

DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM CALL IMPLEMENTATION

1. `getppid()`

First, we acquire the lock corresponding to the currently running process *p* (accessed using *myproc()*).

If the parent of *p* exists, we return its pid using *p->parent->pid*. Else, we return *-1*.

Lastly, we release the lock corresponding to *p* and return its *ppid*.

2. `yield()`

The implementation for yield system call is similar to the yield function defined in *kernel/proc.c*.

First, we acquire the lock corresponding to the currently running process. Then, we change its state to *RUNNABLE*. Finally, we call the *sched()* function, and release the earlier acquired lock.

3. `getpa()`

Given a virtual address *va*, we call the *walkaddr()* function with the pagetable of the current process, and *va* as the arguments. The *walkaddr()* call will return the physical address *pa* corresponding to the virtual address *va*.

4. `forkf()`

This call is similar to the *fork()* call but before returning to the child and parent processes, we need to execute the passed function *f*.

First, this value is read in the *sys_forkf()*. Then, the child(new) process is allocated. The memory and user registers are copied to the new process. We place the value of *0* in the *a0* register (*np->trapframe->a0*) so that *fork()* returns *0* in the child process.

In the end, we point the program counter of the child process to *f* (*np->trapframe->epc*) so that *f* is executed before moving ahead. In the end, we return the *pid* of the child process as the return value for the parent (calling) process.

Output Explanation:

1. When return value of f is 0

```
Hello world! 100
```

```
4: Child.
```

```
3: Parent.
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The value in the $a0$ register is initialized to 0 by `sys_forkf()` in `proc.c`. Then, we point the program counter to execute the function f , which then returns with 0. Hence, the value in $a0$ remains the same. Since this value is 0, the behavior is like that of a normal `fork()` call. Since the parent calls `sleep(1)`, it allows the child to complete its execution before the parent comes out. The child process prints from the function f (which calls g) and then executes the $x=0$ part in the `main()` function. At the end, the parent prints from the $x>0$ part.

2. When return value of f is 1

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Hello world! 100
```

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4:3 : PPaarernt.en
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Before returning to the calling function, the child prints the first line of output from the function f . This time, the value in the $a0$ register gets changed to 1. The child receives the return value 1 and hence, both parent and child execute the $x>0$ part in the `main()` function. Both `sleep` and `try` to print the statement simultaneously and hence the output is shuffled.

3. When return value of f is -1

```
Hello world! 100
```

```
Error: cannot fork
```

```
Aborting...
```

```
3: Parent.
```

After printing from the function f , the value in the $a0$ register is changed to -1. Thus, the child executes the $x<0$ part, printing the second & third line of output. At the end, the parent prints from $x>0$.

4. When the return value of f is some integer $y>1$

```
Hello world! 100
```

```
43:: PPaarernentt..
```

As $y>0$, the output is similar to when $y=1$. The outputs are shuffled in a different way, which is expected, as both the processes are printing simultaneously.

5. When the return value of f is some integer $y<-1$

```
Hello world! 100
```

```
Error: cannot fork
```

```
Aborting...
```

```
3: Parent.
```

As $y<0$, the output is the same as when $y=-1$.

6. When the return type of f is changed to *void* and the return statement in f is commented
- ```
Hello world! 100
43:: PPaarreenntt..
```

The argument of *forkf()* is changed to *void* so that there are no errors.

The child returns a positive value in the *forkf()* call because of the return value of *fprintf()* in the function  $f$ . *fprintf()* returns the number of bytes that are printed. Hence, this case becomes similar to the second one. The outputs are shuffled in a different way, which is expected.

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## 5. *waitpid()*

Given the *pid* of the function and a pointer, this system call waits for the child process with the given *pid*.

If the passed value of *id* = -1, we simply call *wait(ptr)* since this scenario will be the same as a normal wait call.

Else, we traverse over the process table until we find a process (say *np*) which is the child of the currently running process (say *p*), and whose *pid* matches the one passed as the argument.

Now, if *np* is a “zombie” process (i.e. it is already terminated), we clear the resources allocated to *np*, and return its *pid*. Else, we continue scanning the process table until we get a terminated child of process *p*. This is implemented using the outer “*for(;;)*”.

At any instant, if we find that *p* has no kids, or *p* itself gets killed, we return -1.

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## 6. *ps()*

We define *ctime*, *etime*, *stime* in *struct proc* which account for the creation time, end time, and start time of the process.

*Creation time* is assigned at the time of process allocation.

*Execution time* is assigned the value = endtime - starttime for an already terminated process. Else, it is assigned the value = current time - start time.

*End time* for the process is assigned at the time of *exit()* call from the function.

To get the *ppid*, we first check whether the parent exists or not. If it exists, we acquire the parent's lock and get its *pid* to store in *ppid*. Else, we store *ppid* = -1.

Finally, we print these values as asked in the problem statement.

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## 7. `pinfo()`

We handle the case `pid=-1` separately. A new header file `procstat.h` is created for this purpose, in which we define all the parameters required to be returned. Then, in the `pinfo()` function, the corresponding parameters of the `struct procstat (pstat)` are set. The state and command parameters are set using the `safestrcpy`. Now, we need to copy the data in kernel memory to the user memory, which is done using the `copyout` function. We also maintain a `found` variable to check if the pointers and pids are valid or not.

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