

# Assignment 7

**Inter process communication in Linux using following.**

**A. FIFOS: Full duplex communication between two independent processes. First process accepts**

**sentences and writes on one pipe to be read by second process and second process counts number of**

**characters, number of words and number of lines in accepted sentences, writes this output in a text file**

**and writes the contents of the file on second pipe to be read by first process and displays on standard output.**

**7A\_client.c**

```
#include<stdio.h>    // Include standard input/output library
#include<stdlib.h>    // Include standard library for general functions
#include<sys/types.h> // Include definitions for data types used in system calls
#include<sys/stat.h>  // Include definitions for file status
#include<unistd.h>    // Include standard symbolic constants and types
#include<fcntl.h>     // Include file control options
#include<string.h>    // Include string handling functions

int main() {
    puts("\n\tClient - Listening\n"); // Print a message indicating the client is listening

    // Create two named FIFOs (first-in-first-out special files) for communication
    int code6 = mkfifo("fifo6.txt", 0666); // FIFO for reading
    int code7 = mkfifo("fifo7.txt", 0666); // FIFO for writing

    char strMessage[5000]; // Buffer for messages

    // Check if FIFO creation was successful
    if(code6 == -1)
        perror("\n\tmkfifo6 returned an error - file may already exist\n"); // Print error if FIFO6 failed
    if(code7 == -1)
        perror("\n\tmkfifo7 returned an error - file may already exist\n"); // Print error if FIFO7 failed

    // Open the FIFOs for reading and writing
    int fd = open("fifo6.txt", O_RDONLY); // Open FIFO6 for reading
    int fd2 = open("fifo7.txt", O_WRONLY); // Open FIFO7 for writing

    // Check if the FIFO for reading was opened successfully
    if(fd == -1) {
        perror("Cannot open FIFO6 for read"); // Print error message
        return EXIT_FAILURE; // Exit with failure status
    }

    // Check if the FIFO for writing was opened successfully
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if(fd2 == -1) {
    perror("Cannot open FIFO7 for write"); // Print error message
    return EXIT_FAILURE; // Exit with failure status
}

puts("FIFO OPEN"); // Indicate that FIFOs are open

// Buffer to read the incoming message
char stringBuffer[5000];
memset(stringBuffer, 0, 5000); // Initialize buffer to zero

int res; // Variable for read results
char Len; // Variable to hold the length of the message

// Main loop for reading and processing messages
{
    res = read(fd, &Len, 1); // Read the length of the message (1 byte)

    // Read the actual message into the buffer
    read(fd, stringBuffer, Len); // Read string characters

    stringBuffer[(int)Len] = 0; // Null-terminate the string
    printf("\nClient Received: %s\n", stringBuffer); // Print the received message

    int j = 0, w = 0, line = 0; // Counters for words, characters, and lines

    // Count words, characters, and lines in the received message
    while(stringBuffer[j] != '\0') {
        char ch = stringBuffer[j];
        if((ch == ' ') || (ch == '\n')) { // Check for spaces and newlines
            w++; // Increment word count
            if(ch == '\n') // If newline is found, increment line count
                line++;
        }
        j++; // Move to the next character
    }

    // Prepare strings for output
    char LC = (char)strlen(strMessage); // Get length of the message
    char str1[256], str2[256], str3[256]; // Buffers for formatted output

    sprintf(str1, " No.of Words : %d:::", w); strcat(strMessage, str1); // Append word count to
message
    sprintf(str2, " No.of Characters: %d:::", (j - 1)); strcat(strMessage, str2); // Append character
count
    sprintf(str3, " No.of Lines: %d", line); strcat(strMessage, str3); // Append line count

    strcat(strMessage, "\0"); // Null-terminate the message
    printf("\n\tString: %s", strMessage); // Print the final message

    write(fd2, &LC, 1); // Write length of the message to FIFO7
    write(fd2, strMessage, strlen(strMessage)); // Write the message to FIFO7

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fflush(stdin); // Clear the input buffer (not necessary here)

strMessage[0] = 0; // Reset the character array for the next message

// Check for termination condition (commented out)
// if(LC == 1)
//     break;
}

printf("\n"); // Print a newline
puts("CLIENT CLOSED"); // Indicate the client is closed
puts("SERVER CLOSED"); // Indicate the server is closed
close(fd); // Close FIFO6
close(fd2); // Close FIFO7
return 0; // Return success
}

```

### 7A\_server.c

```

#include<stdio.h>    // Include standard input/output library for I/O functions
#include<stdlib.h>   // Include standard library for general functions like memory allocation
#include<unistd.h>   // Include standard symbolic constants and types for UNIX standard
functions
#include<sys/types.h> // Include definitions for data types used in system calls
#include<fcntl.h>     // Include file control options for file handling
#include<string.h>    // Include string handling functions

int main() {
    int n; // Variable declaration (not used in this snippet)
    puts("Server"); // Print a message indicating that this is the server

    char strMessage[5000]; // Buffer for messages to be sent to the client

    // Open FIFO6 for writing (to send messages to the client)
    int fd = open("fifo6.txt", O_WRONLY);

    // Open FIFO7 for reading (to receive messages from the client)
    int fd2 = open("fifo7.txt", O_RDONLY);

    // Check if opening FIFO6 for writing was successful
    if(fd == -1) {
        perror("cannot open fifo6"); // Print error message if failed
        return EXIT_FAILURE; // Exit the program with failure status
    }

    // Check if opening FIFO7 for reading was successful
    if(fd2 == -1) {
        perror("cannot open fifo7"); // Print error message if failed
        return EXIT_FAILURE; // Exit the program with failure status
    }

    puts("FIFO OPEN"); // Indicate that the FIFOs are successfully open
}

