# 113-1 Operating System MP3

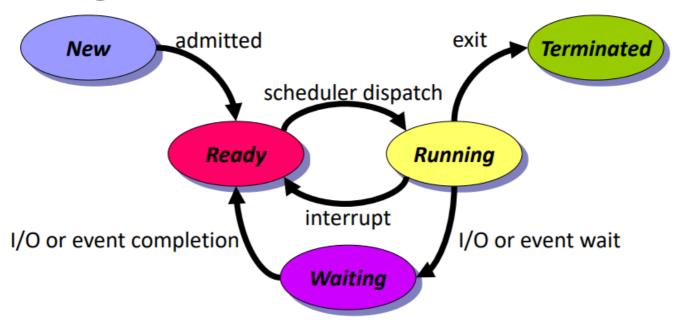
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# Trace code

The image from page8 of chapter3 slide

# Diagram of Process State



NOTE: Explanation in Trace code section are consisted of

- 1. Function explanation (Explain what the functions are mainly doing)
- 2. Explanation of Purpose and Detail (Explain the state changing routine)
  - a. If already know how functions work, just look at this part.

# 1-1. New $\rightarrow$ Ready:

#### StartUp

• In threads/main.cc, main function will launch the NachOS system. Create and initialize kernel, then call kernel->ExecAll()

```
kernel = new Kernel(argc, argv);
kernel->Initialize();
...
kernel->ExecAll();
```

#### Kernel::ExecAll()

```
void Kernel::ExecAll() {
   for (int i = 1; i <= execfileNum; i++) {
      int a = Exec(execfile[i]);
   }
   currentThread->Finish();
}
```

- 1. In Kernel->Initialize, all executable file names will be load into execfile.
- 2. And ExecAll() will sequentially execute all files by calling Kernel->Exec()
- 3. When all the process are finished, the currentThread in this scope, which is the main thread can call Finish() to halt NachOS.

#### Kernel::Exec(char\*)

```
int Kernel::Exec(char *name) {
    t[threadNum] = new Thread(name, threadNum);
    t[threadNum]->setIsExec();
    t[threadNum]->space = new AddrSpace();
    t[threadNum]->Fork((VoidFunctionPtr)&ForkExecute, (void *)t[threadNum]);
    threadNum++;
    return threadNum - 1;
}
```

# This function mainly does the following three tasks.

- 1. Create a new thread (class Thread)
  - Thread control block
  - Contain StackTop and MachineState(registers)
  - Thread instructions
    - Begin, Fork, Sleep, Yield, Finish
- 2. Create an instance of AddrSpace
  - Memory Management(ex. pageTable)
  - Run a program
  - Do context switch
- 3. Call Fork()
  - Detail in the next section

### Thread::Fork(VoidFunctionPtr, void\*)

- Allocate a stack, calling StackAllocate() to setup stack and MachineState for the created thread.
- Initialize the stack so that a call to SWITCH can cause it to run the procedure.
- Put the thread on the ready queue.

#### Thread::StackAllocate(VoidFunctionPtr, void\*)

```
// We just focus on the important part of the code
void Thread::StackAllocate(VoidFunctionPtr func, void *arg)
{
    stack = (int *) AllocBoundedArray(StackSize * sizeof(int));
    stackTop = stack + StackSize - 4;
    *(--stackTop) = (int) ThreadRoot;

    machineState[PCState] = (void*)ThreadRoot;
    machineState[StartupPCState] = (void*)ThreadBegin;
    machineState[InitialPCState] = (void*)func;
    machineState[InitialArgState] = (void*)arg;
    machineState[WhenDonePCState] = (void*)ThreadFinish;
}
```

- Allocate space for stack
- Make stackTop point to the top of the stack (high address)
- Place ThreadRoot onto the stack
- Setup machineState, which are kernel registers

## Scheduler::ReadyToRun(Thread\*)

```
void Scheduler::ReadyToRun(Thread *thread) {
    ASSERT(kernel->interrupt->getLevel() == IntOff);
    DEBUG(dbgThread, "Putting thread on ready list: " << thread->getName());
    thread->setStatus(READY);
    readyList->Append(thread);
}
```

• After Fork() called StackAllocate(), disable the interrupt first, then call this function to push created thread into ready queue.

