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## CS344: Operating Systems Lab

Lab # 02 (1 Questions, 50 Points)

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Submission instructions:

**Single file** Question 1 (a) should be implemented in one single file. Implement using C language.

**2.5 marks** Write a shell program: `compile-1a-and-execute.sh` which is responsible for

- Compiling question 1 (a)
- At the time of compiling, name the executable by prefixing your roll number. Example, 210101999-q1a corresponds to executable file of roll number 210101999 for question 1 (a).
- Unset any previously declared environment variables.
- Set appropriate environment variables as necessary.
- Run the executable.

**Single file** Question 1 (b) should be implemented in one single file. Implement using C language.

**2.5 marks** Write a shell program: `compile-1b-and-execute.sh` which is responsible for

- Compiling question 1 (b)
- At the time of compiling, name the executable by prefixing your roll number. Example, 210101999-q1b corresponds to executable file of roll number 210101999 for question 1 (b).
- Unset any previously declared environment variables.
- Set appropriate environment variables as necessary.
- Run the executable.

**Single file** Question 1 (c) should be implemented in one single file. Implement using C language.

**2.5 marks** Write a shell program: `compile-1c-and-execute.sh` which is responsible for

- Compiling sub-question 1 (c)

- b. At the time of compiling, name the executable by prefixing your roll number.  
Example, 210101999-q1c corresponds to executable file of roll number 210101999 for question 1 (c).
- c. Unset any previously declared environment variables.
- d. Set appropriate environment variables as necessary.
- e. Run the executable.

**Single file** Question 1 (d) should be implemented in one single file. Implement using C language.

**2.5 marks** Write a shell program: `compile-1d-and-execute.sh` which is responsible for

- a. Compiling question 1 (d)
- b. At the time of compiling, name the executable by prefixing your roll number.  
Example, 210101999-q1d corresponds to executable file of roll number 210101999 for question 1 (d).
- c. Unset any previously declared environment variables.
- d. Set appropriate environment variables as necessary.
- e. Run the executable.

The TA will only execute the shell script file `compile-1a-and-execute.sh` `compile-1b-and-execute.sh` `compile-1c-and-execute.sh` OR `compile-1d-and-execute.sh`

**Zip file** Create a zip file containing four C program files corresponding to questions 1 (a), 1 (b), 1 (c), 1 (d) and the shell script files `compile-1a-and-execute.sh`, `compile-1b-and-execute.sh`, `compile-1c-and-execute.sh` and `compile-1d-and-execute.sh`.

**Naming** Name the zip file with your roll number.

**Upload** the zip file.

- a. This assignment is based on chapter 3, Process Management in the book Operating System Principles, Abraham Silberschatz, Peter Baer Galvin, and Greg Gagne.
- b. In order to perform this assignment, understanding of system calls `fork()`, `wait()`, `exit()`, `getenv()`, `execle()`, `execlp()`, `execl()` are essential.
- c. Carefully read the manual pages for the above system calls.
- d. Example program in chapter 3 covers `fork`, `wait`, `waitpid`, `execve` & `exit`

**Question 1:** (50 points)

**Program execution:** Implement the following:

- a. (5 marks) Write a 1<sup>st</sup> C program that takes  $n$  as command line argument and generates sequence of numbers using the following equation (stop sequence generation when  $n = 1$ )

$$n = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ 3 \times n + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

- i. The input  $n$  will be given through command line argument. If no argument is presented, assume a default value of 100.
  - ii. If more than one argument is passed to this program, you should compute the above function for each value passed. Examples listed below  
**No arguments** ./a.out. In this case, compute the sequence for  $n = 100$ .  
**One argument** ./a.out 35. In this, compute the sequence for  $n = 35$ .  
**More than one argument** ./a.out 35 47. In this, compute the sequence for  $n = 35$  and sequence for  $n = 47$ .
- b. (5 marks) Write a 2<sup>nd</sup> C program that reads the shell environment variable  $n$  and computes the sequence described in 1<sup>st</sup> program. This program should NOT take any command line arguments.

- i. To set an environment variable in shell use **export n="10"**
- ii. Read the shell environment variable  $n$ . When variable  $n$  is not set, then the sequence should be computed using default value 100.
- iii. When more than one number is assigned to environment variable, sequence should be computed for each number in the environment variable. That is **export n="10 20 30"** then sequence should be computed for  $n = 10$ ,  $n = 20$  and  $n = 30$  respectively.

- c. (15 marks) **Process creation and execution** Write a 3<sup>rd</sup> C program in which the main function creates three child processes. Immediately after creating the children, their process image should be over-written with the executable of
- i. 1<sup>st</sup> program with no arguments.
  - ii. 1<sup>st</sup> program with one argument.
  - iii. 1<sup>st</sup> program with ten arguments.

Demonstrate the process memory over-writing using the following system calls:

- i. (5 marks) **execle**
  - ii. (5 marks) **execl**
  - iii. (5 marks) **execve**
  - iv. Perform the above three system calls by creating three child processes one for each of the above system call and over-writing the child image with executable of 1<sup>st</sup> C program.
- d. (15 marks) **Process creation and execution** Write a 4<sup>th</sup> C program in which the main function creates three children. Immediately after creating the children, their process image should be over-written with the executable of

- i. 2<sup>nd</sup> program with environment variable not set
- ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> program with environment variable is assigned one value
- iii. 2<sup>nd</sup> program with environment variable is assigned 10 values
- iv. Important note: While implementing this question, you should not pass any arguments to the executable. The environment variables should be used to pass the appropriate arguments.

Demonstrate the process memory over-writing using the following system calls:

- i. (5 marks) `execle`
- ii. (5 marks) `execl`
- iii. (5 marks) `execve`
- iv. Perform the above three system calls by creating three child processes one for each of the above system call.