ASSIGNMENT 2: DOCUMENTATION:

SUMMARY:

This assignments shows a command line interface of Unix/Linux. The program is written in c language. Initially there is a while loop for user input until there is an exit call. Inside every external command there is pid process to check status and how the program' s child process works. Usage of fork() and execv() is to initiate a child process and call the external command from different c file. The execv takes two arguments; one is the executable file of the external command present in a different c file and second is the input arguments to the c file. In my case the input argument is null because every input is taken in the main of c file and not passed to main. Once the child proces is executed the parent process waits for null time and nothing operates in the parent process.

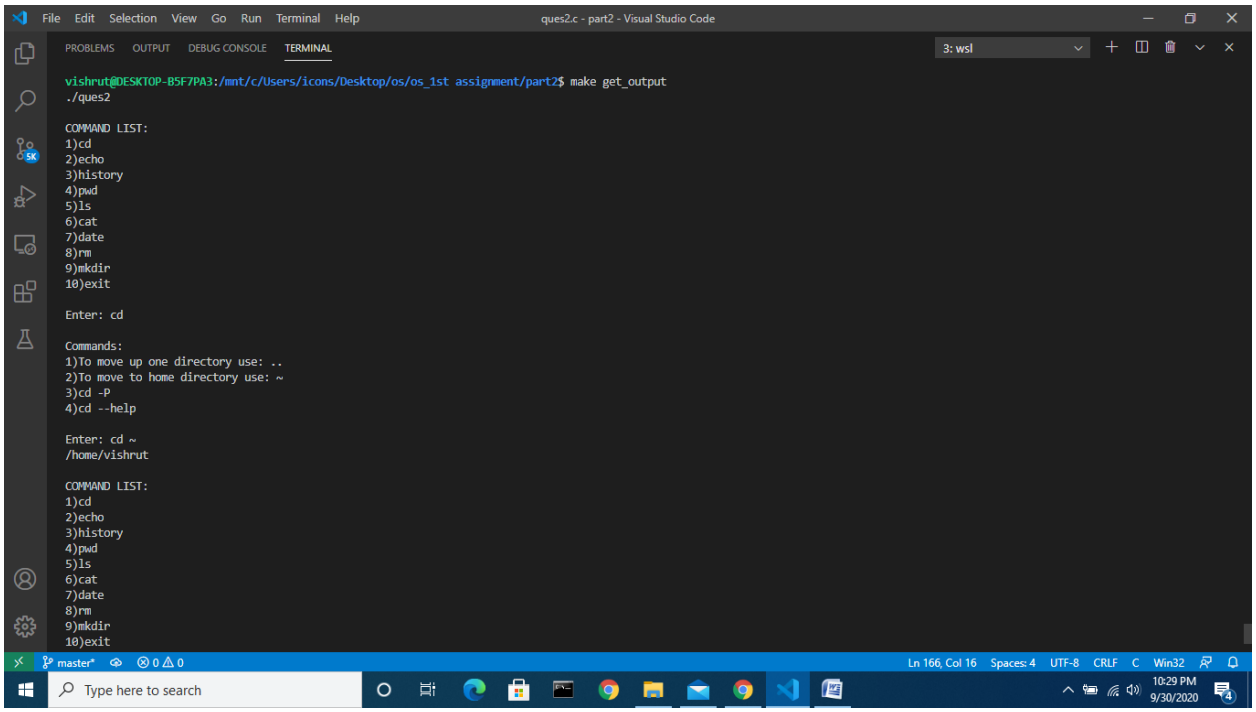
ERROR REPORTING:

Next we move to the commands. Each command has atleast 2 options to work on and handled error reporting strategy. "Invalid syntax" or "Invalid command" or"Error" is shown once there is reporting. In all these cases the program exits. In commands like "rm" and "mkdir" may show file errror and directory cannot be created respectively. In such cases the command is exited not the program. Every command has error of syntax and many sub-errors inside as given examples previously.

