



Advanced Programming

COEN 11

Lab 8



Lab 8

- List of tasks with File I/O
- Extension of lab 7
 - Add retrieving data from file
 - Add task priority lists (array of heads)
 - Name of file will be an argument to the program (argc and argv)



Lab 8

- Use an array of linked lists
 - The array has **three heads**, each starting a list
 - Tasks are added to a list according to a **priority**, new member in the struct
 - Priorities can be **1, 2, or 3**
 - Each list is sorted by **hour** and **minutes**
- Due in week 8



Menu

- 1 <task> <prio> <hour> <min> <extra info according to the hour>
 - Same as lab 7, but add the priority and insert in the **prio** list (index=prio-1)
 - Function **check_duplicate** needs to traverse the 3 lists
- 2, 3
 - Same as lab 7, but need to traverse the 3 lists
- 4 <task>
 - Delete the specified task, but need to search in all 3 lists
- 0
 - Save all data to a text file, file name is an argument passed to main function, need to traverse all 3 lists
 - Deletes all the nodes in all 3 lists
 - Quits



Requirements

- Use an array of linked lists. The list **heads** will be kept in the array

NODE *heads[3];

- Several changes throughout the code
 - Traverse the arrays of lists in an outer loop
 - There are 3 lists in the array, so **head** should be **heads[index]**



More Requirements

- Initially, before interacting with user
 - Read text file and create lists with saved info
- At the end
 - Before quitting, all the data is saved to the same text file (same format as on lab 7, but include the priority)

```
Task1      prio1 h1:m1 extra1
task2      prio2 h2:m2 extra2
```



More Requirements

- The name of the file is an **argument** for the program
 - If the file does not exist
 - **fopen** returns **NULL** for reading
 - the list starts empty and are saved at the end into a file with the given name
 - If the file does exist
 - the lists are initially formed with the information obtained from the file and is saved into the same file at the end



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- The name of the file is an argument for the program

– Example:

```
# ./lab8 file_name
```

or

```
# ./a.out file_name
```




Lab 8

- The name of the file is the first argument for the program

– In the code:

```
int main (int argc, char *argv[])
{
    . . .
    if (argc == 1)
    {
        printf ("The name of the file is missing!\n");
        return 1;
    }

    read_file (argv[1]);
    . . .
}
```



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- The name of the file is an argument for the program
 - In the code:
 - `argc` gives the number of arguments
 - `argv` is an array of strings, each of which is one of the arguments for the program
 - `argv[0]` is the name of the executable
 - `argv[1] – argv[argc – 1]` are the arguments



More Requirements

- One new function, called from main
 - New: read from file
 - Receive file name as an argument
 - Call insert to insert the data read from file
 - Change: save to file
 - Receive file name as an argument



More Requirements

- Use the **same insert function** for inserting information
 - from the file and
 - from the keyboard
- Your insert function should have the following type:
`void insert (struct node);`
- Read the new task information to a local struct before calling the insert function
 - You may use an extra function for that



Grading

- Pre-lab
 - Test plan – 10%
- In the lab
 - Demo to the TA – 30%
 - Submit your code to Camino – 60%

Obs: If you had already submitted the code to Camino, you must demo the same code.