

Operating Systems – COC 3071L

SE 5th A – Fall 2025

Part 1: File and Directory Operations

1. Create the following directory structure in your home directory:

```
Lab_3/  
├── docs/  
│   └── drafts/  
├── data/  
│   ├── raw/  
│   └── processed/  
└── scripts/
```

2. Inside docs/ :

- Create three files: `intro.txt`, `notes.txt`, `summary.txt` .
- Add at least **two lines of text** into each using `echo >>` .
- Copy `summary.txt` into the `drafts/` folder using `cp` command.

3. Inside data/raw/ :

- Create two files: `raw1.txt`, `raw2.txt` .
- Append the **current date** into `raw1.txt` using the `date` command.
- Move `raw2.txt` into `processed/` using `mv` . The syntax is:

```
mv source destination
```

4. Inside scripts/ :

- Create a script named `hello.sh` with the following content:

```
echo "Hello World"  
pwd  
ls -lh
```

- Later, you will make it executable (in Part 3).

5. Display the directory structure recursively and take a screenshot:

```
ls -R
```

The screenshot shows a Visual Studio Code editor window with a terminal session. The terminal output is as follows:

```
abdu@DESKTOP-QAF4R33:~/05/lab_03/home task$ touch ~/lab_3/data/raw/raw1.txt ~/lab_3/data/raw/raw2.txt
abdu@DESKTOP-QAF4R33:~/05/lab_03/home task$ date >> ~/lab_3/data/raw/raw1.txt
abdu@DESKTOP-QAF4R33:~/05/lab_03/home task$ mv ~/lab_3/data/raw/raw2.txt ~/lab_3/data/processed/
abdu@DESKTOP-QAF4R33:~/05/lab_03/home task$ cat > ~/lab_3/scripts/hello.sh <<EOF
> echo "hello world"
> pwd
> ls -lh
> EOF
abdu@DESKTOP-QAF4R33:~/05/lab_03/home task$ ls -R ~/lab_3
/home/abdu/lab_3:
processed  raw

/home/abdu/lab_3/data:
processed  raw2.txt

/home/abdu/lab_3/data/processed:
raw2.txt

/home/abdu/lab_3/data/raw:
raw1.txt

/home/abdu/lab_3/docs:
drafts  intro.txt  notes.txt  summary.txt

/home/abdu/lab_3/docs/drafts:
summary.txt

/home/abdu/lab_3/scripts:
hello.sh
abdu@DESKTOP-QAF4R33:~/05/lab_03/home task$
```

The interface includes a sidebar with Explorer, Search, and Run and Debug views. The bottom status bar shows the file path, line and column numbers, and the current time and date.

Part 2: Practice with Basic Linux Commands

Run the following commands inside `Lab_3/` and note their outputs:

- `pwd` → Show current working directory.
- `whoami` → Display the current logged-in user.
- `touch extra.txt` → Create an empty file.
- `cat intro.txt` → Display file contents.
- `rm extra.txt` → Delete a file.
- `history | tail -n 5` → Show your last 5 executed commands.
- `clear` → Clear the terminal.

Take screenshots of commands and outputs.

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1 Generate code (Ctrl+I), or select a language (Ctrl+K M). Start typing to dismiss or 'don't show this again.'

