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# Process Environment

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System Programming

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- ❑ **How a program is executed**
- ❑ **How command-line arguments are passed to the new program**
- ❑ **What the typical memory layout looks like**  
**Different ways to terminate**
- ❑ **Environment variable, `longjmp/setjmp` functions, and process resource limits**

# I. Program Execution

- ❑ `int main(int args, char *argv[])`
- ❑ **When executed by the kernel *exec*, a special start-up routine sets up things, including the command-line arguments, so that the `main` function can be called.**
- ❑ **Five ways for a process to terminate**
  - Normal termination: return from `main`, calling `exit`, and calling `_exit` or `_Exit`
  - Abnormal termination: calling `abort` and terminated by a signal

# I. Process Termination

```
#include <stdlib.h>

void exit(int status) ;

void _Exit(int status) ;

#include <unistd.h>

void _exit(int status) ;
```

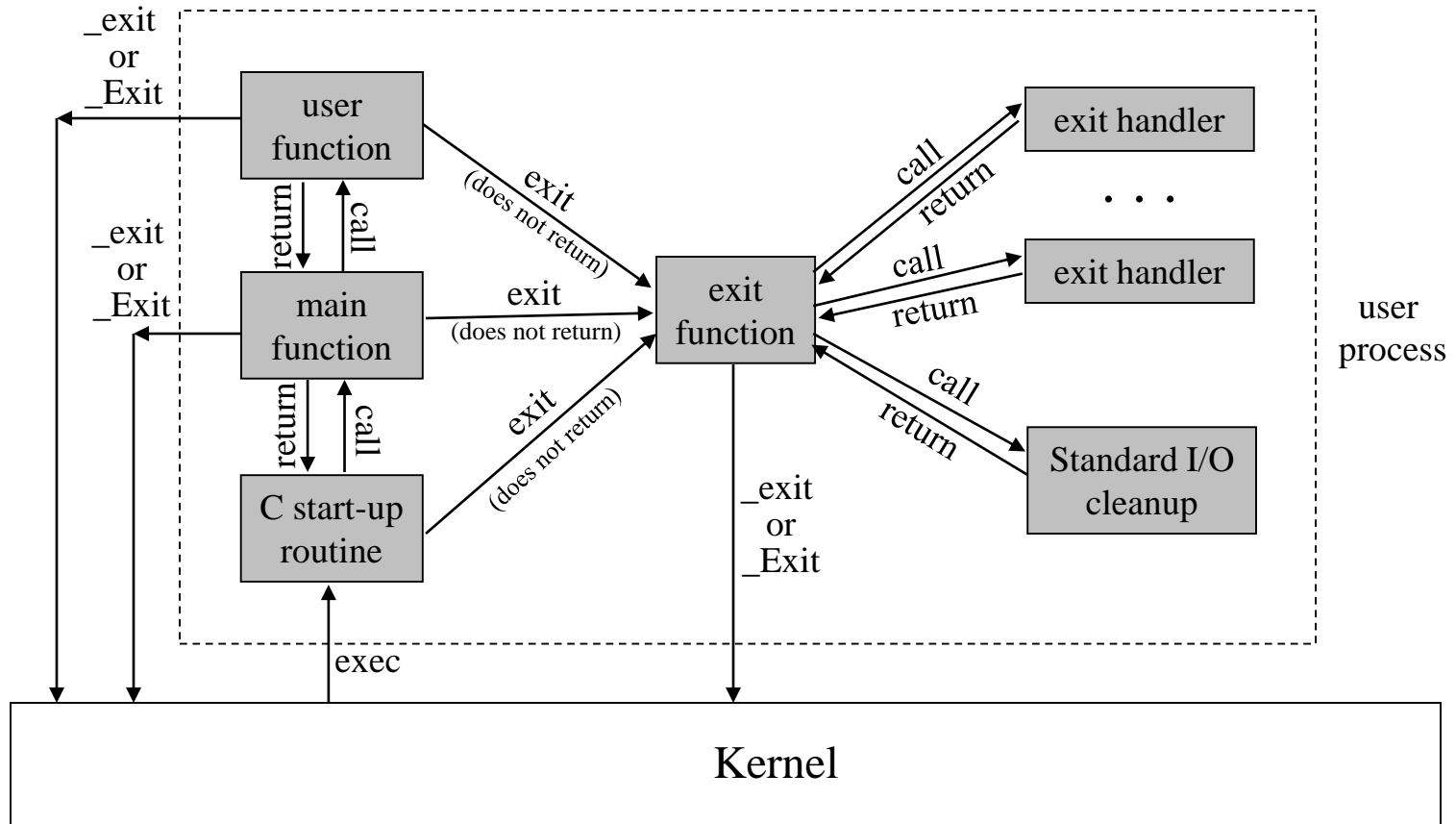
❑ **exit performs certain *cleanup processing* and then returns to the kernel, while `_exit/_Exit` returns to the kernel *immediately*.**

- In the case of `exit`, `fclose` is called for all open streams.

