

---

# Interprocess Communication

## Operating Systems

---

School of Data & Computer Science  
Sun Yat-sen University

Lecture Notes: [os\\_sysu@163.com](mailto:os_sysu@163.com)  
Instructor: Guoyang Cai  
email: [isscgymail@mail.sysu.edu.cn](mailto:isscgymail@mail.sysu.edu.cn)





## ■ Contents

- Overview
- Shared-memory Systems
- Message-passing Systems
- Pipes
- Communications in Client-Server Systems
  - Sockets
  - Remote Procedure Calls

## ■ Independent Processes and Cooperating Processes

- Processes executing concurrently in the operating system may be either independent processes (独立进程) or cooperating processes (合作进程).
- A process is *independent* if it cannot affect or be affected by other processes executing in the system.
  - Any process that does not share data with any other process is independent.
- A process is *cooperating* if it can affect or be affected by other processes executing in the system.
  - Any process that shares data with other processes is a cooperating process.

## ■ Independent Processes and Cooperating Processes

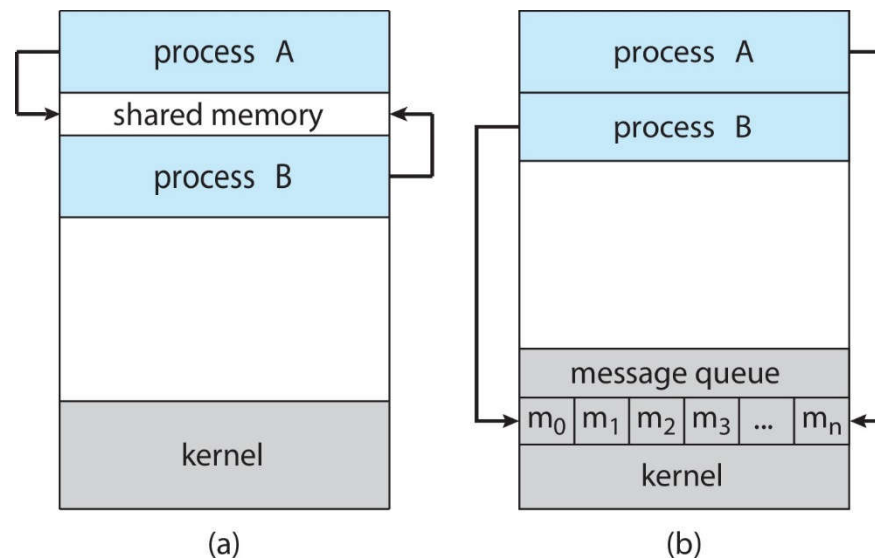
- Reasons for providing process cooperation:
  - Information sharing
    - concurrent access to information by several applications
  - Computation speedup
    - For a computer with multiple processing cores, breaking a particular task into subtasks and executing in parallel may speed up the computation.
  - Modularity
    - construct the system in a modular fashion, dividing the system functions into separate processes or threads
  - Convenience
    - Even an individual user may work on many tasks at the same time. For instance, a user may be editing, listening to music, and compiling in parallel.
- We will discuss cooperating processes and their synchronization in detail later (Lecture14 - Lecture19).

## ■ Interprocess Communication

- Cooperating processes require an *Interprocess Communication* (IPC) mechanism that will allow them to exchange data and information.
  - If two processes **P** and **Q** wish to communicate, they need to:
    - establish *communication link* between them
    - exchange *messages* via send/receive
  - Implementation of communication link:
    - physical link (e.g., shared memory, hardware bus)
    - logical link (e.g., logical properties)
  - Implementation questions:
    - How are links established?
    - Can a link be associated with more than two processes?
    - How many links can there be between every pair of communicating processes?
    - What is the capacity of a link?
    - Is the size of a message that the link can accommodate fixed or variable?
    - Is a link unidirectional or bi-directional?

