

## **SYSTEM CALLS:**

### 1) Open:

- Used to open file and directories.
- Syntax: `int open (const char* Path, int flags [, int mode ])`;
- Parameters:
  - Path: path to file which you want to use  
use absolute path begin with “/”, when you are not work in same directory of file.  
Use relative path which is only file name with extension, when you are work in same directory of file.
  - Flags: How you like to use  
O\_RDONLY: read only, O\_WRONLY: write only, O\_RDWR: read and write, O\_CREAT: create file if it doesn't exist, O\_EXCL: prevent creation if it already exists
- Header Files:
  - `#include<sys/types.h>`
  - `#include<sys/stat.h>`
  - `#include<fcntl.h>`

### 2) Close:

- Tells the operating system you are done with a file descriptor and Close the file which pointed by fd.
- Syntax: `int close(int fd)`;
- Parameter
  - fd :file descriptor
- Returns:
  - 0 on success.
  - 1 on error.
- Header File:
  - `#include<fcntl.h>`

### 3) Read:

- From the file indicated by the file descriptor fd, the read() function reads cnt bytes of input into the memory area indicated by buf. A successful read() updates the access time for the file.
- Syntax: `size_t read (int fd, void* buf, size_t cnt)`;
- Parameters
  - fd: file descriptor
  - buf: buffer to read data from
  - cnt: length of buffer
- Returns: How many bytes were actually read
  - return Number of bytes read on success
  - return 0 on reaching end of file
  - return -1 on error
  - return -1 on signal interrupt

4) Write:

- Writes `cnt` bytes from `buf` to the file or socket associated with `fd`. `cnt` should not be greater than `INT_MAX` (defined in the `limits.h` header file). If `cnt` is zero, `write()` simply returns 0 without attempting any other action.
- Syntax: `size_t write (int fd, void* buf, size_t cnt);`
- Parameters:
  - `fd`: file descriptor
  - `buf`: buffer to write data to
  - `cnt`: length of buffer
- Returns: How many bytes were actually written
  - return Number of bytes written on success
  - return 0 on reaching end of file
  - return -1 on error
  - return -1 on signal interrupt
- Header File:
  - `#include <fcntl.h>`

5) Creat:

- Used to create a new empty file.
- Syntax: `int creat(char *filename, mode_t mode)`
- Parameter :
  - `filename` : name of the file which you want to create
  - `mode` : indicates permissions of new file.
- Returns :
  - return first unused file descriptor (generally 3 when first `creat` use in process because 0, 1, 2 fd are reserved)
  - return -1 when error

6) Lseek:

- The `lseek()` function repositions the offset of the open file associated with the file descriptor *fd* to the argument *offset* according to the directive *whence*.
- Syntax: `off_t lseek(int fd, off_t offset, int whence);`
- Parameters:
  - `fd`: file descriptor value
  - `offset`: The offset of the pointer (measured in bytes).
  - `Whence`: The method in which the offset is to be interpreted (relative, absolute, etc.).  
Legal values for this variable are provided at the end.
- Return:
  - Returns the offset of the pointer (in bytes) from the beginning of the file. If the return value is -1, then there was an error moving the pointer.
- Header Files :
  - `#include <sys/types.h>`
  - `#include <unistd.h>`

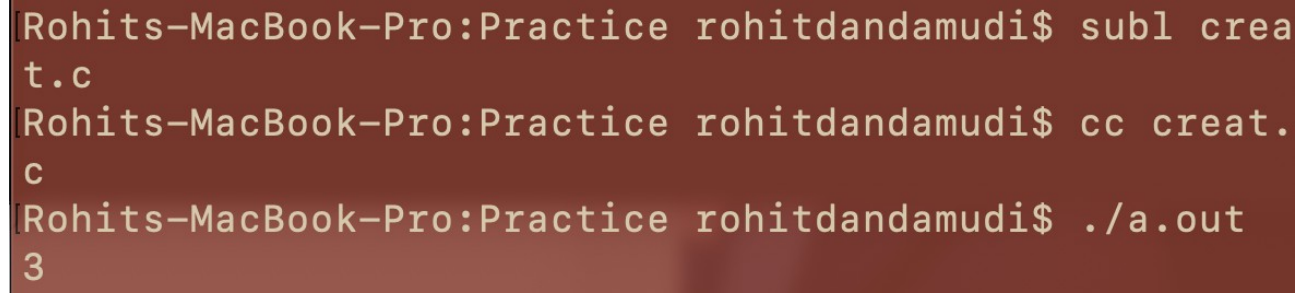
**Programs:**

1) Program to create a file

Code:

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<sys/types.h>
#include<sys/stat.h>
#include<fcntl.h>
void main()
{
    int fd;
    fd=creat("first.txt",S_IRWXU);
    if(fd==-1)
    {
        printf("file not created");
    }
    else
    {
        printf("%d\n",fd);
    }
}
```

Output:



```
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Rohits-MacBook-Pro:Practice rohitdandamudi$ cc creat.
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Rohits-MacBook-Pro:Practice rohitdandamudi$ ./a.out
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```

File Descriptor is returned

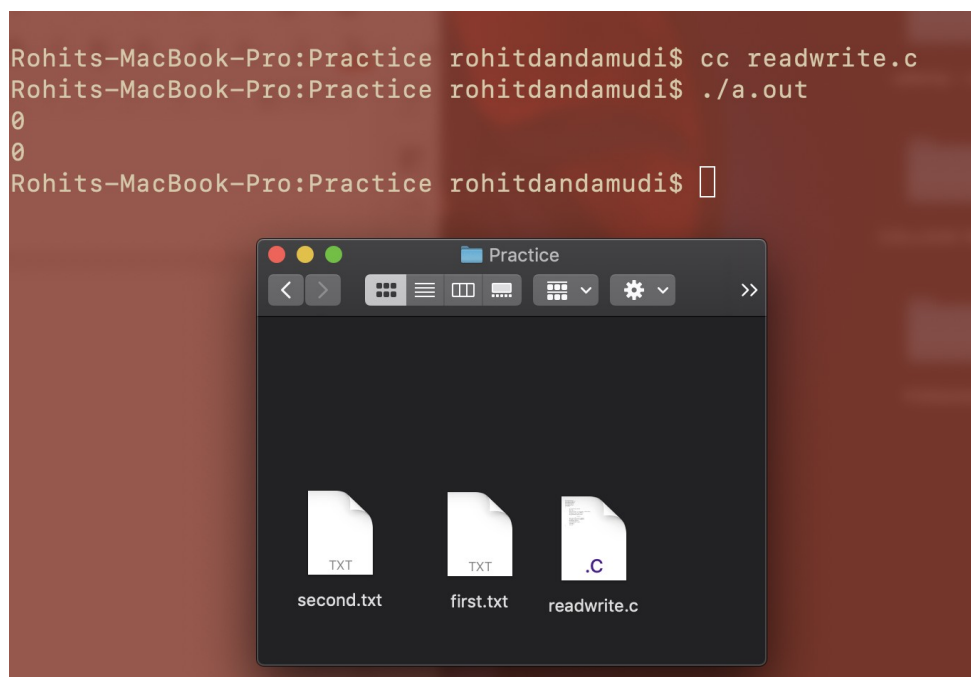
## 2) Program to read from a file and write into another file

Code:

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<sys/types.h>
#include<sys/stat.h>
#include<unistd.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
#include<fcntl.h>
void main()
{

    int fd,fd1,a,b,charc=0;
    char ch;
    FILE *fptr;
    char *c = (char *) calloc(100, sizeof(char));
    fd=open("first.txt",O_RDONLY);
    fptr=fopen("first.txt","r");
    while((ch=fgetc(fptr))!=EOF)
    {
        charc++;
    }
    fd1=creat("second.txt",S_IRWXU);
    fd1=open("second.txt",O_WRONLY);
    a=read(fd,c,charc);
    b=write(fd1,c,charc);
    printf("%d\n%d\n",a,b);
    close(fd);
    close(fd1);
}
```

Output:



## 3) Program to take code from terminal

Code:

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<sys/stat.h>
#include<fcntl.h>
#include<sys/types.h>
#include<stdlib.h>
#include<unistd.h>
#include<string.h>

int main(){

    int fd1= creat("v1_first.txt",S_IRWXU);

    char *msg= (char *) calloc(100, sizeof(char));

    read(0,msg,100);

    int bytes=write( fd1, msg,strlen(msg));
    fd1=open("v1_first.txt",O_RDONLY);

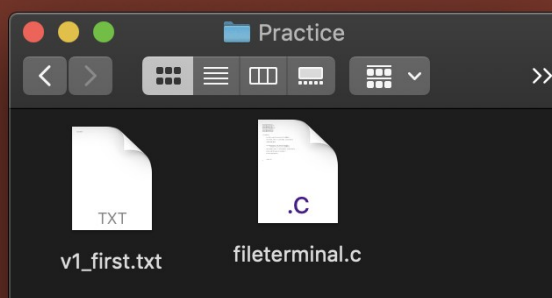
    char *msg1= (char *) calloc(bytes, sizeof(char));

    bytes=read(fd1,msg1,strlen(msg));

    write(1,msg1,bytes);
    return 0;
}
```

output:

```
Rohits-MacBook-Pro:Practice rohitdandamudi$ cc fileterminal.c
Rohits-MacBook-Pro:Practice rohitdandamudi$ ./a.out
experiment
experiment
Rohits-MacBook-Pro:Practice rohitdandamudi$
```



