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Standard Directories and Files

Root Directory(/)

1. Get a listing of your root directory. (use, cd and ls -l)

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```
[kyny1670@venus ~]$ ls -l
```

```
total 8
```

```
-rw----- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 1015 May 20 2011 dead.letter
```

```
drwx----- 2 kyny1670 undergrad 4096 May 30 2011 mail
```

```
[kyny1670@venus ~]$ cd mail
```

```
[kyny1670@venus mail]$ ls -l
```

```
total 96
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 1358 Mar 2 2011 8queenscross.cpp
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 1212 Apr 5 2011 EightQueenBruteOneD.cpp
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 1932 Apr 5 2011 EightQueenNXN.cpp
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 1224 Apr 5 2011 EightQueenOneDWithoutGoto.cpp
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 702 Feb 28 2011 EightQueenProblem1dimensionalGoto.cpp
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 2192 Feb 28 2011 EightQueenProblemDump.cpp
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 1117 Feb 28 2011 EightQueenProblemGotoBT.cpp
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 3078 May 19 2011 fancy.cpp
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 713 May 29 2011 IntegerationF.cpp
```

```
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 2011 May 20 2011 rat.cpp
```

```
-rw----- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 508 Feb 28 2011 saved-messages
```

```
-rw----- 1 kyny1670 undergrad 9960 Apr 5 2011 sent-mail
```

```
-rw----- 1 kyny1670 underg 16928 Feb 28 2011 sent-mail-feb-2011
-rw----- 1 kyny1670 underg 3896 Mar 2 2011 sent-mail-mar-2011
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 underg 1912 May 20 2011 shortestPathTopDown.cpp
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 underg 2015 May 20 2011 stableMarriage.cpp
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 underg 608 May 20 2011 TowerOFHanoiR.cpp
-rw-r--r-- 1 kyny1670 underg 1051 May 20 2011 TowerOfHanoiS.cpp
```

/bin

The binary directory: contains executable files and most Unix commands.

2. Go to /bin directory. (use cd /bin)

```
[kyny1670@venus dev]$ cd /bin
```

3. List its contents.

```
[kyny1670@venus bin]$ ls -l
```

```
total 8872
```

4. List 6 commands that you recognize.

6 commands that I recognize are cat, ls, cp, mv and rm.

```
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 25216 Jul 21 2011 cat
```

```
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 91272 Jul 21 2011 ls
```

```
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 70984 Jul 21 2011 cp
```

```
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 80488 Jul 21 2011 mv
```

```
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 47088 Jul 21 2011 rm
```

/dev

Device directory.

5. Get a listing of the device directory. Do you recognize any device?

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$ cd /dev
```

```
[kyny1670@venus dev]$ ls -l
```

```
total 0
```

Yes, I recognize these devices : CPU, DISK, AUDIO, RAM.

```
drwxr-xr-x 4 root root 80 Nov 20 09:53 cpu
```

```
drwxr-xr-x 6 root root 120 Nov 20 09:52 disk
```

```
crw-rw---- 1 root audio 14, 4 Nov 20 09:52 audio
```

```
lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root      4 Nov 20 09:52 ram -> ram1
```

/etc

Contains commands and files for system administration. Usually a user is not allowed to change these files.

6. Go to /etc directory.

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$ cd /etc
```

7. Do a long listing; Mention a few files that you have already heard about.

```
[kyny1670@venus etc]$ ls -l
```

```
total 4132
```

```
drwxr-xr-x  2 root  root    4096 Aug  5 2010 bluetooth
```

```
drwxr-xr-x  4 root  root    4096 Aug  5 2010 fonts
```

```
-rw-r--r--  1 root  root   137405 Oct  5 00:17 passwd
```

```
drwxr-xr-x  3 root  root    4096 Sep 23 16:31 mail
```

```
-rw-r--r--  1 root  root    1044 Sep 21 2009 csh.cshrc
```

```
-rw-----  1 root  root      6 Aug 23 2010 shutdown.allow
```

8. What is the most used permission? What does it mean?

The most used permission is : -rw-r--r—

This is a permission and its of 10 characters. The first character shows the file type the next 9 are permissions. These can be formed in a group of 3, owner, group, others. It means the owner has permission to read and write, the group has permission to read and the others have permission to read only. That's the common setting for data files that everybody may read, but only the owner may change.

9. Using the cat command, take a look at the profile and login.defs files.

