

Practice Process, Thread, and IPC Concepts

fork.c

1. Execute the program to understand and answer each question mentioned in the source code file
 - a. Get the program back to the original state for each question
 - b. Question 1: Which process prints this line? What is printed?
 - c. Question 2: What will be printed if this line is commented?
 - d. Question 3: When is this line reached/printed?
 - e. Question 4: What happens if the parent process is killed first? Uncomment the next two lines.

mfork.c

1. Execute the program once to understand and answer the question
 - a. Question 1: How many processes are created? Explain.

pipe-sync.c

1. Update the program to answer the question in the source code file.

fifo_producer.c and fifo_consumer.c

1. Create a fifo and open it for writing and reading, respectively
 - a. Use slides 37 and 38 in Chapter 3
2. Compile the programs
3. Open 4 terminals and answer the following questions
 - a. What happens if you only launch a producer (but no consumer)?
 - b. What happens if you only launch a consumer (but no producer)?
 - c. If one producer and multiple consumers, then who gets the message sent?
 - d. Does the producer continue writing messages into the fifo, if there are no consumers?
 - e. What happens to the consumers, if all the producers are killed?

shared_memory3.c

1. Understand the code
2. Compile/execute the program
3. Question-1: Explain the output

thread-1.c

1. Compile and execute the program
 - a. `gcc -o thread1 thread-1.c -pthread`
 - b. `./thread1`
2. Observe and execution and answer the two questions referenced in the source code file
 - a. Question 1: Are changes made to the local or global variables by the child process reflected in the parent process? Explain.
 - b. Question 2: Are changes made to the local or global variables by the child thread reflected in the parent process? Separately explain what happens for the local and global variables.