abdu1@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/OS/lab 03/home task$ pwd
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abdu1@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/OS/lab 03/home task$ whoami
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abdu1@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/OS/lab 03/home task$ touch extra.txt
abdu1@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/OS/lab 03/home task$ cat intro.txt
cat: intro.txt: No such file or directory
abdu1@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/OS/lab 03/home task$ cat intro.txt
cat: intro.txt: No such file or directory
abdu1@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/OS/lab 03/home task$ rm extra.txt
rm: extra.txt: No such file or directory
abdu1@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/OS/lab 03/home task$ history | tail -n 5
217 whoami
218 touch extra.txt
219 cat intro.txt
220 rm extra.txt
221 history | tail -n 5
abdu1@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/OS/lab 03/home task$
  
```

Part 3: File Permissions and Ownership

1. Change the permissions of `hello.sh` so that:

Owner → Read, Write & Execute

Group → Read, Write & Execute

Others → No permissions

Run the script using:

Take a screenshot of its output.

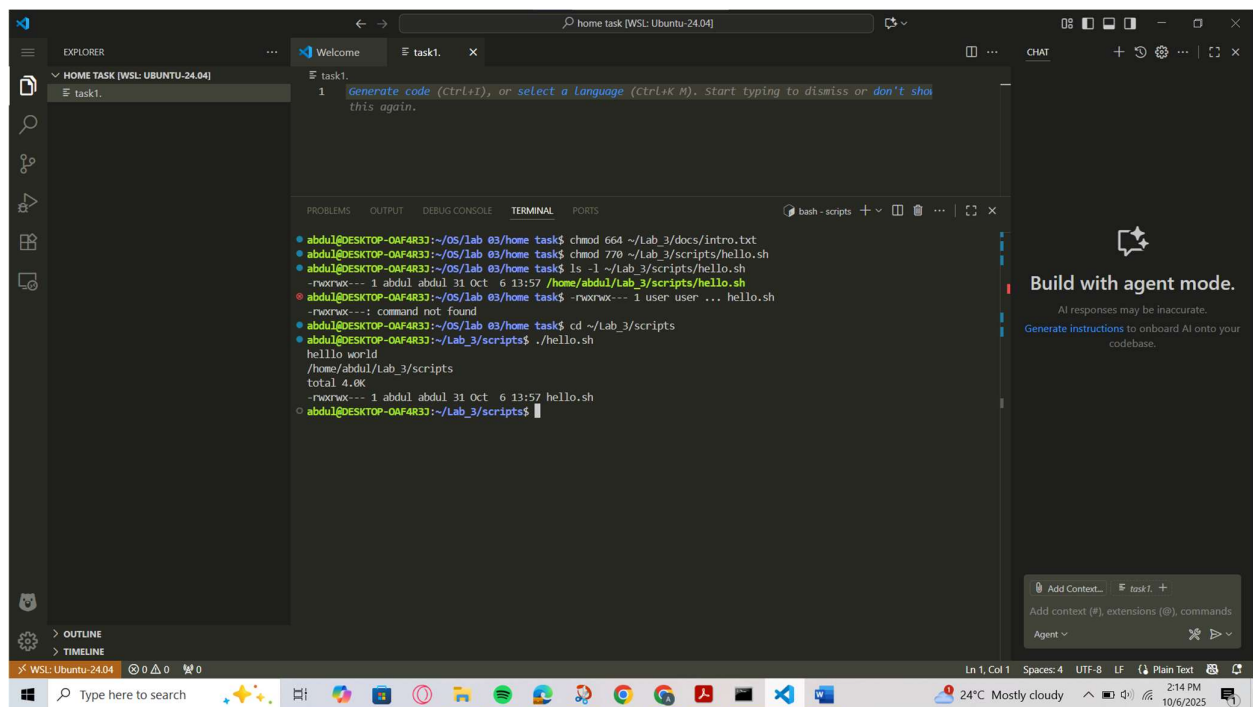
`./hello.sh`

2. Change the permissions of `intro.txt` using numeric notation so that:

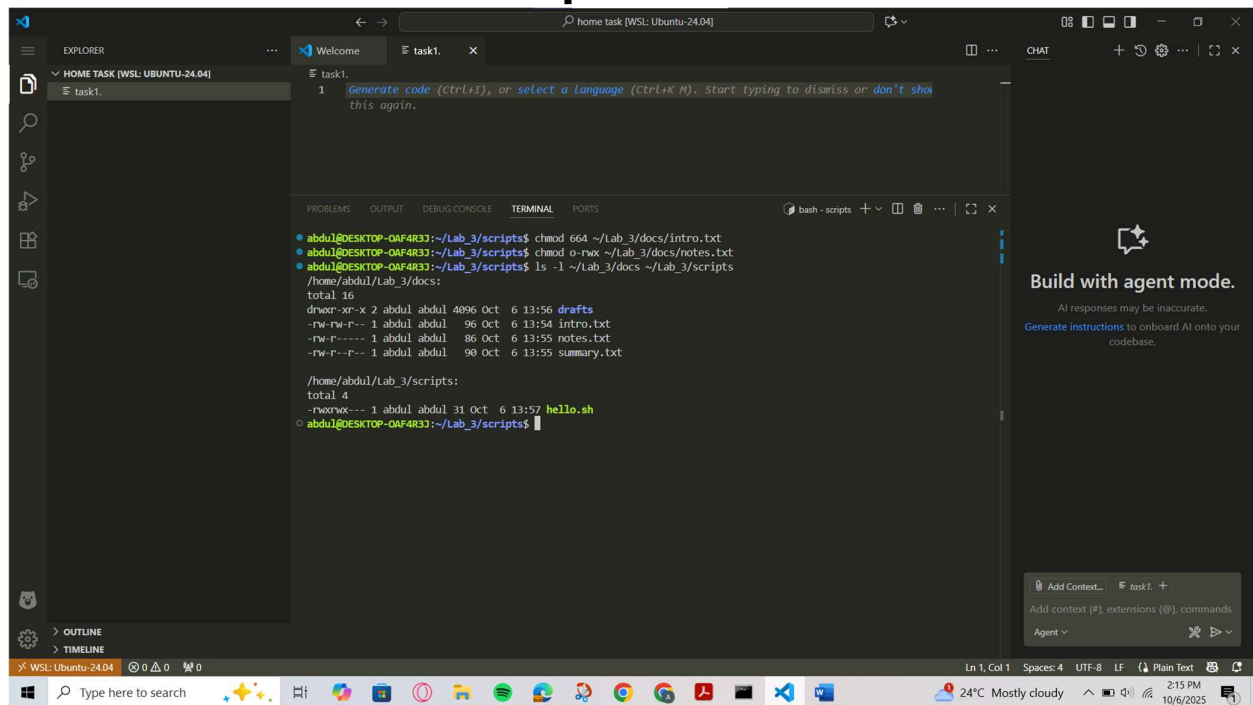
Owner → Read & Write

Group → Read & Write

Others → Read only



3. Change the permissions of notes.txt using symbolic notation so that others don't have any permission on it.
4. Verify all changes with: Take a screenshot of the output.

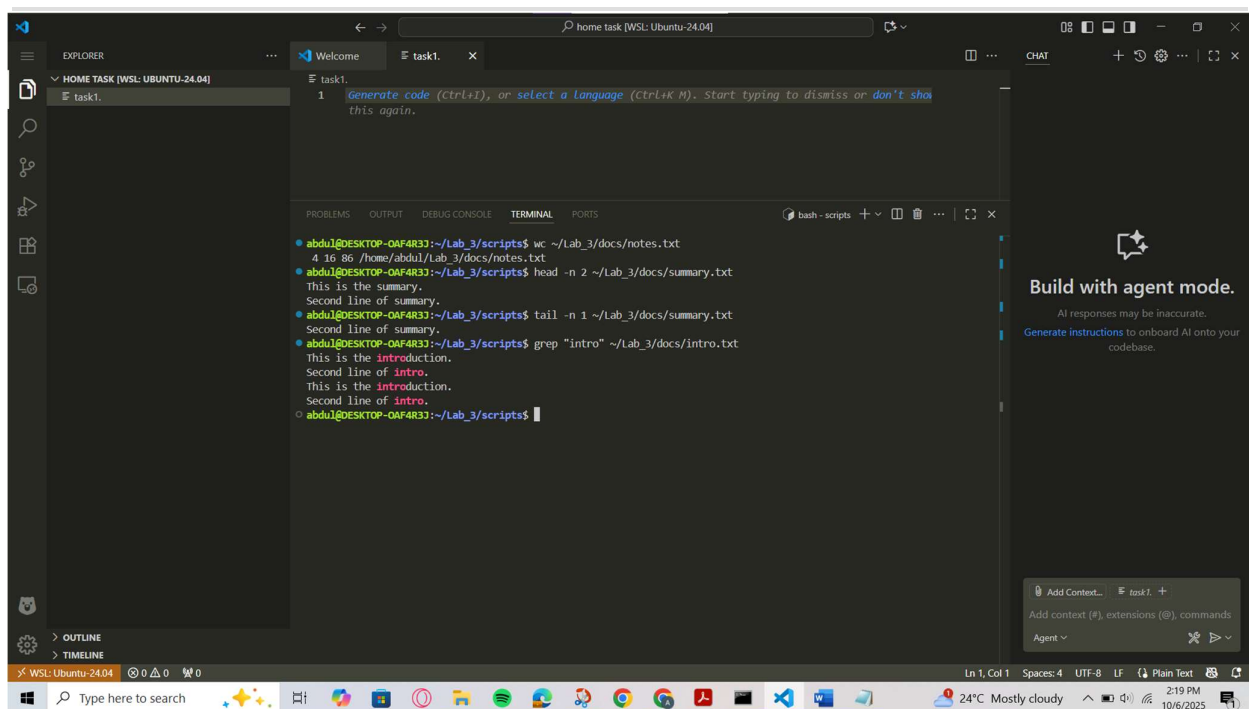


Part 4: Reading & Searching Files

Inside `docs/` :

1. Count the number of lines, words, and characters in `notes.txt` using `wc`.
2. Show only the **first 2 lines** of `summary.txt` using `head -n 2`.
3. Show the **last line** of `summary.txt` using `tail -n 1`.
4. Search for a keyword (of your choice) in `intro.txt` using `grep`.

Take screenshots.



The screenshot shows a Visual Studio Code editor window with a terminal at the bottom. The terminal is running a series of Linux commands in a WSL (Windows Subsystem for Linux) environment. The commands and their outputs are as follows:

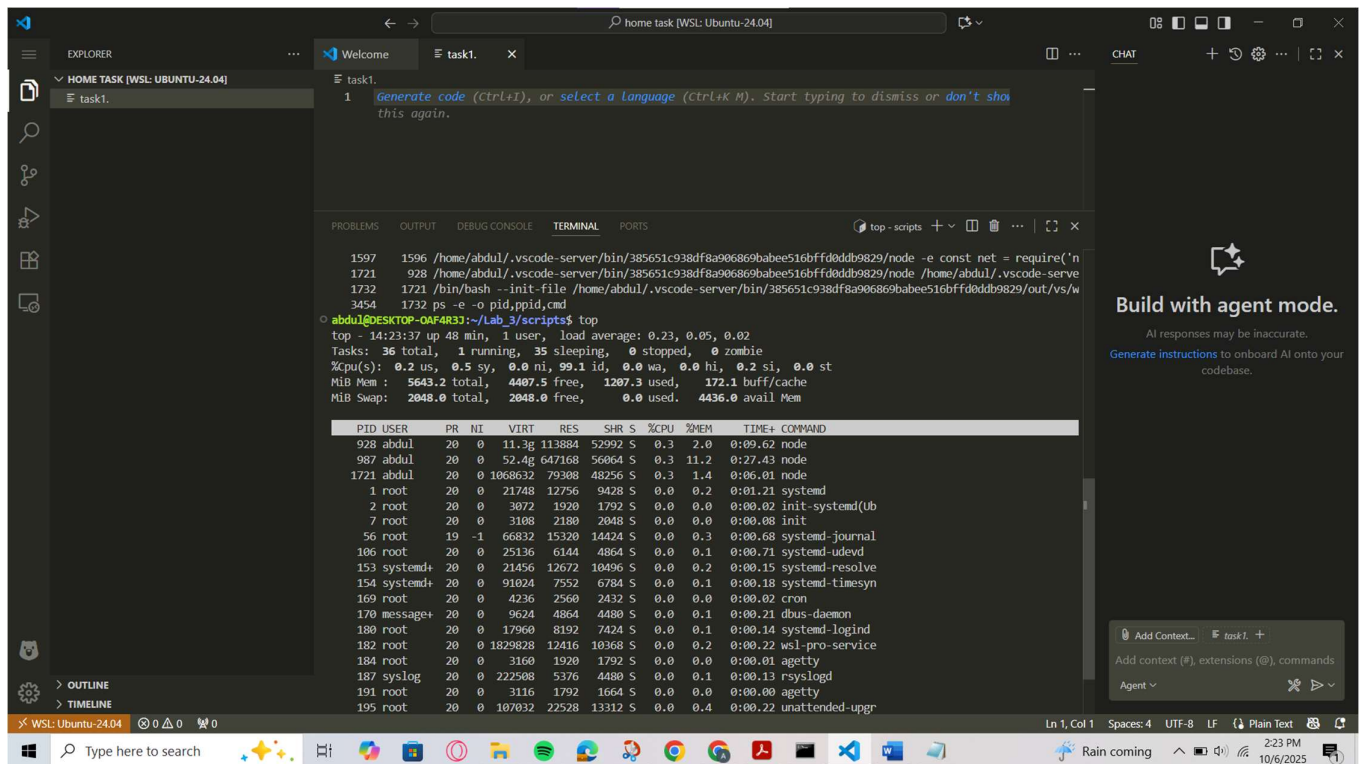
```
abdu@DESKTOP-QAF4R33:~/Lab_3/scripts$ wc ~/Lab_3/docs/notes.txt
