# CSC 3150 Project #1

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#### 1 Introduction

#### 1.1 Project tasks

This project includes two tasks. The first one is to fork a child process and execute a test program. After that, we wait for the test program and get the signal. The second one asks us to create a kernel thread and run my\_fork function. In this function, we should execute the test program, wait for it, and get the signal.

#### 1.2 Development environment

The development environment is Ubuntu 16.04 with Linux kernel version 5.10.197. The gcc version is 5.4.0.

To set up this environment, we should first get the correct Linux kernel version installed. Follow the command lines below to get the kernel version 5.10.197.

```
sudo su # get the root permission
   cd /home/seed/work # if not having the dir, create one
3
   wget xxx # get the kernel source code, xxx represents the
       downloading link
   tar xvf linux-5.10.197.tar.xz # unzip
4
   cd /boot # get into boot dir
6
   cp config* /home/seed/work/linux-5.10.197 # here * means there
       is still some chars after the config
   cd /home/seed/work/linux-5.10.197
9
   make mrproper
10 make clean
11 make menuconfig
   # save and eixt
13 make # to build the kernel image and modules
14 make modules_install
   make install
15
   reboot # after reboot, the newest version should be 5.10.197
16
```

Till now, the environment is enough for program1. However, for program2, we need kernel functions, which means that we should modify the kernel to use them. Follow the instrucions below to recompile the kernel for program2 usage.

```
# EXPORT_SYMBOL(getname_kernel); # in /fs/namei.c
# EXPORT_SYMBOL(do_wait); # in /kernel/exit.c

make # to build the kernel image and modules
make modules_install
make install
reboot # after reboot, the kernel has been updated
```

Now we can use the functions listed above. The development environment has been set up already.

## 2 Program 1

#### 2.1 Implementing the child process

This part implements the child process. We get the file name to be executed by modifying the argv and we use the function getpid() to get the pid of the child process. Then we use execve() function to execute the test program. The details are shown below.

```
/* child process */
2
   if (pid == 0)
3
   {
4
       int i;
5
       char *arg[argc];
6
7
       for (i = 0; i < argc - 1; i++)</pre>
8
           arg[i] = argv[i + 1];
9
10
       arg[argc - 1] = NULL;
11
12
       /* get the test program path and name */
13
14
       printf("I'm the Child Process, my pid = %d\n", getpid());
       printf("Child process start to execute test program:\n");
15
16
       /* execute test program */
17
18
       execve(arg[0], arg, NULL);
19
   }
```

#### 2.2 Implementing the parent process

This part implements the parent process. After fork(), we should use function waitpid() to wait for the child process to terminate or stop. Here the option is

WUNTRACED, shows that we treat the stopped program as a terminated one, so that we can get SIGSTOP signal.

After waiting, we will get the status. To process the status, we get the signal from status by getting the last 7 bits, and we also use this variable to show whether this is a stopped program or not. If yes, we further get the stop signal. The details are shown below.

```
/* parent process */
2
   else
3
   {
4
       printf("I'm the Parent Process, my pid = %d\n", getpid());
5
6
       /* wait for child process terminates */
7
       waitpid(pid, &status, WUNTRACED);
8
       printf("Parent process receives SIGCHLD signal\n");
9
10
       /* check child process' termination status and signal */
       int signal = status & 0x7F; // get signal from lowest 7 bits
11
12
       int stop_spec = (((unsigned)status) >> 8);
13
14
       /* more codes here */
15
   }
```

