System Programming

12. IPC methods

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IPC methods

- Pipe
 - can be used only b/w related processes (e.g. parent and child)
- FIFO
 - named pipes that can be used b/w unrelated processes
- Message Queues
- Shared Memory (b/w processes)



FIFO (named pipe)



Review on pipe () (1)

- Pipes are the oldest form of IPC
- Data transmitting
 - data is written into pipes using the write() system call
 - data is read from a pipe using the read() system call
 - automatic blocking when full or empty

Limitations of pipes:

- half duplex (data flows in one direction)
- can only be used between processes that have a common ancestor (usually used between the parent and child processes)
- processes cannot pass pipes and must inherit them from their parent
- If a process creates a pipe, all its children will inherit it

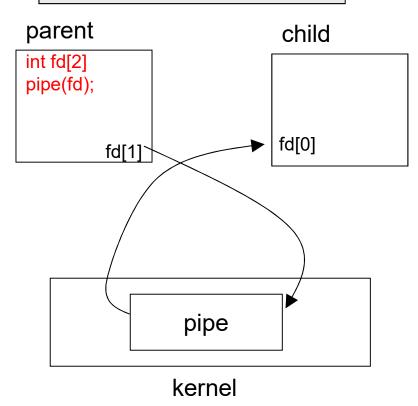
Note

unused file descriptor of the pipe must be closed (if not?)

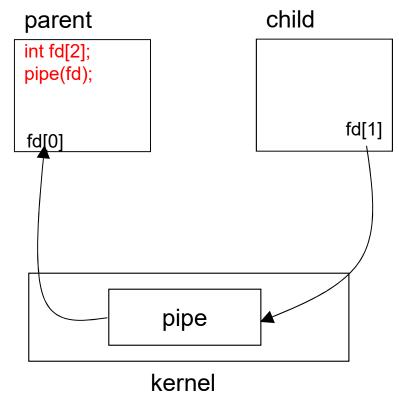


Review on pipe () (2)

parent → child: parent closes fd[0] child closes fd[1]



parent ← child: parent closes fd[1] child closes fd[0]



FIFO

- Pipes can be used only between related processes.
 (e.g., parent and child processes)
- FIFOs are "named pipes"
 - can be used between unrelated processes.
- A type of file
 - stat.st_mode == FIFO
 - can test with S_ISFIFO() macro



mkfifo

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
int mkfifo(const char *pathname, mode_t mode);
```

- creating a FIFO
 - is similar to creating a file.
- parameters
 - pathname: filename
 - mode: permisson, same as for file open() function
- return
 - 0 if OK / -1 on error
- using a FIFO is similar to using a file.
 - we can open, close, read, write, unlink, etc., to the FIFO.



Fifo send-recv example

```
#include <stdio.h>
                                        fifo-recv.c
#include <string.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#define SIZE 128
#define FIFO "fifo"
int main(int argc, char *argv[]) {
  int fd;
  char buffer[SIZE];
 if(mkfifo(FIFO, 0666) == -1) {
    perror("mkfifo failed");
    exit(1);
  if((fd=open(FIFO, O RDWR)) == -1) {
    perror("open failed");
    exit(1);
  while(1) {
    if(read(fd, buffer, SIZE) == -1) {
      perror("read failed");
      exit(1);
    if(!strcmp(buffer, "quit"))
      exit(0);
    printf("receive message: %s\n", buffer);
```

fifo-send.c

```
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#include <string.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#define SIZE 128
#define FIFO "fifo"
main(int argc, char *argv[])
  int fd,i;
  char buffer[SIZE];
  if((fd=open(FIFO,O WRONLY)) == -1) {
     perror("open failed");
     exit(1);
  for(i=1; i<argc; i++) {
     strcpy(buffer, argv[i]);
     if(write(fd,buffer,SIZE) == -1) {
       perror("write failed");
       exit(1);
  exit(0);
```

Fifo send-recv example

./fifo-recv

receive message: system

receive message: programming

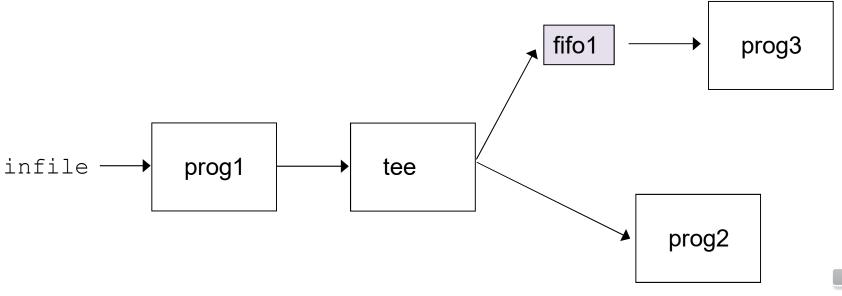
#./fifo-send system programming



FIFO Example in shell (1)

