OPERATING SYSTEMS LAB



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Lab 1

EXERCISE:

QUESTION 1:

(a) Explain the following terms processor and cores.

Processor: A physical chip that contains one or more CPUs. It is defined as the unit which controls and monitors the running activities of the CPU. It is an electronic circuit inside the computer that carries out instruction to perform arithmetic, logical, control and input/output operations

Cores: The basic computation unit of the CPU. It refers to an execution unit inside the CPU that receives and executes instructions.

(b) How many cores does your machine have?

There are 4 cores in the machine

c) How many processors does your machine have?

There are 4 processors in my machine.

We used **more /proc/cpuinfo and cat /proc/cpuinfo** to check the information about processors and cores. To verify it we can see the number of Processors and Cores using command **Iscpu** as shown below

```
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~$ lscpu
Architecture:
                                  x86 64
                                  32-bit, 64-bit
CPU op-mode(s):
Byte Order:
                                  Little Endian
                                  45 bits physical, 48 bits virtual
Address sizes:
CPU(s):
On-line CPU(s) list:
                                  0-3
Thread(s) per core:
Core(s) per socket:
Socket(s):
                                  4
NUMA node(s):
```

(d) What is the frequency of each processor?

Frequency of each processor can be seen by entering more /proc/cpuinfo or cat /proc/cpuinfo commands.

So, the frequency of each processor is **2903.996 MHz** as shown in figure below:

```
processor : 1

vendor_id : GenuineIntel

cpu family : 6

model : 142

model name : Intel(R) Core(TM)

stepping : 9

microcode : 0xb4

cpu MHz : 2903.996
```

e & f) How much physical memory does your system have much of this memory is free?

We used **free -m** and **cat /proc/meminfo** command to find the physical memory of the system and the amount of it that is free.

```
umair@umair-virtual-machine:-$ free -k
                                              shared buff/cache
                                                                  available
             total
                         used
                                    free
                                                         955296
                      1334756
                                               53412
Mem:
           8123384
                                 5833332
                                                                    6470296
Swap:
           2097148
                           0
                                 2097148
          umair@umair-virtual-machine:~$ cat /proc/meminfo
          MemTotal:
                            8123384 kB
          MemFree:
                            5877664 kB
          MemAvailable:
                            6503400 kB
          Buffers:
                              41696 kB
          Cached:
                             815528 kB
          SwapCached:
                                   0 kB
          Active:
                            1212100 kB
                             509136 kB
          Inactive:
```

(g) What is total number of number of forks since the boot in the system? **3416** forks.

```
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~$ vmstat -f
3416 forks
```

(h) How many context switches has the system performed since bootup?

```
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~$ man proc | grep -n "context switches"
2922: The number of context switches that the system underwe
nt.
```

The system underwent **2922** context switches.

Question 2:

- a) PID is 3732
- b) CPU in 99.7% and memory is 0%
- c) It is in a running state

These can be seen in the picture below after executing the file and using top command:

```
top - 20:41:30 up 4:37, 1 user, load average: 1.05, 0.65, 0.44
Tasks: 302 total, 2 running, 300 sleeping, 0 stopped, 0 zombie
%Cpu(s): 25.0 us, 0.2 sy, 0.0 ni, 74.8 id, 0.0 wa, 0.0 hi, 0.0 si, 0.0 st
MiB Mem : 7933.0 total, 5615.6 free, 1351.5 used, 965.8 buff/cache
MiB Swap:
           2048.0 total.
                        2048.0 free.
                                           0.0 used.
                                                      6263.5 avail Mem
   PID USER
                PR NI
                          VIRT
                                 RES
                                        SHR S
                                              %CPU %MEM
                                                            TIME+ COMMAND
                20 0
                          2364
                                        452 R 99.7
                                                     0.0
  3732 umair
                                 516
                                                           3:55.88 cpu
                20 0
                         20960
                                4036
                                       3264 R
  3749 umair
                                              0.7
                                                     0.0
                                                           0:00.18 top
   703 root
                20 0 249468
                                8180
                                       6924 S
                                               0.3
                                                     0.1 11:03.66 vmtoolsd
                                                     3.2 14:03.19 gnome-s+
                20 0 4420884 263228 99612 5
  1321 umair
                                               0.3
```

QUESTION 3:

a) ps e- is used... we can also use pgrep cpu-print and pidof cpu-print commands.

```
4029 pts/0 00:03:40 cpu-print
```

b) Next, find the PIDs of all the ancestors, going back at least 5 generations

```
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ pstree -s -p -a -G -l 4029
systemd,1 splash

_systemd,942 --user

_gnome-terminal-,4008

_bash,4016

_cpu-print,4029
```

c) Using this information, can you describe how I/O redirection is being implemented by the shell?

```
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ ./cpu-print > /tmp/tmp.txt &
[1] 4363
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ ./cpu-print > /tmp/tmp.txt &
[2] 4364
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ ./cpu-print > /tmp/tmp.txt &
[3] 4365
```

