

SCR2043 OPERATING SYSTEMS

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This lab assessment is designed to test your understanding and skills on some basic concepts and tools related to process monitoring and management in operating system. Please follow the instructions carefully and submit your answers in this word document and rename the file as **os-lab-assessment02-studentname-matricno.docx**.

Essential Steps Before Starting Lab Assessment 2:

1. Download necessary source codes:

Use the `wget` command to retrieve the following source code files to your Linux (or WSL or MacOS) environment:

```
wget -O mainprocess.c https://rebrand.ly/mainprocess_c  
wget -O subprocess1.c https://rebrand.ly/subprocess1_c  
wget -O subprocess2.c https://rebrand.ly/subprocess2_c
```

2. Compile the source files:

Use the `gcc` compiler to create executable files from the source code.

```
gcc mainprocess.c -o mainprocess  
gcc subprocess1.c -o subprocess1  
gcc subprocess2.c -o subprocess2
```

3. Execute the dummy processes:

Run all the dummy processes

```
./mainprocess &
```

Press **enter** two times.

4. The dummy processes are running for 2 hours. If you took longer than 2 hours on questions 1-9, please restart the main process with `./mainprocess &`.

Lab Assessment 2 : Linux Process Monitoring and Management

Instructions:

- 1. Carefully execute each command as instructed in the questions.
- 2. Write down the exact command used for each task.
- 3. Capture a screenshot of the command's output.

Question 1

Use the `ps` command with the appropriate option to display a complete list of all running processes within the Linux operating system.

Command	
<code>ps -e</code>	
Output	
<pre>982 tty1 00:00:00 mainprocess 983 tty1 00:00:00 mainprocess 984 tty1 00:00:00 mainprocess 985 tty1 00:00:00 subprocess1 986 tty1 00:00:00 subprocess1 987 tty1 00:00:00 subprocess2 988 tty1 00:00:00 subprocess2 989 tty1 00:00:00 subprocess2 990 tty1 00:00:00 ps cjl@secr2043:~\$</pre>	

Question 2

Employ the `ps` command with necessary options to unveil comprehensive details about each running process.

Command	
<code>ps -ef grep -E 'mainprocess subprocess'</code>	
Output	
<pre>cjl@secr2043:~\$ ps -ef grep -E 'mainprocess subprocess' cjl 982 931 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./mainprocess cjl 983 982 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./mainprocess cjl 984 982 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./mainprocess cjl 985 983 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./subprocess1 cjl 986 983 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./subprocess1 cjl 987 984 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./subprocess2 cjl 988 984 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./subprocess2 cjl 989 984 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./subprocess2 cjl 995 931 0 14:55 tty1 00:00:00 grep --color=auto -E mainprocess subprocess cjl@secr2043:~\$</pre>	

Question 3

Use the `ps` command with some tools to only list processes named "subprocess" and show some info about them.

Command
<code>ps -ef grep -E 'subprocess'</code>
Output
<pre>cjl@secr2043:~\$ ps -ef grep -E 'subprocess' cjl 985 983 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./subprocess1 cjl 986 983 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./subprocess1 cjl 987 984 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./subprocess2 cjl 988 984 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./subprocess2 cjl 989 984 0 14:54 tty1 00:00:00 ./subprocess2 cjl 1001 931 0 14:57 tty1 00:00:00 grep --color=auto -E subprocess cjl@secr2043:~\$</pre>

Question 4

Execute the `ps` command, specifying options that reveal only the following columns:

- Process ID (pid)
- Owner of the process (user)
- CPU percentage (pcpu)
- Memory percentage (pmem)
- Command (cmd)

Command
<code>ps -eo pid,user,pcpu,pmem,cmd grep -E 'subprocess'</code>
Output
<pre>cjl@secr2043:~\$ ps -eo pid,user,pcpu,pmem,cmd grep -E 'subprocess' 985 cjl 0.0 0.1 ./subprocess1 986 cjl 0.0 0.1 ./subprocess1 987 cjl 0.0 0.1 ./subprocess2 988 cjl 0.0 0.1 ./subprocess2 989 cjl 0.0 0.1 ./subprocess2 1003 cjl 0.0 0.2 grep --color=auto -E subprocess cjl@secr2043:~\$</pre>

Question 5

Building on the `ps` command used in Question 4, can you add an option to sort the listed processes by their memory usage (pmem)?

