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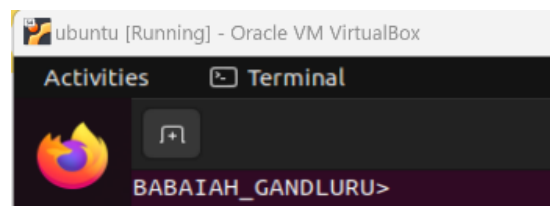
Introduction to Information and Computer Security

(CS-5340-001)

Environment Variable and Set-UID Program Lab

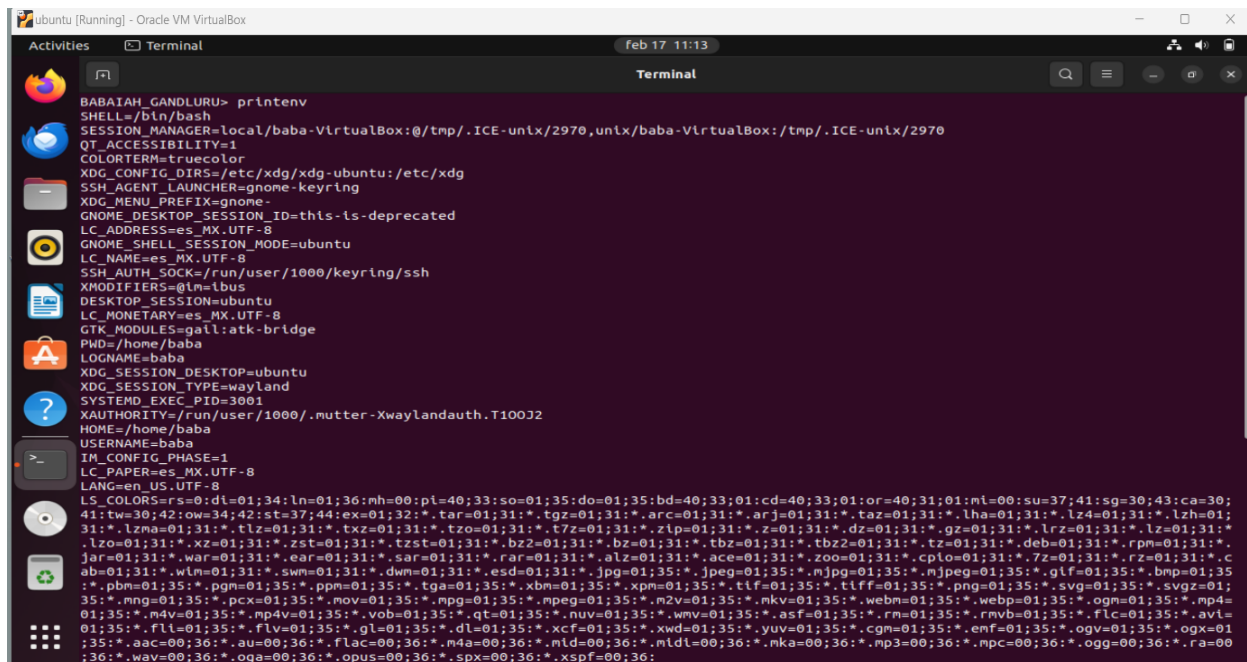
Assignment-1

I executed all 9- tasks and explained them



Task-1

First I executed the command `printenv` to display the current environment variables in the terminal



Task-2

The image displays two terminal windows side-by-side, comparing environment variables. The top window shows the parent process's environment, and the bottom window shows the child process's environment after running the child process. The differences are highlighted in the diff output.

```
BABIAH_GANDLURU> vi myprintenv.c
BABIAH_GANDLURU> gcc myprintenv.c -o myprintenv
BABIAH_GANDLURU> ./myprintenv > output_2.txt
BABIAH_GANDLURU> diff output_1.txt output_2.txt
BABIAH_GANDLURU> diff -y output_1.txt output_2.txt
SHELL=/bin/bash
SESSION_MANAGER=local/baba-VirtualBox:@/tmp/.ICE-unix/2967,un
QT_ACCESSIBILITY=1
COLORTERM=truecolor
XDG_CONFIG_DIRS=/etc/xdg/xdg-ubuntu:/etc/xdg
SSH_AGENT_LAUNCHER=gnome-keyring
XDG_MENU_PREFIX=gnome-
GNOME_DESKTOP_SESSION_ID=this-is-deprecated
LC_ADDRESS=es_MX.UTF-8
GNOME_SHELL_SESSION_MODE=ubuntu
LC_NAME=es_MX.UTF-8
SSH_AUTH_SOCK=/run/user/1000/keyring/ssh
XMODIFIERS=@im=ibus
DESKTOP_SESSION=ubuntu
LC_MONETARY=es_MX.UTF-8
GTK_MODULES=gail:atk-bridge
PWD=/home/baba
LOGNAME=baba
XDG_SESSION_DESKTOP=ubuntu
XDG_SESSION_TYPE=wayland
SYSTEMD_EXEC_PID=2990
XAUTHORITY=/run/user/1000/.mutter-Xwaylandauth.VTJT2
HOME=/home/baba
USERNAME=baba
IM_CONFIG_PHASE=1
LC_PAPER=es_MX.UTF-8
LANG=en_US.UTF-8
LS_COLORS=rs=0:di=01;34:ln=01;36:mh=00:pi=40;33:so=01;35:do=0
XDG_CURRENT_DESKTOP=ubuntu:GNOME
VTE_VERSION=6800
WAYLAND_DISPLAY=wayland-0
GNOME_TERMINAL_SCREEN=/org/gnome/Terminal/screen/abfea20b_b36
GNOME_SETUP_DISPLAY=:1
SHELL=/bin/bash
SESSION_MANAGER=local/baba-VirtualBox:@/tmp/.ICE-unix/2967,un
QT_ACCESSIBILITY=1
COLORTERM=truecolor
XDG_CONFIG_DIRS=/etc/xdg/xdg-ubuntu:/etc/xdg
SSH_AGENT_LAUNCHER=gnome-keyring
XDG_MENU_PREFIX=gnome-
GNOME_DESKTOP_SESSION_ID=this-is-deprecated
LC_ADDRESS=es_MX.UTF-8
GNOME_SHELL_SESSION_MODE=ubuntu
LC_NAME=es_MX.UTF-8
SSH_AUTH_SOCK=/run/user/1000/keyring/ssh
XMODIFIERS=@im=ibus
DESKTOP_SESSION=ubuntu
LC_MONETARY=es_MX.UTF-8
GTK_MODULES=gail:atk-bridge
PWD=/home/baba
LOGNAME=baba
XDG_SESSION_DESKTOP=ubuntu
XDG_SESSION_TYPE=wayland
SYSTEMD_EXEC_PID=2990
XAUTHORITY=/run/user/1000/.mutter-Xwaylandauth.VTJT2
HOME=/home/baba
USERNAME=baba
IM_CONFIG_PHASE=1
LC_PAPER=es_MX.UTF-8
LANG=en_US.UTF-8
LS_COLORS=rs=0:di=01;34:ln=01;36:mh=00:pi=40;33:so=01;35:do=0
XDG_CURRENT_DESKTOP=ubuntu:GNOME
VTE_VERSION=6800
WAYLAND_DISPLAY=wayland-0
GNOME_TERMINAL_SCREEN=/org/gnome/Terminal/screen/abfea20b_b36
GNOME_SETUP_DISPLAY=:1
LOGNAME=baba
XDG_SESSION_DESKTOP=ubuntu
XDG_SESSION_TYPE=wayland
SYSTEMD_EXEC_PID=2990
XAUTHORITY=/run/user/1000/.mutter-Xwaylandauth.VTJT2
HOME=/home/baba
USERNAME=baba
IM_CONFIG_PHASE=1
LC_PAPER=es_MX.UTF-8
LANG=en_US.UTF-8
LS_COLORS=rs=0:di=01;34:ln=01;36:mh=00:pi=40;33:so=01;35:do=0
XDG_CURRENT_DESKTOP=ubuntu:GNOME
VTE_VERSION=6800
WAYLAND_DISPLAY=wayland-0
GNOME_TERMINAL_SCREEN=/org/gnome/Terminal/screen/abfea20b_b36
GNOME_SETUP_DISPLAY=:1
LESSCLOSE=/usr/bin/lesspipe %s %s
XDG_SESSION_CLASS=user
TERM=xterm-256color
LC_IDENTIFICATION=es_MX.UTF-8
LESSOPEN=| /usr/bin/lesspipe %s
USER=baba
GNOME_TERMINAL_SERVICE=:1.104
DISPLAY=:0
SHLVL=1
LC_TELEPHONE=es_MX.UTF-8
QT_IM_MODULE=ibus
LC_MEASUREMENT=es_MX.UTF-8
XDG_RUNTIME_DIR=/run/user/1000
LC_TIME=es_MX.UTF-8
XDG_DATA_DIRS=/usr/share/ubuntu:/usr/local/share:/usr/share/
PATH=/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:
GDMSESSION=ubuntu
DBUS_SESSION_BUS_ADDRESS=unix:path=/run/user/1000/bus
LC_NUMERIC=es_MX.UTF-8
_=./myprintenv
BABIAH_GANDLURU>
```

