

# Design Document: mycat

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## 1 Goals

The `mycat` is a program which has basic functions of linux version `cat`. The `mycat` needs to read buffer from files and show these contents of these files on the terminal. When file which asked does not exist or it is a directory, program will print an error and skip this file.

## 2 Design

We have no more than 64 Kib for user data:

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64KiB = 216 B, so we #define BUFFER_SIZE 65536,  
and need a char arr[BUFFER_SIZE] to store buffer for user data.
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Input: Argument count: `arg_count`

Input: Array of arguments: `arguments`.

Output:

1. Standard output of user data.
2. Error 1: When the argument is a directory, print  
    `"cat: argv[i]: Is a directory"`
3. Error 2: When the argument is not exist, print  
    `"cat: argv[i]: No such file or directory"`
4. Error 3: When do not have read permission to argument, print  
    `"cat: argv[i]: Permission denied"`

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if arg_count is 1 then  
    // input is standard in  
    while(true)  
        count = read(stdin);  
        if stdin is a directory then  
            Print"cat: -: Is a directory";  
        end  
        if (count == 0)  
            break;  
        end  
        write(stdout);  
    end  
else
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// input are file names.
for i←1 to arg_count do
    open(argv[i]);
    if argv[i] not exist then
        print"cat: argv[i]: No such file or directory";
    else
        while(true)
            count = read(file descriptor);
            if argv[i] is a directory then
                print"cat: argv[i]: Is a directory";
            end
            if (count == 0)
                break;
            end
            write(stdout);
        end
    end
end
end

```



