

# PID, PPID, UID & GID

Looking at Processes

```
barbeau@COMP4203:~/Documents/COMP3000/ALP-listings/chapter-3$ more print-pid.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main ()
{
    printf ("Process ID is %d\n", (int) getpid ());
    printf ("Parent Process ID is %d\n", (int) getppid ());
    printf ("User ID is %d\n", (int) getuid ());
    return 0;
}
barbeau@COMP4203:~/Documents/COMP3000/ALP-listings/chapter-3$ ./print-pid
Process ID is 9610
Parent Process ID is 9357
User ID is 1000
```

**Process ID (PID), Parent Process ID (PPID) & User ID (UID)**

```
barbeau@COMP4203:~$ ps -o pid,ppid,uid,command
  PID  PPID   UID COMMAND
  9643  1924  1000  bash
  9731  9643  1000  ps -o pid,ppid,uid,command
```

**ps command**

```
root@COMP4203:/home/barbeau# ps -a
  PID TTY          TIME CMD
  4212 pts/1        00:00:00 su
  4220 pts/1        00:00:01 bash
  8015 pts/0        00:00:00 su
  8023 pts/0        00:00:00 bash
  8975 pts/0        00:00:00 wlanrecv
  9737 pts/5        00:00:00 su
  9745 pts/5        00:00:00 bash
  9756 pts/5        00:00:00 ps
root@COMP4203:/home/barbeau# kill 8975
```

## **kill command**

Sends a SIGTERM signal.

```

barbeau@COMP4203:~/Documents/COMP3000/ALP-listings/chapter-3$ more system.c
#include <stdlib.h>

int main ()
{
    int return_value;
    return_value = system ("ls -l /");
    return return_value;
}

barbeau@COMP4203:~/Documents/COMP3000/ALP-listings/chapter-3$ ./system
total 92
drwxr-xr-x  2 root root  4096 Jan  9 19:46 bin
drwxr-xr-x  3 root root  4096 Jan  9 19:47 boot
drwxr-xr-x  2 root root  4096 Jan  9 19:39 cdrom
drwxr-xr-x 15 root root  4120 Jan 13 14:58 dev
drwxr-xr-x 127 root root 12288 Jan 13 14:58 etc
drwxr-xr-x  3 root root  4096 Jan  9 19:40 home
lrwxrwxrwx  1 root root    36 Jan  9 19:44 initrd.img -> boot/initrd.img-3.2.0-
29-generic-pae
drwxr-xr-x 21 root root  4096 Jan 12 17:43 lib
drwxr-xr-x  2 root root  4096 Jan 12 17:44 lib64
drwx----- 2 root root 16384 Jan  9 19:30 lost+found
drwxr-xr-x  5 root root  4096 Jan 13 14:58 media

```

## Creating process using *system*

Create a new shell process and hands the command to that shell.

```
barbeau@COMP4203:~/Documents/COMP3000/ALP-listings/chapter-3$ more system.c
#include <stdlib.h>

int main ()
{
    int return_value;
    return_value = system ("ps -o pid,ppid,command");
    return return_value;
}

barbeau@COMP4203:~/Documents/COMP3000/ALP-listings/chapter-3$ ./system
  PID  PPID  COMMAND
  9357   1924  bash
  9978   9357  ./system
  9979   9978  sh -c ps -o pid,ppid,command
  9980   9979  ps -o pid,ppid,command
```

**Inefficiency of *system***

```
root@COMP4203:/home/barbeau# more fork.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main ()
{
    pid_t child_pid;

    child_pid = fork ();
    if (child_pid != 0) {
        printf ("this the parent with pid %d\n", (int) getpid ());
        printf ("child's pid is %d\n", (int) child_pid);
    }
    else
        printf ("this is the child with pid %d\n", (int) getpid ());

    return 0;
}
root@COMP4203:/home/barbeau# ./fork
this the parent with pid 10001
child's pid is 10002
root@COMP4203:/home/barbeau# this is the child with pid 10002
```

## Calling *fork*

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

int main(void) {
    int x;

    x = 0;
    fork();
    x = 1;
    printf("I am process %ld and my x is %d\n", (long)getpid(), x);
    return 0;
}
```



```
clue <stdio.h>
clue <unistd.h>
clue <sys/types.h>
clue <sys/wait.h>

main (void) {
pid_t childpid;

childpid = fork();
if (childpid == -1) {
    perror("Failed to fork");
    return 1;
}
if (childpid == 0)
    fprintf(stderr, "I am child %ld\n", (long)getpid());
else if (wait(NULL) != childpid)
    fprintf(stderr, "Wait interrupted!\n");
else
    fprintf(stderr, "I am parent %ld with child %ld\n", (long)getpid(),
            (long)childpid);
return 0;
}

beau@COMP4203:~/Documents/COMP3000$ ./parentwaitpid
m child 10144
m parent 10143 with child 10144
```

***fork and wait***

```
for (i = 1; i < n; i++)  
    if (childpid = fork())  
        break;
```

```
for (i = 1; i < 4; i++)  
{  
    childpid = fork();  
    if (childpid != 0) /* i.e., in parent */  
        break;  
}
```

