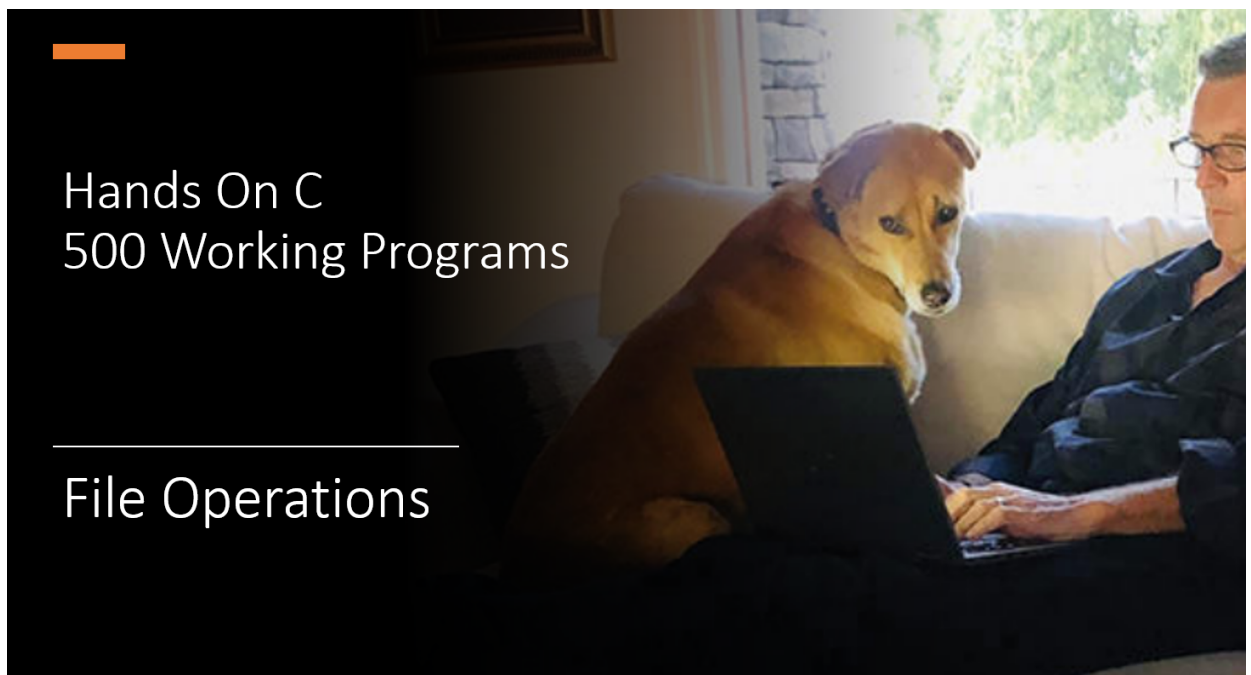




Hands On C 500 Working Programs

File Operations

Understanding Files

Performing a File Operation

1. Declare a file pointer

```
FILE *fp = fopen(filename, mode);
```

Mode is "r" for read access, "w" for write access, "r+" for read/write access, "w+" reading/writing, a+ append mode creating a new file if one did not exist

2. Perform the file operations

```
fgets(buffer, sizeof(buffer), fp);
```

```
fputs(buffer, fp);
```

3. Close the file

```
fclose(fp);
```

In [1]: `#include <stdio.h>`

```
int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Output.txt", "w");

    fputs("Hello, world", fp);

    fclose(fp);
}
```

In [2]: `#include <stdio.h>`

```
int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Output.txt", "r");
    char buffer[256];

    fgets(buffer, sizeof(buffer), fp);
    printf("Data read from the file: %s", buffer);
}
```

Data read from the file: Hello, world

Writing Output and Reading Input to/from a File a Character at a Time

```
In [3]: #include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Alphabet.txt", "w");

    for (char letter = 'A'; letter <= 'Z'; letter++)
        fputc(letter, fp);

    fclose(fp);
}
```

```
In [4]: #include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Alphabet.txt", "r");
    char letter;

    while ((letter = fgetc(fp)) != EOF)
        putchar(letter);

    fclose(fp);
}
```

