

# MLQ - Priority donation (simple example)

1. T1 (low priority) starts, runs and acquires the lock 1
2. T2 (medium priority) starts, preempts the CPU and runs
3. T3 (high priority) starts, preempts the CPU, runs but gets blocked while trying to acquire the lock 1
4. T3 gives its high priority to T1
5. T1 (now high priority) runs, releases the lock and returns to low priority immediately after
6. T3 (now unblocked) preempts the CPU and runs

# Solutions to other MLQ problems

- ➔ **To prevent starvation of low priority thread**  
change the priority over time by either
  - increase priority as a function of waiting time
  - or decrease priority as a function of CPU consumption
- ➔ **To decide on the priority**  
by observing and keeping track of the thread CPU usage