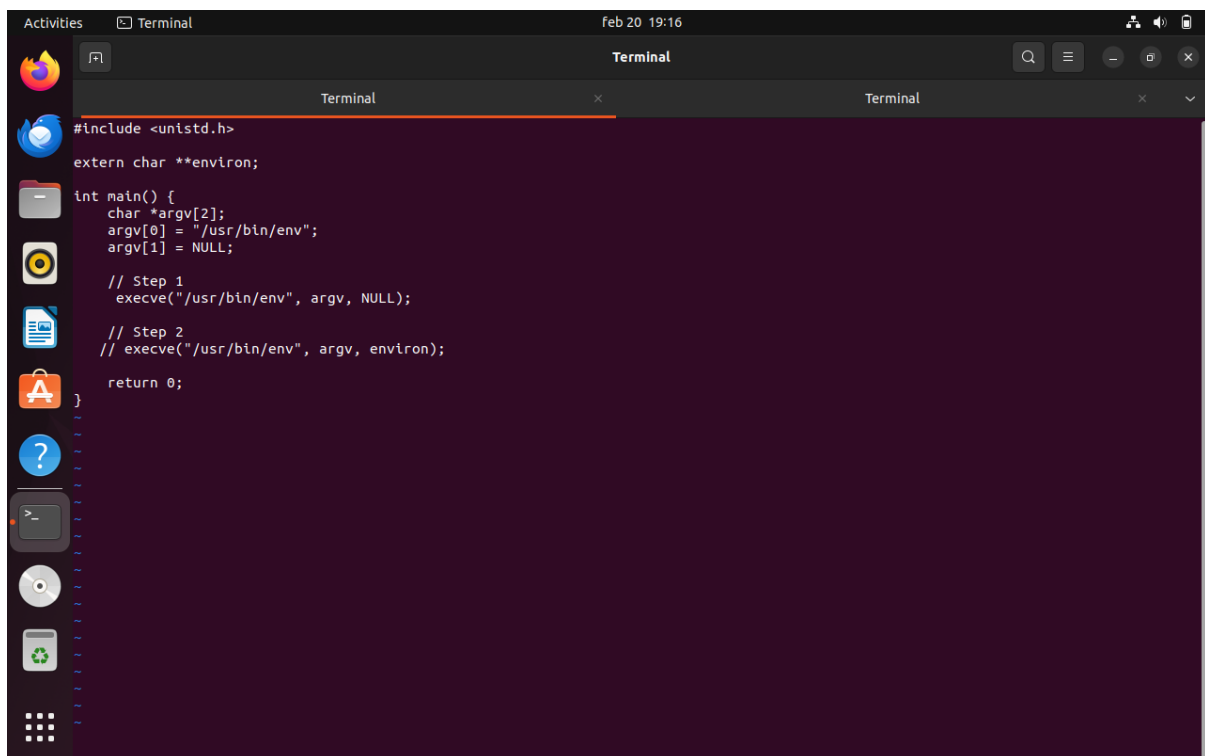
I executed both parent process and child process in output_1.txt file and output_2.txt file and then I executed diff command to see the differences in the outputs

I dont see any differences in the outputs both outputs are identical

So, In conclusion

We can say that in systems like Unix, environment variables are inherited by child processes from their parent processes. This inheritance will allow child processes to access and utilize the same set of environment variables as their parent processes without explicitly passing them.