## **Explanaion of Purpose and Detail**

- A new created thread must be put in the ready queue before it starts running.
- Files will be stored in execfile for the CLI argument.
- ExecAll() will parse over the array and pass all entries to Exec()
- Exec() will create a new thread and address space, then Fork the new thread.
- In Fork(), the thread's stack will be allcated be calling StackAllocate()
- After allcating the stack, it will back to Fork(), then the thread will be append to the ready queue.
   (complete the path of New → Ready)

# 1-2. Running → Ready:

#### Machine::Run()

```
// Not included the Debug codes
void Machine::Run() {
    Instruction *instr = new Instruction; // storage for decoded instruction

    kernel->interrupt->setStatus(UserMode);
    for (;;) {
        OneInstruction(instr);
        kernel->interrupt->OneTick();
    }
}
```

- This function simulates the process running user programs.
- An infinite loop will keep fetching instructions and simulate time action by OneTick()

#### Interrupt::OneTick()

```
void Interrupt::OneTick() {
    MachineStatus oldStatus = status;
    Statistics *stats = kernel->stats;
    // advance simulated time
    if (status == SystemMode) {
        stats->totalTicks += SystemTick;
        stats->systemTicks += SystemTick;
    } else {
        stats->totalTicks += UserTick;
        stats->userTicks += UserTick;
    }
    // check any pending interrupts are now ready to fire
    ChangeLevel(IntOn, IntOff);
    CheckIfDue(FALSE);
    ChangeLevel(IntOff, IntOn);
    if (yieldOnReturn) {
        yieldOnReturn = FALSE;
        status = SystemMode;
        kernel->currentThread->Yield();
        status = oldStatus;
    }
}
```

- Increase totalTicks depends on current mode.
- Check whether there is any pending interrupt by calling CheckIfDue()
  - If has pending interrupt, fire and trigger CallBack()
  - CallBack() function in CheckIfDue will eventually trigger Alarm::CallBack(), which set yieldOnReturn to TRUE.
- After CheckIfDue(), whether Yield() is called depends on the value of yieldOnReturn.
- Here's the detail code for CheckIfDue().

```
// CheckIfDue(bool)
// Removed debug codes
...
inHandler = TRUE;
do {
    next = pending->RemoveFront(); // pull interrupt off list
    next->callOnInterrupt->CallBack(); // call the interrupt handler
    delete next;
} while (!pending->IsEmpty() && (pending->Front()->when <= stats->totalTicks));
inHandler = FALSE;
return TRUE;
```

#### Thread::Yield()

```
void Thread::Yield() {
   Thread *nextThread;
   IntStatus oldLevel = kernel->interrupt->SetLevel(IntOff);

ASSERT(this == kernel->currentThread);

DEBUG(dbgThread, "Yielding thread: " << name);

nextThread = kernel->scheduler->FindNextToRun();
if (nextThread != NULL) {
    kernel->scheduler->ReadyToRun(this);
    kernel->scheduler->Run(nextThread, FALSE);
}
(void)kernel->interrupt->SetLevel(oldLevel);
}
```

- Yield means that this thread will be interrupted.
- If there's any thread found in ready queue, put this thread on the end of ready queue intermediatly by calling ReadyToRun().
- Run the next thread by Run(). (Context switch is done in this function)

#### Scheduler::FindNextToRun()

```
Thread* Scheduler::FindNextToRun() {
    ASSERT(kernel->interrupt->getLevel() == IntOff);

if (readyList->IsEmpty()) {
    return NULL;
} else {
    return readyList->RemoveFront();
}
```

• Check whether ready queue is empty, pop out the first thread if is not empty.

#### Scheduler::ReadyToRun(Thread\*)

```
void Scheduler::ReadyToRun(Thread *thread) {
    thread->setStatus(READY);
    readyList->Append(thread);
}
```

- Set the input thread's state to READY
- Put the thread on ready queue. (Running → Ready)

```
// Captured the important part of this function.
void Scheduler::Run(Thread *nextThread, bool finishing) {
    Thread *oldThread = kernel->currentThread;
    // mark that we need to delete current thread
    if (finishing) {
        ASSERT(toBeDestroyed == NULL);
        toBeDestroyed = oldThread;
    }
    // Preprocess of Context Switch
    if (oldThread->space != NULL) {
        oldThread->SaveUserState();
        oldThread->space->SaveState();
    }
    oldThread->CheckOverflow();
    // switch to the next thread
    kernel->currentThread = nextThread;
    // nextThread is now running
    nextThread->setStatus(RUNNING);
    // Defined in switch.S
    SWITCH(oldThread, nextThread);
    // we're back, running oldThread
    CheckToBeDestroyed(); // check if thread we were running
                           // before this one has finished
                           // and needs to be cleaned up
    // NULL means cleaned up, otherwise, hasn't finished
    if (oldThread->space != NULL) {
        oldThread->RestoreUserState();
        oldThread->space->RestoreState();
    }
}
```

- In this function, will run a new process.
- Doing context switch before running a new process.
  - Check whether the old thread is terminated, if true, marked as needed to be cleaned up.
    - Depends on finishing.
  - Save register values and user state into thread space.
  - Change current thread pointer in kernel, and set the thread status to RUNNING.
  - call SWITCH()
- SWITCH() is an important function defined as assembly, which will be explained later.
- When SWITCH() is called, jump to the next thread's code section and execute.

