceptual knowledge of C fundamentals to solve practical programming tasks. You may only use the Standard C Library to perform the tasks in this part. You must implement the functions in file named `editor.c`. You are free to implement other functions within this file that you think are needed to fulfil the tasks.

The programming tasks involve the implementation of several basic **text editor** operations: insert, delete, replace, etc. An important component of a text editor is the *editing buffer* which can be viewed as one-dimensional array of characters. The functions you will be implementing in deal with manipulating the contents of the editing buffer: (i) for Core (Tasks 4 and 5), you will implement `editor_insert_char` and `editor_delete_char`; (ii) for Completion (Task 5), you will implement `editor_replace_str`; and (iii) for Challenge, you will implement `editor_view`.

Sample code showing an example on how you can test your code are provided under the `files` directory in the archive that contains this file.

Commenting

You should provide appropriate comments to make your source code readable. If your code does not work and there are no comments, you may lose all marks.

Coding Style

You should follow a consistent coding style when writing your source code. Coding style (aka coding standard) refers to the use of appropriate indentation, proper placement of braces, proper formatting of control constructs, and many others. Following a particular coding style consistently will make your source code more readable.

There are many coding standards available (search "C coding style"), but we suggest you consult the *lightweight* Linux kernel coding style (see <https://www.kernel.org/doc/html/v4.10/process/coding-style.html>). The relevant sections are Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, and 8. Note that you do not have to follow every recommendation you can find in a coding style document, you just have to apply that style consistently.

Task 4.**Core [20 Marks]**

Implement a function with the prototype

```
int editor_insert_char(char editing_buffer[], int editing_buflen,  
                      char to_insert, int pos);
```

which will insert the character `to_insert` at index `pos` of `editing_buffer`. The size of `editing_buffer` is `editing_buflen`. When a character is inserted at index `pos`, each of the original characters at index `pos` until the end of buffer must be moved by one position to the right. The last character is thrown out. The function should return 1 if the character insertion occurred, otherwise it should return 0. Ensure that the last character in the buffer is always the null character.

For example, if `editing_buflen` is 16 and the contents of `editing_buffer` are

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
H	e	l	l	o	,		W	o	r	l	d	!	\0	\0	\0

after executing

```
int r = editor_insert_char(editing_buffer, 16, 's', 12);
```

the value of `r` should be 1 and contents of `editing_buffer` should be

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
H	e	l	l	o	,		W	o	r	l	d	s	!	\0	\0

Task 5.**Core [25 Marks]**

Implement a function with the prototype

```
int editor_delete_char(char editing_buffer[], int editing_buflen,
                      char to_delete, int offset);
```

which will delete the first occurrence of the character `to_delete`. The search should start from index `offset` of `editing_buffer`. The size of `editing_buffer` is `editing_buflen`. When a character is deleted at index `pos`, each of the original characters at index `pos` until the end of buffer must be moved by one position to the left. A null character (`'\0'`) is inserted at the end of the buffer. The function should return 1 if the character deletion occurred, otherwise it should return 0.

For example, if `editing_buflen` is 16 and the contents of `editing_buffer` are

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
H	e	l	l	o	,		W	o	r	l	d	!	\0	\0	\0

after executing

```
int r = editor_delete_char(editing_buffer, 16, 'o', 6);
```

the value of `r` should be 1 and the contents of `editing_buffer` should be

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
H	e	l	l	o	,		W	r	l	d	!	\0	\0	\0	\0

Task 6.**Completion [12 Marks]**

Implement a function with the prototype

```
int editor_replace_str(char editing_buffer[], int editing_buflen,
                      const char *str, const char *replacement,
                      int offset);
```

which will replace the first occurrence of the string `str` with `replacement`. The search for the first occurrence should start from index `offset` of `editing_buffer`. The size of `editing_buffer` is `editing_buflen`.

The replacement should not overwrite other contents in the buffer. This means that if `replacement` is longer than `str`, there is a need move the characters after `str` to the right. Likewise, if `replacement` is shorter than `str`, there is a need move the characters after `str` to the left. When moving characters to the right, throw out characters that will not fit in the buffer and when moving characters to the left, insert null characters in the vacated positions.

