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           Course: CS3820-01 Operating System
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       Assignment: Programming Assignment 2
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    Date assigned: 9/05/17
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         Date due: 9/14/18
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           Remark: This is a system program that copies the contents of an existing ASCII
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                   text file (name it source.txt) to a newly created empty file
//
                   (name it target.txt). The program is compiled and linked into
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                   an executable file name copy. So when the user executes the command
//
                   copy source.txt target.txt at command line, the contents of the
//
                   source file are copied to the target file.
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// Simple utility program: copies the contents of a source file to a target file
// Objectives: to learn UNIX system calls open(), create(), read(), write(), and exit()
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// * To compile: g++ 2.cpp -o copy
// * To run: ./copy file2 file1
// *************************
#include <iostream>
#include <fcntl.h>
//fcntl is C header used for file management
        Ex. opening, closing, changing permissions, etc.
void copy(int, int);
// What are passed?
// The file descriptors are passed into the function
char buffer[2048];
// What is the buffer used for? What does 2048 mean?
      This Buffer is used to limit the amount of character stored inside the program
//
      2048 stands for 2 kilobytes of storage to store 2048 characters
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
      int fd source, fd target;
      // file descriptors; What are they used for?
            A file descriptor is an integer value returned by the open() call
      if (argc != 3) {
             // To make sure program has two file to
             printf("Need two arguments!\n");
             return 1;
      fd_source = open(argv[1], 0_RDONLY);
      // What is argv[1]? What is "O_RDONLY"
      //
            "argv[1]" is the file name
             O RDONLY means that the file contents is to be read only
      //
              and is not allowed to be modified.
      //
      if (fd source == -1) {
             // make sure "open" call is successful
             printf("Cannot open %s file!", argv[1]);
             return 1;
      }
      fd_target = creat(argv[2], 0666);
      // What does 0666 mean?
             "0666" is specific permission that is set to the file
      //
              File is only read and write for user, group and other
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if (fd_target == -1) {
            // make sure "create" call is successful
            printf("Cannot create %s file!", argv[2]);
            // What is argv[2]?
            // The second file name passed into the program
            return 1;
      }
      copy(fd_source, fd_target);
      // Copy function
      return 0;
void copy(int source, int target)
{
      int count;
      while ((count = read(source, buffer, sizeof(buffer))) > 0)
            write(target, buffer, count);
}
// Output:
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                                                              bash-4.3$ date
Tue Oct 2 10:35:14 EDT 2018
bash-4.3$ pwd
/students/sajank/2018fall/os/2
bash-4.3$ ls
            source.txt target.txt
bash-4.3$ cat source.txt
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bash-4.3$ cat target.txt
bash-4.3$ g++ 2.cpp -o copy
bash-4.3$ ls
2.cpp
            copy
                         source.txt target.txt
bash-4.3$ ./copy source.txt target.txt
bash-4.3$ ls
                          source.txt target.txt
            copy
bash-4.3$ cat source.txt
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bash-4.3$ cat target.txt
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bash-4.3$
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