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Laboratory Practice-I Lab.
Distributed System.
Assignment 01

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Problem Statement: Implementation of RPC mechanism.

Objective:
To understand & implement RPC mechanism.

Software & hardware requirements
Windows10 64-bit. PC, i5 8th gen 4-core CPU, 8GB RAM & 512GB SSD.
WSL is used with ubuntu 20.04 LTS & for code editing VS-code is used.

Theory: (RPC)

1) In distributed computing, a remote procedural call (or) RPC is when a computer program cause a procedure to execute in different address space (commonly on another computer on a shared network), which is coded if it were a normal procedure call.
2) This is a form of client-server interation, typically implemented via request-response message-passing system.
3) RPC's are form of inter-process communication, in that different processes have different address spaces. If on the same host machine they have distinct virtual address space, even though the physical address space is the same; while if they are on different hosts, the physical address space is different.
4) Many different technologies are used to

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implement the concept.

rpcgen:

1) rpcgen is a tool that generates C-code to implement RPC protocol.
The input to rpcgen is a language similar to C known as RPC language.
2) If the infile name is proto.x, then rpcgen will generate a header file in proto.h XDR routines in proto_xdr.c, server side stub in proto_svc.c & client-side stub in proto_clnt.c.
3) With -Sc option, it will also generate sample code which would illustrate how to use the remote procedures on the client-side.

steps to create remote procedure for addition of two numbers:

1) install rpcbind on machine with command
→ sudo apt-get install rpcbind
& run rpcbind by using the command
→ sudo <path_to_rpcbind> start
to get <path_to_rpcbind> use command
→ which rpcbind
2) make x files for remote procedure.
x-file for add procedure

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struct numbers {
    int a;
    int b;
};
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} structure of arguments

name of .x file

program ADD_PROG {
    version ADD_VERS{ int add (numbers) =1; } =1;
} = 0x12345678
    uuid

3) compile .x-file using rpc gen.
   → rpcgen -a -C add.x
4) Write code for remote procedure server side & client side.
5) Use → make -f Makefile.add
   to generate additional essential files
6) run server side
   sudo ./add_server
7) run client_side ./add_client localhost

Testcases:

The code & output is attached seperately.

Conclusion:

In this assignment, I learned about RPC. I also implemented add procedure using rpcgen tool here