- When the next thread is terminated, return to where SWITCH() is called and keep running the old thread.
- If old thread is finished, destroy the thread.
- If not, restore the registers and user state (ex. pageTable).

# **Explanation of Purpose and Detail**

- When an interrupt occurs, the current thread will change from running state to ready state.
- Start from Machine::Run(), running infinite loop for OneInstruction() and OneTick()
  - OneInstruction() is for executing, and OneTick() handles the interrupt.
- In OneTick(), call CheckIfDue() to check whether there a pending interrupt, if true, the callback function of PendingInterrupt will eventually trigger Alarm::CallBack(), which makes yieldOnReturn to be True.
- When return to the next row of CheckIfDue, if there's any pending interrupt, yieldOnReturn will be toggled and call Thread::Yield() for current thread.
- In Yield, if next thread is found, current thread will change to ready state and be put in the ready queue.
  - o complete the path of Running → Ready
- · After that, next thread starts running.

# 1-3. Running → Waiting

SynchConsoleOutput::PutChar(char)

```
void SynchConsoleOutput::PutChar(char ch) {
    lock->Acquire();
    consoleOutput->PutChar(ch);
    waitFor->P();
    lock->Release();
}
```

- call lock->Acquire() so that only 1 thread can access I/O each time.
- Putchar(char) will output a character to simulated I/O
- call waitfor->p(): wait until semaphore value > 0, keep running when trigger callback
- release the lock()
- lock is used to ensure only 1 thread using SynchConsoleOutput each time, waitfor is used to ensure PutChar() is done.
- Eventhough both of them call Semaphore::P(), the purpose are a little bit different.

### Semephore::P()

- Disable interrupts and cache the previous state of interrupt
- When Semaphore::value==0, insert currentThread into Semaphore::queue(waiting queue)
- Then call currentThread->Sleep(FALSE), this will put currentThread in BLOCKED state.
- When semapore is available, leave the while loop and deduct value.
- Re-enable interrupt.

#### List::Append(T)

```
template <class T>
void List<T>::Append(T item) {
    ListElement<T> *element = new ListElement<T>(item);

ASSERT(!IsInList(item));
    if (IsEmpty()) {        // list is empty
            first = element;
            last = selement;
            last = element;
            la
```

- List<T>is a linked-list structure defined in nachos.
- Append() is one of the member function in class List.
- This function will insert an item to the end of list.

# Thread::Sleep(bool)

```
void Thread::Sleep(bool finishing) {
   Thread *nextThread;
   setStatus(BLOCKED);

while ((nextThread = kernel->scheduler->FindNextToRun()) == NULL) {
        kernel->interrupt->Idle();
   }
   kernel->scheduler->Run(nextThread, finishing);
}
```

- In Sleep(), the thread instance which call the function will be BLOCKED
- Find the next thread to run.
  - If found: call Scheduler::Run(), then switch to nextThread
  - Else, call Interrupt::Idle(), handle pending interrupt or terminate the system if all processes are terminated.

#### Scheduler::FindNextToRun()

```
Thread* Scheduler::FindNextToRun() {
    ASSERT(kernel->interrupt->getLevel() == IntOff);

if (readyList->IsEmpty()) {
    return NULL;
} else {
    return readyList->RemoveFront();
}
```

• If ready queue is not empty, return the first thread in the queue.

```
void Scheduler::Run(Thread *nextThread, bool finishing) {
    Thread *oldThread = kernel->currentThread;
    if (finishing) {
        ASSERT(toBeDestroyed == NULL);
        toBeDestroyed = oldThread;
    }
    if (oldThread->space != NULL) {
        oldThread->SaveUserState();
        oldThread->space->SaveState();
    }
    oldThread->CheckOverflow();
    kernel->currentThread = nextThread;
    nextThread->setStatus(RUNNING);
    SWITCH(oldThread, nextThread);
    // we're back, running oldThread
    CheckToBeDestroyed();
    if (oldThread->space != NULL) {
        oldThread->RestoreUserState(); \
        oldThread->space->RestoreState();
    }
}
```

- Check whether oldThread is finished.
- Save user state if oldThread is user porgram.
- Change nextThread to running state.
- Do Context Switch in SWITCH()
- After context switch, if oldThread is finished, delete it.
- If is not finished, next time switch back to oldThread, continue running process.

#### **Explanation of Purpose and Detail**

- When handling synchronization issue, the thread which accessed I/O will be BLOCKED. Can also sayed that is put into waiting queue.
- Both lock and waiting will call Semaphore::P(), this means that a thread is occupying the resource
- If value is greater than 0, the usage of I/O is available, then decrease value by 1 if a thread going to use it.
- When value == 0, put currentThread into waiting queue, and call Sleep() to blocked currentThread.
  - o complete the path of Running → Waiting
- While oldThread is BLOCKED, find a new thread to run, if not found, kernel will be set to Idle().

