

# Assignment for 3<sup>rd</sup> Year 1<sup>st</sup> Semester Students

## IT/PC/B/S/313

### GUIDELINES

- Try to write a clean program with enough comments.
- At the beginning of the file, use block comments to write details about name, roll no, assignment details, input required and output generated.
- Also put the compilation [should be WARNING free] and execution sequence under the block comment.
- The name of the file should be as per the following format.  
`<Team Number>_<Assignment Number>.c`
- The type of the file should be pure plain ASCII Text.
- The assignment files should be uploaded AS PER THE LAB SCHEDULE. Upload only required no of files. NOT A BIT MORE.
- While coding, always use indentation of 4 spaces.
- Blocks of code should be separated by a newline.
- Always use command line argument handling to take inputs.
- Duplicate assignments will incur penalties.  
[Marks will be allocated proportionally]
- Not adhering to any of these guidelines will incur penalties.
- For the description of any system/library call use man command.
- Always use 'perror' routine to check the return status of the system/library call.

## Assignment 1A: (9 Marks)

### Familiarity with User and System level OS Commands

Run the commands and validate the output

Example of Output Validation

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$ pwd [Unix commands are Case Sensitive]
/home/it13/it1340
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- 1) who:-It displays the information about all the users who have logged into the system currently
- 2) whoami:- It displays Current username, Terminal number, date and time at which user logged into the system
- 3) pwd:- It displays current working directory
- 4) date:- It displays system date and time
- 5) ls - It lists the files and directories stored in the current directory. To list the files in a directory use the following syntax: \$ls dirname
- 6) mkdir – It is used to create directories by using the command: \$mkdir dirname
- 7) clear- It clears the screen
- 8) cd - It is used to change the current working directory to any other directory specified
- 9) cd.. -This command is used to come out from the current working directory.
- 10) rmdir - Directories can be deleted using the **rmdir** command - \$rmdir dirname
- 11) cat – It displays the contents of a file - \$cat filename
- 12) cp - It is used to copy a file - \$ cp source\_file destination\_file
- 13) mv- It is used to change the name of a file - \$ mv old\_file new\_file
- 14) rm – It is used to delete an existing file - \$ rm filename
- 15) stat- It is used to display file or file system status - \$ stat filename
- 16) stty – Change and print terminal line settings. Its option – “**stty -a**” prints all current settings in human readable form
- 17) tty – It prints the filename of the terminal connected to standard input.
- 18) uname –It prints system information
- 19) umask – It specifies user file creation mask, implying which of the 3 permissions are to be denied to the owner,group and others.
- 20) find – It searches for files in a directory hierarchy
- 21) sort – It sorts the lines of text files
- 22) ps - It displays information about the current processes.
- 23) set - It displays the name and value of each shell environment variable.
- 24) chmod 777 file1 - gives full permission to owner, group and others
- 25) chmod o-w file1 - Removes write permission for others.

## Assignment 1B: (6 Marks)

### Program to get and set environment variables using system calls

#### Problem Definition

Program to GET and SET the Environment variable and to know use of getenv and setenv system calls

#### UNIX ENVIRONMENT VARIABLES

Variables are a way of passing information from the shell to programs when you run them. Programs look "in the environment" for particular variables and if they are found will use the values stored. Some are set by the system, others by you, yet others by the shell, or any program that loads another program. Standard UNIX variables are split into two categories, environment variables and shell variables. In broad terms, shell variables apply only to the current instance of the shell and are used to set short-term working conditions; environment variables have a farther reaching significance, and those set at login are valid for the duration of the session. By convention, environment variables have UPPER CASE and shell variables have lower case names.

Display the following environment variables using getenv call:

- USER (your login name)
- HOME (the path name of your home directory)
- HOST (the name of the computer you are using)
- ARCH (the architecture of the computer's processor)
- DISPLAY (the name of the computer screen to display X windows)
- PRINTER (the default printer to send print jobs)
- PATH (the directories the shell should search to find a command)

**Syntax:** Char \*getenv( const char \*name);

The getenv() function searches the environment list to find the Environment variable *name*, and returns a pointer to the corresponding *value* string.

Now, Set two new environment variables and display them.

**Syntax:** int setenv(const char \* envname,const char \* envval,int overwrite)

The setenv() function adds the variable *name* to the environment with the value *value*, if *name* does not already exist. If *name* does exist in the environment, then its value is changed to *value* if *overwrite* is nonzero; if *overwrite* is zero, then the value of *name* is not changed (and setenv() returns a success status).