

CSCI 330

The UNIX System



TCP Server Programming

Unit Overview

- TCP server programming
- server fork to process client request
- server fork/exec to run program remotely
- directory I/O

TCP programming

- provides multiple endpoints on a single node: port
- common abstraction: socket
- socket is end-point of communication link
 - identified as IP address + port number
 - can receive data
 - can send data

Socket system calls

server

Primitive

Meaning

client



socket

Create a new communication endpoint

bind

Attach a local address to a socket

listen

Announce willingness to accept connections

accept

Block caller until a connection request arrives

connect

Actively attempt to establish a connection

write

Send(write) some data over the connection

read

Receive(read) some data over the connection

close

Release the connection



TCP Server: basic logic

```
- while (true) {  
-     connSock = accept(sock, ...);  
  
-     // process client's request  
-     //     via connSock  
  
-     close(connSock);  
- }
```

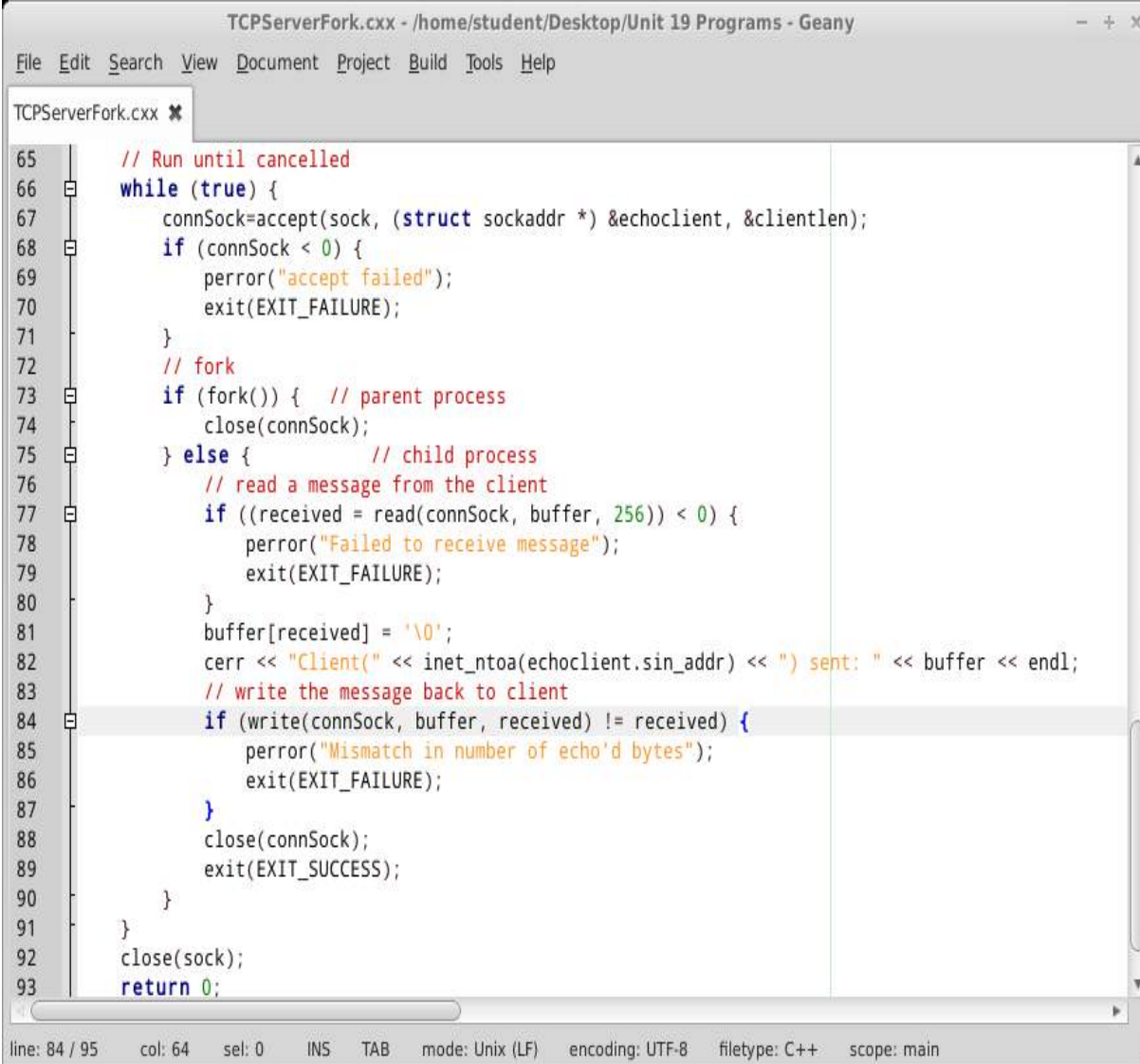
TCP Server fork

- server starts loop
 - waits on accept for connection from client
- after accept, server forks to service client request
 - accept returns dedicated connection socket
- parent process will continue to wait on accept
 - parent closes dedicated connection socket
- child process serves client request
 - communicates with client via dedicated connection socket

TCP Server fork: logic

```
- while (true) {  
-     connSock = accept(sock, ...);  
-     if (fork()) {      // parent process  
-         close(connSock);  
-     } else {           // child process  
-         // process client's request via connSock  
-         close(connSock);  
-         exit(0);  
-     }  
- }
```

