

**Goal:**

1. Copy a binary and text file using the **C function** and **system calls**.
2. Understand and run the UDP client-server application.
3. Modify the UDP client-server application such that the client sends a file (binary/text) to the server, and the server saves it.
4. **Bonus (+10 points): Modify the a client-server application using TCP to transfer file.**

**Part 1:**

1. Read and write text and binary files using C functions.
2. Read and write text and binary files using system calls.

**Libraries needed for part 1:**

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

```
#include <fcntl.h>
```

**What are the standard binary and text file extensions?**

- Binary file: jpg, png, bmp, tiff etc.
- Text file: txt, html, xml, css, json etc.

**Note:**

- **C Function connects the C code to file using I/O stream, while system call connects C code to file using file descriptor.**
  - **File descriptor is integer that uniquely identifies an open file of the process.**
  - **I/o stream sequence of bytes of data.**
- **Stream provide high level interface, while File descriptor provide a low-level interface.**
- **Streams are represented as FILE \* object , while File descriptors are represented as objects of type int**

**C Functions to open and close a binary/text file.**

- **fopen(): C Functions to open a binary/text file.**  
FILE \*fopen(const char \*file\_name, const char \*mode\_of\_operation);  
where:
  - file\_name: file to open
  - mode\_of\_operation: refers to the mode of the file access
    - For example:- r: read , w: write , a: append etc
  - fopen() return a pointer to FILE if success, else NULL is returned
- **fclose(): C Functions to close a binary/text file.**  
fclose( FILE \*file\_name);  
Where:
  - file\_name: file to close
  - fclose () function returns zero on success, or EOF if there is an error

**C Functions to read and write a binary file.**

- **fread(): C function to read binary file.**  
fread (void \* ptr, size\_t size, size\_t count, FILE \* stream);  
where:
  - ptr- it specifies the pointer to the block of memory with a size of at least (size\*count) bytes to store the objects.
  - size - it specifies the size of each objects in bytes.
  - count: it specifies the number of elements, each one with a size of size bytes.
  - stream - This is the pointer to a FILE object that specifies an input stream.
  - Returns the number of items read
- **fwrite(): C function to write binary file.**  
fwrite (void \*ptr, size\_t size, size\_t count, FILE \*stream);
  - Returns number of items written

\*arguments of fwrite are similar to fread. Only difference is of read and write.

**For example:**

```
To open "lab3.jpg" file in read mode then function would be:
FILE* demo;                // demo is a pointer of type FILE
char buffer[100];           // block of memory (ptr)
demo= fopen("lab3.jpg", "r"); // open lab3.jpg in read mode
fread(&buffer, sizeof(buffer), 1, demo); // read 1 element of size = size of buffer (100)
fclose(demo);               // close the file
```

**C Functions to read and write the text file.**

- **fscanf(): C function to read text file.**  
fscanf(FILE \*ptr, const char \*format, ...)
  - Reads formatted input from the stream.
  - Ptr: File from which data is read.
  - format: format of data read.
  - returns the number of input items successfully matched and assigned, zero if failure
- **fprintf(): C function to write a text file.**  
fprintf(FILE \*ptr, const char \*format, ...);  
\*arguments similar to fscanf()

**For example:**

```
FILE *demo;                // demo is a pointer of type FILE
demo= FILE *fopen("lab3.txt", "r"); // open lab3.txt in read mode
/* Assuming that lab3.txt has content in below format
CITY
hyderabad
*/
char buf[100];              // block of memory
fscanf(demo, "%s", buf);    // to read a text file
fclose(demo);              // close the file
```

**\*to read whole file use while loop****System call to open, close , read and write a text/binary file.**

- **Open(): System call to open a binary/text file.**  
open (const char\* Path, int flags [, int mode ]);
  - Path :- path to file
  - flags :- 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
  - Open() system call return file descriptor used on success and -1 upon failure
- **Close(): System call to close a binary/text file.**  
close(int fd);
  - fd : file descriptor which uniquely identifies an open file of the process
  - Close () system call return 0 on success and -1 on error.
- **Read(): System call to read a binary/text file.**  
read (int fd, void\* buf, size\_t len);
  - Return:
    - return 0 on reaching end of file
    - return -1 on error
    - return -1 on signal interrupt
  - fd: file descriptor
  - buf: buffer to read data from
  - len: length of buffer
- **Write(): System call to write a binary/text file.**  
write (int fd, void\* buf, size\_t len);  
\*arguments and return of write are similar to read. Only difference is of read and write.

