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Pipes

Deadline: February 4, Friday at 11.59 pm

Minimum Requirements: None

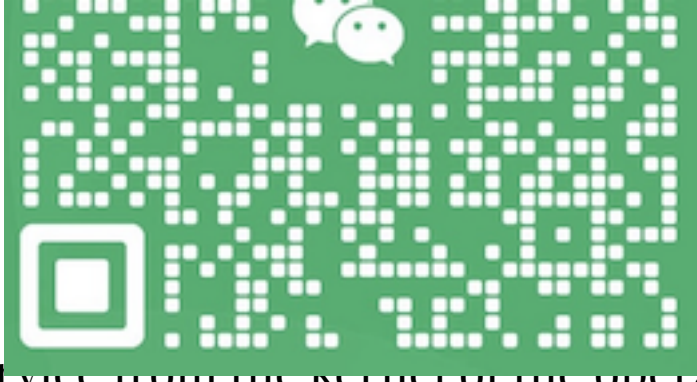
<http://www.cs.umd.edu/class/fall2018/cmsc412/project0-cleanedup.pdf>

Folder Struct

1. GEEKOS_1/in
2. GEEKOS_1/src/geekos: source code for GEEKOS kernel
3. GEEKOS_1/src/user: test code that will get compiled to executables after booting up geekOS

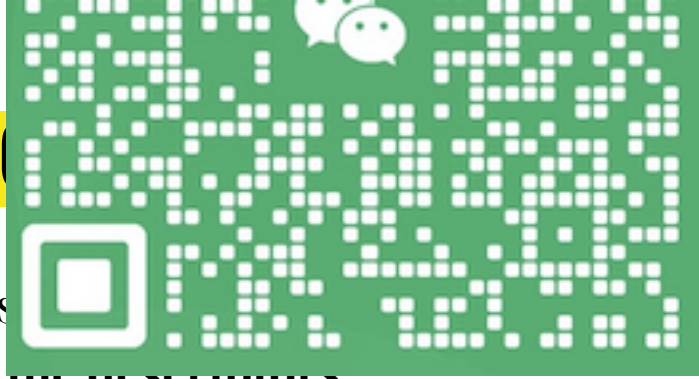
You can add any helper function you like

System Calls



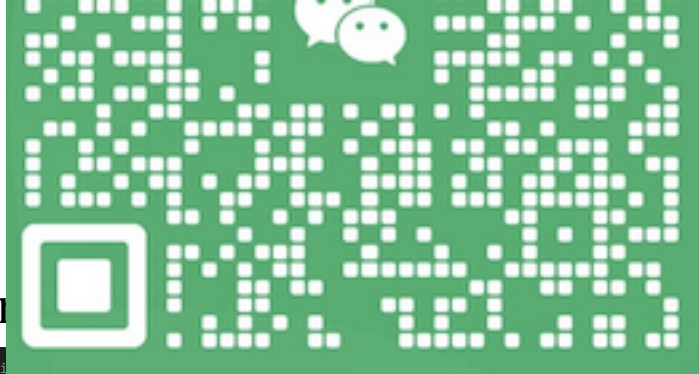
1. A system call is a request made by a computer program to the kernel of the operating system it is executed on.
2. Calling function(Pipe,read,write) in an user executable(pipe-p1.c) will end up automatically calling its corresponding system call (Sys_Pipe, sys_read, sys_write). Please note that binding of all system calls is in fileio.c
3. Flow of Pipe-Create
 - a. Pipe-p1.c(src/user/)--> fileio.c(src/libc/) --> syscall.c (src/geekos/) ->pipe.c (src/geekos/)

Pipe System



- A **pipe** is a system for creating a **unidirectional communication link between two processes**.
- A file descriptors is a **number that uniquely identifies an open file in a computer's operating system**.
- Pipe() takes two arguments: **each a pointer to an integer location**.
- In pipe-p1.c => `int read_fd, write_fd;` `pipe_retval = Pipe(&read_fd, &write_fd);`
- When Pipe() returns successfully, it would have created a pipe and **filled the two location with file descriptors(integers)**, one pointing to the reading end of the pipe and the other to the writing end of the pipe

Structs



- Struct File: (in `fs.h`)

```
/* An opened file or directory. */
struct File {
    /*
     * Filesystem mount function is responsible for initializing
     * the following fields:
     */
    const struct File_Ops *ops; /* Operations that can be performed on the file. */
    ulong_t filePos;           /* Current position in the file. */
    ulong_t endPos;            /* End position (i.e., the length of the file). */
    void *fsData;              /* For use by the filesystem implementation. */
};
```

