Advanced Programming Techniques in Health Care

Health Care IT WS 2018

mytar 4. and 5. Assignment (Deadline: 2019-01-29 10:00)

USAGE: mytar [--store|--restore|--help] dest src {src}

--store: packs all src into [dest]

--restore: unpacks all files stored in [dest] into the

current directory

--help: this screen

You should write a simple C resp. C# archiving program: mytar.

mytar takes files from the command line and stores them into one big datafile. Also, the files stored in this archive may be unpacked into the current directory.

Only files of the current directory need to be used for input. You do not worry about keeping file permissions and ownerships.

mytar creates the destination file and appends every file to store to the big destination file. It keeps track of all stored filenames and -sizes and stores this information as a header before every file data, so it can restore all files by sequentially parsing this big file.

It first reads the actual header, extracts the filename and size, retrieves the following size bytes and stores it into filename

You have to write 2 variants of the program one in C and one in C# , which are interchangeable.

The following functions may be useful when solving the problem with C:

- fopen and fclose to open and close a file.
- fgetc and fputc to read and write a single bytes from/to a FILE*.
- fseek to position the filepointer in a file, so we could use this to find out the file size, too. Just position the filepointer at SEEK_END and read the position with ftell.
- Store the file header (filename and -size) as strings, so this information can be easily extracted by using fscanf and fgets.

big datafile

453—File1
File1 453 bytes
1317—File2
File2 1317 bytes
176—File3
File3 176 bytes