TCP server/fork illustration



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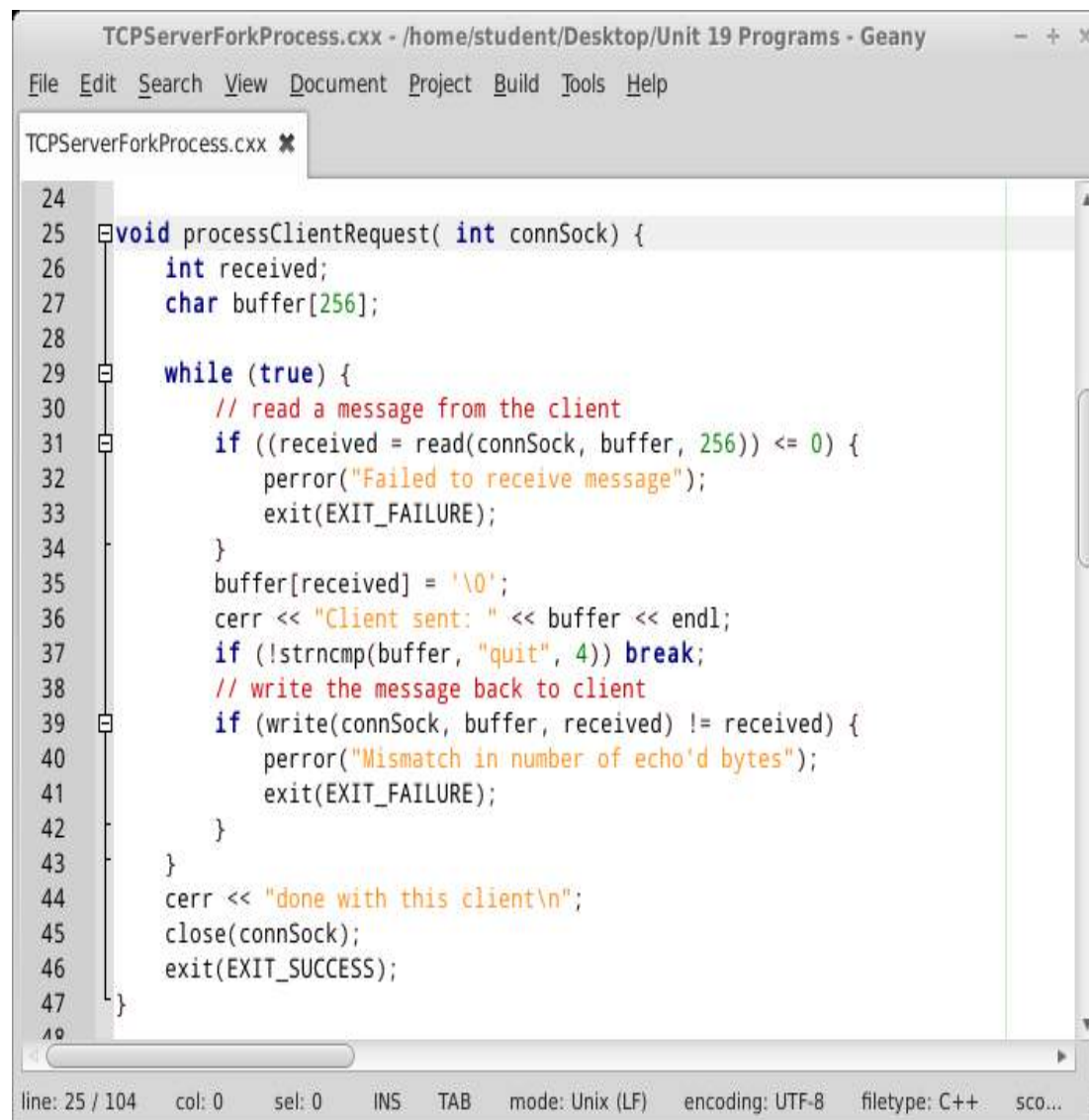
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65 // Run until cancelled
66 while (true) {
67     connSock=accept(sock, (struct sockaddr *) &echoclient, &clientlen);
68     if (connSock < 0) {
69         perror("accept failed");
70         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
71     }
72     // fork
73     if (fork()) { // parent process
74         close(connSock);
75     } else { // child process
76         // read a message from the client
77         if ((received = read(connSock, buffer, 256)) < 0) {
78             perror("Failed to receive message");
79             exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
80         }
81         buffer[received] = '\0';
82         cerr << "Client(" << inet_ntoa(echoclient.sin_addr) << ") sent: " << buffer << endl;
83         // write the message back to client
84         if (write(connSock, buffer, received) != received) {
85             perror("Mismatch in number of echo'd bytes");
86             exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
87         }
88         close(connSock);
89         exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
90     }
91 }
92 close(sock);
93 return 0;
```

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TCP server/fork detail

```
while (true) {  
    connSock=accept(sock, (struct sockaddr *)&echoclient,&clientlen);  
    if (connSock < 0) {perror("accept failed"); exit(EXIT_FAILURE);}  
    // fork into 2 processes  
    if (fork()) {          // parent process  
        close(connSock);  
    } else {              // child process  
        // process the client's request    ...  
        close(connSock);  
        exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);  
    }  
}
```

TCP server + multiple clients



