CSC 33200 (L) - Operating Systems – Fall 2021

Lab 4: System Calls Summary
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PART 1 Simple Command Interpreter

Write a special simple command interpreter that takes a command and its arguments. This interpreter is a program where the main process creates a child process to execute the command using **exec()** family functions. After executing the command, it asks for a new command input (parent waits for child). The interpreter program will get terminated when the user enters quit.

Example:

./interpreter

command: pwd

⇨ output

command: ls -la

⇨ output

command: date

⇨ output

command: quit

⇨ terminates the program.

PART 2 Average Grade Calculator

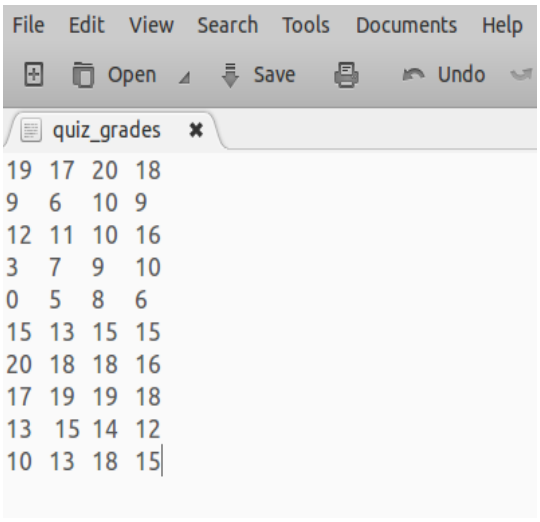
There are **10 students** enrolled in a course. The course covers ***x*** number of chapters from a textbook ($x > 1$).

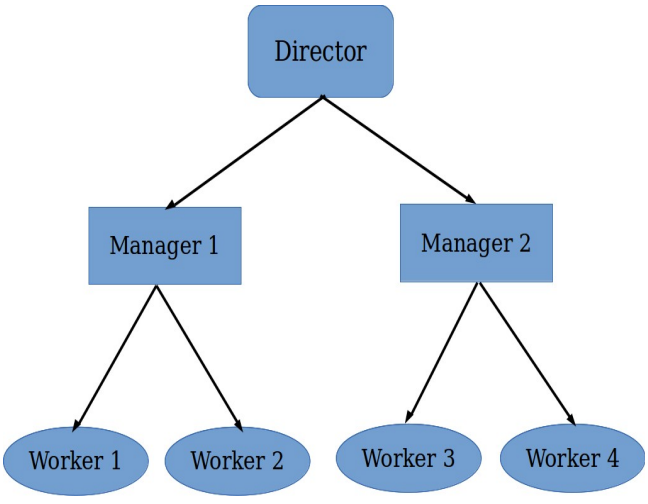
In each chapter ***y*** number of homeworks are assigned ($y>=1$). The average grade for each homework in all the chapters need to be found out.

To solve this, write program which has the main process as ***Director*** process, which reads a file containing grades of all homeworks of all chapters and creates x number of ***Manager*** processes. Each *Manager* process will take care of solving a chapter. Each manager process will create y number of ***Worker*** process and pass marks of 10 students to each of them and they calculate and print the average.

The input file should contain the data according to the value of x and y. For example, the input text file and the process tree for $x = 2$ and $y = 2$ will look like the following:

	X1Y1	X1Y2	X2Y1	X2Y2
Student1	19	17	20	18
Student2	9	6	10	9
Student3	12	11	10	6
Student4	3	7	9	10
Student5	0	5	8	6
Student6	15	13	15	15
Student7	20	18	18	16
Student8	17	19	19	18
Student9	13	15	14	12
Student10	10	13	18	15
Output:	avg	avg	avg	avg





Submission Instructions

- All the programs MUST be clearly indented and internally documented
- Do not include executables in the zip file.
- Make sure your programs compile and run without any errors
- Save all your programs with meaningful names and zip into a single folder as: task3_[your last name here].zip (e.g., task3_Xyz.zip)
- Email your code with the subject line, "Task3-CSC33200(L)–Class# 12345-*lastname*" (e.g., Task3 - CSC33200(L)-Class #63858-Xyz)
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