

System Programming

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I

Implement a system that counts how many prime numbers there is in a set of integers. This system is composed of a master process (that generates a sequence of random numbers and writes those numbers on a pipe) and slaves (that continuously read integers from a pipe and verify if those numbers are prime).

The master receives as arguments (argv), the number of slaves and the number of generated values. The master process will generate numbers between 0 and 99999 in a sequential manner and write them to pipe to be processed by one slave.

Each slave (a child of the master process) does not know how many numbers will be generated. After the processing of all values each slave should print the number of prime values calculated.

NOTE: every process reading from a pipe is notified when that pipe is last closed for writing (i.e. no more processes are writing to it)

II

Modify the previous programs so that the child processes do not print the prime values, but send to the parent its partial count. Only the parent prints the sum on the screen.

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Modify the previous exercise so that each slave writes in a second pipe every prime number processed and is considered prime.

This new pipe should be read by the master, that will print those prime numbers.

IV

What happens if the amount of numbers generated in the master is so high so that the pipe gets full and the master can not write anything more?

Modify the solution to guaranteed that it works even in this condition.

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These processes are not related and all receive the name of the FIFO as an argument (argv).

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Using FIFOs implement a system composed of a producer (that reads text lines from the keyboard and writes them to a predetermined FIFO) and a set of consumers (each line is read by a single consumer that prints it on the screen in upper case).

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REFERENCES

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