```
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24
25 void processClientRequest( int connSock) {
26     int received;
27     char buffer[256];
28
29     while (true) {
30         // read a message from the client
31         if ((received = read(connSock, buffer, 256)) <= 0) {
32             perror("Failed to receive message");
33             exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
34         }
35         buffer[received] = '\0';
36         cerr << "Client sent: " << buffer << endl;
37         if (!strcmp(buffer, "quit", 4)) break;
38         // write the message back to client
39         if (write(connSock, buffer, received) != received) {
40             perror("Mismatch in number of echo'd bytes");
41             exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
42         }
43     }
44     cerr << "done with this client\n";
45     close(connSock);
46     exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
47 }
```

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TCP server/fork detail

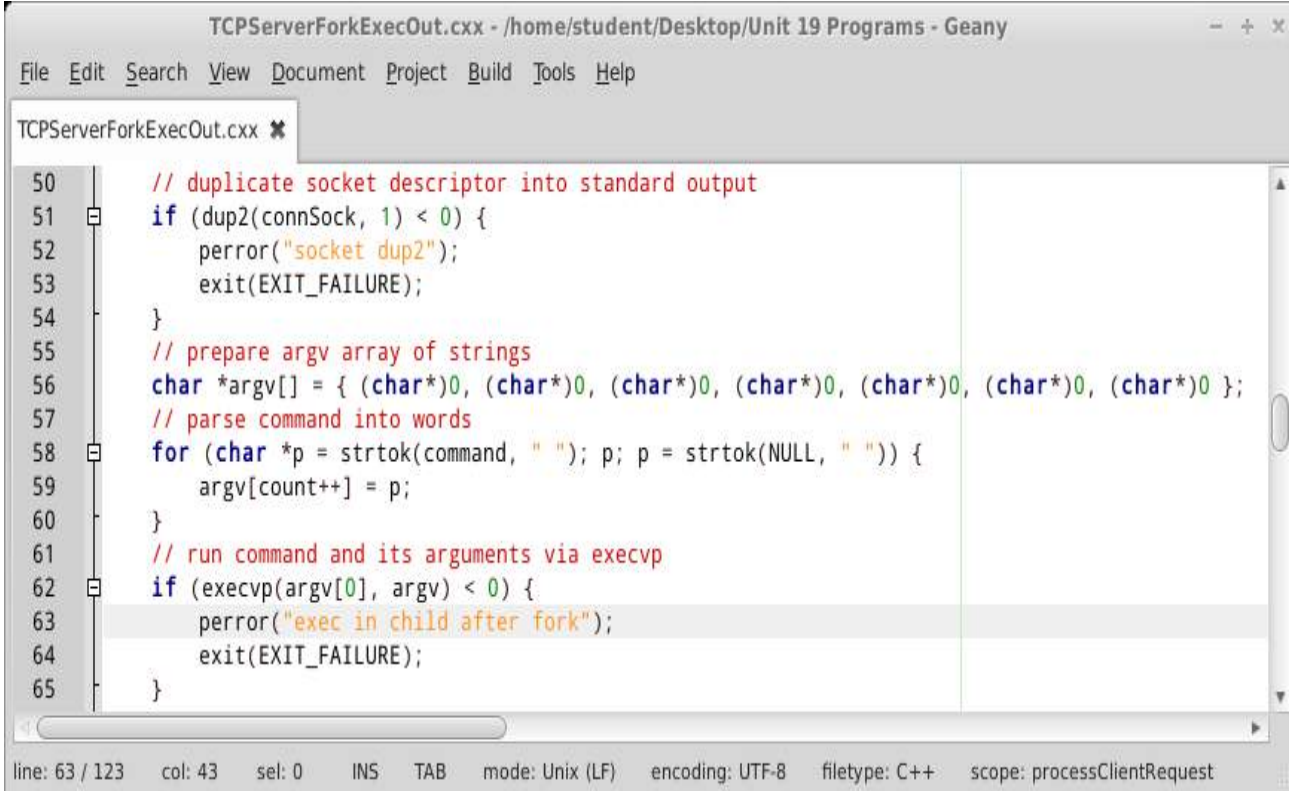
```
while (true) {  
    connSock=accept(sock, (struct sockaddr *)&echoclient,&clientlen);  
    if (connSock < 0) {perror("accept failed"); exit(EXIT_FAILURE);}  
    // fork into 2 processes  
    if (fork()) {          // parent process  
        close(connSock);  
    } else {              // child process  
        // process the client's request    ...  
        processClientRequest(connSock);  
    }  
}
```

Server fork, exec & dup

- after accept, server forks to service client request
 - parent process will continue to wait on accept
- child process duplicates socket descriptor(s)
into standard I/O
- child process uses exec to run requested program

Server fork/exec: child dups output

- child process dups socket descriptor into standard out
- child process uses exec to run requested program



```
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TCPServerForkExecOut.cxx
50 // duplicate socket descriptor into standard output
51 if (dup2(connSock, 1) < 0) {
52     perror("socket dup2");
53     exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
54 }
55 // prepare argv array of strings
56 char *argv[] = { (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0 };
57 // parse command into words
58 for (char *p = strtok(command, " "); p; p = strtok(NULL, " ")) {
59     argv[count++] = p;
60 }
61 // run command and its arguments via execvp
62 if (execvp(argv[0], argv) < 0) {
63     perror("exec in child after fork");
64     exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
65 }
```

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TCP server: dup2/exec detail

```
int received, count=0;

char command[256];

// read a message from the client
if ((received = read(connSock, command, 256)) <= 0) {
    perror("Failed to receive message");
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
}

command[received] = '\0';    // ensure string is terminated
chomp(command);             // remove trailing \r and \n
```

TCP server: chomp detail

```
void chomp(char *s) {  
  
    for (char *p = s + strlen(s)-1;    // start at the end of string  
        *p == '\r' || *p == '\n';      // while there is a trailing \r or \n  
        p--)                          // check next character from back  
        *p = '\0';                    // change \r or \n to \0  
}
```

- removes trailing newline or carriage return from string s

TCP server: dup2 detail

```
// duplicate socket descriptor into standard output
if (dup2(connSock, 1) < 0) {
    perror("socket dup2");
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
}
```


TCP server: execvp detail

```
// prepare argv array of strings

char *argv[] = { (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0,
                 (char*)0, (char*)0 };

// parse command into words

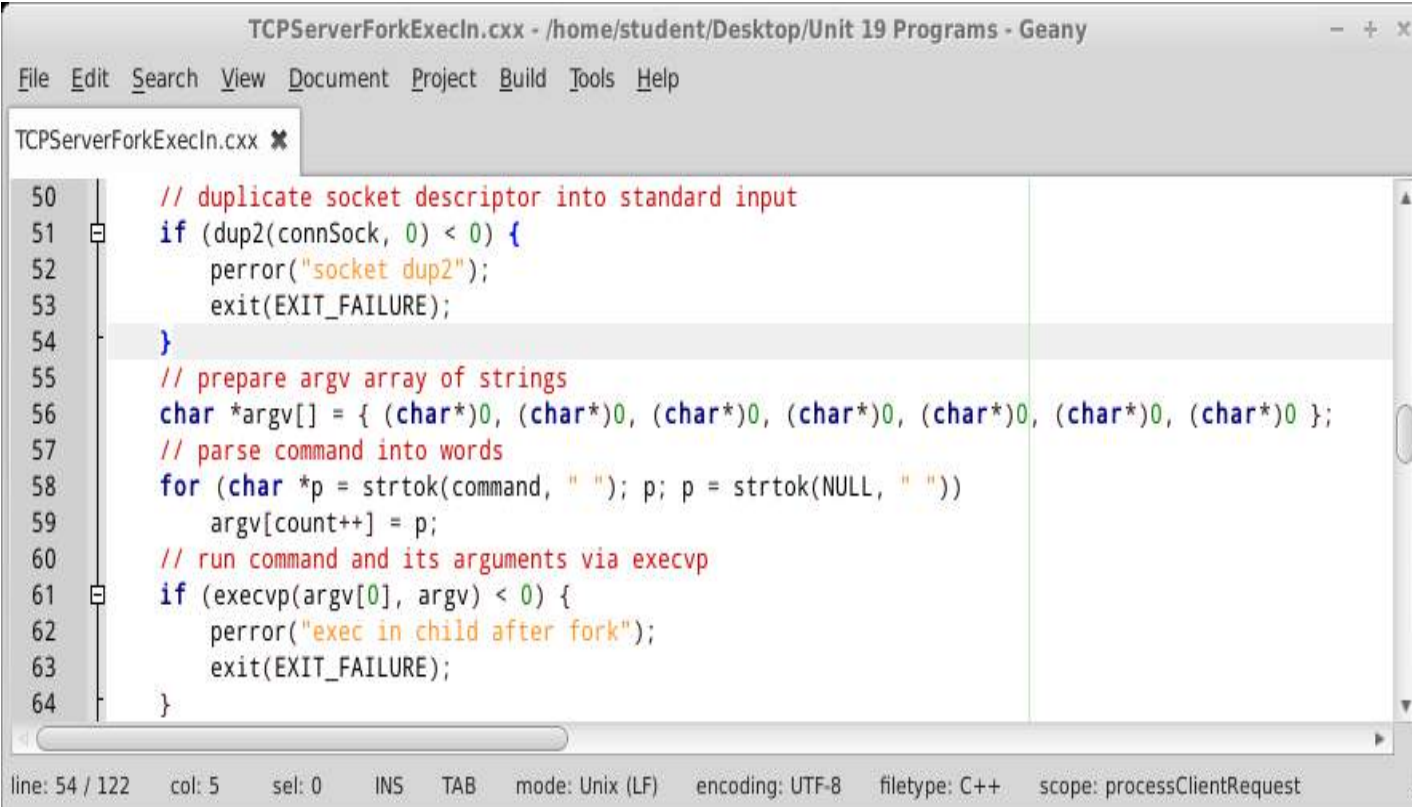
for (char *p = strtok(command, " "); p; p = strtok(NULL, " "))
    argv[count++] = p;

