

Homework 10: mmap

The goal of this homework is to understand the `mmap` system call. The program in Section 1 creates a file and writes 4 MB data to it. After this step, the program opens the file in read-only mode and sequentially read the entire file 1024 times.

1 Program

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#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>

#define NUM_PAGES 1024
#define PAGE_SIZE 4096

void write_file (int fd, char *buf)
{
    int i, ret;

    for (i = 0; i < NUM_PAGES; i++) {
        ret = write (fd, buf, PAGE_SIZE);
        if (ret != PAGE_SIZE) {
            printf ("unable to write\n");
            exit (0);
        }
    }
}

void read_file (int fd, char *buf)
{
    int i, ret;
    char str[PAGE_SIZE];
```

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lseek (fd, 0, SEEK_SET);

for (i = 0; i < NUM_PAGES; i++) {
    ret = read (fd, str, PAGE_SIZE);
    if (ret != PAGE_SIZE) {
        printf ("unable to read %d\n", ret);
        exit (0);
    }
    if (memcmp (str, buf, PAGE_SIZE) != 0) {
        printf ("data don't match\n");
        exit (0);
    }
}
}

int main ()
{
    int i, fd, ret;
    char buf[PAGE_SIZE];

    for (i = 0; i < PAGE_SIZE; i++) {
        buf[i] = rand() % 128;
    }
    fd = creat ("/tmp/temp.txt", S_IRUSR | S_IWUSR);
    if (fd < 0) {
        printf ("error in creat\n");
        exit (0);
    }
    write_file (fd, buf);
    close (fd);
    fd = open ("/tmp/temp.txt", O_RDONLY);
    for (i = 0; i < 1024; i++) {
        read_file (fd, buf);
    }
    close (fd);
    return 0;
}

```

2 Turn in

- Compile the program using: ‘gcc -O3 filename.c’
- Run the program using: time ./a.out
- Write the output of the above command.

The `time` command prints total time, time spent in user mode, and time spent in kernel mode. Modify the program to use `mmap` (look at the man page of `mmap`) system call to map the file in read mode after the data is stored in the file (using write system call). Modify `read_file` to reading from memory mapped file instead of using the read system call. Finally, unmap the file before closing the file descriptor.

- Compile your modified program using `gcc -O3 filename.c`
- Run the program using: `time ./a.out`
- Write the output of the above command.
- Explain, why time spent in the kernel are different with and without `mmap`?

3 Submission

Upload a pdf file with your answers on the Backpack. This is a project group homework. Only one project member needs to upload. You must follow the naming convention as `group_id.pdf`.