READERS - WRITERS PROBLEM (Using Pipes or Message Queues)

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Compiling the Program

To compile the program (on Linux):

gcc message_queue.c

Running the Program

In a terminal, run the program:

./a.out <number of readers> <number of writers>

For example,

./a.out 5 2

The numbers of readers and writers have to be non-negative.

If the program terminates prematurely, the message queue would become corrupted. The system would have to be rebooted or the message queue should be cleared manually, before subsequent runs.

Screenshots

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kali@kali: ~/Desktop
File Actions Edit View Help
kali@kali:-/Desktop$ gcc mq.c
kali@kali:-/Desktop$ ./a.out 5 2
Creating 5 readers and 2 writers.
Initially, Shared Resource Value = 100.
Writer #2 modified the resource. Shared Resource Value = 101
Reader #5: Shared Resource Value = 101
Number of readers currently reading: 1
Currently no readers are reading.
Reader #4: Shared Resource Value = 101
Number of readers currently reading: 1
Reader #2: Shared Resource Value = 101
Number of readers currently reading: 2
Number of readers currently reading: 1
Reader #1: Shared Resource Value = 101
Number of readers currently reading: 2
Reader #3: Shared Resource Value = 101
Number of readers currently reading: 3
Number of readers currently reading: 2
Number of readers currently reading: 1
Currently no readers are reading.
Writer #1 modified the resource. Shared Resource Value = 102
   Li@kali:~/Desktop$
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