3. Processes

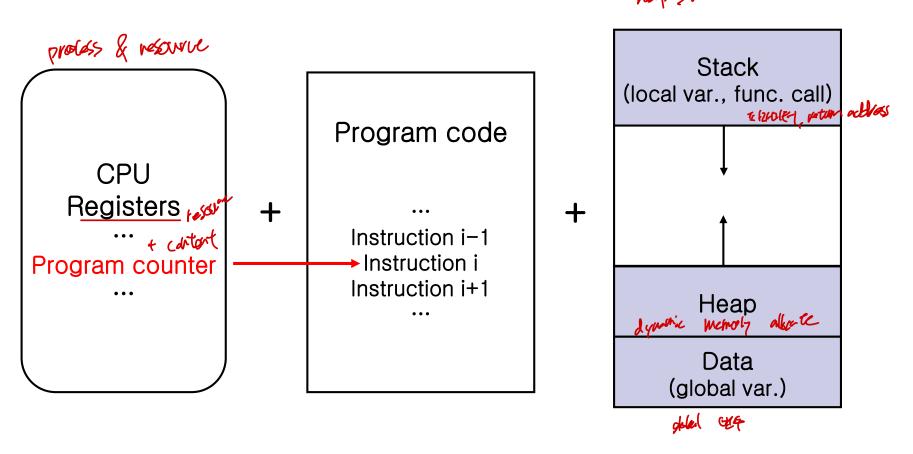
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Process

■ Process = program in execution + resource > multic sector(%) have > stack



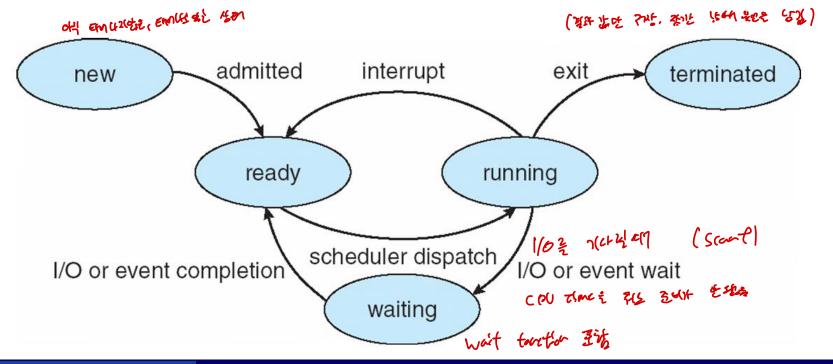
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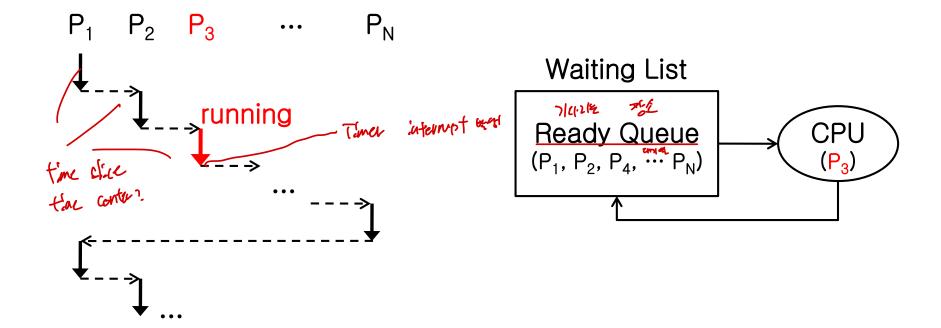
- New: being created torke(みをがった。
- Running: in execution
 - Only one process can be running on a processor at any time

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- Ready: waiting to be assigned to a processor
- Waiting: waiting for some event to occur
- Terminated: श्राष्ट्राध्यमः विकारणा क्षेत्रस्य सम्भावकि



Ready/Running State



Process Control Block (PCB)



Process Control Block (PCB): repository for any information about process

Contents	Examples
Process state	new, ready, running, waiting, terminated,
Process number	pid (Process ID) with number, 320 x
CPU Registers	program counter (address of next instruction to execute) accumulator, general registers, stack pointer,
CPU Scheduling info.	priority, pointer to queue,
Memory-management info.	base and limit registers, page/segment table,
Accounting info.	CPU-time used, time limits, account #,
I/O status info.	List of open files, I/O devices allocated

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Process Scheduling

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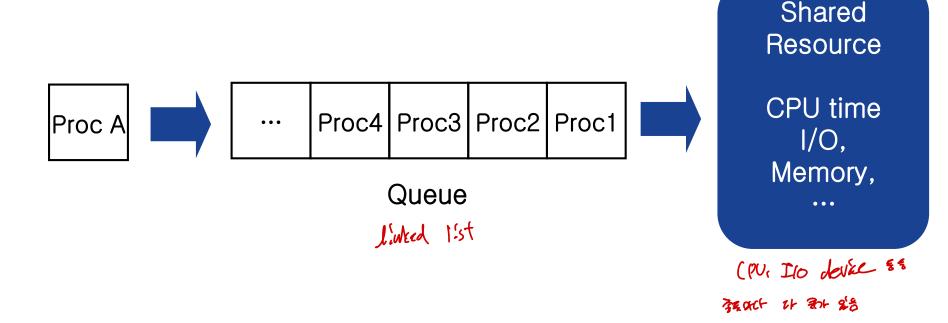
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- Scheduling: assigning tasks to a set of resources
- Process scheduling: selecting a process to execute on CPU
 - Only one process can run on each processor at a time.
 - Other processes should wait
- Objectives of scheduling
 - Maximize CPU utilization cpu 到加 注意 > Cpu を加速 ない
 - Users can interact with each program

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Scheduling Queue

- Scheduling queue: waiting list of processes for CPU time or other resources.
 - Ready queue, job queue, device queue