# 1-4. Waiting → Ready

# Semaphore::V()

- Usually called in callback() function.
- Disable interrupt.
- Insert the thread, which Semaphore::P() put into waiting queue, into ready queue. Then set state to READY.
- Increase value by 1, indicates that I/O is available now.
- Re-enable interrupt.

## Scheduler::ReadyToRUn(Thread\*)

```
void Scheduler::ReadyToRun(Thread *thread) {
    thread->setStatus(READY);
    readyList->Append(thread);
}
```

- Set to READY state.
- Append into ready queue.

# **Explanation of Purpose and Detail**

- When either return the lock or in many of the callback() functions, Semaphore::V() is called to represent that the resource (Usually I/O) is available now.
- Semaphore::V() will increase value by 1, so that other threads can use this resource (Usually I/O).
- At the same time, get a thread needed to use the resource from waiting queue (Semaphore::queue).
- Change state from BLOCKED to READY, and append to ready queue (Scheduler::readyList).
- Complete the procedure of Waiting → Ready.

# 1-5. Running → Terminated

ExceptionHandler(ExceptionType) case SC\_Exit

```
case SC_Exit:
    DEBUG(dbgAddr, "Program exit\n");
    val = kernel->machine->ReadRegister(4);
    cout << "return value:" << val << endl;
    kernel->currentThread->Finish();
    break;
```

- In ExceptionHandler(), which will indicate the kind of exception.
  - for SC\_Exit, is SyscallException
- After reading the data from register, it will get the type of syscall (SC\_Exit).
- Then call the thread's finish function.

#### Thread::Finish()

```
void Thread::Finish() {
    (void)kernel->interrupt->SetLevel(IntOff);

if (kernel->execExit && this->getIsExec()) {
    kernel->execRunningNum--;
    if (kernel->execRunningNum == 0)
        kernel->interrupt->Halt();
    }
    Sleep(TRUE); // invokes SWITCH
}
```

- Call Sleep(TRUE) to terminate the thread.
- By passing finishing=TRUE, the thread will be deleted by scheduler.

#### Thread::Sleep(bool)

```
void Thread::Sleep(bool finishing) {
   Thread *nextThread;
   setStatus(BLOCKED);
   while ((nextThread = kernel->scheduler->FindNextToRun()) == NULL)
        kernel->interrupt->Idle();
   kernel->scheduler->Run(nextThread, finishing);
}
```

- Put old thread BLOCKED (waiting state). And set kernel idle until there a thread in ready queue.
- If next thread is found, call scheduler to run the thread.
- finishing is passed into Run(), and the old thread will be deleted after context switch.

#### Scheduler::FindNextToRun()

```
Thread* Scheduler::FindNextToRun() {
    ASSERT(kernel->interrupt->getLevel() == IntOff);

if (readyList->IsEmpty()) {
    return NULL;
} else {
    return readyList->RemoveFront();
}
```

• Check whether there is any thread in ready queue.

## Scheduler::Run(Thread\*, bool)

```
void Scheduler::Run(Thread *nextThread, bool finishing) {
   Thread *oldThread = kernel->currentThread;
   if (finishing) { // mark that we need to delete current thread
       ASSERT(toBeDestroyed == NULL);
       toBeDestroyed = oldThread;
   }
   oldThread->CheckOverflow(); // check if the old thread
                                 // had an undetected stack overflow
   SWITCH(oldThread, nextThread);
   // we're back, running oldThread
   CheckToBeDestroyed(); // check if thread we were running
                           // before this one has finished
                           // and needs to be cleaned up
   if (oldThread->space != NULL) {      // if there is an address space
        oldThread->RestoreUserState(); // to restore, do it.
        oldThread->space->RestoreState();
   }
}
```

- Didn't capture the codes for context switch and debugging.
- First, check the value of finishing, if TRUE, point toBeDestroyed to old thread.
- The old thread will be deleted in CheckToBeDestroyed().
  - o In either Scheduler::Run() or Thread::Begin()

### **Explanation of Purpose and Detail**

- Start from triggering the exception handler with SC\_Exit system call.
- Then will call the thread's Finish() function to begin the terminating procedure.
- Using Sleep() as a part of the procedure by sending finishing = TRUE.
- Be idle until a thread is found in ready queue.
- Pop out the next thread from ready queue, and run the thread.
- If finishing is TRUE in Run(), it mean the old thread is able to terminate.
- Let toBeDestroyed point to the old thread.
- The old thread will be deleted after context switch. (Since the old thread is never used)
  - If next thread it's not a new thread (has done context switch), then the thread will call
     CheckToBeDestroyed() in Scheduler::Run() when next thread back to running state.
  - Else if next thread is a new created thread, the <a href="CheckToBeDestroyed">CheckToBeDestroyed</a>() will be called in <a href="Thread">Thread</a>::Begin() in Thread's constructor.
- That is, the finishing thread is terminated.
  - o complete the path of Running → Terminated

