CSc 332 - Operating Systems

Lab – Fall 2015

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Project 1 - System Calls

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PART 1 Client - Server

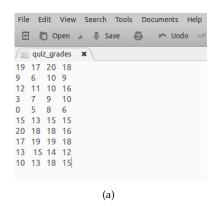
Write two C programs: one called client.c, the other called server.c. The client program displays a prompter and reads from the keyboard two integers and one of the characters '+' or '-'. The read information is transmitted with the help of the system call *execl* to a child process, which executes the server's code¹. After the child (server) process finishes the operation, it transmits the result to the parent process (client) with the help of the system call *exit*. The client process prints the result on the screen and also reprints the prompter, ready for a new reading.

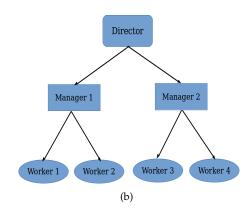
PART 2 Average Grade Calculator

There are 10 students enrolled in a course. The course covers x number of chapters from a textbook (x > 1). In each chapter y number of homework(s) are assigned ($y \ge 1$). The average grade for each homework in all the chapters need to be found out.

To solve this, write program which has the main process as *Director* process, which reads a file containing grades of all homeworks of all chapters and creates *x* number of *Manager* processes. Each *Manager* process will take care of solving a chapter. Each manager process will create *y* number of *Worker* process and pass one homework to each of them and they calculate and print the average.

The input file should contain the data according to the value of x and y. For example, the input text file and the process tree for x = 2 and y = 2 will look like the following:





¹The server code takes three arguments – operator ('+' or '-') and two operands – compute & return the result

The Director process is responsible for opening and closing the input text file. It stores the values in a two dimensional integer array with 10 rows. You may need to use the following C functions (in addition to the necessary file & process management system calls): fopen(), fscanf(), fscek(), fclose().

Submission Instructions

- Save your programs in a single folder and zip as: *project1_lastname.zip*. Make sure your programs compile and run without any errors.
- Email your code with subject line "Project 1 CSc 332 lastname"