PCB in Linux

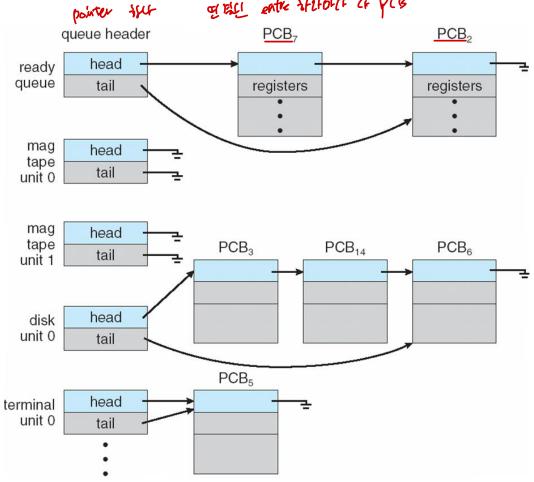
C Structure task_struct

```
pid_t pid: /* process identifier */
tong state; /* state of the process */
unsigned int time_slice /* scheduling information */ * " COLY OSCHARE COUTING MY 134
struct task_struct *parent; /* this process's parent */
struct list head children; /* this process's children */
struct files struct *files; /* list of open files */
struct mm_struct *mm; /* address space of this process */
           struct task struct
                                  struct task struct
                                                              struct task struct
          process information
                                 process information
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```

current (currently executing process)

Scheduling Queue

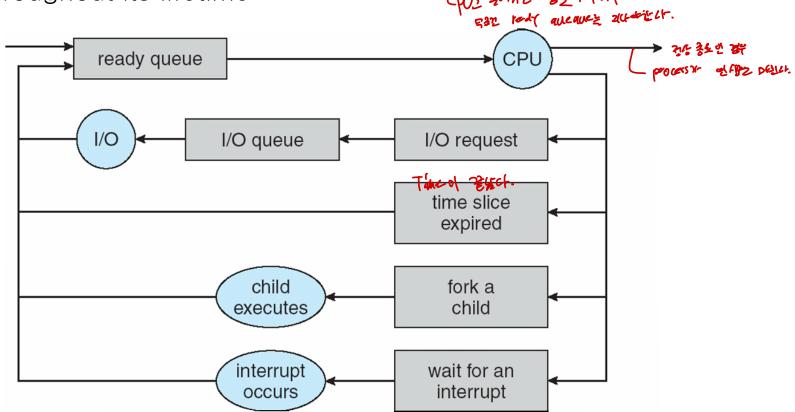
Each queue is usually represented by a linked list of PCBs



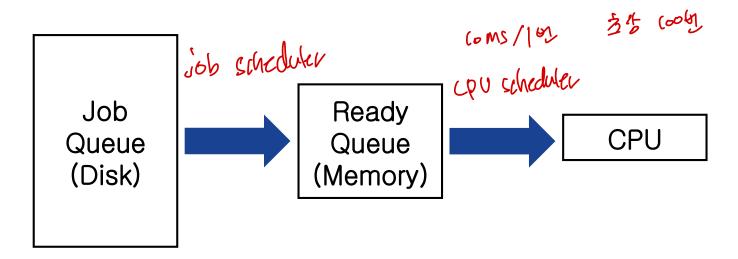
Queueing Diagram

Representation of process scheduling

A process migrates among various scheduling queues throughout its lifetime cng 編列表 23:12月



- Scheduler selects processes from queues in some fashion.
 - Long-term scheduler (job scheduler)
 - Short-term scheduler (CPU scheduler)





Short-term scheduler (CPU scheduler)



- Executed frequently (at least once every 100 msec.).
- Scheduling time should be very short.

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- Controls degree of multiprogramming == Ranky dueue size
 - In stable state, average process creation rate == average process departure rate
- Executed less frequently
 - Executed only when a process leaves the system

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Hopefully, long-term scheduler should select a good mix of I/O-bound and CPU-bound processes

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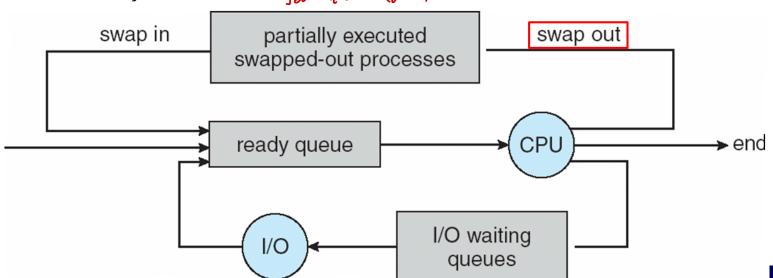
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- In some systems, long-term scheduler may be absent or minimal Ex) UNIX, Windows Job scheduler & 55
 - System stability depends on physical limitation or self-adjusting nature of human

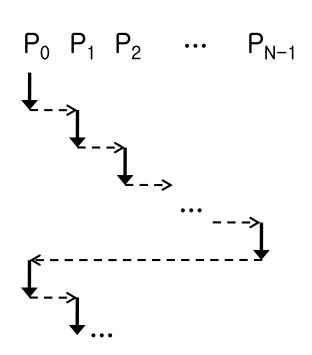
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- Some time-sharing system has medium-term scheduler
 - Reduce degree of multiprogramming by removing processes from memory
 (disk)

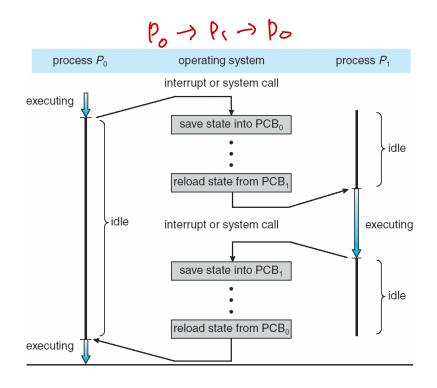


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Context Switch