**For example:**

```
int fd1 = open("demo.txt", O_RDONLY | O_CREAT); //if file not in directory then file is created.
Close(fd1);
```

**Part 2: UDP client-server application****UDP Server:****Step1: Declare socket file descriptor.**

```
int sockfd; // file descriptor of type int
```

**Step2: Open UDP socket using socket() function.**

```
Socket(int domain, int type, int protocol)
Where:
◦ Domain: AF_INET for IPv4 and AF_INET6 for IPv6
◦ Type: Type of socket to be created
    ▪ SOCK_STREAM for TCP
    ▪ SOCK_DGRAM for UDP
◦ Protocol: Protocol to be used by socket.
    ▪ 0 means use default protocol for the address family.
◦ Return socket file descriptor and <0 on failure
```

```
So, if ((sockfd = socket(AF_INET, SOCK_DGRAM, 0)) < 0)
```

```
{
    perror("Failure to setup an endpoint socket");
    exit(1);
}
```

**Step3: Declare and define server and client address.**

```
*Server has family(IPv4 or IPv6), port address, IP address
struct sockaddr_in servAddr, clienAddr; // serAddr: server address, clienAddr: client address
```

```
servAddr.sin_family = AF_INET; // IPv4
servAddr.sin_port = htons(5000); //Port 5000 is assigned to server
```

\*htons() makes sure numbers are stored in memory in **network byte order**, which is with the most significant byte (MSB) first

```
servAddr.sin_addr.s_addr = INADDR_ANY; //Local IP address of any interface is assigned
```

**Step4: bind socket with port number using bind() function.**

```
bind(int sockfd, const struct sockaddr *addr, socklen_t addrlen)
Where:
sockfd – File descriptor of socket
addr – Structure in which address to be binded to is specified
addrlen – Size of addr structure
```

**Step5: client receives message from server using recvfrom() function.**

```
recvfrom(int sockfd, void *buf, size_t len, int flag, sruct sockaddr *clen_addr, socklen_t *addrlen)
sockfd – File descriptor of socket
buf – Application buffer in which to receive data
len – Size of buf application buffer
flags – Bitwise OR of flags to modify socket behavior (pass it as 0)
clen_addr – Structure containing client address is returned
addrlen – Variable in which size of clen_addr structure is returned
```

```
while (1) // loop so that server can continuously receive data
{
    int nr = recvfrom(sockfd, rbuf, 1024, 0, (struct sockaddr *)&clienAddr, &addrlen);
    rbuf[nr] = '\0';
    write(file, rbuf, nr); //writes received data to destination file
}
```

**UDP client:****Step1: Declare socket file descriptor.****Step2: Open UDP socket using socket() function.****Step3: Declare and define server and client address.**

```
struct hostent *host; // pre-defined structure in library
host = (struct hostent *)gethostbyname("localhost"); // Converts domain names into numerical IP
// addresses via DNS

*gethostbyname(): retrieves host information corresponding to a host name (localhost) from a host
database and returns a structure of type hostent
```

```
servAddr.sin_family = AF_INET; // IPv4
servAddr.sin_port = htons(5000); // server port number
servAddr.sin_addr = *((struct in_addr *)host->h_addr); //
```

**Step4: send data to server using sendto() function.**

```
sendto(int sockfd, const void *buf, size_t len, int flags,const struct sockaddr *dest_addr, socklen_t
addrlen)
◦ sockfd – File descriptor of socket
◦ buf – Application buffer containing the data to be sent
◦ len – Size of buf application buffer
◦ flags – Bitwise OR of flags to modify socket behavior (pass it a 0)
◦ dest_addr – Structure containing address of server
◦ addrlen – Size of dest_addr structure
```

```
while(1)
{
    printf("Client: Type a message to send to Server\n");
    scanf("%s", sbuf);
    sendto(sockfd, sbuf, strlen(sbuf), 0, (struct sockaddr *)&servAddr, sizeof(struct sockaddr));
}
```

**Part 3:**

Send a file from client to server using UDP.

**Bonus: Send a file from client to server using TCP.**