Command
<code>ps -eo pid,user,pcpu,pmem,cmd --sort=pmem grep -E 'subprocess'</code>
Output

```
cjl@secr2043:~$ ps -eo pid,user,pcpu,pmem,cmd --sort=pmem | grep -E 'subprocess'
 985 cjl      0.0  0.1  ./subprocess1
 986 cjl      0.0  0.1  ./subprocess1
 987 cjl      0.0  0.1  ./subprocess2
 988 cjl      0.0  0.1  ./subprocess2
 989 cjl      0.0  0.1  ./subprocess2
1005 cjl      0.0  0.2  grep --color=auto -E subprocess
cjl@secr2043:~$
```

Question 6

Construct a command using `ps`, suitable options, and any additional tools to visualize the hierarchical structure (tree-like) of the following processes:

- "mainprocess"
- "subprocess1"
- "subprocess2"

Command
<code>ps --forest -C mainprocess -C subprocess1 -C subprocess2</code>
Output
<pre>cjl@secr2043:~\$ ps --forest -C mainprocess -C subprocess1 -C subprocess2 PID TTY TIME CMD 982 tty1 00:00:00 mainprocess 983 tty1 00:00:00 _ mainprocess 985 tty1 00:00:00 _ subprocess1 986 tty1 00:00:00 _ subprocess1 984 tty1 00:00:00 _ mainprocess 987 tty1 00:00:00 _ subprocess2 988 tty1 00:00:00 _ subprocess2 989 tty1 00:00:00 _ subprocess2 cjl@secr2043:~\$</pre>

Question 7

Use `pstree` command with option that show the number of threads to each process.

Command
<code>pstree -c -s 982</code>
Output
<pre>cjl@secr2043:~\$ pstree -c -s 982 systemd--login--bash--mainprocess--mainprocess--subprocess1 --subprocess1 --mainprocess--subprocess2 --subprocess2 --subprocess2 cjl@secr2043:~\$</pre>

Question 8

Use `renice` command to change priority level of one of process “subprocess1”.

Command
<code>sudo renice -5 985</code>
Output
<pre>cjl@secr2043:~\$ sudo renice -5 985 [sudo] password for cjl: 985 (process ID) old priority 0, new priority -5 cjl@secr2043:~\$</pre>

Question 9

Terminate all running processes with the name “mainprocess”.

Command
<code>killall -15 mainprocess</code>
Output
<pre>cjl@secr2043:~\$ killall -15 mainprocess Main process (ID: 982) received signal: 15. Terminating... Main process (ID: 983) received signal: 15. Terminating... Main process (ID: 984) received signal: 15. Terminating... [1]+ Done ./mainprocess cjl@secr2043:~\$</pre>

Question 10

Write a short C or Python code (choose only one language) demonstrating multiprocessing with `fork()` and `wait()`. Compile and/or run the code. Show the output.

Source Code:

```
nano example1.c
gcc example1.c -o example1
./example1
```

example1.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>

int main() {
    pid_t pid = fork(); // Create a new process

    if (pid == 0) {
        // Child process block
        printf("Child process: PID = %d\n", getpid());
        sleep(2); // Simulate some work
        printf("Child process completed.\n");
    } else if (pid > 0) {
        // Parent process block
        printf("Parent process: PID = %d, waiting for child...\n", getpid());
        wait(NULL); // Wait for child to finish
        printf("Parent process: Child has finished.\n");
    } else {
        // fork() failed
        perror("fork failed");
        return 1;
    }

    return 0;
}
```

Output:

```
GNU nano 7.2 example1.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>

int main() {
    pid_t pid = fork();

    if (pid == 0) {
        // Child process block
        printf("Child process: PID = %d\n", getpid());
        sleep(2); // Simulate some work
        printf("Child process completed.\n");
    } else if (pid > 0) {
        // Parent process block
        printf("Parent process: PID = %d, waiting for child...\n", getpid());
        wait(NULL);
        printf("Parent process: Child has finished.\n");
    } else {
        // fork() failed
        perror("fork failed");
        return 1;
    }

    return 0;
}
```

```
cjl@secr2043:~$ gcc example1.c -o example1
cjl@secr2043:~$ ./example1
```

```
Parent process: PID = 1129, waiting for child...
Child process: PID = 1130
Child process completed.
Parent process: Child has finished.
cjl@secr2043:~$
```