- Switching running process requires context switch
 - Save state (context) of current process (PCB)
 - Restore state (context) of the next process





Context Switch

- Context switch: the computing process of storing and restoring the state (context) of a CPU such that multiple processes can share a single CPU resource.
- "Context" includes
 - Register contents
 - OS specific data
 - Extra data required by advanced memory-management technique Ex) page table, segment table, ...
- When to switch?
 - Multitasking Time showing
 - Interrupt handling informed 240% Sales > context switching 640%

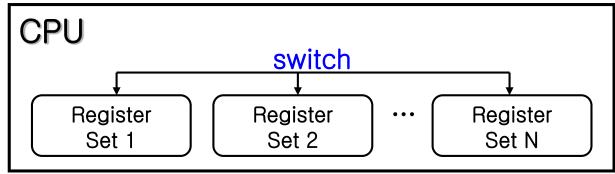
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Context Switch

- Context switching requires considerable overhead.
- H/W supports for context-switching
 - H/W switching (eg. single instruction to load/save all registers) Linux A X
 - cf. However, S/W switching can be more selective and save only that portion that actually needs to be saved and reloaded.
 - Multiple set of register for fast switching

Ex) <u>UltraSPARC</u>

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Operations on Processes

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- Process create
- Process termination
- Process communication

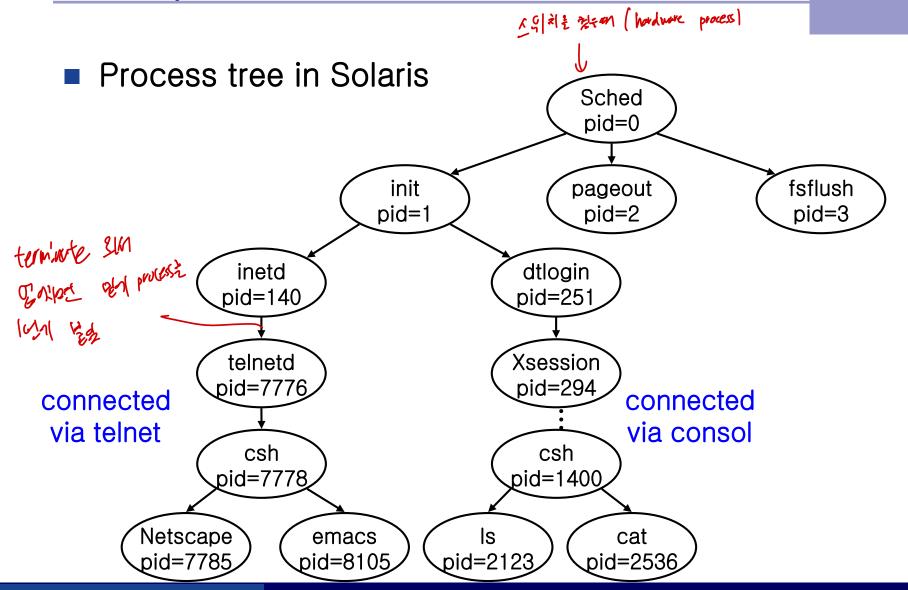
Process Creation

- Create-process system call
 - Creates a process and assigns a pid (process ID).



- Process tree
 - Parent-child relation between processes

Example of Process Tree



Displaying Process Information

- UNIX ■ ps [-el] ign 32AH 9A 5
- Windows
 - Task manager (windows system program)
 - Process explorer (freeware)

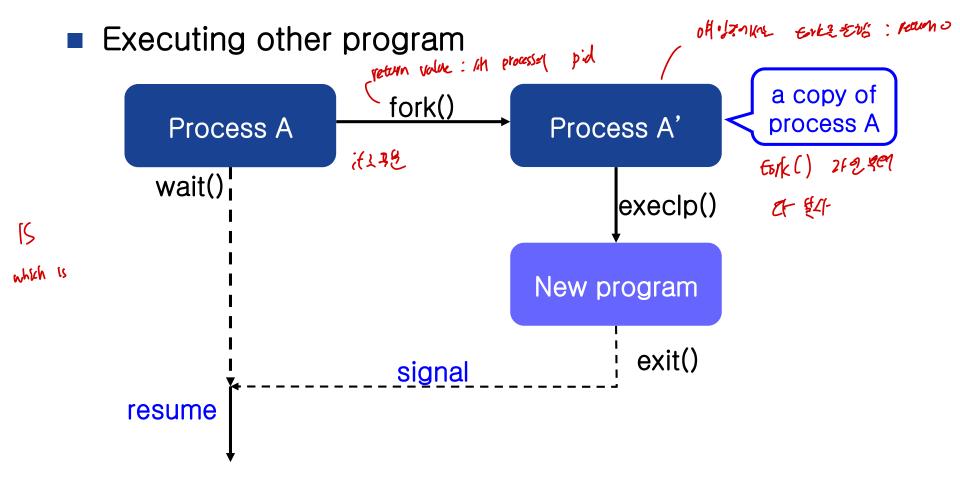
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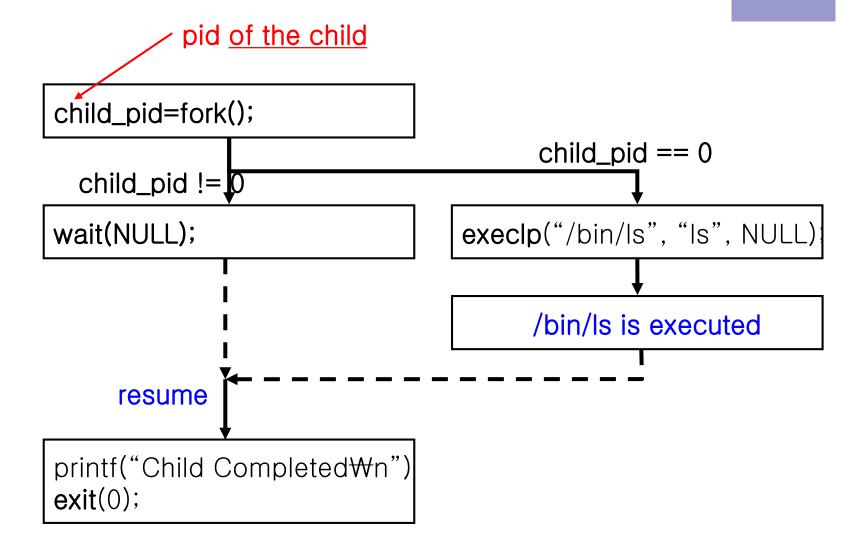
Some options to create a process

Resource	Child requests its own resource directly from OS
	or
	A subset of parent's resource is shared
Execution	Concurrent execution
	or
	Parent waits until child is terminated
Address space	Program code and data are shared
	or
	Child process has a new program loaded into it

Process Creation in UNIX

- UNIX system calls related to process creation
 - fork(): create process and returns its pid
 - □ In parent process, return value is pid of child
 - □ In child process, return value is zero
 - exec() family: execute a program. The new program substitutes the original one.
 - = execl(), execv(), execlp(), execvp(), execle(), execve()
 - wait(): waits until child process terminates





