CSI 333 - Systems Fundamentals

Lab 4 - Files

Task #1: Recall file handling and some functions of basic file operations:

File handling steps:

- Declare a file pointer variable,
 e.g. FILE *fp;
- Open a file using fopen() function
- 3. Process the file using suitable functions.
- 4. Close the file using fclose() function.

Function	Description
fopen()	create a new file or open an existing file
fclose()	closes a file
getc()	reads a character from a file
putc()	writes a character to a file
fscanf()	reads a set of data from a file
<pre>fprintf()</pre>	writes a set of data to a file
getw()	reads an integer from a file
putw()	writes an integer to a file
fseek()	set the position to desire point
ftell()	gives current position in the file
rewind()	set the position to the beginning of the file

This is a good time to explain a Linux command – man. Man (short for manual) will show you the built in documentation on any command or function in the system. Sometimes a function will exist in more than one place. If so, the system will ask you which version you want. The C standard functions are in section 3 of the manual.

Try:

man fopen

Your assignment:

Write a program that reads a file, line by line, and prints every line on screen word by word starting every word from new line (any sequence delimited by one or more white symbols is considered as a word). Submit your .c file.