// run command and its arguments via execvp

if (execvp(argv[0], argv) < 0) {
    perror("exec in child after fork");
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
}
```

Server fork/exec: child dups input

- child process dups socket descriptor into standard in
- child process uses exec to run requested program

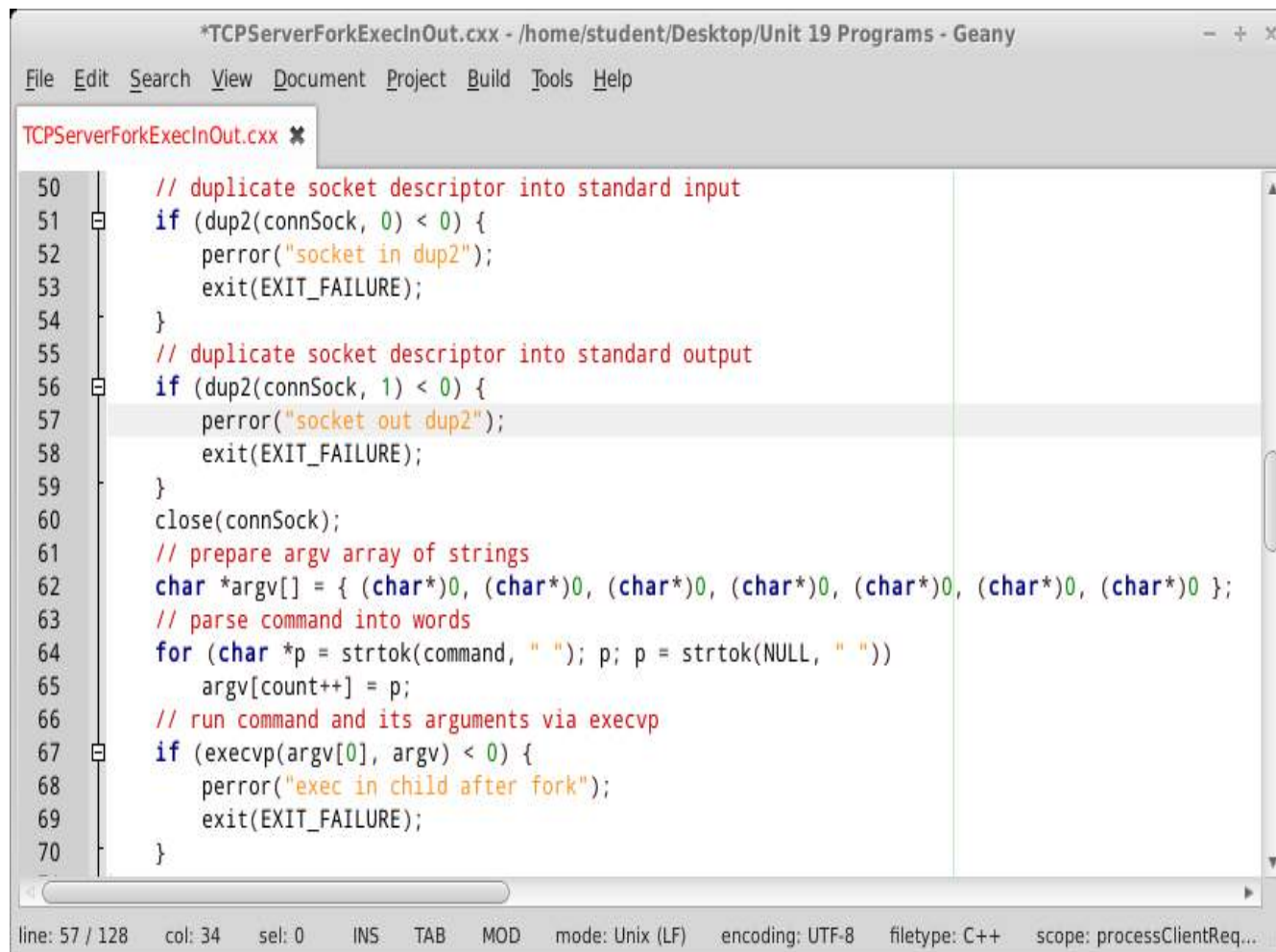


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50 // duplicate socket descriptor into standard input
51 if (dup2(connSock, 0) < 0) {
52     perror("socket dup2");
53     exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
54 }
55 // prepare argv array of strings
56 char *argv[] = { (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0 };
57 // parse command into words
58 for (char *p = strtok(command, " "); p; p = strtok(NULL, " "))
59     argv[count++] = p;
60 // run command and its arguments via execvp
61 if (execvp(argv[0], argv) < 0) {
62     perror("exec in child after fork");
63     exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
64 }
```

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Server fork/exec: child dups I/O

