

## Lab 2

### 1. Starting Code: Thread creation based on the textbook code, pthread\_tb.c

```
#include <pthread.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

int sum;

void *runner(void *param){
    int i, upper = atoi(param);
    sum = 0;

    for(i=0; i<=upper; i++)
        sum += i;
    pthread_exit(0);
}

int main(int argc, char *argv[]){
    pthread_t tid;
    pthread_attr_t attr;

    if (argc != 2){
        fprintf(stderr, "usage: a.out <integer value>\n");
        return -1;
    }

    if (atoi(argv[1]) < 0){
        fprintf(stderr, "%d must be >= 0\n", atoi(argv[1]));
        return -1;
    }

    pthread_attr_init(&attr);
    pthread_create(&tid, &attr, runner, argv[1]);
    pthread_join(tid, NULL);

    printf("sum = %d\n", sum);

    return 0;
}
```

### Compilation:

```
gcc pthread_tb.c -o pthread.out -lpthread
```

### Output:

```
jurn@ZBookG4:~/work/cs332/thread$ ./pthread.out 3
sum = 6
jurn@ZBookG4:~/work/cs332/thread$ ./pthread.out 4
sum = 10
```

## 2. Lab Practices

- How to read the Linux thread information?

**ps -eLf**

UID	PID	PPID	LWP	C	NLWP	STIME	TTY	TIME	CMD
root	1	0	1 0	1		Jan15	?	00:00:04	/sbin/init splash
root	2	0	2 0	1		Jan15	?	00:00:00	[kthreadd]

(\$ man ps)

lwp LWP light weight process (thread) ID of the dispatchable entity  
(alias spid, tid).

nlwp NLWP number of lwps (threads) in the process. (alias thcount).

(e.g.,)

```
jurn 23488 31947 23488 0 5 12:51 pts/22 00:00:00 ./pthread.out 4
jurn 23488 31947 23489 0 5 12:51 pts/22 00:00:00 ./pthread.out 4
jurn 23488 31947 23490 0 5 12:51 pts/22 00:00:00 ./pthread.out 4
jurn 23488 31947 23491 0 5 12:51 pts/22 00:00:00 ./pthread.out 4
jurn 23488 31947 23492 0 5 12:51 pts/22 00:00:00 ./pthread.out 4
```

- How to check the process state?

```
jurn@ZBookG4:~/work/cs332$ ps -au
```

USER	PID	%CPU	%MEM	VSZ	RSS	TTY	STAT	START	TIME	COMMAND
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For the STAT, after \$man ps, and then read the description 'PROCESS STATE CODES' part  
PROCESS STATE CODES

Here are the different values that the s, stat and state output specifiers (header  
"STAT" or "S") will display to describe the state of a process:

D	uninterruptible sleep (usually IO)
R	running or runnable (on run queue)
S	interruptible sleep (waiting for an event to complete)
T	stopped by job control signal
t	stopped by debugger during the tracing

W	paging (not valid since the 2.6.xx kernel)
X	dead (should never be seen)
Z	defunct ("zombie") process, terminated but not reaped by its parent

For BSD formats and when the stat keyword is used, additional characters may be displayed:

<	high-priority (not nice to other users)
N	low-priority (nice to other users)
L	has pages locked into memory (for real-time and custom IO)
s	is a session leader
l	is multi-threaded (using CLONE_THREAD, like NPTL pthreads do)
+	is in the foreground process group

### POSIX APIs

- **int pthread\_create(pthread\_t \*thread, const pthread\_attr\_t \*attr, void \*(\*start\_routine) (void \*), void \*arg);**
- **void pthread\_exit(void \*\*retval);**
- **int pthread\_join(pthread\_t thread, void \*\*retval);**

**3. Lab Assignment:** Submission date on the moodle (7/2, Friday 11 am)  
and Online Grading (7/2, 1 pm during lecture session or using the submitted files)

- Check the incorrect input cases like the **Output** examples.
- Create K POSIX threads passing the thread argument (*i.e.*, **void \*arg**), assuming  $K \leq 10$ . (e.g., if the thread number = 3 (argv[1]), the *thread\_arg* will be 0,1,2)
- In each thread routine,
  - print the *thread\_arg* information
  - after printing the message of ‘and sleeping for 60 secs’, sleep for 60 seconds.
  - after sleeping 60 seconds, print ‘thread\_arg # was completed’.
- The main thread waits until the K threads are finished, and prints the join message (‘thread\_arg # is joined well’) for each thread. And, it finally prints the message of ‘the main thread exits’.
- And test your program using the **Output**.

