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IPC USING SHARED MEMORY

Aim:

To write a C program to do Inter Process Communication (IPC) using shared memory between sender process and receiver process.

Algorithm:

sender

1. Set the size of the shared memory segment
2. Allocate the shared memory segment using shmget
3. Attach the shared memory segment using shmat
4. Write a string to the shared memory segment using sprintf
5. Set delay using sleep
6. Detach shared memory segment using shmdt

receiver

1. Set the size of the shared memory segment
2. Allocate the shared memory segment using shmget
3. Attach the shared memory segment using shmat
4. Print the shared memory contents sent by the sender process.
5. Detach shared memory segment using shmdt

Program Code:

sender.c

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>

#define shared Mem Size 50

void main()
{
```

```

char c;
int shmid;
key_t key;
char * shared_memory;

key = 5677;

if ((shmid = shmget (key, Shared Mem Size, IPC_CREAT | 0666)) < 0)
{
    perror ("shmget");
    exit (1);
}

if ((shared_memory = shmat (shmid, NULL, 0)) == (char *) -1)
{
    perror ("shmat");
    exit (1);
}

printf (shared_memory, "Welcome to shared Memory");

sleep(2);
exit(0);
}

```

receiver.c

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#define shared Mem Size 50.
```

void main()

{

int shmid;

key_t key;

char * shared_memory;

key = 5677;

if ((shmid = shmget (key, shared Memsize , 0666)) < 0) {

printf ("shmget");

exit (1);

}

if ((shared_memory = shmat (shmid, NULL, 0)) == (char *) -1)

{

printf ("shmat");

exit (1);

}

printf ("Message received: %.5s \n", shared_memory);

exit (0);

}

Sample Output

Terminal 1

```
[root@localhost student]# gcc sender.c -o sender  
[root@localhost student]# ./sender
```

Terminal 2

```
[root@localhost student]# gcc receiver.c -o receiver  
[root@localhost student]# ./receiver  
Message Received: Welcome to Shared Memory  
[root@localhost student]#
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Result:

Hence the C program to do Inter process Communication using shared memory has been executed and written successfully.