```
$ mkfifo fifo1
$ prog3 < fifo1 &
$ prog1 < infile | tee fifo1 | prog2</pre>
```

- in this example, tee(1) command
 - copies its standard input to both its standard output and to the file named on its command line.



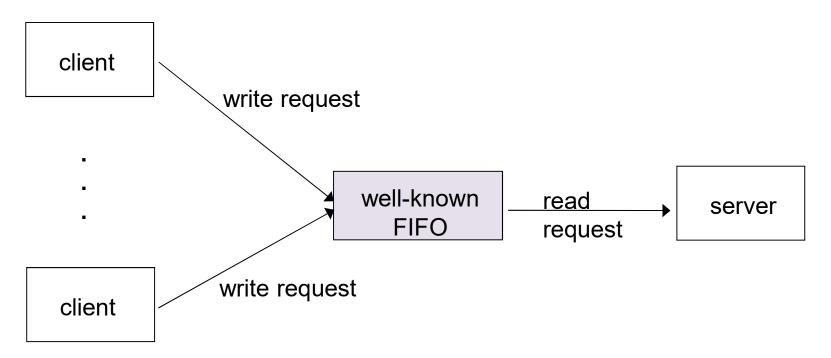
FIFO Example in shell (2)

```
$ cat myfifo &
$ cat hello.c | tee myfifo
#include <stdio.h>
void main(void)
                                         아래 명령이 완료
      printf("Hello World! \n");
                                          된 후에 출력됨
#include <stdio.h>
void main(void)
      printf("Hello World! \n");
```



FIFO Example for client-server

 Server creates a "well-known" FIFO to communicate with clients.





System V IPC

message queue shared memory



IPC methods of System V

Message Queues

- send and receive amount of data called "messages".
- the sender classifies each message with a type.

Shared Memory

- shared memory allows two or more processes to share a given region of memory.
- readers and writers may use semaphore for synchronization.



Identifiers & Keys

- Identifier: each IPC structure has a nonnegative integer
- Key: when creating an IPC structure, a key must be specified (key t)
 - id = xxxget(key, ...)
- How to access the same IPC object?
 - Define a key in a common header (by a programmer)
 - Client and server agree to use that key
 - Server creates a new IPC structure using that key
 - Problem when the key is already in use
 - (msgget, shmget returns error)
 - solution: delete existing key, create a new one again!



IPC system calls

msg/shm get

- create new or open existing IPC structure.
- returns an IPC identifier if OK (or -1 on error with errno value)

msg/shm ctl

- determine status, set options and/or permissions
- remove an IPC identifier

msg/shm op

- operate on an IPC identifier
- for example (message queue)
 - add new msg to a queue (msgsnd)
 - receive msg from a queue (msgrcv)



Permission Structure

- ipc perm is associated with each IPC structure.
- Defines the permissions and owner.

