

Assignment 2

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The command to be used to run the Assignment is **make** command. It starts the shell. The shell has the prompt for entering the command which displays the address of the current directory and "shell>" prompt.

The type of commands handled:

1) builtin commands: **pwd, mkdir, rmdir, cd, exit**

These commands use the standard functions in **C language** which are **getcwd(), mkdir(), rmdir(), chdir(), exit()** respectively.

2) Any other command typed with '**./**' followed by the name of the file executes the file. For example- **./a.out** will execute the file **./a.out**.

3) Input can be taken from a file using '**<**' followed by the filename. Similarly, the output can be redirected to a file using '**>**' followed by the filename. Supported commands:

**./a.out < inp.txt > out.txt , ./a.out < inp.txt , ./a.out>out.txt
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The programs runs independent of space around **> or <** signs.

4) The output of one command can be redirected to another by using "**|**" symbol. This has been done using piping. Supported commands are:

./a.out|./b.out , ./a.out | ./b.out

Piping along with redirection to and from a file are also supported:

`./a.out < inp.txt | ./b.out > out.txt , ./a.out|./b.out>out.txt`

These commands work independent of the space around `|,<,>` characters.

Piping is also supported along with the `pwd` command. It redirect the output of builtin `pwd` command to another command, ie, **`pwd | ./a.out > out.txt`**

5) Other commands runs with the **`execvp()`** command in C language. These include the **`ls`** command to display file, **`clear`** to clear the shell screen, **`cat`** to access the contents of the file, **`echo`** to display message on the shell screen and others.

Some messages have been displayed as a proof that the commands are being run using the function in the C program, not by the original terminal.