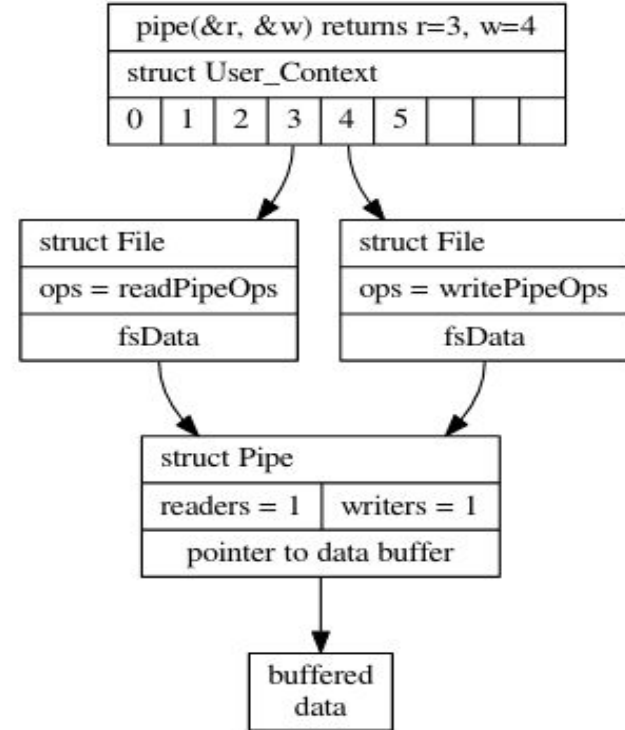
- Struct FileOps: (in `vfs.h`)

```
/* Operations that can be performed on a File. */
struct File_Ops {
    int (*FStat) (struct File * file, struct VFS_File_Stat * stat);
    int (*Read) (struct File * file, void *buf, ulong_t numBytes);
    int (*Write) (struct File * file, void *buf, ulong_t numBytes);
    int (*Seek) (struct File * file, ulong_t pos);
    int (*Close) (struct File * file);
    int (*Read_Entry) (struct File * dir, struct VFS_Dir_Entry * entry); /* Read next directory entry. */
};
```

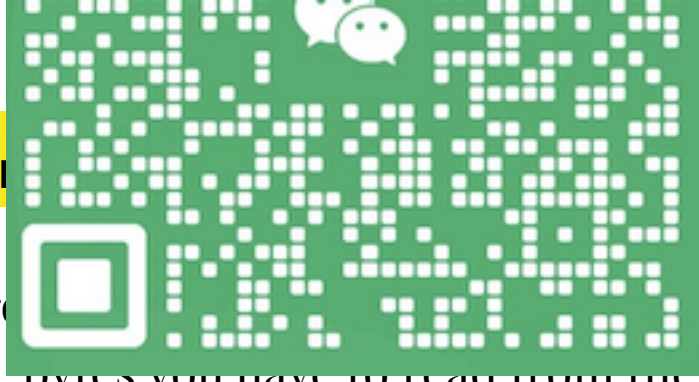
- Struct pipe: you need to create

Pipe_Create()

- Two File double pointers (READ_FILE, WRITE_FILE)
- Create new struct File instance using Malloc()
- Initialize files by referring to appropriate File_Ops defined in the **pipe.c** file
- Need to have your own pipe struct to hold data and other variables of importance (as per your judgement). Use **fsData(void* pointer)** in file to point to the instance of your pipe struct
- Check for appropriate **error** conditions wherever necessary
- **Return 0** if successful

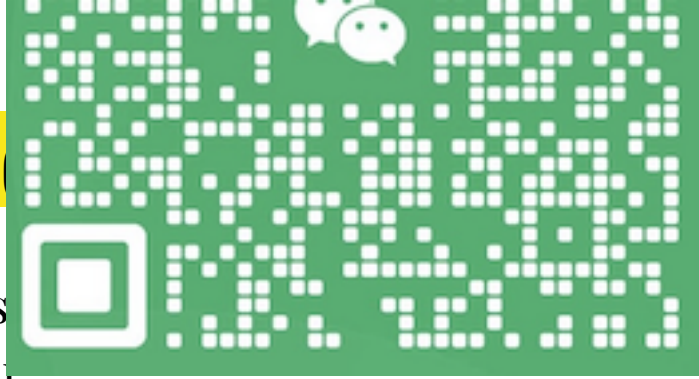


Pipe_Read()