```
[kyny1670@venus etc]$ cat profile
```

```
# /etc/profile
```

```
# System wide environment and startup programs, for login setup
```

```
# Functions and aliases go in /etc/bashrc
```

```
pathmunge () {
```

```
    if ! echo $PATH | /bin/egrep -q "(^|:)$1($|:)" ; then
```

```
        if [ "$2" = "after" ] ; then
```

```
            PATH=$PATH:$1
```

```

        else
            PATH=$1:$PATH
        fi
    fi
}

# ksh workaround
if [ -z "$EUID" -a -x /usr/bin/id ]; then
    EUID=`id -u`
    UID=`id -ru`
fi

# Path manipulation
if [ "$EUID" = "0" ]; then
    pathmunge /sbin
    pathmunge /usr/sbin
    pathmunge /usr/local/sbin
fi

# No core files by default
ulimit -S -c 0 > /dev/null 2>&1

if [ -x /usr/bin/id ]; then
    USER=""`id -un`"
    LOGNAME=$USER
    MAIL="/var/spool/mail/$USER"
fi

HOSTNAME=`/bin/hostname`

```

```
HISTSIZE=1000
```

```
if [ -z "$INPUTRC" -a ! -f "$HOME/.inputrc" ]; then
```

```
    INPUTRC=/etc/inputrc
```

```
fi
```

```
export PATH USER LOGNAME MAIL HOSTNAME HISTSIZE INPUTRC
```

```
for i in /etc/profile.d/*.sh ; do
```

```
    if [ -r "$i" ]; then
```

```
        if [ "$PS1" ]; then
```

```
            . $i
```

```
        else
```

```
            . $i >/dev/null 2>&1
```

```
        fi
```

```
    fi
```

```
done
```

```
unset i
```

```
unset pathmunge
```

```
[kyny1670@venus etc]$ cat login.defs
```

```
# *REQUIRED*
```

```
# Directory where mailboxes reside, _or_ name of file, relative to the
```

```
# home directory. If you _do_ define both, MAIL_DIR takes precedence.
```

```
# QMAIL_DIR is for Qmail
```

```
#
```

```
#QMAIL_DIR    Maildir
```

```
MAIL_DIR      /var/spool/mail
```

```
#MAIL_FILE    .mail
```

Password aging controls:

#

PASS_MAX_DAYS Maximum number of days a password may be used.

PASS_MIN_DAYS Minimum number of days allowed between password changes.

PASS_MIN_LEN Minimum acceptable password length.

PASS_WARN_AGE Number of days warning given before a password expires.

#

PASS_MAX_DAYS 99999

PASS_MIN_DAYS 0

PASS_MIN_LEN 5

PASS_WARN_AGE 7

#

Min/max values for automatic uid selection in useradd

#

UID_MIN 500

UID_MAX 60000

#

Min/max values for automatic gid selection in groupadd

#

GID_MIN 500

GID_MAX 60000

#

If defined, this command is run when removing a user.

It should remove any at/cron/print jobs etc. owned by

the user to be removed (passed as the first argument).

```
#
#USERDEL_CMD    /usr/sbin/userdel_local

#
# If useradd should create home directories for users by default
# On RH systems, we do. This option is overridden with the -m flag on
# useradd command line.
#
CREATE_HOME     yes

# The permission mask is initialized to this value. If not specified,
# the permission mask will be initialized to 022.
UMASK           077

# This enables userdel to remove user groups if no members exist.
#
USERGROUPS_ENAB yes

# Use MD5 or DES to encrypt password? Red Hat use MD5 by default.
MD5_CRYPT_ENAB yes

ENCRYPT_METHOD MD5
```

10. Using cat, check the passwd file or similar; look for yourself in the file.

/etc/passwd

Contains one line for every user on the system and describes that user.

```
[kyny1670@venus etc]$ cat passwd
```

```
kyny1670:x:3475:800:Nyein Chan Kyaw:/home/sp12/340/kyny1670:/bin/bash
```

/lib

Contains a collection of related files for a given language in a single file called an archive.

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$ cd /lib
```

```
[kyny1670@venus lib]$ ls -l
```

```
total 6120
```

/tmp

Contains temporary files.