To output the signals, we use an array to store all the signals in consistent with their signal numbers. Firstly we judge whether it is normal terminated. If not, we further judge whether it is stopped or not. Further, we see it is terminated by other signals and we specify them using our array. The details are shown below.

```
/* parent process */
2
   else
3
   {
4
       /* previous codes */
5
6
       char signal_array[32][15] = {
          "normal", "SIGHUP", "SIGINT", "SIGQUIT", "SIGILL",
7
8
          "SIGTRAP", "SIGABRT", "SIGBUS", "SIGFPE", "SIGKILL",
           "SIGUSR1", "SIGSEGV", "SIGUSR2", "SIGPIPE", "SIGALRM",
9
          "SIGTERM", "unused", "SIGCHLD", "SIGCONT", "SIGSTOP",
10
11
          "SIGTSTP", "SIGTTIN", "SIGTTOU", "SIGURG", "SIGXCPU",
           "SIGXFSG", "SIGVTALRM", "SIGPROF", "SIGWINCH", "SIGIO",
12
          "SIGPWR", "SIGSYS"};
13
14
15
       switch (signal)
16
       case 0: // normal termination
17
          printf("Normal termination with EXIT STATUS = 0\n");
18
19
          break;
```

```
20
       case 127: // stop
21
           printf("child process get stop signal\n");
22
          break;
23
       default:
24
           printf("child process get %s signal\n",
              signal_array[signal]);
25
           break;
26
       }
27
28
       if (signal == 127)
29
30
          printf("child process stopped with signal = %d\n",
              stop_spec);
31
32
       else if (signal != 0)
33
34
           printf("child process terminated by %s signal with
              signal = %d\n", signal_array[signal], signal);
35
       }
36
   }
```

The whole codes are attached, including error detection and some other basic things.

#### 2.3 Program output

This part shows 15 sample outputs with different signals, from Figure 1 to 15.

Figure 1: normal signal in Program 1

Figure 2: hangup signal in Program 1

```
vagrant@csc3150:~/csc3150/Assignment_1_121090642/source/program1$ ./program1 interrupt
Process start to fork
I'm the Parent Process, my pid = 4710
I'm the Child Process, my pid = 4711
Child process start to execute test program:
------CHILD PROCESS START-----
This is the SIGINT program

Parent process receives SIGCHLD signal
child process get SIGINT signal
child process terminated by SIGINT signal with signal = 2
```

Figure 3: interrupt signal in Program 1

Figure 4: quit signal in Program 1

```
vagrant@csc3150:~/csc3150/Assignment_1_121090642/source/program1$ ./program1 illegal_instr
Process start to fork
I'm the Parent Process, my pid = 4666
I'm the Child Process, my pid = 4667
Child process start to execute test program:
-----CHILD PROCESS START-----
This is the SIGILL program

Parent process receives SIGCHLD signal
child process get SIGILL signal
child process terminated by SIGILL signal with signal = 4
```

Figure 5: illegal instr signal in Program 1

Figure 6: trap signal in Program 1

```
vagrant@csc3150:~/csc3150/Assignment_1_121090642/source/program1$ ./program1 abort
Process start to fork
I'm the Parent Process, my pid = 4471
I'm the Child Process, my pid = 4472
Child process start to execute test program:
------CHILD PROCESS START-----
This is the SIGABRT program

Parent process receives SIGCHLD signal
child process get SIGABRT signal
child process terminated by SIGABRT signal with signal = 6
```

Figure 7: abort signal in Program 1

```
vagrant@csc3150:~/csc3150/Assignment_1_121090642/source/program1$ ./program1 bus
Process start to fork
I'm the Parent Process, my pid = 4551
I'm the Child Process, my pid = 4552
Child process start to execute test program:
------CHILD PROCESS START-----
This is the SIGBUS program

Parent process receives SIGCHLD signal
child process get SIGBUS signal
child process terminated by SIGBUS signal with signal = 7
```

Figure 8: bus signal in Program 1

Figure 9: floating signal in Program 1

Figure 10: kill signal in Program 1

```
vagrant@csc3150:~/csc3150/Assignment_1_121090642/source/program1$ ./program1 segment_fault
Process start to fork
I'm the Parent Process, my pid = 4896
I'm the Child Process, my pid = 4897
Child process start to execute test program:
-----CHILD PROCESS START-----
This is the SIGSEGV program

Parent process receives SIGCHLD signal
child process get SIGSEGV signal
child process terminated by SIGSEGV signal with signal = 11
```