## ■ Interprocess Communication

- There are two fundamental models of IPC.
  - *Shared Memory / Memory Sharing*
    - A region of memory, shared by cooperating processes, is established. Processes can then exchange information by reading and writing data to the shared region.
    - System calls are required only to establish shared-memory regions. Once shared memory is established, all accesses are treated as routine memory accesses, and no assistance from the kernel is required.



## ■ Interprocess Communication

- There are two fundamental models of IPC

- *Message Passing*

- Communication takes place by means of messages exchanged between cooperating processes.
    - useful for exchanging smaller amounts of data
    - easier to implement in a distributed system than shared memory
    - typically implemented using system calls and thus require the more time-consuming task of kernel intervention
    - better performance on multicore systems
      - the prefer mechanism for IPC on such systems

## ■ Shared-memory Systems

- Typically, a shared-memory region resides in the address space of the process creating the shared-memory segment.
- Other processes that wish to communicate using this shared-memory segment must attach it to their address space and then exchange information by reading and writing data in the shared areas.
- The location and the form of the data are determined by these processes and are not under the operating system's control.
- The processes are also responsible for ensuring that they are not writing to the same location simultaneously.
  - They must keep *mutual exclusion* (Lecture14 - Lecture19).



## ■ Producer-Consumer Problem with Shared-memory

- The producer–consumer problem is a common paradigm for cooperating processes.
  - A *producer* process produces information that is consumed by a *consumer* process.
  - A FIFO *buffer* shared by these two processes is designed to be filled by the producer and emptied by the consumer.
- The producer and consumer are running *concurrently* and must be synchronized, so that the consumer does not try to consume an item that has not yet been produced.
- Two types of buffers can be used.
  - *unbounded buffer*
    - with no practical limit on the size of the buffer
    - The consumer has to wait if the buffer is empty; the producer can always produce new items.
  - *bounded buffer*
    - with a fixed buffer size
    - The consumer must wait if the buffer is empty; the producer must wait if the buffer is full.

## ■ Producer-Consumer Problem with Shared-memory

### ■ Shared data

```
#define BUFFER_SIZE 10

typedef struct {
    ... ..    /* item structure */
} item;

item buffer[BUFFER_SIZE];
int in = 0;
int out = 0;
```

- The shared buffer is implemented as a *circular array* with two logical pointers: *in* and *out*.
  - The variable *in* points to the next free position in the buffer; *out* points to the first full position in the buffer.
  - The buffer is empty when *in* is equal to *out*;
  - The buffer is full when  $((in + 1) \% BUFFER\_SIZE)$  is equal to *out*.
  - This scheme allows at most  $BUFFER\_SIZE - 1$  items in the buffer at the same time.

## ■ Producer-Consumer Problem with Shared-memory

### ■ Producer:

```
item next_produced;
while (true) {
    ... ...    /* produce an item saved in next_produced */
    while (((in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE) == out)
        ;    /* buffer full, do nothing */
    buffer[in] = next_produced;
    in = (in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;
}
```

### ■ Consumer:

```
item next_consumed;
while (true) {
    while (in == out)
        ;    /* buffer empty, do nothing */
    next_consumed = buffer[out];
    out = (out + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;
    /* consume the item in next_consumed */
}
```

## ■ Linux: Shared Memory

### ■ Linux IPCs Limits

- The kernel level limits can be redefined in /etc/sysctl.conf

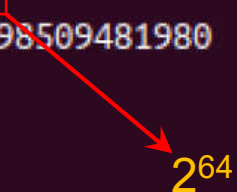
```
iisscgy@ubuntu:/mnt/hgfs/VM-Shared/OS-test$ ipcs -l

----- Messages Limits -----
max queues system wide = 32000
max size of message (bytes) = 8192
default max size of queue (bytes) = 16384

----- Shared Memory Limits -----
max number of segments = 4096
max seg size (kbytes) = 18014398509465599
max total shared memory (kbytes) = 18014398509481980
min seg size (bytes) = 1

----- Semaphore Limits -----
max number of arrays = 32000
max semaphores per array = 32000
max semaphores system wide = 1024000000
max ops per semop call = 500
semaphore max value = 32767

iisscgy@ubuntu:/mnt/hgfs/VM-Shared/OS-test$
```