- child process dups socket descriptor into standard in & out



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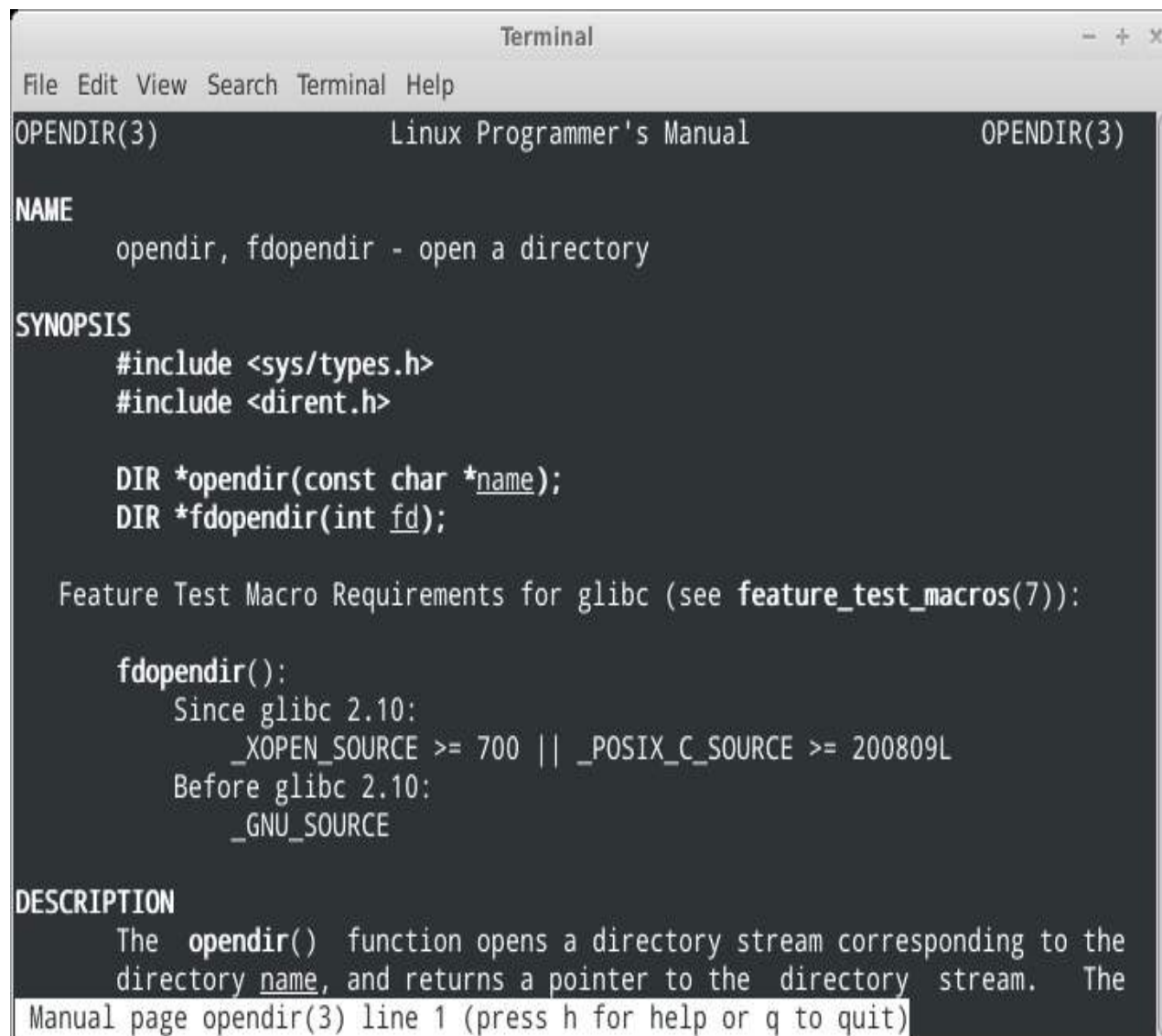
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50 // duplicate socket descriptor into standard input
51 if (dup2(connSock, 0) < 0) {
52     perror("socket in dup2");
53     exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
54 }
55 // duplicate socket descriptor into standard output
56 if (dup2(connSock, 1) < 0) {
57     perror("socket out dup2");
58     exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
59 }
60 close(connSock);
61 // prepare argv array of strings
62 char *argv[] = { (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0, (char*)0 };
63 // parse command into words
64 for (char *p = strtok(command, " "); p; p = strtok(NULL, " "))
65     argv[count++] = p;
66 // run command and its arguments via execvp
67 if (execvp(argv[0], argv) < 0) {
68     perror("exec in child after fork");
69     exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
70 }
```

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Directory Input/Output

- current directory: `chdir`, `getcwd`
- directory I/O functions: `opendir`, `readdir`
 - directory I/O types: `DIR`, `struct dirent`
- directory I/O system call: `mkdir`

Directory I/O function: opendir

A terminal window titled "Terminal" with standard window controls. It displays the man page for the `OPENDIR(3)` function. The page includes sections for NAME, SYNOPSIS, and DESCRIPTION. The SYNOPSIS section shows the necessary header files and the function signatures for `opendir` and `fdopendir`. The DESCRIPTION section explains that `opendir` opens a directory stream. The bottom of the window shows a prompt to press 'h' for help or 'q' to quit.

```
Terminal
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OPENDIR(3)                Linux Programmer's Manual                OPENDIR(3)

NAME
    opendir, fdopendir - open a directory

SYNOPSIS
    #include <sys/types.h>
    #include <dirent.h>

    DIR *opendir(const char *name);
    DIR *fdopendir(int fd);

    Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see feature_test_macros(7)):

    fdopendir():
        Since glibc 2.10:
            _XOPEN_SOURCE >= 700 || _POSIX_C_SOURCE >= 200809L
        Before glibc 2.10:
            _GNU_SOURCE