Figure 11: segment\_fault signal in Program 1

Figure 12: pipe signal in Program 1

Figure 13: alarm signal in Program 1

```
• vagrant@csc3150:~/csc3150/Assignment_1_121090642/source/program1$ ./program1 terminate
Process start to fork
I'm the Parent Process, my pid = 4972
I'm the Child Process, my pid = 4973
Child process start to execute test program:
------CHILD PROCESS START-----
This is the SIGTERM program

Parent process receives SIGCHLD signal
child process get SIGTERM signal
child process terminated by SIGTERM signal with signal = 15
```

Figure 14: terminate signal in Program 1

Figure 15: stop signal in Program 1

# 3 Program 2

#### 3.1 Prepare structs and functions

Before implementing, we should firstly prepare the functions and structs we need. The task struct is used to store the task we create. The wait\_opts struct is for the do\_wait() function parameter usage. The functions with extern are the functions from Linux kernel. In addition, the functions used by myself are declared. The details are shown below.

```
/* for kthread create */
2
   static struct task_struct *task;
3
4
   /* for do_wait parameters usage */
5
   struct wait_opts
6
7
       enum pid_type wo_type;
8
       int wo_flags;
9
       struct pid *wo_pid;
10
11
       struct waitid_info *wo_info;
12
       int wo_stat;
13
       struct rusage *wo_rusage;
14
15
       wait_queue_entry_t child_wait;
16
   };
17
```

```
/* exported functions from kernel */
19
   extern pid_t kernel_clone(struct kernel_clone_args *args);
20
   extern int do_execve(struct filename *filename,
21
                      const char __user *const __user *__argv,
22
                      const char __user *const __user *__envp);
23
   extern struct filename *getname_kernel(const char *filename);
24
   extern long do_wait(struct wait_opts *wo);
25
26
   /* func declaration */
27
   int my_execve(void);
   int my_fork(void *argc);
28
```

#### 3.2 Implementing init function

This part is to initalize the module. In this part, we use kthread\_create() to create a task and store the task in a variable. Then we wake up this task using the function wake\_up\_process(). The details are shown below.

```
1
   static int __init program2_init(void)
2
   {
3
       printk("[program2] : module_init\n");
4
5
6
       /* create a kernel thread to run my_fork */
7
       printk("[program2] : module_init create kthread start\n");
       task = kthread_create(&my_fork, NULL, "ZiyuThread");
8
9
       /* wake up new thread if ok */
10
11
       if (!IS_ERR(task))
12
          printk("[program2] : module_init kthread start\n");
13
14
          wake_up_process(task);
15
       }
16
17
       return 0;
   |}
18
```

# 3.3 Implementing my\_fork function: kernel\_clone

The last part creates a task and wake up the function my\_fork(). In this function, we should fork a process using do\_fork() if we use the previous version. However, now this function has been changed to kernel clone().

We firstly create a struct to store the parameters for this function. Here a series of flag bits can be set through the flags parameter. For example, **CLONE\_VM** 

indicates the shared process address space, CLONE\_UNTRACED indicates that there is no need to track the child process, and CSIGNAL indicates the signal when the child process exits.

The **pidfd** is a flag used to indicate whether to create a pidfd file descriptor when cloning a new process. **child\_pid** is used to point to user space memory in child process address space, similarly does **parent\_pid**.

The **stack** should point to the location of the function to execute. The details are shown below.

```
1
 2
   // implement fork function
   int my_fork(void *argc)
 3
 4
 5
       // set default sigaction for current process
 6
       /* previous codes here */
       /* for kernel clone parameter usage */
 8
9
       struct kernel_clone_args clone_args = {
10
           .flags = ((lower_32_bits(SIGCHLD) | CLONE_VM |
              CLONE_UNTRACED) & ~CSIGNAL),
11
           .pidfd = NULL,
12
           .child_tid = NULL,
13
           .parent_tid = NULL,
14
           .exit_signal = (lower_32_bits(SIGCHLD) & CSIGNAL),
15
           .stack = (unsigned long)&my_execve,
16
           .stack_size = 0,
                                          // normally set as 0
              because it is unused
17
           .tls = 0
18
       };
19
20
       /* fork a process using kernel_clone or kernel_thread */
21
       pid = kernel_clone(&clone_args);
22
       printk("[program2] : The child process has pid = %d\n",
       printk("[program2] : This is the parent process, pid =
23
           %d\n", (int)current->pid);
24
25
       /* more codes here */
26
   }
```

