

Programming Check-up

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It is recommended to use the lab computer (use the vyuka user and vyuka password if you do not have an account yet). You can also use your own laptop, but if it is not Linux/Unix, some things will have to be done differently.

Preparation

1. Open up a terminal (the default Linux shortcut for that is `Ctrl+Alt+T`; or click through the menus to find something called Terminal or similar)
2. Generate input data (one random number per line, between 0 and 32767 inclusive)

```
for i in $(seq 10000); do echo $RANDOM; done > input.txt
```

If you are using a system which does not support that, you can alternatively download an input file here:
<http://c.nikde.eu/input.txt>

Exercises

1. **hello**: Hello world in C

1. Open an editor

```
nano hello.c
```

2. Input code

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main() {
    printf("Hello, World!\n");
    return 0;
}
```

3. Compile

```
gcc -Wall hello.c -o hello.bin
```

4. Run

```
./hello.bin
```

2. **max**: Read in the input, write out the highest number.

- Reading standard input (one integer per line) and printing out numbers:

```
int number;
while (scanf("%d\n", &number) == 1) {
    printf("%d\n", number);
}
```

- Sending a file to the standard input of the compiled program:

```
./max.bin < input.txt
```

3. **bubble**: Sort the list using BUBBLE SORT in an ARRAY

- Reading in arguments and filling an array:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
    int N = atoi(argv[1]);
    int numbers[N];

    for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {
        scanf("%d\n", &numbers[i]);
        printf("%d ", numbers[i]);
    }
    printf("\n");

    return 0;
}
```

4. **matrix**: Read in a 10x10 matrix (from the first 100 numbers of the input) using a 1-dimensional ARRAY, write it out, transpose it, and write it out again.

5. **insert**: Sort the list using INSERTION SORT, using a LINKED LIST

- A Node struct with a pointer to the next Node:

```
struct Node {
    int number;
    struct Node * next;
};
```

- Create a new Node and keep a pointer to it:

```
struct Node * my_node = malloc(sizeof(struct Node));
my_node->number = 42;
my_node->next = NULL;
```

- Iterate over a chain of Nodes and iteratively delete them to free the allocated memory:

```
while (my_node != NULL) {
    struct Node * tmp = my_node;
    my_node = my_node->next;
    // deallocate
    free(tmp);
}
```

6. **bst**: Construct a basic BINARY SEARCH TREE from the list, using POINTERS. Then print out the numbers from lowest to highest by doing an in-order depth first search (DFS) traversal over the tree.

7. **hash**: Store the numbers in a HASH TABLE implemented with a simple hashing function and separate chaining with linked lists. Write out the hash table.

- simple hashing function: $\text{key} = \text{number} \% N$, where N is the size of the table
- separate chaining with linked lists: the table is an array, each item is a linked list of numbers with the same hash key