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Following two functions use `read()` and `write()` system calls to read and write one character from the `stdin` and `stdout`.

```
#include <unistd.h>
char readChar(){
    char c;

    read(STDIN_FILENO, &c, 1);
    return c;
}

#include <unistd.h>
void writeChar(char c){
    write(STDOUT_FILENO, &c, 1);
}
```

These calls to `read()` and `write()` can be replaced by embedded inline assembly language code of x86-64 architecture with a software interrupt.

```
char readChar(){
    char c=0;

    __asm__ __volatile__ (
        "movq $0, %%rax # 0 for read \n\t"
        "movq $0, %%rdi # 0 for stdin \n\t"
        "movq $1, %%rdx # 1 byte \n\t"
        "syscall \n\t"
        :
        : "S" (&c)
        ) ;

    return c;
}

void writeChar(char c){
    __asm__ __volatile__ (
        "movq $1, %%rax # 1 for write \n\t"
        "movq $1, %%rdi # 1 for stdout \n\t"
        "movq $1, %%rdx # 1 byte \n\t"
        "syscall \n\t"
        :
        : "S" (&c)
        ) ;
}
```

Note the following ABI specification:

- (a) `rax` \leftarrow system call code.
- (b) `rdi` \leftarrow 1st parameter.
- (c) `rsi` \leftarrow 2nd parameter.

(d) `rdx` \leftarrow 3rd parameter.

(e) `eax` \rightarrow return value.

Link:

<https://chromium.googlesource.com/chromiumos/docs/+master/constants/syscalls.md>

Also note the following inline assembly language codes for different CPU registers.

(i) `rdi`: 'D'

(ii) `rsi`: 'S'

(iii) `rdx`: 'd'

(iv) `rax`: 'a'

Link: <https://gcc.gnu.org/onlinedocs/gcc/Extended-Asm.html>

Exercise 1. [10]

Write the following two C functions without using any library function or `read()`, `write()` call.

(a) `int readFloat(float *xP)`: reads a floating-point number of the form 123.45, +123.45, -123.45, -.45, +.45, +40., -40., 123 etc.

$(+|-)?(([0-9]+(\.)?[0-9]*) | ([0-9]*(\.)?[0-9]+))$

from the `stdin` in float `*xP`.

It returns 0 (zero) for successful read and returns 1 (one) in case of an error. Assume that the total length of input does not exceed 15 characters.

(b) `int printFloat(float x)`: prints a floating-point number on `tt stdout`.

Returns 0 (zero) for successful print and returns 1 in case of an error.

Assume that the total length does not exceed 15 characters.

A few **input-output** using the following `main()` are shown.

```
int main(){
    float x;

    readFloat(&x);

    x = 2*x+5.0;
    printFloat(x);
    putchar('\n');
    return 0;
}
```

Input	Output	Input	Output
123	251.0	-123	-241.0
123.75	252.5	+123.75	252.5
.75	6.5	-.75	3.5
12.	29.5	-12.	-19.0
-123.456	-241.912002563	123.456	251.9120025634

Send the two functions in a file `<roll-no>.2.c` to goutamamartya@gmail.com.

Do not include `main()` in the file.

Exercise 2. Write regular definition for the following languages.

- (a) All strings of lowercase letters that if contains vowels, they must come in order $a < e < i < o < u$.
- (b) C language comments consisting of string surrounded by `/*` and `*/` without an intervening `*/`.

Exercise 3.

- (a) Design an NFA equivalent to the regular expression: $(a|b)^*aba(a|b)^*$.
- (b) Design a DFA with 4 states equivalent to the regular expression: $(a|b)^*aba(a|b)^*$.
- (c) Construct the DFA equivalent to the NFA of **Ex3(a)** by subset construction. Identify the equivalent states.
- (d) Construct the DFA using the collection of ' \bullet '-items.