Process management

Call	Description	
pid = fork()	Create a child process identical to the parent	
pid = waitpid(pid, &statloc, options)	Wait for a child to terminate	
s = execve(name, argv, environp)	Replace a process' core image	
exit(status)	Terminate process execution and return status	
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File management

Call	Description
fd = open(file, how,)	Open a file for reading, writing or both
s = close(fd)	Close an open file
n = read(fd, buffer, nbytes)	Read data from a file into a buffer
n = write(fd, buffer, nbytes)	Write data from a buffer into a file
position = lseek(fd, offset, whence)	Move the file pointer
s = stat(name, &buf)	Get a file's status information

Directory and file system management

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Call	Description	
s = mkdir(name, mode)	Create a new directory	
s = rmdir(name)	Remove an empty directory	
s = link(name1, name2)	Create a new entry, name2, pointing to name1	
s = unlink(name)	Remove a directory entry	
s = mount(special, name, flag)	Mount a file system	
s = umount(special)	Unmount a file system	

Miscellaneous

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Call	Description	
s = chdir(dirname)	Change the working directory	
s = chmod(name, mode)	Change a file's protection bits	
s = kill(pid, signal)	Send a signal to a process	
seconds = time(&seconds)	Get the elapsed time since Jan. 1, 1970	