```
int main()
  pid_t child_pid = fork(); // create a process
                           // in general, pid_t is defined as int
  if(child_pid < 0){ // error occurred
    fprintf(<u>stderr</u>, "fork failed₩n");
    exit(-1); 學如 神經經 章內
  } else if(child_pid == 0){ // child process
    execlp("/bin/ls", "Is", NULL);
  } else {
           // if pid != 0, parent process
    wait(NULL);  // waits for child process to complete
    printf("Child Completed₩n");
    exit(0);
  return 0;
```

```
Parent process
int main()
  pid_t child_pid = fork();
  if(child_pid < 0){
    fprintf(stderr, "fork failed₩n");
    exit(-1);
  } else if(child_pid == 0){
    execlp("/bin/Is", "Is", NULL);
  } else {
    wait(NULL);
    printf("Child Completed₩n")
    exit(0);
```

Child process int main() pid_t child_pid = fork(); if(child_pid < 0){ fprintf(stderr, "fork failed₩n"); exit(-1);} else if(child_pid == 0){ execlp("/bin/ls", "ls", NULL); } else { wait(NULL); printf("Child Completed₩n") exit(0);

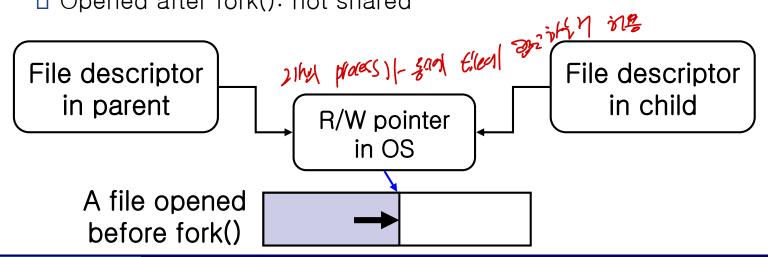
More About fork()

Resource of child process

- Data (variables): copies of variables of parent process
 - Child process has its own address space.
 - □ The only difference is the pid of child returned from fork().

Files

- Opened before fork(): shared with parent
- Opened after fork(): not shared



More About exec Family

- Functions in exec family (declared in <unistd.h>)
 - int exect (const char *path, const char *arg0, ..., const char *argn, char * /*NULL*/);
 - int execv(const char *path, char *const argv[]);
 - int **execlp**(const char *file, const char *arg0, ..., const char *argn, char * /*NULL*/);
 - int execvp(const char *file, char *const argv[]);
 - execle(), execve()
 - cf. Argument names
 - □ path: path name that identifies the new process image file.
 - file: the new process image file. If '/' is not included, the corresponding file is identified through directories in PATH environment variable

More About wait()

pid_t wait(int *stat_loc);

- Return value of wait
 - pid of the terminated child
 - □ -1 means it has no child process

Process Creation in win32

tork()

- CreateProcess() tork + exe
 - Similar to fork() of UNIX, but much more parameters to specify properties of child process
- WaitForSingleObject() thread to neglige
 - Similar to wait() of UNIX
- void ZeroMemory(PVOID Destination, SIZE_T Length);
 - Fills a block of memory with zeroes.

For more detail, please refer MSDN homepage

(http://msdn.microsoft.com)

Process Termination

Normal termination

- exit(int return_code): invoked by child process
 - Clean-up actions
 - Deallocate memory
 - Close files
 - □ ETC.
 - □ return_code is passed to parent process
 - □ Usually, 0 means success
 - Parent can read the return code

Multiprocess Architecture & Chrome Browser

- Many web browsers ran as single process
 - If one web site causes trouble, entire browser can hang or crash
- Google Chrome Browser is multiprocess with 3 different types of processes:
 - Browser process manages user interface, disk and network I/O
 - Renderer process renders web pages, deals with HTML, Javascript. A new renderer created for each website opened
 - Runs in sandbox restricting disk and network I/O, minimizing effect of security exploits
 - Plug-in process for each type of plug-in



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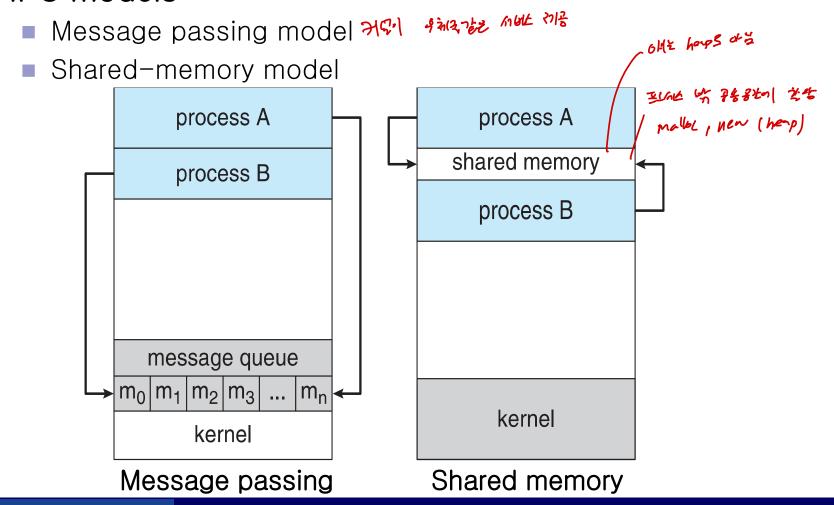
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Inter-process Communication (IPC)

- Goal of IPC: cooperation
 - Information sharing
 - □ Shared file, ···
 - Computation speedup
 - Multiple CPU or I/O
 - Modularity
 - □ Dividing system functions
 - Convenience
 - Editing, printing, compiling in parallel

Inter-process Communication (IPC)

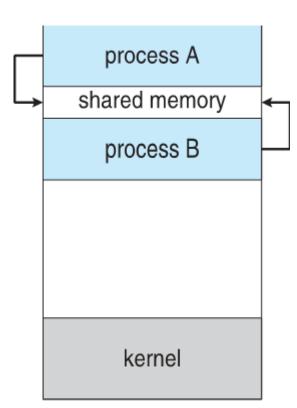
IPC models



Shared-Memory Systems

- Shared-memory segment 発行力 process not of the setting actions and of the setting actions are setting actions and of the setting actions and of the setting actions are setting actions and of the setting actions and of the setting actions are setting actions and of the setting actions and of the setting actions are setting actions and actions are setting actions are setting actions are setting actions and actions are setting actions are setting actions and actions are setting actions and actions are setting actions and actions are setting actions are setting actions and actions are setting actions and actions are setting actions and actions are setting actions actions are setting actions and actions are setting actions are setting actions actions are setting actions actions and actions are setting actions actions actions actions are setting actions actions actions actions actions actions ar
 - Special memory space that can be shared by two or more processes.
 - Form of data and location is not determined by OS, but those processes.
 - Processes should avoid simultaneous writing by themselves
- Advantage
 - Fast
 - -> Suitable for large amount of data

Ex) producer-consumer problem



Producer-Consumer Problem 94

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 Producer and consumer communicate information (item) through shared memory

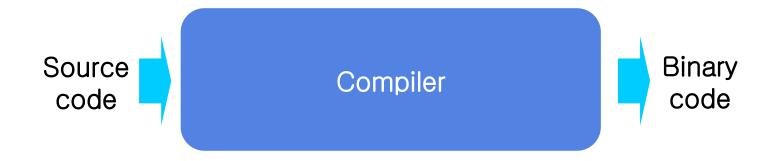
Producer Shared Memory info. Consumer

- Producer: produce information for consumer
- Consumer: consume information written by producer
 Ex) compiler assembler, server client

Note! Producer and consumer should be synchronized.

→ Discussed in chapter 6

Producer-Consumer Problem





Producer-Consumer Problem

- Two types of buffer
 - Unbounded buffer Consumer of producer 4th ing the 22 money of the 15g of t
 - □ No practical limit on buffer size
 - □ Producer can always produce
 - Bounded buffer
 - □ Producer must wait if buffer is full.



Producer-Consumer Problem using **Bounded Buffer**



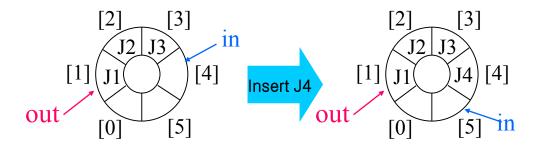
Buffer is represented by circular queue

