CSci 4061 Introduction to Operating Systems

Recitation - 5
Files and Directory Handling

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Agenda

- File and Directory related system calls
 - Does file exists
 - Renaming a file
 - · Permission on a file
 - · Size of a file
- Creating a symbolic link
- String manipulations in C

Programs we will discuss

- Go to Moodle and under recitation download Recitation5-resources.tar.gz tar –xvf Recitation5-resources.tar.gz
- programs
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 - is_dir.c
 - rename.c
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- template
 - file_exists_sol.c
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 - rename_sol.c
 - size_sol.c
 - string_sol.c

file_exists.c

Checks if the file exists or not

```
gcc -o file_exists file_exists.c
./file_exists <filename>
```

file_exists.c

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
    struct stat st;
    if (argc != 2) {
      printf("Usage: %s <file_name>\n", argv[0]);
      exit(1);
   if (!stat(argv[1], &st)) {
      printf("File Exists!\n");
    } else {
      perror("File does not exist\n");
```

Exercise Problem 1

- Problem Statement:
 Write a program to check if a file is executable
- Resources: file_exists_sol.c

Hint: User st_mode property of stat struct and S_IXUSR

is_dir.c

Checks to see if the directory exists

```
gcc -o is_dir is_dir.c
./is_dir <dirname>
```

is_dir.c

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
if (argc != 2) {
   printf("Usage: %s <file_name>\n", argv[0]);
   exit(1);
DIR *dip; /* points of the directory named filename */
dip = opendir(argv[1]);
if (dip!=NULL) {
   printf("Directory exists\n");
} else {
   perror("Directory does not exists\n");
```

What is wrong with this approach!!

Is the directory there? Or is it permission problem?

Create directory mkdir d1 chmod u-r d1

Run again!

Exercise Problem 2

- Problem Statement:
 Write a program to check if a directory exists
- Resources: is_dir_sol.c

Hint: Use stat system call and explore S_ISDIR() macro

rename.c

Rename a file

```
gcc -o rename rename.c
./rename <current_name> <new_name>
```

rename.c

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
  if (argc != 3) {
    printf("Usage: %s <srcfile> <dstfile>\n", argv[0]);
    return 1;
}

if (rename(argv[1], argv[2]))
    perror("rename");

return 0;
}
```

How to avoid overwriting?

Exercise Problem 3

Problem Statement:

Write a program to rename a file.

If destination file already exist, first rename it to <dest_filename>.bak and then rename source file

Resources: rename_sol.c

Hint: You will need string function strcat() to create <dest_filename>.bak filename

symlink.c

Create a symbolic link and read the link property

```
gcc -o symlink symlink.c
./ symlink
```

symlink.c

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
    int status;
    if (argc < 3) /* If the user does not enter any directory name*/
          printf("Usage: %s ExistingFilePath NewLinkFilePath \n", argv[0]);
          exit(1);
     status = symlink( argv[1], argv[2] );
     if ( status == -1 ) {
          perror ("Failed to create symbolic link");
          exit(2);
```

size.c

Find the size of a file

```
gcc -o size size.c
./size <filename>
```

size.c

```
int
main(int argc, char *argv[])
if (argc != 2) {
   printf("Usage: %s <file_name>\n", argv[0]);
   exit(1);
int size;
/* either do this */
FILE *f = fopen(argv[1], "r");
fseek(f, 0, SEEK_END);
size = ftell(f);
fseek(f, 0, SEEK_SET);
printf("%d\n", size);
```

size.c (Cont)

```
/* or do this */
struct stat st;
stat(argv[1], &st);
size = st.st_size;
printf("%d\n", size);
```

Exercise Problem 4

Problem Statement:

Write a program to find sum of all the files (including symbolic link) in an immediate directory. Ignore size of other directories.

Resources: size_sol.c

permission.c

Get the permissions on a file

```
gcc -o permission permission.c
./ permission <filename>
```

permission.c

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
      if (argc != 2) {
       printf("Usage: %s <file_name>\n", argv[0]);
       exit(1);
      mode_t perm;
      struct stat st;
      stat(argv[1], &st);
      perm = st.st_mode;
      printf("%o\n", perm);
```

string.c

Perform some string manipulations

```
gcc -o string string.c
./string
```

string.c

```
int main()
 char example[100];
 char example2[100];
 //string copy and concatenation
  strcpy (example,"Phone ");
  strcat (example,"number ");
  strcat (example,"is ");
  strcat (example, "10");
 printf("final string == % s \n\n", example);
```

string.c (Cont)

```
//string compare
strcpy (example,"Phone");
strcpy (example2,"Phone");
int out = strcmp(example,example2);
if (out == 0){
   printf("Example and Example 2 are equal\n\n");
} else {
   printf("Example and Example 2 are different\n\n");
//string length
int size = strlen (example);
printf("string lenght == \%d\n\n", size);
return 0;
```

string_parsing.c

Perform some string manipulations

```
gcc -o string_parsing string_parsing.c
./string parsing
```

string_parsing.c

```
char str[] = "now # is the time for all # good men # aid of their country";
char delims[] = "#";
char *result = NULL;
result = strtok( str, delims );
while( result != NULL ) {
   printf( "result is \"%s\"\n", result );
   result = strtok( NULL, delims );
}
```

Exercise Problem 5

- Problem Statement:
 Write a program to count yourse, consonant.
 - Write a program to count vowels, consonants, digits and whitespaces in string.
- Resources: string_sol.c