

CSC 209H5 S 2013 Midterm
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Question 1. [5 MARKS]**Part (a)** [2 MARKS]

In no more than a few sentences, explain what is done by the following code. Give an overall description of the code's purpose, not a line-by-line explanation of the code. Assume that `in` exists.

```
#!/bin/bash

while read line; do
    wc -l < $line
done <in >out
```

Part (b) [1 MARK]

Write one line of Bash code that writes the text `SEM` to standard error.

Part (c) [2 MARKS]

Briefly explain how the shell uses `fork` and an `exec` call to run new processes.

Question 2. [6 MARKS]

Write a shell script that supports the following synopsis:

```
numnewer reffile [dir]...
```

reffile is the name of a file in the current directory, and **[dir]...** is zero or more names of directories. **numnewer** produces as output a single integer giving the total number of files in the directories **[dir]...** that are newer than **reffile**.

As an example, consider this **ls** call:

```
$ ls *
numnewer  xyzzy
```

```
dir1:
a
```

```
dir2:
b  c
```

Imagine that **b** is newer than **xyzzy**, but that **a** and **c** are older than **xyzzy**. If I invoke **numnewer xyzzy dir1 dir2** then the output is the integer 1.

Do not write any error-checking code for the **numnewer** call; i.e. assume that **reffile** is provided and exists. In addition, you may assume that each directory exists and that it contains only regular files (no subdirectories).

Question 3. [4 MARKS]

Here is a declaration for `struct node`:

```
struct node {  
    char s[30];  
    struct node *next;  
};
```

`head` is a pointer to the first node in a linked list. Write function `findnode` that returns 1 if the node pointed to by `find` is found in the linked list, and 0 otherwise.

```
int findnode(const struct node *head, const struct node *find) {
```

The following shows sample calls for `findnode`. Note that `n3` is **not** in the list.

```
int main(void) {  
    struct node *n1 = malloc(sizeof(struct node));  
    struct node *n2 = malloc(sizeof(struct node));  
    struct node *n3 = malloc(sizeof(struct node));  
    strcpy(n1->s, "dan");  
    strcpy(n2->s, "dan");  
    strcpy(n3->s, "dan");  
  
    n1->next = n2;  
    n2->next = NULL;  
    n3->next = NULL;  
  
    printf("%d\n", findnode(n1, n2)); //outputs 1  
    printf("%d\n", findnode(n1, n3)); //outputs 0  
    return 0;  
}
```

Question 4. [5 MARKS]

This question has two parts. Below is a partial implementation of function `copystrs`. `s` is an array of `max+1` bytes, and `strs` is an array of strings. `strs[0]` is the first string, `strs[1]` is the second string, etc. `strs` is guaranteed to include a `NULL` pointer to indicate that no further elements are initialized.

The function is designed to copy characters from each successive string in `strs`, until there is no room remaining in `s`. There is a sample call below the function that I encourage you to understand before continuing.

Part (a) [3 MARKS] Write the code for the missing loop. The code inside the loop is responsible for copying characters into `s`, updating `max`, and advancing through `strs`. Be sure that you null-terminate `s`. **You must use `strcat` or `strncat` in your solution.**

```
void copystrs(char *s, char **strs, int max) {
    s[0] = '\0'; // part B
    while (*strs != NULL && max > 0) {
        // copy into s, update max, advance strs
```

```
    }
}
```

```
int main(void) {
    char s[6];
    char *strs[4] = {"ab", "cd", "ef", NULL};
    copystrs(s, strs, 5);
    printf("%s\n", s); // outputs abcde
    return 0;
}
```

Part (b) [2 MARKS] The first line of code with the `// part B` comment puts a null character at the beginning of `s`. Suppose this line were removed. Would your function still work as expected? Briefly explain.

C function prototypes

```
int printf(const char *format, ...)
```

```
char *strchr(const char *s, int c) //Search from left
```

```
char *strrchr(const char *s, int c) //Search from right
```

```
char *strstr(const char *s1, const char *s2) //Search for s2
```

```
size_t strlen(const char *s)
```

```
char *strncat(char *dest, const char *src, size_t n)
```

```
int strncmp(const char *s1, const char *s2, size_t n)
```

```
char *strncpy(char *dest, const char *src, size_t n)
```

Shell test Operators

-a, -o	and, or
-eq, -ne	equality and inequality on ints
-gt, -lt, -ge, -le	greater-than, less-than, etc. on ints
=, !=	equality and inequality on strings
-z	Empty string?
-f	File is a regular file?
-d	File is a directory?

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