Task-3

A screenshot of a Linux terminal window. The window title is "Terminal" and the date/time is "feb 20 19:16". The terminal shows a C program that demonstrates environment variable inheritance using the execve() system call. The code includes <unistd.h>, declares an external char **environ, and defines a main() function. Inside main(), it sets argv[0] to "/usr/bin/env" and argv[1] to NULL. It then shows two steps: Step 1 calls execve("/usr/bin/env", argv, NULL); and Step 2 calls execve("/usr/bin/env", argv, environ);. The program returns 0. The terminal background is dark purple, and the code is written in a light-colored font. The left sidebar of the terminal window shows various application icons like Firefox, Files, and the Dash icon.

```
#include <unistd.h>
extern char **environ;

int main() {
    char *argv[2];
    argv[0] = "/usr/bin/env";
    argv[1] = NULL;

    // Step 1
    execve("/usr/bin/env", argv, NULL);

    // Step 2
    // execve("/usr/bin/env", argv, environ);

    return 0;
}
```

I executed both codes with “NULL” and “environ” arguments

When NULL is passed as the envp argument the new program /usr/bin/env does not inherit the environment variables from the current process.

But when we pass environ as the argument to execve(), the current environment variables are passed to the new program /usr/bin/env. I got list of environment variables as shown in the screenshot

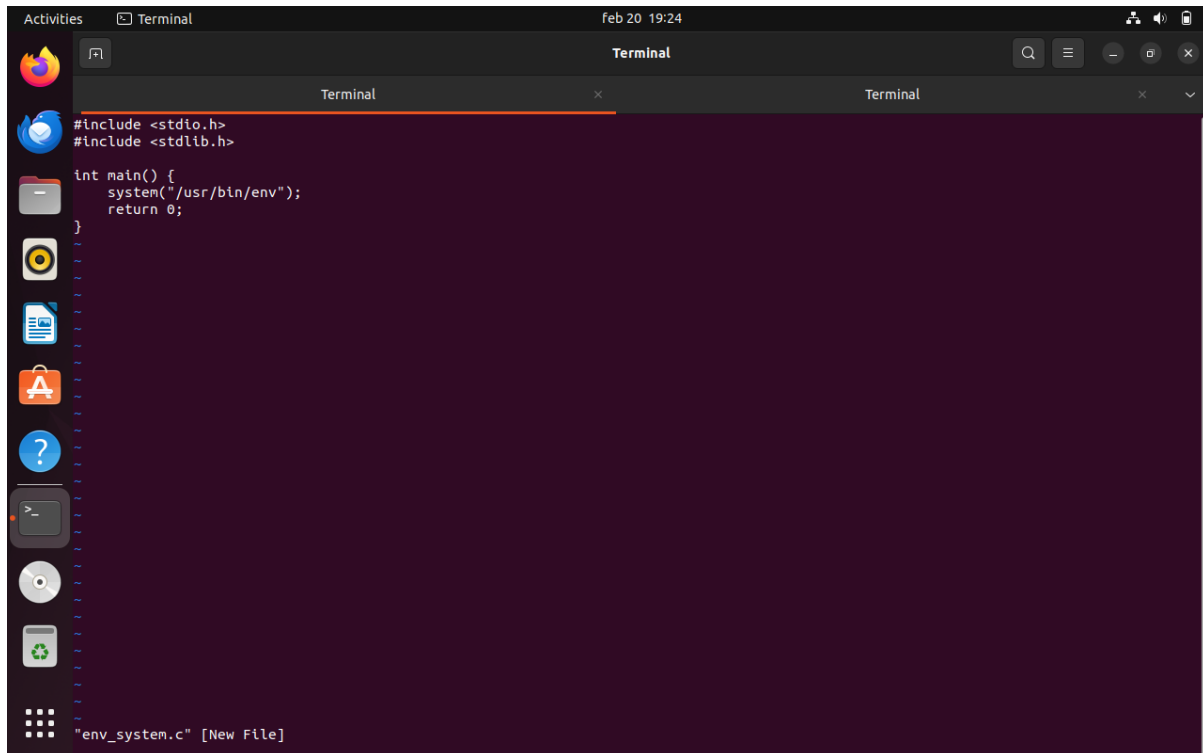
so, we can conclude that the new program inherited the environment variables from the current process.

```
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```

