

Minishell As beautiful as a shell

Summary: The objective of this project is for you to create a simple shell. Yes, your little bash or zsh. You will learn a lot about processes and file descriptors.

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Chapter I

Introduction

The existence of shells is linked to the very existence of IT. At the time, all coders agreed that communicating with a computer using aligned 1/0 switches was seriously irritating. It was only logical that they came up with the idea to communicate with a computer using interactive lines of commands in a language somewhat close to english.

With Minishell, you'll be able to travel through time and come back to problems people faced when Windows didn't exist.

Chapter II

Common Instructions

- Your project must be written in accordance with the Norm. If you have bonus files/functions, they are included in the norm check and you will receive a 0 if there is a norm error inside.
- Your functions should not quit unexpectedly (segmentation fault, bus error, double free, etc) apart from undefined behaviors. If this happens, your project will be considered non functional and will receive a 0 during the evaluation.
- All heap allocated memory space must be properly freed when necessary. No leaks will be tolerated.
- If the subject requires it, you must submit a Makefile which will compile your source files to the required output with the flags -Wall, -Wextra and -Werror, and your Makefile must not relink.
- Your Makefile must at least contain the rules \$(NAME), all, clean, fclean and re.
- To turn in bonuses to your project, you must include a rule bonus to your Makefile, which will add all the various headers, librairies or functions that are forbidden on the main part of the project. Bonuses must be in a different file _bonus.{c/h}. Mandatory and bonus part evaluation is done separately.
- If your project allows you to use your libft, you must copy its sources and its associated Makefile in a libft folder with its associated Makefile. Your project's Makefile must compile the library by using its Makefile, then compile the project.
- We encourage you to create test programs for your project even though this work won't have to be submitted and won't be graded. It will give you a chance to easily test your work and your peers' work. You will find those tests especially useful during your defence. Indeed, during defence, you are free to use your tests and/or the tests of the peer you are evaluating.
- Submit your work to your assigned git repository. Only the work in the git repository will be graded. If Deepthought is assigned to grade your work, it will be done after your peer-evaluations. If an error happens in any section of your work during Deepthought's grading, the evaluation will stop.

Chapter III Mandatory part

Program name	minishell	
Turn in files		
Makefile	Yes	
Arguments		
External functs.	rl_redisplay, add_history, printf, malloc, free, write, open, read, close, fork, wait, waitpid, wait3, wait4, signal, kill, exit, getcwd, chdir, stat, lstat, fstat, execve, dup, dup2, pipe, opendir, readdir, closedir, strerror, errno, isatty, ttyname, ttyslot, ioctl, getenv	
Libft authorized	Yes	
Description	Write a shell	

Your shell should:

- Not interpret unclosed quotes or unspecified special characters like \ or;.
- Not use more than one global variable, think about it and be ready to explain why you do it.
- Show a prompt when waiting for a new command.
- Have a working History.
- Search and launch the right executable (based on the PATH variable or by using relative or absolute path)
- It must implement the builtins:
 - o echo with option -n
 - o cd with only a relative or absolute path
 - o pwd with no options
 - o export with no options
 - unset with no options

- o env with no options or arguments
- exit with no options
- ' inhibit all interpretation of a sequence of characters.
- " inhibit all interpretation of a sequence of characters except for \$.
- Redirections:
 - \circ < should redirect input.
 - > should redirect output.
 - o "<<" read input from the current source until a line containing only the delimiter is seen. it doesn't need to update history!
 - ">>" should redirect output with append mode.
- Pipes | The output of each command in the pipeline is connected via a pipe to the input of the next command.
- Environment variables (\$ followed by characters) should expand to their values.
- \$? should expands to the exit status of the most recently executed foreground pipeline.
- ctrl-C ctrl-D ctrl-\ should work like in bash.
- When interactive:
 - $\circ\,$ ctrl-C print a new prompt on a newline.
 - o ctrl-D exit the shell.
 - o ctrl-\ do nothing.

Anything not asked is not required. For every point, if you have any doubt take bash as a reference.

Chapter IV Bonus part

- If the Mandatory part is not perfect don't even think about bonuses
- &&, || with parenthesis for priorities.
- the wilcard * should work for the current working directory.