CS3510 Operating Systems 1 Report

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1 Design Of the program

- The code to write and read from the shared memory is written in the same C file.
- Sufficient size of the shared memory object is allocated so that all the collatz number can be accommodated.
- After the fork() command , an if statement is used so as to separate parent and child processes .
- wait command is added so that the parent waits for the child process to get completed.
- A separate function is created to compute the collatz numbers and write it to the shared memory.
- collatz numbers are converted to strings before writing it to the shared memory.
- The pointer to the shared memory object is suitably incremented.
- After the child process ends , a read only object of the shared memory is created and the data from it is read and printed out.
- The shared memory object is removed from memory after the execution of the program.

2 Analysis Of the Output

- The Parent process starts first, and when the fork is created, the parent process waits for the completion of child process and then outputs the read values from the shared memory.
- Only the child process computes the collatz numbers and writes it in a sequential manner to the shared memory .After this process completes , the parent reads from the shared memory and writes it to the terminal in a sequential manner.For this reason no jumbling of the output occurs.