Mostly all command gives output on screen or take input from keyboard, but in Linux it's possible to send output to file or to read input from file. For e.g., \$ Is command gives output to screen; to send output to file of Is give command, \$ Is > filename. It means put output of Is command to filename. To output Linuxcommands result to file. In this, cpu-print is giving output to tmp.txt file.

d) Using this information, can you describe how pipes is being implemented by the shell?

```
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ ./cpu-print | grep hello &
[1] 1737
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ ./cpu-print | grep hello &
[2] 1739
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ ./cpu-print | grep hello &
[3] 1741
```

A pipe is a way to connect the output of one program to the input of another program without any temporary file. A pipe is nothing but a temporary storage place where the output of one command is stored and then passed as the input for second command. Pipes are used to run more than two commands (Multiple commands) from same command line. Here the grep command in Linux is a utility used to search any given input files for one or more matching words or patterns "Hello" in this case. It is used to search a single file or an entire directory, including child directories, for a matching string "Hello" in this case.

e) Type of the following commands:

```
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ type ls
ls is aliased to `ls --color=auto'
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ type cd
cd is a shell builtin
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ type history
history is a shell builtin
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ type ps
ps is /usr/bin/ps
```

Internal Commands: cd, history

External Commands: ls, ps

QUESTION 4:

We first loaded our memory1.c file and used **gcc memory1.c -o memory1.** We then executed and ran our C code which gave us the respective PIDs and size of int in the code. We then used ps command to see the virtual space and physical space of our system when running this code. We repeated the same process for memory2.c file and saw that the physical memory changed when memory2.c is executed. The results of our code are as follows:

```
Program : 'memory_1'
-----
PID : 2164
Size of int : 4
```

```
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ ps -o vsz 1887
    VSZ
    6284
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ ps -o rss 1887
    RSS
    4852
```

```
Program : 'memory_2'
-----
PID : 2179
Size of int : 4
```

```
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ ps -o vsz 2016
    VSZ
    6284
umair@umair-virtual-machine:~/Downloads/intro-code$ ps -o rss 2016
    RSS
    4928
```

OS can allocate virtual memory via page tables / its internal memory book keeping (VSZ virtual memory) before it actually has a backing storage on RAM or disk (RSS resident memory. So, RSS is the total memory taken by a process and indicates that the space taken by memory 2 is more than the code memory1.c

We can also use **sudo pmap** to find out the physical memory which will be same for memory1.c and memory2.c as shown below:

QUESTION 5:

Solution:

Copying foo.pdf 5000 times **using ./make-scripts.sh**. We then ran the process of disk.c and during its run we checked the disk utilization which can be seen in the row of sda as shown below

avg-cpu:	: %user 2.85	%nice 0.14	%system %iowait 7.37 2.70		%idle 86.94		
Device		tps	kB_read/s	kB_wrtn/s	kB_dscd/s	kB_read	kB_
wrtn	kB_dscd						
loop0		0.01	0.07	0.00	0.00	359	
0							
loop1		0.01	0.20	0.00	0.00	1095	
0						222	
loop2		0.01	0.07	0.00	0.00	362	
0		0.04					
Loop3	0	0.01	0.06	0.00	0.00	347	
0 loop4		0.01	0.20	0.00	0.00	1073	
0	0	0.01	0.20	0.00	0.00	1073	
loop5		0.10	2.82	0.00	0.00	15286	
0	0	0.20			0.00	20200	
loop6		0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	28	
0							
sda		5.95	117.25	979.91	0.00	634742	530
4805							
scd0		0.01	0.20	0.00	0.00	1078	
0							

After this we ran the disk1.c process and checked the disk utilization again which is shown below:

avg-cpu:	%user 2.25	%nice 0.02	%system %iowait 5.58 13.23		%idle 78.92		
Device wrtn	kB_dscd	tps	kB_read/s	kB_wrtn/s	kB_dscd/s	kB_read	kB_
loop0		0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	359	
loop1			0.04			1095	
loop2			0.01			362	
Loop3			0.01			347	
loop4			0.04			1073	
loop5		0.02	0.73			21231	
loop6				0.00	0.00	28	
sda		17.38	1311.43	217.56		37894110	628
6369							

So, we can concur that the disk utilized by the file disk.c is less than the disk utilized by the disk1.c process as shown in the kb_read part of sda which shows the 1st SCSI hard drive. Iostat command gives us the details of input output use of disk and its status while running a program or process.

To clear the Disk Buffer Cache memory, we can use **sysctl command** which allows us to delete the page cache, dentaries and inodes. Moreover, we can also use **sync; echo 3 > /proc/sys/vm/drop caches** to delete the Disk Buffer Cache memory of the system. We can also use crontab to schedule the deletion of our Disk Buffer cache memory.