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Linux Internals

8th May

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9.00

InterProcess Communication

10.00

→ InterProcess communication allows a process to communicate with another process.

11.00

→ communication can be one of two types:-

- i) between related Process (Parent & child)
- ii) Between unrelated process (One or more different process)

2.00

→ IPC can use:-

- i) Pipes
- ii) FIFO } Sys-III file structure oriented

- iii) Message Queues

- iv) Shared memory } Sys-IV Object Oriented

- v) Semaphores

- vi) Signals

6.00

Pipes

→ Unnamed pipes

→ pipes are half-duplex (meaning they can only write or read from process, but only one direction)

→ Ex :- ls -lR / ! mode

PROCESS

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→ Unnamed Pipe

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→ First In, First Out (Named Pipes)

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→ FIFO are also called named pipes
and are half duplex

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→ Named Pipes are also called FIFO

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1.00

→ MKFIFO mypipe

→ echo "Hello Pipe World" > mypipe } 1st terminal

2.00

→ cat mypipe } 2nd terminal

3.00

Process

Process

4.00

my pipe

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→ until unless the data is out from the pipe the terminal pauses here.

→ Once that data is out the terminal comes back to its normal position.

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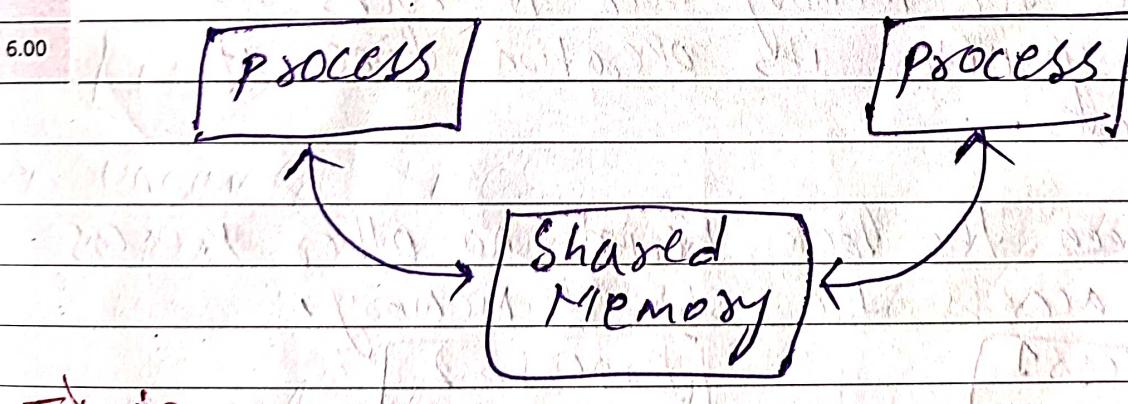
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9.00 → Shared Memory

- 10.00 → Shared memory is full duplex, either process can read and/or write.
- 11.00 → Most efficient type of IPC, it does not require any kernel intervention once the shared memory has been allocated/deallocated
- 12.00 → Requires a program
- 1.00 → Any number of process can read and/or write to the same shared memory segment
- 2.00 → You can query shared memory with IPCs command
- 3.00 → Process must manage shared memory
- Process must protect (synchronize) shared memory being written or race conditions will occur.
- 4.00
- 5.00



→ IPCs

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What is Race Condition?

10.00

→ Let's assume Process 1 and Process 2 are sharing a memory location.

11.00

→ Process 1 wants to add 2 to the value that is currently in the shared memory location.

12.00

→ Process 2 wants to add 3

1.00

→ Both process read the initial value of 0.

2.00

→ Process 1 adds 2 and changes the shared memory location to 2

3.00

→ Process 2 adds 3 and changed the shared memory location to 3.

4.00

→ This is wrong, final the value should have been 5, this is race condition.

5.00

→ To avoid the who ever the process access the memory then it locks the memory after its operation \ done if releases.

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→ Between the lock period no other process can access the shared memory.

PROCESS 1
Value +2

PROCESS 2
Value +3

0 initial value

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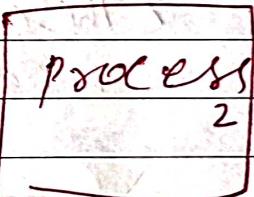
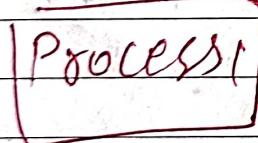
Message Queues

- 10.00 → Message Queues are created by a syscall
- Message Queues are managed by the kernel
- 11.00 → Once a message is read it is deleted from the queue by the kernel
- 12.00 → Each Read and write creates a syscall to the Kernel.
- 1.00 → The message queue helps eliminate the occurrences of race conditions but
- 2.00 comes at the expense of performance due to the syscall interrupt

3.00

Message Queue

4.00



5.00

- 6.00 → Process 1 writes the data & process 2 reads the data.
- Until Message Queue is fullled the data will not be read by process 2.
- Multiple process can read / write data in message queue.
- Once the data is read its gone.
- Process 2 & 3 reads the data after process 2 completes it's reading the data of process 2 is deleted.