```
BABATIAH_GANDLURU> vi myenv.c
BABATIAH_GANDLURU> gcc myenv.c -o myenv
BABATIAH_GANDLURU> ./myenv
BABATIAH_GANDLURU> ls -l /usr/bin/env
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 43968 feb  7 2022 /usr/bin/env
BABATIAH_GANDLURU> vi myenv.c
BABATIAH_GANDLURU> gcc myenv.c -o myenv
BABATIAH_GANDLURU> ./myenv
SHELL=/bin/bash
SESSION_MANAGER=local/baba-VirtualBox:@/tmp/.ICE-unix/2967,unix/baba-VirtualBox:/tmp/.ICE-unix/2967
QT_ACCESSIBILITY=1
COLORTERM=truecolor
XDG_CONFIG_DIRS=/etc/xdg/xdg-ubuntu:/etc/xdg
SSH_AGENT_LAUNCHER=gnome-keyring
XDG_MENU_PREFIX=gnome-
GNOME_DESKTOP_SESSION_ID=this-is-deprecated
LC_ADDRESS=es_MX.UTF-8
GNOME_SHELL_SESSION_MODE=ubuntu
LC_NAME=es_MX.UTF-8
SSH_AUTH_SOCK=/run/user/1000/keyring/ssh
XMODIFIERS=@im=lbus
DESKTOP_SESSION=ubuntu
LC_MONETARY=es_MX.UTF-8
GTK_MODULES=gail:atk-bridge
PWD=/home/baba
LOGNAME=baba
XDG_SESSION_DESKTOP=ubuntu
XDG_SESSION_TYPE=wayland
SYSTEMD_EXEC_PID=2990
XAUTHORITY=/run/user/1000/.mutter-Xwaylandauth.VTWTJ2
HOME=/home/baba
USERNAME=baba
IM_CONFIG_PHASE=1
LC_PAPER=es_MX.UTF-8
LANG=en_US.UTF-8
LS_COLORS=rs=0:di=01;34:ln=01;36:mh=00:pi=40;33:so=01;35:do=01;35:bd=40;33;01:cd=40;33;01:or=40;31;01:ml=00:su=37;41:sg=30;43:ca=30;41:tw=30;42:ow=34;42:st=37;44:ex=01;32:*tar=01;31:*tgz=01;31:*arc=01;31:*arj=01;31:*taz=01;31:*lha=01;31:*lz4=01;31:*lzh=01;31:*lzip=01;31:*tlz=01;31:*txz=01;31:*tzo=01;31:*t7z=01;31:*zi=01;31:*gz=01;31:*dz=01;31:*lz=01;31:*lzo=01;31:
```

The image shows a Linux desktop environment. On the left is a vertical dock with icons for Firefox, Telegram, a file manager, a media player, a document, a question mark, a terminal, a CD, and a recycling bin. The top of the screen features a status bar with the text "Activities", "Terminal", and a clock showing "feb 20 19:22". Two terminal windows are open. The foreground terminal window has a title bar that says "Terminal" and contains a long list of environment variables, including: 41:tw=30;42:ow=34;42:st=37;44:ex=01;32:*.tar=01;31:*.tgz=01;31:*.arc=01;31:*.arj=01;31:*.taz=01;31:*.lha=01;31:*.lzh=01;31:*.lzm=01;31:*.tlz=01;31:*.txz=01;31:*.tzo=01;31:*.t7z=01;31:*.zip=01;31:*.z=01;31:*.dz=01;31:*.gz=01;31:*.lrz=01;31:*.lz=01;31:*.lzo=01;31:*.xz=01;31:*.zst=01;31:*.tztst=01;31:*.bz2=01;31:*.bz=01;31:*.tbz=01;31:*.tbz2=01;31:*.taz=01;31:*.deb=01;31:*.rpm=01;31:*.jar=01;31:*.war=01;31:*.ear=01;31:*.sar=01;31:*.rar=01;31:*.alz=01;31:*.ace=01;31:*.zoo=01;31:*.cpio=01;31:*.7z=01;31:*.rz=01;31:*.cab=01;31:*.wim=01;31:*.swm=01;31:*.dwm=01;31:*.esd=01;31:*.jpg=01;35:*.jpeg=01;35:*.mjpg=01;35:*.mjpeg=01;35:*.gif=01;35:*.bmp=01;35:*.pbm=01;35:*.pgm=01;35:*.ppm=01;35:*.tga=01;35:*.xbm=01;35:*.xpm=01;35:*.tif=01;35:*.tiff=01;35:*.png=01;35:*.svg=01;35:*.svgz=01;35:*.mng=01;35:*.pcx=01;35:*.mov=01;35:*.mpg=01;35:*.mpeg=01;35:*.m2v=01;35:*.mkv=01;35:*.webm=01;35:*.webp=01;35:*.ogm=01;35:*.mp4=01;35:*.m4v=01;35:*.mp4v=01;35:*.vob=01;35:*.qt=01;35:*.nuv=01;35:*.wmv=01;35:*.asf=01;35:*.rm=01;35:*.rmvb=01;35:*.flc=01;35:*.avi=01;35:*.fli=01;35:*.flv=01;35:*.gl=01;35:*.dl=01;35:*.xcf=01;35:*.xwd=01;35:*.yuv=01;35:*.cgm=01;35:*.enf=01;35:*.ogv=01;35:*.ogx=01;35:*.aac=00;36:*.au=00;36:*.flac=00;36:*.m4a=00;36:*.mid=00;36:*.mka=00;36:*.mp3=00;36:*.mpc=00;36:*.ogg=00;36:*.ra=00;36:*.wav=00;36:*.oga=00;36:*.opus=00;36:*.spx=00;36:*.xspf=00;36:; XDG_CURRENT_DESKTOP=ubuntu:GNOME VTE_VERSION=6800 WAYLAND_DISPLAY=wayland-0 GNOME_TERMINAL_SCREEN=/org/gnome/Terminal/screen/abfea20b_b36f_4496_84d6_b0f9c2e7027b GNOME_SETUP_DISPLAY=1 LESSCLOSE=/usr/bin/lesspipe %s %s XDG_SESSION_CLASS=user TERM=xterm-256color LC_IDENTIFICATION=es_MX.UTF-8 LESSOPEN=| /usr/bin/lesspipe %s USER=baba GNOME_TERMINAL_SERVICE=1.104 DISPLAY=:0 SHLVL=1 LC_TELEPHONE=es_MX.UTF-8 QT_IM_MODULE=ibus LC_MEASUREMENT=es_MX.UTF-8 XDG_RUNTIME_DIR=/run/user/1000 LC_TIME=es_MX.UTF-8 XDG_DATA_DIRS=/usr/share/ubuntu:/usr/local/share/:/usr/share/:/var/lib/snapd/desktop PATH=/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin:/usr/games:/usr/local/games:/snap/bin:/snap/bin GDMSESSION=ubuntu DBUS_SESSION_BUS_ADDRESS=unix:path=/run/user/1000/bus LC_NUMERIC=es_MX.UTF-8 _=/usr/genv BABAIAH_GANDLURU>

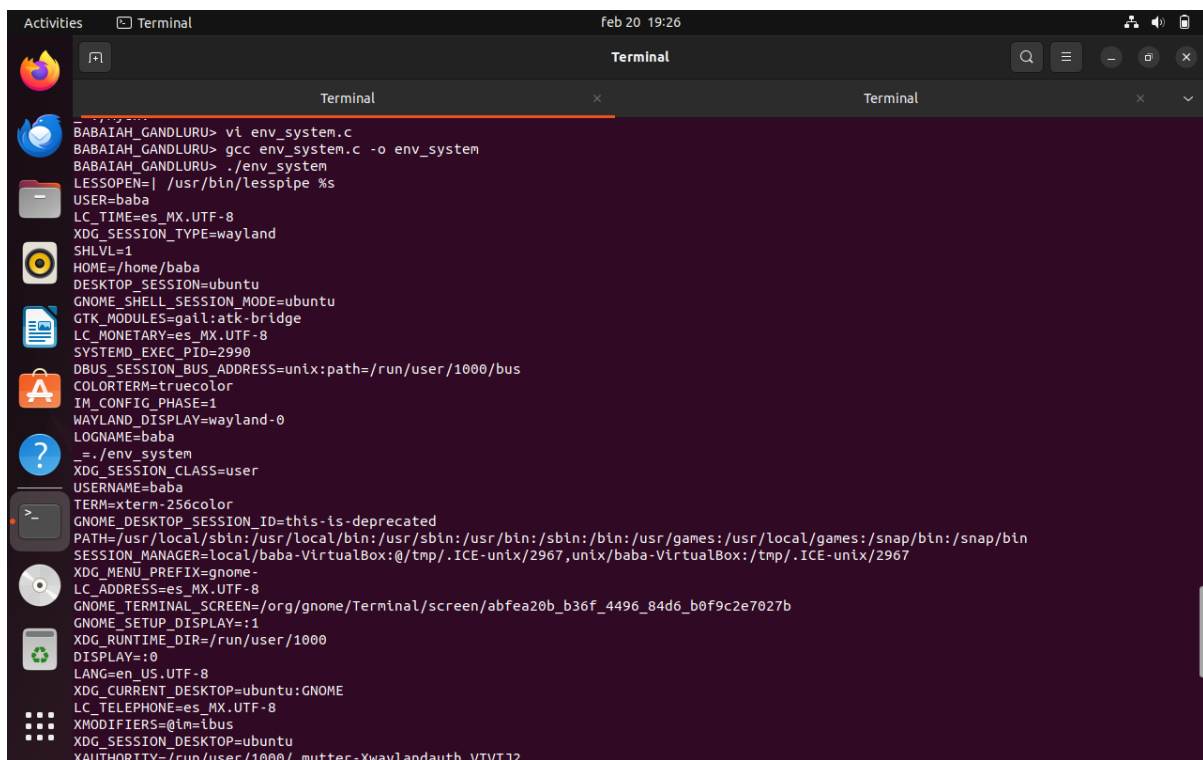
Task-4



