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Exercise 2 - Simulation of System commands using System calls

1)Implementation of cp and cp -i command using system calls.

Aim :

To copy the contents of one file into another file.

Algorithm :

1:Read the source and destination file with the operation to be performed using command line.

2:If argument length less than 3 or greater than 4, print invalid input.

3:If argument length is equal to 4 and 1st argument is -i, open file in 2nd argument and 3rd argument and store it.

3.1: If source file already exists, ask the user if he wants overwrite the contents. If yes, close the file. Else close the file and exit from the program.

3.2: Create a file in the name of 3rd argument.

3.3: Read the contents of source file and write it in destination file.

3.4: Close the source and the destination file.

4: Else

4.1: Open the source file and store it.

4.2: If source file does not exist, exit and terminate the program.

4.3: Create a file of name as in destination file and store it.

4.4: Read the contents of source file and write it in destination file.

4.5: Close both the files.

Source code:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <string.h>
int main(int argc, char* argv[])
{
        if(argc < 3)
        printf("Too few arguements\n");
        else
        {
         char content[1024];
        int source_file,dest_file,count;

        if(argc==3)
        {
                        source_file= open(argv[1], O_RDONLY);
                dest_file= creat(argv[2], O_RDWR);
         }
         if(argc == 4 && strcmp(argv[1],"-i") == 0)
         {
                source_file= open(argv[2], O_RDONLY);
                read(dest_file, content, 26);
                if(strlen(content) !=0 )
                {
                        printf("Destination file has content....do you want to overwrite it!\n");
                        char str[10];
                        scanf("%str", str);
                        if(strcmp(str,"no") == 0)
                        {
                                printf("Destination file contents not overwritten....copying was not
done!!");
                                return 0;
                        }
                }
                dest_file= creat(argv[3], O_RDWR);
         }
         if(source_file == -1)
                printf("Cannot open %s",argv[1]);
         else
         {
```

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                int r,w;
                read(source_file, content, 26);
                close(source_file);
                if(dest_file == -1)
                        printf("Destination file not created\n");
                else
                {
                        write(dest_file, content, strlen(content));
                        close(dest_file);
                }
        }

        }
        return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
root@spl2:~/Desktop/OS_Abi/ex2# cat src.txt
This is a sample string

root@spl2:~/Desktop/OS_Abi/ex2# gcc -o cp cp.c
root@spl2:~/Desktop/OS_Abi/ex2# ./cp -i src.txt dest.txt

Destination file has content....do you want to overwrite it!
no
Destination file contents not overwritten....copying was not done!!root
@spl2:~/Desktop/OS_Abi/ex2# ./cp -i src.txt dest.txt
Destination file has content....do you want to overwrite it!
yes
root@spl2:~/Desktop/OS_Abi/ex2# cat dest.txt
This is a sample string
```

2)Implementation of ls and ls -a command using system calls.

Aim :

To list all files and directories of a given directory.

Algorithm :

1: Read the directory name with operation to be performed from command line.

2: If argument length is less than 1 or greater than 3, print invalid and terminate from the program.

3: Create a pointer to the structure dirent.

4: If argument length is equal to 3,

4.1: If directory is not present, terminate the program.

4.2: Open directory and store it in a variable.

4.3: While the contents of directory is not null

4.3.1: Print the directory or file name.

4.3.2: Check if the file or directory is readable ‘r’, writable ‘w’ and executable ‘x’. If it is not, print -.

4.3.3: Print the size of it along with the date of creation of it.

4.4: Close the directory that was opened.

5: Else

5.1: Open the directory and store it in a variable.

5.2: While the contents of the directory is not null, print the contents of the directory.

5.3: Close the directory that was opened.

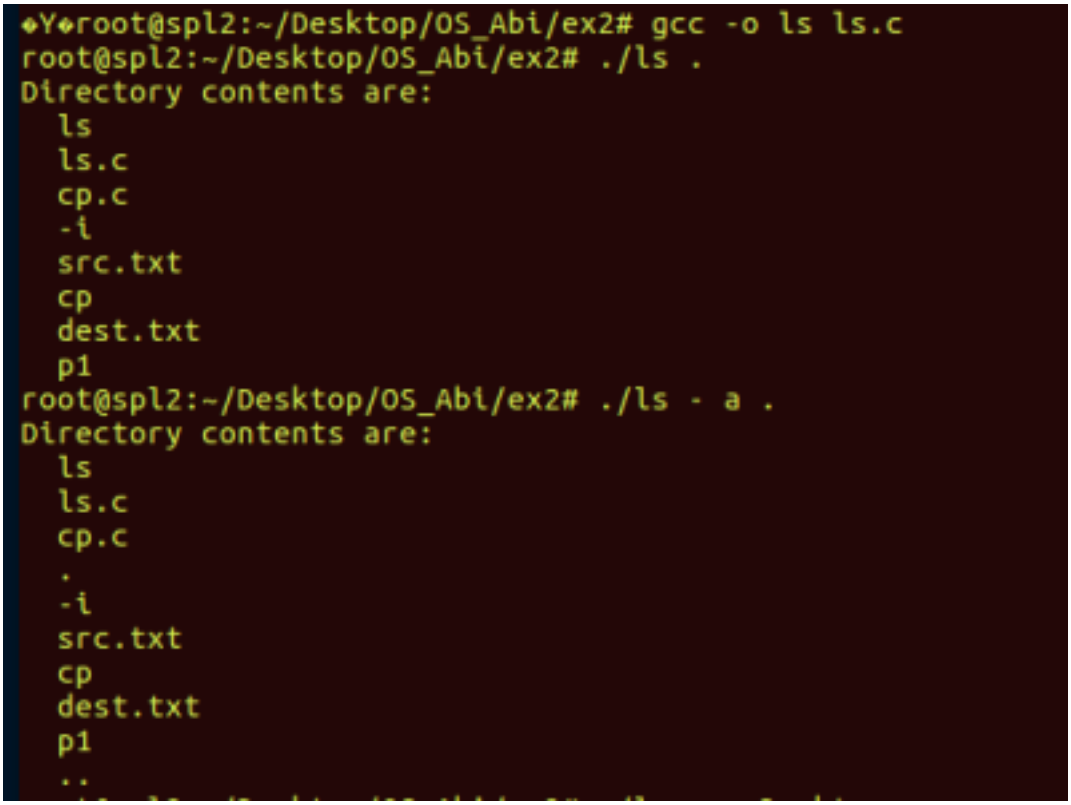
Source code:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <dirent.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include<string.h>