### 3.4 Implementing my\_execve function

This part will execute the file using do\_execve(), which is easy to implement.

```
/* execute the test program */
int my_execve(void)
```

```
3 | {
4
       int exe_res;
5
       const char path[] = "/tmp/test";
6
7
       struct filename *file_name = getname_kernel(path);
8
       /* execute a test program in child process */
9
10
       exe res = do execve(file name, NULL, NULL);
11
12
       return 0;
13
   |}
```

#### 3.5 Completing my\_fork function: do\_wait

After kernel\_clone() shown in 3.3, this program is not completed, because we should wait for the signal using the function do\_wait() and output it.

We set the wait\_opts corretly with a variable status, which will be used to catch the status. The PIDTYPE\_PID shows the type should be pid. The flags shows that whether the child process exits or stops, we will wait successfully.

After we get the status, it is easy to output the information since it is quite similar to program 1. The details are shown as below.

```
// implement fork function
 2
   int my_fork(void *argc)
3
 4
       /* previous codes here */
 5
 6
       /* wait_opts paramters */
 7
       int status;
 8
9
       struct pid *wo_pid = NULL;
10
       wo_pid = find_get_pid(pid);
11
       /* wait_opts settings */
12
13
       struct wait_opts do_wo = {
14
           .wo_type = PIDTYPE_PID,
           .wo_flags = WEXITED | WUNTRACED,
15
16
           .wo_pid = wo_pid,
17
           .wo info = NULL,
18
           .wo_stat = (int __user *)&status,
19
           .wo_rusage = NULL,
20
       };
21
22
       /* wait until child process terminates */
23
       printk("[program2] : child process\n");
24
```

```
25
       int a;
26
       a = do_wait(&do_wo);
27
28
       put_pid(wo_pid);
29
       status = do_wo.wo_stat; // get the status
30
31
32
       /* check child process' termination status and signal */
       int signal = status & 0x7F; // get signal from lowest 7 bits
33
34
       int stop_spec = (((unsigned)status) >> 8);
35
36
       /* more codes here similar to program1 */
37
```

#### 3.6 Run program 2

To run program 2, follow the command lines below. Note that the test file should be prepared in advance in /tmp/test.

```
sudo su # get the root permission
make
insmod program2.ko
rmmod program2.ko
dmesg
```

#### 3.7 Program output

This part shows 15 sample outputs with different signals, from Figure 16 to 30.

```
[program2] : module_init
             [program2] : module_init create kthread start
2114.707191
             [program2] : module_init kthread start
2114.710345]
             [program2]:
                          The child process has pid = 14408
2114.712940]
             [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14407
2114.716266]
             [program2] : child process
2114.719538]
             [program2] : Normal termination with EXIT STATUS = 0
2114.722170]
2114.726050]
             [program2] : The return status is 0
2114.729021] [program2] : The return signal is 0
2115.737076] [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 16: normal signal in Program 2

```
[ 1808.085295] [program2] : module_init
[ 1808.087504] [program2] : module_init create kthread start
[ 1808.090673] [program2] : module_init kthread start
[ 1808.098773] [program2] : The child process has pid = 14198
[ 1808.101081] [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14196
[ 1808.103690] [program2] : child process
[ 1808.105279] [program2] : get SIGHUP signal
[ 1808.107264] [program2] : child process terminated
[ 1808.109498] [program2] : The return status is 1
[ 1809.416949] [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 17: hangup signal in Program 2

```
[ 1895.391419] [program2] : module_init
[ 1895.393407] [program2] : module_init create kthread start
[ 1895.396861] [program2] : module_init kthread start
[ 1895.407096] [program2] : The child process has pid = 14297
[ 1895.410168] [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14296
[ 1895.413962] [program2] : child process
[ 1895.416500] [program2] : get SIGINT signal
[ 1895.419223] [program2] : child process terminated
[ 1895.421829] [program2] : The return status is 2
[ 1895.424442] [program2] : The return signal is 2
[ 1896.503309] [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 18: interrupt signal in Program 2

