

Homework 9

memory mapping Write one program that will be called `memmapA` and will also be called via a symbolic link `memmapB`; it will use memory mapping to pass their command line arguments to each other (not standard input). Let the shared memory mapped file be called `memfile`, and assume that no arguments will be longer than 256 bytes. Each instance of the program should display messages such as

```
sent <argument string here>
rcvd <argument string here>
```

Design Criteria:

- To get `memmapA` and `memmapB`: write `memmapA.c`, compile and link it, and use `ln -s memmapA memmapB` to generate a symbolically linked version.
- Your program can tell by what name it was invoked by examining `argv[0]`
- The first program running should get writing privileges and initialize the semaphore; it should write all its arguments and then switch to receive mode.
- The first program to run (ie. who's got the semaphore?) should write a character at byte 255 to insure that the `memfile` is long enough by using one of the `seek` functions.
- Use two semaphores: when `semA` is 0, then `memmapA` may write; when `semB` is 0, then `memmapB` may write.
- When `memmapA` is done writing, it should set `semA` to 1 and unlock `semB` (ie. set it to zero).
- When `memmapB` is done writing, it should set `semB` to 1 and unlock `semA` (ie. set it to zero).
- Use the pointer returned from `mmap` to do the string transfers (*not* file i/o functions such as `read` or `write`).
- The last program to receive should perform cleanup (remove `memfile`, semaphores, etc)
- Don't use file i/o to read the memory mapped file! Use the memory mapped array instead.