## **Group\_7 Assignment\_2 report**

## **Specifications**

Write a program function like cp(1) which copies the file. In your implementation, you should implement your own cp(1) function without directly using the cp(1) or any other similar command. The following is the grading policy:

- (1) (3 pt) Implement your own cp(1) which can copy the file correctly.
- (2) (1 pt) Describe your implementation in your report.
- Below is the output after we run the command diff source.txt dest.txt



• Below is the description of our implementation

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#define BUFFER_SIZE 4096
```

• We define the buffer size **BUFFER\_SIZE** as 4096, This will be the size of the buffer used for reading and writing files.

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```
void copy_file(const char *source, const char *destination) {
   FILE *src_file = fopen(source, "rb");
   FILE *dest_file = fopen(destination, "wb");
   if (src_file == NULL || dest_file == NULL) {
      printf("Error: Unable to open file.\n");
      exit(1);
   }
   char buffer[BUFFER_SIZE];
   size_t bytes_read;
   while ((bytes_read = fread(buffer, sizeof(char), BUFFER_SIZE, src_file)) > 0) {
      fwrite(buffer, 1, bytes_read, dest_file);
   }
   fclose(src_file);
   fclose(dest_file);
}
```

- First, the code will use fopen to open the source file and destination file in readbinary mode and write-binary mode, we will do the check to ensure that both source file and the destination file had been successfully open.
- After open the both file, we will use a buffer of **BUFFER\_SIZE** bytes to read from the source file and write to the destination file.
  - For the file reading and file writing, we choose to use the function fread
     and fwrite to write the content from the source file to the destination file.
- Finally, we will use the function fclose to close the source file and destination file.

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
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    if (argc != 3) {
        printf("Usage: %s <source> <destination>\n", argv[0]);
        return 1;
    }
    copy_file(argv[1], argv[2]);
    return 0;
}
```

• For the main function, we first check the input is correct, and call the function copy\_file to copy the data from source file to destination file.

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