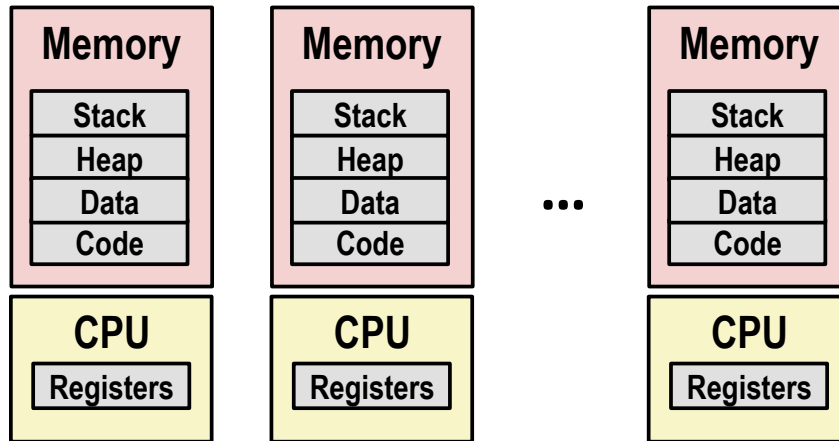
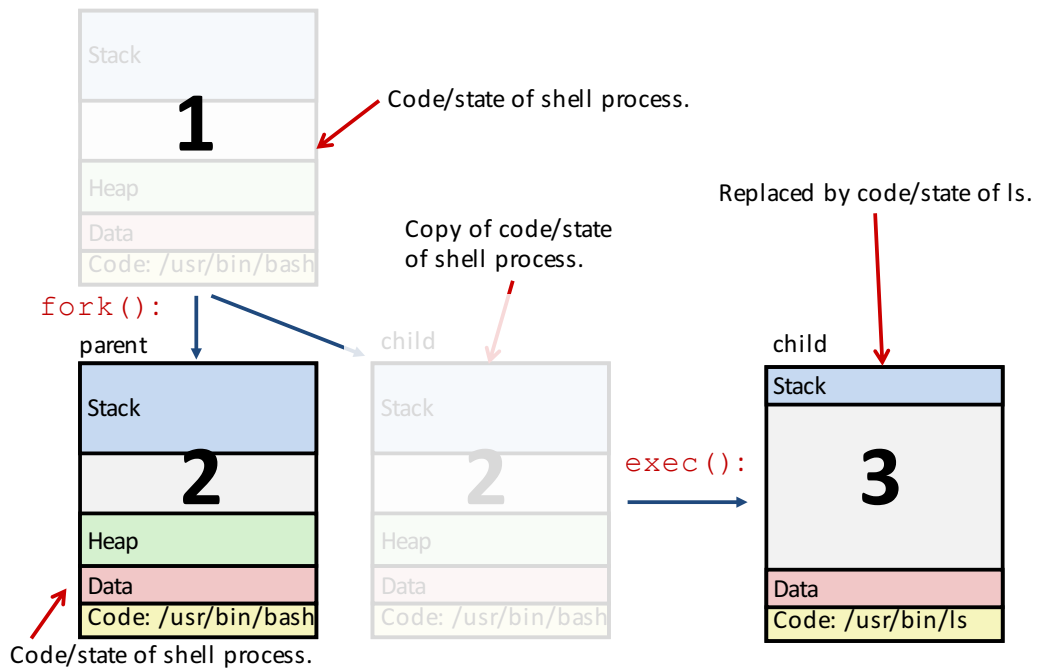


Processes



Fork/Exec



Zombies!



Reaping: waitpid

```
pid_t waitpid(pid_t pid, int* stat, int ops)
```

wait set



Status Macros

```
pid_t waitpid(pid_t pid, int* stat, int ops)
```

WEXITSTATUS(stat)

child exit code

true if terminated normally (called exit or returned from main)

WIFEXITED(stat)

WIFSIGNALED(stat)

true if terminated by signal

true if stopped (not terminated) by signal

WIFSTOPPED(stat)

Option Macros

```
pid_t waitpid(pid_t pid, int* stat, int ops)
```

WNOHANG

return immediately if child not already terminated

WUNTRACED

also wait for stopped children

WCONTINUED

also wait for resumed children

System Call Error Handling

Always check return values!

```
if ((pid = fork()) < 0) {  
    fprintf(stderr, "fork error: %s\n", strerror(errno));  
    exit(0);  
}
```

Shell Design

```
while (true) {  
    Print command prompt.  
    Read command line from user.  
    Parse command line.  
    If command is built-in, do it.  
    Else fork process to execute command.  
        in child:  
            Execute requested command with execv.  
                (never returns)  
        in parent:  
            Wait for child to complete.  
}
```