### Compilation:

```
jurn@ZBookG4:~/work/cs332/thread$ gcc lab2.c -o lab2.out -lpthread
```

**Output :** (some results depend on the machine; for example, *thread ID* or the order of *thread\_arg* etc).

```
jurn@ZBookG4:~/work/cs332/thread$ ./lab2.out
usage: lab2.out <integer value>
```

```
jurn@ZBookG4:~/work/cs332/thread$ ./lab2.out -1
-1 must be >= 0
```

```
jurn@ZBookG4:~/work/cs332/thread$ ./lab2.out 3 &
[1] 3727
jurn@ZBookG4:~/work/cs332/thread$ thread number = 3
thread_arg = 0 was created   and sleeping for 60 secs
thread_arg = 1 was created   and sleeping for 60 secs
thread_arg = 2 was created   and sleeping for 60 secs
```

*(For 60 seconds: NOT printed)*

Please check your threads information during the 60 seconds.

```
jurn@ZBookG4:~/work/cs332/thread$ ps -eLf | grep lab2
jurn   3655  2947  3655  0      1 15:06 pts/19   00:00:00 vim lab2.c
jurn   3727  3414  3727  0      4 15:12 pts/2    00:00:00 ./lab2.out 3
jurn   3727  3414  3728  0      4 15:12 pts/2    00:00:00 ./lab2.out 3
jurn   3727  3414  3729  0      4 15:12 pts/2    00:00:00 ./lab2.out 3
jurn   3727  3414  3730  0      4 15:12 pts/2    00:00:00 ./lab2.out 3
```

*(After 60 seconds: the below will be printed)*

```
thread_arg 0 was completed
thread_arg 2 was completed
thread_arg 1 was completed
thread_arg 0 is joined well
thread_arg 1 is joined well
thread_arg 2 is joined well
the main thread exits
```

```
[1]+  Done                  ./lab2.out 3
```

```
jurn@ZBookG4:~/work/cs332/thread$ ./lab2.out 10 &
[1] 3772
jurn@ZBookG4:~/work/cs332/thread$ thread number = 10
thread_arg = 0 was created   and sleeping for 60 secs
thread_arg = 1 was created   and sleeping for 60 secs
```

thread\_arg = 2 was created and sleeping for 60 secs  
thread\_arg = 3 was created and sleeping for 60 secs  
thread\_arg = 4 was created and sleeping for 60 secs  
thread\_arg = 5 was created and sleeping for 60 secs  
thread\_arg = 7 was created and sleeping for 60 secs  
thread\_arg = 8 was created and sleeping for 60 secs  
thread\_arg = 9 was created and sleeping for 60 secs  
thread\_arg = 6 was created and sleeping for 60 secs

*(After 60 seconds: NOT printed)*

thread\_arg 1 was completed  
thread\_arg 4 was completed  
thread\_arg 3 was completed  
thread\_arg 0 was completed  
thread\_arg 5 was completed  
thread\_arg 6 was completed  
thread\_arg 7 was completed  
thread\_arg 9 was completed  
thread\_arg 8 was completed  
thread\_arg 2 was completed  
thread\_arg 0 is joined well  
thread\_arg 1 is joined well  
thread\_arg 2 is joined well  
thread\_arg 3 is joined well  
thread\_arg 4 is joined well  
thread\_arg 5 is joined well  
thread\_arg 6 is joined well  
thread\_arg 7 is joined well  
thread\_arg 8 is joined well  
thread\_arg 9 is joined well  
the main thread exits

[1]+ Done               ./lab2.out 10