```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int main() {
    system("/usr/bin/env");
    return 0;
}
```

"env_system.c" [New File]



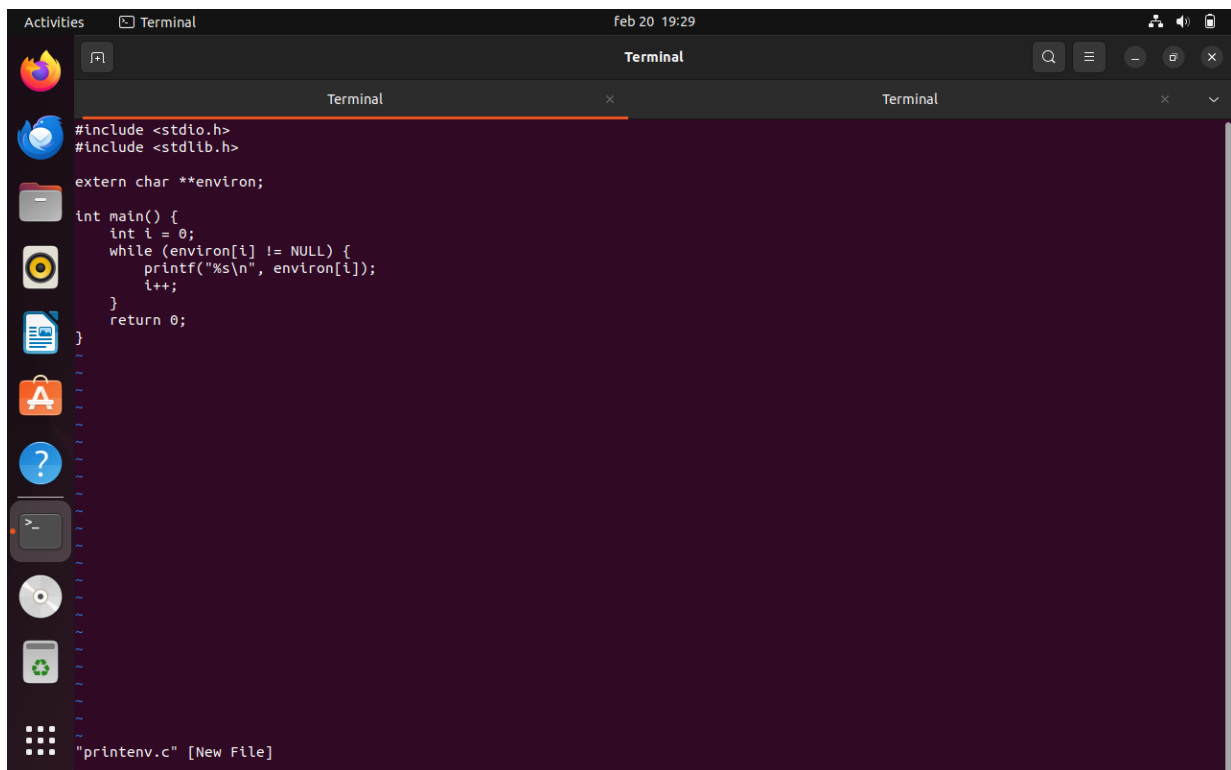
```
BABIAH_GANDLURU> vl env_system.c
BABIAH_GANDLURU> gcc env_system.c -o env_system
BABIAH_GANDLURU> ./env_system
LESSOPEN=| /usr/bin/lesspipe %s
USER=baba
LC_TIME=es_MX.UTF-8
XDG_SESSION_TYPE=wayland
SHLVL=1
HOME=/home/baba
DESKTOP_SESSION=ubuntu
GNOME_SHELL_SESSION_MODE=ubuntu
GTK_MODULES=gail:atk-bridge
LC_MONETARY=es_MX.UTF-8
SYSTEMD_EXEC_PID=2990
DBUS_SESSION_BUS_ADDRESS=unix:path=/run/user/1000/bus
COLORTERM=truecolor
TM_CONFIG_PHASE=1
WAYLAND_DISPLAY=wayland-0
LOGNAME=baba
_=./env_system
XDG_SESSION_CLASS=user
USERNAME=baba
TERM=xterm-256color
GNOME_DESKTOP_SESSION_ID=this-is-deprecated
PATH=/usr/local/sbin:/usr/local/bin:/usr/sbin:/usr/bin:/sbin:/bin:/usr/games:/snap/bin
SESSION_MANAGER=local/baba-VirtualBox:@/tmp/.ICE-unix/2967,unix/baba-VirtualBox:/tmp/.ICE-unix/2967
XDG_MENU_PREFIX=gnome-
LC_ADDRESS=es_MX.UTF-8
GNOME_TERMINAL_SCREEN=/org/gnome/Terminal/screen/abfea20b_b36f_4496_84d6_b0f9c2e7027b
GNOME_SETUP_DISPLAY=:1
XDG_RUNTIME_DIR=/run/user/1000
DISPLAY=:0
LANG=en_US.UTF-8
XDG_CURRENT_DESKTOP=ubuntu:GNOME
LC_TELEPHONE=es_MX.UTF-8
XMODIFIERS=@Im=ibus
XDG_SESSION_DESKTOP=ubuntu
XAUTHORITY=/run/user/1000/.mutter-Xwaylandauth_VTVT12
```

I executed this code and the output of env command executed by /bin/sh includes the environment variables of the calling process

so, we can conclude that the `system()` function in the code executes command by invoking `/bin/sh`

This is similar to using `execve()` to execute the command and inherit the environment variables

Task-5

A screenshot of a Linux terminal window. The window title is "Terminal" and the date/time is "feb 20 19:29". The terminal shows a C program named "printenv.c" with the following code:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

extern char **environ;

int main() {
    int i = 0;
    while (environ[i] != NULL) {
        printf("%s\n", environ[i]);
        i++;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

The code is saved in a file named "printenv.c" [New File]. The terminal background is dark purple.

I executed the code and following commands

`sudo chown root foo`

`sudo chmod 4755 foo`

`export PATH="task.txt"`

`export LD_LIBRARY_PATH="task.txt"`

`export ANY_NAME="Babaiah_Gandluru"`

`./foo`


