

⇒ what is FILE (not file)?

⇒ why filepointer is not incremented?

⇒ If filepointer is incremented, then what happens?

```
ch = fgetc(fp);  
fp++;  
ch = fgetc(fp);
```

consider fdata  
is "VECTOR"

⇒ if using `void *p;` or `char *q;` we don't need `stdio.h`. But if we declare a file pointer then `stdio.h` inclusion is MUST. why?

→ FILE is not a keyword,  
it is a typedef-structure,

typedef

⇒ A keyword, used to create new datatype, from existing type

Syntax: `typedef Existing-type newtype;`

$\Rightarrow$  typedef int integer;  
 main() { int x;  
           integer y;

① struct student {  
 };

→ Portability  
 → Readability

typedef struct student STUDENT;

```
main() {
    STUDENT *buf;
    = malloc(sizeof (STUDENT));
```

char str[20]; // str is Array of 20 chars

typedef char string[20]; // string is a NEW Datatype

```
main() { string s1, s2; // s1 is 20bytes, s2 is Array of 20bytes
    strcpy(str, "vector");
```

//strcpy(string, str); //Invalid  
 ↑  
 datatype

string s[5]; // s is Array of 5 Arrays // total 100bytes

typedef struct student

② {  
=  
=  
=  
} STUDENT;

↳ New Datatype, not variable

typedef struct {  
=  
=  
=  
}

③

STUDENT;

↳ Datatype

opaque type

No Name of struct

main() {  
    STUDENT \*P;

can't use struct-keyword, as there's no tag

~~This~~

typedef struct {  
    =  
    =  
    =  
} FILE;

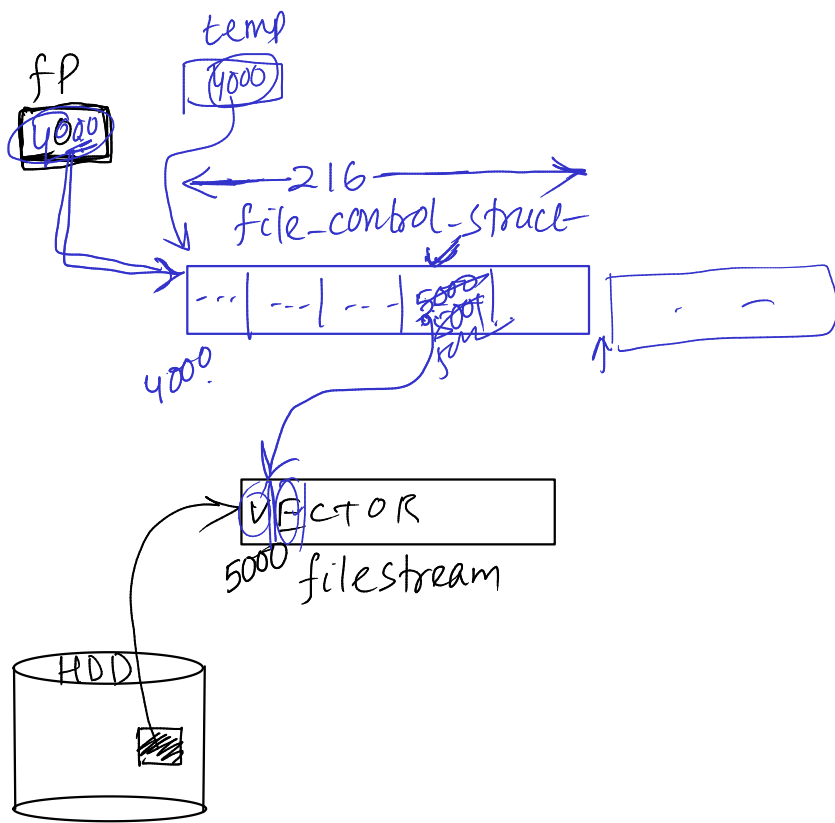
different in Windows  
" in Linux

FILE is a struct type.

In many platforms the struct-having no tag

hence it is an opaque type

# Restarting the fileHandling Basics.



```
FILE *fp = NULL;
fp = fopen("datafile.txt", "r");
ch = fgetc(fp); ✓
ch = fgetc(fp); ✓
fclose(fp);
```

## Single step debug using gdb

1) gcc -g prog.c ↵

2) gdb ./a.out ↵

3) gdb > ≡

main() {

FILE \*fp;

fp = fopen(" ", "r");

f1(fp);

f2(FILE temp)  
{

}