

Assignment 1 – A simple UNIX Shell in C/C++

Category	Mark
Support for built-in commands <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marks will be deducted for: not printing the error messages as described (-5).	/20 marks
Launching external programs <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marks will be deducted for: not returning back to the shell after program execution completes (-5), failing to run a program found in the shell path, specified path, or current working directory (-5).• No marks will be given to solution that uses <code>system()</code> or the <code>PATH</code> environment variable.	/10 marks
Running multiple commands in a single line <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marks will be deducted for: returning control to user before all commands finish execution (-5).	/10 marks
Running programs in the background <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marks will be deducted for: not returning control to user (-5).	/10 marks
Support redirecting the output from one program to a file <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marks will be deducted for: failing to redirect the output to the user-specified file (-5).	/10 marks
Support piping the output of one program to another program <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marks will be deducted for: failing to pipe from one program to another (-5).• No marks will be given to solution that uses <code>popen()</code> or <code>pclose()</code>.	/10 marks
Handling signals <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marks will be deducted for: failing to capture Ctrl-C and/or Ctrl-Z and returning back to bash (-5).	/10 marks
Makefile <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marks will be deducted for: Makefile does not have the required targets (-5).	/10 marks
Readme file	/10 marks

Note: Deductions (to the entire grade) may be applied at the grader's discretion if the submission:

- Does not meet the requirements or does not support all the features listed in the assignment description;
- Does not compile or run correctly;
 - And to a lesser extent not compile cleanly with `-Wall` flags.
- Uses glibc functions instead of system calls.
- Has memory leaks (`valgrind` will be used to check for memory leaks).
- Has extremely poor code structure, style, or modularity.
- Does not have correct function/file names, or submission is not tar.gz or zip.
- Does not kill any background programs when the shell exits gracefully.