```
Activities Terminal feb 23 15:38
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> viprintenv.c
viprintenv.c: command not found
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> vi printenv.c
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> gcc printenv.c -o foo
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> sudo chown root foo
[sudo] password for baba:
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> sudo chmod 4755 foo
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> export PATH="task.txt"
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> export LD_LIBRARY_PATH="task.txt"
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> export ANY_NAME="Babaiah_Gandluru"
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> ./foo
SHELL=/bin/bash
SESSION_MANAGER=local/baba-VirtualBox:@/tmp/.ICE-unix/2963,unix/baba-VirtualBox:/tmp/.ICE-unix/2963
QT_ACCESSIBILITY=1
COLORTERM=truecolor
XDG_CONFIG_DIRS=/etc/xdg/xdg-ubuntu:/etc/xdg
SSH_AGENT_LAUNCHER=gnome-keyring
XDG_MENU_PREFIX=gnome-
GNOME_DESKTOP_SESSION_ID=this-is-deprecated
ANY_NAME=Babaiah_Gandluru
LC_ADDRESS=es_MX.UTF-8
GNOME_SHELL_SESSION_MODE=ubuntu
LC_NAME=es_MX.UTF-8
SSH_AUTH_SOCK=/run/user/1000/keyring/ssh
XMODIFIERS=@im=ibus
DESKTOP_SESSION=ubuntu
LC_MONETARY=es_MX.UTF-8
GTK_MODULES=gail:atk-bridge
PWD=/home/baba
LOGNAME=baba
XDG_SESSION_DESKTOP=ubuntu
XDG_SESSION_TYPE=wayland
SYSTEMD_EXEC_PID=2989
XAUTHORITY=/run/user/1000/.mutter-Xwaylandauth.CGTMJ2
HOME=/home/baba
USERNAME=baba
IM_CONFIG_PHASE=1
LC_PAPER=es_MX.UTF-8
LANG=en_US.UTF-8
LS_COLORS=rs=0:di=01;34:ln=01;36:mh=00:pi=40;33:so=01;35:do=01;35:bd=40;33;01:cd=40;33;01:or=40;31;01:mi=00:su=37;41:sg=30;43:ca=30;
```

```
Activities Terminal feb 23 15:39
LC_PAPER=es_MX.UTF-8
LANG=en_US.UTF-8
LS_COLORS=rs=0:di=01;34:ln=01;36:mh=00:pi=40;33:so=01;35:do=01;35:bd=40;33;01:cd=40;33;01:or=40;31;01:mi=00:su=37;41:sg=30;43:ca=30;
41:tw=30;42:ow=34;42:st=37;44:ex=01;32:*.tar=01;31:*.tgz=01;31:*.arc=01;31:*.arj=01;31:*.taz=01;31:*.lha=01;31:*.lzh=01;
31:*.lзма=01;31:*.tlz=01;31:*.txz=01;31:*.tzo=01;31:*.t7z=01;31:*.zip=01;31:*.z=01;31:*.dz=01;31:*.gz=01;31:*.lrz=01;31:*.lz=01;31:
*.lzo=01;31:*.xz=01;31:*.zst=01;31:*.tzst=01;31:*.bz2=01;31:*.bz=01;31:*.tbz=01;31:*.tbz2=01;31:*.taz=01;31:*.deb=01;31:*.rpm=01;31:
*.jar=01;31:*.war=01;31:*.ear=01;31:*.sar=01;31:*.rar=01;31:*.alz=01;31:*.ace=01;31:*.zoo=01;31:*.cpio=01;31:*.7z=01;31:*.rz=01;31:*.c
ab=01;31:*.wlm=01;31:*.swm=01;31:*.dwm=01;31:*.esd=01;31:*.jpg=01;35:*.jpeg=01;35:*.mjpg=01;35:*.mjpeg=01;35:*.gif=01;35:*.bmp=01;35
:*.pbm=01;35:*.pgm=01;35:*.ppm=01;35:*.tga=01;35:*.xbm=01;35:*.xpm=01;35:*.tif=01;35:*.tiff=01;35:*.png=01;35:*.svg=01;35:*.svgz=01;
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36:*.wav=00;36:*.oga=00;36:*.opus=00;36:*.spx=00;36:*.xspf=00;36:
XDG_CURRENT_DESKTOP=ubuntu:GNOME
VTE_VERSION=6800
WAYLAND_DISPLAY=wayland-0
GNOME_TERMINAL_SCREEN=/org/gnome/Terminal/screen/6aca9849_d2dd_466d_969f_ffc5f5233691
GNOME_SETUP_DISPLAY=:1
LESSCLOSE=/usr/bin/lesspipe %s %s
XDG_SESSION_CLASS=user
TERM=xterm-256color
LC_IDENTIFICATION=es_MX.UTF-8
LESSOPEN=| /usr/bin/lesspipe %s
USER=baba
GNOME_TERMINAL_SERVICE=:1.100
DISPLAY=:0
SHLVL=1
LC_TELEPHONE=es_MX.UTF-8
QT_IM_MODULE=ibus
LC_MEASUREMENT=es_MX.UTF-8
XDG_RUNTIME_DIR=/run/user/1000
LC_TIME=es_MX.UTF-8
XDG_DATA_DIRS=/usr/share/ubuntu:/usr/local/share:/usr/share:/var/lib/snapd/desktop
PATH=task.txt
GDMSESSION=ubuntu
DBUS_SESSION_BUS_ADDRESS=unix:path=/run/user/1000/bus
LC_NUMERIC=es_MX.UTF-8
_=./foo
BABAIAH_GANDLURU>
```

After running the Set-UID program foo, I observed that it gave me all the environment variables that were set in your shell process, including PATH, LD_LIBRARY_PATH, and ANY_NAME which is Babaiah_Gandluru. This conforms that environment variables set in the user's shell process are inherited by the Set-UID child process.

Task-6

