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CS 241 Lecture Handout #6
#0 Android source code
       https://android.googlesource.com/platform/prebuilts/gcc/linux-
       x86/host/i686-linux-glibc2.7-
       4.6/+/tools r20/sysroot/usr/include/bits/waitstatus.h
/* If WIFEXITED(STATUS), the low-order 8 bits of the status. */
#define WEXITSTATUS(status) (((status) & 0xff00) >> 8)
/* If WIFSIGNALED(STATUS), the terminating signal. */
#define WTERMSIG(status) ((status) & 0x7f)
/* If WIFSTOPPED(STATUS), the signal that stopped the child. */
#define WSTOPSIG(status) WEXITSTATUS(status)
/* Nonzero if STATUS indicates normal termination. */
#define WIFEXITED(status) ( WTERMSIG(status) == 0)
#1 Review - Can we ensure SECRET is saved to the log file?
       close(1); // goodbye standard out
       open("log.txt", O RDWR | O CREAT | O APPEND, 0644);
02
       puts("SECRET");
03
04
       execlp("/bin/ls","ls", getEnv("HOME"), (char*)NULL);
05
#2 The fork-exec-wait trilogy
       fork. Are variables shared?
       exec. When does exec return?
       waitpid. Waiting for your child?
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#3 What happened to your child? - use the wait macros to extract bits

```
pid t waitpid(pid t pid, int * status, int options);
//Decoding the bits of the status integer
        int s:
01
       waitpid(child, &s, o );
02
        WEXITSTATUS(s) valid if WIFEXITED(s) != 0
03
         WTERMSIG(s)
                             valid if WIFSIGNALED(s) != 0
04
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#4 Who is my parent?
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pid t vader = getppid();
        pid t luke = getpid();
02
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#5 Review - How does sleepsort work?

```
int main(int c, char **v) {
          while (--c > 1 \&\& !fork());
02
         int val = atoi(v[c]);
03
          sleep(val);
04
          printf("%d\n", val);
05
06
          return o:
07
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#6 Puzzle - Two processes for the price of one program

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O1 char * m = "World";
02 int main() {
    int a = 0;
03
    pid t f = fork();
05
    if(f == -1) { perror("fork failed!"); exit(1);}
06
     07
     else { // I'm the parent
80
       printf("Waiting for %ld to finish", (long)f);
09 ?
10 ?
11
12
     puts (m);
13
    return 42;
14 }
```

Post lecture challenge 1. Write a forking program where the parent process creates N child processes.

Post lecture Challenge 2. Write a forking program that creates a chain of N processes i.e. each process, except the last, has one child process. (See if you can work this out yourself first before looking at my syn example)

#7 A program to automatically compile and execute my programs

```
01 char * compiler = "qcc";
02 int main(int argc, char** argv) {
03 if (argc != 2) {
     fprintf(stderr,"%s prog.c",argv[0]);
0.4
05
       exit(1);
06
07
     char* target = argv[1];
0.8
     while(1) {
09
      pid t child = fork();
       if( ){ // I'm the child
10
11
         execlp(
12
         perror(compiler);
13
        exit(1);
14
15
       int status=0;
16
17
18
       if(
                                         ) break;
19
      sleep(5);
20
21
     puts("running your program"); // no flush!?
     execlp("./a.out","./a.out",(const char*)NULL);
22
23
     perror("Failed to run ./a.out");
24
     return 1;
25 }
```

#8 What happens to child processes if their parents die first?

#9 What happens if the parent never finishes and never waits on its children?

#10 What is SIGCHILD?

#11 C Review / FAQ

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What is special about sizeof (char)?

int * x = & ox12340;
On a 32 bit machine, what is the value of (x + 1)?

Spot the mistake(s)!
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double *a = malloc( sizeof(double*) );
02
      double *b = a;
0.3
      free(b); b = 0;
0.4
      *a = (double) 0xbaadf00d;
05
      char* result;
0.6
      strcpy(result, "CrashMaybe");
      void* append(char** ptr, const char*mesg) {
07
08
        if(!*ptr) ptr = malloc( strlen(mesq) );
09
        strcat( *ptr, mesg);
10
11
```