## 4) Program using lseek system call

Code:

```
// C program to read nth byte of a file and
// copy it to another file using lseek
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <fcntl.h>

void func(char arr[], int n)
{
    // Open the file for READ only.
    int f_write = open("start.txt", O_RDONLY);

    // Open the file for WRITE and READ only.
    int f_read = open("end.txt", O_WRONLY);

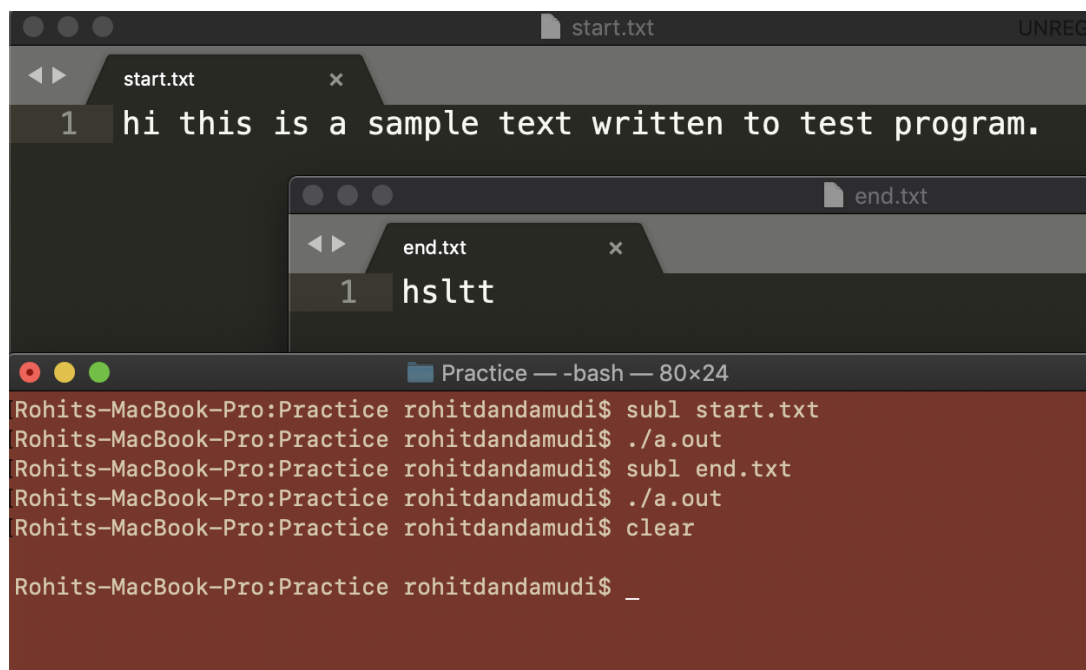
    int count = 0;
    while (read(f_write, arr, 1))
    {
        // to write the 1st byte of the input file in
        // the output file
        if (count < n)
        {
            // SEEK_CUR specifies that
            // the offset provided is relative to the
            // current file position
            lseek(f_write, n, SEEK_CUR);
            write(f_read, arr, 1);
            count = n;
        }

        // After the nth byte (now taking the alternate
        // nth byte)
        else
        {
            count = (2*n);
            lseek(f_write, count, SEEK_CUR);
            write(f_read, arr, 1);
        }
    }
    close(f_write);
    close(f_read);
}
```

```
int main()
{
    char arr[100];
    int n;
    n = 5;

    // Calling for the function
    func(arr, n);
    return 0;
}
```

Output:



The screenshot shows a macOS desktop environment. At the top, there are three windows: 'start.txt', 'end.txt', and a terminal window titled 'Practice — -bash — 80x24'. The 'start.txt' window contains the text 'hi this is a sample text written to test program.' The 'end.txt' window contains the text 'hsltt'. The terminal window shows the following commands and output:

```
Rohits-MacBook-Pro:Practice rohitdandamudi$ subl start.txt
Rohits-MacBook-Pro:Practice rohitdandamudi$ ./a.out
Rohits-MacBook-Pro:Practice rohitdandamudi$ subl end.txt
Rohits-MacBook-Pro:Practice rohitdandamudi$ ./a.out
Rohits-MacBook-Pro:Practice rohitdandamudi$ clear

Rohits-MacBook-Pro:Practice rohitdandamudi$ _
```