```
struct ipc_perm {
  uid_t uid;    /* owner's effective user id */
  gid_t gid;    /* owner's effective group id */
  uid_t cuid;    /* creator's effective user id */
  gid_t cgid;    /* creator's effective group id */
  mode_t mode;    /* access modes */
  ulong seq;    /* slot usage sequence number */
  key_t key;    /* key */
};
```



Message Queue



Message Queues (1/2)

- Linked list of messages
 - stored in kernel
 - identified by message queue identifier (in kernel)
- msgget
 - create a new queue or open existing queue.
- msgsnd
 - add a new message to a queue
- msgrcv
 - receive a message from a queue
 - message fetching order: based on a specified type



Message Queues (2/2)

Each queue has a structure

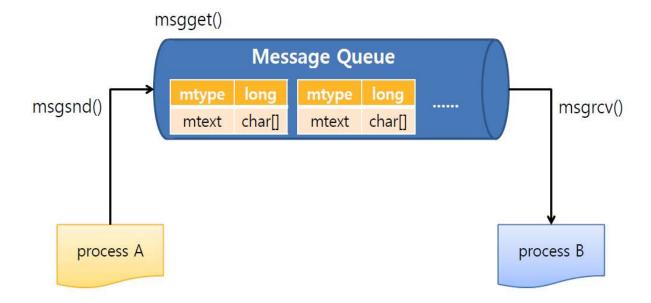
```
struct msqid_ds {
   struct ipc_perm msg_perm;
   struct msg *msg_first; /* ptr to first msg on queue */
   struct msg *msg_last; /* ptr to last msg on queue */
   ulong msg_cbytes; /* current # bytes on queue */
   ulong msg_qnum; /* # msgs on queue */
   ulong msg_qbytes; /* max # bytes on queue */
   pid_t msg_lspid; /* pid of last msgsnd() */
   pid_t msg_lrpid; /* pid of last msgrcv() */
   time_t msg_stime; /* last-msgsnd() time */
   time_t msg_rtime; /* last-msgrcv() time */
   time_t msg_ctime; /* last-change time */
};
```

- get the structure using msgctl() function.
- Actually, we don't need to know the structure in detail.



Message Queue structure

message structure





Message Queue Parameters

- Each message queue is limited in terms of both
 - the maximum number of messages it can contain
 - the maximum number of bytes it may contain
- New messages cannot be added if either limit is hit
 - new writes will normally block
- On linux,
 - these limits are defined as in /usr/include/linux/msg.h):
 - also, can be changed by sysctl command or configured in /etc/sysctl.conf

name	description	defaults
MSGMNB	Max bytes in a queue	16,384
MSGMNI	Max # of message queue identifiers	32,000
MSGMAX	Max size of message (bytes)	8,192

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msgget

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/msg.h>
int msgget(key_t key, int flag);
```

- parameter
 - key : message queue key (id)
 - flag : same as in open()/create()
- return
 - message queue id if OK
 - -1 on error
- example:

```
msg_qid = msgget(DEFINED_KEY, IPC_CREAT | 0666);
```



msgsnd

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/msg.h>

int msgsnd
  (int msqid, const void *ptr, size_t nbytes, int flag);
```

parameters

- msqid: message queue id
- ptr: user message pointer (to the message structure)
- nbytes: message size (of the message contents)
- flag: blocking or not when the buffer space is not enough
 - 0 for blocking (default)
 - IPC_NOWAIT for nonblocking I/O

return

0 if OK / -1 on error



msgrcv (1)

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/msg.h>

int msgrcv
(int msqid, void *ptr, size_t nbytes, long msgtype, int flag);
```

parameters

- msqid: message queue id
- ptr: receive buffer address
- nbytes: size of the buffer
- msgtype: (see the next page)
- flag:
 - 0:default (blocked when no message)
 - IPC_NOWAIT: return if no message

return

0 if OK / -1 on error



msgrcv (2)

msgtype

- == 0: the first message on the queue is returned
- > 0: the first message on the queue whose message type equals to the msqtype is returned
- < 0: the first message on the queue whose message type is the lowest value (less than or equal to absolute value of the msgtype) is returned

msgctl (1)

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/msg.h>
int msgctl(int msqid, int cmd, struct msqid_ds *buf);
```

- performs various operation on a queue management
- parameters
 - msqid: message queue id
 - cmd: queue control (IPC_STAT, IPC_SET, IPC_RMID)
 - buf:msqid_ds structure pointer (for IPC_SET or IPC_STAT)
- return
 - 0 if OK / -1 on error



msgctl (2)

commands

cmd	description	
IPC_STAT	copy the message queue descriptor structure to the user buffer.	
IPC_SET	set the system's message queue descriptor structure as given by the user buffer.	
IPC_RMID	remove the message queue, and wake up all the sender and receiver processes. when the processes resume, error-returned. (errno = EIDRM)	



ipcs command

■ ipcs: System V IPC resource 상태를 확인

```
      $ ipcs
      // IPC 정보를 확인 (q, m, s 모두)