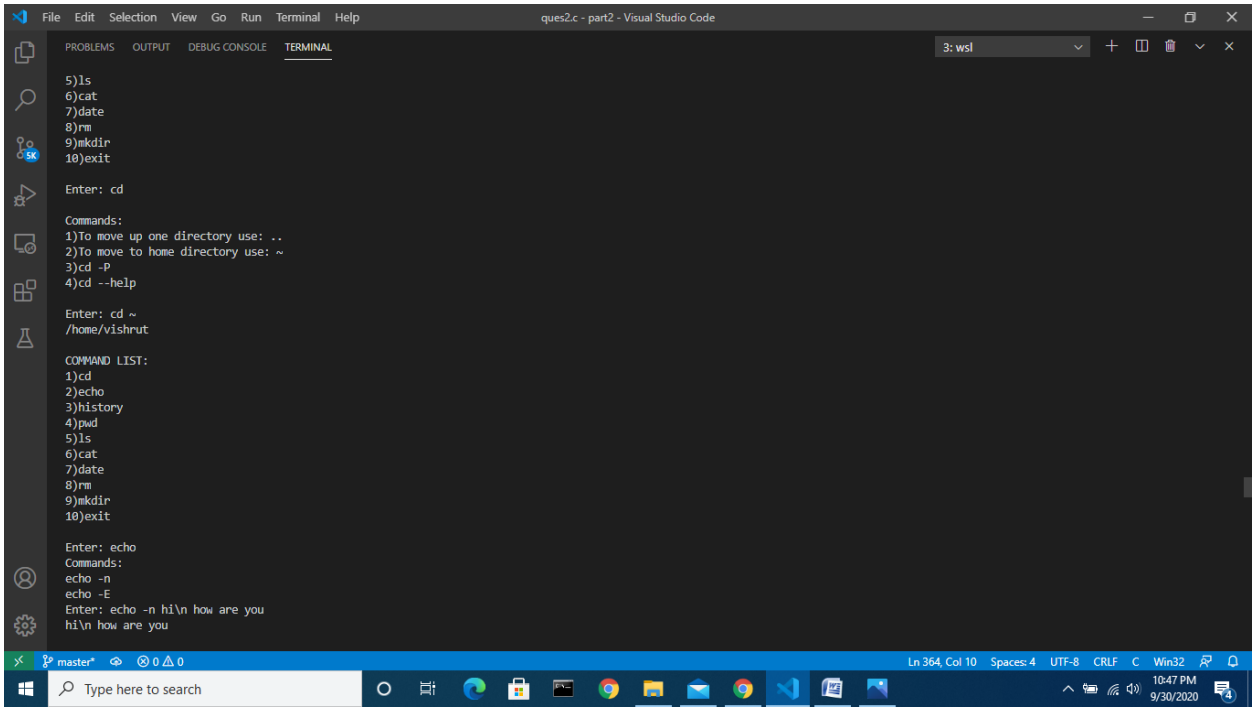
Some other features: History.txt file has the history of every command. Delimiter has been used. Makefile for compilation and pausing at each phase.Although running the program makes it very clear. Also all internal commands and external commands can run in one go but there is an assumption that try not to run an external command after an internal due to over –reading between internal to external. Apart from that all internal commands can run after external easily.All warnings must be ignored.

Screenshots of all commands and their basic working is attached for your reference:-

