

## C Programming Basics

### Lab Session: System Call Timing and Process Synchronization

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#### Program 1: Inter-Process Communication using Message Queue (Sender)

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/msg.h>
#define MAX 10

struct mesg_buffer {
    long mesg_Type;
    char mesg_text[100];
} message;

int main() {
    key_t key;
    int msgid;

    key = ftok("send", 1109);
    msgid = msgget(key, 0666 | IPC_CREAT);
    message.mesg_Type = 1;

    printf("Write data: ");
```

```

fgets(message.mesg_text, MAX, stdin);

msgsnd(msgid, &message, sizeof(message), 0);

printf("Data sent is: %s\n", message.mesg_text);

return 0;
}

```

**Fedora Output:**

```

[2021ict108@fedora ~]$ vi sender.c

[2021ict108@fedora ~]$ gcc sender.c -o sender

[2021ict108@fedora ~]$ ./sender

Write data: Hello

Data sent is: Hello

```

**Explanation:**

- This program sends data using System V message queues.
  - ftok() creates a unique key.
  - msgget() creates or accesses a message queue.
  - msgsnd() sends the message from sender to the queue.
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**Program 2: Inter-Process Communication using Message Queue (Receiver)**

```

#include <stdio.h>

#include <sys/ipc.h>

#include <sys/msg.h>

struct mesg_buffer {

    long mesg_Type;

```

```

char mesg_text[100];

} message;

int main() {
    key_t key;
    int msgid;

    key = ftok("send", 1109);
    msgid = msgget(key, 0666 | IPC_CREAT);

    msgrcv(msgid, &message, sizeof(message), 1, 0);

    printf("Data received is: %s\n", message.mesg_text);

    msgctl(msgid, IPC_RMID, NULL);

    return 0;
}

```

**Fedora Output:**

```

[2021ict108@fedora ~]$ vi receiver.c
[2021ict108@fedora ~]$ gcc receiver.c -o receiver
[2021ict108@fedora ~]$ ./receiver

```

Data received is: Hello

**Explanation:**

- This program receives data sent via message queue.
- msgrcv() retrieves the message from the queue.

- `msgctl()` is used to remove the message queue after reading.
- Works in tandem with the sender program.