

# CS 332/532 Systems Programming

Lecture 16

-Standard I/O Libraries-

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# Agenda

- `getc`
- `getline`
- `getdelim`
- `fgets`
- `fscanf`
- `fprintf`
- .....

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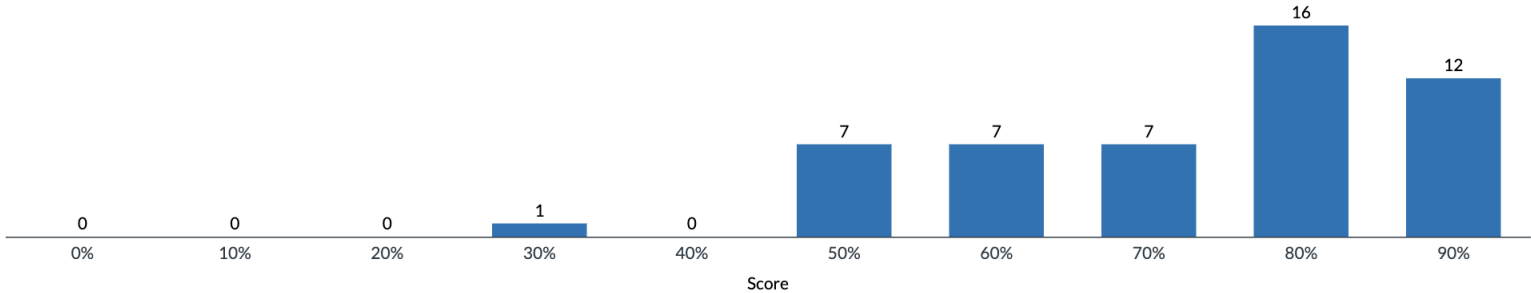
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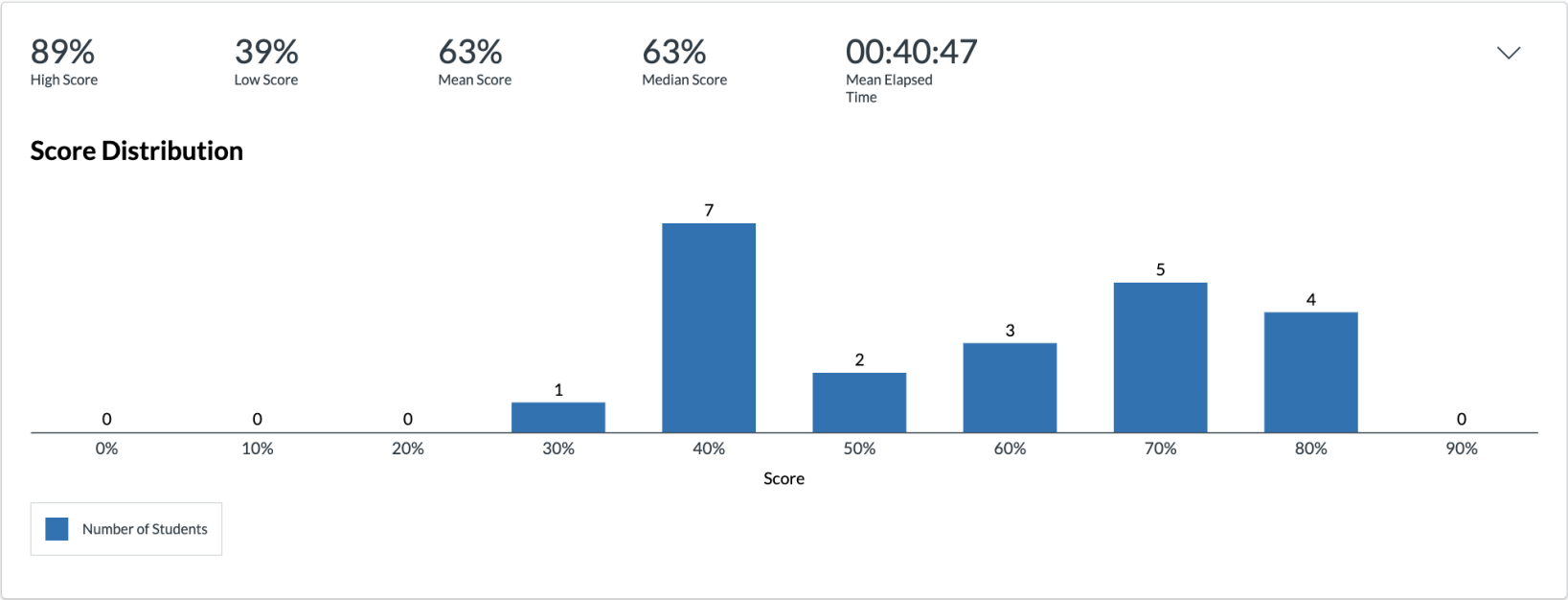


