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Assignment 01

Lab Duration: 2 Hours

OS Lab Programming Assignment on fork()

Problem Statement

Write a C program that utilises `fork()` to perform a distributed sum calculation on a dataset. The program must demonstrate sequential execution.

Requirements

1. **Array Initialisation :** Populate an integer array of size 30 with random values between 1 and 50.
2. **Sequential Execution:**
 - Create **Child 1** to calculate the sum of even integers in indices 0 – 14.
 - The Parent must use `waitpid()` to ensure Child 1 completes before starting Child 2.
 - Create **Child 2** to calculate the sum of even integers in indices 15 – 29.
3. **Data Retrieval:** Use `WEXITSTATUS` to collect the results from both children and print them from the Parent process.

Source Code Template

Complete the missing logic in the `if` blocks provided below:

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>
#include <time.h>

int main() {
    int arr[30];
    int status;
    pid_t p1, p2;
    int final_sum_p1 = 0, final_sum_p2 = 0;

    srand(time(NULL));
    printf("Array initialized by Parent \n");
    for (int i = 0; i < 30; i++) arr[i] = rand() % 50 + 1;

    // Child 1
    p1 = fork();
    if () {
        /*
         * .....
         * .....
         * .....
        */
    }
}
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}

// PARENT WAITS FOR CHILD 1
waitpid(p1, &status, 0);
final_sum_p1 = WEXITSTATUS(status);

// Child 2
p2 = fork();
if () {
/*
    .....
    .....
    .....
}
}

// Parent waits for Child 2
waitpid(p2, &status, 0);
final_sum_p2 = WEXITSTATUS(status);

printf("\nTotal Even Sum of left side and right side are: %d and %d\n",
    final_sum_p1, final_sum_p2);

return 0;
}
```