❑ **The *exit status* is undefined if**

- Any of these functions is called without an *exit status*,
- `main` does a `return` without a return value, or
- `main` is not declared to return an integer.

# I. How a C Program is Started and Terminated



# I. Process Termination

- ❑ **ISO C *exit handlers*:** up to 32 functions that are automatically called by `exit`

```
#include <stdlib.h>

int atexit(void (*func)(void));
```

- ❑ **Called in reverse order of their registration**
- ❑ **[Program 7.3](#)**

# I. Process Termination

```
#include "apue.h"
static void my_exit1(void);
static void my_exit2(void);
int main(void)
{
    if (atexit(my_exit2) != 0)
        err_sys("can't register my_exit2");
    if (atexit(my_exit1) != 0)
        err_sys("can't register my_exit1");
    if (atexit(my_exit1) != 0)
        err_sys("can't register my_exit1");
    printf("main is done\n");
    return(0);
}
static void my_exit1(void) {
    printf("first exit handler\n");
}
static void my_exit2(void) {
    printf("second exit handler\n");
}
```

```
$ ./a.out
main is done
first exit handler
first exit handler
second exit handler
```

## Program 7.3

# I. Command-Line Arguments

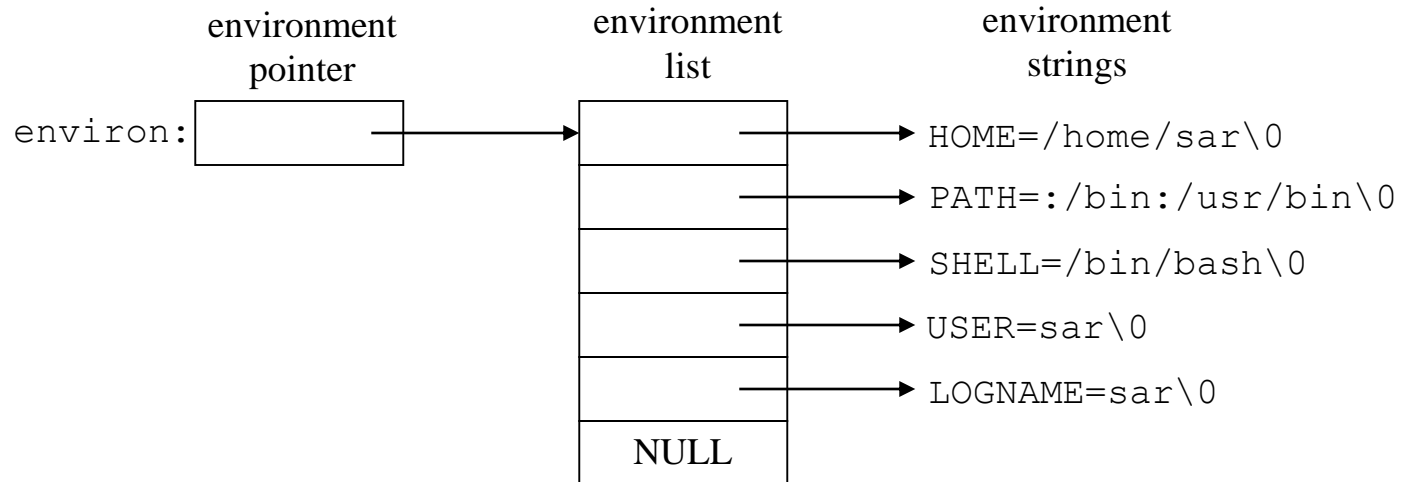
```
#include "apue.h"
int
main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    int i;
    for (i = 0; i < argc; i++)
        printf("argv[%d]: %s\n", i, argv[i]);
    exit(0);
}
```

```
$ ./echoarg arg1 TEST foo
argv[0]: ./echoarg
argv[1]: arg1
argv[2]: TEST
argv[3]: foo
```



# I. Environment List

- ❑ Each program is passed an environment list, an array of char pointers.
- ❑ A global variable: `extern char **environ;`
- ❑ `getenv/putenv` functions



# I. Memory Layout of a C Program

## ❑ **Text segment: machine instructions**

- Sharable (a single copy for frequently executed programs such as text editors, C compiler, shells, etc.)
- Often read-only

