

### Outline

- Process management -> Section-1
  - creation, differentiation, termination
- Inter-process communcation (IPC) -> Section-1
  - Unix-based
  - Posix
- Threads -> Section-2
- Thread synchronization -> Section-2



### Section Outline

- Process definition
- Process handling
- Process creation
- Process differentiation
- Process termination
- Process synchronization



### What is a Process

#### Definition;

- A process is an instance of a running program.
- Not the same as "program" or "processor"
  - A program is a set of instructions and initialized data in a file, usually found on a disk.
- A process is an instance of that program while it is running, along with the state of all the CPU registers and the values of data in memory.



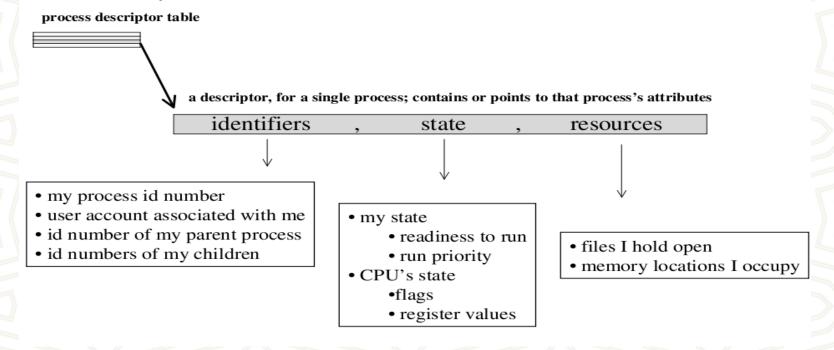
# **Process Handling**

- Constituents of a process
  - Its code
  - Data
    - its own
    - OS's data used by/for process
  - Various attributes OS needs to manage it

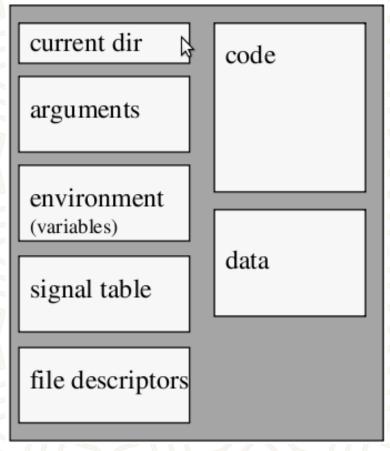


## Process Handling

- OS keeps track of all processes
  - Process table/array/list
  - Elements are process descriptors (aka control blocks)
  - Descriptors reference code & data



# Single process in Unix (consolidated view)



- Some important properties
  - code
  - data
  - current directory
  - argument list
  - environment list
  - responses to signals
  - list of open files



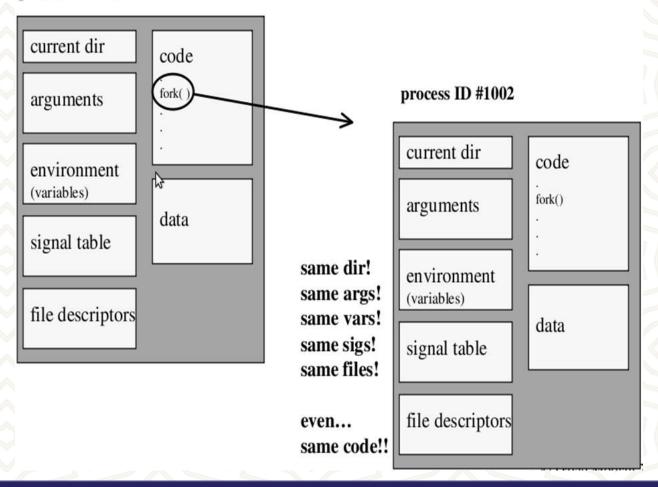
### **Process Creation**

- OS perspective
  - find empty slot in process table
  - write a process descriptor and
  - put it there
  - read in program code from disk
- User perspective
  - System calls
    - fork(), exec()