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# Standard I/O Library

- This library is specified by ISO C standard because it has been implemented on many OS
- The standard I/O library handles such details as buffer allocation and performing I/O in optimal-sized chunks, obviating our need to worry about using the correct block size

# Recall - File Descriptor

- When a file opened
  - nonnegative int assigned
  - this int is used in all operations
- Streams
  - with the standard I/O library, the discussion centers on streams
  - Open or Create a file → associate with a stream

# I/O Stream

- *Open I/O Stream:* The standard I/O stream allows you to open a file in read, write, or append modes. This mode can be combined in a single open function call (see Figure 5.2 in Section 5.5 of the textbook for a complete list of options that can be specified). For example:

```
FILE *fptr;  
fptr = fopen("listings.csv", "r+");
```

<i>type</i>	Description	open(2) Flags
r or rb w or wb a or ab	open for reading truncate to 0 length or create for writing append; open for writing at end of file, or create for writing	O_RDONLY O_WRONLY   O_CREAT   O_TRUNC O_WRONLY   O_CREAT   O_APPEND
r+ or r+b or rb+ w+ or w+b or wb+	open for reading and writing truncate to 0 length or create for reading and writing	O_RDWR O_RDWR   O_CREAT   O_TRUNC
a+ or a+b or ab+	open or create for reading and writing at end of file	O_RDWR   O_CREAT   O_APPEND

**Figure 5.2** The *type* argument for opening a standard I/O stream



# Input / Output Stream:

- ***Input Stream:*** The standard I/O stream allows us to read from the open file. These functions allow us to read a file character by character – `getchar()`, line by line – `fgets()`, or with specific size – `fread()`
- ***Output Stream:*** The standard I/O stream allow you to write to an open file. These functions allow you to write to a file character by character – `putchar()`, line by line – `fputs()`, or with specific size – `fwrite()`

# Exercise 1

- Now let's use these functions and write a program. We will use APIs available in Linux and C to develop different versions of this program


# getc()

```
int getc(FILE *stream)
```

- Gets the next character (an unsigned char) from the specified stream
- Advances the position indicator for the stream.

# getline1.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3
4  int getLine(FILE *fp, char *line);
5
6  int main(int argc, char** argv) {
7      char *str;
8      FILE *fp;
9      int n;
10
11     str = malloc(sizeof(char)*BUFSIZ);
12     fp = fopen(argv[1], "r");
13     if (fp == NULL) {
14         printf("Error opening file %s\n", argv[1]);
15         exit(-1);
16     }
17     while ( (n = getLine(fp, str)) > 0)
18         printf("%d: %s\n", n, str);
19     fclose(fp);
20     return 0;
21 }
22
23 int getLine(FILE *fp, char *line) {
24     int c, i=0;
25     while ((c = getc(fp)) != '\n' && c != EOF)
26         line[i++] = c;
27     line[i] = '\0';
28     return i;
29 }
```



Some text line 1  
Line 2  
l3

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % gcc -o getline1 getline1.c  
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % ./getline1 test.txt  
16: Some text line 1  
6: Line 2  
2: l3
```

