

Programming Assignments

Q1. Write a program in C that creates a child process, waits for the termination of the child and lists its PID, together with the state in which the process was terminated (in decimal and hexadecimal)

Q2. In a C program, print the address of the variable and enter into a loop (say using while(1)).

- Start three to four processes of the same program and observe the printed address values.
- Show how two processes which are members of the relationship parent-child are concurrent from execution point of view, initially the child is copy of the parent, but every process has its own data

Q3. Test the source code below:

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for (i= 1;i≤10;i+ +)
{
    fork();
    printf("The process with the PID=%d",getpid());
}
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In the next phase, modify the code, such as after all created processes have finished execution, in a file processmanagement.txt the total number of created processes should be stored.

Q4. Write two programs file1.c and file2.c

Program file1.c uses these :

- (a) fork() to launch another process
- (b) exec() to replace the program driving this process, while supplying arguments to file2.c to complete its execution
- (c) wait() to complete the execution of the child process
- (d) file1.c takes two arguments x (a number less than 1) and n (number of terms to be added, 1 or more). For example: file1 0.5 5
- (e) When the child process finishes, the parent prints:
Parent(PID=yyy) : Done

Program file2.c requires two arguments to obtain the approximate value of e^x by adding the first n terms in the relation : $e^x = 1+x+x^2/2!+x^3/3!+.....$ and prints the result in the format:

Child(PID=yyy) : For x = 0.5 the first 5 terms yields 1.6484375

Hint : Child-specific processing immediately following the fork() command should load file2.c into the newly created process using the exec() command. This exec() command should also pass 2 arguments to the child. Refer to the man page of exec() command to know how to pass on arguments to the child process. Parent-specific processing should ensure that the parent will wait() for the child-specific processing to complete