```
#define BUFFER_SIZE 6
typedef struct {
                                                     [1][
                                                                  [4]
} item;
                                                  out
item buffer[BUFFER_SIZE];
                                                               [5]
                                                          out = 1
int in = 0; // tail or rear
                                                          in = 4
int out = 0;
                 // head or front
```

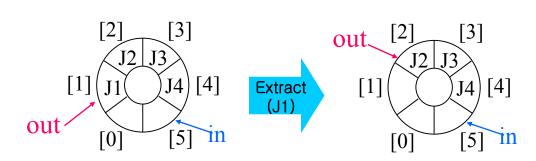
- Empty/full condition
 - in == out: buffer is empty Craw in the second in the contraction of the second in the
 - □ (in+1)%BUFFER_SIZE == out: buffer is full
 - Cf. Buffer can store at most BUFFER_SIZE 1 items

Circular Queue

- Circular queue: fixed-size buffer whose logical structure is circular
 - Last element is followed by first element
- Inserting an item
 - buffer[in] = newItem;
 - \blacksquare in = (in + 1) % n;



- Extracting an item
 - item = buffer[out];
 - out = (out + 1) % n;



Producer-Consumer Problem using Bounded Buffer



Producer

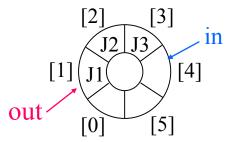
```
item nextProduced;
while (1) {
    // produce an item in nextProduced
    while (((in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE) == out); // waiting
    buffer[in] = nextProduced;
    in = (in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;
}
```

Consumer

item nextConsumed;

Producer







Consumer

Message-Passing Systems

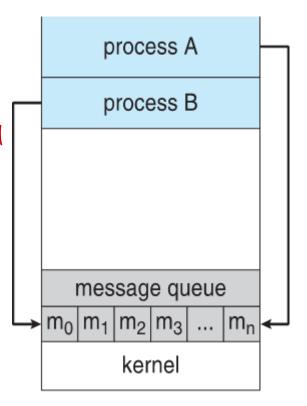
 Process communication via passage-passing facility provided by OS

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- -> Suitable for smaller amounts of data
- Communication between processes on different computer

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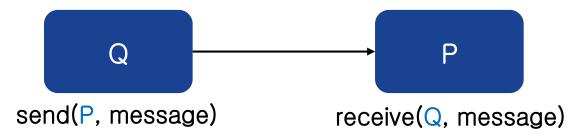


Message-Passing Systems

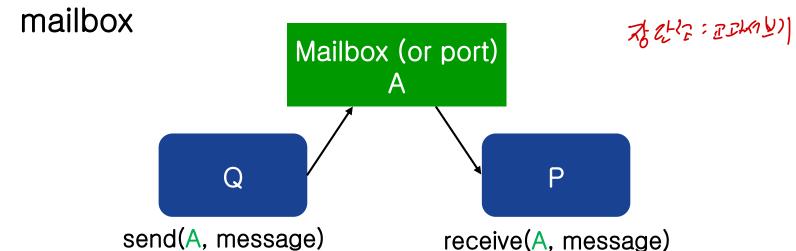
- For message passing, communication link should be exist between the processes
- Essential operations
 - send(message)
 - receive(message)
- (Logical) Implementation methods
 - Direct/indirect
 - Synchronous/asynchronous
 - Buffering
 - □ Zero/bounded/unbounded capacity
 - → Reading assignment: read the textbook for detail.

Direct/Indirect Communication

 Direct communication: connection link directly connects processes

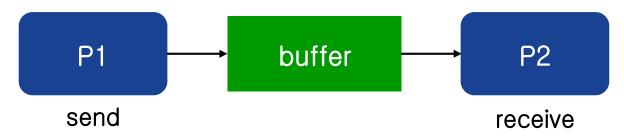


Indirect communication: processes are connected via



Buffering

 During communication, messages are stored in temporary queue (buffer)



- Three kinds of buffer capacity
 - Zero capacity: only blocking send is possible
 - Bounded capacity: buffer has finite length n
 - □ If buffer is full, sender must be blocked
 - □ Otherwise, sender can resume
 - Unbounded capacity: buffer has infinite capacity
 - □ Sender never blocks

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Examples of IPC Systems

Shared-memory (System-V, POSIX)

Message-passing (MACH)

- Local Procedure Call (Windows XP)
 - Undocumented internal API

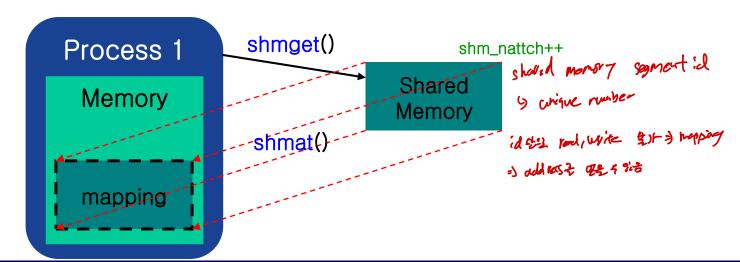
[System V] Shared-Memory

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Create shared memory

Attach shared memory to address space of a process

