## CL205 - Operating Systems Lab Task#02

**Q1.** Write a program in C that imitates the shell. Your program should be able to run at least 3 shell commands. Name the commands so that they are meaningful e.g. Use showprocesses instead of ps. The user will pass the command as a parameter to the program.

## **Sample Output**

```
      jack@PC1:~$ ./com showprocesses

      PID
      TTY
      TIME
      CMD

      3051
      pts/0
      00:00:00
      bash

      3131
      pts/0
      00:00:00
      ps
```

Where *com* is the output file of the C program and *showprocesses* is the command passed to the program as a parameter.

**Q2.** Make changes to the program in Q1 so that whenever the program is being run the user is prompted for a command instead of passing it as a parameter to the program. The program should execute the command and then prompt for another command, the program should keep running until the user types *exit*.

## **Sample Output**

```
jack@PC1:~$ ./com
Myshell#:~ list
arg arg.c com com.c exec exec.c first first.c processes
Myshell#:~ showprocesses
 PID
          TTY
                   TIME
                             CMD
 3051
                   00:00:00 bash
          pts/0
 4079
                   00:00:00 com
          pts/0
 4081
                   00:00:00 ps
          pts/0
Myshell#:~ exit
jack@PC1:~$
```

**Q3.** Make changes to the program in Q2 so that the user can use parameters with the shell commands.

## **Sample Output**

| jack@PC1:~\$ ./com                |          |      |      |       |        |       |         |        |      |                                |
|-----------------------------------|----------|------|------|-------|--------|-------|---------|--------|------|--------------------------------|
| Myshell#:~ list                   |          |      |      |       |        |       |         |        |      |                                |
| arg                               | arg.c co | om c | om.c | exec  | exec.c | first | first.c | proces | sses |                                |
| Myshell#:~ showprocesses indetail |          |      |      |       |        |       |         |        |      |                                |
| USER                              | PID %    | CPU  | %MEN | 1 VSZ | RSS    | TTY   | STAT    | START  | TIME | COMMAND                        |
| root                              | 1180     | 0.0  | 0.0  | 34144 | 1828   | tty1  | Ss+     | 23:28  | 0:00 | /sbin/agettynoclear tty1 linux |
| jack                              | 3051     | 0.0  | 0.1  | 40760 | 5088   | pts/0 | Ss      | 23:37  | 0:00 | /bin/bash                      |
| jack                              | 4166     | 0.0  | 0.0  | 55568 | 3392   | pts/0 | R+      | 23:58  | 0:00 | ps au                          |
| Myshell#:~ exit                   |          |      |      |       |        |       |         |        |      |                                |
| jack@P-C1:~\$                     |          |      |      |       |        |       |         |        |      |                                |