

System Programming

2. File IO (1): Standard I/O Library - 2

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File Open

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
FILE * fopen ( const char *filename, const char *type);
```

type : access mode

return a file stream pointer to the open file if succeed, or
NULL (error: failed to open)

- File access modes

<i>Access modes</i>	<i>Description</i>
<i>r</i>	Read only
<i>w</i>	Truncate file to zero length or create a file for writing.
<i>a</i>	Append mode(EOF), write only. The file is created if it does not exist.
<i>r+</i>	Read/write
<i>w+</i>	Truncate file to zero length or create a file for reading & writing.
<i>a+</i>	Read/append mode(EOF). The file is created if it does not exist.

- The number of open files has a limitation (by system configuration)



File Reopen

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
FILE * freopen ( const char *filename, const char *type, FILE *stream);
```

type : access mode

stream : file pointer

return a file stream pointer to the open file

NULL (error: failed to open)

- first, close a file linked to the input stream (3rd arg)
- and open a file with a given filename by reusing the old stream
- NOTE: the original file descriptor is also reused!

■ Example

- guess what will happen in this code!

```
freopen("myfile.txt", "w", stdout);  
printf("This sentence is redirected to a file.");  
fclose(stdout);
```



File Close

```
#include <stdio.h>
int fclose( FILE *stream);
    return 0 for normal, EOF for error
```

- When a process exits normally, all files are *automatically* closed.
- If a process is terminated without closing a file,
 - cannot check some errors that are reported by the `fclose()`.
 - file data in the library buffer might be lost.



File I/O functions

Function Prototypes	Input Arg.	Return	
		normal	error
<i>size_t fread</i> (void *ptr, size_t size, size_t nitems, FILE *stream)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>ptr</i>: destination buffer address- <i>size</i>: # of bytes of the object unit- <i>nitems</i>: # of objects- <i>stream</i>: file pointer	# of objects read	0
<i>size_t fwrite</i> (void *ptr, size_t size, size_t nitems, FILE *stream)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>ptr</i>: source buffer address- <i>size</i>: # of bytes of the object unit- <i>nitems</i>: # of objects- <i>stream</i>: file pointer	# of objects written	0

Character Input

Function Prototypes	Description	Return	
		normal	error
<i>int</i> getc (<i>FILE</i> * <i>stream</i>), <i>int</i> fgetc (<i>FILE</i> * <i>stream</i>)	Get a character from file.	char in integer type	EOF
<i>int</i> getchar (<i>void</i>)	Get a character from <i>stdin</i> .	char in integer type	EOF
<i>char</i> * fgets (<i>char</i> * <i>s</i> , <i>int</i> <i>size</i> , <i>FILE</i> * <i>stream</i>)	Get a NULL (“\0”) terminated string. Read until a newline or EOF. Max string size = size -1.	char string address	NULL
<i>char</i> * gets (<i>char</i> * <i>s</i>)	Get a NULL (“\0”) terminated string from <i>stdin</i> . Read until a newline or EOF.	char string address	NULL
<i>int</i> ungetc (<i>int</i> <i>c</i> , <i>FILE</i> * <i>stream</i>)	Put the character <i>c</i> into the file to enable rereading.	<i>c</i>	EOF



Character Output

Function Prototypes	Description	Return	
		normal	error
<i>int putc (int c, FILE *stream), int fputc (int c, FILE *stream)</i>	Write a character to file.	char in integer type	EOF
<i>int putchar (int c)</i>	Write a character to <i>stdout</i> .	char in integer type	EOF
<i>int *fputs (const char *s, FILE *stream)</i>	Write a string without its trailing “\0”.	# of chars	EOF
<i>char *puts (const char *s)</i>	Write a string and a trailing newline to <i>stdout</i> .	# of chars	EOF



File I/O example (1)

fileio-ex.c

```
$ ./fileio-ex firstFile secondFile
```

```
#include <stdio.h>

int main( int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int c;
    FILE *fpin, *fpout;

    if( argc != 3) {
        perror( argv[0]);
        exit(1);
    }
    if(( fpin = fopen( argv[1], "r")) == NULL) {
        perror( argv[1]);
        exit(2);
    }

    argc=3
    argv[0]="./fileio-ex"
    argv[1]="firstFile"
    argv[2]="secondFile"
```



