



C Piscine

C 11

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Chapter I

Instructions

- Only this page serves as your reference, do not trust rumors.
- Watch out! This document may change before submission.
- Ensure you have the appropriate permissions on your files and directories.
- You must follow the **submission procedures** for all your exercises.
- Your exercises will be checked and graded by your fellow classmates.
- Additionally, your exercises will be evaluated by a program called **Moulinette**.
- **Moulinette** is meticulous and strict in its assessment. It is fully automated, and there is no way to negotiate with it. To avoid unpleasant surprises, be as thorough as possible.
- **Moulinette** is not open-minded. If your code does not adhere to the Norm, it won't attempt to understand it. **Moulinette** relies on a program called **norminette** to check if your files comply with the Norm. TL;DR: Submitting work that doesn't pass **norminette**'s check makes no sense.
- These exercises are arranged in order of difficulty, from easiest to hardest. We **will not** consider a successfully completed harder exercise if an easier one is not fully functional.
- Using a forbidden function is considered cheating. Cheaters receive a grade of **-42**, which is non-negotiable.
- You only need to submit a **main()** function if we specifically ask for a **program**.
- **Moulinette** compiles with the following flags: **-Wall -Wextra -Werror**, using **cc**.
- If your program does not compile, you will receive a grade of **0**.
- You **cannot** leave **any** additional file in your directory beyond those specified in the assignment.
- Have a question? Ask the peer on your right. If not, try the peer on your left.

- Your reference guide is called **Google / man / the Internet / ...**
- Check the "C Piscine" section of the forum on the intranet or the Piscine on Slack.
- Carefully examine the examples. They may contain crucial details that are not explicitly stated in the assignment...
- By Odin, by Thor! Use your brain!!!

Chapter II

AI Instructions

● Context

The C Piscine is intense. It's your first big challenge at 42 — a deep dive into problem-solving, autonomy, and community.

During this phase, your main objective is to build your foundation — through struggle, repetition, and especially **peer-learning** exchange.

In the AI era, shortcuts are easy to find. However, it's important to consider whether your AI usage is truly helping you grow — or simply getting in the way of developing real skills.

The Piscine is also a human experience — and for now, nothing can replace that. Not even AI.

For a more complete overview of our stance on AI — as a learning tool, as part of the ICT curriculum, and as a growing expectation in the job market — please refer to the dedicated FAQ available on the intranet.

● Main message

- 👉 Build strong foundations without shortcuts.
- 👉 Really develop tech & power skills.
- 👉 Experience real peer-learning, start learning how to learn and solve new problems.
- 👉 The learning journey is more important than the result.
- 👉 Learn about the risks associated with AI, and develop effective control practices and countermeasures to avoid common pitfalls.

● Learner rules:

- You should apply reasoning to your assigned tasks, especially before turning to AI.
- You should not ask for direct answers to the AI.
- You should learn about 42 global approach on AI.

● Phase outcomes:

Within this foundational phase, you will get the following outcomes:

- Get proper tech and coding foundations.
- Know why and how AI can be dangerous during this phase.

● Comments and example:

- Yes, we know AI exists — and yes, it can solve your projects. But you're here to learn, not to prove that AI has learned. Don't waste your time (or ours) just to demonstrate that AI can solve the given problem.
- Learning at 42 isn't about knowing the answer — it's about developing the ability to find one. AI gives you the answer directly, but that prevents you from building your own reasoning. And reasoning takes time, effort, and involves failure. The path to success is not supposed to be easy.
- Keep in mind that during exams, AI is not available — no internet, no smartphones, etc. You'll quickly realise if you've relied too heavily on AI in your learning process.
- Peer learning exposes you to different ideas and approaches, improving your interpersonal skills and your ability to think divergently. That's far more valuable than just chatting with a bot. So don't be shy — talk, ask questions, and learn together!
- Yes, AI will be part of the curriculum — both as a learning tool and as a topic in itself. You'll even have the chance to build your own AI software. In order to learn more about our crescendo approach you'll go through in the documentation available on the intranet.

✓ Good practice:

I'm stuck on a new concept. I ask someone nearby how they approached it. We talk for 10 minutes — and suddenly it clicks. I get it.