# 1-6. Ready → Running

Scheduler::FindNextToRun()

```
Thread* Scheduler::FindNextToRun() {
    ASSERT(kernel->interrupt->getLevel() == IntOff);

if (readyList->IsEmpty()) {
    return NULL;
} else {
    return readyList->RemoveFront();
}
```

- First, check whether the ready queue is empty.
- If is not empty, return the first thread in the queue, else return null.

```
void Scheduler::Run(Thread *nextThread, bool finishing) {
    Thread *oldThread = kernel->currentThread;
    if (finishing) {  // mark that we need to delete current thread
       ASSERT(toBeDestroyed == NULL);
       toBeDestroyed = oldThread;
    }
    if (oldThread->space != NULL) { // if this thread is a user program,
        oldThread->SaveUserState(); // save the user's CPU registers
       oldThread->space->SaveState();
    }
    oldThread->CheckOverflow(); // check if the old thread
                                // had an undetected stack overflow
    kernel->currentThread = nextThread; // switch to the next thread
    nextThread->setStatus(RUNNING);  // nextThread is now running
    SWITCH(oldThread, nextThread);
    CheckToBeDestroyed(); // check if thread we were running
                          // before this one has finished
                          // and needs to be cleaned up
   if (oldThread->space != NULL) {     // if there is an address space
        oldThread->RestoreUserState(); // to restore, do it.
       oldThread->space->RestoreState();
   }
}
```

- Justify that should old thread be deleted.
- Scheduler::Run() will save the current thread's state in thread control block (if it's user program) and call SWITCH to do context switch. (Will explain in next section)
- After context switch, if the thread has done context before, keep running. Otherwise, execute from threadRoot. (Please refer to the SWITCH part)
- Do CheckToBeDestroyed()
- If is user program, load back the states.

#### SWITCH(Thread\*, Thread\*)

- Noted that, movl a b, means movethe data from b to a, a and b can either be a memory address or a register.
- Recall that we call StackAllocate() when create a new thread. So we can tell that,
  - o machineState[7] stores (void\*) ThreadRoot
  - machineState[2] stores (void\*) ThreadBegin
  - machineState[5] stores (void\*) func
  - o machineState[3] stores (void\*) arg
  - o machineState[6] stores (void\*) ThreadFinish
- When we call SWITCH(oldThread, nextThread), the corresponding code is,

```
push Thread* nextThread
push Thread* oldThread
call SWITCH
```

- Hence, the stack from up to down will be: nextThread, oldThread, return address (esp points to ra)
- Moreover, by observing the structure of class Thread, we know that:
  - Thread\* +0 will get stackTop
  - Thread\* +4 will get machineState[0]
  - Thread\* +8 will get machineState[1] ...
- The expainantion for the code, write with code comment.

```
SWITCH:
       # temporary save the data in %eax to _eax_save (an arbitary address)
               %eax,_eax_save
       movl
       # %esp is the stack pointer, so %esp+4 points to oldThread
       # save the address of oldThread into %eax
       movl 4(%esp),%eax
       # EBX is define as constant 8 in 'switch.h'
       # As mentioned above, _EBX(%eax) is equal to 8(Thread*)
        # So this row means save the register value into machine[1]
       movl
               %ebx,_EBX(%eax)
       # Vice versa...
       movl %ecx,_ECX(%eax)
       movl %edx,_EDX(%eax)
       movl %esi,_ESI(%eax)
       movl %edi, EDI(%eax)
       movl %ebp,_EBP(%eax)
       # stored into stackTop
       movl %esp,_ESP(%eax)
```

```
# get the saved value of %eax
# and save into machineState[0]
movl _eax_save,%ebx
movl %ebx,_EAX(%eax)
# get return address from stack into %ebx
       ∅(%esp),%ebx
# save it into pc storage machineState[7]
       %ebx,_PC(%eax)
movl
# get the address of nextThread into %eax
movl 8(%esp),%eax
# get the value should be put into %eax from machineState[0]
       _EAX(%eax),%ebx
# save it temporary
movl %ebx,_eax_save
# get the other values from machineState and store into registers
movl _EBX(%eax),%ebx
movl _ECX(%eax),%ecx
movl _EDX(%eax),%edx
movl _ESI(%eax),%esi
movl
       _EDI(%eax),%edi
movl _EBP(%eax),%ebp
# restore stack pointer from stackTop
movl
       _ESP(%eax),%esp
# restore return address into %eax
     _PC(%eax),%eax
# copy the return address onto the stack
movl
      %eax,4(%esp)
# get the temp value and store into %eax
movl _eax_save, %eax
# return
ret
```

- When executing SWITCH, it save values in registers into oldThread, and bring out the values in newThread.
- Here may have 2 situations:
  - nextThread hasn't done context switch yet. (Just created)
    - Since it's just created, it will execute <u>ThreadRoot</u> saved in <u>stackTop</u> to start running a brand-new thread. Besides, <u>ret</u> stores above <u>ThreadRoot</u>, it'll be executed after <u>ThreadRoot</u> finish.

