UNIX Programming Assignment 2

Due date: 2016/10/4 23:59

Demo time: 2016/10/4 18:30~22:00

Demo room: EECS 328

In this assignment, you will need to write your own dup2 function that behaves the same way as the dup2 function described in Section 3.12.

int dup2(int oldfd, int newfd);

The **dup2**() system call makes a copy of the file descriptor *oldfd*, using newfd as the target file descriptor.

- Your dup2 must copy the file descriptor oldfd and use the newfd as the target fd.
- Make sure that the oldfd and the newfd point to the same file.
- The return file descriptor should be the new newfd that point sto the file table of oldfd. If error occurs, you have to return -1.
- If *newfd* is not closed, you have to close the *newfd* before you copy the fds.
- Your dup2 should handle invalid file descriptors (please check out the valid range of file descriptors online) and others error status.
- Note that you can not use **dup2**, **fcntl functions** in your implementation. You need to implement your dup2 function (named **mydup2**) in .c file(s) and use

header file .h (named hw2.h) to declare your implementation.

Hint: If **fcntl** cannot be invoked, you will have to use **dup**. Then you have no control over which file descriptor will be used by the dup function call. Try to design a workaround of this.

Extra Hint: Each process can manage at most OPEN_MAX file descriptors, which may make your tasks trickier. If OPEN_MAX is not defined, you will have to find the maximum file descriptors. (You may use the source code provided by the TA to find the value.)

Submission:

- You have to upload the assignment to the ilms system.
- You also need to **demo and explain your implementation to the TA**.

- (1%) Submit you pseudocode in plan-text, with the file name: hw02_[YourStudentID].txt
- (3%) Submit your code with the file name: hw02_[YourStudentID].c and the header file (hw2.h). You get 3 points once your code can handle normal test cases prepared by TA.
 - o Your dup2 can duplicate the descriptor correctly.
 - o If newfd is an opened file descriptor, you have to close the newfd first.
 - o If oldfd equals to newfd, your dup2 will return the newfd.
- (1%) You get one more point if you handle all the errors correctly.
 - If oldfd is an invalid file descriptor, your dup2 will return -1. The newfd will keep its original value.