

Lab #9: Working with Sigsetjmp, Timers, and IPC

1. Build the executables:
 - (a) The Makefile makes use of two environment variables, `$ILIST` and `$LLIST`. From the shell, export the two environment variables given below. May I suggest that you place these commands in your `$HOME/.bash_profile`, so that every time you start up a new bash shell, these two environment variables will be set and exported.
 - (b) `export ILIST=-I(path to xtdio.h)` (don't include `xtdio.h` in this path, just the path to the directory)
 - (c) `export LLIST=(path to xtdio.a)`. This path includes the full path to `xtdio.a`, including `xtdio.a` itself
 - (d) `make`
 2. The work below will have you making "Script.xyz" files.
In addition, it will ask you questions.
Put answers to these questions in files such as *Qitem*; for example, *Q3c*.
When done with the lab: `tar -cf MyLab09.tar Script.* Q*`.
Compress the tarball: `gzip MyLab09.tar`.
Then email `MyLab09.tar.gz` to me.
 3. Work with `sigsetjmp` as shown. Then, record a session of you working with it by using `script Script.sigsetjmp`. `exit` when done recording.
 - (a) Follow the program's directions to send it a `SIGUSR1` signal.
 - (b) Follow the program's directions to send it a `SIGUSR2` signal.
 - (c) How did the program "know" what its pid was?
 - (d) Modify the program to take a `SIGPIPE` (you need not record your doing this)
 - (e) Run `sigsetjmp` and send it a `SIGPIPE`
 4. Work with `timer` as shown. Then, record a session of you working with it by using `script Script.timer`. `exit` when done recording.
 - (a) Run `timer`; what happens?
 - (b) Modify the program so that it waits 2 seconds, instead. Compile and run it.
 5. Work with the message queue programs as shown. Then, record a session of you working with them by using `script Script.mq`. `exit` when done recording.
 - (a) Use `msgget` to get a message queue.
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- (b) Use `msgop` to send the message: `this is my message`
- (c) Use `msgop` to receive the message
- (d) Use `msgctl` to remove the message queue

(note: using the shell, the command “`ipcs -q`” will show you your message queues)

6. Again, work with the following programs and then record your work with `script Script.sem`, and use `exit` when done recording.

- (a) Use `semget` to get a semaphore set with 5 semaphores.
- (b) Use `semctl` to set the 0th semaphore to 1
- (c) Use `semop` to *test&set* the 0th semaphore towards zero.
- (d) Remove the semaphore set you made using the `semctl` program.

(note: using the shell, the command “`ipcs -s`” will show you your semaphore sets)

7. Work with the following programs and then record your work in `Script.shm`.

- (a) Use `shmget` to get a shared memory segment of 1000 bytes.
- (b) Pick an appropriate number for the flags.
- (c) Use `shmop` to put the string “This is a test” into your shared memory segment. Read up on `man shmop` to answer the question about “shared memory address `shmaddr`”.
- (d) Use `shmop` again; this time, use “?” to have it query for the contents of the shared memory segment.
- (e) Use `shmctl` and its `IPC_STAT` option.
- (f) Use `shmctl` to lock the shared memory
- (g) Use `shmop` again; this time, use “?” to have it query for the contents of the shared memory segment. Note that `SHM_LOCK` did not prevent `shmop` from querying the shared memory. Why? What does `SHM_LOCK` do?
- (h) Use `shmctl` to remove the shared memory segment

(note: using the shell, the command “`ipcs -m`” will show you your message queues)

8. `helloworld`: This program will exercise your use of `efence` and `gdb`

- (a) Use the “`script hw8.script`” command to record your actions (use `exit` when done)
 - (b) Compile `helloworld` (get source code from website)
 - (c) Run: `helloworld abcdefghijkl` . Did this work?
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- (d) Re-compile helloworld, but this time with the efence library (and with the `-g` flag)
 - (e) You may need to use `ulimit -c unlimited` to enable core dumps on your system.
Put that into your `.profile` for permanent enabling of core dumps
 - (f) Ubuntu users: you'll want to
`sudo apt-get update`
`sudo apt-get install electric-fence`
 - (g) Ubuntu and Mac users: alternative method to get efence:
https://ubuntu.pkgs.org/14.04/ubuntu-universe-amd64/electricfence_2.2.2_amd64.deb.html
Direct link to file:
http://archive.ubuntu.com/ubuntu/pool/universe/e/electricfence/electric_fence_2.2.4_amd64.deb
 - (h) Run: `helloworld abcdefghijkl .` Did this work?
 - (i) Use `gdb` to single step through helloworld
 - (j) Use `b main` to set up a breakpoint at the first line in `main`
 - (k) Use `s` to single step through the program
 - (l) Except: use `n` instead of `s` to skip over the internals of working with efence's `calloc`
 - (m) What happened? Why?
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