      $ ipcs -q
      // Message Queue 정보를 확인

      $ ipcs -m
      // Shared Memory 정보를 확인

      $ ipcs -s
      // Semaphore 정보를 확인
```

■ ipcrm: 생성된 IPC resource를 제거

```
$ ipcrm -q id  // Message Queue를 제거
$ ipcrm -m id  // Shared Memory를 제거
$ ipcrm -s id  // Semaphore를 제거
```

Simple header file

mymessage.h

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/msg.h>
#include <sys/stat.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#define MSIZE 256
struct umsg {
  long mtype;
  char mtext[MSIZE];
};
```

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Receiver Example (1)

crecv.c

```
#include "mymessage.h"
int main( int argc, char *argv[])
    int qid, size;
    struct umsg mymsg;
    long type;
    if(argc != 3) {
           fprintf (stderr, "usage: %s [key] [type]\n", argv[0]);
            perror ("msqq"); exit(1);
   if((qid = msgget((key_t) atoi(argv[1]), IPC_CREAT | 0660)) == -1)
           perror ("msgget");
          exit (1);
   type = (long) atoi(argv[2]);
   if (type == 0) {
     msgctl(qid, IPC_RMID, NULL);
     exit(0);
```

Receiver Example (2)

crecv.c

```
while (1) {
      memset(mymsg.mtext, 0, MSIZE);
      if((size = msgrcv (qid, &mymsg, (size t)MSIZE, (long) atoi(argv[2]), 0)) == -1)
      { perror ("msgrcv");
        exit (2);
      } else {
        mymsg.mtext[strlen(mymsg.mtext)] = '\0';
        printf ("At receiver, mtype = %Id, mtext(%d) = %s\n",
                                    mymsg.mtype, size, mymsg.mtext);
        if (mymsg.mtext=="quit") break;
```



Sender Example (1)

csend.c

```
#include "mymessage.h"
int main (int argc, char *argv[])
   int qid;
    long type;
    struct umsg mymsg;
   if( argc != 3) {
          fprintf (stderr, "usage : %s [key] [type]\n", argv[0]);
          perror ("msgq");
         exit(1);
   if(( qid = msgget ((key_t) atoi(argv[1]), IPC_CREAT | 0660)) == -1) {
          perror("msgget");
         exit(1);
```



Sender Example (2)

csend.c

```
type = (long) atoi(argv[2]);
mymsg.mtype = type;
while (1) {
     printf("> type message: ");
     fgets(mymsg.mtext, sizeof(mymsg.mtext), stdin);
     mymsg.mtext[strlen(mymsg.mtext)] = '\0';
     if (msgsnd(qid, &mymsg, strlen(mymsg.mtext), 0) == -1) {
              perror("msgsnd");
              exit(2);
     if (strncmp(mymsg.mtext, "quit", 4)==0) break;
```



Run & Results

```
$ ./csend 1234 77
> type message : Hello
......
```

\$./crecv 1234 77 At receiver, mtype = 77, mtext(6) = Hello

```
$ ipcs -qa
----- Shared Memory Segments -----
       shmid
                               bytes nattch
key
                                               status
               owner
                       perms
----- Semaphore Arrays -----
       shmid
                                       status
key
               owner
                       perms
                               nsems
----- Message Queues -----
key msqid owner perms
                               used-bytes
                                          messages
0x000004d2 0 shlim
                       660
                               6
```

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Shared Memory



Why need a shared memory?

Note

- a process has its own address space which cannot be accessed by other processes
 - strongly enforces "process protection"
- shared memory is a OS support memory (address space) which can be shared by difference processes.
- cf. multiple threads in a process
 - threads share code, data, and heap of the process
 - so, the information sharing b/w the threads can be easily achieved

