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LAB EXERCISE 5

Inter Process Communication

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System Calls

- Name:shmget()
 - a. Description: returns the identifier for the shared memory segment associated with the value of the argument key
 - b. Header file:sys/shm.h
 - c. Syntax:int shmget(key_t key,size_t size,int shmflg);
 - d. Arguments:
 - e. Key it identifies the shared memory segment
 - f. Size size of the shared segment
 - g. Shmflg specifies the required shared memory flag(s). Need to pass permissions as well.
 - h. Return type:
 - i. Success:returns valid shared memory identifier
 - j. Failure:returns -1 and errno is set to indicate the error

2. Name:shmat()

- a. Description: attaches the shared memory segment identified by shmid to the address space of the calling process
- b. Header file:sys/shm.h
- c. Syntax:void *shmat(int shmid, const void *shmaddr, int shmflg);
- d. int shmdt(const void *shmaddr);
- e. Arguments:
- f. Shmid shared memory identifier, which is the return value of shmget() system call.
- g. Shmaddr specifies the address that attaches to the calling process.
- h. Shmflg specifies the required shared memory flag/s.
- i. Return type:
- j. Success: returns address of the attached shared memory segment
- k. Failure:returns -1

3. Name:shmdt()

- a. Description:detaches the shared memory segment located at the address specified by shmaddr from the address space of the calling process
- b. Header file:sys/types.h
- c. Syntax:int shmdt(const void *shmaddr)

- d. Arguments:Shmaddr the address of the shared memory segment to be detached. The to-be-detached segment must be the address returned by the shmat() system call.
- e. Return type:
- f. Success:returns o
- g. Failure:returns -1

4. Name:shmctl()

- a. Description: performs the control option specified by cmd on the system shared memory segment whose identifier is given by shmid
- b. Header file:sys/shm.h
- c. Syntax:int shmctl(int shmid,int cmd,struct shmid_ds *buf);
- d. Arguments:
- e. Shmid shared memory identifier, which is the return value of shmget() system call.
- f. Cmd command to perform the required control operation on the shared memory segment.
- g. Buf pointer to the shared memory structure named struct shmid_ds.
- h. Return type:
- i. Success:returns o
- j. Failure:returns -1.

Develop the following applications that uses interprocess communication concepts using shared memory.

1. Develop an application for getting a name in parent and convert it into uppercase in child using shared memory.

Algorithm:

- 1) Fork() is called and the children id is stored in pid
- 2) If pid is equal to zero then
 - a) Created a unique key for a project using ftok() and stored in key
 - b) For the key, shared memory is allotted using shmget and returned id is stored in shmid
 - c) Get input from the user which to be stored in shared memory
 - d) Detach from the memory
- 3) Else then
 - a) Created a unique key for a project using ftok() and stored in key
 - b) For the key, shared memory is allotted using shmget and returned id is stored in shmid
 - c) Read the data in shared memory and convert it to uppercase then display it
 - d) Detach from the memory
 - e) Erase the shared memory

Code:

```
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#define NULL 0
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdib.h>
```

```
#include <sys/wait.h>
#include <stdio ext.h>
int main()
    int pid = fork();
        int shmid = shmget(111, 1024, 0666 | IPC_CREAT);
        char *str = (char *)shmat(shmid, (void *)0, 0);
        printf("Data to be written in memory:");
        fgets(str, 100, stdin);
        int shmid = shmget(111, 1024, 0666 | IPC_CREAT);
        char *str = shmat(shmid, (void *)0, 0);
        printf("\nActual Data read from memory: %s\n", str);
        for (int i = 0; str[i] != '\0'; i++)
        printf("Data to be displayed from memory: %s\n", str);
        shmctl(shmid, IPC_RMID, NULL);
```

Output:

```
jayannthan_hakr@jayannthan-Ubuntu:~/05 LAB/Assignment5$ ./1
|Data to be written in memory:hi! how are you?
|Actual Data read from memory: hi! how are you?
|Data to be displayed from memory: HI! HOW ARE YOU?
```

2. Develop a client / server application for file transfer using shared memory.

Algorithm for server:

1) Created a unique key for a project using ftok() and stored in key

- 2) For the key, shared memory is allotted using shmget and returned id is stored in shmid
- 3) read input from the shared memory and store it in str
- 4) open file of name str and store file pointer in fp
- 5) read the file and write it into the shared memory using same str
- 6) close the file

Algorithm for client:

- 1) Created a unique key for a project using ftok() and stored in key
- 2) For the key, shared memory is allotted using shmget and returned id is stored in shmid
- 3) read input filename from the user and store it in the shared memory
- 4) After the server writes the file contents into the shared memory, display it and write it into a new file
- 5) Detach from the memory
- 6) Erase the memory

Code:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <unistd.h>
int main()
    int shmid = shmget(1, 50, 666 | IPC_CREAT);
    char *str = (char *)shmat(shmid, (void *)0, 0);
    while (str[0] == '\0')
    printf("File name received\n");
    if (fp == NULL)
        strcpy(str, "File not found\n");
        char c;
```

```
int i = 0;
    while ((c = fgetc(fp)) != EOF)
    {
        str[i] = c;
        i++;
    }
    str[i] = '\0';
    printf("File content fetched successfully!\n");
    fclose(fp);
}
```

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>
int main()
    int shmid = shmget(1, 50, 666 | IPC_CREAT);
    char *str = (char *)shmat(shmid, (void *)0, 0);
    printf("Waiting for file content from server...\n");
    sleep(1);
    if (strcmp(str, "File not found") == 0)
        printf("File not found\n");
    else
    shmctl(shmid, IPC_RMID, NULL);
```

Output:

```
Enter filename: main.c

File: main.c

File Request Sent...
Contents of File:
#include <stdio.h>
int main(int argc, char const *argv[])
{
        printf("Hello World!!!\n");
        return 0;
}
```

3. Develop an client/server chat application using shared memory.

Algorithm for server:

- 1) Get process id using getpid() and store it in pid
- 2) Create a shared memory using shmget and returned id is stored in shmid
- 3) Attach the pointer of message structure (memory) into the shared memory
- 4) Set pid2 in the memory as pid
- 5) Set status as -1
- 6) Call signal(). Send SIGUSR2, handler function as parameters
- 7) Loop until exit
 - a) If status is equal to 1 then wait for the other user to give input
 - b) Else then get input from the user to chat
 - c) Then set status as 1
 - d) Signal all the process using kill. Send pid1, SIGUSR1 as parameters
- 8) Detach from the memory
- 9) Destroy the memory

Algorithm for client:

- 1) Get process id using getpid() and store it in pid
- 2) Create a shared memory using shmget and returned id is stored in shmid
- 3) Attach the pointer of message structure (memory) into the shared memory
- 4) Set pid2 in the memory as pid
- 5) Set status as -1
- 6) Call signal(). Send SIGUSR1, handler function as parameters
- 7) Loop until exit
 - a) If status is equal to 1 then wait for the other user to give input
 - b) Else then get input from the user to chat
 - c) Then set status as 0
 - d) Signal all the process using kill. Send pid2, SIGUSR2 as parameters
- 8) Detach from the memory
- 9) Destroy the memory

Code:

```
#include <signal.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>
struct memory
    char buff[100];
    int status, pid1, pid2;
struct memory *shmptr;
void handler(int signum)
    if (signum == SIGUSR2)
int main()
    int pid = getpid();
    int shmid = shmget(111, sizeof(struct memory), IPC_CREAT | 0666);
    shmptr = (struct memory *)shmat(shmid, NULL, 0);
    signal(SIGUSR2, handler);
        while (shmptr->status == 1)
        sleep(1);
        printf("You: ");
        shmptr->status = 1;
        kill(shmptr->pid1, SIGUSR1);
    shmdt((void *)shmptr);
    shmctl(shmid, IPC_RMID, NULL);
    return 0;
```

```
#include <signal.h>
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>
struct memory
    char buff[100];
    int status, pid1, pid2;
struct memory *shmptr;
void handler(int signum)
    if (signum == SIGUSR1)
        puts(shmptr->buff);
int main()
    int pid = getpid();
    int shmid = shmget(111, sizeof(struct memory), IPC_CREAT | 0666);
    shmptr = (struct memory *)shmat(shmid, NULL, 0);
    signal(SIGUSR1, handler);
        while (shmptr->status != 1)
        sleep(1);
        shmptr->status = 0;
        kill(shmptr->pid2, SIGUSR2);
    shmdt((void *)shmptr);
    shmctl(shmid, IPC_RMID, NULL);
```

Output:

You: hi User1: hi

You: hlo User1: hlo

You: bye User1: bye User2: hi

You: hi User2: hlo

You: hlo User2: bye

You: bye

Learning Outcome:

- Executed shared memory functions and system calls
- Executed server-side and client-side program using shared memory