

1.give *sleep()* a random number between 1-10

Use SIGALRM to making parent process kills itself, and once *getppid()==1* the child process kills itself.

2.

sort system call:

```
sprintf(cmd,"sort -n -o %s %s",dirname,dirname);  
system(cmd);
```

Parent process store the answer from child processes to a struct.

After all the files are sorted, the main process closes the request_pipe [1], so the children stop sending requests and closing all pipe ends.

```
if(read(answer_pipe[0], buffer3, BUFSIZE)<=0){  
    printf("answer_pipe read failed\n");  
    printf("%s\n",strerror(errno));  
    if(errno == EPIPE) {  
        close(answer_pipe[0]);  
    }  
}else{  
    printf("answer_pipe read succeeded:%s\n",buffer3);  
    sscanf(buffer3, "%s,%d",totsort[++c_use].name,&tmp);  
    totsort[c_use].sum_line += tmp;  
    totsort[c_use].sum_file += 1;  
    totsort[c_use].pid = pid;  
}
```

3.

Core code:

```
sigset( SIGALRM, sUalrm);  
rev = ualarm(inrp, 0);  
if (rev==-1) {
```

```
perror("ualarm:\n");  
exit(1);  
}
```