Assignment 4

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1 Task 1

1.1 Modifications

First of all, I changed the message from Hello World! to Hello World from Trondheim!. I updated the length of the message and set the counter to 3, instead of 10. In order to write the message to standard error, I modified the file descriptor from 1 (standard output) to 2 (standard error). I then modified the line of code before the syscall to return an error code (1).

1.2 Verification

To test whether the program actually writes to standard error instead of standard output, I ran the following commands

```
./hello 1> hello_stdout.txt
./hello 2> hello_stderr.txt
```

and checked the output to make sure that the stdout file was empty, whereas the stderr file contained the 3 sentences.

To verify the return of the error code, after the execution of the program I ran the command

echo \$?

```
fragrimi@DESKTOP-TTPG3QA: ~/assembly-example$ ./hello
Hello World from Trondheim!
Hello World from Trondheim!
Hello World from Trondheim!
fragrimi@DESKTOP-TTPG3QA: ~/assembly-example$ echo $?

fragrimi@DESKTOP-TTPG3QA: ~/assembly-example$
```

Figure 1: Error code in Task 1

2 Task 2

The outputs of the three programs written respectively in C, C++ and Rust, are the following:

```
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PS C:\Users\fragr\Desktop\uni\ntnu\security in programming and cryptography\assignments\4\task2> cd c
PS C:\Users\fragr\Desktop\uni\ntnu\security in programming and cryptography\assignments\4\task2\c> ./task2
Enter your string:

(hello > & < hi > !

Output string:
8lt; hello & & & is > !
PS C:\Users\fragr\Desktop\uni\ntnu\security in programming and cryptography\assignments\4\task2\c> |
```

Figure 2: Output of C program

```
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PS C:\Users\fragr\Desktop\uni\ntnu\security in programming and cryptography\assignments\4\task2\c> cd ..

PS C:\Users\fragr\Desktop\uni\ntnu\security in programming and cryptography\assignments\4\task2> cd cp

PS C:\Users\fragr\Desktop\uni\ntnu\security in programming and cryptography\assignments\4\task2\cp> ./task2

Enter your string:

{ hello & { hi > | 0}

Output string:

$\tilde{\text{8}}$ the hello > & mp; & \tilde{\text{8}}$ th; hi > |

PS C:\Users\fragr\Desktop\uni\ntnu\security in programming and cryptography\assignments\4\task2\cp> |
```

Figure 3: Output of C++ program

Figure 4: Output of Rust program

3 Task 3

After creating the dynamic library and linking it to the executable file, this is the output:

```
fragrimi@DESKTOP-TTPG3QA:~/c-example$ gcc main.c -lfunctions -o c_example fragrimi@DESKTOP-TTPG3QA:~/c-example$ ./c_example message: Hello World message from a_function: Hello World You have called another_function
You have called yet_another_function message is stored at memory address: 0x55e09ebd0008 message values: char dec hex
H 72 48
e 101 65
l 108 6c
l 108 6c
o 111 6f
32 20
W 87 57
o 111 6f
r 114 72
l 108 6c
d 100 64
```

Figure 5: Output with spelling error

It is clear that there is a spelling error in the function named another_function ("caled"). Fixing it and updating the dynamic library produces the following result when running c_example again:

```
fragrimi@DESKTOP-TTPG3QA:~/c-example$ ./c_example
message: Hello World
message from a_function: Hello World
You have called another_function
You have called yet_another_function
message is stored at memory address: 0x55f9c1dcc008
message values:
char dec hex
H 72 48
e 101 65
l 108 6c
l 108 6c
o 111 6f
32 20
W 87 57
o 111 6f
r 114 72
l 108 6c
d 100 64
```

Figure 6: Output with fixed typo

To see the changes, there is no need to recompile c_example.