

Lab 2 exercise 2

The program **myWC** counts the number of words of the input file by counting the number of successful **fscanf** that can be performed on the file before reaching the end.

The commands to be done in the second point are:

- `cp main.c ../test`
- `cp main.c ../test/script`
- `cp main.c ../test/result`
- `less main.c`
- `rm main.c ../test/main.c ../test/script/main.c
../test/result/main.c`
- `cd ..`
- `cp src/main.c ./`
- `less main.c`
- `rm main.c`

cp, **ln** and **mv** are different in how they handle files:

- **cp** copies a file into another one, thus creating a new inode and allocating new disk space to memorize the file copy.
- **ln** creates a new directory entry that points to the destination file, in the case of a soft link also an inode is created.
- **mv** moves a directory entry from one directory to another.

After compiling with **make**, we can check the existence of the executable as well as its permissions with the `ls -l myWC` command, that in my case it outputs:

```
-rwxr--r-- 1 andrea andrea 16800 20 oct 14.08 myWC
```

As we can see the file owner - user andrea - has all the permissions set.

We can remove execution permission from the file with `chmod -x myWC`.

After this the file can't be executed (trying to launch it outputs a "Permission denied" error).

We can restore the previous permissions with `chmod 744 myWC`.

The file can be finally moved to the **bin** directory by executing `mv myWC ../bin`.