DESCRIPTION
    The opendir() function opens a directory stream corresponding to the
    directory name, and returns a pointer to the directory stream. The
    Manual page opendir(3) line 1 (press h for help or q to quit)
```

Directory I/O function: opendir

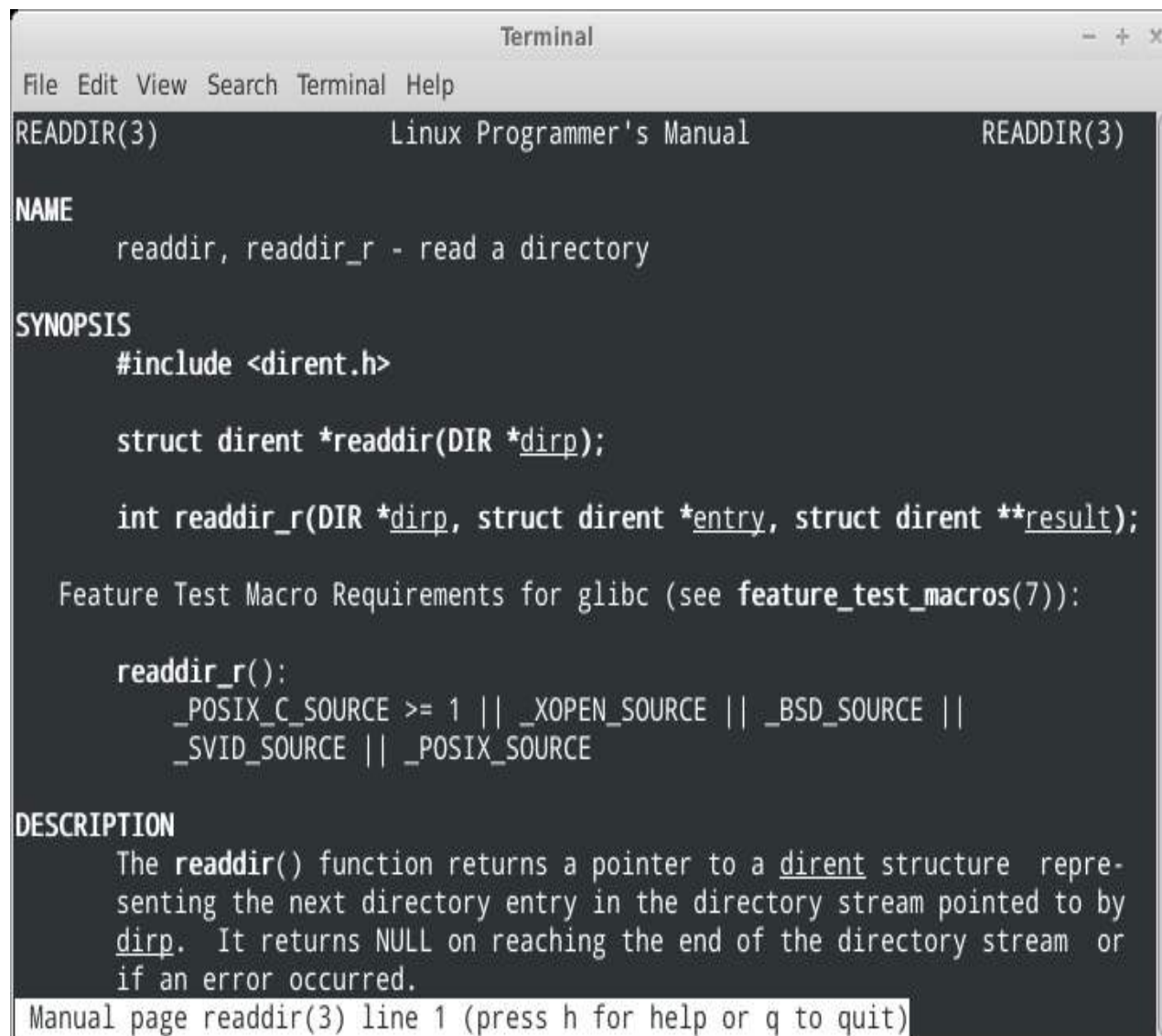
`DIR *opendir(const char *name)`

- opens directory `name` as a stream
- returns `DIR` pointer for `readdir` function
- returns NULL on error, and `errno` is:

`ENOENT` directory does not exist

`ENOTDIR` name is not a directory

Directory I/O function: readdir



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NAME
    readdir, readdir_r - read a directory

SYNOPSIS
    #include <dirent.h>

    struct dirent *readdir(DIR *dirp);

    int readdir_r(DIR *dirp, struct dirent *entry, struct dirent **result);

Feature Test Macro Requirements for glibc (see feature_test_macros(7)):

    readdir_r():
        _POSIX_C_SOURCE >= 1 || _XOPEN_SOURCE || _BSD_SOURCE ||
        _SVID_SOURCE || _POSIX_SOURCE

DESCRIPTION
    The readdir() function returns a pointer to a dirent structure representing the next directory entry in the directory stream pointed to by dirp. It returns NULL on reaching the end of the directory stream or if an error occurred.

Manual page readdir(3) line 1 (press h for help or q to quit)
```

Directory I/O function: readdir

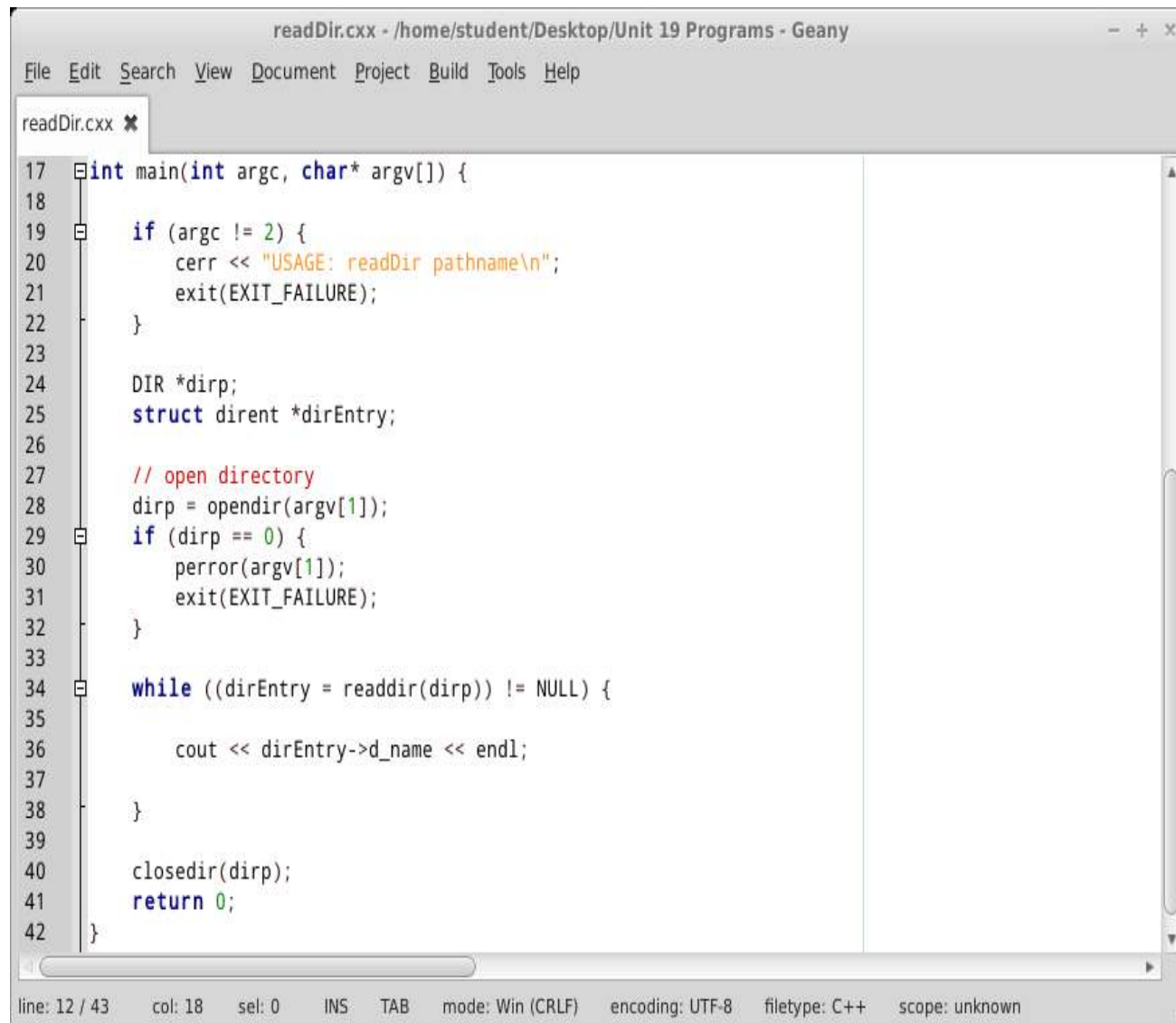
```
struct dirent *readdir(DIR *dirp)
```

