

Lab 10

Part 1:

- a. Information retrieved by `ipcs` before instruction a:

```
jcarreiro@LAPTOP-Q8L7674C:~/repos/CIS-370/Lab10$ ipcs

----- Message Queues -----
key          msqid          owner          perms          used-bytes   messages

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
key          shmid          owner          perms          bytes         nattch       status

----- Semaphore Arrays -----
key          semid          owner          perms          nsems
```

This simply tells me that the system has no message queues, shared memory segments, or semaphore arrays.

- b. The information retrieved by `ipcs` after instruction a is exactly the same which means that compiling the two programs did not create any of the above structures.
- c. You need to run `printLine` first because it creates the shared memory.
- d. Running the `printLine` program causes it to print the character 'a' 10 times every 4 seconds. This happens infinitely until the program is forced to exit by the user.

Information retrieved by `ipcs` after instruction d:

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----- Message Queues -----
key          msqid          owner          perms          used-bytes   messages

----- Shared Memory Segments -----
key          shmid          owner          perms          bytes         nattch       status
0x0000007b  0              jcarreiro      666            8              0            0

----- Semaphore Arrays -----
key          semid          owner          perms          nsems
```

This tells me that this program created a shared memory segment with a key 123 (represented in hex), an id of 0, that I own, has all permissions by default, is 8 bytes of memory, and has nothing attached to it.

- e. The information retrieved by `ipcs` in the second shell before executing `changeLine` is the same as the information retrieved in the first shell after executing `printLine`. In

addition to my previous interpretation, this tells me that the shared memory was created across the entire system.

After running the changeLine program multiple times while running both programs in different shells, I got the following every time:

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key	msqid	owner	perms	used-bytes	messages	
----- Shared Memory Segments -----						
key	shmid	owner	perms	bytes	nattch	status
0x0000007b	0	jcarreiro	666	8	1	

----- Semaphore Arrays -----				
key	semid	owner	perms	nsems

The two things of note here are that there is only one segment of shared memory and that the number for nattch is now 1. The reason that there is only one segment of shared memory despite both programs creating one is that they both use the same key. Since there is already a segment created with that key, trying to create another with that key does nothing. As for the value of nattch being 1, this is because there is now one other program that has attached this segment of memory to itself.