

Assignment – 3

1. Which signals are triggered, when the following actions are performed.

- 1. user press ctrl+C**
- 2. kill() system call is invoked**
- 3. CPU tried to execute an illegal instruction**
- 4. When the program access the unassigned memory**

Soln:-

1. SIGINT (Signal Interrupt)
2. SIGKILL (Signal Kill)
3. SIGILL (Signal Illegal Instruction)
4. SIGBUS

2. List the gdb command for the following operations

- 1. To run the current executable file¹**
- 2. To create breakpoints at**
- 3. To resume execution once after breakpoint**
- 4. To clear break point created for a function**
- 5. Print the parameters of the function in the backtrace**

Soln:-

1. run
2. break
3. continue
4. clear
5. print

3. Guess the output of the following program

```
#include<stdio.h>
#include<unistd.h>
int main()
{ if(fork())&&(!fork())){
    if(fork())fork(){
        fork();
    }
}
printf("2");
return 0;
}
```

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Soln:-

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4. Guess the output for the following program.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main()
{
    if (fork()) {
        if (!fork()) {
            fork();
            printf("1 ");
        }
        else {
            printf("2 ");
        }
    }
    else {
        printf("3 ");
    }
    printf("4 ");
    return 0;
}
```

Soln:

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5. Create two thread functions to print hello and world separately and create threads for each and execute them one after other in C

Soln:-

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
#include <pthread.h>
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```
void *printHello(void *arg) {
    printf("Hello ");
    pthread_exit(NULL);
}
```

```
void *printWorld(void *arg) {
```

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    printf("World\n");2
    pthread_exit(NULL);
}

int main() {
    pthread_t thread1, thread2;

    if (pthread_create(&thread1, NULL, printHello, NULL) != 0) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Error creating thread 1\n");
        return 1;
    }

    pthread_join(thread1, NULL);

    if (pthread_create(&thread2, NULL, printWorld, NULL) != 0) {
        fprintf(stderr, "Error creating thread 2\n");
        return 2;
    }

    pthread_join(thread2, NULL);

    return 0;
}

```

6. How to avoid Race conditions and deadlocks?

Soln:-

When two thread try to access the same data at a same time the deadlock occurs, however these deadlock can be avoided by the synchronization mechanisms, deadlock detection and recovery and atomic operations.

7. What is the difference between exec and fork ?

Soln:-

Fork()

It is a system call in the C Programming Language.

It is used to create a new processes

Its return value is an integer type

It does not take any parameters

It can return three type of integer values

Exec()

It is a system call of operating system

exec() runs an executable file

It does not create new processes

Process Identifier does not change.

In exec() machine code, data heap and stack of the process are replaced by a new program.

8. What is the difference between process and threads.

Soln:-³

A process is an independent program in execution and it has its own memory space, resources, and state whereas a thread is a lightweight unit in execution of the process. Multiple threads within processes share the same resources, including memory.

9. Write a C program to demonstrate the use of Mutexes in threads synchronization...explain it and give me one sample program

Soln:-

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <pthread.h>

#define NUM_THREADS 5

int sharedCounter = 0;
pthread_mutex_t mutex = PTHREAD_MUTEX_INITIALIZER;

void *incrementCounter(void *threadID) {
    long tid = (long)threadID;

    pthread_mutex_lock(&mutex);

    sharedCounter++;
    printf("Thread %ld incremented the counter. Current value: %d\n", tid, sharedCounter);

    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mutex);

    pthread_exit(NULL);
}

int main() {
    pthread_t threads[NUM_THREADS];
    int rc;
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long t;

for (t = 0; t < NUM_THREADS; t++) {
    printf("Creating Thread %ld\n", t);
    rc = pthread_create(&threads[t], NULL, incrementCounter, (void *)t);

    if (rc) {
        printf("Error: Return code from pthread_create() is %d\n", rc);
        return 1;
    }
}

for (t = 0; t < NUM_THREADS; t++) {
    pthread_join(threads[t], NULL);
}

printf("All threads have completed. Final counter value: %d\n", sharedCounter);

return 0;
}
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