## ■ Linux: Shared Memory

### ■ Key ID

```
#include <sys/shm.h>
key_t ftok(const char *pathname, int id);
/* key_t is of type int. ftok() convert a pathname and a project
identifier to an IPC key */
```

```
key_t key = ftok("/home/myshm", 0x27);
if((key == -1) {
    perror("ftok()");
} else
    printf("key = 0x%x\n", key);
```

### ■ Create

```
int shmget(key_t key, int size, int shmflg);
/* shmget() allocates a shared memory segment */
/* upper bound of size: 1.9G */

int shmid = shmget(IPC_PRIVATE, 4096, IPC_CREATE|IPC_EXCL|0660);
if(shmid == -1) {
    perror("shmget()");
}
```



### ■ Linux: Shared Memory

#### ■ Attach

```
void *shmat(int shmid, const void *shmaddr, int shmflg);  
  
void *shmptr = shmat(shmid, 0, 0);  
/* shmaddr=0: attaching address is decided by kernel */  
if(shmptr == (void *)(-1))  
    perror("shmat()");
```

#### ■ Detach

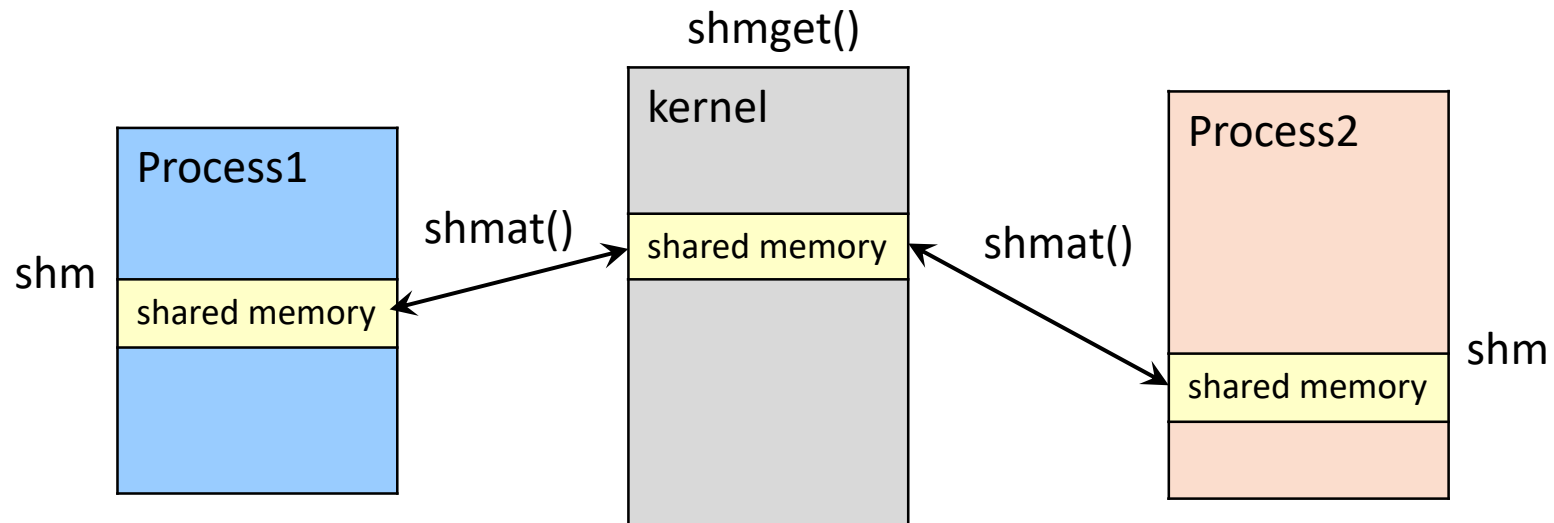
```
int shmdt(const void *shmaddr);  
  
if(shmdt(shmptr) == -1)  
    perror("shmdt()");
```