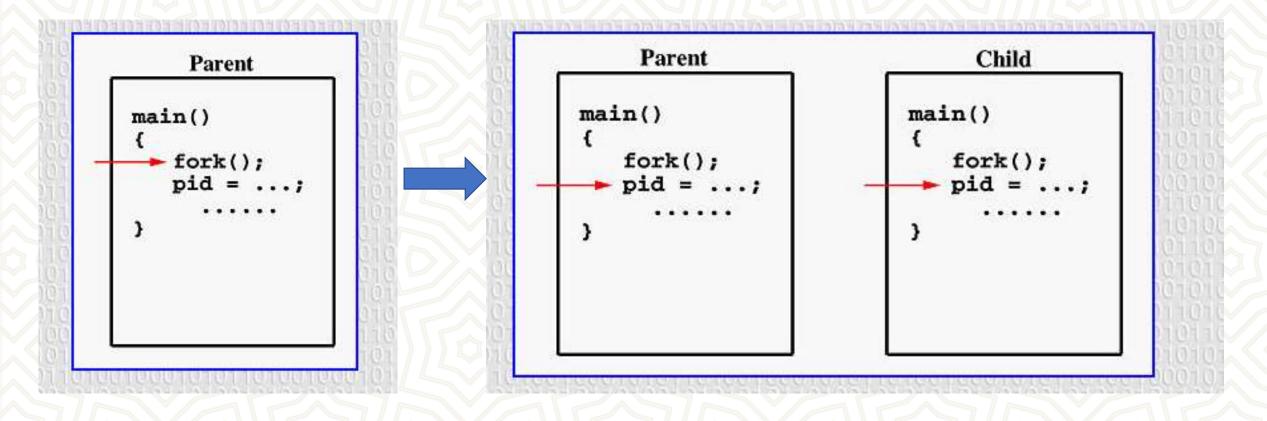
# fork() system call

process ID #1001





# fork() system call



# A Simple fork() Example

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main ( void ) {
    printf("Message before fork\n");
    fork();
    printf("Message after fork\n");
    return 0;
}
```

• Ex\_1\_fork1.c

- a simple fork example
- Message after fork is printed twice!!

```
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lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ ./Fork1

Message before fork

Message after fork

lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ Message after fork

lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$
```

### Self Identification

```
1#include <stdio.h>
2#include <unistd.h>
4int main (void) {
        int forkResult;
         printf("process id: %i - parent process id: %i\n",getpid(),getppid());
         forkResult = fork();
         printf("process id: %i - result : %d - parent process id:
 %i\n",getpid(),forkResult,getppid());
        return 0;
```

#### Ex\_2\_fork2.c

- for the parent process fork returns child's pid
- for the child process fork returns 0

```
process id: 2703 - parent process id: 2512
process id: 2703 - result : 2704 - parent process id: 2512
process id: 2704 - result : 0 - parent process id: 2703
```



- identical? not what we had in mind!
- more useful if child does different stuff
- can we give it different behaviour?
  - in the form of source code
  - in the form of an existing binary executable
    - exec() family of functions



```
Parent
                                           Child
                                  main()
main()
           pid = 3456
                                               pid = 0
                                   pid=fork();
 pid=fork();
                                     if (pid == 0)
   if (pid == 0)
                                        ChildProcess();
      ChildProcess();
                                     else
   else
                                        ParentProcess();
      ParentProcess();
                                  void ChildProcess()
void ChildProcess()
   . . . . .
                                  void ParentProcess()
void ParentProcess()
   . . . . .
                                     . . . . .
```

```
Child
        Parent
           pid = 3456
main()
                                  main()
                                               pid = 0
   pid=fork();
                                    pid=fork();
   if (pid == 0)
                                     if (pid == 0)
      ChildProcess();
                                        ChildProcess();
   else
                                     else
      ParentProcess();
                                        ParentProcess();
void ChildProcess()
                                 void ChildProcess()
void ParentProcess()
                                 void ParentProcess()
   . . . . .
                                     . . . . .
```

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Parent
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    pid=fork();
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       ChildProcess();
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                                      else
       ParentProcess();
                                         ParentProcess();
 void ChildProcess()
                                 void ChildProcess()
void ParentProcess()
                                  void ParentProcess()
    . . . . .
                                      . . . . .
```

# Process Differentiation by source code

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main ( void ) {

    printf("(%i) Parent does something...\n", getpid());

    if(fork()) { // Parent
        printf("(%i) Parent do completely different stuff\n",getpid());
    } else { // Child
        printf("(%i) Child can do some stuff\n",getpid());
    }

