

System Call Analysis Report: `__sys_killall`

Overview

This report provides a detailed explanation and line-by-line commentary of the C function `__sys_killall`, which is responsible for terminating all processes with a specific name from the running and ready queues of a given process.

Function Purpose

The function `__sys_killall` scans both the running and ready queues of the calling process. It reads a target process name from a memory region and terminates any process matching that name.

Source Code with Comments

```
1 int __sys_killall(struct pcb_t *caller, struct sc_regs* regs) {
2     char proc_name[100];           // Buffer to store the
3     uint32_t data;                 // Temp variable for memory
4     // reading
5     uint32_t memrg = regs->a1;      // Get memory region ID
6     // from register
7     memset(proc_name, 0, sizeof(proc_name)); // Clear the
8     // proc_name buffer
9     int index = 0;
10    int result = 0;
11
12    // Read the process name from memory
13    while (index < 99) {
14        result = libread(caller, memrg, index, &data);
15        if (result != 0) break; // Stop if read fails
16
17        if (data == -1 || data == 0) {
18            proc_name[index] = '\0'; // End of string
19            break;
20        }
21
22        if (data > 0 && data < 128) {
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23     proc_name[index++] = (char)data;
24 } else {
25     proc_name[index] = '\0'; // Invalid char, terminate
                               // string
26     break;
27 }
28 }
29
30 proc_name[index] = '\0'; // Ensure null termination
31
32 if (index == 0) {
33     strcpy(proc_name, "P0"); // Default name if input
                               // invalid
34 }
35
36 printf("The procname retrieved from memregionid %d is \"%s
37        \"\n", memrg, proc_name);
38
39 int terminated_count = 0;
40
41 // Handle running queue
42 if (caller->running_list != NULL) {
43     struct queue_t temp_queue;
44     temp_queue.size = 0;
45
46     while (!empty(caller->running_list)) {
47         struct pcb_t *proc = dequeue(caller->running_list);
48         if (proc == NULL) break;
49
50         if (proc->path != NULL && strcmp(proc->path,
51            proc_name) == 0) {
52             printf("Terminating running process pid=%d,
53                name=%s\n", proc->pid, proc->path);
54             terminated_count++;
55         } else {
56             enqueue(&temp_queue, proc);
57         }
58     }
59
60     while (!empty(&temp_queue)) {
61         enqueue(caller->running_list, dequeue(&temp_queue));
62     }
63
64 // Handle ready queue
65 if (caller->ready_queue != NULL) {
66     struct queue_t temp_queue;
67     temp_queue.size = 0;
68
69     while (!empty(caller->ready_queue)) {
```

```
68         struct pcb_t *proc = dequeue(caller->ready_queue);
69         if (proc == NULL) break;
70
71         if (proc->path != NULL && strcmp(proc->path,
72             proc_name) == 0) {
73             printf("Terminating ready process pid=%d, name
74                 =%s\n", proc->pid, proc->path);
75             terminated_count++;
76         } else {
77             enqueue(&temp_queue, proc);
78         }
79
80         while (!empty(&temp_queue)) {
81             enqueue(caller->ready_queue, dequeue(&temp_queue));
82         }
83
84         printf("Total %d processes named \"%s\" terminated\n",
85             terminated_count, proc_name);
86         return terminated_count;
87     }
```

Summary

- The function reads a process name from a memory region.
- It loops through both the running and ready queues of the caller.
- For every process that matches the given name, it simulates termination (printing only).
- The number of terminated processes is returned.

Future Improvements

- Re-enable and test memory cleanup via `libfree()` for real termination.
- Add error handling for malformed memory reads.
- Consider supporting wildcard or regex matching.

Test Case Output

Below is the console output for a test case using the `__sys_killall` system call. The process writes a name into a memory region and attempts to kill processes matching that name.

```
Time slot    0
ld_routine
Time slot    1
Time slot    2
Time slot    3
Time slot    4
Time slot    5
Time slot    6
Time slot    7
Time slot    8
Time slot    9
    Loaded a process at input/proc/sc2 , PID: 1 PRIO: 15
Time slot   10
    CPU 0: Dispatched process 1
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY AFTER ALLOCATION =====
PID=1 - Region=1 - Address=00000000 - Size=100 byte
print_pgtbl: 0 - 512
00000000: 80000000
00000004: 00000000
Time slot   11
write region=1 offset=0 value=80
print_pgtbl: 0 - 512
00000000: 80000000
00000004: 00000000
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY DUMP =====
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY END-DUMP =====
Time slot   12
    CPU 0: Put process 1 to run queue
    CPU 0: Dispatched process 1
write region=1 offset=1 value=48
print_pgtbl: 0 - 512
00000000: 90000000
00000004: 00000000
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY DUMP =====
BYTE 00000000: 80
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY END-DUMP =====
Time slot   13
write region=1 offset=2 value=-1
print_pgtbl: 0 - 512
00000000: 90000000
00000004: 00000000
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY DUMP =====
BYTE 00000000: 80
BYTE 00000001: 48
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY END-DUMP =====
Time slot   14
    CPU 0: Put process 1 to run queue
    CPU 0: Dispatched process 1
```

```
read region=1 offset=0 value=80
print_pgtbl: 0 - 512
00000000: 90000000
00000004: 00000000
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY DUMP =====
BYTE 00000000: 80
BYTE 00000001: 48
BYTE 00000002: -1
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY END-DUMP =====
read region=1 offset=1 value=48
print_pgtbl: 0 - 512
00000000: 90000000
00000004: 00000000
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY DUMP =====
BYTE 00000000: 80
BYTE 00000001: 48
BYTE 00000002: -1
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY END-DUMP =====
read region=1 offset=2 value=-1
print_pgtbl: 0 - 512
00000000: 90000000
00000004: 00000000
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY DUMP =====
BYTE 00000000: 80
BYTE 00000001: 48
BYTE 00000002: -1
===== PHYSICAL MEMORY END-DUMP =====
The procname retrieved from memregionid 1 is "P0"
Total 0 processes named "P0" terminated
      CPU 0: Processed 1 has finished
Time slot 15
      CPU 0 stopped
```

Interpretation

- A process wrote the ASCII values '80', '48', and '-1' to memory.
- These values decode to ""P0"" and mark the end of string with '-1'.
- The function searched for processes named ""P0" ("default name")' in the queues.
- No such process existed, so zero processes were terminated.