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(SYSTEM-SCHEDULER)TERM(c)

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(System Scheduler) term – to system scheduler: terminate a process

SYNOPSIS

term = 9.

INTRODUCTION

The system scheduler is part of the basic kernel. It executes at processor priority 2 with kernel D-space enabled. The primary function of the scheduler is to schedule processes which execute at processor priority one and zero so as to maximize CPU usage without compromising real time response. The scheduler is primarily a message source, with almost all messages going to the memory manager, however, process termination requires manipulation of scheduler queues, hence the requirement that all terminate messages be sent to the scheduler.

INPUT

struct { struct msghdr hdr; struct cp clist p cdir; /* 3-word capability structure */ char p uid; char p_gid; int p prc; /* process number to dump */ /* segment id of process PCB (supervisor only)*/ int p sid; /*offset to start of pathname */ int p_tpath; p mstblk[]; int

VALUE

The same message is forwarded to either the memory manager or the process manager.

DESCRIPTION

};

The user count on the process p prc is decremented and if zero, it is removed from the queue of active processes. All outstanding messages to the terminating process are returned with the system status byte equal to 0200. If the process is a kernel process or if p tpath is nonzero, the message is forwarded to the process manager, otherwise it is forwarded to the memory manager.

DIAGNOSTICS

The user status byte is set to -1 if p prc is invalid.

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