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IPC USING SHARED MEMORY

Aim:

To write a C program to do Inter Process Communication (IPC) using shared memory between sender process and receiver process.

Algorithm:

sender

- 1. Set the size of the shared memory segment
- 2. Allocate the shared memory segment using shmget
- 3. Attach the shared memory segment using shmat
- 4. Write a string to the shared memory segment using sprintf
- 5. Set delay using sleep
- 6. Detach shared memory segment using shmdt receiver
- 1. Set the size of the shared memory segment
- 2. Allocate the shared memory segment using shmget
- 3. Attach the shared memory segment using shmat
- 4. Print the shared memory contents sent by the sender process.
- 5. Detach shared memory segment using shmdt

Program Code: sender.c
#include <stdio.h> #include <stdib.h> #include
<string.h> #include <sys/shm.h> #include
<sys/types.h> #include <unistd.h> #define
SHM_SIZE 1024 // Size of shared memory int main() {

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// Step 1: Set the size of the shared memory segment int shmid; char *shm_ptr; key_t key = 1234; // Shared memory key
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// Step 2: Allocate the shared memory segment
       shmid = shmget(key, SHM_SIZE, 0666 | IPC_CREAT);
       if (shmid == -1) {
       perror("shmget failed");
       exit(1);
       }
       // Step 3: Attach the shared memory segment
       shm_ptr = (char *)shmat(shmid, NULL, 0);
       if (shm_ptr == (char *)(-1)) {
       perror("shmat failed");
       exit(1);
       // Step 4: Write a string to the shared memory segment
       sprintf(shm_ptr, "Hello from sender process!");
       // Step 5: Set delay using sleep (simulating time delay for receiver)
       sleep(5);
       // Step 6: Detach shared memory segment
       if (shmdt(shm ptr) == -1) {
       perror("shmdt failed");
       exit(1);
       }
       return 0;
}
receiver.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#define SHM_SIZE 1024 // Size of shared memory
int main() {
       // Step 1: Set the size of the shared memory segment
       int shmid;
       char *shm ptr;
       key_t key = 1234; // Shared memory key
       // Step 2: Allocate the shared memory segment
       shmid = shmget(key, SHM_SIZE, 0666);
       if (shmid == -1) {
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perror("shmget failed");
       exit(1);
       }
       // Step 3: Attach the shared memory segment
       shm_ptr = (char *)shmat(shmid, NULL, 0);
       if (shm_ptr == (char *)(-1)) {
       perror("shmat failed");
       exit(1);
       // Step 4: Print the shared memory contents
       printf("Received message: %s\n", shm_ptr);
       // Step 5: Detach shared memory segment
       if (shmdt(shm_ptr) == -1) {
       perror("shmdt failed");
       exit(1);
       return 0;
}
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Sample Output:

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(student@kali)-[~]
$ vi sender.c

(student@kali)-[~]
$ gcc sender.c -0 sender

(student@kali)-[~]
$ vi reciever.c

(student@kali)-[~]
$ gcc sender.c -0 sender

(student@kali)-[~]
$ gcc reciever.c -0 reciever

(student@kali)-[~]
$ ./sender

(student@kali)-[~]
$ ./reciever
Received message: Hello from sender process!

(student@kali)-[~]
$ ./reciever
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Result:

Hence, IPC using Shared Memory is executed successfully