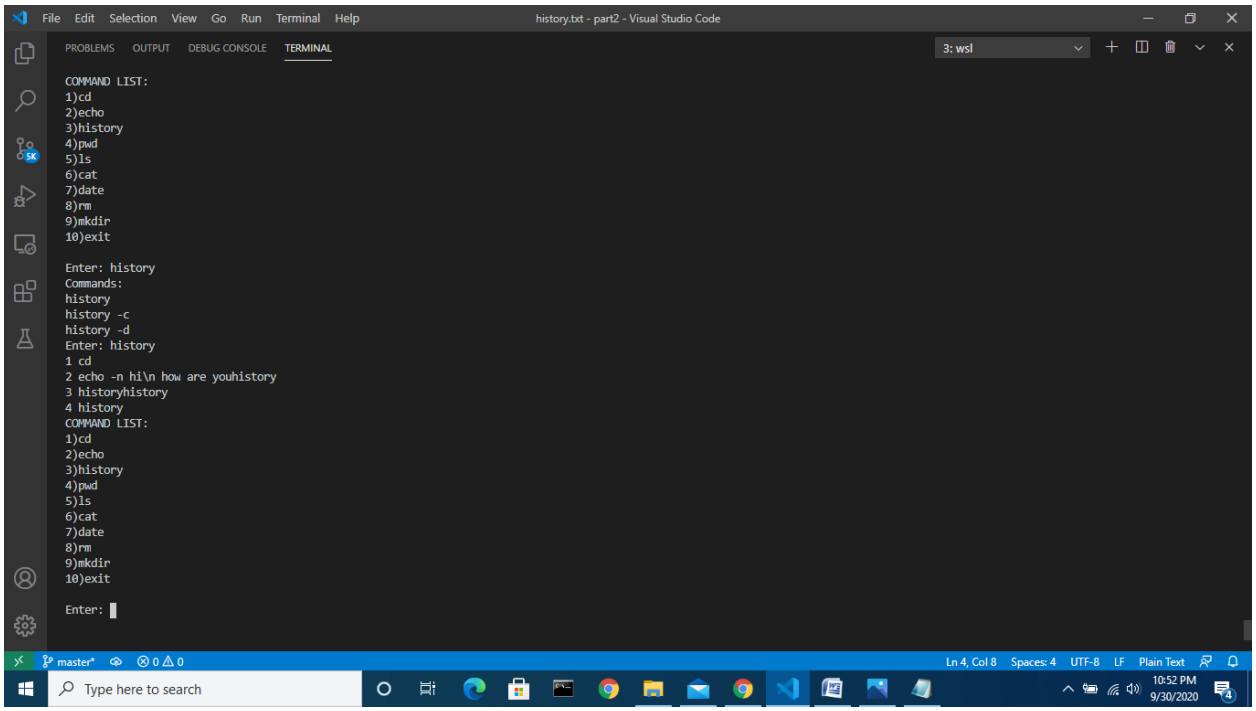
cd command



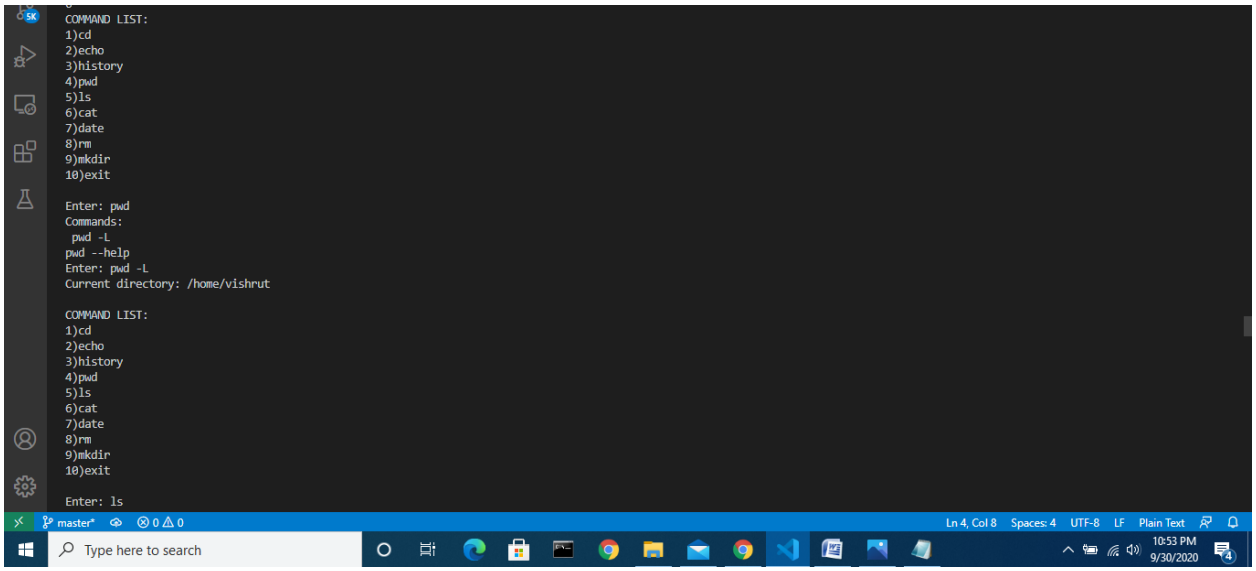