## Linux: Shared Memory

### Release

```
int shmctl(int shmid,int cmd,struct shmid_ds *buf);
```

```
if (shmctl(shmid, IPC_RMID, 0) == -1)  
    perror("shmctl()");
```



## ■ Linux: Shared Memory

- Single-writer-single-reader problem illustrating shared-memory

- Algorithm 8-0: shmdata.h

```
#define TEXT_SIZE 4*1024 /* = PAGE_SIZE, size of each message */
#define TEXT_NUM 1      /* maximal number of messages */
/* total size can not exceed current shmmax,
   or an 'invalid argument' error occurs when shmget */

#define PERM S_IRUSR|S_IWUSR|IPC_CREAT

#define ERR_EXIT(m) \
    do { \
        perror(m); \
        exit(EXIT_FAILURE); \
    } while(0)

/* a demo structure, modified as needed */
struct shared_struct {
    int written; /* flag = 0: buffer writable; others: readable */
    char mtext[TEXT_SIZE]; /* buffer for message reading and writing */
};
```



## ■ Linux: Shared Memory

### ■ Single-writer-single-reader problem illustrating shared-memory

#### ■ Algorithm 8-1: shmcon.c (1)

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    struct stat fileattr;
    key_t key; /* of type int */
    int shmid; /* shared memory ID */
    void *shmptr;
    struct shared_struct *shared; /* structured shm */
    pid_t childpid1, childpid2;
    char pathname[80], key_str[10], cmd_str[80];
    int shmsize, ret;

    shmsize = TEXT_NUM*sizeof(struct shared_struct);
    printf("max record number = %d, shm size = %d\n", TEXT_NUM, shmsize);

    if(argc <2) {
        printf("Usage: ./a.out pathname\n");
        return EXIT_FAILURE;
    }
    strcpy(pathname, argv[1]);
    if(stat(pathname, &fileattr) == -1) {
        ret = creat(pathname, 0_RDWR);
        if (ret == -1) {
            ERR_EXIT("creat()");
        }
        printf("shared file object created\n");
    }
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include "alg.8-0-shmdata.h"
```

## ■ Linux: Shared Memory

### ■ Single-writer-single-reader problem illustrating shared-memory

#### ■ Algorithm 8-1: shmcon.c (2)

```
key = ftok(pathname, 0x27); /* 0x27 a pro_id 0x0001 - 0xffff, 8 least bits used */
if(key == -1) {
    ERR_EXIT("shmcon: ftok()");
}
printf("key generated: IPC key = %x\n", key); /* can set any key>0 without ftok()*/

shmidx = shmget((key_t)key, shmsize, 0666|PERM);
if(shmidx == -1) {
    ERR_EXIT("shmcon: shmget()");
}
printf("shmcon: shmidx = %d\n", shmidx);

shmptr = shmat(shmidx, 0, 0); /* returns the virtual base address mapping to the
shared memory, *shmaddr=0 decided by kernel */

if(shmptr == (void *)-1) {
    ERR_EXIT("shmcon: shmat()");
}
printf("shmcon: shared Memory attached at %p\n", shmptr);

shared = (struct shared_struct *)shmptr;
shared->written = 0;

sprintf(cmd_str, "ipcs -m | grep '%d'\n", shmidx);
printf("\n----- Shared Memory Segments ----- \n");
system(cmd_str);
```

## ■ Linux: Shared Memory

### ■ Single-writer-single-reader problem illustrating shared-memory

#### ■ Algorithm 8-1: shmcon.c (3)