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Writing/Reading Formatting Output to/from a File

```
In [5]: #include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Sample.txt", "w");

    fprintf(fp, "%s %d %f", "Kris", 50, 100000.0);

    fclose(fp);
}
```

```
In [6]: #include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Sample.txt", "r");
    char name[256];
    int age;
    float salary;

    fscanf(fp, "%s %d %f", name, &age, &salary);

    printf("Data read from file: %s %d %f\n", name, age, salary);
}
```

Data read from file: Kris 50 100000.000000

```
In [7]: #include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Sample.txt", "w");

    fprintf(fp, "%s %d %f", "Kris Jamsa", 50, 100000.0); // White space error

    fclose(fp);
}
```

```
In [8]: #include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Sample.txt", "r");
    char name[256];
    int age;
    float salary;

    fscanf(fp, "%s %d %f", name, &age, &salary);           // white space error

    printf("Data read from file: %s %d %f\n", name, age, salary);
}
```

Data read from file: Kris 421308216 0.000000

Checking if a File Exists

```
In [9]: #include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Sample.txt", "r");

    if (fp != NULL)
        printf("File exists");

    fclose(fp);
}
```

File exists

Deleting a File

```
In [10]: #include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    int status = remove("Sample.txt");

    if (! status)
        printf("File Deleted");
}
```

File Deleted

Renaming a File

```
In [11]: #include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    int status = rename("Output.txt", "Output.bak");

    if (! status)
        printf("File renamed\n");
    else
        printf("Error renaming file\n");
}
```

File renamed

Writing Structured Data to a File

```
In [12]: #include <stdio.h>

struct Employee {
    int EmployeeID;
    char EmployeeName[256];
    char JobTitle[256];
    float Salary;
    char Phone[32];
};

void StoreStaff(struct Employee *worker)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Employee.dat", "wb");

    fwrite(worker, sizeof(struct Employee), 1, fp);

    fclose(fp);
}

int main(void)
{
    struct Employee coder = { 1, "Kris Jamsa", "Programmer", 100000, "928-555-1212"

    StoreStaff(&coder);
}
```

```
In [13]: #include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>

struct Employee {
    int EmployeeID;
    char EmployeeName[256];
    char JobTitle[256];
    float Salary;
    char Phone[32];
};

void LoadStaff(struct Employee *worker)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Employee.dat", "rb");

    fread(worker, sizeof(struct Employee), 1, fp);

    fclose(fp);
}

void ShowEmployee(struct Employee worker)
{
    printf("ID %d Name: %s Title %s Salary %6.2f Phone %s\n",
        worker.EmployeeID, worker.EmployeeName, worker.JobTitle, worker.Salary,
    }

int main(void)
{
    struct Employee coder;

    LoadStaff(&coder);
    ShowEmployee(coder);
}
```

ID 1 Name: Kris Jamsa Title Programmer Salary 100000.00 Phone 928-555-1212

Testing a File Stream for Errors

```
In [14]: #include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    FILE *fp = fopen("Alphabet.txt", "r");

    if (fp == NULL)
    {
        printf("Error opening file\n");
        return(-1);
    }
    else
    {
        char letter;

        while ((letter = fgetc(fp)) != EOF)
            if (ferror(fp))
            {
                printf("Error reading file\n");
                return(-1);
            }
            else
                putchar(letter);

        fclose(fp);
    }
}
```

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Creating and Using Temporary File

```
In [15]: #include <stdio.h>

int main(void)
{
    FILE *tp = tmpfile();

    fputs("ABCDE", tp);
    fputs("FGHIJ", tp);

    fseek(tp, 0, SEEK_SET); // move to start of file

    char letter;

    while ((letter = fgetc(tp)) != EOF)
        putchar(letter);

    fclose(tp);
}
```

What You will Learn Next

When you run a program from a system prompt, the command you type is called the command line.

```
C:\> COPY source.ext source.bak
```

To allow your programs to access the command line arguments, you can use two parameters the operating system passes to main:

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
```

In the previous command line:

```
argc = 3  
argv[0] = copy.exe  
argv[1] = source.ext  
argv[2] = source.bak
```