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$ cd /tmp
```

```
[kyny1670@venus tmp]$ ls -l
```

```
total 360
```

```
drwx----- 2 seda2064 underg  4096 Feb 28 10:40 gconfd-seda2064
```

```
drwx----- 2 aban3858 underg  4096 Dec 20 18:36 hsperfdata_aban3858
```

```
drwx----- 2 andrew  faculty  4096 Dec 15 22:28 hsperfdata_andrew
```

Determine the absolute pathname for your home directory

11. Type:

echo \$HOME

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$ echo $HOME
```

```
/home/sp12/340/kyny1670
```

12. Type:

pwd

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$ pwd
```

```
/
```

C. Shell(s) and Shell Environment variables

1. Check your default shell using: echo \$SHELL

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$ echo $SHELL
```

```
/bin/bash
```

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$
```

2. Use the chsh command and find a list of available shells.

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$ chsh -l
```


/bin/sh
/bin/bash
/sbin/nologin
/bin/tcsh
/bin/csh
/bin/ksh
/bin/zsh
/usr/bin/ksh
/usr/bin/pdksh

3. Change the current shell to a tcsh shell.

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$ chsh -s /bin/tcsh
```

Changing shell for kyny1670.

Password:

Shell changed.

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$
```

```
[kyny1670@venus /]$
```

PID	TTY	TIME	CMD
-----	-----	------	-----

9631	pts/24	00:00:00	bash
------	--------	----------	------

11451	pts/24	00:00:00	ps
-------	--------	----------	----

4. Check your new shell. The change will not be listed until the next login.

Checking new shell by logging in to Venus account again,

```
[kyny1670@venus ~]$ echo $SHELL
```

/bin/tcsh

5. Type ps (process status – gives a lists of running processes). What do you observe?

```
[kyny1670@venus ~]$ ps
```

PID	TTY	TIME	CMD
-----	-----	------	-----

11555	pts/15	00:00:00	tcsh
-------	--------	----------	------

11672	pts/15	00:00:00	ps
-------	--------	----------	----

The new process status shows the current shell which is the new shell that I've changed.

6. At the shell prompt, type `set | more` and then press <enter>. What is displayed on your screen?

```
[kyny1670@venus ~]$ set|more
BASH=/bin/tcsh
BASH_ARGC=()
BASH_ARGV=()
BASH_LINENO=()
BASH_SOURCE=()
BASH_VERSINFO=([0]="3" [1]="2" [2]="25" [3]="1" [4]="release" [5]="x86_64-redhat
-linux-gnu")
BASH_VERSION='3.2.25(1)-release'
COLORS=/etc/DIR_COLORS
COLUMNS=80
CVS_RSH=ssh
DIRSTACK=()
EUID=3475
GROUPS=()
G_BROKEN_FILENAMES=1
HISTFILE=/home/sp12/340/kyny1670/.bash_history
HISTFILESIZE=1000
HISTSIZE=1000
HOME=/home/sp12/340/kyny1670
HOSTNAME=venus
HOSTTYPE=x86_64
IFS=$' \t\n'
INPUTRC=/etc/inputrc
LANG=en_US.UTF-8
LESSOPEN='|/usr/bin/lesspipe.sh %s'
```

LINES=24

LOGNAME=kyny1670

LS_COLORS='no=00:fi=00:di=01;34:ln=01;36:pi=40;33:so=01;35:bd=40;33;01:cd=40;33;01:or=01;05;37;41:mi=01;05;37;41:ex=01;32:*.cmd=01;32:*.exe=01;32:*.com=01;32:*.btm=01;32:*.bat=01;32:*.sh=01;32:*.csh=01;32:*.tar=01;31:*.tgz=01;31:*.arj=01;31:*.taz=01;31:*.lzh=01;31:*.zip=01;31:*.z=01;31:*.Z=01;31:*.gz=01;31:*.bz2=01;31:*.bz=01;31:*.tz=01;31:*.rpm=01;31:*.cpio=01;31:*.jpg=01;35:*.gif=01;35:*.bmp=01;35:*.xbm=01;35:*.xpm=01;35:*.png=01;35:*.tif=01;35:'

MACHTYPE=x86_64-redhat-linux-gnu

MAIL=/var/spool/mail/kyny1670

MAILCHECK=60

OPTERR=1

OPTIND=1

OSTYPE=linux-gnu

PATH=/usr/kerberos/bin:/usr/local/bin:/bin:/usr/bin:/home/faculty/tyler/bin:/home/faculty/tyler/turnin:/home/sp12/340/kyny1670/bin

PIPESTATUS=([0]="127")

PPID=9630

PS1='[\u@\h \W]\\$ '

PS2='> '

PS4='+ '