```
if(shmdt(shmptr) == -1) {
    ERR_EXIT("shmcon: shmdt()");
}

printf("\n----- Shared Memory Segments ----- \n");
system(cmd_str);

sprintf(key_str, "%x", key);
char *argv1[] = {" ", key_str, 0};

childpid1 = vfork();
if(childpid1 < 0) {
    ERR_EXIT("shmcon: 1st vfork()");
}
else if(childpid1 == 0) {
    execv("./alg.8-2-shmread.o", argv1); /* call shm_read with IPC key */
}
else {
    childpid2 = vfork();
    if(childpid2 < 0) {
        ERR_EXIT("shmcon: 2nd vfork()");
    }
    else if (childpid2 == 0) {
        execv("./alg.8-3-shmwrite.o", argv1); /* call shmwrite with IPC key */
    }
}
```

## ■ Linux: Shared Memory

- Single-writer-single-reader problem illustrating shared-memory

- Algorithm 8-1: shmcon.c (4)

```
    else {
        wait(&childpid1);
        wait(&childpid2);
        /* shmid can be removed by any process known the IPC key */
        if (shmctl(shmid, IPC_RMID, 0) == -1) {
            ERR_EXIT("shmcon: shmctl(IPC_RMID)");
        }
        else {
            printf("shmcon: shmid = %d removed \n", shmid);
            printf("\n----- Shared Memory Segments ----- \n");
            system(cmd_str);
            printf("nothing found ... \n");
            return EXIT_SUCCESS;
        }
    }
}
```

## ■ Linux: Shared Memory

### ■ Single-writer-single-reader problem illustrating shared-memory

#### ■ Algorithm 8-2: shmread.c (1)

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    void *shmptr = NULL;
    struct shared_struct *shared;
    int shmid;
    key_t key;

    sscanf(argv[1], "%x", &key);
    printf("%*sshmread: IPC key = %x\n", 30, " ", key);

    shmid = shmget((key_t)key, TEXT_NUM*sizeof(struct shared_struct), 0666|PERM);
    if (shmid == -1) {
        ERR_EXIT("shread: shmget()");
    }

    shmptr = shmat(shmid, 0, 0);
    if(shmptr == (void *)-1) {
        ERR_EXIT("shread: shmat()");
    }
    printf("%*sshmread: shmid = %d\n", 30, " ", shmid);
    printf("%*sshmread: shared memory attached at %p\n", 30, " ", shmptr);
    printf("%*sshmread process ready ...\n", 30, " ");

    shared = (struct shared_struct *)shmptr;
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include "alg.8-0-shmdata.h"
```

## ■ Linux: Shared Memory

- Single-writer-single-reader problem illustrating shared-memory

- Algorithm 8-2: shmread.c (2)

```
while (1) {
    while (shared->written == 0) {
        sleep(1); /* message not ready, waiting ... */
    }
    printf("%sYou wrote: %s\n", 30, " ", shared->mtext);
    shared->written = 0;
    if (strncmp(shared->mtext, "end", 3) == 0) {
        break;
    }
} /* it is not reliable to use shared->written for process synchronization */

if (shmdt(shmptr) == -1) {
    ERR_EXIT("shmread: shmdt()");
}

sleep(1);
exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
}
```

## ■ Linux: Shared Memory

### ■ Single-writer-single-reader problem illustrating shared-memory

#### ■ Algorithm 8-3: shmwrite.c (1)

```
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    void *shmptr = NULL;
    struct shared_struct *shared = NULL;
    int shmid;
    key_t key;

    char buffer[BUFSIZ + 1]; /* 8192bytes, saved from stdin */

    sscanf(argv[1], "%x", &key);
    printf("shmwrite: IPC key = %x\n", key);

    shmid = shmget((key_t)key, TEXT_NUM*sizeof(struct shared_struct), 0666|PERM);
    if (shmid == -1) {
        ERR_EXIT("shmwrite: shmget()");
    }

    shmptr = shmat(shmid, 0, 0);
    if (shmptr == (void *)-1) {
        ERR_EXIT("shmwrite: shmat()");
    }
    printf("shmwrite: shmid = %d\n", shmid);
    printf("shmwrite: shared memory attached at %p\n", shmptr);
    printf("shmwrite precess ready ...\n");

    shared = (struct shared_struct *)shmptr;
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include "alg.8-0-shmdata.h"
```

