

Lab 5 – Strings; File Input/Output.

5.1 Time Table

Specify function `M = times_table(k)` that returns the times table of the first `k` integers in the form of the square matrix `M`.

5.2 Write File with Times Table

Specify function `res = write_times_table(filename, M)` that writes matrix `M` as a time table into a text file with name “`filename`” with some additional information, namely

- **Line 1:** a string that explains that the following is a times table up to number `k`.
- **Line 2:** left blank
- **Line 3:** a line with chars “+” and “+” that delimit the row of input numbers and allowing 4 initial spaces
- **Line 4:** a line with input numbers 1 to `k`, each occupying 4 chars, and delimited by “|” chars (also allowing 4 initial spaces).
- **Line 5:** Similar to line 3 but with initial horizontal line with characters “+” and “-“.
- numbers from 1 to `k`
- **Lines 6 to 6+k-1:** A line starting with numbers 1 to `k`, delimited by “|”s followed the corresponding rows of the table, each number taking 4 chars and finishing with the “|” delimiter.
- **Line 6+k+2:** As line 5.

```
This is the times table with the first 5 integers

      +-----+
      | 1  2  3  4  5 |
+----+-----+
| 1 | 1  2  3  4  5 |
| 2 | 2  4  6  8 10 |
| 3 | 3  6  9 12 15 |
| 4 | 4  8 12 16 20 |
| 5 | 5 10 15 20 25 |
+----+-----+
```

5.3. Read File with Times Table

Specify function `M = read_times_table(filename)` that reads a file with the above format from file with “`filename`” and returns the corresponding times table in matrix `M`. Use for testing, the file produced in the previous exercise but change some of its values. Can you change the number of characters for representing the numbers?

5.4. Write / Read File with Times Table

Adapt the functions of the previous two problems to read/write a file with a times table but where there are no delimiters and the different data items are separated by single space characters, as shown below.

```
This is the times table with the first 5 integers
1 2 3 4 5
1 1 2 3 4 5
2 2 4 6 8 10
3 3 6 9 12 15
4 4 8 12 16 20
5 5 10 15 20 25
```