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SYSTEM CALL IMPLEMENTATION OF CHAIN SMOKER'S PROBLEM

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REPORT

INTRODUCTION

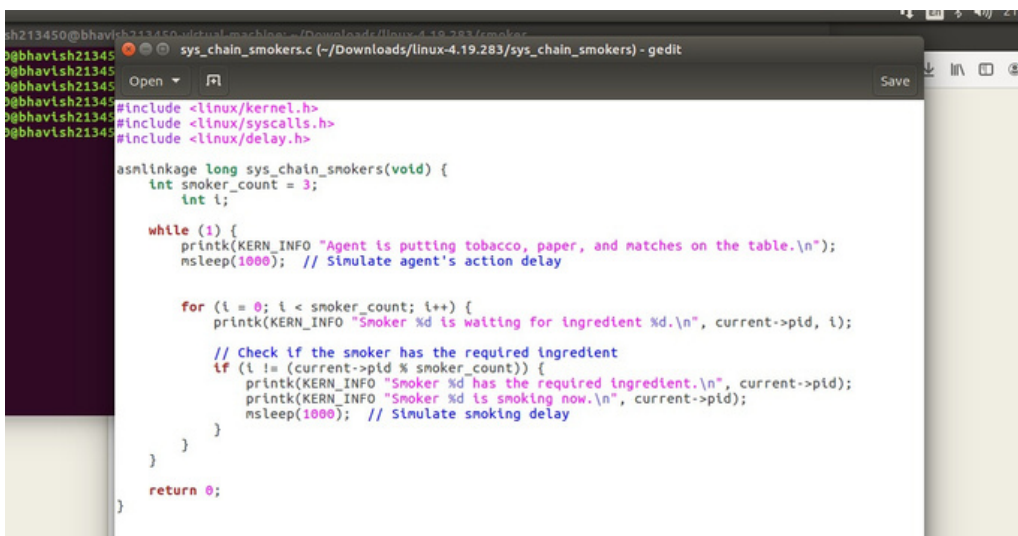
The purpose of this project report is to document the implementation of the Chain Smoker's Problem as a system call in the Linux Ubuntu kernel. The Chain Smoker's Problem is a classic synchronization problem that involves multiple processes with different resource requirements competing for limited resources. By implementing this problem as a system call, we aim to demonstrate the functionality and effectiveness of the Linux kernel in managing concurrent processes and resource allocation.

DESCRIPTION

The Chain Smoker's Problem involves three types of processes: smokers, an agent, and a mediator. Each smoker requires a specific set of resources to engage in their activity, and the agent and mediator are responsible for providing and coordinating these resources. The challenge lies in ensuring that only one smoker can utilize the resources at any given time, preventing conflicts and deadlocks.

IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS

• DESIGNING SYSTEM CALL



```
sh213450@bhavishh21345:~/Downloads/linux-4.19.283/sys_chain_smokers$ gedit
sys_chain_smokers.c (~/Downloads/linux-4.19.283/sys_chain_smokers) - gedit

#include <linux/kernel.h>
#include <linux/syscalls.h>
#include <linux/delay.h>

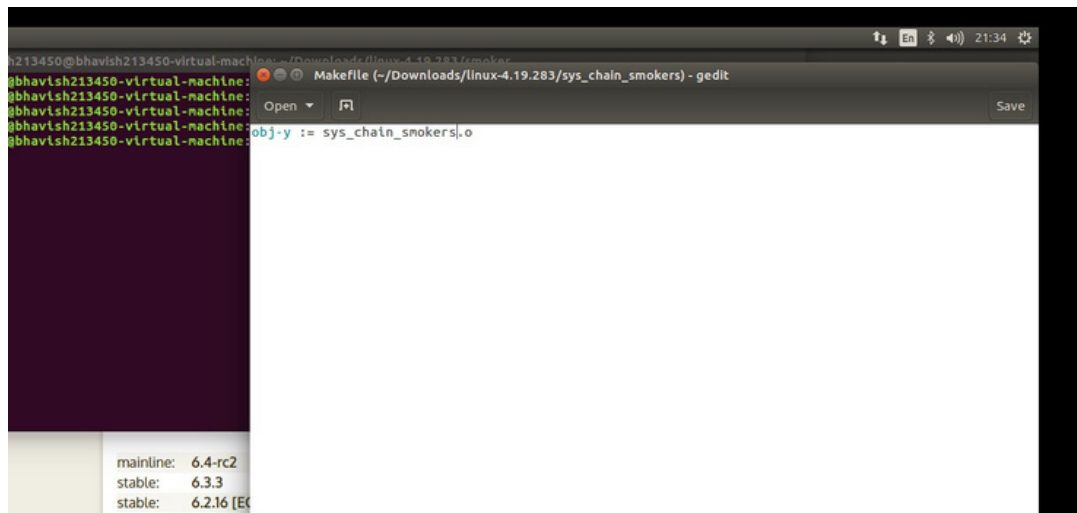
asmlinkage long sys_chain_smokers(void) {
    int smoker_count = 3;
    int i;

    while (1) {
        printk(KERN_INFO "Agent is putting tobacco, paper, and matches on the table.\n");
        msleep(1000); // Simulate agent's action delay

        for (i = 0; i < smoker_count; i++) {
            printk(KERN_INFO "Smoker %d is waiting for ingredient %d.\n", current->pid, i);

            // Check if the smoker has the required ingredient
            if (i != (current->pid % smoker_count)) {
                printk(KERN_INFO "Smoker %d has the required ingredient.\n", current->pid);
                printk(KERN_INFO "Smoker %d is smoking now.\n", current->pid);
                msleep(1000); // Simulate smoking delay
            }
        }

        return 0;
    }
}
```



• KERNEL PATCHING

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311 64 process_vm_writev __x64_sys_process_vm_writev
312 common kcmp __x64_sys_kcmp
313 common finit_module __x64_sys_finit_module
314 common sched_setattr __x64_sys_sched_setattr
315 common sched_getattr __x64_sys_sched_getattr
316 common renameat2 __x64_sys_renameat2
317 common seccomp __x64_sys_seccomp
318 common getrandom __x64_sys_getrandom
319 common memfd_create __x64_sys_memfd_create
320 common kexec_file_load __x64_sys_kexec_file_load
321 common bpf __x64_sys_bpf
322 64 execveat __x64_sys_execveat/ptregs
323 common userfaultfd __x64_sys_userfaultfd
324 common membarrier __x64_sys_membarrier
325 common mlock2 __x64_sys_mlock2
326 common copy_file_range __x64_sys_copy_file_range
327 64 preadv2 __x64_sys_preadv2
328 64 pwritev2 __x64_sys_pwritev2
329 common pkey_mprotect __x64_sys_pkey_mprotect
330 common pkey_alloc __x64_sys_pkey_alloc
331 common pkey_free __x64_sys_pkey_free
332 common statx __x64_sys_statx
333 common io_pgetevents __x64_sys_io_pgetevents
334 common rseq __x64_sys_rseq
335 64 sys_chain_smokers sys_chain_smokers

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# x32-specific system call numbers start at 512 to avoid cache impact
# for native 64-bit operation. The _x32_compat_sys stubs are created
# on-the-fly for compat_sys_*( ) compatibility system calls if X86_X32
# is defined.
#
```

```
static inline int ksys_close(unsigned int fd)
{
    return __close_fd(current->files, fd);
}

extern long do_sys_open(int dfd, const char __user *filename, int flags,
    mode_t mode);

static inline long ksys_open(const char __user *filename, int flags,
    mode_t mode)
{
    if (force_o_largefile())
        flags |= O_LARGEFILE;
    return do_sys_open(AT_FDCWD, filename, flags, mode);
}

extern long do_sys_truncate(const char __user *pathname, loff_t length);

static inline long ksys_truncate(const char __user *pathname, loff_t length)
{
    return do_sys_truncate(pathname, length);
}

static inline unsigned int ksys_personality(unsigned int personality)
{
    unsigned int old = current->personality;
    if (personality != 0xffffffff)
        set_personality(personality);
    return old;
}