## ■ Linux: Shared Memory

### ■ Single-writer-single-reader problem illustrating shared-memory

#### ■ Algorithm 8-3: shmwrite.c (2)

```
while (1) {
    while (shared->written == 1) {
        sleep(1); /* message not read yet, waiting ... */
    }

    printf("Enter some text: ");
    fgets(buffer, BUFSIZ, stdin);
    strncpy(shared->mtext, buffer, TEXT_SIZE);
    printf("shared buffer: %s\n", shared->mtext);
    shared->written = 1; /* message prepared */

    if(strncmp(buffer, "end", 3) == 0) {
        break;
    }
}

/* detach the shared memory */
if(shmdt(shmptr) == -1) {
    ERR_EXIT("shmwrite: shmdt()");
}

sleep(1);
exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
}
```



```

isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc -o alg.8-2-shmread.o alg.8-2-shmread.c
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc -o alg.8-3-shmwrite.o alg.8-3-shmwrite.c
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc alg.8-1-shmcon.c
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ ./a.out
max record number = 1, shm size = 4100
key generated: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmcon: shmid = 32768
shmcon: shared Memory attached at 0x7fdf086c6000

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
0x27011c6c 32768      isscg      666          4100          1

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
0x27011c6c 32768      isscg      666          4100          0
shmread: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmread: shmid = 32768
shmread: shared memory attached at 0x7f4f1dfa3000
shmread process ready ...

shmwrite: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmwrite: shmid = 32768
shmwrite: shared memory attached at 0x7fcaca8ff000
shmwrite process ready ...
Enter some text: Hello World!
shared buffer: Hello World!

                                You wrote: Hello World!

Enter some text: end
shared buffer: end

                                You wrote: end

shmread: shmid = 32768 removed

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
nothing found ...
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$

```

```

isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc -o alg.8-2-shmread.o alg.8-2-shmread.c
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc -o alg.8-3-shmwrite.o alg.8-3-shmwrite.c
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc alg.8-1-shmcon.c
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ ./a.out
max record number = 1, shm size = 4100
key generated: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmcon: shmid = 32768
shmcon: shared Memory attached at 0x7fdf086c6000

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
0x27011c6c 32768      iscg      666      4100      1

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
0x27011c6c 32768      iscg      666      4100      0
shmread: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmread: shmid = 32768
shmread: shared memory attached at 0x7f4f1dfa3000
shmread process ready ...

shmwrite: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmwrite: shmid = 32768
shmwrite: shared memory attached at 0x7fcaca8ff000
shmwrite process ready ...
Enter some text: Hello World!
shared buffer: Hello World!

                                You wrote: Hello World!

Enter some text: end
shared buffer: end

                                You wrote: end

shmread: shmid = 32768 removed

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
nothing found ...
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$