## ❑ **(Initialized) data segment: variables specifically initialized in the program**

```
int maxcount = 99;
```

## ❑ **Uninitialized data segment (bss segment): initialized by the kernel to arithmetic 0 or null pointers**

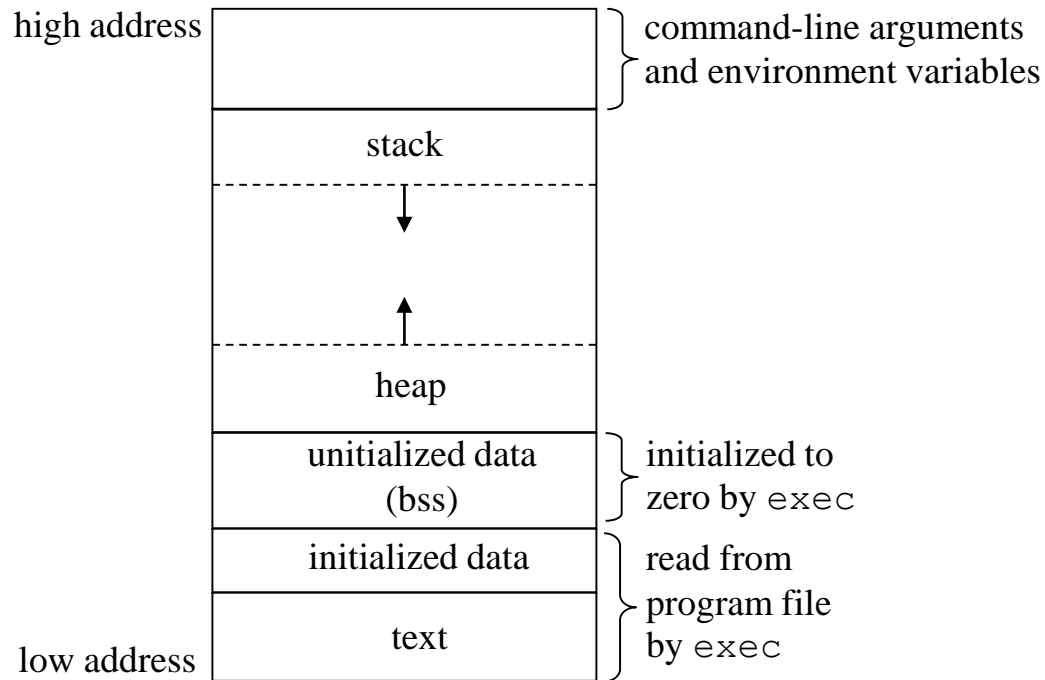
```
long sum[1000];
```

## ❑ **Stack: return addr & certain info about the caller's environ (such as some of the machine registers), auto variables**

## ❑ **Heap: dynamic memory allocation**

# I. Memory Layout of a C Program

```
$ size /bin/cc /bin/sh
text    data    bss      dec       hex         /bin/cc
81920   16384    664      98968    18298
90112   16384     0      106496   1a000
         /bin/sh
```



# I. Shared Libraries

- ❑ **Static library (\*.a) vs. dynamic library (\*.so)**
- ❑ **A single copy of the library routine somewhere in memory**
- ❑ **Reduces executable size at the cost of run-time overhead (the first time shared libraries are called)**
- ❑ **Can be replaced with new version without re-linking**

```
$ ldd tcsh
libsocket.so.1 =>      /usr/lib/libsocket.so.1
libnsl.so.1 =>       /usr/lib/libnsl.so.1
libc.so.1 =>        /usr/lib/libc.so.1
libdl.so.1 =>       /usr/lib/libdl.so.1
libmp.so.2 =>       /usr/lib/libmp.so.2
```

## ❑ **LD\_LIBRARY\_PATH**

# I. Memory Allocation

```
#include <stdlib.h>
void *malloc(size_t size);
void *calloc(size_t nobj, size_t size);
void *realloc(void *ptr, size_t newsiz);
void free(void *ptr);
```

## ❑ malloc

- allocates a specified number of bytes of memory
- initial value is indeterminate.

## ❑ calloc

- allocates space for a specified number of objects of a specified size.
- initialized to all 0 bits.

## ❑ realloc

- changes the size of a previously allocated area.
- The initial value of increased space is *indeterminate*.

# I. Memory Allocation

## ❑ Additional space for record keeping

- Blk size, a ptr to the next blk, and the like. Overwriting this record-keeping information often leads to a catastrophe.
- Freeing an already freed block or a block not obtained from the allocation functions – can also be fatal.