asmlinkage long sys_chain_smokers(void);
#endif
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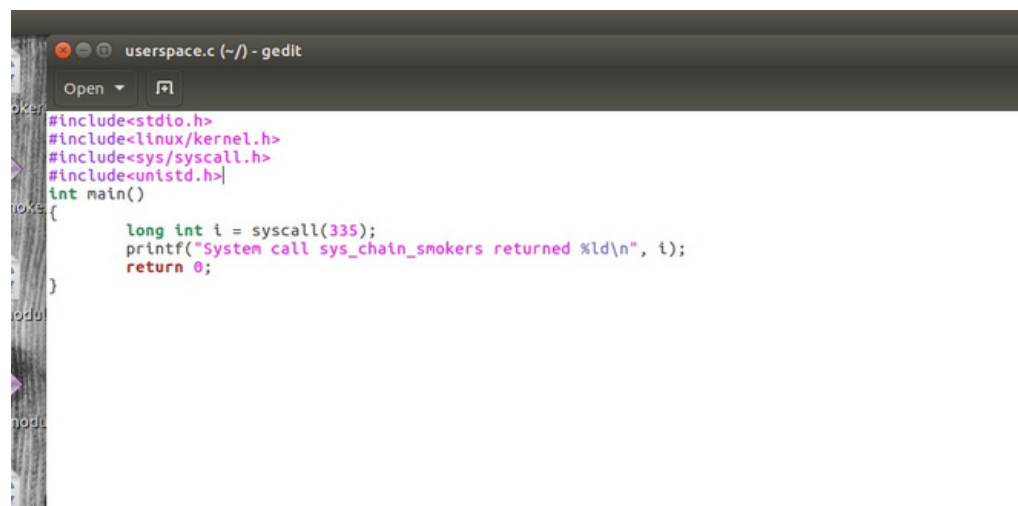
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```

• KERNEL PATCHING (CONTINUED)

```
#
bhavishh21k3450@bhavishh21k3450-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/linux-4.19.275$ make clean -j4
bhavishh21k3450@bhavishh21k3450-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/linux-4.19.275$ make -j4
SYSTBL arch/x86/include/generated/asm/syscalls_32.h
HOSTCC scripts/basic/fixdep
WRAP arch/x86/include/generated/uapi/asm/bpf_perf_event.h
WRAP arch/x86/include/generated/uapi/asm/poll.h
UPD include/generated/uapi/linux/version.h
DESCEND objtool
UPD include/config/kernel.release
HOSTCC /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/fixdep.o
HOSTLD /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/fixdep-in.o
LINK /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/fixdep
GEN /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/arch/x86/lib/inat-tables.c
CC /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/arch/x86/decode.o
CC /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/exec-cmd.o
CC /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/help.o
LD /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/arch/x86/objtool-in.o
CC /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/builtin-check.o
CC /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/pager.o
CC /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/builtin-orc.o
CC /home/bhavishh21k3450/Downloads/linux-4.19.275/tools/objtool/parse-options.o
```

```
LD [M] sound/usb/snd-usb-audio.ko
LD [M] sound/usb/snd-usbmidi-lib.ko
LD [M] sound/usb/usx2y/snd-usb-us122l.ko
LD [M] sound/usb/usx2y/snd-usb-usx2y.ko
LD [M] sound/x86/snd-hdmi-lpe-audio.ko
LD [M] virt/lib/lrqbypass.ko
bhavishh21k3450@bhavishh21k3450-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/linux-4.19.275$ make modules_install install
mkdir: cannot create directory '/lib/modules/4.19.275-213450': Permission denied
Makefile:1285: recipe for target '_modinst_' failed
make[1]: *** [_modinst_] Error 1
Makefile:286: recipe for target '__build_one_by_one' failed
make: *** [_build_one_by_one] Error 2
bhavishh21k3450@bhavishh21k3450-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/linux-4.19.275$ make -j4
DESCEND objtool
CALL scripts/checksyscalls.sh
CHK include/generated/compile.h
Building modules, stage 2.
Kernel: arch/x86/boot/bzImage is ready (#1)
MODPOST 5026 modules
bhavishh21k3450@bhavishh21k3450-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/linux-4.19.275$
```