✗ Bad practice:

I secretly use AI, copy some code that looks right. During peer evaluation, I can't explain anything. I fail. During the exam — no AI — I'm stuck again. I fail.

Chapter III

Foreword

Here's a little story :

(1982, California) Larry Walters of Los Angeles is one of the few to contend for the Darwin Awards and live to tell the tale. "I have fulfilled my 20-year dream," said Walters, a former truck driver for a company that makes TV commercials.

"I'm staying on the ground. I've proved the thing works."

Larry's boyhood dream was to fly. But fates conspired to keep him from his dream. He joined the Air Force, but his poor eyesight disqualifies him from the job of pilot. After he was discharged from the military, he sat in his backyard watching jets fly overhead.

He hatched his weather balloon scheme while sitting outside in his "extremely comfortable" Sears lawnchair. He purchased 45 weather balloons from an Army-Navy surplus store, tied them to his tethered lawnchair (dubbed the Inspiration I) and filled the four-foot diameter balloons with helium. Then, armed with some sandwiches, Miller Lite, and a pellet gun, he strapped himself into his lawnchair. He figured he would shoot to pop a few of the many balloons when it was time to descend.

Larry planned to sever the anchor and lazily float to a height of about 30 feet above the backyard, where he would enjoy a few hours of flight before coming back down. But things didn't work out quite as Larry planned.

When his friends cut the cord anchoring the lawnchair to his Jeep, he did not float lazily up to 30 feet. Instead he streaked into the LA sky as if shot from a cannon, pulled by the lift of 45 helium balloons, holding 33 cubic feet of helium each.

He didn't level off at 100 feet, nor did he level off at 1000 feet. After climbing and climbing, he leveled off at 16,000 feet.

At that height he felt he couldn't risk shooting any of the balloons, lest he unbalance the load and really find himself in trouble. So he stayed there, drifting cold and frightened with his beer and sandwiches, for more than 14 hours. He crossed the primary approach corridor of LAX, where startled Trans World Airlines and Delta Airlines pilots radioed in reports

of the strange sight.

Eventually he gathered the nerve to shoot a few balloons, and slowly descended. The hanging tethers tangled and caught in a power line, blacking out a Long Beach neighborhood for 20 minutes. Larry climbed to safety, where he was arrested by waiting members of the LAPD. As he was led away in handcuffs, a reporter dispatched to cover the daring rescue asked him why he had done it. Larry replied nonchalantly, "A man can't just sit around."

The Federal Aviation Administration was not amused. Safety Inspector Neal Savoy said, "We know he broke some part of the Federal Aviation Act, and as soon as we decide which part it is, a charge will be filed."

The moral of this story is that Larry Walters should have stayed in his chair and learned C...

Chapter IV

Exercise 00 : ft_foreach

	Exercise 00
	ft_foreach
	Turn-in directory: <i>ex00/</i>
	Files to turn in: ft_foreach.c
	Allowed functions: None

- Create the function **ft_foreach**, which applies a given function to all elements of an integer array. This function should be applied in the order of the array.
- Here is how the function should be prototyped:

```
void ft_foreach(int *tab, int length, void(*f)(int));
```

For example, the **ft_foreach** function can be used as follows to display all the integers the an array:

```
ft_foreach(tab, 1337, &ft_putstr);
```

Chapter V

Exercise 01 : ft_map

	Exercise 01
	ft_map
Turn-in directory:	<i>ex01/</i>
Files to turn in:	ft_map.c
Allowed functions:	malloc

- Create the function `ft_map`, which applies a given function to all elements of an integer array (in order) and returns a new array containing all the return values.
- This function will be applied in the order of the array.
- Here is how the function should be prototyped:

```
int *ft_map(int *tab, int length, int(*f)(int));
```

Chapter VI

Exercise 02 : ft_any

	Exercise 02
	ft_any
Turn-in directory:	<i>ex02/</i>
Files to turn in:	ft_any.c
Allowed functions:	None

- Create a function `ft_any`, which returns 1 if, when passed to the function `f`, at least one element of the array returns a value other than 0. Otherwise, it should return 0.
- This function will be applied in the order of the array.
- Here is how the function should be prototyped:

```
int           ft_any(char **tab, int(*f)(char*));
```

- The array will be delimited by a null pointer.