echo command



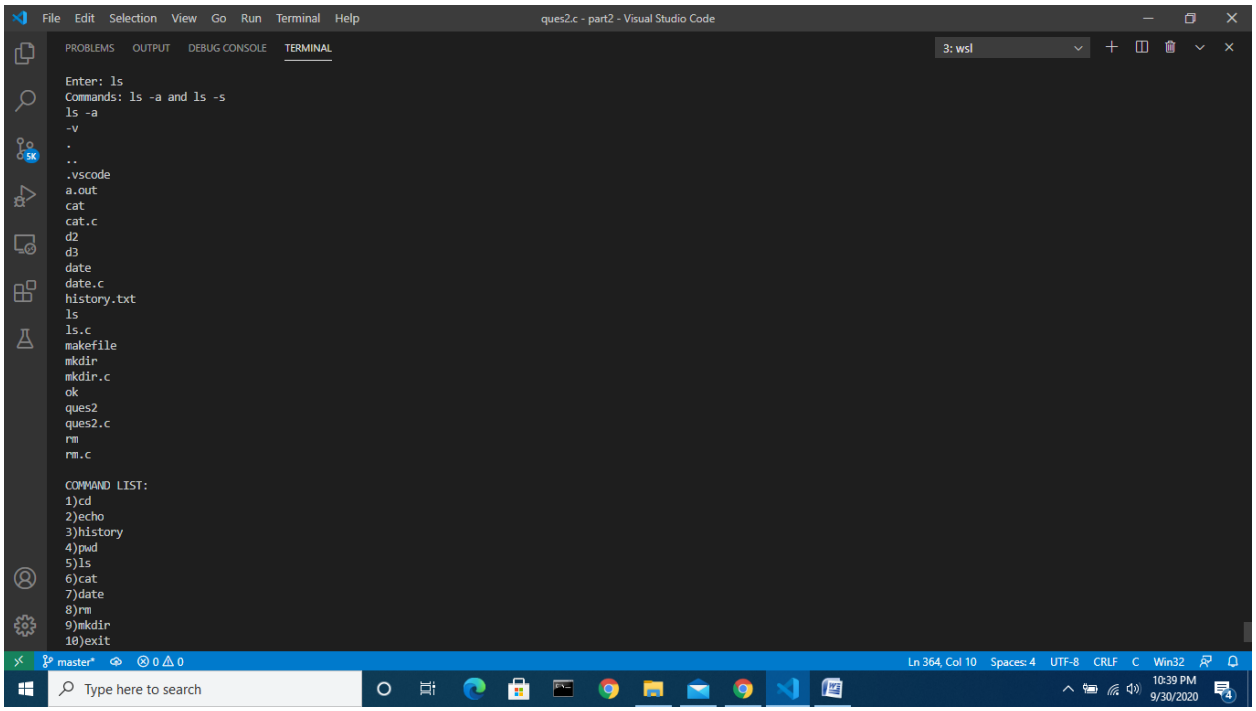
history command



