CSE3241: Operating System and System Programming

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Know PID of Our Program

Run the following program in one terminal and check its PID and parent's PID in another terminal:

- \$ sudo apt install htop [if htop is not installed]
- ▶ \$ htop
- \$ pstree -ps <PID>
- ▶ \$ kill -9 < PID> [terminate infinitely running process.]

Figure: InfiniteLoop.c

Know PID Inside Our Program

Run the following program again and again and see PIDs.

- getpid() is used to know PID of the process when the executable file of this C code runs.
- getppid() is used to know parent's PID of the process.

```
1 #include<unistd.h>
2 #include<stdio.h>
3
4 int main(){
5         pid_t myPID, parentPID;
6
7         myPID = getpid();
8         parentPID = getppid();
9         printf("PID of this process: %u\n", myPID);
1         printf("PID of parent process: %u\n", parentPID);
2         return 0;
4 }
```

Process Tree

Processes are arranged in a tree structure, therefore, except the root process, each process has a parent process and 0-n number of child processes.

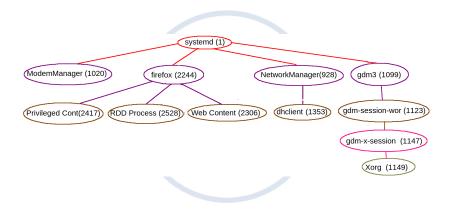
In Ubuntu:

- sched has PID: 0.
- ▶ init / systemd has PID: 1.
 - it is directly or indirectly the parent process of all processes.
 - it starts as soon as the computer starts and continue running till, it is shutdown.

To see the process tree, type:

- \$ pstree
- \$ pstree -p
- ▶ \$ pstree -ps <PID> [e.g., \$ pstree -ps 1656]

Schematic diagram of Process Tree in Ubuntu



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