

3.12 Including the initial parent process, how many processes are created by the program below?

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main()
{
    int i;
    for (i=0; i<4; i++)
        fork();

    return 0;
}
```

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3.14 Using the program below, identify the values of `pid` and `pid1` that are output at lines A, B, C, and D. Assume that the actual pids of the parent and child are 2600 and 2603, respectively.

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main()
{
    pid_t pid, pid1;

    pid = fork();
    if (pid < 0) {
        fprintf (stderr, "fork() failed\n");
        return(1);
    }
    else if (pid == 0) {
        pid1 = getpid();
        printf ("pid = %d\n", pid);          // A
        printf ("pid1 = %d\n", pid1);        // B
    }
    else {
        pid1 = getpid();
        printf ("pid = %d\n", pid);          // C
        printf ("pid1 = %d\n", pid1);        // D
        wait (NULL);
    }

    return 0;
}
```

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Practical:

Find `_do_fork()`, the fundamental routine for creating a new process (i.e. the main fork-routine)

- What is the purpose (give a high-level description) of `copy_process()`?

Copy process creates a new process as a copy of the old one, but does not start it. It copies the registers, and all appropriate parts of the process environment.

- Within `copy_process`, what exact code guards against `fork()` bombs?

```
retval = -EAGAIN;
if (nr_threads >= max_threads)
    goto bad_fork_cleanup_count;
```