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CS 241 Lecture #7 Signals
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#1 Code review - how would you improve this code. Highlight every error you notice and then discuss the worst ones

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// A program to run many commands in parallel
01
        // Lines that start with an! are executed
02
        int main(int argc, char** argv) {
03
        if(argc!=2) { printf("Usage: %s commandfile\n", argv); exit(1); }
04
         size_t capacity = 200;
05
         char* buffer = malloc(capacity);
06
         ssize t bytes;
07
08
         FILE *file = fopen(argv[1],"r");
         if(!file) { perror("Could not read file"); return 1;}
09
         while(1){
10
           bytes = getline(& buffer, & capacity , file );
11
          buffer[bytes-1] = 0;
12
           puts(buffer):
13
           if( strcmp(buffer, "END") || bytes == -1) break;
14
           if(*buffer == '!') {
15
            if(! fork()) { execlp("bash", buffer +1, (char*) NULL); exit(1);}
16
17
18
19
         return o;
20
```

Line number: Comment or suggested fix

- #2 What are POSIX signals?
- #3 What are the two sources of signals?

#4 What are the most well known signals and what do they do?

SIGINT SIGSEGV SIGKILL

Demo.

First let's create an unsuspecting long running process ...

```
// dotwriter.c
01
        int main() {
02
         printf("My pid is %d\n", getpid() );
03
         int i = 60;
04
05
         while(--i) {
         write(1, ".",1);
06
07
          sleep(1);
08
         write(1, "Done!",5);
09
10
         return o:
11
```

How can I send a signal from another program?

How can I send a signal from the terminal?

#5 How would you modify the dotwriter program to send itself a SIGINT, after 5 dots?

#6 Alarming signals

```
void main() {
02
          char result[20];
03
         puts("You have 4 seconds");
0.4
         while(1) {
05
            puts("Secret backdoor NSA Password?");
06
            char* rc = fgets( result, sizeof(result) , stdin);
            if(*result='#') break;
07
08
09
        puts("Congratulations. Connecting to NSA ...");
        execlp("ssh", "ssh", "nsa-backdoor.net", (char*)NULL);
10
        perror("Do you not have ssh installed?"); return 1;
11
12
```

#7 Stopping and continuing programs

SIGSTOP SIGCONT

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#8 Shell Job control, background processes and redirection (>) pipes (|)
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```
ps
jobs
fg
bg
nohup dosomething.sh &
wc *.c > data.txt
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01 #!/bin/bash
02 python analysis.py 1.dat &
03 python analysis.py 5.dat &
04 python analysis.py 8.dat &
05 wait
06 ...
```

#9 Spot the errors part 1

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01
      // Spot the errors part 1
02
      double *a = malloc( sizeof(double*) );
03
      double *b = a;
04
      free (b); b = 0;
0.5
      *a = (double) 0xbaadf00d;
06
      char* result;
0.7
      strcpy(result, "CrashMaybe");
08
      void* append(char** ptr, const char*mesg) {
09
        if(!*ptr) ptr = malloc( strlen(mesq) );
10
        strcat( *ptr, mesq);
11
```

#10 Spot the errors part 2

```
//Spot the errors part 2
01
02
      char* f() {
03
      char result[16];
0.4
      strcat( result, "Hi");
05
      int *a;
06
     if( &a != NULL) { printf("Yes %d\n", 42); }
07
      struct link* first= malloc(sizeof(struct link*));
08
      free(first)
09
      if(first->next) free(first->next);
10
      return result;
11
```