```
Activities Terminal feb 20 20:03
Terminal
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> /usr/bin/gcc execute_ls.c -o execute_ls
gcc: fatal error: cannot execute 'as': execvp: No such file or directory
compilation terminated.
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gcc: fatal error: cannot execute 'as': execvp: No such file or directory
compilation terminated.
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> /usr/bin/sudo apt install libc-dev
[sudo] password for baba:
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
Note, selecting 'libc6-dev' instead of 'libc-dev'
libc6-dev is already the newest version (2.35-0ubuntu3.6).
libc6-dev set to manually installed.
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 222 not upgraded.
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gcc: fatal error: cannot execute 'as': execvp: No such file or directory
compilation terminated.
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> /usr/bin/sudo apt install gcc
Reading package lists... Done
Building dependency tree... Done
Reading state information... Done
gcc is already the newest version (4:11.2.0-1ubuntu1).
0 upgraded, 0 newly installed, 0 to remove and 222 not upgraded.
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> echo $PATH
/usr/bin
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> export PATH="/usr/bin:$PATH"
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> /usr/bin/gcc execute_ls.c -o execute_ls
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> /usr/bin/./execute_ls
bash: /usr/bin/./execute_ls: No such file or directory
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> ./execute_ls
Desktop      download_papers.c  execute_ls.c      Music      new_file_output.txt  Public      Videos
document_injection  Downloads          first_output.txt  myenv      output_1.txt         second_output.txt  yourexecutable
document_injection.c  env_system        foo              myenv.c    output_2.txt         secure_downloader.c  yourfilename.c
Documents      env_system.c      index.html        myprintenv  Pictures              snap
download_papers  execute_ls        malicious.html    myprintenv.c  printenv.c           Templates
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Activities Terminal feb 20 19:36
Terminal
#include <stdlib.h>

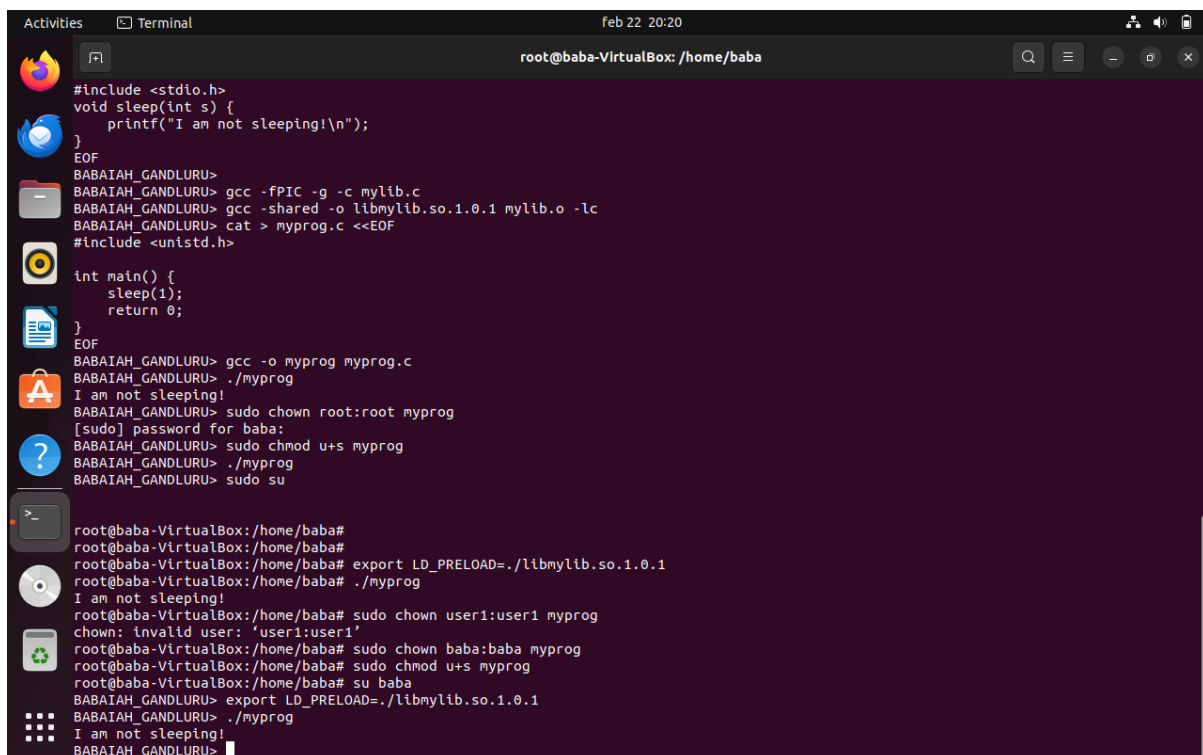
int main() {
    system("ls");
    return 0;
}
```

After running the Set-UID program `execute_ls`, I observed that it executes the "ls" command and lists all the contents of the current directory.

Since the program uses a relative path for the ls command (system("ls")), it relies on the shell's PATH environment variable to locate the ls executable.

I learnt that this can allow Malicious users to exploit by modifying the PATH environment variable to point to a different directory containing a malicious executable named ls. and When the Set-UID program is executed by the host user it would run the malicious code instead of /bin/ls.

Task-7