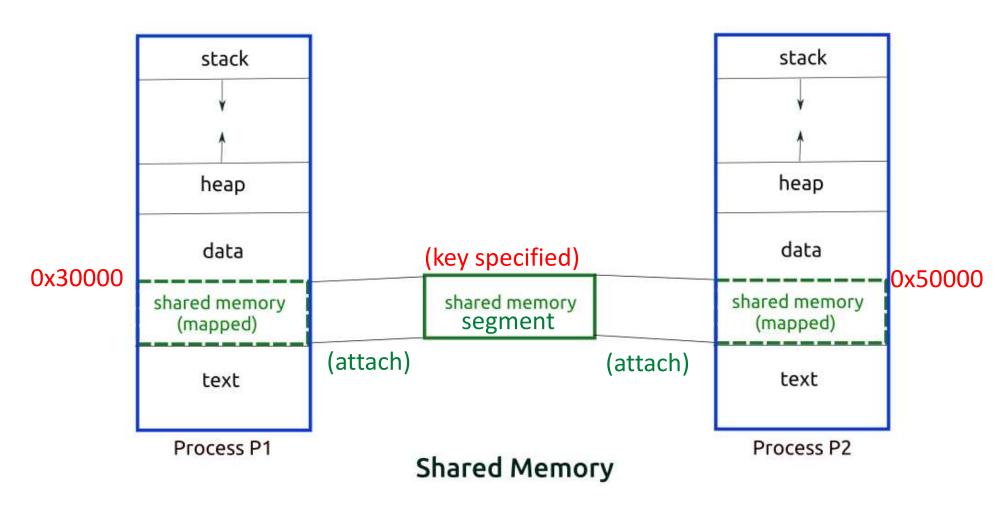


Shared Memory

- Allows multiple processes to share a region of memory
 - fastest form of IPC: no need of data copying between client & server
- If a shared memory segment is attached to a process
 - it becomes a part of a process address space, and shared with other processes
- Collaborating processes may use semaphore to synchronize access to the shared memory segment



Shared Memory b/w Processes





shmget

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>

int shmget(key_t key, int size, int flag);
```

- parameters
 - key: shared memory id
 - size: shared memory size
 - flag: options (same as in file open/create())
- return
 - shared memory id if OK / -1 on error
- example:

```
shmId = shmget(key, size, IPC_CREAT|IPC_EXCL|0666);
```



shmat

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>

void *shmat(int shmid, void *addr, int flag);
```

- attach (map) a shared memory segment to the address space of calling process
- parameters
 - shmid:
 - addr : 0 (recommended) → use the address selected by kernel
 - if nonzero, the given address is tried at first if possible
 - flag: 0 (default) / SHM_RDONLY (for read-only)
- return
 - address (pointer) mapped to the shared segment if OK
 - -1 on error



shmdt

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>

void shmdt (void *addr);
```

- detach (unmap) a shared memory segment from calling process
- parameter
 - addr : address to detach
- return
 - 0 if OK / -1 on error



shmctl

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>

int shmctl(int shmid, int cmd, struct shmid_ds *buf);
```

- performs various shared memory management operations
- parameters
 - shmid: shared memory id
 - cmd: IPC_SET / IPC_STAT / IPC_RMID (same as in the message queue)
 - buf: address of a shmid ds structure
- return
 - 0 if OK / -1 on error



shmid ds srtuctre

```
struct shmid ds {
 struct ipc perm
                shm perm;
                shm segsz;
 int
 struct anon map
                *shm amp;
 ushort_t
                shm lkcnt;
 pid t
                shm lpid;
 pid_t
                shm cpid;
 shmatt t
                shm nattch;
                shm cnattch;
 ulong t
 time t
                shm atime;
                shm pid1;
 long
 time t
                shm dtime;
                shm pid2;
 long
 time t
                shm ctime;
 long
                shm pid3;
                shm pid4[4];
 long
};
```

- We can get the structure using *shmctl()* function.
- Actually, we don't need to know the structure in detail.



Memory Layout Example (1)

