

Assignment 2

Due Oct 14, 2019 by 11:59pm


Points 10

Submitting a file upload

Caesar cipher

file I/O, character encoding, command line args

Description

A Caesar cipher (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Caesar_cipher ) is a simple cryptographic technique in which each letter of the original message is shifted to a different letter which is located at a uniform offset in alphabetical order. For example, the message “Hello World!” and offset 3 would result in an encrypted message “Khoor Zruog!” The message “Dogs and Cats” and offset -2 (which is equivalent to an offset of 24) would result in an encrypted message “Bmeq ylb Ayrq”. Note that only alphabetic characters are shifted, and that the case of the letter is preserved.

Functional requirements

Write a Unix program that takes 3 inputs from the command line: the pathname of an existing input file, the pathname of an output file to be created, and an offset between -25 and 25, inclusive. If the input file doesn't exist, or if the output file cannot be created (perhaps because directories in its path do not exist, or because you don't have permission to create files in the given location), or if the offset is out of range, the program prints an error message to standard error and immediately ends. Otherwise it uses the input file and offset to create an encoded output file using the Caesar cipher as described above.

Nonfunctional requirements

Implement a function, `char caesar(char s, int n)` which converts a letter according to the rule given above with offset `n`. To avoid strange arithmetic errors use `n%26` for the offset. The new char is returned. If `s` is not a

letter it is returned, unchanged. Use this function to process the entire file.

All the functions you write (including caesar) should be in a file caesar.c, with corresponding .h file. Main should be in its own .c file.

You may use the functions from string.h. To convert the 3rd command line argument from a string to an int, use the strtol or atoi functions from stdlib.h

<http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/cstdlib/atoi/>

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Submitting your program

You submit your program using the dropbox feature of Desire2Learn. The D2L dropbox will allow you to upload your program's source code file using a Web browser. You must write a make file for your project. Your source code, corresponding .h files, and makefile should all be stored into a zip/tar archive and submitted to the Program 2 dropbox.

Rubric

	1	2	3
feature: command line read correctly	1	2	2
non-functional requirements	1	1	2
functional requirements	1	2	3
efficiency/style	1	2	2
makefile	0	1	1