```
#include <stdio.h>
void sleep(int s) {
    printf("I am not sleeping!\n");
}
EOF
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> gcc -fPIC -g -c mylib.c
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> gcc -shared -o libmylib.so.1.0.1 mylib.o -lc
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> cat > myprog.c <<EOF
#include <unistd.h>

int main() {
    sleep(1);
    return 0;
}
EOF
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> gcc -o myprog myprog.c
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> ./myprog
I am not sleeping!
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> sudo chown root:root myprog
[sudo] password for baba:
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> sudo chmod u+s myprog
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> ./myprog
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> sudo su

root@baba-VirtualBox:/home/baba#
root@baba-VirtualBox:/home/baba#
root@baba-VirtualBox:/home/baba# export LD_PRELOAD=./libmylib.so.1.0.1
root@baba-VirtualBox:/home/baba# ./myprog
I am not sleeping!
root@baba-VirtualBox:/home/baba# sudo chown user1:user1 myprog
chown: invalid user: 'user1:user1'
root@baba-VirtualBox:/home/baba# sudo chown baba:baba myprog
root@baba-VirtualBox:/home/baba# sudo chmod u+s myprog
root@baba-VirtualBox:/home/baba# su baba
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> export LD_PRELOAD=./libmylib.so.1.0.1
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> ./myprog
I am not sleeping!
BABAIAH_GANDLURU>
```

I executed both myprog.c and mylib.c codes

I executed the myprog.c in 4 scenarios

- 1) when I executed myprog as regular program and as a normal user.

I got output as

I am not sleeping !

- 2) when I executed myprog as Set-UID root program and as a normal user.

I didnt get any output for this scenario

3) when I executed myprog as Set-UID root program and as the root account.

I got output as

I am not sleeping !

4) when I executed myprog as Set-UID "baba" program (i.e., the owner is user1, which is another user account).

I got output as

I am not sleeping !

The difference in the behavior is due to the LD_PRELOAD environment variable interactions with Set-UID programs. When LD_PRELOAD is set it loads the specified library before all other libraries.

But, in the case of Set-UID programs there are some restrictions imposed by the operating system for security reasons.

When I executed myprog as a regular program the LD_PRELOAD command worked as expected and the sleep() function from mylib.so is overridden and called.

I got "i am not sleeping !" message

But, when I executed myprog as a Set-UID root program:

In case if LD_PRELOAD is not set again within the program the LD_PRELOAD environment variable is not considered due to security restrictions. so the original sleep() function is executed in this case and

I didn't get "i am not sleeping !" message

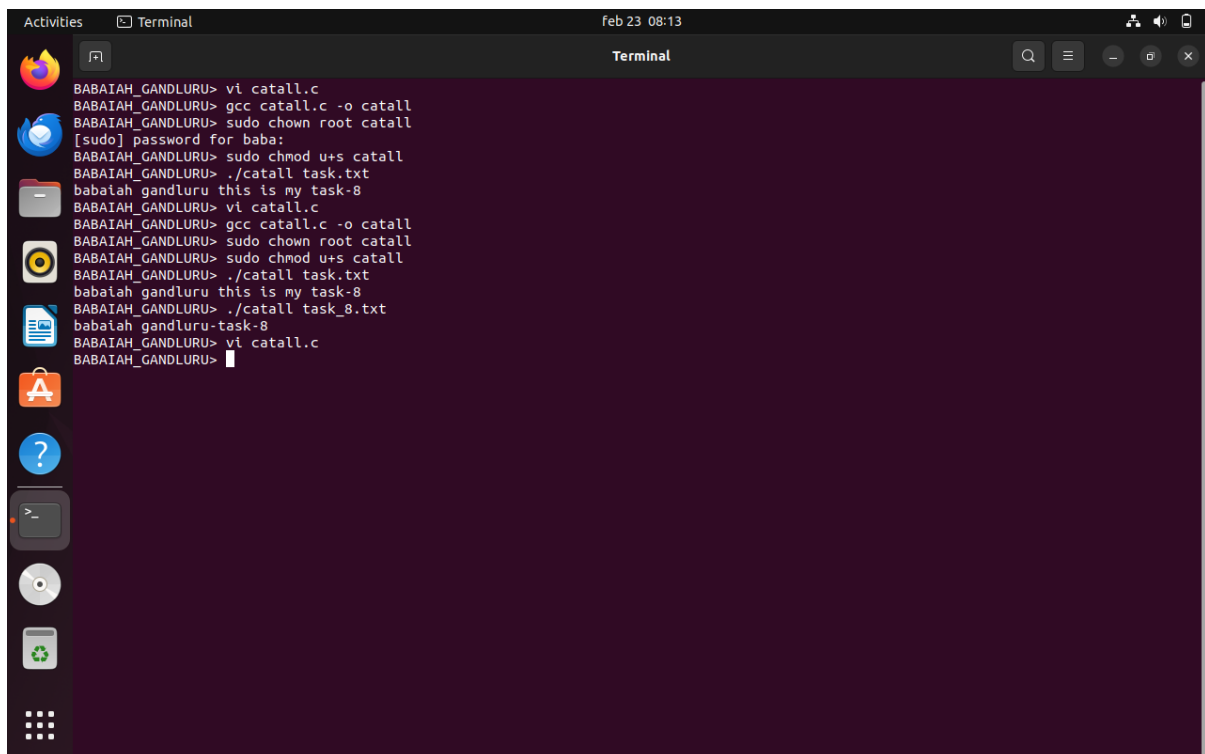
And in case if LD_PRELOAD is set again within the program it overrides the security restriction, and the overridden sleep() function from mylib.so is called.
so

I got "i am not sleeping !" message

Similarly when I executed myprog as a Set-UID user1 program which is baba in my case where LD_PRELOAD set by a different user is not considered unless explicitly set again within the program.

So, I got "i am not sleeping !" message

Task-8



```
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> vi catall.c
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> gcc catall.c -o catall
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> sudo chown root catall
[sudo] password for baba:
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> sudo chmod u+s catall
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> ./catall task.txt
babaiah gandluru this is my task-8
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> vi catall.c
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> gcc catall.c -o catall
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> sudo chown root catall
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> sudo chmod u+s catall
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> ./catall task.txt
babaiah gandluru this is my task-8
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> ./catall task_8.txt
babaiah gandluru-task-8
BABAIAH_GANDLURU> vi catall.c
BABAIAH_GANDLURU>
```

I am able to access the text file in the both scenarios of using the below commands

`system(command);`

`execve(v[0], v, NULL);`

I tried to access the file task.txt and I am getting the text from task.txt file while using any one of the commands from

`system(command);`

```
execve(v[0], v, NULL);
```

Task-9

[illegible]

I execute the code and successfully exploited the vulnerability using the code and I am able to access the text file which I shouldn't have access to. In this case file `zzz.txt`

This is because process retains some privileged capabilities even after dropping root privileges. I am able to exploit this to write to /etc/zzz as a normal user.