

let's build a Shell in 10 mins

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What is a shell?

```
#include <stdio.h> // printf
#include <string.h> // strlen
#include <stdlib.h> // exit
#include <unistd.h> // syscalls
int MAXLINE = 1024;
char prompt[] = "lnsh> "; // command line prompt
int main(int argc, char **argv) {
  char cmdline[MAXLINE]; // buffer for fgets
  while (1) {
    printf("%s", prompt);
    if ((fgets(cmdline, MAXLINE, stdin) == NULL) && ferror(stdin))
      error("fgets error");
    if (feof(stdin)) {
      printf("\n");
      exit(0);
    // remove trailing newline
    cmdline[strlen(cmdline)-1] = '\0';
    // evaluate command line
    eval(cmdline);
```

show prompt + read input

```
Call Parse
void eval(char *cmdline) {
 int bg;
 struct command cmd;
 printf("Evaluating '%s'\n", cmdline);
  // parse cmdline into cmd structure
 bq = parse(cmdline, &cmd);
 printf("Found command %s\n", cmd.argv[0]);
 printf("Builtin %d\n", cmd.builtin);
  // -1 means parse error
 if (bg == -1) return;
```

command struct

```
int parse(const char *cmdline, struct command *cmd) {
   static char array[MAXLINE];
                                         // local copy of command line
   const char delims[10] = " \t\r\n"; // argument delimiters
   char *buf = array;
                                         // ptr that traverses command line
                                         // ptr to the end of the current arg
   char *next;
                                         // ptr to the end of the cmdline string
   char *endbuf;
                                         // background job?
   int is_bg;
   if (cmdline == NULL) {
        (void) fprintf(stderr, "Error: command line is NULL\n");
       return -1;
    (void) strncpy(buf, cmdline, MAXLINE);
   endbuf = buf + strlen(buf);
   // build argv list
   cmd->argc = 0;
   while (buf < endbuf) {</pre>
       // skip delimiters
       buf += strspn (buf, delims);
       if (buf >= endbuf) break;
        // Find next delimiter
       next = buf + strcspn (buf, delims);
        // terminate the token
       *next = ' \setminus 0';
        // Record token as the next argument
       cmd->argv[cmd->argc++] = buf;
       // Check if argv is full
        if (cmd->argc >= MAXARGS-1) break;
       buf = next + 1;
   // argument list must end with a NULL pointer
   cmd->argv[cmd->argc] = NULL;
   if (cmd->argc == 0) // ignore blank line
       return 1;
   cmd->builtin = parseBuiltin(cmd);
   // should job run in background?
   if ((is bg = (*cmd->argv[cmd->argc-1] == '&')) != 0)
       cmd->argv[--cmd->argc] = NULL;
   return is_bg;
```

parse(): -> struct

builtin shell commands

```
enum builtin t parseBuiltin(struct command *cmd) {
    if (!strcmp(cmd->argv[0], "quit")) { // quit command
        return QUIT;
    } else if (!strcmp(cmd->argv[0], "jobs")) { // jobs command
        return JOBS;
    } else if (!strcmp(cmd->argv[0], "bg")) { // bg command
        return BG;
    } else if (!strcmp(cmd->argv[0], "fg")) { // fg command
        return FG;
    } else {
       return NONE;
```

System calls

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
```

run programs

```
int main (int argc, char const *argv[]) {
 printf("Hi there\n");
  // executing an ls command
 char* argv2[] = {"ls", "-la", NULL};
  execvp(argv2[0], argv2);
 printf(".. and done!");
```

```
fork + children
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
int main() {
 pid t childPid;
 printf("Before fork %d\n", getpid());
  // fork creates a child and returns its process ID
  childPid = fork();
 printf("After fork %d\n", getpid());
  exit(0);
```

Fork + execvp shell.c

```
// updated!!!
void eval(char *cmdline) {
  int bg;
  struct command cmd;
  printf("Evaluating '%s'\n", cmdline);
  // parse line into command struct
 bg = parse(cmdline, &cmd);
  // parse error
  if (bg == -1) return;
  // empty line - ignore
  if (cmd.argv[0] == NULL) return;
  if (cmd.builtin == NONE)
    runSystemCommand(&cmd, bq);
  else
    runBuiltinCommand(&cmd, bg);
```

evaluate for real

fork + execup

```
void runSystemCommand(struct command *cmd, int bg) {
    pid t childPid;
    // FORK !!!
    if ((childPid = fork()) < 0)
        error("fork() error");
    else if (childPid == 0) { // I'm the child and could run a command
        // EXECVP !!!!
        if (execvp(cmd->argv[0], cmd->argv) < 0)
            printf("%s: Command not found\n", cmd->argv[0]);
            exit(0);
    else { // I'm the parent. Shell continues here.
       if (bg)
          printf("Child in background [%d]\n",childPid);
       else
          wait(&childPid);
```

builtin shell commands