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→ spin logs

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Semaphores

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→ semaphores are used to protect critical common regions of memory shared between multiple process.

11.00

→ semaphores are the atomic structures of operating systems.

12.00

→ Two type of semaphore

1.00

i) Binary : - only two states 0 and 1
locked/unlocked or available or unavailable.

2.00

ii) Counting semaphores - allow arbitrary resource counters.

3.00

→ These helps to not to over write in the important location

4.00

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Process 1

Process 2

Process 3

0 or 1

semaphore

→ named semaphores

→ unnamed semaphores

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Signals

kill -l

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→ A signal is a notification of an event occurrence

11.00 → A signal is also known as trap, or software interrupt.

12.00 → If you perform a kill -l at the command line you will receive a full list of signals used by Linux.

1.00 → Signals can be generated by a user, a process or the kernel.

2.00 → A process is supposed to be written to handle them certain signals.

3.00 → Numeric 9-15 can not be handled by the process they will immediately cause termination of the process and can not be blocked, these are called "process crash-outs".

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→ Ex:- CTRL + C at the terminal will send a signal SIGINT signal to the process which is currently running in the foreground.

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Process Management

- Any running program is a process
- Multiple instances of the same program are just process.
- The shell is a process
 - * When you enter a shell command
 - * Control passes from the shell to the process
 - * Control passes back to the shell when the process exits

PID (Process ID)

- Each Linux process is identified by a unique Process number called the PID
- Every process has a Parent process ID (PPID)
 - * Except init
 - * The PPID is the PID of the parent process

- When a process is loaded into memory there is structure:
 - * Stack
 - * Heap
 - * Data segment
 - * Code segment

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Creating a Process

10.00

→ Two ways this can be done

- Using `system()` - a simple method, but it's very inefficient, has security risks

- Using the `fork()` and `exec()`

11.00

12.00

System()

2.00

→ Creates a sub-process running the standard shell

→ Passes the command to this shell for execution.

3.00

→ Very similar to typing the command name to a shell

4.00

fork()

5.00

6.00

→ Creates a child process by making an exact copy of its parent process

→ The parent process does not wait, it will immediately continue on

→ The child process starts executing in exactly the same place as the parameter

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Replacing the "new" process

10.00

- OK now I have two Process running that are identical - now what...
- if you just want concurrency, you are done, but if you want a new process, then . . .

1.00

→ EXEC() function

2.00

→ immediately stops the child Process

3.00

→ The new process is loaded in its place

4.00

→ Begins executing the new program

5.00

→ Exec will : never return unless an error ~~skip~~ occurs

6.00

→ This new process takes over the child processes PID and also see Parent PID

→ Execvp()

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9.00

Process States

10.00

→ The process is built and executing, so now

→ we enter the process state machine

11.00

→ States of a process

12.00

→ New = When a new process is being created

→ Running = Instructions are being executed

1.00

→ Waiting = The process is waiting for some event to occur

2.00

→ Ready = The process is waiting to be assigned to a processor

3.00

→ Terminated = The process has finished execution and is exiting

4.00

created

exit

new

terminated

5.00

interrupted

ready

Running

event

completed

Scheduled dispatch

Waiting

event

wake

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9.00 Managing Process

- 10.00 → Linux kernel tracks what each process is doing
- 11.00 → Process is assigned a priority (compiler or user)
- 12.00 → Address space assigned to the process
- 1.00 → Files is the process allowed to access
- 2.00 → Parent
- Child
- Zombie
- Orphan

3.00 Context Switch

- 4.00 → When the scheduler wants to switch another process, it must save the current executing process
- 5.00 → When the original process is switched back in again, its original state is reloaded
- 6.00 → This time wasting activity is known as a context switch or scheduling jitter.

PROCESS Termination

- When a parent forks a child, they can finish in any order

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- 9.00 → Sometimes the parent process could encounter an error and die.
- 10.00 → Sometimes the parent process will just wait around until the child process all complete before exiting.
- if calls wait() command.
- 11.00
- 12.00 → There are a variety of wait commands.

1.00

htop, ps, top (commands)

2.00

3.00

4.00

5.00

6.00

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