```

```

// Buffer for reading the incoming message
char stringBuffer[5000];
memset(stringBuffer, 0, 5000); // Initialize the buffer to zero

int res; // Variable for read results (not used in this snippet)
char Len; // Variable to hold the length of the message

// Main loop for sending and receiving messages
{
    // Prompt the user to enter a message
    printf("\n\n\t\tEnter the Message to be passed (hitting ENTER without any string will
terminate program): ");
    fgets(strMessage, 100, stdin); // Read user input into strMessage

    char L = (char)strlen(strMessage); // Get the length of the input message

    // Write the length of the message to FIFO6
    write(fd, &L, 1);
    // Write the actual message to FIFO6
    write(fd, strMessage, strlen(strMessage));

    fflush(stdin); // Clear the input buffer (not necessary for this use case)

    strMessage[0] = 0; // Reset the character array for the next message

    // Read the length of the response from the client
    int len2;
    res = read(fd2, &len2, 1);

    // Read the actual response message from the client
    read(fd2, stringBuffer, 5000); // Read string characters into the buffer

    // Print the message received from the client
    printf("\nServer Received: %s\n", stringBuffer);
    stringBuffer[(int)len2] = 0; // Null-terminate the received string (this should actually be done
before printing)
};

// Cleanup and exit logic (commented out)
// printf("\n\nCLIENT CLOSED\n")
// return 0;
}

```

## Output:

```

pl-17@pl17-OptiPlex-3020:~/IT/07$ gcc 7A_client.c
pl-17@pl17-OptiPlex-3020:~/IT/07$ ./a.out

```

Client – Listening  
FIFO OPEN

Client Received: Hello my Friends

String: No.of Words : 3::: No.of Characters: 16::: No.of Lines: 1  
CLIENT CLOSED  
SERVER CLOSED

```
pl-17@pl17-OptiPlex-3020:~/IT/07$ gcc 7A_server.c
pl-17@pl17-OptiPlex-3020:~/IT/07$ ./a.out
Server
FIFO OPEN
```

Enter the Message to be passed (hitting ENTER without any string will terminate program): Hello my Friends

Server Received: No.of Words : 3::: No.of Characters: 16::: No.of Lines: 1

**B. Inter-process Communication using Shared Memory using System V.**  
**Application to demonstrate:**  
**Client and Server Programs in which server process creates a shared memory segment and writes the message to the shared memory segment. Client process reads the message from the shared memory segment and displays it to the screen.**

**7B\_server.c**

```
#include <stdlib.h>    // For exit()
#include <unistd.h>    // For sleep()
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <stdio.h>

#define SHMSZ 27

int main() // Explicitly define the return type
{
    char c;
    int shmid;
    key_t key;
    char *shm, *s;

    /*
     * We'll name our shared memory segment
     * "5678".
     */
    key = 5678;

    /*
     * Create the segment.
     */
```

```

if ((shmid = shmget(key, SHMSZ, IPC_CREAT | 0666)) < 0) {
    perror("shmget");
    exit(1);
}

/*
 * Now we attach the segment to our data space.
 */
if ((shm = shmat(shmid, NULL, 0)) == (char *) -1) {
    perror("shmat");
    exit(1);
}

/*
 * Now put some things into the memory for the
 * other process to read.
 */
s = shm;

for (c = 'a'; c <= 'z'; c++)
    *s++ = c;
*s = '\0'; // Use '\0' instead of NULL

/*
 * Finally, we wait until the other process
 * changes the first character of our memory
 * to '*', indicating that it has read what
 * we put there.
 */
while (*shm != '*')
    sleep(1);

exit(0);
}

```

## 7B\_client.c

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/*
 * shm-client - client program to demonstrate shared memory.
 */
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <stdio.h>

#define SHMSZ    27

int main() // Change made here
{
    int shmid;
    key_t key;

```

```

char *shm, *s;

/*
 * We need to get the segment named
 * "5678", created by the server.
 */
key = 5678;

/*
 * Locate the segment.
 */
if ((shmid = shmget(key, SHMSZ, 0666)) < 0) {
    perror("shmget");
    exit(1);
}

/*
 * Now we attach the segment to our data space.
 */
if ((shm = shmat(shmid, NULL, 0)) == (char *) -1) {
    perror("shmat");
    exit(1);
}

/*
 * Now read what the server put in the memory.
 */
for (s = shm; *s != '\0'; s++) // Change made here
    putchar(*s);
putchar('\n');

/*
 * Finally, change the first character of the
 * segment to '*', indicating we have read
 * the segment.
 */
*shm = '*';

exit(0);
}

```

## Output:

```

pl-17@pl17-OptiPlex-3020:~/IT/07$ gcc 7B_server.c
pl-17@pl17-OptiPlex-3020:~/IT/07$ ./a.out

```

```

pl-17@pl17-OptiPlex-3020:~/IT/07$ gcc 7B_client.c
pl-17@pl17-OptiPlex-3020:~/IT/07$ ./a.out
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy

```