

## READ ME FILE FOR HEAD

Head.c code description:

The program starts by including necessary header files, including "types.h", "stat.h", "user.h", and "fcntl.h", which likely contain various system call definitions and constants.

`emptyString(char *str)` is a utility function to empty a character array by filling it with null characters ('\0'). This function is used to clear temporary string buffers.

`zerocase(char *argv[])` is a function that handles the case when no arguments are provided. It reads 14 lines from standard input (stdin) and prints them using the `printf` function. It then exits.

`firstcase(int y, char *argv[])` handles the case when there are two arguments. It assumes the first argument is a filename, opens that file, and reads `y` lines from it (where `y` is initially set to 14) and prints them. It uses a temporary buffer `temp` to accumulate lines until a newline character is encountered, at which point it prints the line and clears the buffer. This process continues until `y` lines have been printed, or the end of the file is reached.

`secondcase(char *argv[])` handles the case when there are four arguments. It assumes the first argument is `-n`, the second argument is a number `l`, and the third argument is a filename. It opens the file specified in the third argument, reads `l` lines from it, and prints them in the same way as the first case.

`thirdcase(int g, char *argv[], int a1, int a2)` handles the case when there are three or five arguments. It assumes that `g` is the number of lines to read, and `a1` and `a2` are indices of the filenames in the `argv` array. It opens the two files specified in the arguments, reads `g` lines from each file, and prints them. It uses separate temporary buffers (`temp` and `temp2`) for each file to accumulate lines and print them when newline characters are encountered.

In the main function, the program first checks the number of command-line arguments (`argc`) to determine which case to execute.

If `argc` is 1, it calls `zerocase`.

If `argc` is 2, it assumes the second argument is a filename and calls `firstcase`.

If `argc` is 4, it checks if the first argument is `-n` and calls `secondcase`.

If `argc` is 3 or 5, it calls `thirdcase` with appropriate arguments.

Each case processes and prints lines from one or two files based on the input parameters. Finally, the program exits.

Steps for execution:

1. we use wsl command to go to ubuntu.
2. we change the directory to cd xv6-public
3. we use the command make clean

```
saimanne@sai:/mnt/c/Users/sai bhuvanesh/xv6-public$ make clean
rm -f *.tex *.dvi *.idx *.aux *.log *.ind *.ilg \
*.o *.d *.asm *.sym vectors.S bootblock entryother \
initcode initcode.out kernel xv6.img fs.img kernelmemfs \
xv6memfs.img mkfs .gdbinit \
_cat _echo _forktest _grep _init _kill _ln _ls _mkdir _rm _sh _stressfs _usertests _wc _zombie _test _uniq _head
saimanne@sai:/mnt/c/Users/sai bhuvanesh/xv6-public$
```

4. we use the command qemu-nox

```
SeaBIOS (version 1.15.0-1)

iPXE (https://ipxe.org) 00:03.0 CA00 PCI2.10 PnP PMM+1FF8B4A0+1FECB4A0 CA00

Booting from Hard Disk..xv6...
cpu0: starting 0
sb: size 1000 nblocks 941 ninodes 200 nlog 30 logstart 2 inodestart 32 bmap start 58
init: starting sh
$
```

5. we can use head sample.txt which prints 14 lines of the file if present

```
Booting from Hard Disk..xv6...
cpu0: starting 0
sb: size 1000 nblocks 941 ninodes 200 nlog 30 logstart 2 inodestart 32 bmap s
init: starting sh
$ head sample.txt
head command is running in user mode
hi
hi
qemu
qemu
Hello
hello
hello
hey
hi
hi
hi
hi
hi
14 line
$
```

6.inorder to take lines from standard input we use head as command and enter the inputs.

```
head command is running in user mode
1
1
2
2
3
3
4
4
5
5
6
6
7
7
8
8
9
9
10
10
11
11
12
12
13
13
14
14
```

7. we can specify the number of lines to be read from the file as head -n "number" "file name"

```
$ head -n 4 sample.txt
head command is running in user mode
hi
hi
qemu
qemu
$
```

8. we can specify the number of lines to be read from two different files as follows

Head -n "number of lines to be read" "file 1" "file2"

```
$ head -n 3 sample.txt example.txt
head command is running in user mode
sample.txt
hi
hi
qemu
example.txt
1
2
3
$
```

9. we can read default 14 lines from two files as follows

Head "file1" "file2"

```
saimanne@sai:/mnt/c/Users/sai_bhuvanesh/xv6-public$ head sample.txt example.txt
==> sample.txt <==
hi
hi
qemu
qemu
Hello
hello
hello
hey
hi
hi

==> example.txt <==
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
saimanne@sai:/mnt/c/Users/sai_bhuvanesh/xv6-public$
```