```
Void* shmat ( int shmid, char *shmaddr, int shmflg);
Ex) shared_mem = (char *) shmat(seg_id, NULL, 0)
```



[System V] Shared-Memory

Use shared memory through attached address as ordinary memory
A Mark

Ex) sprintf(shared_mem, "Writing to shared memory");

Detach shared memory from address space of process

int shmdt (char *shmaddr);
Ex) shmdt(shared_mem);

If all processes detaches the shared memory segment, OS discards it.



[System V] Shared-Memory

Deallocating a shared memory block

Deallocates the shared memory block when the shm_nattch becomes zero.

Reading Assignment



- System V shared memory
 - shmget() allocate a share memory block
 - shmat() attach a shared memory block to a process
 - shmdt() detach a shared memory block from a process
 - shmctl() controls and deallocate a shared memory block
 - www.xevious7.com/linux/lpg_6_4_4.html (Korean)
 - www.cs.cf.ac.uk/Dave/C/node27.html (English)

POSIX Shared Memory

- POSIX shared memory
 - Communication through memory-mapped file.

```
Process creates or open shared memory segment
           shm_fd = shm_open(name, O_CREAT | O_RDWR, 0666);
          □ O CREAT: create if it does not yet exist
           □ O RDWR: open for reading and writing
```

- Set the size of the object ftruncate(shm_fd, 4096);
- Map shared memory segment to process address space:shouth blet shared_memory = mmap(return while : void + 0, 4096, PROT_WRITE, MAP_SHARED, shm_fd, 0); file size protection
- Now the process could write to the shared memory sprintf(shared_memory, "Writing to shared memory");

IPC POSIX Producer

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
int main()
/* the size (in bytes) of shared memory object */
const int SIZE = 4096;
/* name of the shared memory object */
const char *name = "OS";
/* strings written to shared memory */
const char *message_0 = "Hello";
const char *message_1 = "World!";
/* shared memory file descriptor */
int shm_fd;
/* pointer to shared memory obect */
void *ptr;
   /* create the shared memory object */
   shm_fd = shm_open(name, O_CREAT | O_RDWR, 0666);
   /* configure the size of the shared memory object */
   ftruncate(shm_fd, SIZE);
   /* memory map the shared memory object */
   ptr = mmap(0, SIZE, PROT_WRITE, MAP_SHARED, shm_fd, 0);
   /* write to the shared memory object */
   sprintf(ptr,"%s",message_0);
   ptr += strlen(message_0);
   sprintf(ptr, "%s", message_1);
   ptr += strlen(message_1);
   return 0;
```

IPC POSIX Consumer

#include <stdio.h>

```
#include <stdlib.h>
       #include <fcntl.h>
       #include <sys/shm.h>
       #include <sys/stat.h>
       int main()
       /* the size (in bytes) of shared memory object */
       const int SIZE = 4096;
       /* name of the shared memory object */
       const char *name = "OS"; producer orunc( older 25-tot-15
       /* shared memory file descriptor */
       int shm_fd;
       /* pointer to shared memory obect */
       void *ptr;
           /* open the shared memory object */
           shm_fd = shm_open(name, O_RDONLY, 0666);
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yeducar etrat /* memory map the shared memory object */
  ptr = mmap(0, SIZE, PROT_READ, MAP_SHARED, shm_fd, 0);
           /* read from the shared memory object */
           printf("%s",(char *)ptr);
           /* remove the shared memory object */
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           shm_unlink(name);
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           return 0;
```

Reading Assignment

Search the following topics from Internet and study them

- POSIX shared memory (requires compilation option '-Irt')
 - shm_open(): http://man7.org/linux/man-pages/man3/shm_open.3.html
 - shm_unlink(): http://man7.org/linux/man-pages/man3/shm_unlink.3p.html
 - ftruncate(): http://man7.org/linux/man-pages/man3/ftruncate.3p.html
 - mmap(): http://man7.org/linux/man-pages/man2/mmap.2.html
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- munmap(): http://man7.org/linux/man-pages/man3/munmap.3p.html

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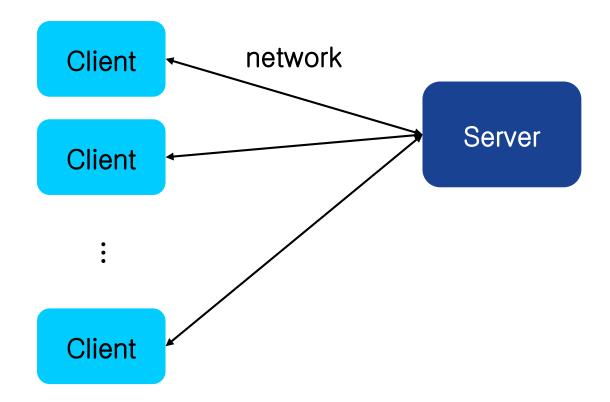
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 - http://www.tutorialspoint.com/unix_system_calls/msgget.htm (English)
 - msgsnd() send a message to a message queue
 - http://forum.falinux.com/zbxe/index.php?document_srl=420634&mid=C_LIB (Korean)
 - http://www.tutorialspoint.com/unix_system_calls/msgsnd.htm (English)
 - msgrcv() receive a message from a message queue
 - http://forum.falinux.com/zbxe/index.php?document_srl=420636&mid=C_LIB (Korean)
 - http://www.tutorialspoint.com/unix_system_calls/msgrcv.htm (English)
 - msgctl() control/deallocate message queue (eg: msgctl(msgq, IPC_RMID, NULL);)
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Client-Server



