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Activity 1: Design & Link with Libraries

Type of Activity: Individual

Goal of Activity: Static library and Dynamic library. Creating user defined libraries and linking user defined functions as library both statically and dynamically.

Topics Covered:

- Linux OS Architecture
- Linux OS commands
- GCC & Build Process
- Utilities
- Static & Dynamic Libraries
- Makefile creation

Learning Outcomes:

- Implementing C program builder.
- Using utilities and implementing codes in separate header and C files.
- Created our library and learnt to link that to a static and dynamic type.
- Usage of ld config to link a dynamic library.
- Implementing Makefile for the same.

Challenges: Linking static, dynamic Makefile

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Activity 2: System Calls and Signals, Processes and Threads

Type of Activity: Individual

Goal of Activity:

- To count number of lines, words, characters in given file.
- To copy one file contents to other using open, read, write, close system calls.
- to send specific signal to a target process
- Compile & link any c/c++ program within child process by launching gcc using execl/execlp.
- Designing a mini shell.
- Building multifile program using fork & exec.
- Print current time periodically.
- Finding min/max element from large array using parallel computations.
- Compute parallel sum of large array.

Topics Covered:

- Kernel
- System calls
- Scheduling
- Interrupts
- Process life cycle

Learning Outcomes:

- How to make system call and implement different system calls. Based on file descriptors by any process.
- How to handle and run a process.
- How to create parent and child process.
- Creating multiple child processes.
- Kill or stop process.
- Implementing how to wait a process and override in a child process to give our own.
- Learnt to avoid making blocking calls in thread to avoid getting the whole process blocked.
- Over writing child process using exec signals
- Blocking parent process till completion of child process.

Challenges: Program to send specific signal to a target process

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Activity 3: Semaphores and Mutex

Type of Activity: Individual

Goal of Activity: Implement producer consumer problem

Topics Covered:

- Mutex Lock
- Semaphores- Named and unnamed
- Race condition
- Deadlock
- Pipes
- Shared memory
- Message queue

Learning Outcomes:

- Learnt to implement sequencing and mutual exclusion.
- Prioritizing or locking a particular process for sequencing the flow of program.
- Working with named and unnamed semaphores, and using named semaphores in shared memory.
- Analyzing the return type for mutex to check for success or failure.
- Using threads for working with producer and customer.
- Handling context switching in order to avoid deadlocks.
- Using pipes and fifo to overcome limitations of semaphores and mutex.
- Using operations on shared memory such as read write and update.

Challenges: Understanding the race condition

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