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CS 241 Lecture Handout #5
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#1 Introducing exec

#2 A most powerful program. Can we fix it?

```
1: int main(int argc, char**argv) {
2:    printf("Executing %s ...\n", argv+1);
3:    execvp( argv + 1, argv + 1);
4:    perror("Failed to be all powerful");
5: }
```

#3 Implementing a our own version of cat

- * Usage text
- * Potential errors?

```
int main(int argc, char**argv) {
       if(argc != 2)
 2:
 3:
          fprintf(stderr, "Usage: %s filename\n", argv[0]);
 4:
       FILE* file = fopen(argv[1], "r"); // may return NULL
 5:
       char* line = NULL;
 6:
 7:
       size t capacity;
       ssize t bytesread;
 8:
 9:
       int linenumber = 0;
       while(1) {
10:
11:
         bytesread = getline( &line, &capacity, file);
12:
         if(bytesread == -1) break;
         printf("%3d: %s", linenumber++, line);
13:
14:
15:
       free (line);
16:
       fclose(file);
17:
       return 0;
18:
```

Puzzle: Fix my getline implementation. What asserts might you add?

```
ssize t mygetline(char **lineptr, size t *n, FILE *f) {
2:
       what asserts would you add here?
3:
4:
       if( _____) { *n = 256; ____ = malloc(*n);}
 5:
       size t bytesread = 0;
       int c = 0;
7:
       while (ferror(f) == 0 \&\& feof(f) == 0)
8:
           if (bytesread == *n) { /* extend buffer */
9:
           c = fgetc(f);
11:
12:
        return -1; // error (e.g. end of file)
13:
```

Puzzle #3 Fix me! What is wrong with the following?

```
1: int main(int argc, char** argv) {
2:    char** lineptr;
3:    size_t size;
4:    size = getline(lineptr, &size, stdin);
5:    execlp(lineptr);
6:    return 0;
7: }
```

Environmental Variables

- What is getenv("HOME");
- What is getenv("PATH");
- What is getenv("USER");
- What is getenv("AWESOME");

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char** environ

Puzzle #4 What does the following example do? How does it work?

```
1: int main() {
2: close(1); // close standard out
3: open("log.txt", O_RDWR | O_CREAT | O_APPEND, S_IRUSR |
4: S_IWUSR);
5: puts("Captain's log");
6: chdir("/usr/include");
8: execl("/bin/ls", "/bin/ls",".",(char*)NULL); // "ls ."
9: perror("exec failed");
10: return 0; // Not expected
11: }
```

Puzzle #5 Why is this 'broken'?

Puzzle #6 What is this madness :-)

If there's time for more snow...

```
void snowflake() {
 2:
       srand((unsigned) time(NULL));
       int col = rand() % cols;
 3:
 4:
       int row = 0;
       while (row < rows) {
 7:
         gotoxy(row, col);
 8:
         fprintf(stderr, "*");
         usleep(200000);
 9:
10:
         gotoxy(row, col);
         fprintf(stderr, " ");
11:
12:
         row++;
13:
      }
14:
```