Communications in Client–Server Systems

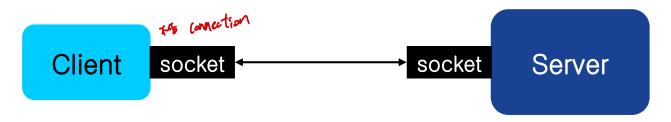
- Socket X(-2); Prim! tive re >nc
 - Data communication
- RPC (Remote Procedure Call)
 - Procedure call between systems
 - Procedural programming
- Pipes
 - Often used for Input/output redirection
- RMI (Remote Method Invocation) of JAVA
 - Invocating method of <u>object</u> in other system
 - Object oriented programming

Socket: logical endpoint for communication



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Identified by <ip address>:<port #>

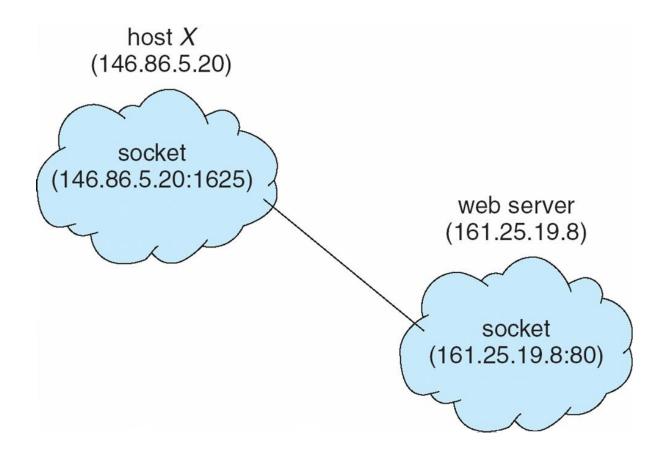


Each connection is identified by a pair of sockets.

- Port: logical contact point to a computer recognized by TCP and UDP protocols
 - A computer may have multiple ports (0 ~ 65535)



- Well-known services have their own ports below 1024
 Ex) telnet: 23, ftp: 21, http: 80, sshi 22
 - Server always listens corresponding port.
- Ports above 1024 can be arbitrary assigned for network communication





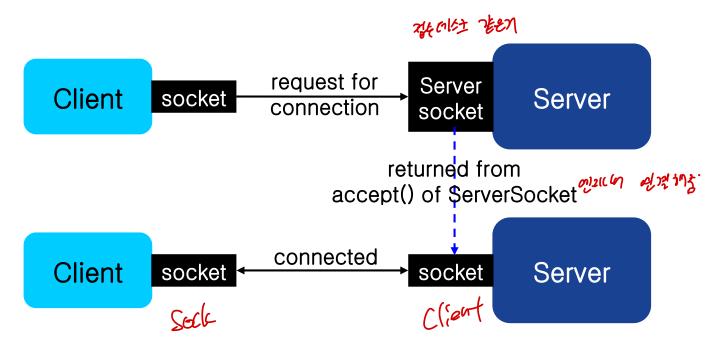
- Initiating connection
 - Client arbitrary assigns a port above 1024.
 Ex) a client 146.86.5.20 assigned a port 1625
 - Client request a connection to server.
 Ex) a web server 161.25.19.8 (port # of web service: 80)
 - If server accepts request, connection is established.

Java Socket

Socket classes

- ServerSocket: accepts request for connection
- Socket: in charge of actual communication

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Java Socket

Server

- 1. Create a ServerSocket

 ServerSocket socket = new

 ServerSocket(6013); ধ্রমান্তর্গা

 2. Wait for a client
 - Socket client =

 socket.accept(); client number

 return unlike of original

 y contact object

4a. If a client is accepted, communicate with client via client

Client

- Socket ("127.0.0.1", 6013);
- 4b. If connection was established, communicate with server via *sock*

Java Socket

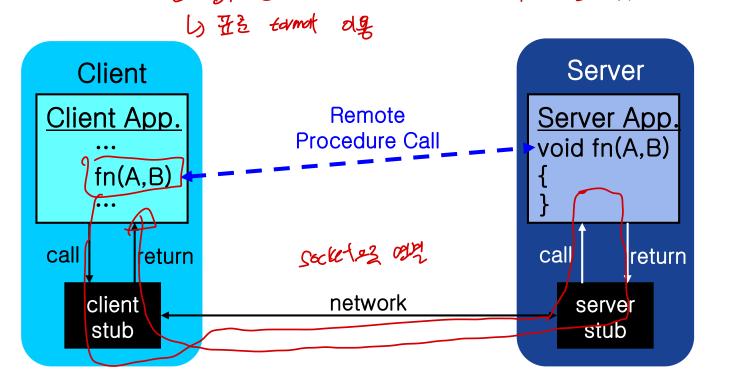


Client (given sock)