DIR *dir, *temp;
struct dirent *tmp;
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
        if (argc > 4)
        printf("Too many arguements\n");
        else if (argc < 1)
        printf("Too few arguements\n");
        else
        {
        if (argc == 2)
        {
        struct dirent *ptr;
        if ((dir = opendir(argv[1])) == NULL)
                printf("Given directory cannot be opened\n");
        else
        {
                printf("Directory contents are:\n");
```

```
                while ((ptr = readdir(dir)) != NULL)
                {
                if (ptr->d_name[0] == '.')
                continue;
                printf(" %s\n", ptr->d_name);
                }
                closedir(dir);
        }
        }
        else if (argc > 1 && strcmp(argv[2], "a") == 0)
        {
        struct dirent *ptr;
        if ((dir = opendir(argv[3])) == NULL)
                 printf("Given directory cannot be opened\n");
        else
        {
                printf("Directory contents are:\n");
                while ((ptr = readdir(dir)) != NULL)
                {
                printf(" %s\n", ptr->d_name);
                }
                closedir(dir);
        }
        }
        }
        return 0;
}
```

Output:



3)Implementation of grep and grep -c command using system calls.

Aim :

To develop a C program to implement grep command.

Algorithm :

1: Id argument count greater than 4

2: Print too many arguments

3: Else argument count less than 2

4: Print less arguments

5: Else open file in argv[2] using open() command

6: Id file found

7: Check for the word/ pattern argv[1] for file each line

8: If line found, print line

9: If argv[3] is c

9.1: If a word is found in each line print each line and

increment count

10: Print count

Source code:

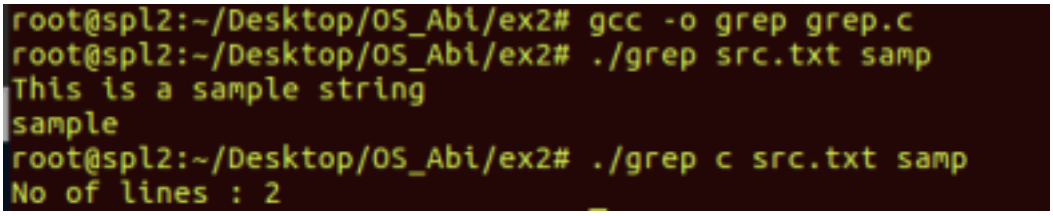
```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <dirent.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
        if (argc > 4)
        printf("Too many arguements\n");
        else if (argc < 2)
        printf("Too few arguements\n");
        else
        {
                if (argc == 3)
                        {
                                int file_desc = open(argv[1], O_RDONLY);
                                if (file_desc == -1)
                                {
                                        printf("File does not exist\n");
                                        return 0;
                                }
                                char line[100], buff[1024];
                                int l = 0, i = 0,num;
                                num = read(file_desc, buff, 1024);
                                close(file_desc);
                                while (l < num)
                                {
```

```
                                        for (i=0; buff[l] != '\n' && l < num; i++, l++)
                                                line[i] = buff[l];

                                        line[i] = '\0';
                                        l++;
                                        if (strstr(line, argv[2]))
                                                printf("%s\n", line);
                        }
                }
                else if (argc == 4 && strcmp(argv[1], "c") == 0)
                {
                        //grep -c
                        int file_desc = open(argv[2], O_RDONLY);
                        if (file_desc == -1)
                        {
                                printf("File does not exist\n");
                                return 0;
                        }
                        int cnt = 0;
                        char line[100], buff[1024];
                        int l= 0, i=0,num;
                        num = read(file_desc, buff, 1024);
                        close(file_desc);
                        while (l < num)
                        {
                                        for(i=0; buff[l] != '\n' && l <num; i++,l++)
                                                line[i] = buff[l];

                                        line[i] = '\0';
                                        l++;
                                        if (strstr(line, argv[3]))
                                                cnt++;
                        }
                        printf("No of lines : %d\n", cnt);
                }
        }
        return0;
}
```

Output:



Learning Outcomes:

Learnt to implement system commands like cp, grep, ls in C using system calls.