CS0330: SHELL 2 GEAR UP



Project Overview

C Shell getting 2 major features

- Multiple Jobs
 - Run either in background or foreground
- Signals
 - Mask signals for different processes
 - Manage processes, update status

Topics to Review

- Signals
 - Masking signals
- Reaping
- Jobs
- Processes
- Jobs vs. Processes
- Job Management



Roadmap: Set up

- Run 'cs0330_install shell_2'
 - Copy your Makefile and sh.c from your shell_1 directory into your shell_2 directory.



- Stencil/support code: jobs.c and jobs.h
 - Handles the jobs list

Roadmap: Parsing

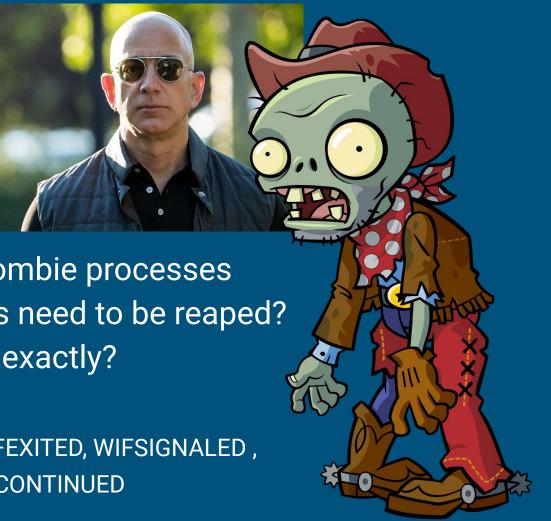
- Parsing support: new commands, job management.
 - New commands: bg, fg, jobs
 - Does your parsing strategy need to change?
- We suggest that you start by parsing the command line for new commands and put off implementing them until later

Roadmap: Signals

- Understand how you are going to use signals in this project.
 - How should your shell respond to signals?
 - How should a foreground job respond to those signals?
 - O How should a background job respond?
- Tcsetpgrp: used to ensure that the correct process group receives signals
- Once you understand those questions, write your signal handling code!

Roadmap: Reaping

- Understand reaping.
 - What is reaping?
 - Cleaning up zombie processes
 - Why do processes need to be reaped?
 - How do you reap, exactly?
 - waitpid()
 - Job status: WIFEXITED, WIFSIGNALED, WIFSTOPPED, WIFCONTINUED



Roadmap: fg and bg



- What's the difference between running a background job and running a foreground job?
- Managing jobs will involve maintaining a list of active jobs, reaping processes that have terminated, and moving jobs between foreground and background

Demo/Testers

Demo:

cs0330_shell_2_demo OR cs0330_shell_2_noprompt_demo

Run all traces until the first failure:

cs0330_shell_2_test -s <33noprompt>

Run a single trace:

cs0330_shell_2_test -s <33noprompt> -t trace<#>.txt

For a list of other useful flags: cs0330_shell_2_test -h

**Make sure to run cs0330_cleanup_shell after every time you work on Shell 2 on department machines!

Demo



Tips

- Give yourself enough time to debug and start early!
- Finishing the signals lab as early as possible will give you a good start to understanding signals.
- man pages are you friends. Use them. Love them. Read them!
 - waitpid
 - tcsetpgrp
 - setpgid
 - o etc.
- Skimming over the functions in jobs.c will be helpful to ensure you have an idea of support functions available for job management.

More Tips

- As always, factor your code well
 - o It makes it easier to debug and easier to read!
- Do the project linearly according to the handout sections
 - Signal management
 - Adding multiple jobs
 - Reaping
 - o fg and bg

Additional Resources

- Don't be afraid to try things out!
 - In our demo
 - In your normal shell (e.g., bash)
- Look at the traces and their outputs in /course/cs0330/pub/shell_2/.
 - There is README in /course/cs0330/pub/shell_2/traces giving a summary of what each trace does.

What You'll Learn

- How a shell works, including:
 - Managing multiple processes and jobs
 - Managing foreground and background jobs
 - Responding to signals
- You will learn to use your normal shell more effectively
- You will gain a deeper understanding of how your operating system and processes communicate
- You will gain a deeper understand of how processes work

Questions?