Chapter VII

Exercise 03 : ft_count_if

	Exercise 03
	<u>ft_count_if</u>
	Turn-in directory: <i>ex03/</i>
	Files to turn in: ft_count_if.c
	Allowed functions: None

- Create a function **ft_count_if**, which returns the number of elements in the array for which the function **f** does not return 0.
- This function will be applied in the order of the array.
- Here is how the function should be prototyped:

```
int          ft_count_if(char **tab, int length, int(*f)(char*));
```

Chapter VIII

Exercise 04 : `ft_is_sort`

	Exercise 04
	<code>ft_is_sort</code>
	Turn-in directory: <i>ex04/</i>
	Files to turn in: <code>ft_is_sort.c</code>
	Allowed functions: None

- Create a function `ft_is_sort`, which returns 1 if the array is sorted and 0 if it is not.
- The function provided as an argument should return a negative integer if the first argument is less than the second, 0 if they are equal, or a positive integer if the first argument is greater than the second.
- Here is how the function should be prototyped:

```
int          ft_is_sort(int *tab, int length, int(*f)(int, int));
```

Chapter IX

Exercise 05 : do-op

	Exercise 05
	do-op
Turn-in directory: <i>ex05/</i>	
Files to turn in: <i>Your program files</i>	
Allowed functions: <i>write</i>	

- Create a program called **do-op**.
- The program will be executed with three arguments: **do-op value1 operator value2**.
- Example:

```
$>./do-op 42 "+" 21
63
$>
```

- You should use an array of pointers to functions to handle the **operator**.
- In case of an invalid operator, your program should print 0.
- If the number of arguments is invalid, **do-op** should not display anything.
- Your program should accept and print the result for the following operators: '+' '-' '/ '*' and '%'.
- Your program should treat the values as integers.
- In case of division by 0, it should print:

```
Stop : division by zero
```

- In case of modulo by 0, it should print:

```
Stop : modulo by zero
```

- Here is an example of tests the Moulinette will run:

```
$> make clean
$> make
$> ./do-op
$> ./do-op 1 + 1
2
$> ./do-op 42amis - ---20toto12
62
$> ./do-op 1 p 1
0
$> ./do-op 1 + toto3
1
$>
$> ./do-op toto3 + 4
4
$> ./do-op foo plus bar
0
$> ./do-op 25 / 0
Stop : division by zero
$> ./do-op 25 % 0
Stop : modulo by zero
$>
```

Chapter X

Exercise 06 : ft_sort_string_tab

	Exercise 06
	ft_sort_string_tab
	Turn-in directory: <i>ex06/</i>
	Files to turn in: <code>ft_sort_string_tab.c</code>
	Allowed functions: None

- Create the function `ft_sort_string_tab`, which sorts the strings in `tab` in ASCII order.
- `tab` will be null-terminated.
- The sorting will be performed by exchanging the array's pointers.
- Here is how it should be prototyped:

```
void ft_sort_string_tab(char **tab);
```

Chapter XI

Exercise 07 : ft_advanced_sort_string_tab

	Exercise 07
	ft_advanced_sort_string_tab
Turn-in directory:	<i>ex07/</i>
Files to turn in:	ft_advanced_sort_string_tab.c
Allowed functions:	None

- Create the function `ft_advanced_sort_string_tab`, which sorts depending on the return value of the function provided as an argument.
- The sorting will be performed by exchanging the array's pointers.
- `tab` will be null-terminated.
- Here is how it should be prototyped:

```
void ft_advanced_sort_string_tab(char **tab, int(*cmp)(char *, char *));
```



Calling `ft_advanced_sort_string_tab()` with `ft_strcmp` as the second argument will return the same result as `ft_sort_string_tab()`.

Chapter XII

Submission and peer-evaluation

Submit your assignment to your **Git** repository as usual. Only the work inside your repository will be evaluated during the defense. Make sure to double-check the filenames to ensure they are correct.



You must submit only the files required by the project instructions.