4 16 86 /home/abdu/Lab_3/docs/notes.txt
abdu@DESKTOP-QAF4R33:~/Lab_3/scripts$ head -n 2 ~/Lab_3/docs/summary.txt
This is the summary.
Second line of summary.
abdu@DESKTOP-QAF4R33:~/Lab_3/scripts$ tail -n 1 ~/Lab_3/docs/summary.txt
Second line of summary.
abdu@DESKTOP-QAF4R33:~/Lab_3/scripts$ grep "intro" ~/Lab_3/docs/intro.txt
This is the introduction.
Second line of intro.
This is the introduction.
Second line of intro.
abdu@DESKTOP-QAF4R33:~/Lab_3/scripts$
```

The terminal output shows the results of the `wc`, `head`, `tail`, and `grep` commands. The `wc` command shows 4 lines, 16 words, and 86 characters in `notes.txt`. The `head` command shows the first two lines of `summary.txt`. The `tail` command shows the last line of `summary.txt`. The `grep` command searches for the keyword "intro" in `intro.txt` and finds two matches.

Part 5: Linux Process Commands

1. Exploring Processes

- Use `ps -ef` and identify **3 processes** running on your system. Note their **PID**, **PPID**, and **command**.
- Run `top` for 20–30 seconds. Write down:
 - Which process is consuming the most CPU.
 - Which process is consuming the most memory.

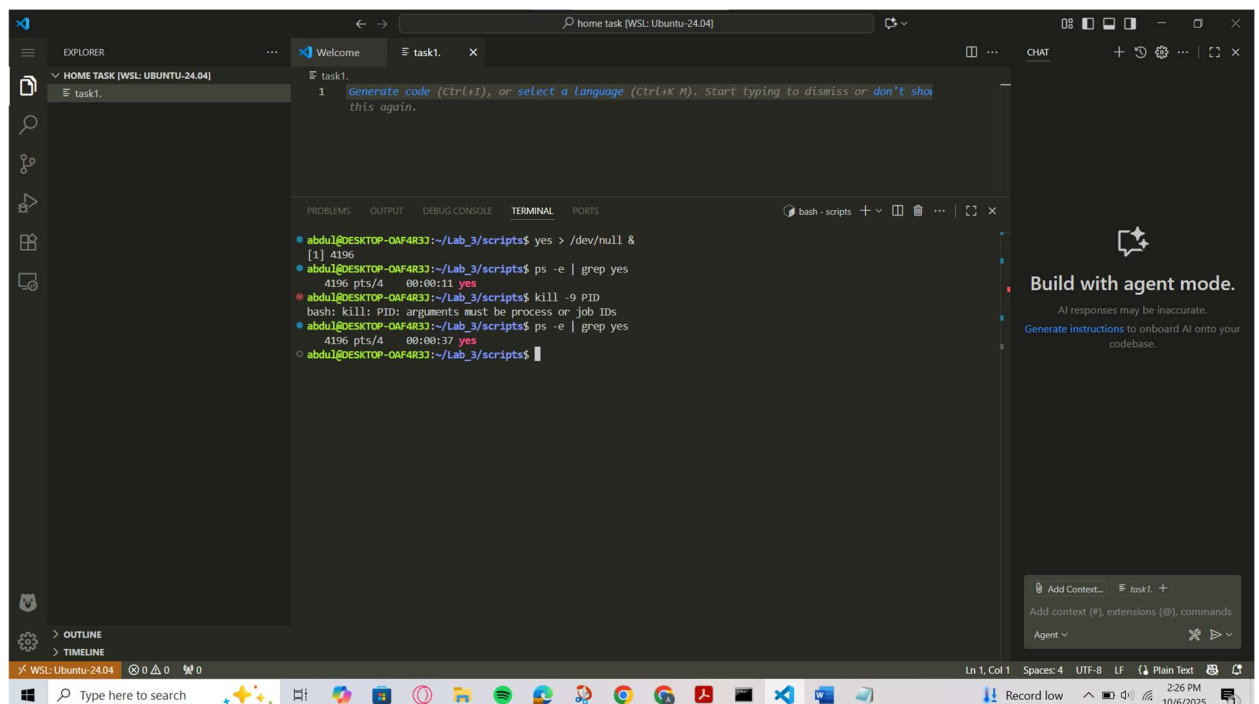


2. Practice with Infinite Process

- Start:

```
yes > /dev/null &
```

- Locate its PID using `ps -ef | grep yes`.
- Kill it using `kill <PID>` and verify using `ps`.



3. Foreground & Background Jobs

- Run `sleep 60` Run

in foreground

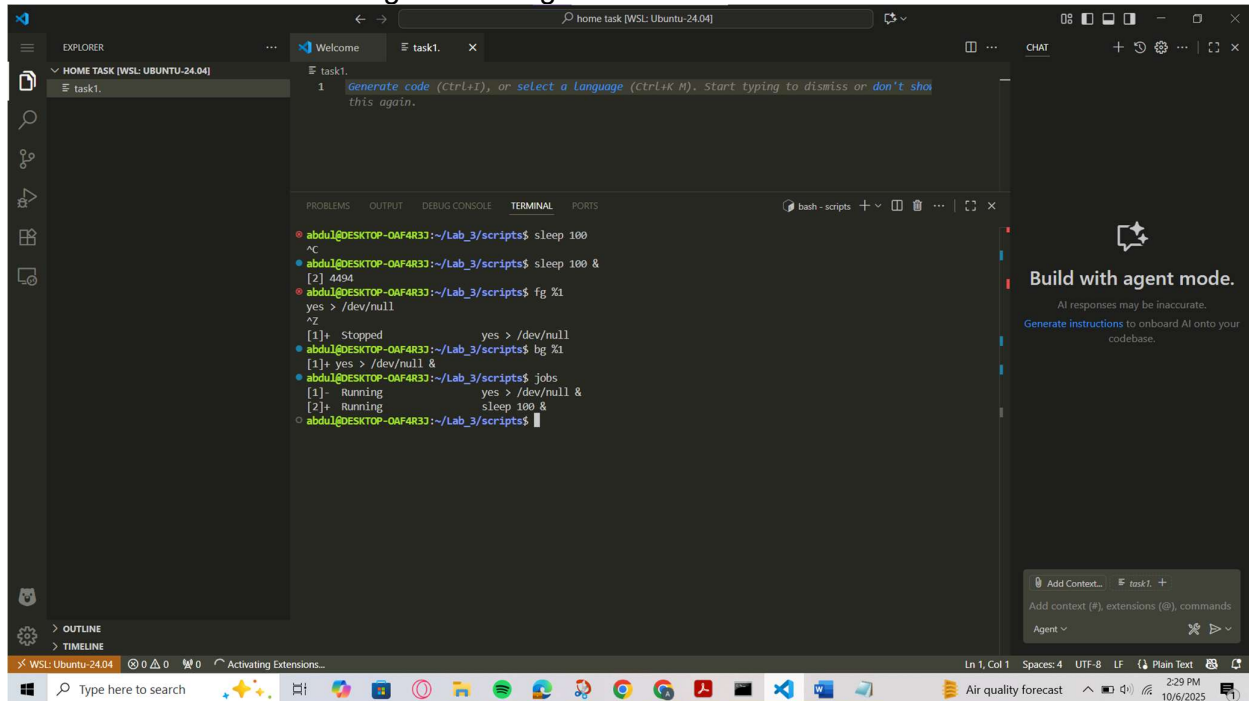
`sleep 60 &`

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fg , stop with **Ctrl + Z**,

then resume in background using `&`.



The screenshot shows the Visual Studio Code interface with a terminal window open. The terminal displays the following commands and output:

```
abdu@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/Lab_3/scripts$ sleep 100
^C
abdu@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/Lab_3/scripts$ sleep 100 &
[2] 4494
abdu@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/Lab_3/scripts$ fg %1
yes > /dev/null
^Z
[1]+  Stopped                  yes > /dev/null
abdu@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/Lab_3/scripts$ bg %1
[1]+ yes > /dev/null &
abdu@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/Lab_3/scripts$ jobs
[1]-  Running                  yes > /dev/null &
[2]+  Running                  sleep 100 &
abdu@DESKTOP-OAF4R33:~/Lab_3/scripts$
```

The chat sidebar on the right contains the text: "Build with agent mode. AI responses may be inaccurate. Generate instructions to onboard AI onto your codebase."

Part 6: C Programs on Processes

Program 1 – Exec with `top`

- Modify the exec program so that the child runs `top` instead of `ls -l`.
- Run the program.
- In another terminal, use `ps -ef | grep top` (or run `top`) to find the child's PID.
- Use the child's process ID to kill it manually.

Program 2 – Incomplete Program

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>

int main() {
```



```

pid_t pid = fork();

if (pid == 0) {
    // TODO: Replace this child process with the "date" command using
    execlp
    // Hint: execlp("date", "date", NULL);
} else {
    // TODO: Make parent wait for child before printing "Child finished"
}

return 0;
}