```
void runBuiltinCommand(struct command *cmd, int bg) {
    switch (cmd->builtin) {
        case QUIT:
            printf("TODO: quit\n"); break;
        case JOBS:
            printf("TODO: jobs\n"); break;
        case BG:
            printf("TODO: background\n"); break;
        case FG:
            printf("TODO: foreground\n"); break;
        default:
            error("Unknown builtin command");
```

```
#include <stdio.h> // printf
#include <string.h> // strlen
#include <stdib.h> // exit
#include <unistd.h> // syscalls
 #define MAXLINE 1024
// maxargs used in struct, can't be variable so we have to use define
#define MAXARGS 128
   char prompt[] = "linsh> "; // command line prompt
enum builtin_t parseBuiltin(struct command *cmd) {
    if (!strcmp(cmd->argv[0], "quit")) { // quit command
        return QUIT;
    } else if (!strcmp(cmd->argv[0], "jobs")) { // jobs command
        return JOBS;
    } else if (!strcmp(cmd->argv[0], "bg")) { // bg command
        return BG;
    } else if (!strcmp(cmd->argv[0], "fg")) { // fg command
        return FG;
    } else {
        return NONE;
}
   if (cmdline == NULL) {
    (void) fprintf(stderr, "Error: command line is NULL\n");
    return -1;
            (void) strncpy(buf, cmdline, MAXLINE);
endbuf = buf + strlen(buf);
            // build argv list
cmd->argc = 0;
            while (buf < endbuf) {
    // skip delimiters
    buf += strspn (buf, delims);
    if (buf >= endbuf) break;
                    // Find next delimiter
next = buf + strcspn (buf, delims);
                    // terminate the token
*next = '\0';
                    // Record token as the next argument
cmd->argv[cmd->argc++] = buf;
                    // Check if argv is full
if (cmd->argc >= MAXARGS-1) break;
                    buf = next + 1;
            // argument list must end with a NULL pointer
cmd->argv[cmd->argc] = NULL;
            if (cmd->argc == 0) // ignore blank line
  return 1;
            cmd->builtin = parseBuiltin(cmd);
            // should job run in background?
if ((is bg = (*cmd->argv[cmd->argc-1] == '&')) != 0)
    cmd->argv[--cmd->argc] = NULL;
             return is_bg;
   void error(char *msg) {
  printf("Error: %s", msg);
  exit(0);
void runSystemCommand(struct command *cmd, int bg) {
   pid t childPid;
   // FORK !!!
   if ((childPid = fork()) < 0)
        error("fork() error");
   else if (childPid == 0) { // I'm the child and could run a command
        // EXECVP !!!!
        if (execvp(cmd->argv[0], cmd->argv) < 0) {
            printf("%s: Command not found\n", cmd->argv[0]);
            exit(0);
    }
}
            }
else { // I'm the parent. Shell continues here.
    if (bg)
        printf("Child in background [%d]\n",childPid);
    else
        wait(&childPid);
void runBuiltinCommand(struct command *cmd, int bg) {
    switch (cmd->builtin) {
    case QUIT:
        printf("TODO: quit\n"); break;
    case JOBS:
        printf("TODO: jobs\n"); break;
    case BG:
        printf("TODO: background\n"); break;
    case FG:
        printf("TODO: foreground\n"); break;
    default:
        error("Unknown builtin command");
                           error("Unknown builtin command");
   // We changed this
void eval(char *cmdline) {
  int bg;
  struct command cmd;
      printf("Evaluating '%s'\n", cmdline);
// parse line into command struct
bg = parse(cmdline, &cmd);
       // parse error
if (bg == -1) return;
// empty line - ignore
if (cmd.argv[0] == NULL) return;
       if (cmd.builtin == NONE)
  runSystemCommand(&cmd, bg);
else
  runBuiltinCommand(&cmd, bg);
   // We already know this ..
int main(int argc, char **argv) {
   char cmdline[MAXLINE]; // buffer for fgets
   char c;
           printf("%s", prompt);
            if ((fgets(cmdline, MAXLINE, stdin) == NULL) && ferror(stdin))
error("fgets error");
           if (feof(stdin)) {
  printf("\n");
  exit(0);
}
            // Remove trailing newline
cmdline[strlen(cmdline)-1] = '\0';
            // Evaluate command line
eval(cmdline);
```

Thank you!

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