

Easter Bunny King Competition

Developer Documentation

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1 Introduction

This developer documentation describes the "Easter Bunny King" competition, a C program simulating a playful contest where bunny boys recite poems to earn red eggs from bunny girls. The program demonstrates key Linux system programming concepts, including process creation (`fork`), inter-process communication (pipes), signal handling, and file I/O.

2 Program Features

- **Bunny Registration:** Add a bunny with name and poem (eggs start at 0).
- **Bunny Management:** Modify, delete, or list registered bunnies.
- **Competition Simulation:**
 - Fork a child process for each bunny.
 - Child sends a `SIGUSR1` signal to the Chief Bunny.
 - Child recites its poem and generates a random egg count (1–20).
 - Sends egg count to parent through pipe.
- **Winner Declaration:** Declare bunny with the highest egg count.

3 System Architecture

3.1 Data Storage

Data is stored in `bunny_data.txt` with format:

```
1 BunnyName|PoemText|EggCount
```

Example:

```
1 red bunny|this is very cute one|1
2 blue bunny|this is a small one|2
3 green bunny|this is very innocent one|19
```

3.2 Process Flow

1. Parent forks a child per bunny.
2. Each child sends `SIGUSR1` to parent.

3. Child prints poem and generates random egg count.
4. Sends egg count to parent via pipe.
5. Parent reads from pipe, updates data, and declares the King.

4 System Calls and Mechanisms

4.1 Process Creation

```
1 pid_t pid = fork();
2 if (pid == 0) {
3     // child logic
4 } else {
5     // parent logic
6 }
```

4.2 Signal Handling

```
1 void handler(int signum) {
2     bunnyArrived = 1;
3 }
4 signal(SIGUSR1, handler);
5 kill(getppid(), SIGUSR1);
```

4.3 Pipe Communication

```
1 int pipefd[2];
2 pipe(pipefd);
3
4 if (fork() == 0) {
5     // Child
6     close(pipefd[0]);
7     int eggs = (rand() % 20) + 1;
8     write(pipefd[1], &eggs, sizeof(int));
9     close(pipefd[1]);
10    exit(0);
11 } else {
12     // Parent
13     close(pipefd[1]);
14     int received;
15     read(pipefd[0], &received, sizeof(int));
```

```
16     close(pipefd[0]);  
17 }
```

5 Error Handling

- File open failure:

```
1     FILE *fp = fopen(filename, "r");  
2     if (!fp) {  
3         perror("File error");  
4         return;  
5     }
```

- Pipe or fork failure:

```
1     if (pipe(pipefd) == -1) {  
2         perror("pipe");  
3         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
4     }  
5     if (fork() == -1) {  
6         perror("fork");  
7         exit(EXIT_FAILURE);  
8     }
```

6 Compilation and Execution

6.1 Compilation

```
1 gcc -o bunny_check bunny_check.c
```

6.2 Execution

```
1 ./bunny_check
```