- nextThread has done context switch before
  - Because of doing mov1 %esp, \_ESP(%eax), stackTop stored return address in last context switch.
  - That is, this thread will keep running the code after SWITCH

#### (Depends on the previous process state)

- Combining the explanation mentioned above,
  - If the previous state is New, run ThreadRoot (ThreadRoot will be explained later)
  - Else, has done context switch before, keep running the code after SWITCH.
- Explanation for ThreadRoot

```
ThreadRoot:

pushl %ebp
movl %esp,%ebp
pushl InitialArg # arg
call *StartupPC # Run (void*) ThreadBegin
call *InitialPC # (void*) func
call *WhenDonePC # run (void*) ThreadFinish

# NOT REACHED
movl %ebp,%esp
popl %ebp
ret
```

- ThreadRoot is a procedure to start running a new thread.
  - o eax points to startup function.
  - edx contains initial argument to thread function.
  - o esi points to thread function.
  - edi point to Thread::Finish().
- After running ThreadRoot will run:
  - ThreadBegin: Simply call kernel->currentThread->Begin().
    - CheckToBeDestroyed() is also called in Thread:Begin().
  - (void\*) func: Equivalent with `ForkExecute(Thread \*t).
    - Call AddrsSpace:load to load execute file data into memory.
    - Call AddrSpace::Execute() to initialize resgisters and goto kernel->machine->Run().
  - Thread::Finish: Call kernel->currentThread->Finish().
    - Call Sleep(TRUE), set finishing = TRUE to terminate the thread.

# for loop in Machine::Run()

```
void Machine::Run() {
    Instruction *instr = new Instruction; // storage for decoded instruction
    kernel->interrupt->setStatus(UserMode);
    for (;;) {
        OneInstruction(instr);
        kernel->interrupt->OneTick();
    }
}
```

 Main part of simulating, consistantly call OneInstruction() to read instructions from registers[PCReg], decode, execute, and call OneTick() handling interrupt.

## Explanation of Purpose and Detail

- Find thread in ready queue by Scheduler::FindNextToRun(), and goto Scheduler::Run()
- In Run(), change the state of nextThread from Ready to Running, then do context switch.
- After SWITCH, can be seperate into two situation
  - Has done context switch before: Return address stored in stackTop, so keep running the code after SWITCH.
  - Newly created thread: Run ThreadRoot, and ThreadBegin(), (void\*) func, ThreadFinish() sequentially.
    - ThreadBegin(): call Thread::Begin()
    - (void\*) func, ForkExecute(Thread\* t): load file, initialize, call Machine::Run()
      - complete the path of Ready → Running
    - ThreadFinish(): call Thread:Finish()

# Implementation Part

#### Multi-Level Feedback Queue definition

```
class MLFQ { // Multi-Level Feedback Queue
public:
    SortedList<Thread*>* L1;
    SortedList<Thread*>* L2;
    List<Thread*>* L3;
    MLFQ();
    ~MLFQ();
    void Append(Thread* thread);
    Thread* RemoveFront();
    void Apply(void (*f)(Thread*));
    bool IsEmpty();
};
```

- We create a new ready class: MLFQ (Multi-Level Feedback Queue)
  - Note that, MLFQ has same member function name with List, so that we can keep using the origin code related to readyList.
  - And change the type of readList in Scheduler

```
MLFQ* readyList;
```

#### Construtor

```
MLFQ::MLFQ() {
    L1 = new SortedList<Thread*>(cmpRemainTime);
    L2 = new SortedList<Thread*>(cmpPriority);
    L3 = new List<Thread*>;
}
```

- Instantiate all of the three queue. L1, L2, use SortedList because they have to return the thread with least remain time or least priority.
- The compare functions are design like this:
  - getRemainTime is used because there are many place require to get the remain burst time.

```
int cmpRemainTime(Thread* t1, Thread* t2) {
   double time1, time2;
   time1 = getRemainTime(t1);
   time2 = getRemainTime(t2);
   if(time1 == time2) return t1->getID() - t2->getID();
   else return static_cast<int>(time1 - time2);
}
```

```
int cmpPriority(Thread* t1, Thread* t2) {
   if(t1->priority == t2->priority) return t1->getID() - t2->getID();
   else return t2->priority - t1->priority;
}
```