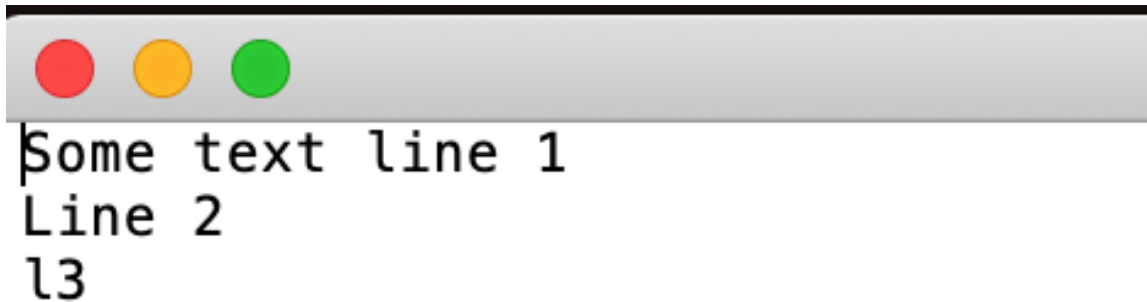
# getline()

```
ssize_t getline(char **lineptr, size_t *n, FILE  
*stream);
```

- **getline()** reads an entire line from *stream*, storing the address of the buffer containing the text into *\*lineptr*. The buffer is null-terminated and includes the newline character, if one was found.
- On success, **getline()** returns the number of characters read, including the delimiter character, but not including the terminating null byte ('\0')

# getline2.c

```
1
2  #include <stdio.h>
3  #include <stdlib.h>
4
5  int main(int argc, char** argv) {
6      char *line=NULL;
7      FILE *fp;
8      size_t maxlen=0;
9      ssize_t n;
10
11      printf("BUFSIZ = %d\n", BUFSIZ);
12
13      if ((fp = fopen(argv[1], "r")) == NULL) {
14          printf("Error opening file %s\n", argv[1]);
15          exit(-1);
16      }
17      while ( (n = getline(&line, &maxlen, fp)) > 0)
18          printf("%ld[%ld]: %s\n", n, maxlen, line);
19
20      fclose(fp);
21      return 0;
22 }
```



Some text line 1  
Line 2  
l3

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % ./getline2 test.txt
BUFSIZ = 1024
17[32]: Some text line 1

7[32]: Line 2

2[32]: l3
```

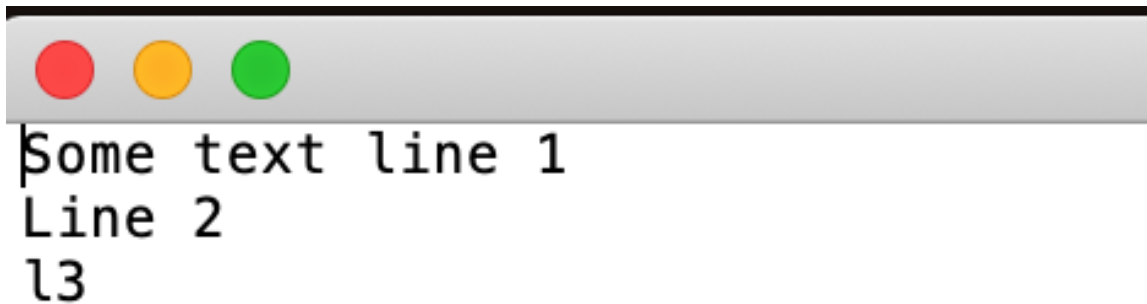


# getdelim()

- `ssize_t getdelim(char **lineptr, size_t *n, int delim, FILE *stream);`
- `getdelim()` works like `getline()`, except that a line delimiter other than newline can be specified as the *delimiter* argument.
- `getdelim()` returns the number of characters read, including the delimiter character, but not including the terminating null byte

# getline3.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3
4  int main(int argc, char** argv) {
5      char *line=NULL;
6      FILE *fp;
7      size_t maxlen=0;
8      ssize_t n;
9
10     if ((fp = fopen( filename: argv[1], mode: "r")) == NULL) {
11         printf("Error opening file %s\n", argv[1]);
12         exit(-1);
13     }
14     while ( (n = getdelim(&line, &maxlen, delimiter: ' ', fp)) > 0)
15         printf("%ld: %s\n", n, line);
16
17     fclose(fp);
18     return 0;
19 }
20
```



```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % gcc -o getline3 getline3.c
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % ./getline3 test.txt
5: Some
5: text
5: line
7: 1
Line
4: 2
l3
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % _
```