```
beau@COMP4203:~$ more simplechain.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main (int argc, char *argv[]) {
    pid_t childpid = 0;
    int i;

    for (i = 1; i < 4; i++)
        if (childpid = fork())
            break;

    fprintf(stderr, "i:%d  PID:%ld  PPID:%ld  child ID:%ld\n"
                i, (long)getpid(), (long)getppid(), (long)childpid);

    beau@COMP4203:~$ ./simplechain
    PID:2537  PPID:1941  child ID:2538
    beau@COMP4203:~$ i:2  PID:2538  PPID:1  child ID:2539
    PID:2539  PPID:1  child ID:2540
    PID:2540  PPID:1  child ID:0
```

```
for (i = 1; i < n; i++)  
    if ((childpid = fork()) <= 0)  
        break;
```

```
for (i = 1; i < n; i++)  
    if ((childpid = fork()) == -1)  
        break;
```

```

barbeau@COMP4203:~/Documents/COMP3000$ more execls.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/wait.h>

int main(void) {
    pid_t childpid;

    childpid = fork();
    if (childpid == -1) {
        perror("Failed to fork");
        return 1;
    }
    if (childpid == 0) {
        execl("/bin/ls", "ls", "-l", NULL);
        perror("Child failed to exec ls");
        return 1;
    }
    if (childpid != wait(NULL)) {
        perror("Parent failed to wait due to signal or error");
        return 1;
    }
    return 0;
}
barbeau@COMP4203:~/Documents/COMP3000$ ./execls
total 200
drwxr-x--- 15 barbeau barbeau 4096 Jun 26 2001 ALP-listings
-rw----- 1 barbeau barbeau 47675 Sep 9 2009 ALP-listings.tar.gz

```

## Creating process with *exec/*

```
int main(void) {
    pid_t childpid;

    childpid = fork();
    if (childpid == -1) {
        perror("Failed to fork");
        return 1;
    }
    if (childpid == 0) { /* child code */
        execl("/bin/ps", "ps", NULL);
        perror("Child failed to exec ls");
        return 1;
    }
    if (childpid != wait(NULL)) { /* parent code */
        perror("Parent failed to wait due to signal or error");
        return 1;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

arbeau@COMP4203:~/Documents/COMP3000\$ ./execls

PID	TTY	TIME	CMD
9357	pts/2	00:00:02	bash
0491	pts/2	00:00:00	execls
0492	pts/2	00:00:00	ps



```
barbeau@COMP4203:~$ ps -o pid,ppid,command -a
PID  PPID  COMMAND
2004  1811  ./zombie
2005  2004  [zombie] <defunct>
2010  1941  ps -o pid,ppid,command -a
barbeau@COMP4203:~$
```

```
barbeau@COMP4203: ~
barbeau@COMP4203:~$ more zombie.c
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main ()
{
    pid_t child_pid;

    /* Create a child process. */
    child_pid = fork ();
    if (child_pid > 0) {
        /* This is the parent process. Sleep for a minute. */
        sleep (60);
    }
    else {
        /* This is the child process. Exit immediately. */
        exit (0);
    }
    return 0;
}
barbeau@COMP4203:~$ ./zombie
```

**Zombie process** (terminated child not cleaned up by parent, using *wait*)

```
barbeau@COMP4203:~$ ps -o pid,ppid,command -a
  PID  PPID  COMMAND
 2017   1811  ./zombie
 2018   2017  [zombie] <defunct>
 2019   1941  ps -o pid,ppid,command -a
barbeau@COMP4203:~$ kill 2017; ps -o pid,ppid,command -a
  PID  PPID  COMMAND
 2020   1941  ps -o pid,ppid,command -a
```

**Killing a parent process with zombies**

```

barbeau@COMP4203:~$ more myzombie.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>

int main ()
{
    /* Create a child process. */
    if (fork () > 0) {
        /* This is the parent process. Exit immediately. */
        printf ("Process ID is %d\n", (int) getpid ());
        exit (0);
    }
    else {
        /* This is the child process. Sleep for a minute. */
        printf ("Child ID is %d\n", (int) getpid ());
        sleep (60);
    }
    return 0;
}
barbeau@COMP4203:~$ ./myzombie; ps -o pid,ppid,command
Process ID is 2442
Child ID is 2443
  PID  PPID  COMMAND
  1811  1801  bash
  2443     1  ./myzombie
  2444  1811  ps -o pid,ppid,command

```

## Orphan process

```
groupadd developers  
grep developers /etc/group  
developers:x:1002:
```

```
id barbeau  
uid=1000(barbeau) gid=1000(barbeau)  
groups=1000(barbeau),4(adm),24(cdrom),27(sudo),30(dip),46(plugdev),109(lpadmin),  
124(sambashare)
```

```
usermod -a -G developers barbeau
```

```
id barbeau  
uid=1000(barbeau) gid=1000(barbeau)  
groups=1000(barbeau),4(adm),24(cdrom),27(sudo),30(dip),46(plugdev),109(lpadmin),  
124(sambashare),1002(developers)
```

```
ls -l  
-rw-r----- 1 barbeau barbeau 721 Jan 14 21:01 zombie.c
```

```
chown :developers zombie.c
```

```
ls -l  
-rw-r----- 1 barbeau developers 721 Jan 14 21:01 zombie.c
```

```
chmod g+w zombie.c
```

```
ls -l  
-rw-rw---- 1 barbeau developers 721 Jan 14 21:01 zombie.c
```