

1. Write a recursive and an iterative version of the Fibonacci function, with the following signature:

```
int fib(int b);
```

Recursive:

```
int fib(int n) {  
    if (n <= 1) {  
        return n;  
    }  
  
    return fib(n - 1) + fib(n - 2);  
}
```

Iterative:

```
int fib(int n) {  
    int a = 0;  
    int b = 1;  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
        int tmp = a;  
        a = b;  
        b += tmp;  
    }  
  
    return a;  
}
```

2. What string X would make the following code:

```
printf(X, "Alice", 123, 10.0);
```

Print:

```
Hello Alice, your order code is 00123, it will cost £10.00.
```

```
"Hello %s, your order code is %05d, it will cost you £%.2f."
```

We could use "%05u" instead of "%05d" since we know we are probably only dealing with unsigned integers.

3. What is a null-terminated string?

An array of characters that ends with the null character `'\0'` (which marks the end of the string).

To store a string that contains 10 characters, we need 11 bytes (+1 due to null character)

4. Consider the following declarations:

```
int **test;
```

```
int arr[2][3]; -> an array of arrays
```

Describe what the following expressions mean:

- `**test`
- `*test = &another`
- `&*test`
- `(*test) + 1`
- `test[1][2]`
- `arr[1][2]`

- `**test` dereferences `*test`, which is a pointer to an int, so `**test` is basically the int value that is pointed to by `*test` (and `test` points to `*test`)
- `*test = &another` makes the pointer that “`test`” points to (i.e. `*test`) point to the address of “`another`”
- `&*test` = address of `*test` = `test`
- `*test` points to the address of `**test`, so `(*test) + 1` will point to the next int in memory (address of `**test + sizeof(int)`)

When we do pointer arithmetic in C, the “+1” will be in the units of the size of the type that the pointer references

- `test[1] = *(test + 1)`, so `test[1][2] = (*(test + 1) + 2)`

Note that `*(test + 1) != *(test) + 1`

- `arr[1][2]` = the element in the second row, third column of `arr`

`arr[x][y] = *(arr + x * <width> + y) -> e.g. if we declared int arr[2][3], then arr[1][2] = *(arr + 1 * 3 + 2)`

5. Write an implementation of:

```
int strcmp (const char *str1, const char *str2);
```

Recall that `strcmp` should return:

- 0: if the strings are equal.
- < 0: if `str1` lexicographically comes before `str2`.
- > 0: if `str1` lexicographically comes after `str2`.

```
int strcmp(const char *str1, const char *str2) {
    while (*str1 && (*str1 == *str2)) {
        str1++; // str1 += sizeof(char)
        str2++;
    }

    return (unsigned char) *str1 - (unsigned char) *str2;
}
```

6. Give a struct or class definition for a binary tree node, that is templated on arbitrary types for the key and value.

```
template <typename T>
class TreeNode {
public:
    T val;
    TreeNode* left;
    TreeNode* right;

    // Constructor
    TreeNode(T value) : val(value), left(nullptr),
right(nullptr) {}
};
```

```
template<typename K, typename V>
struct tree_node {
    K key;
```

```
V value;  
tree_node *left, *right;  
};
```

7. What is `__attribute__((packed))`, and how does it help OS developers?

`__attribute__((packed))` is a GCC/Clang compiler feature that affects struct memory layout. It removes padding between members of a struct.

Example...

```
struct Normal {  
    char a; // 1 byte + 3 bytes of padding  
    int b; // 4 bytes  
};
```

```
struct __attribute__((packed)) Packed {  
    char a; // 1 byte (no padding)  
    int b; // 4 bytes  
};
```

Using packed structs might result in slower runtime since data becomes unaligned (no longer in multiples of 4).

However packed structs do help to reduce the amount of memory used -> useful when dealing with stuff like communication protocols, where we want the size of the data to be as small as possible.

8. Implement the member functions insert and remove for the following circularly linked list node definition:

```
template<class T>  
class list_node {  
public:  
    explicit list_node (T data)  
        : prev_(this)  
        , next_(this)  
        , data_(data) {}  
    void insert(list_node *n) {
```

```

        . . .
    }
    void remove() {
        . . .
    }
    const T& data() const { return data_; }
private:
    list_node *prev_, *next_;
    T data_;
};

```

```

void insert(list_node* n) {
    n->prev_ = this;
    n->next_ = this->next_;
    this->next_->prev_ = n;
    this->next_ = n;
}

void remove() {
    this->next_->prev_ = this->prev_;
    this->prev_->next_ = this->next_;
    this->prev_ = this;
    this->next_ = this;
}

```