

# 1995 ACM MID-CENTRAL REGIONAL PROGRAMMING CONTEST

## Problem #7 - Mark-up

Source File: **markup.{c|cpp|pas}**

Input File: **markup.in**

Output File: **markup.out**

Mark-up languages are computer languages that assist in the formatting of text files. Special keywords are used to mark the text to allow control of fonts, page styles, paragraph styles, etc. T<sub>E</sub>X, troff, and HTML are examples of mark-up languages.

Spell checking can be difficult to adapt to these special texts. In general, special processors or spell checkers must be created in order to accommodate mark-up languages. A special processor would recognize the mark-up language and strip it from the text so that the “plain” text could then be processed by a spell checker. For this problem, you are to write such a processor for a small mark-up language so that the output of your program will be the plain text without the mark-ups.

The mark-up language to consider is one which allows the modification of fonts within the text. Each markup command will be preceded by a \ character. If the letter following the \ character is not a recognized command from the table below then the character following the \ is printed as part of the plain text. For instance, the mark-up \\ can be used to print a single \.

**\b** toggle bold font on/off (default state is off)

**\i** toggle italics font on/off (default state is off)

**\s** set font size; the s is immediately followed by an optional number; if the number is missing then the command will restore the previous size

**\\*** toggle processing of mark-ups on/off; if processing is toggled off then mark-ups are considered to be literal text (default state is on)

The number following the **\s** command can have a decimal point so 12, 9.5, 11., and .5 should all be recognized as valid numbers.

The input file will be plain text containing mark-ups from the language above. At the start, processing of mark-ups should be on. The file should be processed until the end-of-file is encountered.

A sample input file is shown here:

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\s18.\bMARKUP sample\b\s
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\*For bold statements use the \b command.\*
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If you wish to \iemphasize\i something use the \i command.
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```
For titles use \s14BIG\s font sizes, 14 points usually works well.
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Remember that all of the commands toggle except for the \s command.
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The following output file should be produced from the above sample input:

```
MARKUP sample
```

```
For bold statements use the \b command.
```

```
If you wish to emphasize something use the \i command.
```

```
For titles use BIG font sizes, 14 points usually works well.
```

```
Remember that all of the commands toggle except for the \s command.
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