Operating Systems

Assignment 1

Deadline: Aug 16th, 2017 (9 PM)

The following are the sub-tasks for the assignment. For each of the requirement, an appropriate example is given along with it.

Task 1: Reverse the file

Given a file, you need to reverse the contents of that file and invert the case of each English character in the file and store the result in a new file within a new directory named "Assignment". The file and directory thus created, can only be read/written by the user who created it. Program will be tested on LARGE (> 1 GB) files.

Example:

INPUT

"My name is Athira.\n"

OUTPUT

"\n.ARIHTa SI EMAN Ym"

Note: Print non-alphabetic characters as it is.

Task 2: Test and Verify

Write a program to

- Create a symlink to the above created file in "Assignment/.." (Directory where the original file is present)
- Verify the creation of the symlink, new file and new directory created in the above part of question
- Check permissions for the three files mentioned in the above point.
- Check if the file created is reversed and case-inverted version of the input file.

Play around with the file permission commands and check which types of permissions you can give to various users, groups and others.

Example:

Checking whether the directory has been created: Yes Checking whether the file has been created: Yes Checking whether the symlink has been created: Yes

Checking whether file contents have been reversed and case-inverted: Yes

User has read permission on file: Yes User has write permission on file: Yes User has execute permission on file: No

Group has read permission on file: No Group has write permission on file: No Group has execute permission on file: No

Others has read permission on file: No Others has write permission on file: No Others has execute permission on file: No

Note: Print the above 9 for the Assignment directory also.

Guidelines (Read these thoroughly)

- 1. **All programs must use system calls only**. Usage of printf and scanf are also restricted.
- 2. Use man pages exclusively.
- 3. Useful commands: read, write, lseek, stat, symlink, readlink
- 4. Assignments **should be coded in C**. Indent your codes properly, comment wherever needed.
- 5. Add a Readme file.
- 6. Compilation and/or Segmentation errors at the time of evaluations are embarrassing and will be penalised.
- 7. You can submit in following format RollNo_AssignNo.tar.gz on portal.
- 8. Deadline is strictly 9:00 PM, 16th August 2017. There will be no further delays, and submission via mail will not be considered.
- 9. Do not cheat in assignments, any kind of incident will have serious consequences.