# gets()

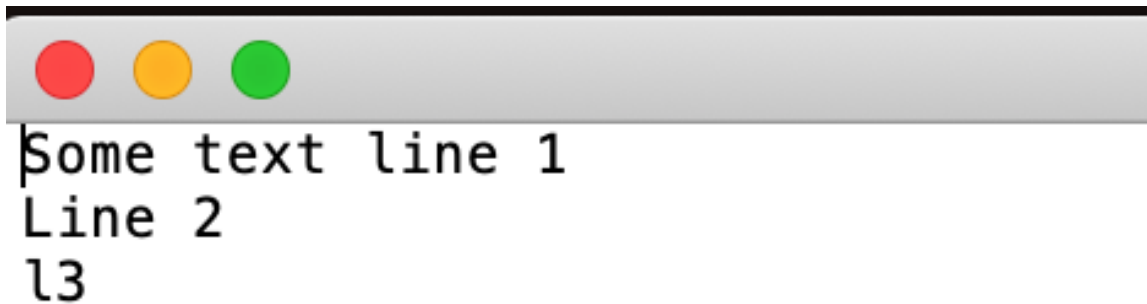
- `char *gets(char *str)`
- The C library function `char *gets(char *str)` reads a line from stdin and stores it into the string pointed to by `str`.
- It stops when either the newline character is read or when the end-of-file is reached, whichever comes first.
- It reads string from standard input and prints the entered string, but it suffers from Buffer Overflow as `gets()` doesn't do any array bound testing.
- `gets()` keeps on reading until it sees a newline character.
- To avoid Buffer Overflow, `fgets()` should be used instead of `gets()` as `fgets()` makes sure that not more than `MAX_LIMIT` characters are read.

# fgets()

- `char *fgets (char *str, int n, FILE *stream)`
- **str** – This is the pointer to an array of chars where the string read is stored.
- **n** – This is the maximum number of characters to be read (including the final null-character). Usually, the length of the array passed as str is used.
- **stream** – This is the pointer to a FILE object that identifies the stream where characters are read from.
- On success, the function returns the same str parameter. If the End-of-File is encountered and no characters have been read, the contents of str remain unchanged and a null pointer is returned

# getline4.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <string.h>
4
5  int main(int argc, char** argv) {
6      char *line;
7      FILE *fp;
8
9      line = malloc(sizeof(char)*BUFSIZ);
10
11     if ((fp = fopen( filename: argv[1], mode: "r")) == NULL) {
12         fprintf(stderr, "Error opening file %s\n", argv[1]);
13         exit(-1);
14     }
15     while ( fgets(line, BUFSIZ, fp) != NULL )
16         fprintf(stdout, "%ld: %s\n", strlen(line), line);
17
18     fclose(fp);
19     return 0;
20 }
```



```
[(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % gcc -o getline4 getline4.c
[(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % ./getline4 test.txt
17: Some text line 1