```



```
iisscgy@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc -o alg.8-2-shmread.o alg.8-2-shmread.c
iisscgy@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc -o alg.8-3-shmwrite.o alg.8-3-shmwrite.c
iisscgy@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc alg.8-1-shmcon.c
iisscgy@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ ./a.out
max record number = 1, shm size = 4100
key generated: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmcon: shmid = 32768
shmcon: shared Memory attached at 0x7fdf086c6000

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
0x27011c6c 32768      iisscgy      666      4100      1

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
0x27011c6c 32768      iisscgy      666      4100      0
shmread: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmread: shmid = 32768
shmread: shared memory attached at 0x7f4f1dfa3000
shmread process ready ...

shmwrite: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmwrite: shmid = 32768
shmwrite: shared memory attached at 0x7fcaca8ff000
shmwrite process ready ...
Enter some text: Hello World!
shared buffer: Hello World!

                                You wrote: Hello World!

Enter some text: end
shared buffer: end

                                You wrote: end

shmread: shmid = 32768 removed

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
nothing found ...
iisscgy@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$
```

```
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc -o alg.8-2-shmread.o alg.8-2-shmread.c
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc -o alg.8-3-shmwrite.o alg.8-3-shmwrite.c
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc alg.8-1-shmcon.c
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ ./a.out
max record number = 1, shm size = 4100
key generated: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmcon: shmid = 32768
shmcon: shared Memory attached at 0x7fdf086c6000

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
0x27011c6c 32768      iscg      666      4100      1

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
0x27011c6c 32768      iscg      666      4100      0
shmread: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmread: shmid = 32768
shmread: shared memory attached at 0x7f4f1dfa3000
shmread process ready ...

shmwrite: IPC key = 27011c6c
shmwrite: shmid = 32768
shmwrite: shared memory attached at 0x7fcaca8ff000
shmwrite process ready ...
Enter some text: Hello World!
shared buffer: Hello World!

                        You wrote: Hello World!

Enter some text: end
shared buffer: end

                        You wrote: end

shmread: shmid = 32768 removed

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
nothing found ...
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$
```



### ■ POSIX Shared Memory

- Several IPC mechanisms are available for POSIX systems, including shared memory and message passing.
- POSIX shared memory is organized using *memory-mapped files*, which associate the region of shared memory with a file in `/dev/shm/`.
- For memory sharing, a process must first create a shared-memory object using the `shm_open()` system call:

```
int shm_open(const char *path, int flags, mode_t mode);
```

- Example.

```
fd = shm_open(name, O_CREAT|O_RDWR, 0666);
```

- *path*: the name of the shared-memory object. Processes that wish to access this shared memory must refer to the object by this name.
- *flags*: the shared-memory object is to be created if it does not yet exist (`O_CREAT`) and that the object is open for reading and writing (`O_RDWR`).
- *mode*: the file-access permissions of the shared-memory object.
- A successful call to `shm_open()` returns an integer *file descriptor* for the shared-memory object.

## ■ POSIX Shared Memory

- Once the object is established, the `ftruncate()` function is used to configure the size of the object in bytes.

```
int ftruncate(int fd, off_t length);
```

- E.g., the following call sets the size of the object to 4,096 bytes.

```
ftruncate(fd, 4096);
```

- Finally, the `mmap()` function establishes a memory-mapped file containing the shared-memory object. It also returns a pointer to the memory-mapped file that is used for accessing the shared-memory object.

```
void *mmap(void *addr, size_t len, int prot, int flags, int fd, off_t offset);
```

- The API is supported by Linux 2.4 and later, FreeBSD, ...

- **Compiling**

```
gcc -lrt filename.c
```

## ■ POSIX Shared Memory

- Producer-Consumer problem illustrating POSIX shared-memory API.

- Algorithm 8-4: shmpthreadcon.c (1)

```
/* gcc -lrt */
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    char pathname[80], cmd_str[80];
    struct stat fileattr;
    int fd, shmsize, ret;
    pid_t childpid1, childpid2;

    if(argc < 2) {
        printf("Usage: ./a.out filename\n");
        return EXIT_FAILURE;
    }

    fd = shm_open(argv[1], O_CREAT|O_RDWR, 0666);
    /* /dev/shm/filename as the shared object, creating if not exist */
    if(fd == -1) {
        ERR_EXIT("con: shm_open()");
    }
    system("ls -l /dev/shm/");

    shmsize = TEXT_NUM*sizeof(struct shared_struct);
    ret = ftruncate(fd, shmsize);
    if(ret == -1) {
        ERR_EXIT("con: ftruncate()");
    }
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <sys/mman.h>

#include "alg.8-0-shmdata.h"
```

## ■ POSIX Shared Memory

- Producer-Consumer problem illustrating POSIX shared-memory API.