memlayout.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#define ARRAY SIZE 100000
#define MALLOC SIZE 100000
#define SHM SIZE 100000
char array[ARRAY_SIZE]; /* uninitialized data = bss */
int main(void)
  int shmid:
  char *ptr, *shmptr;
  printf("array[] from %x to %x \n", &array[0], &array[ARRAY SIZE]);
  printf("stack around %x \n", &shmid);
```

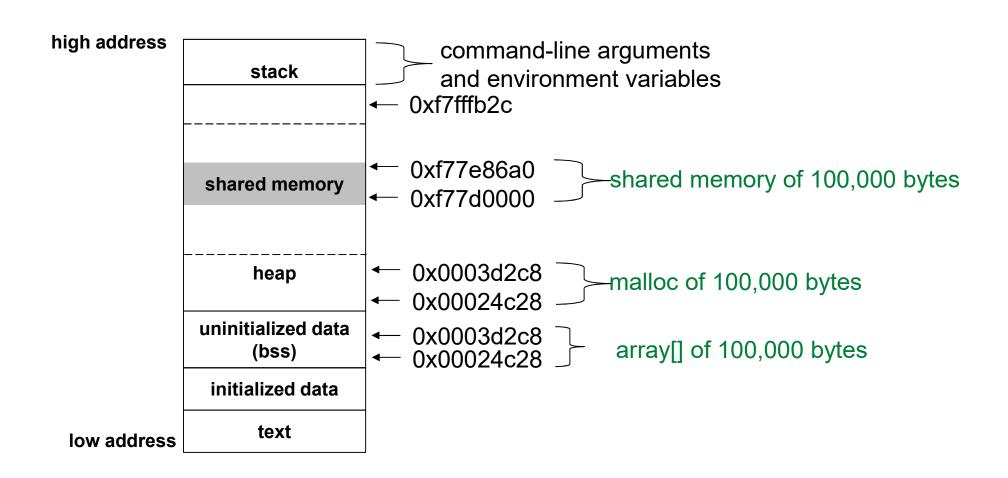
Memory Layout Example (2)

memlayout.c

```
if ((ptr = malloc(MALLOC SIZE)) == NULL) perror("malloc error");
 printf("malloced from %x to %x \n", ptr, ptr + MALLOC_SIZE);
 if ((shmid = shmget(0x01010101, SHM_SIZE, IPC_CREAT | 0666)) < 0)
   perror("shmget error");
 if ((shmptr = shmat(shmid, 0, 0)) == (void *) -1)
   perror("shmat error");
 printf("shared memory attached from %x to %x \n",
                                                      shmptr, shmptr + SHM SIZE);
 if (shmctl(shmid, IPC RMID, 0) < 0) perror("shmctl error");
 return 0;
```



Memory Layout Example (3)



위 주소는 절대적인 값이 아니며, 시스템 상태에 따라 달라질 수 있음



Producer Example (1)

shm-pro.c

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <semaphore.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <fcntl.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <semaphore.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <signal.h>
int key pressed = 0;
static void sig handler(int signo)
  key pressed++;
  printf("continue to the next stage.... \n");
  if (key_pressed==1 && signo==SIGINT)
           signal(SIGINT, sig handler);
  else if (signo==SIGINT)
           signal(SIGINT, SIG DFL);
```

Producer Example (2)

shm-pro.c

```
int main(void)
          int shmid;
          size t shsize = 1024;
          const int key = 16000;
           char *shm;
          sem t *mysem;
          int i;
           signal(SIGINT, sig handler);
           sem_unlink("mysem"); // remove the old semaphore if any
           if((mysem = sem_open("mysem", O_EXCL | O_CREAT, 0777, 1)) == SEM_FAILED) {
             perror("Sem Open Error");
             exit(1);
           if((shmid = shmget((size t)key, shsize, IPC CREAT | 0666))<0) {
             perror("shmget");
             exit(1);
```

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Producer Example (3)

shm-pro.c

```
if((shm = (char*) shmat(shmid, NULL, 0)) == (char*)-1) {
           perror("shmat");
           exit(1);
for(int i=0; i<10; i++) {
           shm[i] = 0;
// write data to the shared memory
while(!key_pressed) {
           for(i=0; i<10; i++) {
                      sem_wait(mysem);
                      for(int i=0; i<10; i++) {
                                 shm[i] = (shm[i]+1)%10;
                      sem_post(mysem);
                      sleep(1);
```

Producer Example (4)

shm-pro.c

```
// read data from the shared memory
while(key_pressed==1) {
          for(i=0; i<10; i++) {
                     sem_wait(mysem);
                     for(int i=0; i<10; i++)
                                 printf("%c", (char) shm[i]);
                     sem post(mysem);
                     sleep(1);
                     printf("\n\n");
                     fflush(stdout);
sem_close(mysem);
sem_unlink("mysem");
shmdt(shm);
shmctl(shmid, IPC RMID, 0);
return 0;
```