7: Line 2

2: l3
[(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 %
```

# fscanf()

- `int fscanf(FILE *stream, const char *format, ...)`

Conversion type	Description
<code>d, i</code>	signed decimal
<code>o</code>	unsigned octal
<code>u</code>	unsigned decimal
<code>x, X</code>	unsigned hexadecimal
<code>f, F</code>	double floating-point number
<code>e, E</code>	double floating-point number in exponential format
<code>g, G</code>	interpreted as <code>f</code> , <code>F</code> , <code>e</code> , or <code>E</code> , depending on value converted
<code>a, A</code>	double floating-point number in hexadecimal exponential format
<code>c</code>	character (with <code>l</code> length modifier, wide character)
<code>s</code>	string (with <code>l</code> length modifier, wide character string)
<code>p</code>	pointer to a <code>void</code>
<code>n</code>	pointer to a signed integer into which is written the number of characters written so far
<code>%</code>	a <code>%</code> character
<code>C</code>	wide character (XSI option, equivalent to <code>lc</code> )
<code>S</code>	wide character string (XSI option, equivalent to <code>ls</code> )

**Figure 5.9** The conversion type component of a conversion specification




Conversion type	Description
d	signed decimal, base 10
i	signed decimal, base determined by format of input
o	unsigned octal (input optionally signed)
u	unsigned decimal, base 10 (input optionally signed)
x, X	unsigned hexadecimal (input optionally signed)
a, A, e, E, f, F, g, G	floating-point number
c	character (with l length modifier, wide character)
s	string (with l length modifier, wide character string)
[	matches a sequence of listed characters, ending with ]
[ ^	matches all characters except the ones listed, ending with ]
p	pointer to a void
n	pointer to a signed integer into which is written the number of characters read so far
%	a % character
C	wide character (XSI option, equivalent to lc)
S	wide character string (XSI option, equivalent to ls)

**Figure 5.10** The conversion type component of a conversion specification

# getline5.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <string.h>
4
5  int main(int argc, char** argv) {
6      char *line;
7      FILE *fp;
8
9      line = malloc(sizeof(char)*BUFSIZ);
10
11     if ((fp = fopen(argv[1], "r")) == NULL) {
12         printf("Error opening file %s\n", argv[1]);
13         exit(-1);
14     }
15     while ( fscanf(fp, "%s", line) != EOF )
16         printf("%ld: %s\n", strlen(line), line);
17
18     fclose(fp);
19     return 0;
20 }
```



Some text line 1  
Line 2  
l3

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % gcc -o getline5 getline5.c  
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % ./getline5 test.txt  
4: Some  
4: text  
4: line  
1: 1  
4: Line  
1: 2  
2: l3
```

# fprintf()

```
int fprintf(FILE *stream, const char *format, ...)
```

## **stream**

The stream where the output will be written.


## **format**

Describes the output as well as provides a placeholder to insert the formatted string. Here are a few examples:

Format	Explanation	Example
%d	Display an integer	10
%f	Displays a floating-point number in fixed decimal format	10.500000
%.1f	Displays a floating-point number with 1 digit after the decimal	10.5
%e	Display a floating-point number in exponential (scientific notation)	1.050000e+01
%g	Display a floating-point number in either fixed decimal or exponential format depending on the size of the number (will not display trailing zeros)	10.5


# getline6.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <string.h>
4
5  int main(int argc, char** argv) {
6      char *line;
7      FILE *fp, *fpout;
8
9      line = malloc(sizeof(char)*BUFSIZ);
10
11     if ((fp = fopen( filename: argv[1], mode: "r")) == NULL) {
12         fprintf(stderr, "Error opening file %s\n", argv[1]);
13         exit(-1);
14     }
15     if ((fpout = fopen( filename: argv[2], mode: "w")) == NULL) {
16         fprintf(stderr, "Error opening file %s\n", argv[2]);
17         exit(-1);
18     }
19     while ( fscanf(fp, "%s", line) != EOF )
20         fprintf(fpout, "%ld: %s\n", strlen(line), line);
21
22     fclose(fp);
23     fclose(fpout);
24     return 0;
25 }
```



```
Some text line 1
Line 2
l3
```

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % gcc -o getline6 getline6.c
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % ./getline6 test.txt output.txt
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture15 % _
```



```
4: Some
4: text
4: line
1: 1
4: Line
1: 2
2: l3
```

# Go Extra mile

- You can use the corresponding man page to find out more about each of the functions used above.
- You can also extend the above examples to use *putc*, *puts*, *putchar*, *fputc*, and *fputs* functions to write the output.