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     PrintWriter pout = new
                                         InputStream in =
                                            sock.getInputStream();
PrintWriter(client.getOutputS
        tream(), true);
                                         BufferedReader bin = new
                                          <u>BufferedReader(new</u>
InputStreamReader(in))
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                                प्राप्त स्प्रवाह String line;
     pout.println(new
        null)
                                            System.out.println(line);
      client.close();
                                         sock.close();
```

Remote Procedure Calls (RPC)

- 남이 정롱라이 function은 원칙으 호章
- RPC: procedure call mechanism between systems
- On server, RPC daemon listens a port



Remote Procedure Calls

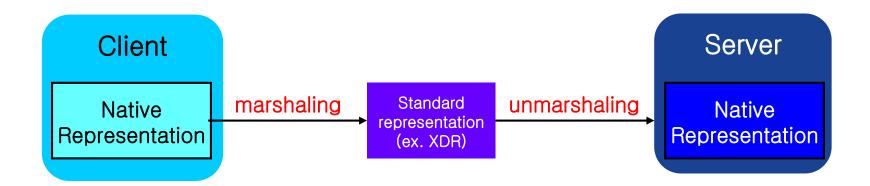
- RPC is served through <u>stubs</u>
 - Client invoke remote procedure as it would invoke a local procedure call
- Stub: a small program providing interface to a larger program or service on remote side
 - Client stub / server stub
 - Locate port on server
 - Marshal / unmarshal parameters

Remote Procedure Calls

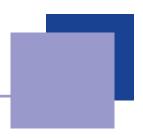


Motivation: each system has its own data format

- Ex) Representation of integer on a system may different from that on other system
- → Parameter should be transferred in <u>machine-independent standard</u> <u>representation</u>
 - Ex) XDR (eXternal Data Representation)
- Marshalling: Packaging (native format → standard format)
- Unmarshalling: Unpackaging (standard format → native format)



RPC Reference Sites



Windows

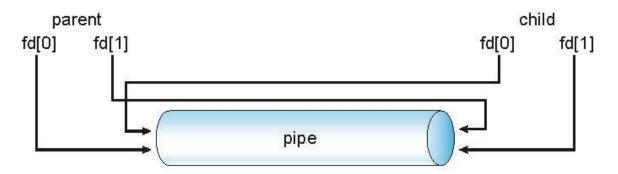
MSDN RPC page: http://msdn.microsoft.com/library/default.asp?url=/library/e/n-us/dnanchor/html/rpcank.asp

Unix

Document about rpcgen.

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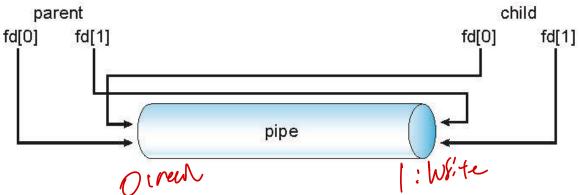
Pipes acts as a conduit allowing two processes to communicate



- Ordinary pipes
 - Unidirectional communication between parent and child
 - Typically, a parent process creates a pipe and uses it to communicate with a child process that it created.
- Named pipes
 - Can be accessed without a parent-child relationship.

Ordinary Pipes the reading the writing

- Ordinary pipes allow unidirectional communication in standard producer-consumer style
 - Producer writes to one end (the write-end of the pipe)
 - Consumer reads from the other end (the read-end of the pipe)
 - Require parent-child relationship between communicating processes



Windows calls these anonymous pipes

Example: Ordinary Pipes

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#include <sys/types.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#define BUFFER_SIZE 25
#define READ_END 0
#define WRITE_END 1
int main(void)
  char write_msg[BUFFER_SIZE] = "Greetings";
  char read_msg[BUFFER_SIZE];
  int fd[2]; the distripter and (reading &, whiting $)
  pid_t pid;
  /* create the pipe */
  if (pipe(fd) == -1) { pipe is now
     fprintf(stderr, "Pipe failed");
     return 1;
  fork a child process */
  pid = fork();
  if (pid < 0) { > error occurred */
     fprintf(stderr, "Fork Failed");
     return 1:
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pid = fork();
if (pid < 0) { /* error occurred */
  fprintf(stderr, "Fork Failed");
  return 1:
if (pid > 0) { /* parent process */
  /* close the unused end of the pipe */
  close(fd[READ_END]); 532 clxe shows
  /* write to the pipe */
  write(fd[WRITE_END], write_msg, strlen(write_msg)+1);
  /* close the write end of the pipe */
  close(fd[WRITE_END]);
else { /* child process */
  /* close the unused end of the pipe */
  close(fd[WRITE_END]);
  /* read from the pipe */
  read(fd[READ_END], read_msg, BUFFER_SIZE);
  printf("read %s",read_msg);
  /* close the read end of the pipe */
  close(fd[READ_END]);
return 0;
```

Named Pipes

- Named pipes are more powerful than ordinary pipes
 - Communication is bidirectional
 - No parent-child relationship is necessary between the communicating processes
 - Several processes can use the named pipe for communication
 - Provided on both UNIX and Windows systems

Example: Named Pipes

```
/* set up security attributes allowing pipes to be inherited */
SECURITY_ATTRIBUTES sa = {sizeof(SECURITY_ATTRIBUTES), NULL, TRUE};
/* allocate memory */
ZeroMemory(&pi, sizeof(pi));
/* create the pipe */
if (!CreatePipe(&ReadHandle, &WriteHandle, &sa, 0)) {
  fprintf(stderr, "Create Pipe Failed");
  return 1;
/* establish the START_INFO structure for the child process */
GetStartupInfo(&si);
si.hStdOutput = GetStdHandle(STD_OUTPUT_HANDLE);
/* redirect standard input to the read end of the pipe */
si.hStdInput = ReadHandle;
si.dwFlags = STARTF_USESTDHANDLES;
/* don't allow the child to inherit the write end of pipe */
SetHandleInformation(WriteHandle, HANDLE_FLAG_INHERIT, 0);
```

Example: Named Pipes

```
/* create the child process */
CreateProcess(NULL, "child.exe", NULL, NULL,
 TRUE, /* inherit handles */
 O, NULL, NULL, &si, &pi);
/* close the unused end of the pipe */
CloseHandle (ReadHandle):
/* the parent writes to the pipe */
if (!WriteFile(WriteHandle, message, BUFFER_SIZE, &written, NULL))
  fprintf(stderr, "Error writing to pipe.");
/* close the write end of the pipe */
CloseHandle(WriteHandle);
/* wait for the child to exit */
WaitForSingleObject(pi.hProcess, INFINITE);
CloseHandle(pi.hProcess);
CloseHandle(pi.hThread);
return 0;
```

RMI: Java feature to invoke method on remote object

	RPC	RMI
	Procedural Programming	Object-oriented Programming
Parameter	Ordinary data structures	Object parameter is possible
Interface	client stub / server stub	stub / skeleton

