

Write a program to implement interprocess communication using **pipe ()**, **signal ()**.

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Inter Process Communication - Pipes

- Pipe is a communication medium between two or more related or interrelated processes.
- It can be either within one process or a communication between the child and the parent processes.

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

```
int pipe(int pippedes[2]);
```

- This system call would create a pipe for one-way communication i.e., it creates two descriptors.
- This call would return zero on success and -1 in case of failure

Syntax in C language

```
int pipe(int fds[2]);
```

Parameters :

fd[0] will be the fd(file descriptor) for the read end of pipe.

fd[1] will be the fd for the write end of pipe.

Returns : 0 on Success.

-1 on error.

Pipes behave **FIFO**(First in First out), Pipe behave like a **queue** data structure. Size of read and write don't have to match here. We can write **512** bytes at a time but we can read only 1 byte at a time in a pipe.

Example program 1 – Program to write and read two messages using pipe.

- Algorithm
- **Step 1** – Create a pipe.
- **Step 2** – Send a message to the pipe.
- **Step 3** – Retrieve the message from the pipe and write it to the standard output.
- **Step 4** – Send another message to the pipe.
- **Step 5** – Retrieve the message from the pipe and write it to the standard output.
- **Note** – Retrieving messages can also be done after sending all messages.

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

int main() {
    int pipefds[2];
    int returnstatus;
    char writemessages[2][20]={"Hi", "Hello"};
    char readmessage[20];
    returnstatus = pipe(pipefds);

    if (returnstatus == -1) {
        printf("Unable to create pipe\n");
        return 1;
    }

    printf("Writing to pipe - Message 1 is %s\n", writemessages[0]);
    write(pipefds[1], writemessages[0], sizeof(writemessages[0]));
    read(pipefds[0], readmessage, sizeof(readmessage));
    printf("Reading from pipe - Message 1 is %s\n", readmessage);
    printf("Writing to pipe - Message 2 is %s\n", writemessages[1]);
    write(pipefds[1], writemessages[1], sizeof(writemessages[1]));
    read(pipefds[0], readmessage, sizeof(readmessage));
    printf("Reading from pipe - Message 2 is %s\n", readmessage);
    return 0;
}
```

Inter Process Communication-Signals

- A signal is a software generated interrupt that is sent to a process by the OS because of when user press ctrl-c or another process tell something to this process.
- There are fix set of signals that can be sent to a process. signal are identified by integers.

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Signal number have symbolic names. For example **SIGCHLD** is number of the signal sent to the parent process when child terminates.

Default Signal Handlers

Examples:

```
#define SIGHUP  1    /* Hangup the process */
#define SIGINT  2    /* Interrupt the process */
#define SIGQUIT 3    /* Quit the process */
#define SIGILL  4    /* Illegal instruction. */
#define SIGTRAP 5    /* Trace trap. */
#define SIGABRT 6    /* Abort. */
```

- Ign: Ignore the signal; i.e., do nothing, just return
- Term: terminate the process
- Cont: unblock a stopped process
- Stop: block the process

```

// C program to implement sighup(), sigint()
// and sigquit() signal functions
#include <signal.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>

// function declaration
void sighup();
void sigint();
void sigquit();

// driver code
void main()
{
    int pid;

    /* get child process */
    if ((pid = fork()) < 0) {
        perror("fork");
        exit(1);
    }
}

```

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}

if (pid == 0) { /* child */
    signal(SIGHUP, sighup);
    signal(SIGINT, sigint);
    signal(SIGQUIT, sigquit);
    for (;;)
        ; /* loop for ever */
}

else /* parent */
{ /* pid hold id of child */
    printf("\nPARENT: sending SIGHUP\n\n");
    kill(pid, SIGHUP);

    sleep(3); /* pause for 3 secs */
    printf("\nPARENT: sending SIGINT\n\n");
    kill(pid, SIGINT);

    sleep(3); /* pause for 3 secs */
    printf("\nPARENT: sending SIGQUIT\n\n");
    kill(pid, SIGQUIT);
    sleep(3);
}
}

```

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}

// sighup() function definition
void sighup()
{
    signal(SIGHUP, sighup); /* reset signal */
    printf("CHILD: I have received a SIGHUP\n");
}

// sigint() function definition
void sigint()
{
    signal(SIGINT, sigint); /* reset signal */
    printf("CHILD: I have received a SIGINT\n");
}

// sigquit() function definition
void sigquit()
{
    printf("My DADDY has Killed me!!!\n");
    exit(0);
}
}

```