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    exit(0);
}
```

(2767) Parent does something...

(2767) Parent do completely different stuff

lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads\$ (2768) Child can do some stuff

• Ex\_3\_fork3.c



## Fork Practice Question

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main()
    if (fork()) {
        if (!fork()) {
            fork();
            printf("1 ");
        else {
            printf("2 ");
    else {
        printf("3 ");
    printf("4 ");
    return 0;
```

Ex\_4\_fork4.c

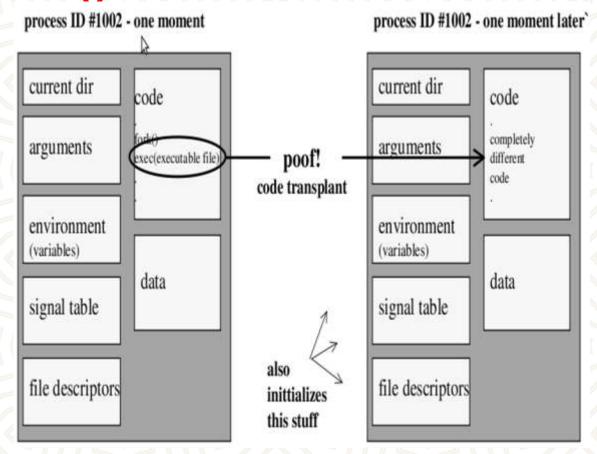


# Output





# Process Differentiation by exec() function





# Process Differentiation by exec() function

#### exec() family of functions

- int execl (const char \*pathname, const char \*arg0, ...);
- int execv (const char \*pathname, char \*const argv[]);
- int execle (const char \*pathname, const char \*arg0, ..., 0, char \*const envp[]);
- int execlp (const char \*filename, const char \*arg0, ... );
- int execvp (const char \*filename, char \*const argv[]);
- int execve (const char \*pathname, char \*const argv[], char \*const envp[]);



# A Simple exec() Example

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main ( void ) {
        printf("Parent does stuff and then calls fork...\n");
        if(fork()) { // Parent
                printf("... parent do something completely different\n");
        } else {
                     // Child
                printf("Child runs an executable...\n");
                execl("/bin/ls", "/bin/ls", "-l", "/etc/apache2/conf.d/", NULL);
                              lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ ./Exec
        exit(0);
```

Ex\_5\_exec.c

Parent does stuff and then calls fork... ... parent do something completely different lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads\$ Child runs an executable... /bin/ls: cannot access /etc/apache2/conf.d/: No such file or directory



### **Process Termination**

- void exit (int status);
  - exits a process
  - normally return with status 0
- int atexit (void (\*function)(void));
  - registers function to be executed on exit
- int wait (int \*child\_status)
  - suspends current process until one of its children terminates



# exit() vs return

#### return

• is an instruction of the language that returns from a function call.

#### exit

• is a system call (not a language statement) that terminates the current process.



## atexit() example

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
void parentCleaner ( void );
int main ( void ) {
       if(fork()) { // parent process
                atexit(parentCleaner);
                printf("this is parent %i\n",getpid());
                    // child process
        } else {
                printf("this is child %i\n",getpid());
        exit(0);
void parentCleaner ( void ) {
        printf("cleaning up parent...\n");
```

```
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lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ ./Exit1

this is parent 3262

cleaning up parent...

lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ this is child 3263
```

 registers a function to clean up resource at process termination

Ex\_6\_atexit.c



### Zombie Process

- When process terminates, still consumes system resources
  - Various tables maintained by OS
  - Called a zombie; living corpse, half alive, half dead

#### Reaping

- Performed by parent on terminated child
- Parent is given exit status information
- Kernel discards process
- What if parent does not reap?
  - if any parent terminates without reaping a child, then child will be reaped by "init" process
  - so, only need explicit reaping in long-running processes



