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1 Goal

The goal of this program is to imitate the cat linux command. This program should read a file and print the contents of that file to stdout.

2 Assumptions

I am assuming that the files are valid. Meaning that it is not a directory or that the file does exist.

3 Design

The approach that I am taking is to first check if the argument that was passed was either blank or a "-". This is because in this case the program will copy from stdin and print to stdout. Then after opening the file i am reading 32kb of data until the eof. The eof is reached when the read() system call returns 0. Once it is done, it moves on to the next file and if there is no more files the program will terminate.

4 Psuedocode

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//file dicreptor
Int fd
// number of bytes read
Int sz
//Buffer of size 32
Char *c
//flag to end loop
Int loopflag = 1
If no args given:
       Loop while(loopflag)
               Sz = read(fd, c, 32)
               If sz == 0
                      Loopflag = 0
               Else
                      Print c to stdout
       Endloop
Else
       Loop i < num of args passed
               If argument == '-'
                      Do the same as when no args given
               Open the first file
               If no errors opening file
                      If not a valid file to read from
                              Print to stderr
                      Else
                              While sz != 0
                                     Print the buffer c
                                     Sz = read(fd, 0, 32)
                      Close the file
               Else
                      File does not exist
                      warn()
End program
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