File I/O example (2)

```
if(( fpout = fopen( argv[2], "a")) == NULL) {  
    perror( argv[2]);  
    exit(3);  
}  
setbuf( fpin, NULL); // unbuffered I/O  
setbuf( fpout, NULL); // unbuffered I/O  
  
while(( c = getc( fpin)) != EOF)  
    putc( c, fpout);  
  
fclose( fpin);  
fclose( fpout);  
exit(0);  
}
```



File I/O example (3)

- Execution

```
$ cat test1.txt  
Hello, world (1)  
  
$ cat test2.txt  
Hello, world (2)  
  
$ ./a.out test1.txt test2.txt  
  
$ cat test1.txt  
Hello, world (1)  
  
$ cat test2.txt  
Hello, world (2)  
Hello, world (1)  
  
$
```



Line I/O example (1)

lineio-ex.c

```
#include <stdio.h>

#define BUFFER_SIZE 100

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    char ubuf[BUFFER_SIZE], line[BUFFER_SIZE];
    FILE *fpin, *fpout;

    if(argc != 3) {
        perror(argv[0]);
        return 1;
    }
    if ((fpin = fopen(argv[1], "r")) == NULL) {
        perror(argv[1]);
        return 2;
    }
}
```



Line I/O example (2)

```
    if ((fpout = fopen(argv[2], "a")) == NULL) {  
        perror(argv[2]);  
        return 3;  
    }  
    if (setvbuf (fpin, ubuf, _IOLBF, BUFFER_SIZE) != 0) { // line buffering  
        perror("setvbuf(fpin)");  
        return 4;  
    }  
    if (setvbuf (fpout, ubuf, _IOLBF, BUFFER_SIZE) != 0) {  
        perror("setvbuf(fpout) ");  
        return 5;  
    }  
  
    while ( fgets (line, BUFFER_SIZE, fpin) != NULL)  
        fputs (line, fpout);  
  
    fclose(fpin); fclose(fpout);  
    return 0;  
}
```



Array I/O example

```
#define ARRAY_SIZE 10

.....
int i;
int sample_arr[ARRAY_SIZE];
FILE *stream;

if ((stream = fopen(argv[1], "w")) == NULL) {
    perror(argv[1]);
    return 1;
}

if (fwrite (sample_array, sizeof(int), ARRAY_SIZE, stream) != ARRAY_SIZE) {
    perror("fwrite error");
    return 2;
}

.....
```



Struct I/O example

```
struct {  
    short count;  
    char sample;  
    long total;  
    float numeric[LENGTH];  
} object;  
  
FILE *stream;  
...  
  
if (fwrite (&object, sizeof(object), 1, stream) !=1)  
    perror("fwrite error");
```



File copy with Full buffering (1)

filecopy.c

```
# include <stdio.h>

#define BUFFER_SIZE 1024

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    char ubuf[BUFFER_SIZE], fbuf[BUFFER_SIZE];
    int n;
    FILE *fpin, *fpout;

    if(argc != 3) {
        perror(argv[0]);
        return 1;
    }
    if((fpin = fopen(argv[1], "r")) == NULL) {
        perror(argv[1]);
        return 2;
    }
}
```



File copy with Full buffering (2)

```
    if((fpout = fopen(argv[2], "w")) == NULL) {  
        perror(argv[2]);  
        return 3;  
    }  
    if (setvbuf(fpin, ubuf, _IOFBF, BUFFER_SIZE) != 0) { // full buffering  
        perror("setvbuf(fpin)");  
        return 4;  
    }  
    if (setvbuf (fout, ubuf, _IOFBF, BUFFER_SIZE) != 0 {  
        perror("setvbuf(fpout)");  
        return 5;  
    }  
  
    while ( n= fread(fbuf, sizeof(char), BUFFER_SIZE, fpin ) > 0)  
        fwrite (fbuf, sizeof(char), n, fpout);  
  
    fclose(fpin);  
    fclose(fpout);  
    return 0;  
}
```