# Explanation for getRemainTime()

```
double getRemainTime(Thread* t) {
   if(t->getStatus() == RUNNING)
      return t->apxBurstTime - (t->CPUBurstTime + kernel->stats->totalTicks - t-
>cacheBurstTime);
   else
      return t->apxBurstTime - t->CPUBurstTime;
}
```

- "Current" CPUBurstTime is consist of last updated CPUBurstTime and CPUBurstTime in current running cycle.
  - We only update CPUBurstTime when the thread leaves running state.
- So, the return value of getRemainTime() depends on the thread's state.
  - If in running state, current CPUBurstTime has to consider totalTicks- cacheBurstTime
    - cacheBurstTime stores the tick when the thread enters running state.

#### Explanation for other MLFQ member function

• Explain the functions with comments

```
// Destructor (Prevent memory leaking)
MLFQ::~MLFQ() {
   delete L1;
    delete L2;
    delete L3;
}
// Determine which level of queue should insert by the value of priority
void MLFQ::Append(Thread* t) {
    DEBUG(dbgScheduler, "[A] Tick [" << kernel->stats->totalTicks << "]: Thread ["</pre>
<< t->getID() << "] is inserted into queue L[" << t->getLevel() << "]");</pre>
    int p = t->priority;
    // Three of the levels are defined properly by nachos
    // Just use the origin member function
    if(p >= 100) L1->Insert(t);
    else if(p >= 50) L2->Insert(t);
    else L3->Append(t);
}
```

```
// RemoveFront() is used to return a thread to be executed.
Thread* MLFQ::RemoveFront() {
    Thread* t;
    // Consider the priority, check whether is empty
    // if not empty, return the first thread in the queue.
    // Also done with the pre-defined member function
    if(!L1->IsEmpty()) t = L1->RemoveFront();
    else if(!L2->IsEmpty()) t = L2->RemoveFront();
    else if(!L3->IsEmpty()) t = L3->RemoveFront();
    else t = NULL;
    DEBUG(dbgScheduler, "[B] Tick [" << kernel->stats->totalTicks << "]: Thread ["</pre>
<< t->getID() << "] is removed from queue L[" << t->getLevel() << "]");</pre>
    return t;
}
// Extend apply function to all the queues.
void MLFQ::Apply(void (*f)(Thread*)) {
    L1->Apply(f);
    L2->Apply(f);
    L3->Apply(f);
}
// Just check if three queues are all empty()
bool MLFQ::IsEmpty() {
    return L1->IsEmpty() && L2->IsEmpty() && L3->IsEmpty();
}
```

#### Implementation in class Thread

```
// Define several attributes to solve the `shortest job first` task.
int priority;
double apxBurstTime; // approximate
int cacheBurstTime;
int CPUBurstTime;
int beReadyTime;
int getLevel();
```

- priority is the priority for scheduling, which may be increased by aging.
- apxBurstTime = Approximate Remaining Burst Time
- cacheBurstTime = The initial value of kernel->stats->totalTicks every time the thread go into running state.
- CPUBurstTime = Total running time
  - Reset to 0, when entering waiting state (BLOCKED)
  - Stop accumulating, when entering ready state (READY)
- beReadyTime = The time when entering ready state
  - This attribute is for aging.

• getLevel(): Return the which queue level is the thread in.

```
// 0-49 for L3, 50-99 for L2, 100-149 for L1
int Thread::getLevel() {
   int level[3] = {3, 2, 1};
   return level[priority/50];
}
```

#### Thread::setStatus

```
void Thread::setStatus(ThreadStatus st) {
    if(st == RUNNING){ // ready to running -> initialize cacheBurstTime
        cacheBurstTime = kernel->stats->totalTicks;
    else if(st == READY){
        if(status == RUNNING){ // running to ready -> update CPUBurstTime
            CPUBurstTime += kernel->stats->totalTicks - cacheBurstTime;
        else CPUBurstTime = 0;
        beReadyTime = kernel->stats->totalTicks;
    }
    else if(st == BLOCKED){ // running to waiting -> calculate apx, and reset
CPUBurstTime
        CPUBurstTime += kernel->stats->totalTicks - cacheBurstTime;
        // Here should print debug message [D]
        apxBurstTime = 0.5 * CPUBurstTime + 0.5 * apxBurstTime;
   status = st;
}
```