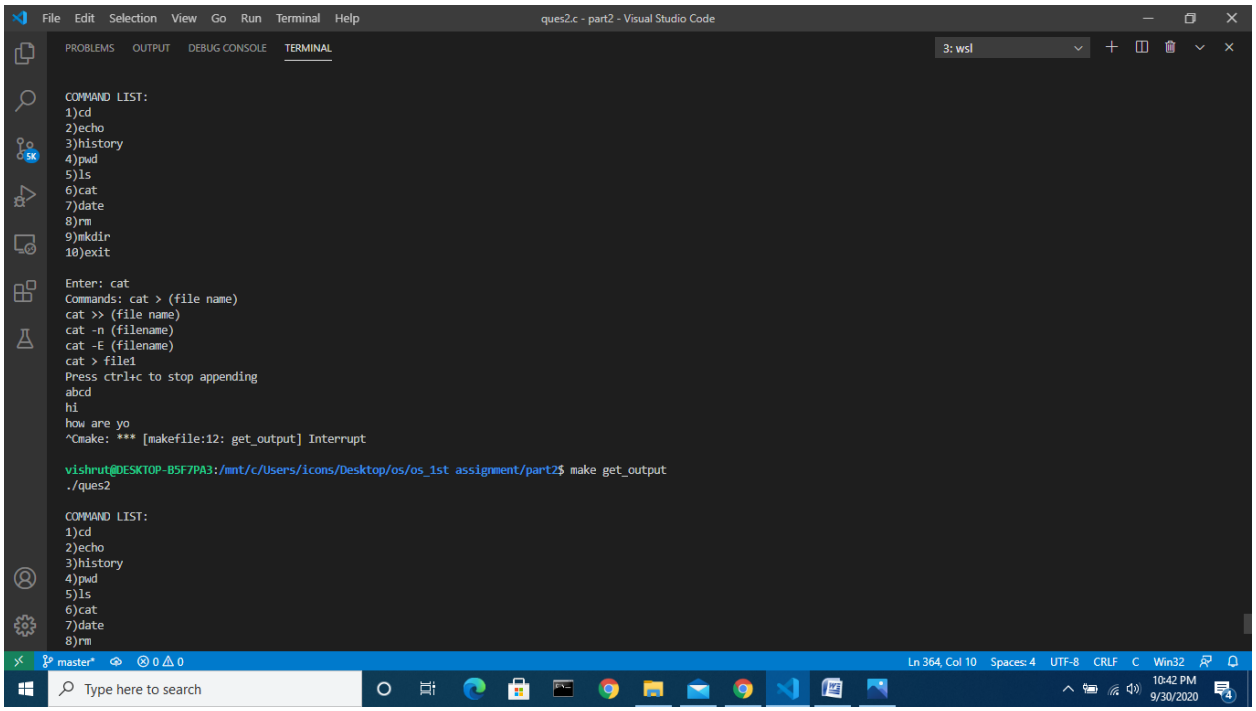
pwd command

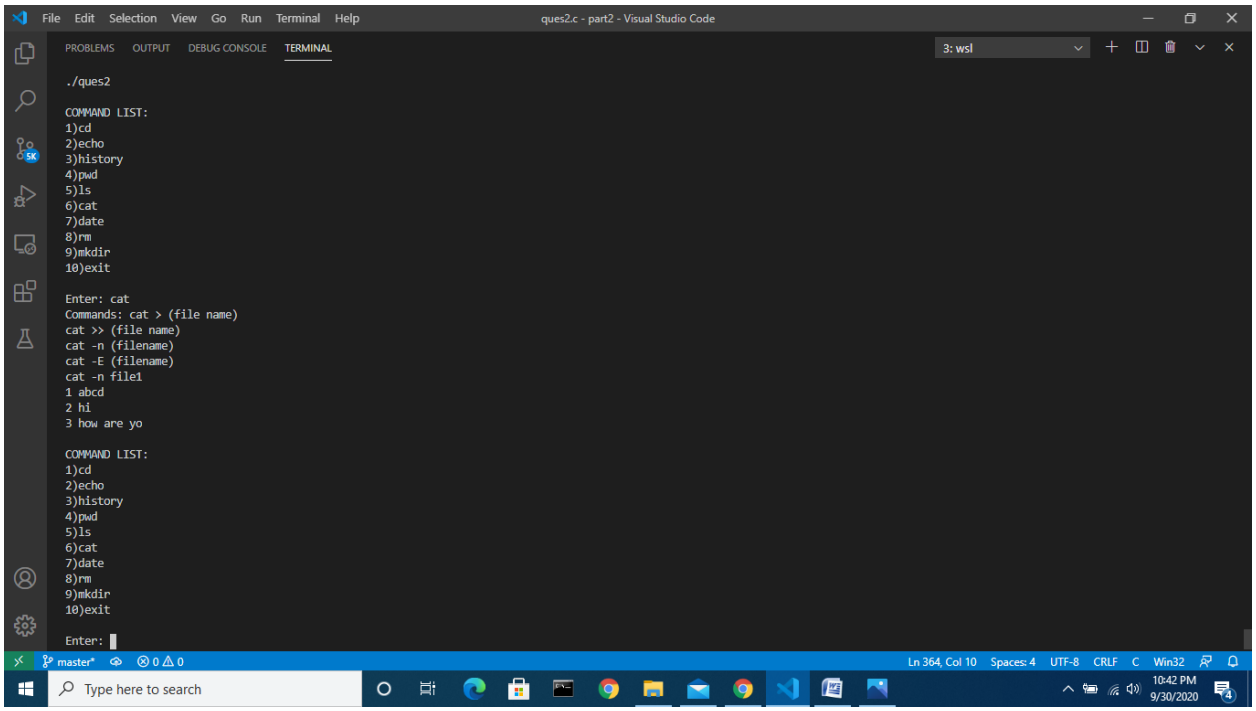


