

Lab #9: Working with Sigsetjmp, Timers, and IPC

1. Build the executables:

- (a) The Makefile makes use of two environment variables, `$ILIST` and `$LLIST`. From the shell, export the two environment variables given below. May I suggest that you place these commands in your `$HOME/.bash_profile`, so that every time you start up a new bash shell, these two environment variables will be set and exported.
- (b) `export ILIST=-I(path to xtdio.h)` (don't include `xtdio.h` in this path, just the path to the directory)
- (c) `export LLIST=(path to xtdio.a)`. This path includes the full path to `xtdio.a`, including `xtdio.a` itself
- (d) `make`

2. The work below will have you making “Script.xyz” files.

In addition, it will ask you questions.

Put answers to these questions in files such as *Qitem*; for example, *Q3c*.

When done with the lab: `tar -cf MyLab09.tar Script.* Q*`.

Compress the tarball: `gzip MyLab09.tar`.

Then email `MyLab09.tar.gz` to me.

3. Work with `sigsetjmp` as shown. Then, record a session of you working with it by using `script Script.sigsetjmp`. `exit` when done recording.

(this will count as part of your homework grade)

- (a) Follow the program's directions to send it a `SIGUSR1` signal.
- (b) Follow the program's directions to send it a `SIGUSR2` signal.
- (c) How did the program “know” what its pid was?
- (d) Modify the program to take a `SIGPIPE` (you need not record your doing this)
- (e) Run `sigsetjmp` and send it a `SIGPIPE`

4. Work with `timer` as shown. Then, record a session of you working with it by using `script Script.timer`. `exit` when done recording.

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- (a) Run `timer`; what happens?
- (b) Modify the program so that it waits 2 seconds, instead. Compile and run it.

5. Work with the message queue programs as shown. Then, record a session of you working with them by using `script Script.mq`. `exit` when done recording.

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- (a) Use `msgget` to get a message queue.
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- (b) Use `msgop` to send the message: `this is my message`
- (c) Use `msgop` to receive the message
- (d) Use `msgctl` to remove the message queue

(note: using the shell, the command “`ipcs -q`” will show you your message queues)

6. Again, work with the following programs and then record your work with `script Script.sem`, and use `exit` when done recording.

(this will count as part of your homework grade)

- (a) Use `semget` to get a semaphore set with 5 semaphores.
- (b) Use `semctl` to set the 0th semaphore to 1
- (c) Use `semop` to *test&set* the 0th semaphore towards zero.
- (d) Remove the semaphore set you made using the `semctl` program.

(note: using the shell, the command “`ipcs -s`” will show you your semaphore sets)

7. Work with the following programs and then record your work in `Script.shm`.

(this will count as part of your homework grade)

- (a) Use `shmget` to get a shared memory segment of 1000 bytes.
- (b) Pick an appropriate number for the flags.
- (c) Use `shmop` to put the string “This is a test” into your shared memory segment. Read up on `man shmop` to answer the question about “shared memory address `shmaddr`”.
- (d) Use `shmop` again; this time, use “?” to have it query for the contents of the shared memory segment.
- (e) Use `shmctl` and its `IPC_STAT` option.
- (f) Use `shmctl` to lock the shared memory
- (g) Use `shmop` again; this time, use “?” to have it query for the contents of the shared memory segment. Note that `SHM_LOCK` did not prevent `shmop` from querying the shared memory. Why? What does `SHM_LOCK` do?
- (h) Use `shmctl` to remove the shared memory segment

(note: using the shell, the command “`ipcs -m`” will show you your message queues)
