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exec

Turns a current process to whole different process.

Still, the graph of it will not change.

Which means if it has parent process, the parent will still think it is his children.

The turned process(newly executing) will preserve its own process id.

After called, since process is now target programme found, existing process will not continue. Which means no code after exec-like functions must execute, otherwise stands for an exception situation.

exec-like functions naming

- exec
 - implements the work of exec.
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- Using variable argument (aka va_list) for sending arguments for new process.
- v
 - Using dynamic vector for sending arguments for new process.
 - Sends 0(aka null) for a last index, which could notify that is the last element of the argument list.
- e
- Environment variables could be sent. Explicitly.
- v
- The position of the process will be searched with PATH.

Measuring

- Execute the spawn written in a book of exec.
- Measure the time spawn taking.

function spawn

Creates a new process (fork)

• Child process (newly created) will turn into 1s. So we will no require the host process to be turned.

function main

• call spawn five times.

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I am iterating the spawn function five times.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <wait.h>
#include <time.h>
/* Spawn a child process running a new program. PROGRAM is the name of the program
to run; the path will be searched for this program. ARG_LIST is a NULL-terminated
list of character strings to be passed as the program's argument list. Returns the
process ID of the spawned process. */
int spawn(const char* program, char** const arg_list)
{
    pid_t child_pid;
    /* Duplicate this process. */
    child_pid = fork();
    if (child_pid != 0)
    /* This is the parent process. */
    return child pid;
    else {
        /* Now execute PROGRAM, searching for it in the path. */
        execvp(program, arg_list);
        /* The execvp function returns only if an error occurs. */
        perror("an error occurred in execvp\n");
        abort();
}
int main()
    FILE* _ = fopen("_a", "w");
    clock t
        global_time = clock(),
        global time end,
        loc_time = clock(),
        loc_time_end;
    /* The argument list to pass to the "Is" command. */
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```
char* arg_list[] = {
        "ls", /* argv[0], the name of the program. */
        "-1",
        "/",
        NULL /* The argument list must end with a NULL. */
    };
    for(int i = 0; i < 5; i++) {
        loc_time = clock();
        /* Spawn a child process running the "Is" command. Ignore the
        returned child process ID. */
        spawn("ls", arg_list);
        wait(∅); // wait until child process die
        loc_time_end = clock();
        printf("loc time %d, %d\n", i, loc_time_end - loc_time);
        fprintf(_, "loc time %d, %d\n", i, loc_time_end - loc_time);
    }
    global_time_end = clock();
    printf("done with main program, elapsed global: %d\n", global_time_end -
global_time);
    fprintf(_, "done with main program, elapsed global: %d\n", global_time_end -
global_time);
    fclose(_);
    return 0;
}
```

Output stored in console

The whole output will be printed out on stdout. Including the output of ls, and time measurement.

```
ae2f@fedora:~/Desktop/assignment$ gcc ./a.c && ./a.out
total 20
dr-xr-xr-x. 1 root root 0 Jul 17 09:00 afs
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loc time 4, 248
done with main program, elapsed global: 1151
local time sum: 1001
ae2f@fedora:~/Desktop/assignment$
```

Output stored in file "_a"

Time measurement will be stored in a file called _a for my convenience of checking them at once. Content of file will be printed on console also.

It seems

Graph Drawing

I am going to use python for drawing a graph.

So it could be checked both on Linux and Windows.

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

x = [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
y = [186, 186, 183, 198, 248]

plt.plot(x, y, marker='o', linestyle='-', color='b')

plt.title('Execution time measurement')
plt.xlabel('Execution Index')
plt.ylabel('Execution Time')

plt.legend()

plt.grid()
plt.show()
```

Figure Screenshot