Consumer Example (1)

shm-con.c

```
// header 생략
int key_pressed = 0;
void sig_handler(int signo)
          key_pressed++;
          printf("continue to the next stage ..... \n");
          if (key pressed==1 && signo==SIGINT)
                   signal(SIGINT, sig_handler);
          else if (signo==SIGINT)
                   signal(SIGINT, SIG_DFL);
```



Consumer Example (2)

shm-con.c

```
int main(void)
         int shmid;
         size_t shsize = 1024;
         const int key = 16000;
         char *shm;
         char c;
         int i;
         sem_t *mysem;
         signal(SIGINT, sig_handler);
         if((mysem = sem_open("mysem", 0, 0777, 0)) == SEM_FAILED) {
                   perror("Sem Open Error");
                   exit(1);
```

Consumer Example (3)

shm-con.c

```
if((shmid = shmget((key_t)key, shsize, IPC_CREAT | 0666)) < 0) {
          perror("shmget");
          exit(1);
if((shm = (char*) shmat(shmid, NULL, 0)) == (char*) -1) {
          perror("shmat");
         exit(1);
while (!key pressed) {
         for(i=0; i<10; i++) {
                    sem_wait(mysem);
                    for(int i=0; i<10; i++)
                              printf("%d", (shm[i]));
                    putchar('\n');
                    sem_post(mysem);
                    sleep(1);
```

Consumer Example (4)

shm-con.c

```
while (key_pressed==1) {
         c = 'A';
         for(i=0; i<10; i++) {
                   sem_wait(mysem);
                   for(int i=0; i<10; i++) {
                             shm[i] = c;
                   sem_post(mysem);
                   sleep(1);
                   if (++c > 'Z') c='A';
sem_close(mysem);
shmdt(shm);
return 0;
```

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Results

#./shm-pro ^Ccontinue to the next stage.... AAAAAAAA **BBBBBBBBB** CCCCCCCC DDDDDDDDDD EEEEEEEEE **FFFFFFFF** GGGGGGGGG HHHHHHHHHH JJJJJJJJJ AAAAAAAA **BBBBBBBBB** ^CCCCCCCCcontinue to the next stage.... CCCCCCCCC DDDDDDDDDD EEEEEEEEE **FFFFFFFF GGGGGGGGG**

#./shm-con 000000000 1111111111 222222222 333333333 444444444 555555555 666666666 777777777 888888888 999999999 000000000 1111111111 22222222 333333333 444444444 555555555 ^Ccontinue to the next stage 000000000 000000000 ^Ccontinue to the next stage

Results

```
# ipcs
----- Message Queues ------
key msqid owner perms used-bytes messages
----- Shared Memory Segments ------
key shmid owner perms bytes nattch status
0x00003e80 294913 shlim 666 1024 2
----- Semaphore Arrays -------
key semid owner perms nsems
```



HW

- Fifo(named pipe) IPC를 이용하여 server/client 간의 채팅 프로그램을 작성하시오.
 - Server 및 client 동작 방식
 - 두개의 fifo를 생성(Server에서만 생성)
 - » 하나의 fifo는 server의 메시지를 client에서 보내는 용도
 - » 하나의 fifo는 client의 전송 메시지를 읽는 용도
 - Thread를 하나 생성
 - Thread
 - » 읽기 용도의 fifo를 open하고, fifo로부터 데이터를 읽음(blocking read)
 - » client의 전송 메시지를 읽어서 출력
 - » 이 과정을 무한 반복
 - » 전송받은 메시지가 "quit"인 경우 프로그램 종료
 - Main함수
 - » Fgets를 통해서 한 문장을 입력받음
 - » 입력받은 문자열(메시지)를 client에게 전송
 - » 이 과정을 무한 반복
 - » 사용자의 입력이 "quit"일 경우 "quit"를 전송하고, 쓰레드드 및 프로그램 종료



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■ 예상 결과

```
./server
[SERVER]
[CLIENT] hello
[SERVER] hi, my name is seungho
[SERVER]
[CLIENT] hello, my name is lim
[SERVER]
[CLIENT] good day
[SERVER] bye
[SERVER] quit
Quit chatting
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```
./client
[CLIENT] hello
[CLIENT]
[SERVER] hi, my name is seungho
[CLIENT] hello, my name is lim
[CLIENT] good day
[CLIENT]
[SERVER] bye
[CLIENT]
[SERVER] quit
[CLIENT] Quit chatting
```

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