# **OPERATING SYSTEMS**

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# SIMULATOR OF A MULTIPROGRAMMED COMPUTER SYSTEM WITH CLOCK INTERRUPTS

**V2** 

### Introduction

This third version of the simulator experiments a new significant change: clock interrupts appear. Processes state model also changes in a way that they may be moved to the BLOCKED state. We here describe the most important changes.

#### **DESIGN**

## The operating system

- New or modified data structures:
  - O Clock interrupt counter: numberOfClockInterrupts
  - Process table: new information to be added.
  - O Sleeping processes queue: sleepingProcessesQueue, managed as a binary heap, uses the clock interrupt number each process must wake up at as the ordering criteria. It is manipulated like the readyToRunQueue.
- Functionality:
  - Short-Term Scheduler (STS).
    - The policy itself remains unchanged but from now on processes coming from the BLOCKED state must be considered.
  - Interrupt handling routines:
    - A new handling routine appears (for clock interrupts), so we have:
      - One for exceptions.
      - A second one for system calls.
      - The new one for clock interrupts.

# The processor

The processor acquires the capability of masking interrupts when one is being managed or the system is shutting down.

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#### **Initial tasks**

Create a copy of your V1 directory (once you have completed all exercises) and rename it as V2. Then, copy the contents of V2-studentsCode (eCampus) into your V2 directory. Finally, execute the following command in your V2 directory:

```
$ make clean
```

The following exercises must be done working with the contents of the copied set of files.

### **Exercises**

- 0. To standardize solutions, let us define initial values for registers and fields inside the PCB for new created processes:
  - a. General purpose registers must be initialized to 0 (accumulator, A and B registers).
  - b. New PCB fields to appear, will be initialized to -1.
- 1. We are going to add to the system a new interrupt, so that a new interrupt handler is going to be defined.
  - a. Set bit 9 of interruptLines so it corresponds to the clock interrupt (CLOCK-INT\_BIT=9) in enumerated INT\_BITS in Processor.h.
  - b. Paste the following code in its corresponding place. Add the necessary function prototype as well:

```
// In OperatingSystem.c Exercise 1-b of V2
void OperatingSystem_HandleClockInterrupt() { return; }
```

- c. <u>Modify whatever it is necessary</u> to make the function OperatingSystem\_HandleClockInterrupt() the one handling clock interrupts. Study first how the system deals with other types of interrupts already present in the system.
- d. Modify the clock function Clock\_Update() to raise a clock interrupt each interval—BetweenInterrupts time units, once the clock tic has been incremented by 1. Variable intervalBetweenInterrupts has default value 5, but can be modified invoking the simulator using option --intervalBetweenInterrupts.
- e. Modify the function <code>operatingSystem\_HandleClockInterrupt()</code> so it counts the total number of occurred interrupts (using the variable <code>numberOfClockInterrupts</code>) and shows a message like this (<code>INTERRUPT</code> section, message number 57, already existing):

```
[12] {0C 009 000} 0S 9 0 (PC: 246, Accumulator: 0, PSW: 8082 [M-----X----Z-])
        [13] Clock interrupt number [2] has occurred
[14] {0D 000 000} IRET 0 0 (PC: 183, Accumulator: 0, PSW: 0082 [-----X----Z-])
```

2. Think about situations in which a clock interrupt could overlap a previous existing interrupt type handling routine execution.

Let us modify the processor to mask interrupts if a given PSW bit is set:

- a. Add  ${\tt INTERRUPT\_MASKED\_BIT=15}$  to the enumerated  ${\tt PSW\_BITS}$  in  ${\tt Processor.h.}$
- b. Add the following code at the end of Processor\_ShowPSW(), before the return sentence, so it shows the value of the new bit:

- c. Modify the function Processor\_ManageInterrupts() so interrupts are not checked if interrupts are masked.
- d. Set the PSW INTERRUPT\_MASKED\_BIT bit once the PSW register has been pushed in the system stack (interrupt management function of the processor).
- 3. Add an invocation to the OperatingSystem\_PrintStatus() function, implemented in OperatingSystemBase.c:
  - a. As the last sentence of OperatingSystem Initialize().
  - b. At the end of the code implementing the SYSCALL\_YIELD system call **IF** the executing process has been changed.
  - c. At the end of the code implementing the SYSCALL\_END system call.
  - d. At the end of the function handling exceptions.
  - e. At the end of the code implementing the Long-Term Scheduler **IF** at least one process has been created.
- 4. Now, we can avoid showing some messages because of the use of <code>OperatingSystem\_PrintStatus()</code>. So, comment the invocation to <code>OperatingSystem\_PrintReadyTo-RunQueue()</code> we added in exercise V1-9b inside <code>OperatingSystem\_MoveToTheREAD-YState()</code>.
- 5. We are going to add a new system call:
  - a. Add a new field to the PCB

```
int whenToWakeUp; // Exercise 5-a of V2
```

b. Paste this code in the specified file:

```
// In OperatingSystem.c Exercise 5-b of V2
// Heap with blocked processes sorted by when to wakeup
heapItem *sleepingProcessesQueue;
```

```
int numberOfSleepingProcesses=0;
```

and create a priority queue (Heap), pointed by sleepingProcessesQueue, for as many processes the system can handle (PROCESSTABLEMAXSIZE) in a way similar to the creation of the ready-to-run queues.

c. Define SLEEPINGQUEUE inside OperatingSystem.h so the compiler will consider the code that depends on the sleeping processes queue definition:

```
#define SLEEPINGOUEUE
```

- d. Add a new register to the processor, named registerD\_CPU, and write the corresponding get and set functions to manipulate it.
- e. Modify the implementation of the TRAP instruction, so it copies operand 2 of the instruction inside the new registerD CPU.
- f. Add a new system call, SYSCALL\_SLEEP=7, that will block the executing process (moving it to the BLOCKED state) and will insert it in the appropriate position (ascending order of whenToWakeUp) of the sleepingProcessesQueue. Like all system calls, it will be invoked with the TRAP instruction, but the second operand (available inside registerD CPU) will be used to pass an additional value to the system call.

The value of whenToWakeUp (new field inside the PCB) will be obtained by adding a "delay" to the number of clock interrupts that have occurred so far plus an additional unit, to ensure that it will wake up in the future: whenToWakeUp=delay+numInterrup+1.

If the second operand is greater than zero, its value is used as "delay", and if it is less than or equal to zero, the **absolute value** of the accumulator is used as "delay".

That is, if the value of the second operand is 2 and there have already been 3 clock interruptions, whenToWakeUp will be worth 2+3+1=6; the same as if the second operand were <=0, and there were a 2 or -2 in the accumulator: Abs(±2)+3+1.

The implementation of functions to insert and extract information in/from the sleep-ingProcessesQueue (as it is already done with readyToRunQueue) is strongly recommended.

- g. Add an invocation to the <code>OperatingSystem\_PrintStatus()</code> function at the end of the code implementing this new system call.
- h. Because a new field has been added to the PCB, remember to initialize it appropriately (have a look to exercise 0).

At this point, processes are able to sleep (BLOCKED state) but there is no way for them to wake up, so infinite loops could appear.

- 6. Modify the function <code>OperatingSystem\_HandleClockInterrupt()</code> in the following way so the OS checks the <code>sleepingProcessesQueue</code> every time a clock interrupt is raised:
  - a. If the value of the field whenToWakeUp of a process (or more than one) of the mentioned queue equals the number of occurred clock interrupts, the process will be

unblocked, moved to the READY state and removed from the sleepingProcesses—Queue.

The implementation of a function to extract information from the sleepingProcesses—Queue (as it is already done with readyToRunQueue) is **strongly recommended**.

- b. Once the sleepingProcessesQueue <u>has been processed</u>, if any process has been unblocked, an invocation to OperatingSystem\_PrintStatus() must take place.
- c. In addition to what has been described in the previous paragraph, it will be necessary to check if the executing process is the one with the highest priority. If not, the executing process must give up the processor in favour of the one with the highest priority. Besides, a message must be shown (SHORTTERMSCHEDULE section, message number 58, already defined):

```
[27] Process [1 - prNam1] is thrown out of the processor by process [2 - prNam2]
```

d. The OperatingSystem\_PrintStatus() function must be invoked at the end of OperatingSystem HandleClockInterrupt() if the executing process has changed.

Once correctly finishing the previous exercises, the system status should be printed using OperatingSystem\_PrintStatus():

- Each time the Long-Term Scheduler creates new processes.
- Each time a process wakes up.
- Each time the executing process changes.

