

Worksheet - Signal

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 * Notes: No error handling!
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Linux Signals are:

Signal Name	Number	Description
SIGHUP	1	Hangup (POSIX)
SIGINT	2	Terminal interrupt (ANSI)
SIGQUIT	3	Terminal quit (POSIX)
SIGILL	4	Illegal instruction (ANSI)
SIGTRAP	5	Trace trap (POSIX)
SIGIOT	6	IOT Trap (4.2 BSD)
SIGBUS	7	BUS error (4.2 BSD)
SIGFPE	8	Floating point exception (ANSI)
SIGKILL	9	Kill(can't be caught or ignored) (POSIX)
SIGUSR1	10	User defined signal 1 (POSIX)
SIGSEGV	11	Invalid memory segment access (ANSI)
SIGUSR2	12	User defined signal 2 (POSIX)
SIGPIPE	13	Write on a pipe with no reader, Broken pipe (POSIX)
SIGALRM	14	Alarm clock (POSIX)
SIGTERM	15	Termination (ANSI)
SIGSTKFLT	16	Stack fault
SIGCHLD	17	Child process has stopped or exited, changed (POSIX)
SIGCONT	18	Continue executing, if stopped (POSIX)
SIGSTOP	19	Stop executing(can't be caught or ignored) (POSIX)
SIGTSTP	20	Terminal stop signal (POSIX)
SIGTTIN	21	Background process trying to read, from TTY (POSIX)
SIGTTOU	22	Background process trying to write, to TTY (POSIX)
SIGURG	23	Urgent condition on socket (4.2 BSD)
SIGXCPU	24	CPU limit exceeded (4.2 BSD)
SIGXFSZ	25	File size limit exceeded (4.2 BSD)
SIGVTALRM	26	Virtual alarm clock (4.2 BSD)
SIGPROF	27	Profiling alarm clock (4.2 BSD)
SIGWINCH	28	Window size change (4.3 BSD, Sun)
SIGIO	29	I/O now possible (4.2 BSD)
SIGPWR	30	Power failure restart (System V)

Signals are a way of sending simple messages to processes.
Most of these messages are already defined and can be found in <linux/signal.h>.

Signal is a notification sent to a process to notify it of some event.
Signal has an integer number that represents it, and symbolic name.

Example:

signal **SIGALRM** (numeral value is 14), caused (also) by alarm clock.

Tip: you can get a list with all available signals using `$kill -l` shell command (they will appear without the prefix SIG).

What can user **do** to send a signal to a process via command prompt (shell)?

- use CTRL+C to send an **SIGINT** signal to the running process
- use CTRL+Z to send a **SIGTSTP** signal to the running process, etc.

In order to catch a signal, we should build a special function that will be executed when a signal arrives.

Such a function is called a signal handler.

Example:

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void catch_alarm (int sig_num) {
    printf ( "Operation time out. Exiting. \n");
}

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    exit (0);
}
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How would the operating system know that there is a specific signal handler handles a specific signal?
We should connect them, using signal() C library function:

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    signal (SIGALRM, catch_alarm_&_setitimer);
// Catch the SIGINT signal
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#include<stdio.h>
#include<signal.h>
#include<unistd.h>
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void sig_handler(int signo)
{
    if (signo == SIGINT)
        printf("OUCH! - I got signal\n");
}
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int main(void)
{
    if (signal(SIGINT, sig_handler) == SIG_ERR)
        printf("\ncan't catch SIGINT\n");

    while(1)
    {
        printf("Hi \n");
        sleep(1);
    }
    return 0;
}
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A function sig_handler is used as a signal handler.
This function is registered to the kernel by passing it as the second argument of the system call 'signal' in the main() function.
The first argument to the function 'signal' is the signal we intend the signal handler to handle which is SIGINT in this case.

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// You can not catch SIGKILL (9) and SIGSTOP (19) signals.
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```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<signal.h>
#include<unistd.h>
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void sig_handler(int signo)
{
    if (signo == SIGINT)
        printf("I can catch you :) \n");
    else if (signo == SIGKILL)
        printf("received SIGKILL\n");
    else if (signo == SIGSTOP)
        printf("received SIGSTOP\n");
}
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int main(void)
{
    if (signal(SIGINT, sig_handler) == SIG_ERR)
        printf("\ncan't catch SIGKILL\n");
    if (signal(SIGKILL, sig_handler) == SIG_ERR)
        printf("\ncan't catch SIGKILL\n");
    if (signal(SIGSTOP, sig_handler) == SIG_ERR)
        printf("\ncan't catch SIGSTOP\n");
    // A long long wait so that we can easily issue a signal to this process
    while(1)
        sleep(1);
    return 0;
}
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- run your code
- press ctrl+c (you can catch this signal)
- open another terminal
- run this command: ps -axu
- find above PID
- kill the process by:
kill -9 {PID}
or STOP it by
kill -19 {PID}

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Trap Command
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trap defines and activates handlers to be run when the shell receives signals or other special conditions.

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- trap 'cal' 2
now press ctrl + c

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- trap
Display a list of the currently-set signal traps.

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trap -l
Display a list of signal names and their corresponding numbers.

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- trap '' 2
If the command listed for trap is null, the specified signal will be ignored when received.

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- trap 2
it comes back to the default action

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//This is for next tutorial. using signals by threads
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#include <sys/types.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <signal.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>

static int alarm_fired = 0;
void ding(int sig)
{
    alarm_fired = 1;
}

int main ()
{
    pid_t pid;
    printf("alarm application starting \n");

    pid = fork();
    switch(pid){
        case -1:
            /*Failure*/
            perror("fork failed");
            exit(1);
        case 0:
            /*child*/
            sleep(5);
            kill(getppid(), SIGALRM);
            exit(0);
    }
    /*if we get here we are the parent process*/
    printf("waiting for alarm to go off \n");
    (void) signal(SIGALRM, ding);

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    pause();
    if(alarm_fired) printf("Ding! \n");

    printf("done\n");
    exit(0);
}
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// Search in big array by using thread

#include <iostream>
#include <pthread.h>
#include <cstdlib>
using namespace std;

// Max size of array
#define max 100000000

// Max number of threads to create
#define thread_max 4

long a[max];
long key = 99999990;

// Flag to indicate if key is found in a[] or not.
long f = -1;

int current_thread = 0;

// Linear search function which will run for all the threads
void* ThreadSearch(void* args)
{
    int num = current_thread++;

    for (long i = num * (max / thread_max);
        i < ((num + 1) * (max / thread_max)); i++)
    {
        if (a[i] == key)
            f = i;
    }
}

int main()
{
    for (long j=0; j<max; j++)
        a[j] = j;

    pthread_t thread[thread_max];

    for (int i = 0; i < thread_max; i++) {
        pthread_create(&thread[i], NULL, ThreadSearch, (void*)NULL);
    }

    for (int i = 0; i < thread_max; i++) {
        pthread_join(thread[i], NULL);
    }

    if (f == -1)
        cout << "Key not present" << endl;
    else
        cout << "Key element found in index " << f << endl;
    return 0;
}

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