• USERSPACE CODE



```
userspace.c (~/) - gedit
#include<stdio.h>
#include<linux/kernel.h>
#include<sys/syscall.h>
#include<unistd.h>
int main()
{
    long int i = syscall(335);
    printf("System call sys_chain_smokers returned %ld\n", i);
    return 0;
}
```

• OUTPUT

```
bhavish213450@bhavish213450-virtual-machine: ~
[ 3440.272288] Smoker 2587 is smoking now.
[ 3440.592423] Smoker 3674 is waiting for ingredient 1.
[ 3440.592425] Smoker 3674 has the required ingredient.
[ 3440.592426] Smoker 3674 is smoking now.
[ 3440.720441] Agent is putting tobacco, paper, and matches on the table.
[ 3440.752277] Agent is putting tobacco, paper, and matches on the table.
[ 3441.008298] Agent is putting tobacco, paper, and matches on the table.
[ 3441.200119] Smoker 2291 is waiting for ingredient 1.
[ 3441.200121] Smoker 2291 has the required ingredient.
[ 3441.200122] Smoker 2291 is smoking now.
[ 3441.296422] Agent is putting tobacco, paper, and matches on the table.
[ 3441.616086] Smoker 3674 is waiting for ingredient 2.
[ 3441.616089] Agent is putting tobacco, paper, and matches on the table.
[ 3441.744374] Smoker 2502 is waiting for ingredient 0.
[ 3441.744376] Smoker 2502 is waiting for ingredient 1.
[ 3441.744377] Smoker 2502 has the required ingredient.
[ 3441.744378] Smoker 2502 is smoking now.
[ 3441.776415] Smoker 3793 is waiting for ingredient 0.
[ 3441.776418] Smoker 3793 has the required ingredient.
[ 3441.776419] Smoker 3793 is smoking now.
[ 3442.032209] Smoker 2232 is waiting for ingredient 0.
[ 3442.032211] Smoker 2232 is waiting for ingredient 1.
[ 3442.032212] Smoker 2232 has the required ingredient.
[ 3442.032213] Smoker 2232 is smoking now.
[ 3442.228451] Smoker 2291 is waiting for ingredient 2.
[ 3442.228453] Agent is putting tobacco, paper, and matches on the table.
[ 3442.320002] Smoker 2587 is waiting for ingredient 0.
[ 3442.320004] Smoker 2587 has the required ingredient.
[ 3442.320005] Smoker 2587 is smoking now.
[ 3442.641785] Smoker 3674 is waiting for ingredient 0.
[ 3442.641791] Smoker 3674 has the required ingredient.
[ 3442.641793] Smoker 3674 is smoking now.
[ 3442.768271] Smoker 2502 is waiting for ingredient 2.
[ 3442.768274] Smoker 2502 has the required ingredient.
[ 3442.768275] Smoker 2502 is smoking now.
[ 3442.800387] Smoker 3793 is waiting for ingredient 1.
[ 3442.800393] Smoker 3793 is waiting for ingredient 2.
[ 3442.800396] Smoker 3793 has the required ingredient.
[ 3442.800399] Smoker 3793 is smoking now.
[ 3443.059951] Smoker 2232 is waiting for ingredient 2.
[ 3443.059954] Smoker 2232 has the required ingredient.
[ 3443.059955] Smoker 2232 is smoking now.
bhavish213450@bhavish213450-virtual-machine:~$
```

CONCLUSION

Our implementation successfully demonstrated the ability of the Linux Ubuntu kernel to handle the Chain Smoker's Problem as a system call. We observed the expected synchronization behaviour and resource allocation, ensuring fairness and deadlock avoidance. The system call was performed efficiently, allowing for concurrent execution and proper management of resources.

In summary, this project report outlines the implementation of the Chain Smoker's Problem as a system call in the Linux Ubuntu kernel. It provides a comprehensive overview of the problem, implementation details, testing, and future possibilities.