- When change the state ro RUNNING
  - Set cacheBurstTime to kernel->stats->totalTicks()
- When change the state to READY
  - If it's from running to ready
    - Update the CPUBurstTime by accumulated CPUBurstTime with the running time in current running cycle.
  - Otherwise, reset CPUBurstTime.
    - We clear the CPUBurstTime here because 'else' is the waiting state, it's the same to reset time when entering waiting state or leaving.
  - Remember to save the tick when go into ready state.
- When change the state to **BLOCKED** 
  - Update the CPUBurstTime before compute the apxBurstTime
- At the end, set status to st.

```
bool Scheduler::shouldPreempt() {
   Thread* cur = kernel->currentThread;
   Thread* t;
   MLFQ* readyQueue = kernel->scheduler->readyList;
    const int timeQuantum = 100;
    float remainTime, curRemainTime, runningBurstTime;
    Scheduler* a;
   MLFQ* b;
    SortedList<Thread*>* c;
    switch (cur->getLevel()) {
        case 1:
            if(kernel->scheduler->readyList->L1->IsEmpty()) return false;
            t = kernel->scheduler->readyList->L1->Front();
            if(!t) return false;
            remainTime = getRemainTime(t);
            curRemainTime = getRemainTime(cur);
            if(remainTime < curRemainTime)</pre>
                return true;
            break;
            if(!kernel->scheduler->readyList->L1->IsEmpty())
                return true;
            break;
        case 3:
            runningBurstTime = kernel->stats->totalTicks - cur->cacheBurstTime;
            if(!readyQueue->L1->IsEmpty() || !readyQueue->L2->IsEmpty() ||
runningBurstTime > timeQuantum)
                return true;
            break;
        default:
            break;
   return false;
}
```

- shouldPreempt is called in Alarm::Callback() as the spec requires.
- Should preempt or not depends on the level.
  - For level 1, compare the remain time of current thread and the first thread in L1 queue.
    - Since L1 queue is sorted by remain time.
  - o For level 2, return true if L1 is not empty
    - Because only threads in L1 can preempt the level 2 thread.
  - For level 3, if either L1 or L2 is not empty, return true. Or if the running time greater than 100 ticks, return true.
  - Else, return false, don't have to be preempt.

# Implementation for aging

```
void aging(Thread* t){
    if(kernel->stats->totalTicks - t->beReadyTime > 1500){
        DEBUG(dbgScheduler, "[C] Tick [" << kernel->stats->totalTicks << "]:
Thread [" << t->getID() << "] changes its priority from [" << t->priority << "] to
    [" << min(t->priority + 10, 149) << "]");
        t->priority = min(t->priority + 10, 149);
        t->beReadyTime = kernel->stats->totalTicks;
    }
}

void Scheduler::updatePriority() {
    kernel->scheduler->readyList->Apply(aging);
}
```

- updatePriority() is called in Alarm::Callback() as the spec requires.
- Apply aging function to all of the queues.
  - aging() will update the priority with min(priority+10, 149).
  - Reset beReadyTime.

## Implementation of "-ep" flag

```
} else if (strcmp(argv[i], "-e") == 0) { // MP3
        execfile[++execfileNum] = new ExecFile(argv[++i], 0);
        cout << execfile[execfileNum]->name << "\n";
} else if (strcmp(argv[i], "-ep") == 0) { // MP3
        execfile[++execfileNum] = new ExecFile(argv[++i], atoi(argv[++i]));</pre>
```

- Add these code inside Kernel::Kernel.
- Build a new class call ExecFile to save both filename and priority.
  - The structure of ExecFile

```
class ExecFile { // MP3
    public:
    ExecFile(char* n, int p) { name = n; priority = p; }
    ~ExecFile();
    char* name;
    int priority;
};
```

• Next, set the priority inside Kernel::Exec():

```
int Kernel::Exec(ExecFile* info) {
    t[threadNum] = new Thread(info->name, threadNum);
    t[threadNum]->priority = info->priority;
    t[threadNum]->setIsExec();
    t[threadNum]->space = new AddrSpace();
    t[threadNum]->Fork((VoidFunctionPtr)&ForkExecute, (void *)t[threadNum]);
    threadNum++;
    return threadNum - 1;
}
```

# Implementation of DEBUG message

- [A], Print whenever a process is inserted into a queue.
  - o call in MLFQ::Append(), cause we insert threads into ready queue in this function.
- [B], Print whenever a process is removed from a queue.
  - o call in MLFQ::RemoveFront(), cause this the function returns the thread which is going to run.
- [C], Print whenever a process changes its scheduling priority.
  - o call in aging(), cause this is the function update the priority.
  - call in Thread::setStatus(), when changing to ready state, cause this is where we reset out priority to initPriority.
- [D], Print whenever a process updates its approximate burst time.
  - call in Thread::setStatus(), when changing to waiting state, cause this is where we updates apxBurstTime.
- [E], Print whenever a context switch occurs.
  - o call in Scheduler::Run() before SWITCH, cause this is the function doing conext switch.
    - This output can be correct because we reset the CPUBurstTime when leaving waiting state.

# That's all.