

Assignment 7(a): Signal

Implementing signals for Inter-process communication in a C program:

- a. Signals are limited forms of IPC
- b. Signals are asynchronous notifications sent to a process/thread.

C function used to create unnamed pipes:

```
#include <signal.h>  
typedef void (*signalhandler_t)(int);  
signalhandler_t signal(int signal_num, signalhandler_t  
handler);
```

Sample code:

// C program to illustrate

```
void fun1(int signum) {  
    printf("Signal number: %d\n", signum); // whatever you want  
to do to handle the signal  
}
```

```
int main() {  
    signal(SIGINT, fun1);  
    while (1) {  
        printf("A Message.\n");  
        sleep(1); // to sync the output  
    }  
}
```

Output:

}

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Assignment 7(c): Alarm Signal

To send Alarm signal from one process/thread to another use “kill” system call.

Sample code:

```
void fun1(int signum) {  
    // here give the code for leap year check  
    printf("Signal number: %d\n", signum);  
}  
int main() {  
    int pid = fork(); // child thread create  
    if(pid == 0) { // child  
        while(1) {  
            signal(SIGALRM, fun1); // handling alarm  
        }  
    } else {  
  
        while (1) {  
            printf("A Message.\n");  
            sleep(5); // to sync the output  
            kill(pid, SIGALRM);  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Output:

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