ls command

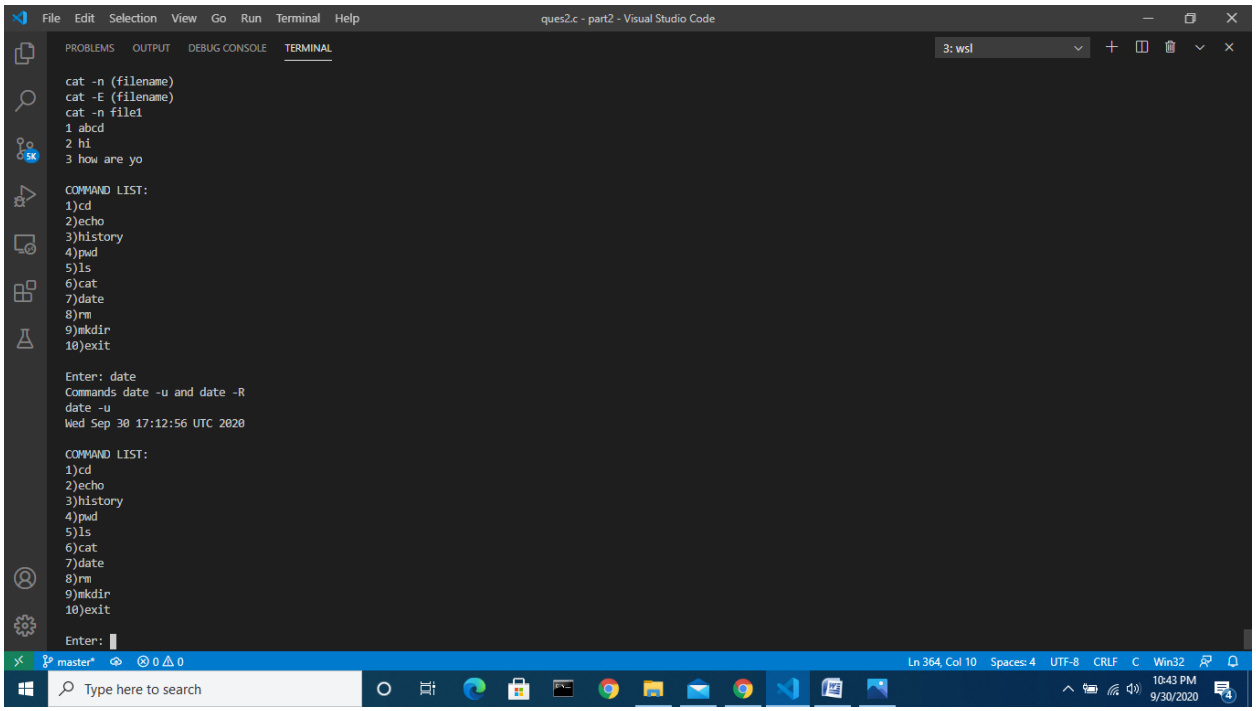


cat command