- returns a pointer to a `dirent` structure representing the next directory entry in directory `dirp`
- returns NULL on reaching end of directory
or if an error occurred

dirent structure

```
struct dirent {  
    ino_t          d_ino;          /* inode number */  
    off_t          d_off;          /* offset to the next dirent */  
    unsigned short d_reclen;        /* length of this record */  
    unsigned char  d_type;          /* type of file */  
    char           d_name[256];     /* filename */  
};
```

Illustration: readDir.cxx



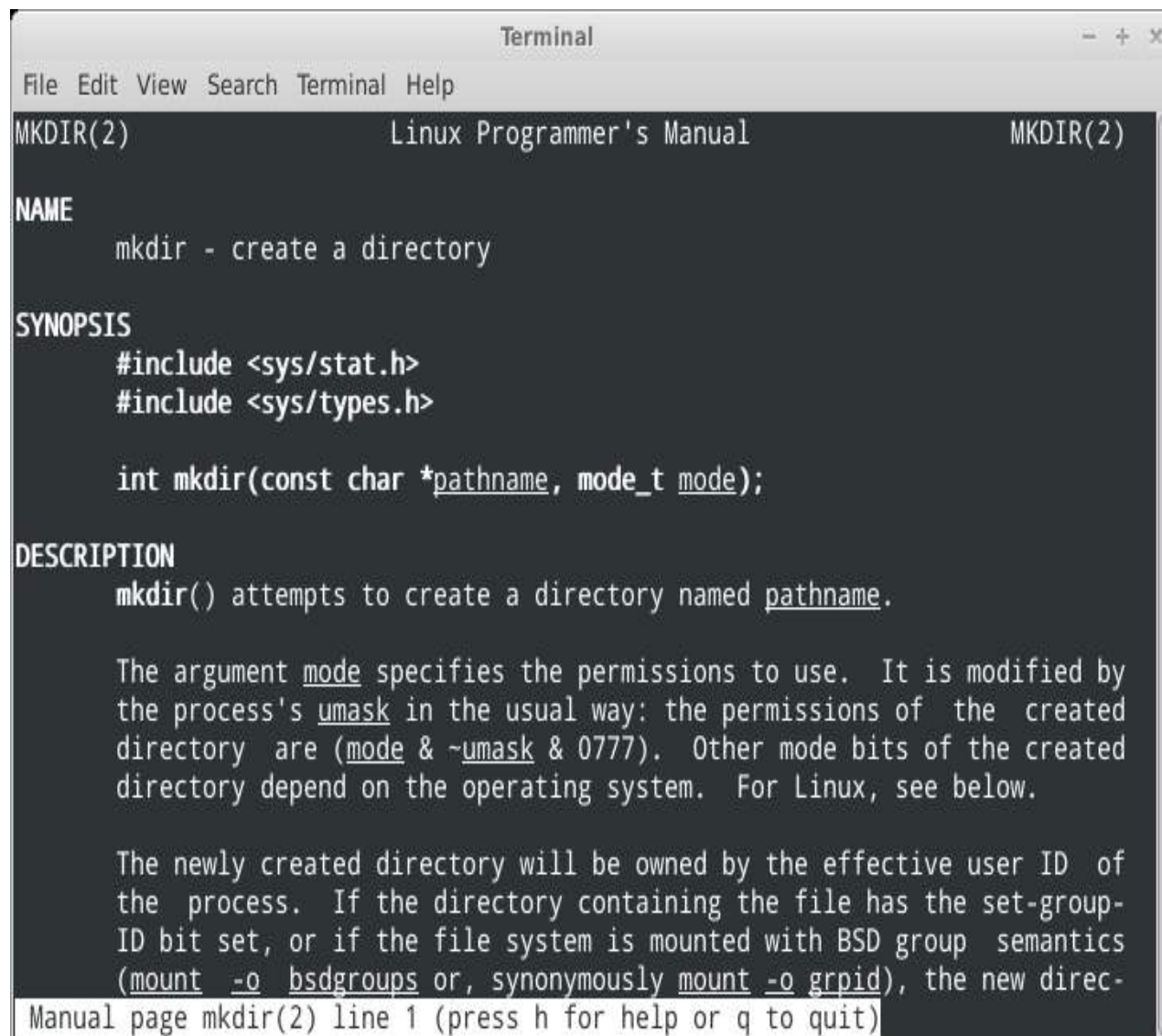
```
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17 int main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
18
19     if (argc != 2) {
20         cerr << "USAGE: readDir pathname\n";
21         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
22     }
23
24     DIR *dirp;
25     struct dirent *dirEntry;
26
27     // open directory
28     dirp = opendir(argv[1]);
29     if (dirp == 0) {
30         perror(argv[1]);
31         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
32     }
33
34     while ((dirEntry = readdir(dirp)) != NULL) {
35
36         cout << dirEntry->d_name << endl;
37
38     }
39
40     closedir(dirp);
41     return 0;
42 }
```