```
[program2] : module_init
2327.399131]
2327.401600]
             [program2] : module_init create kthread start
             [program2] : module_init kthread start
2327.405548]
2327.409571
             [program2] : The child process has pid = 14506
2327.4139367
             [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14505
2327.417741]
             [program2] : child process
             [program2] : get SIGQUIT signal
             [program2] : child process terminated
2327.561842]
2327.563340] [program2] : The return status is 131
2327.564858] [program2] : The return signal is 3
2328.496612] [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 19: quit signal in Program 2

```
[ 1860.667356] [program2] : module_init
[ 1860.669565] [program2] : module_init create kthread start
[ 1860.673082] [program2] : module_init kthread start
[ 1860.676912] [program2] : The child process has pid = 14241
[ 1860.679374] [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14240
[ 1860.681685] [program2] : child process
[ 1860.851443] [program2] : get SIGILL signal
[ 1860.852495] [program2] : child process terminated
[ 1860.853687] [program2] : The return status is 132
[ 1860.854904] [program2] : The return signal is 4
[ 1861.936057] [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 20: illegal\_instr signal in Program 2

```
2573.647699] [program2] : module_init
             [program2] : module_init create kthread start
2573.650642]
2573.654655]
             [program2] : module_init kthread start
             [program2] : The child process has pid = 14771
2573.658270]
2573.662443]
             [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14770
             [program2] : child process
2573.665685]
             [program2] : get SIGTRAP signal
2573.868371]
             [program2] : child process terminated
2573.869998]
2573.871813
             [program2] : The return status is 133
             [program2] : The return signal is 5
2573.873648]
             [program2] : module_exit
2574.737775]
```

Figure 21: trap signal in Program 2

```
[ 1587.784880] [program2] : module_init
[ 1587.787018] [program2] : module_init create kthread start
[ 1587.795358] [program2] : module_init kthread start
[ 1587.798779] [program2] : The child process has pid = 14014
[ 1587.802841] [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14013
[ 1587.806696] [program2] : child process
[ 1587.954702] [program2] : get SIGABRT signal
[ 1587.956331] [program2] : child process terminated
[ 1587.958036] [program2] : The return status is 134
[ 1587.959816] [program2] : The return signal is 6
[ 1589.413876] [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 22: abort signal in Program 2

```
1710.282369]
             [program2] : module_init
              [program2] : module_init create kthread start
1710.284821]
1710.289393]
              [program2] : module_init kthread start
             [program2] : The child process has pid = 14050
1710.294605]
             [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14049
             [program2] : child process
1710.297398]
1710.4304307
             [program2] : get SIGBUS signal
             [program2] : child process terminated
1710.431514]
1710.432680]
             [program2] : The return status is 135
1710.433839]
             [program2] : The return signal is 7
1711.587759]
             [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 23: bus signal in Program 2

```
[program2] : module_init
1752.100063]
             [program2] : module_init create kthread start
1752.102831]
             [program2] : module_init kthread start
1752.117295]
             [program2] : The child process has pid = 14104
1752.119583
1752.120959]
             [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14103
1752.122595]
             [program2] : child process
1752.257524]
             [program2] : get SIGFPE signal
             [program2] : child process terminated
1752.258676]
             [program2] : The return status is 136
1752.261096
             [program2] : The return signal is 8
1752.999250]
             [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 24: floating signal in Program 2

```
1937.802829] [program2] : module_init
             [program2] : module_init create kthread start
1937.804786]
1937.808146]
             [program2] : module_init kthread start
1937.810415]
             [program2] : The child process has pid = 14352
1937.813527]
             [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14351
1937.815798]
                        : child process
             [program2]
1937.818558]
              [program2]
                        : get SIGKILL signal
                        : child process terminated
1937.821007]
             [program2]
             [program2]
                        : The return status is 9
             [program2] : The return signal is 9
1937.826666]
1938.840830
             [program2]
                        : module_exit
```