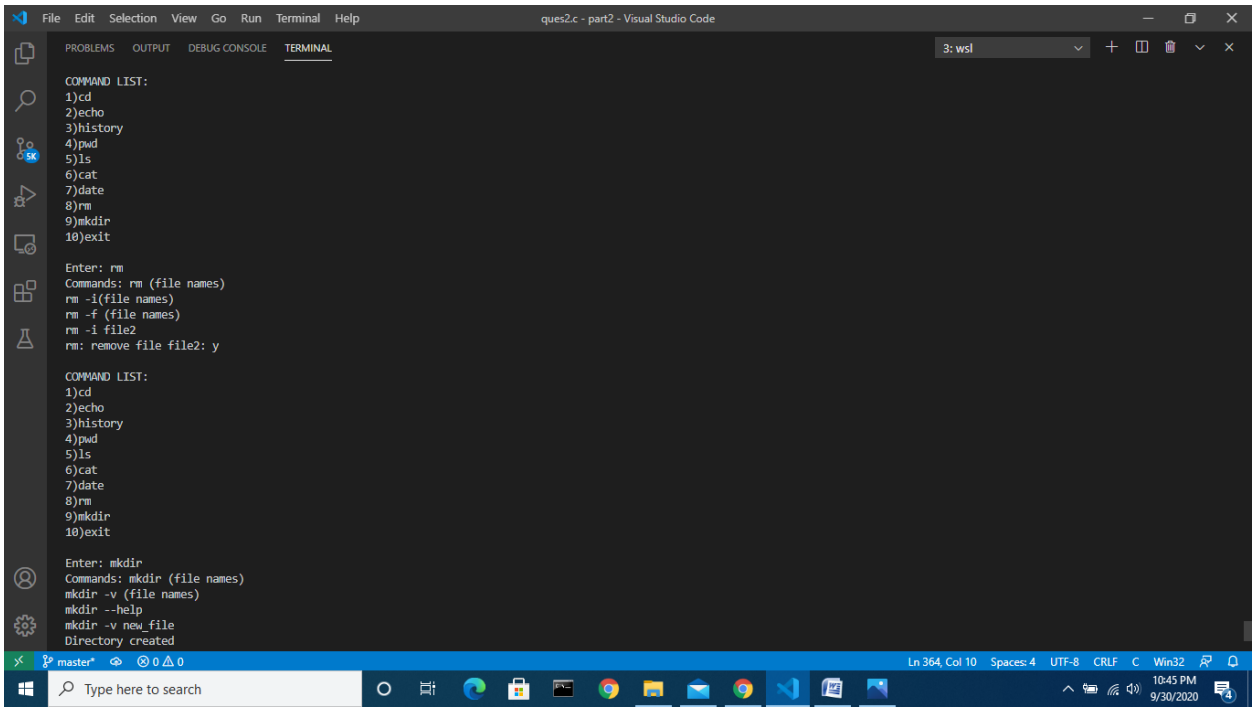




date command



rm command



mkdir command and exit command