TCSS 422 — Computer Operating Systems Winder 2015 — Homework Assignment 1

Due Date: Sunday, Jan. 18

Guidelines

Homework should be electronically submitted to the instructor by the end of the day on the due date. A submission link is provided on the course Canvas page for this assignment.

Assignment Description

This assignment is intended to help you practice using the C programming language, particularly those aspects that are different from Java. You will implement five independent functions, each spanning different aspects of C. The intellectual complexity of the functions is at an introductory programming level, i.e., TCSS 142 or 143, so that you can focus on expressing the necessary computation in C rather than determining what computation is needed. It's recommended that you use some C reference material, such as the <u>C Tutorial</u> posted on Canvas, to help you grasp the syntactic and semantic differences between C and Java. Starter code for this assignment is available on the course Canvas page for this assignment.

Implementation Specifications

There are five provided files for this assignment:

- main.c The main source file containing the five functions you're to implement and some basic driver code.
- books.txt -A data file used by the third function you're to implement.
- lexicon.h, lexicon.c, words.txt Additional source code and a data file used by the fifth function you're to implement. This additional source code is already complete and you should not modify it.

Inside main.c you'll find skeletons for the five functions you're to implement, as well as brief examples of invoking each method (located in a similarly named test function). The five functions are intended to be completed in order, but since there are no computational dependencies among the functions they may be completed in any order. You can add helper methods, new types, etc., but do not modify the interface to these five methods.

This function should multiply two fractions together, producing a product in lowest terms. The first two parameters, num1 and denom1, represent the numerator and denominator of the first fraction, respectively. Similarly, num2 and denom2 represent the second fraction. The product's numerator should be stored at the address specified in rNum (short for resulting numerator) and the product's denominator should be stored at the address in rDenom. Remember, the product's numerator and denominator should be in lowest terms. If the product is positive, both its numerator and denominator should be positive. If the product is negative, only its numerator should be negative.

char * rotate(const char * str, int amount)

This function should copy and rotate the string str, returning the rotated copy. The memory for the copy should be allocated dynamically and the original string should not be modified. A string rotation shifts the characters in the string left or right. If amount is positive, each character should be moved amount places to the right. If amount is negative, each character should be moved amount places to the left. Characters that "fall off" the left or right sides of the string should "wrap around" to the other side. No characters should be lost, and the length of the rotated string is the same as the original string. The magnitude of amount may be equal to or greater than the length of the string, the rotation continues to wrap around in that case. For example, the string "Hello" rotated by 2, 7, or 12 would all produce the string "loHel". Lastly, this function should run in O(n) time, where n is the length of the string.

int readAndDisplayBookInformation(const char * path)

This function should read in and display book information from a file located at path. The file is in a comma separated value (CSV) format with each line containing information about one book (title, author, and publication year). The information for each book in the file should be displayed in a very specific format. For example, the first line in the provided books.txt file is,

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A Tale of Two Cities, Charles Dickens, 1859
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Which should be displayed as,

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"A Tale of Two Cities" by Charles Dickens (1859)
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All displayed lines should follow the above format. You may assume that no line in the file is longer than 80 characters. This function should return 0 if there was a problem reading the file, or a non-zero value if all I/O completed successfully.

void initializeAndShuffleDeck(struct Card deck[52])

This function should initialize and shuffle, i.e., randomize, an array of structures that represent a deck of 52 standard playing cards. Each card has a rank and a suit, each represented by a char value. Ranks use char values '2', '3', '4', '5', '6', '7', '8', '9', '0', 'J', 'Q', 'K', 'A', and suits use char values 'c', 'd', 'h', 's'. Each card is a unique combination of a rank and suit. This this function is invoked the array has not been initialized, but when this function finishes the array should contain unique cards in some random order. The provided test function for this function merely displays the contents of the array, which will likely be different every time you execute the program. For example,

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2c 6c Ks 4h 5s 4c Ah 3h Qh 9c 7d 3s Qc Jd 4d 9d 0d 8d Kh Kd 2h 3d 9s 8h 6h Jh Jc 4s 7h 5h 5d 7c 8c 0h 7s 8s Qd 0c 5c Ac Os 6s 9h 3c 0s Js Kc 2d 2s 6d As Ad
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struct ListNode * findWords(const char board[4][4])

This function should find all the words that can be formed within a 4x4 grid of letters (like in the game of Boggle). The list of found words are returned in a linked list of strings. Both the linked list nodes and the strings should be allocated dynamically.

Words can be formed starting at any of the 16 letters in the grid and following a path to adjacent letters, horizontally, vertically, diagonally. For example, in the grid shown to the right the word "detail" can be formed following the path shown in blue.

In order to identify words in the grid you'll need a collection of all possible words to compare against. This collection is already implemented and available via the functions in lexicon.h. The isWord function indicates whether a string is a legal word and the isPrefix function indicates whether a string is a proper prefix of some word in the lexicon. You shouldn't

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j	Φ	р	S
i	t	Z	t
a		m	t

use the loadLexicon or destroyLexicon functions within findWords. Based on the words in the provided lexicon, the example grid above contains the words: alit, dept, detail, heil, hips, hist, ital, jilt, jilted, lait, late, lated, lied, lite, petal, pish, pished, shed, sheila, ship, shipt, sped, tail, tied, zeta.

The words in the returned linked list may be in any order, and words that can be formed multiple ways in the grid, e.g., dept, can be present multiple times in the list.

Deliverables

The following items should be submitted to the instructor. Failure to correctly submit assignment files will result in a 10% grade penalty.

- 1) The completed main.c source file.
- 2) Any new supporting files, e.g., additional source code, needed by main.c.

Do not submit unmodified provided files, e.g., lexicon.h and lexicon.c. Do not include any extraneous files, such as Eclipse IDE files, object files, or subversion files.