```

Task: Complete the missing parts, run the program, and take a screenshot of the output.

The screenshot shows a Visual Studio Code editor window with a C program named `exec_example.c` and its execution output in the terminal. The program uses `fork()` to create a child process, which then executes the `run` program using `execlp`. The parent process prints the PIDs of both processes and waits for the child to finish.

Code in `exec_example.c`:

```

1 #include <stdio.h>
2 #include <stdlib.h>
3 #include <unistd.h> // for fork(), execl(), getpid(), pause()
4 #include <sys/types.h> // for pid_t
5
6 int main() {
7     pid_t pid;
8
9     pid = fork(); // create a child process
10
11     if (pid < 0) {
12         perror("fork failed");
13         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
14     }
15
16     if (pid == 0) {
17         // child process
18         printf("child process starting exec...\n");
19         execl("./run", "run", (char *)NULL); // execute the run program
20         perror("exec failed"); // only prints if exec fails
21         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);
22     } else {
23         // Parent process
24         printf("Parent PID: %d, Child PID: %d\n", getpid(), pid);
25         printf("Open another terminal and kill the child using its PID.\n");
26     }
27 }

```

Terminal Output:

```

abdu@DESKTOP-0AF4R33:~/05/lab 03/home task$ gcc run.c -o run
abdu@DESKTOP-0AF4R33:~/05/lab 03/home task$ gcc exec_example.c -o exec_example
abdu@DESKTOP-0AF4R33:~/05/lab 03/home task$ ./exec_example
Parent PID: 5189, Child PID: 5190
Open another terminal and kill the child using its PID.
Child process starting exec...
Child running (PID: 5190)...
Child running (PID: 5190)...

```