PWD=/home/sp12/340/kyny1670

SHELL=/bin/bash

SHELLOPTS=braceexpand:emacs:hashall:histexpand:history:interactive-comments:monitor

SHLVL=1

SSH_ASKPASS=/usr/libexec/openssh/gnome-ssh-askpass

SSH_CLIENT='149.4.115.3 58981 22'

SSH_CONNECTION='149.4.115.3 58981 149.4.211.180 22'

SSH_TTY=/dev/pts/27
TERM=vt100
UID=3475
USER=kyny1670
_ =cwd
consoletype=pty
mpi_selection=
mpi_selector_dir=/var/lib/mpi-selector/data
mpi_selector_homefile=/home/sp12/340/kyny1670/.mpi-selector
mpi_selector_sysfile=/etc/sysconfig/mpi-selector
tmpid=3475

7. Identify and list the settings for the variables shown above.

PATH=/usr/kerberos/bin:/usr/local/bin:/bin:/usr/bin:/home/faculty/tyler/bin:/home/faculty/tyler/turnin:/home/sp12/340/kyny1670/bin
(PATH shows the whole bin directory of my account)
HOME=/home/sp12/340/kyny1670
(HOME shows the home directory of my venus account)
HOSTNAME=venus
(HOSTNAME is Venus which is venus.cs.qc.edu)
HOSTTYPE=x86_64
(HOSTTYPE shows the machine that I installed ssh for my venus account)
PWD=/home/sp12/340/kyny1670
(PWD means the password)
TERM=vt100

D. Processes

Check the Unix Handout and go over the section about Processes -section 17.
The action of each shell, the mechanism of how it executes commands and programs, how it handles the command and program I/O and how it is programmed, are affected by the settings of certain environment variables.

1. Learn about the ps command using man.

```
[kyny1670@venus ~]$ man ps
```

```
PS(1)                Linux User's Manual                PS(1)
```

NAME

ps - report a snapshot of the current processes.

SYNOPSIS

ps [options]

DESCRIPTION

ps displays information about a selection of the active processes. If you want a repetitive update of the selection and the displayed information, use top(1) instead.

This version of ps accepts several kinds of options:

- 1 UNIX options, which may be grouped and must be preceded by a dash.
- 2 BSD options, which may be grouped and must not be used with a dash.
- 3 GNU long options, which are preceded by two dashes.

Options of different types may be freely mixed, but conflicts can appear. There are some synonymous options, which are functionally identical, due to the many standards and ps implementations that this ps is compatible with.

Note that "ps -aux" is distinct from "ps aux". The POSIX and UNIX

2. Give a list of possible states together with their significance. Identify your login shell.

```
[kyny1670@venus ~]$ ps -l
```

```
F S  UID  PID  PPID  C PRI  NI ADDR SZ WCHAN  TTY      TIME CMD
```

```
[kyny1670@venus ~]$ echo $SHELL
```

```
/bin/tcsh
```

3. Type `ps -l` and explain the significance of:

F, S, UID, PID, PPID, C, PRI, NI, ADDR, SZ, WCHAN, TTY, TIME, CMD fields.

```
[kyny1670@venus ~]$ ps -l
```

```
F S  UID  PID  PPID  C PRI  NI ADDR SZ WCHAN  TTY      TIME CMD
```

```
0 S 3475 11757 9630 0 75  0 - 16524 wait  pts/27  00:00:00 bash
```

```
0 R 3475 12494 11757 0 77  0 - 15884 -   pts/27  00:00:00 ps
```

F means extra full format.

S means sum up some information, such as CPU usage, from dead child processes into their parent. This is useful for examining a system where a parent process repeatedly forks off short-lived children to do work.

UID is the alias of `euid`, which means effective user ID.

PID is process ID number of the process.

PPID is parent process ID. This selects the processes with a parent process ID in `pidlist`. That is, it selects processes that are children of those listed in `pidlist`.

C means processor utilization. Currently, this is the integer value of the percent usage over the lifetime of the process.

PRI means priority of the process. Higher number means lower priority.

NI means nice value. This ranges from 19 (nicest) to -20 (not nice to others),

SZ means size in physical pages of the core image of the process. This includes text, data, and stack space. Device mappings are currently excluded; this is subject to change.

WCHAN is the name of the kernel function in which the process is sleeping, a "-" if the process is running, or a "*" if the process is multi-threaded and `ps` is not displaying threads.

TTY means controlling tty (terminal), same as `tname` and `tt`.

