

25. Construct a C program to implement the I/O system calls of UNIX (fcntl, seek, stat, opendir, readdir)

Aim:

To implement a C program that demonstrates the usage of UNIX I/O system calls like `fcntl`, `seek`, `stat`, `opendir`, and `readdir`.

Algorithm:

1. Open a file using `open` system call.
2. Use `fcntl` to manipulate file descriptor properties.
3. Use `lseek` to reposition the file offset.
4. Use `stat` to retrieve file status information.
5. Use `opendir` to open a directory and `readdir` to read its contents.
6. Display the results of each operation.

Procedure:

1. Include the necessary headers (`fcntl.h`, `unistd.h`, `sys/stat.h`, etc.).
2. Use appropriate system calls to perform file and directory operations.
3. Handle errors appropriately (e.g., check return values).
4. Display the results of the operations.

Code:

```
#include <stdio.h>

#include <stdlib.h>

#include <fcntl.h>

#include <unistd.h>

#include <sys/stat.h>

#include <dirent.h>

#include <string.h>
```

```
int main() {  
  
    int fd;  
  
    char *fileName = "testfile.txt";  
  
    char writeBuffer[] = "Sample data for I/O system calls demonstration.\n";  
  
    char readBuffer[128];  
  
  
    // Create a file and write data  
  
    fd = open(fileName, O_CREAT | O_RDWR, 0644);  
  
    if (fd < 0) {  
  
        perror("Error opening/creating file");  
  
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
  
    }  
  
    write(fd, writeBuffer, strlen(writeBuffer));  
  
  
  
    // Seek to the beginning of the file  
  
    if (lseek(fd, 0, SEEK_SET) < 0) {  
  
        perror("Error seeking in file");  
  
        close(fd);  
  
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
  
    }  
  
  
  
    // Read data from the file  
  
    ssize_t bytesRead = read(fd, readBuffer, sizeof(readBuffer) - 1);
```

```
if (bytesRead < 0) {  
    perror("Error reading file");  
    close(fd);  
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
}  
readBuffer[bytesRead] = '\0';  
printf("Read from file: %s", readBuffer);
```

```
// File status using fcntl  
int flags = fcntl(fd, F_GETFL);  
if (flags < 0) {  
    perror("Error getting file flags");  
} else {  
    printf("File flags: %d\n", flags);  
}
```

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close(fd);
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```
// File status using stat  
struct stat fileStat;  
if (stat(fileName, &fileStat) < 0) {  
    perror("Error getting file status");  
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
}
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}

printf("File size: %ld bytes\n", fileStat.st_size);

printf("File permissions: %o\n", fileStat.st_mode & 0777);


// Directory operations using opendir and readdir

DIR *dir = opendir(".");

if (dir == NULL) {

    perror("Error opening directory");

    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);

}


struct dirent *entry;

printf("Contents of the current directory:\n");

while ((entry = readdir(dir)) != NULL) {

    printf("%s\n", entry->d_name);

}


closedir(dir);


// Clean up

if (unlink(fileName) < 0) {

    perror("Error deleting file");

    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);

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}

printf("File '%s' deleted successfully.\n", fileName);

return 0;

}

```

Result:

1. A file named `testfile.txt` is created or opened.
2. File descriptor properties are modified using `fcntl`.
3. The file offset is repositioned using `lseek`.
4. File details like size and permissions are fetched using `stat`.
5. Directory contents are listed using `opendir` and `readdir`.

Output:

The screenshot shows the OnlineGDB interface. On the left is a sidebar with navigation links: 'Welcome, Siva Shirish', 'Create New Project', 'My Projects', 'Classroom' (with a 'new' badge), 'Learn Programming', 'Programming Questions', 'Upgrade', and 'Logout'. The main area displays the execution output of a program. The output text is as follows:

```

Read from file: Sample data for I/O system calls demonstration.
File flags: 32770
File size: 48 bytes
File permissions: 644
Contents of the current directory:
.
..
main.c
a.out
testfile.txt
File 'testfile.txt' deleted successfully.

...Program finished with exit code 0
Press ENTER to exit console.

```