If `str` is empty (regardless of the value of `replacement`), no string replacement should occur. If `replacement` is empty, then this is tantamount to deleting the string `str`.

If the replacement text will go beyond the limits of `editing_buffer`, then replacement should only occur until the end of `editing_buffer`.

Ensure that the last character in the buffer is always the null character.

If the string replacement occurred, the function should return the index corresponding the last letter of `replacement` in `editing_buffer`, otherwise, it should return -1. If the replacement text will go beyond the limits of `editing_buffer`, the function should return `editing_buflen-1`.

For example, if `editing_buflen` is 16 and the contents of `editing_buffer` are

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
H	e	l	l	o	,		W	o	r	l	d	!	\0	\0	\0

After executing

```
int r = editor_replace_str(editing_buffer, 16, "World!", "there", 0);
```

the value of `r` should be 11 (which is the index of the last 'e' in "there") and the contents of `editing_buffer` should be

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
H	e	l	l	o	,		t	h	e	r	e	\0	\0	\0	\0

Task 7.**Challenge [10 Marks]**

Implement a function with the prototype

```
void editor_view(int rows, int cols,
                 char viewing_buffer[rows][cols],
                 const char editing_buffer[],
                 int editing_buflen, int wrap);
```

which will copy the contents of the `editing_buffer` to the `viewing_buffer` for display to the user. Note that the `viewing_buffer` is a two-dimensional array, with dimensions `cols` columns and `rows` rows. Prior to the copying, the function must set every character in the `viewing_buffer` to the null character.

The argument `wrap` controls the behaviour of the copying process from `editing_buffer` to `viewing_buffer` as follows:

- Regardless of the value of `wrap`, whenever a newline character is encountered in `editing_buffer`, the text after the newline character is copied to the next row in `viewing_buffer`. Note that the newline character is not copied to `viewing_buffer`.
- When `wrap` is 0, the text is not wrapped. This means that when the newline character is **not** encountered before the end of the current row (at column `cols-1`), the rest of the text in the `editing_buffer` are discarded until a newline is encountered which will cause the rest of the text to be copied to the next row. Note that column `cols-1` in `viewing_buffer` is never filled and will retain the null character.
- When `wrap` is non-zero, the text must be wrapped. This means that when the newline character is *not* encountered before the end of the current row (at column `cols-1` in `viewing_buffer`), the text after is copied to the next row. Note that column `cols-1` in `viewing_buffer` is never filled and will retain the null character.

The copying process should terminate when a null character in the `editing_buffer` is encountered.

For example, if `editing_buflen` is 48 and the contents of `editing_buffer` are

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
T	h	e		q	u	i	c	k		b	r	o	w	n	\n	...
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
f	o	x		j	u	m	p	s		o	v	e	r	\n	\n	...
32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	
t	h	e		l	a	z	y		d	o	g	\0	\0	\0	\0	

and `cols` and `rows` are 11 and 8, respectively. After executing

```
editor_view(8, 11, viewing_buffer, editing_buffer, 48, 0);
```

the resulting contents of `viewing_buffer` should be

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	T	h	e		q	u	i	c	k		\0
1	f	o	x		j	u	m	p	s		\0
2	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0
3	t	h	e		l	a	z	y		d	\0
4	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0
5	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0
6	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0
7	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0

Alternatively, after executing

```
editor_view(8, 11, viewing_buffer, editing_buffer, 48, 1);
```

the resulting contents of `viewing_buffer` should be

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	T	h	e		q	u	i	c	k		\0
1	b	r	o	w	n	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0
2	f	o	x		j	u	m	p	s		\0
3	o	v	e	r	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0
4	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0
5	t	h	e		l	a	z	y		d	\0
6	o	g	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0
7	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0	\0

Marking Criteria for Tasks 4–7:

Criteria	Weight	Expectations for Full Marks
Compilation	10%	Compiles without warnings
Comments	10%	Sufficient and appropriate comments
Coding Style	10%	Consistent coding style
Correctness	70%	Handles all test cases correctly
Total	100%	