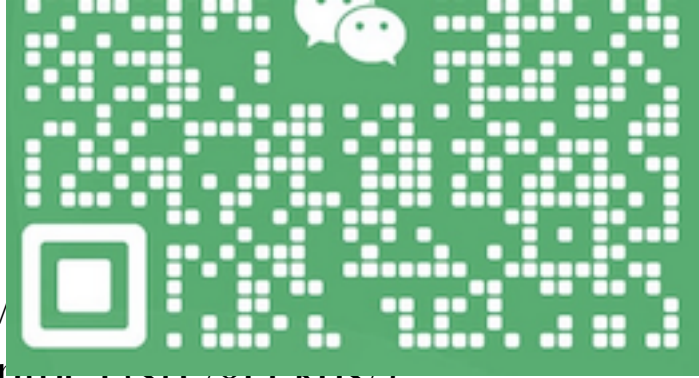
- Reads data from the pipe
- Inputs: num_bytes you have to read from the pipe, a buffer to copy data into and a struct pointer (File *f) » a read file descriptor
- Check for appropriate error conditions
 - pipe has writers but no data, return EWOULDBLOCK
 - Pipe has no writers and no data, return 0
- Copy the data into the buffer (it's a void *)
 - E.g, You can use **memcpy(to , from , how many bytes you want to copy)**
 - Reading 4 bytes to the pipe from the beginning (**memcpy(pipe»data_buffer, buf, 4);**)
 - If there is data, Read() returns at most as much data as it was asked for.
- Delete the data from the pipe's buffer (**remove the data you have just read out or mark the data you have read out as invalid**)
- Return number of bytes copied

Pipe_Write()



- Same params as `pipe_Read()` you copy data from and write to file descriptor
- Implement the buffer like a queue; write appends data, does NOT overwrite
- If there is a reader and the pipe has space for data, `pipe_Write()` returns the number of bytes written.
- Error conditions:
 - No reader, return `EPIPE`
 - If you choose to implement a fixed size buffer(suggested 32K): if buffer is full, return 0
 - If you choose to implement dynamically allocated buffer: if `malloc()` fails, return `ENOMEM`

VFS Layer



- Pipe-p1.c(src/pipe/) → syscall.c (src/geekos/) »
vfs.c(src/)-» pipe.c(src/geekos/)

- In geekos/vfs.c

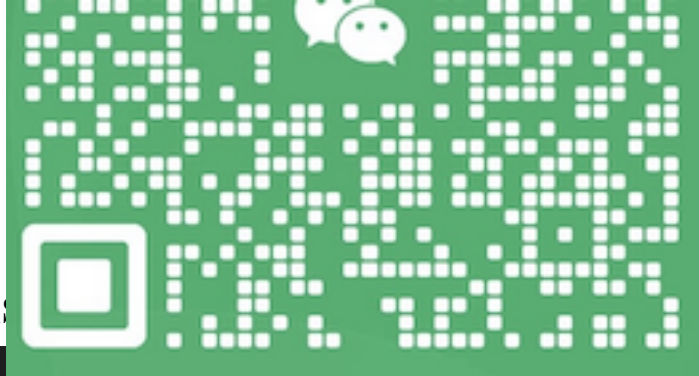
```
int Read(struct File *file, void *buf, ulong_t len) {  
    if(file->ops->Read == 0)  
        return EUNSUPPORTED;  
    else  
        return file->ops->Read(file, buf, len);  
}
```

- It calls Pipe_Read() and Pipe_Write() using the function pointer
- Assign the function pointer under ops correctly(in Pipe_Create())

Pipe_Close()

- Check if function was called on the read side or the write side and then act appropriately by closing the side on which it was called.
- Destroy data if there is no reader but there is still data.
- Pipe can also be destroyed if there are no readers and no writers.