- Algorithm 8-4: shmpthreadcon.c (2)

```
char *argv1[] = {" ", argv[1], 0};
childpid1 = vfork();
if(childpid1 < 0) {
    ERR_EXIT("shmpthreadcon: 1st vfork()");
}
else if(childpid1 == 0) {
    execv("./alg.8-5-shmproducer.o", argv1); /* call producer with filename */
}
else {
    childpid2 = vfork();
    if(childpid2 < 0)
        ERR_EXIT("shmpthreadcon: 2nd vfork()");
    else if (childpid2 == 0)
        execv("./alg.8-6-shmconsumer.o", argv1); /* call consumer with filename */
    else {
        wait(&childpid1);
        wait(&childpid2);
        ret = shm_unlink(argv1[1]);
        if(ret == -1) {
            ERR_EXIT("con: shm_unlink()");
        } /* shared object can be removed by any process knew the filename */
        system("ls -l /dev/shm/");
    }
}
exit(EXIT_SUCCESS);
}
```



## ■ POSIX Shared Memory

- Producer-Consumer problem illustrating POSIX shared-memory API.

- Algorithm 8-5: shmproducer.c

```
/* gcc -lrt */
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int fd, shmsize, ret;
    void *shmptr;
    const char *message_0 = "Hello World!";

    fd = shm_open(argv[1], O_RDWR, 0666); /* /dev/shm/filename as the shared object */
    if(fd == -1) {
        ERR_EXIT("producer: shm_open()");
    }

    shmsize = TEXT_NUM*sizeof(struct shared_struct);
    shmptr = (char *)mmap(0, shmsize, PROT_READ|PROT_WRITE, MAP_SHARED, fd, 0);
    if(shmptr == (void *)-1) {
        ERR_EXIT("producer: mmap()");
    }

    sprintf(shmptr,"%s",message_0);
    printf("produced message: %s\n", (char *)shmptr);

    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <sys/mman.h>

#include "alg.8-0-shmdata.h"
```

## ■ POSIX Shared Memory

- Producer-Consumer problem illustrating POSIX shared-memory API.

- Algorithm 8-6: shmconsumer.c

```
/* gcc -lrt */
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int fd, shmsize, ret;
    void *shmptr;

    fd = shm_open(argv[1], O_RDONLY, 0444);
    if(fd == -1) {
        ERR_EXIT("consumer: shm_open()");
    }

    shmsize = TEXT_NUM*sizeof(struct shared_struct);
    shmptr = (char *)mmap(0, shmsize, PROT_READ, MAP_SHARED, fd, 0);
    if(shmptr == (void *)-1) {
        ERR_EXIT("consumer: mmap()");
    }

    printf("consumed message: %s\n", (char *)shmptr);
    return EXIT_SUCCESS;
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <sys/mman.h>

#include "alg.8-0-shmdata.h"
```

## ■ POSIX Shared Memory

- Producer-Consumer problem illustrating POSIX shared-memory API.

- Algorithm 8-6: shmconsumer.c

```
/* gcc -lrt */  
int main(int argc, char *argv[])
```

```
#include <stdio.h>  
#include <stdlib.h>  
#include <fcntl.h>  
#include <sys/mman.h>
```

```
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc alg.8-4-shmthreadcon.c -lrt  
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc -o alg.8-5-shmproducer.o alg.8-5-shmproducer.c -lrt  
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ gcc -o alg.8-6-shmconsumer.o alg.8-6-shmconsumer.c -lrt  
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$ ./a.out myshm  
total 0  
-rw-r--r-- 1 isscg isscg 0 Mar 21 21:50 myshm  
produced message: Hello World!  
consumed message: Hello World!  
total 0  
isscg@ubuntu:/mnt/os-2020$
```

```
ERR_EXIT("mmap()");
```

```
}
```

```
printf("consumed message: %s\n", (char *)shmptr);
```

```
return EXIT_SUCCESS;
```

```
}
```