TIME is the alias of CPU time which means cumulative CPU time, in "[dd-]hh:mm:ss" format.

CMD is the alias of args, comm, which means command with all its arguments as a string. Modifications to the arguments may be shown. The output in this column may contain spaces. A process marked <defunct> is partly dead, waiting to be fully destroyed by its parent. Sometimes the process args will be unavailable; when this happens, ps will instead print the executable name in brackets. (alias cmd, command). See also the comm format keyword, the -f option, and the c option.

4. Use the top command to monitor the CPU activity in real time. It displays the status of the first 15 of the most CPU-intensive task on the system as well as the CPU activity. To stop the execution of top enter <ctrl-C>.

```
[kyny1670@venus ~]$ top
```

```
top - 18:12:29 up 105 days, 8:20, 26 users, load average: 0.03, 0.06, 0.02
```

```
Tasks: 273 total, 1 running, 272 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
```

```
Cpu(s): 0.5%us, 0.2%sy, 0.0%ni, 99.3%id, 0.0%wa, 0.0%hi, 0.0%si, 0.0%st
```

```
Mem: 3967188k total, 3851668k used, 115520k free, 245700k buffers
```

```
Swap: 4104596k total, 323772k used, 3780824k free, 2911020k cached
```

```
PID USER PR NI VIRT RES SHR S %CPU %MEM TIME+ COMMAND
```

```
12589 kyny1670 15 0 12892 1236 820 R 0.7 0.0 0:00.87 top
```

```
12672 pele0345 16 0 95928 2780 2128 S 0.3 0.1 0:00.04 vim
```

```
12954 oracle 16 0 1778m 47m 43m S 0.3 1.2 0:00.19 oracle
```

```
1 root 15 0 10368 624 532 S 0.0 0.0 0:15.74 init
```

```
2 root RT -5 0 0 0 S 0.0 0.0 0:00.00 migration/0
```

```
3 root 34 19 0 0 0 S 0.0 0.0 0:00.35 ksoftirqd/0
```

```
4 root RT -5 0 0 0 S 0.0 0.0 0:00.00 watchdog/0
```

```
5 root RT -5 0 0 0 S 0.0 0.0 0:00.96 migration/1
```

```
6 root 34 19 0 0 0 S 0.0 0.0 0:00.43 ksoftirqd/1
```

```
7 root RT -5 0 0 0 S 0.0 0.0 0:00.00 watchdog/1
```

```
8 root 10 -5 0 0 0 S 0.0 0.0 0:00.21 events/0
```

```
9 root 10 -5 0 0 0 S 0.0 0.0 0:00.24 events/1
```

```

10 root    10 -5   0   0   0 S  0.0  0.0  0:00.00 khelper
51 root    10 -5   0   0   0 S  0.0  0.0  0:00.00 kthread
56 root    10 -5   0   0   0 S  0.0  0.0  0:00.53 kblockd/0
57 root    10 -5   0   0   0 S  0.0  0.0  0:02.40 kblockd/1
58 root    14 -5   0   0   0 S  0.0  0.0  0:00.00 kacpid

```

5. Give the total number of tasks, number of running processes, sleeping processes, stopped processes and zombies.

Tasks: 273 total, 1 running, 272 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie

6. Do some research and in about 1 page explain the meaning of a zombie process.

A zombie process is a process that has completed execution but still has an entry in the process table.

This entry is still needed to allow the parent process to read its child's exit status. In the term's

metaphor, the child process has "died" but has not yet been "reaped". Also, unlike normal processes,

the kill command has no effect on a zombie process. When a program forks and the child finishes

before the parent, the kernel still keeps some of its information about the child in case the parent might

need it -- for example, the parent may need to check the child's exit status. To be able to get this

information, the parent calls wait(); when this happens, the kernel can discard the information. In the

interval between the child terminating and the parent calling wait(), the child is said to be a 'zombie'. (If

you do 'ps', the child will have a 'Z' in its status field to indicate this.) Even though it's not running, it's

still taking up an entry in the process table. (It consumes no other resources, but some utilities may

show bogus figures for e.g. CPU usage; this is because some parts of the process table entry have been

overlaid by accounting info to save space.) This is not good, as the process table has a fixed number of

entries and it is possible for the system to run out of them. Even if the system doesn't run out, there is a

limit on the number of processes each user can run, which is usually smaller than the system's limit.

This is one of the reasons why you should always check if fork() failed.