Sys_Pipe()



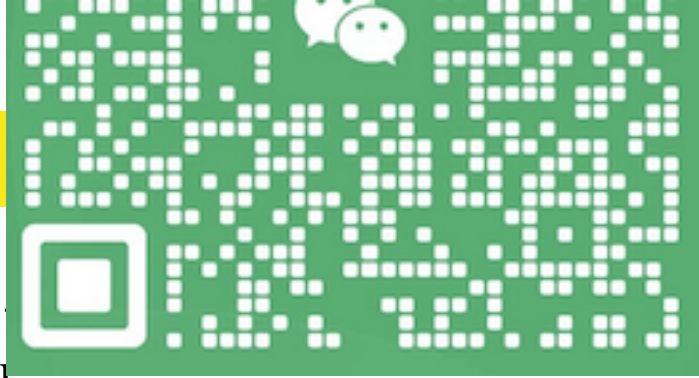
- This is what is executed in test files

```
/* Print("calling pipe"); */  
pipe_retval = Pipe(&read_fd, &write_fd);  
assert(pipe_retval == 0);
```

- Create the pipe (call Pipe_Create()).
- Add files to the descriptor table (check for error conditions here)(use **add_file_to_descriptor_table** method).
- Use Copy_To_User (**ulong_t destInUser, const void *srcInKernel, ulong_t bufSize**) to copy the file descriptors to the user addresses stored in the state registers (refer to geekos slides on how to use).
- Return 0 if successful.

Testing Your

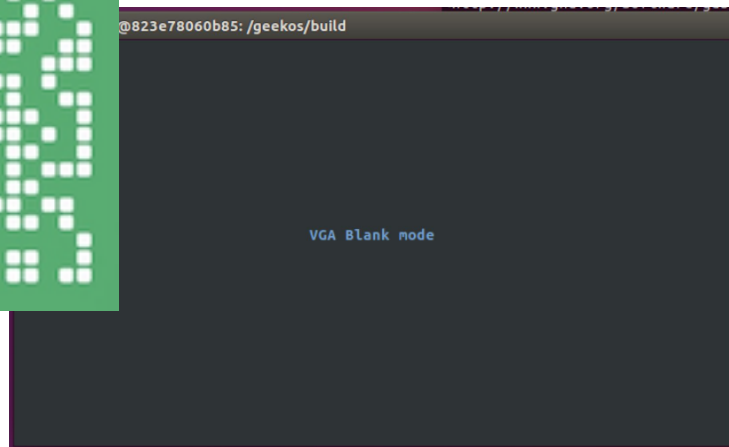
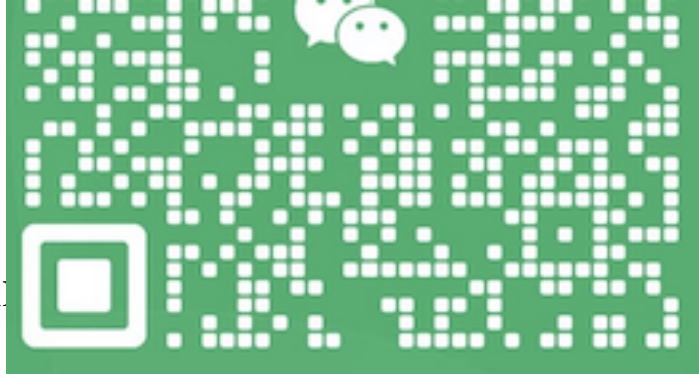
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- Check src/usi



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Debugging

1. Use Print() function
2. Use GDB
 - a. Make dbg on one window
 - b. After VGA Blank mode shows up, open another window and make dbg
 - c. A GDB Cheat Sheet
<https://darkdust.net/files/GDB%20Cheat%20Sheet.pdf>



```
root@823e78060b85: /geekos/build
gcc -m32
tools/gfs2f gfs-1024x2048.img `ruby -e "puts 'gfs-1024x2048.img'.split('x')[0].
sub(/\D*/, '')" `ruby -e "puts 'gfs-1024x2048.img'.split('x')[1].gsub(/\D*/, '')"
)
gdb geekos/kernel.exe
GNU gdb (Ubuntu 7.7.1-0ubuntu5-14.04.3) 7.7.1
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<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/bugs/>.
Find the GDB manual and other documentation resources online at:
<http://www.gnu.org/software/gdb/documentation/>.
For help, type "help".
Type "apropos word" to search for commands related to "word"...
Reading symbols from geekos/kernel.exe...done.
0x00000000 in ?? ()
Breakpoint 1 at 0x12010: file ../src/geekos/int.c, line 84.
Breakpoint 2 at 0x29920: file ../src/geekos/main.c, line 92.
(gdb)
```