# Zombie example non-terminating parent

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main ( void ) {
       if(fork()) { // Parent
              printf("Running parent, pid : %i\n",getpid());
              while(1);
       } else { // Child
              printf("Terminating child, pid : %i\n", getpid());
              exit(0);
                                 lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ ps -ef | grep Zombie
                                                                         00:00:21 ./Zombie1
                                 lucid
                                           3380 2182 71 03:42 pts/0
       exit (0);
                                                                         00:00:00 [Zombie1] <defunct>
                                 lucid
                                           3381 3380 0 03:42 pts/0
                                 lucid
                                           3402 3382 0 03:43 pts/1
                                                                         00:00:00 grep --color=auto Zombie
                                 lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$
```

Ex\_8\_zombie1.c



# Zombie example non-terminating child

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main ( void ) {
       if(fork()) { // Parent
              printf("Running parent, pid : %i\n",getpid());
              exit(0);
       } else
                  // Child
              printf("Terminating child, pid : %i\n", getpid());
              while(1);
                     lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ ps -ef | grep Zombie
                                                               00:00:29 ./Zombie2
       exit (0);
                     lucid
                               3467
                                         1 77 03:45 pts/0
                               3473 3382 0 03:46 pts/1
                                                               00:00:00 grep --color=auto Zombie
                     lucid
                     lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$
```

Ex\_9\_zombie2.c



# Synchronizing with child

- int wait(int \*child\_status)
  - suspends current process until one of its children terminates
  - return value is the pid of the child process that terminated
  - If the child has already terminated, then wait returns its pid immediately
  - If child\_status != NULL, then the object it points to will be set to a status indicating why the child process terminated



## wait() Example

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>
#define numOfChilds 5
int main ( void ) {
        int i:
        int child status:
       pid t pid[numOfChilds];
       pid t wpid;
       for (i = 0; i < numOfChilds; i++) {
               if ((pid[i] = fork()) == 0) {
                        exit(100+i);
                                                // create & exit child
       for (i = 0; i < numOfChilds; i++) {
               wpid = wait(&child status);
                                              // wait for child
               if (WIFEXITED(child status)) { // check exit status
                        printf("Child %d terminated with exit status %d\n",
                                wpid, WEXITSTATUS(child status));
                } else {
                        printf("Child %d terminate abnormally\n", wpid);
       exit(0);
```

```
lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ ./Wait1
Child 3630 terminated with exit status 100
Child 3631 terminated with exit status 101
Child 3633 terminated with exit status 103
Child 3634 terminated with exit status 104
Child 3632 terminated with exit status 102
lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$
```

Ex\_10\_wait1.c



## wait() Example

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>
#define numOfChilds 5
int main ( void ) {
        int i:
        int child status;
        pid t pid[numOfChilds];
        pid t wpid;
        for (i = 0; i < numOfChilds; i++) {
                if ((pid[i] = fork()) == 0) {
                                                // create & exit child
                        exit(100+i);
        for (i = 0; i = numOfChilds+1: 1++) {
                wpid = wait(&cnitd status);
                                                // wait for child
                if (WIFEXITED(child status)) { // check exit status
                        printf("Child %d terminated with exit status %d\n",
                                wpid, WEXITSTATUS(child status));
                } else {
                        printf("Child %d terminate abnormally\n", wpid);
       exit(0);
```

```
lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$ ./Wait2
Child 3656 terminated with exit status 101
Child 3657 terminated with exit status 102
Child 3658 terminated with exit status 103
Child 3659 terminated with exit status 104
Child 3655 terminated with exit status 100
Child -1 terminated with exit status 100
lucid@ubuntu:~/Downloads$
```

Ex\_11\_wait2.c



### kill() Example

```
2 #include <stdlib.h>
3#include <unistd.h>
4 #include <signal.h>
5#include <sys/types.h>
7 void childProcess() {
      printf("Child process (PID: %d) is running.\n", getpid());
      sleep(2); // Child process 2 saniye uyusun
      printf("Child process (PID: %d) has finished.\n", getpid());
13 int main()
      pid t childPid;
      // Child process olustur
      if ((childPid = fork()) == 0) {
          // Child process
          childProcess();
      } else if (childPid > 0) {
         // Parent process
          printf("Parent process (PID: %d) created child process (PID: %d).\n", getpid(), childPid);
          // Parent, child process'i öldür
          sleep(2); // Ölmeden önce biraz bekleyelim
          if (kill(childPid, SIGTERM) == 0) {
              printf("Parent process killed child process (PID: %d).\n", childPid);
          } else {
              perror("kill");
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      } else {
          perror("fork");
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          exit(1);
      return 0;
```

```
Parent process (PID: 5033) created child process (PID: 5034).
Child process (PID: 5034) is running.
Child process (PID: 5034) has finished.
Parent process killed child process (PID: 5034).
```

Ex\_12\_kill.c



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