If the parent terminates without calling wait(), the child is 'adopted' by init, which handles the work

necessary to cleanup after the child. (This is a special system program with process ID 1 -- it's

actually the first program to run after the system boots up).

To remove zombies from a system, the SIGCHLD signal can be sent to the parent manually, using the kill command. If the parent process still refuses to reap the zombie, the next step would be to remove the parent process. When a process loses its parent, init becomes its new parent. Init periodically executes the wait system call to reap any zombies with init as parent.

E.

1. Use *man* to find out more about: `fork()`, `execve()`, `wait()` commands in Unix.

`fork()`

```
[kyny1670@venus ~]$ man fork
```

Linux Programmer's Manual

FORK(2)

NAME

fork - create a child process

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <sys/types.h>
```

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

```
pid_t fork(void);
```

DESCRIPTION

`fork()` creates a child process that differs from the parent process only in its PID and PPID, and in the fact that resource utilizations are set to 0. File locks and pending signals are not inherited.

Under Linux, `fork()` is implemented using copy-on-write pages, so the only penalty that it incurs is the time and memory required to duplicate the parent's page tables, and to create a unique task structure for the child.

RETURN VALUE

On success, the PID of the child process is returned in the parent's

execve ()

[kyny1670@venus ~]\$ man execve

EXECVE(2) Linux Programmer's Manual EXECVE(2)

NAME

execve - execute program

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <unistd.h>

int execve(const char *filename, char *const argv[],
           char *const envp[]);
```

DESCRIPTION

execve() executes the program pointed to by filename. filename must be either a binary executable, or a script starting with a line of the form "#! interpreter [arg]". In the latter case, the interpreter must be a valid pathname for an executable which is not itself a script, which will be invoked as interpreter [arg] filename.

argv is an array of argument strings passed to the new program. envp is an array of strings, conventionally of the form key=value, which are passed as environment to the new program. Both argv and envp must be terminated by a null pointer. The argument vector and environment can be accessed by the called program's main function, when it is defined.

wait()

[kyny1670@venus ~]\$ man wait

NAME

bash, :, ., [, alias, bg, bind, break, builtin, cd, command, compgen, complete, continue, declare, dirs, disown, echo, enable, eval, exec, exit, export, fc, fg, getopts, hash, help, history, jobs, kill, let, local, logout, popd, printf, pushd, pwd, read, readonly, return, set, shift, shopt, source, suspend, test, times, trap, type, typeset, ulimit, umask, unalias, unset, wait - bash built-in commands, see bash(1)

BASH BUILTIN COMMANDS

Unless otherwise noted, each builtin command documented in this section as accepting options preceded by - accepts -- to signify the end of the options. For example, the :, true, false, and test builtins do not accept options. Also, please note that while executing in non-interactive mode and while in posix mode, any special builtin (like ., :, break, continue, eval, exec, exit, export, readonly, return, set, shift, source, times, trap, unset) exiting with a non-zero status causes the shell to stop execution.

: [arguments]

No effect; the command does nothing beyond expanding arguments and performing any specified redirections. A zero exit code is returned.

:

PWD=/home/sp12/340/kynyl670

2. Use Internet sources and give an overview of the command that is used in Windows for creating a process.

When it comes to creating a process, Windows Operating System works differently from UNIX.

UNIX has `fork()` to create a process, in the child process, `fork()` appears to have returned 0 and In the parent process, `fork()` appears to have returned a non-zero integer. However, Win32 does not have `fork()`. In Windows, Win32 has two APIs that can be used: 'CreateProcess' and 'CreateThread' to create a new "process" depending on the use of fork and the code base. 'Create Process' Windows API call is commonly used. The originating process called 'Create Process' which then constructs a new running program image out of whole cloth. Some attributes are "inherited" of course from the creating process (the user ID) but this is all handled by Windows, not really the `Process::Create` call.

3. In a Unix environment, execute *parent.c*, *child.c* and *orphan.c* as follows:

Note: first you need to upload the 3 files in your venus home directory.

Child and parent:

- compile the child and parent:

`gcc parent.c -o parent`

`gcc child.c -o child`

- run the parent in the current directory (the parent after the fork will call the child)

Don't worry about warning messages.

`./parent`

Orphan:

- compile and run the orphan:

`gcc orphan.c -o orphan`

`./orphan`

Observe and understand the programs' execution output.

Extensively comment the output of the programs by relating the theory discussed in class, the meaning of the covered commands and the program listings.