## ❑ Memory leakage

### ❑ `void *alloca(size_t size)`

- It allocates size bytes of space in ***the stack frame***.
- No need to free the space.
  - automatically freed when the function from which `alloca()` is called returns.

# I. Environment Variables

## ❑ Environment variables

– *name=value*

## ❑ Defined environment variables

– HOME, LANG, LC\_ALL, LC\_COLLATE, LC\_CTYPE,  
LC\_MONETARY, LC\_NUMERIC, LC\_TIME, LOGNAME, NLSPATH,  
SHELL, PATH, TERM, TZ

## ❑ csh built-in commands: env, setenv, unsetenv

```
#include <stdlib.h>
```

```
char *getenv(const char *name); /* ISO C */
```

# I. Environment Variables

```
#include <stdlib.h>
```

```
int putenv(const char *str);
```

```
int setenv(const char *name, const char *value, int rewrite);
```

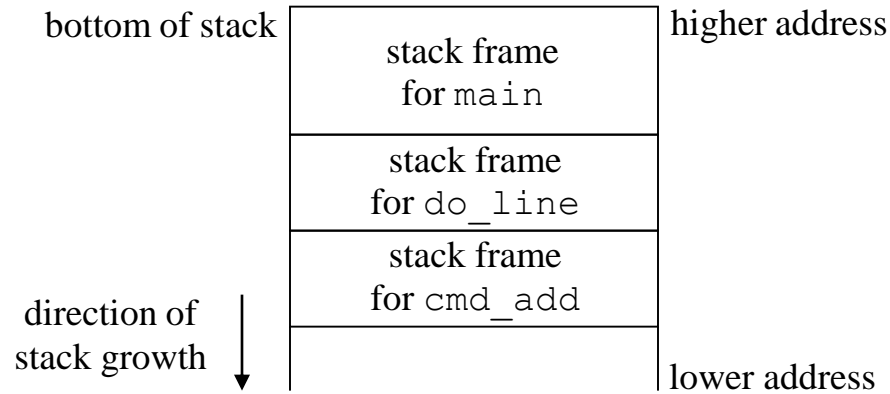
```
void unsetenv(const char *name);
```

- ❑ **putenv takes a string of the form *name=value*. If *name* already exists, its old definition is first removed.**
- ❑ **setenv sets *name* to *value*.**
  - If *name* already exists, then
    - If *rewrite* is nonzero, the existing definition is first removed.
    - Otherwise, no effect.
- ❑ **unsetenv removes any definition of *name*.**



## I. setjmp and longjmp Functions

- ❑ Useful for handling error conditions in a deeply nested function call.
- ❑ [Program 7.9](#)



- ❑ **Nonlocal goto to handle nonfatal errors**
  - If the `cmd_add` encounters an error, it might want to ignore the rest of the line, and return to the `main` to read the next input line.
  - A chain of return values?

# I.setjmp and longjmp Functions

```
#include "apue.h"
#define TOK_ADD 5
void do_line(char *);
void cmd_add(void);
int get_token(void);
int main(void) {
    char line[MAXLINE];
    while (fgets(line, MAXLINE, stdin) != NULL)
        do_line(line);
    exit(0);
}
char *tok_ptr; /* global pointer for get_token() */
void do_line(char *ptr) /* process one line of input */
{
    int cmd;
    tok_ptr = ptr;
    while ((cmd = get_token()) > 0) {
        switch (cmd) { /* one case for each command */
            case TOK_ADD:
                cmd_add();
                break;
        }
    }
}
```

```
void cmd_add(void)
{
    int token;
    token = get_token();
    /* rest of processing for this command */
}

int get_token(void)
{
    /* fetch next token from line pointed to by tok_ptr */
}
```

## Program 7.9

## I. setjmp and longjmp Functions

- ❑ **Nonlocal goto (setjmp/longjmp) as opposed to C goto statement within a function.**

```
#include <setjmp.h>
```

```
int setjmp(jmp_buf env);
```

```
void longjmp(jmp_buf env, int val);
```