Figure 25: kill signal in Program 2

```
[ 2394.222825] [program2] : module_init
[ 2394.224442] [program2] : module_init create kthread start
[ 2394.227082] [program2] : module_init kthread start
[ 2394.230496] [program2] : The child process has pid = 14586
[ 2394.233486] [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14584
[ 2394.237603] [program2] : child process
[ 2394.373475] [program2] : get SIGSEGV signal
[ 2394.375051] [program2] : child process terminated
[ 2394.376721] [program2] : The return status is 139
[ 2394.378459] [program2] : The return signal is 11
[ 2396.109570] [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 26: segment\_fault signal in Program 2

```
[ 2288.788750] [program2] : module_init
[ 2288.790391] [program2] : module_init create kthread start
[ 2288.792213] [program2] : module_init kthread start
[ 2288.794000] [program2] : The child process has pid = 14466
[ 2288.800997] [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 14464
[ 2288.803448] [program2] : child process
[ 2288.804849] [program2] : get SIGPIPE signal
[ 2288.806343] [program2] : child process terminated
[ 2288.807949] [program2] : The return status is 13
[ 2288.809428] [program2] : The return signal is 13
[ 2290.143083] [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 27: pipe signal in Program 2

```
[ 1510.961847] [program2] : module_init
[ 1510.963363] [program2] : module_init create kthread start
[ 1510.966524] [program2] : module_init kthread start
[ 1510.969062] [program2] : The child process has pid = 13914
[ 1510.972470] [program2] : This is the parent process, pid = 13913
[ 1510.975827] [program2] : child process
[ 1512.974671] [program2] : get SIGALRM signal
[ 1512.985796] [program2] : child process terminated
[ 1512.994076] [program2] : The return status is 14
[ 1513.002143] [program2] : The return signal is 14
[ 1518.905642] [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 28: alarm signal in Program 2

```
[program2] : module_init
2507.644886]
              [program2]
                        : module_init create kthread start
                        : module_init kthread start
2507.650768]
              [program2]
                           The child process has pid = 14696
2507.653727]
              [program2]
              [program2]
                           This is the parent process, pid = 14695
2507.657617
                           child process
              program2]
              [program2]
                           get SIGTERM signal
2507.665902]
             [program2]
                           child process terminated
2507.668303]
             [program2]
                           The return status is 15
                        : The return signal is 15
2507.671025]
             [program2]
2509.7405597
             [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 29: terminate signal in Program 2

```
1490.577120]
             [program2]
                         : module_init
1490.579293]
              [program2] : module_init create kthread start
1490.588291]
             [program2] : module_init kthread start
1490.590417]
              [program2]
                           The child process has pid = 10092
1490.593450]
                           This is the parent process, pid = 10091
              [program2]
1490.5966787
              [program2]
                           child process
1490.5987267
              [program2]
                           get stop signal
1490.600928]
                         : child process stopped
              [program2]
1490.6034267
              [program2]
                         : The return signal is 19
1490.6059997
                         : The return status is 4991
              [program2]
1491.8329087
              [program2] : module_exit
```

Figure 30: stop signal in Program 2

#### 4 Learn from Tasks

From the two tasks, I have learnt:

- How to check the version of the Linux distributions and Linux kernel version (By using lsb\_release -a and uname -r). In addition, I also understand some common Linux commands.
- 2. How to change or update the kernel version. And in addition, how to modify the kernel files and recompile in adapt to our works.
- 3. How to create a process both in user mode and kernel mode. Learn some basic steps and the corresponding functions, with the parameters to set.
- 5. How different status should be treated to catch the signals. (Here we directly learn them from the kernel function library.)
- 4. How to insert and remove kernel object modules. How the modules being initalized and exited.