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Directory I/O detail

```
// open directory
dirp = opendir(argv[1]);
if (dirp == 0) {
    perror(argv[1]);
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
}
while ((dirEntry = readdir(dirp)) != NULL) {
    cout << dirEntry->d_name << endl;
}
closedir(dirp);
```

Directory System call: mkdir

A terminal window titled "Terminal" with standard window controls (minimize, maximize, close) in the top right. The menu bar includes "File", "Edit", "View", "Search", "Terminal", and "Help". The main content area displays the manual page for "MKDIR(2)" from the "Linux Programmer's Manual". The page is divided into sections: "NAME" (mkdir - create a directory), "SYNOPSIS" (showing header files and the mkdir function signature), and "DESCRIPTION" (explaining the mode argument and ownership). At the bottom, a status bar reads "Manual page mkdir(2) line 1 (press h for help or q to quit)".

```
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MKDIR(2) Linux Programmer's Manual MKDIR(2)

NAME
    mkdir - create a directory

SYNOPSIS
    #include <sys/stat.h>
    #include <sys/types.h>

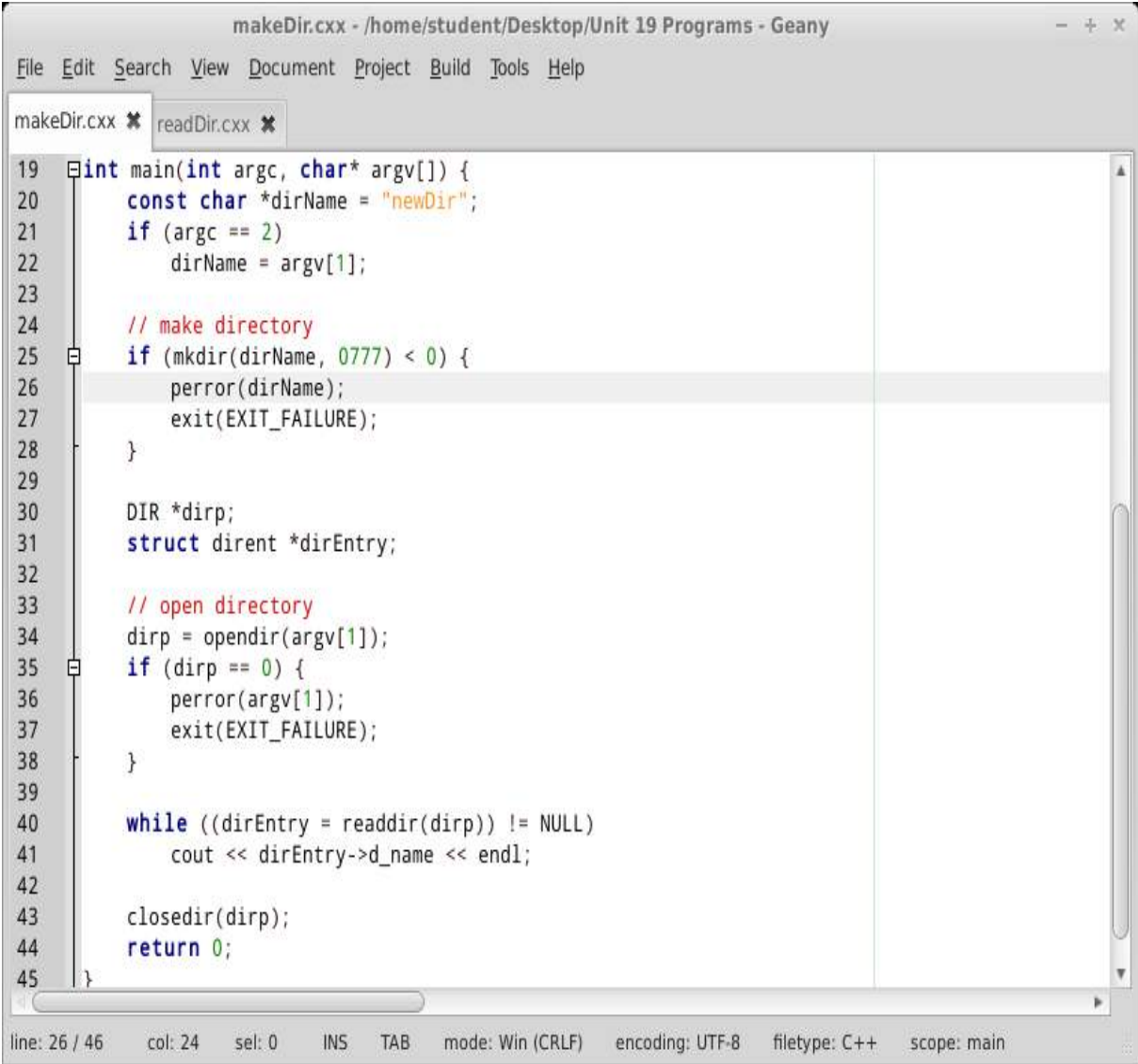
    int mkdir(const char *pathname, mode_t mode);

DESCRIPTION
    mkdir() attempts to create a directory named pathname.

    The argument mode specifies the permissions to use. It is modified by
    the process's umask in the usual way: the permissions of the created
    directory are (mode & ~umask & 0777). Other mode bits of the created
    directory depend on the operating system. For Linux, see below.

    The newly created directory will be owned by the effective user ID of
    the process. If the directory containing the file has the set-group-
    ID bit set, or if the file system is mounted with BSD group semantics
    (mount -o bsdgroups or, synonymously mount -o grpid), the new direc-
    Manual page mkdir(2) line 1 (press h for help or q to quit)
```

Illustration: makeDir.cxx



```
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19 int main(int argc, char* argv[]) {
20     const char *dirName = "newDir";
21     if (argc == 2)
22         dirName = argv[1];
23
24     // make directory
25     if (mkdir(dirName, 0777) < 0) {
26         perror(dirName);
27         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
28     }
29
30     DIR *dirp;
31     struct dirent *dirEntry;
32
33     // open directory
34     dirp = opendir(argv[1]);
35     if (dirp == 0) {
36         perror(argv[1]);
37         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
38     }
39
40     while ((dirEntry = readdir(dirp)) != NULL)
41         cout << dirEntry->d_name << endl;
42
43     closedir(dirp);
44     return 0;
45 }
```

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Summary

- TCP server programming
- server fork to process client request
- server fork/exec to run program remotely
- directory I/O