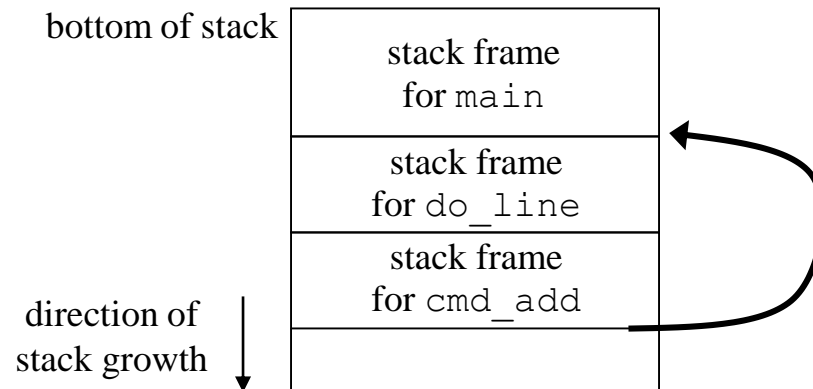
- ❑ **setjmp returns 0 if called directly, nonzero if returning from a call to longjmp.**
- ❑ **jmp\_buf is some form of array holding all the information required to restore the status of the stack.**
- ❑ **env is a global variable.**

# I. setjmp and longjmp Functions

## ❑ longjmp(env, val)

- The same `env` used in a call to `setjmp`.
- A nonzero value `val` becomes the return value from `setjmp`.

## ❑ A longjmp call in cmd\_add



# I . setjmp and longjmp Functions

```
#include "apue.h"
#include <setjmp.h>

jmp_buf  jmpbuffer;

int main(void) {
    char  line[MAXLINE];

    if (setjmp(jmpbuffer) != 0)
        printf("error");
    while (fgets(line, MAXLINE, stdin) != NULL)
        do_line(line);
    exit(0);
}

...

void cmd_add(void) {
    int  token;

    token = get_token();
    if (token < 0)                /* an error has occurred */
        longjmp(jmpbuffer, 1);
    /* rest of processing for this command */
}
```

## I. setjmp and longjmp Functions

- ❑ **What are the states of the automatic vars and register vars in the main function?**
  - Rolled back or left alone? The answer is “indeterminate.”
  - If you don’t want your automatic var rolled back, define it with the `volatile` attribute. If you want it “left alone”, declare it global or static.
- ❑ **[Program 7.13](#) on a system with vars in registers rolled back and vars in memory left alone.**

**\$ cc testjmp.c; ./a.out**

in f1():

globval = 95, autoval = 96, regival = 97, volaval = 98, statval = 99

after longjmp:

globval = 95, autoval = 96, regival = 97, volaval = 98, statval = 99

**\$ cc -O testjmp.c; ./a.out**

in f1():

globval = 95, autoval = 96, regival = 97, volaval = 98, statval = 99

after longjmp:

globval = 95, autoval = 2, regival = 3, volaval = 98, statval = 99

# I.setjmp and longjmp Functions

```
#include "apue.h"
#include <setjmp.h>
static void f1(int, int, int, int);
static void f2(void);
static jmp_buf jmpbuffer;
static int globval;
int main(void)
{
    int autoval;
    register int regival;
    volatile int volaval;
    static int statval;
    globval = 1; autoval = 2; regival = 3; volaval = 4;
    statval = 5;

    if (setjmp(jmpbuffer) != 0) {
        printf("after longjmp:\n");
        printf("globval = %d, autoval = %d,
               regival = %d, volaval = %d,
               statval = %d\n", globval, autoval,
               regival, volaval, statval);
        exit(0);
    }
```

```
/* Change variables after setjmp, but before longjmp.*/
globval = 95; autoval = 96; regival = 97;
volaval = 98; statval = 99;

/* never returns */
f1(autoval, regival, volaval, statval);
exit(0);
}

static void f1(int i, int j, int k, int l)
{
    printf("in f1():\n");
    printf("globval = %d, autoval = %d, regival = %d,
           volaval = %d, statval = %d\n",
           globval, i, j, k, l);
    f2();
}
static void f2(void)
{
    longjmp(jmpbuffer, 1);
}
```

## I.getrlimit and setrlimit

```
#include <sys/time.h>
#include <sys/resource.h>
int getrlimit(int resource, struct rlimit *rlptr) ;
int setrlimit(int resource, const struct rlimit *rlptr) ;

struct rlimit {
    rlim_t rlim_cur; /* soft limit: current limit */
    rlim_t rlim_max; /* hard limit: max value for rlim_cur */
}
```

- ❑ **resource**: RLIMIT\_AS, RLIMIT\_CORE, RLIMIT\_CPU, RLIMIT\_DATA, RLIMIT\_FSIZE, RLIMIT\_LOCKS, RLIMIT\_MEMLOCK, RLIMIT\_NOFILE, RLIMIT\_NPROC, RLIMIT\_RSS, RLIMIT\_SBSIZE, RLIMIT\_STACK, RLIMIT\_VMEM
- ❑ The resource limits for a process are established by process 0 on boot and then inherited by each successive process.



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*Thank you for your attention !!*

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