Assignment #5 proc virtual file structure

/proc is very special in that it is also a virtual filesystem. It's sometimes referred to as a process information pseudo-file system. It doesn't contain 'real' files but runtime system information (e.g. system memory, devices mounted, hardware configuration, etc). For this reason it can be regarded as a control and information centre for the kernel.

The purpose and contents of each of these files is explained below:

- /proc/PID/cmdline
 - Command line arguments.
- /proc/PID/cpu
 - Current and last cpu in which it was executed.
- /proc/PID/cwd
 - Link to the current working directory.
- /proc/PID/environ
 - Values of environment variables.
- /proc/PID/exe
 - Link to the executable of this process.
- /proc/PID/fd
 - Directory, which contains all file descriptors.
- /proc/PID/maps
 - Memory maps to executables and library files.
- /proc/PID/mem
 - Memory held by this process.
- /proc/PID/root
 - Link to the root directory of this process.
- /proc/PID/stat
 - Process status.
- /proc/PID/statm
 - Process memory status information.
- /proc/PID/status
 - Process status in human readable form.

One example:

cat status

Name: sshd

State: S (sleeping)

Tgid: 439 Pid: 439

Pid: 439 PPid: 1

TracerPid: 0

Uid: 0 0 0 0

Gid: 0 0 0 0 FDSize: 32

Groups:

VmSize: 2788 kB

 VmLck:
 0 kB

 VmRSS:
 1280 kB

 VmData:
 252 kB

 VmStk:
 16 kB

 VmExe:
 268 kB

 VmLib:
 2132 kB

Assignment #1: First complete previous lab exercise (hint use file to store information using open(), read(), write() system call).

Assignment #2: You need to create virtual file system in directory /proc. Next, create directory with name "PID" under /proc directory (Hint: edit scheduler). Finally, you need to implement any three files (your choice) on run time under directory /proc/PID/"filename".

Hint: Printing Out Running Process ID

First, we add in the scheduler() function, which is in proc.c a line of code (highlighted in blue) to print out the name and pid of the currently running process:

```
void scheduler(void)
{
struct proc *p;
}
for(;;){
.....
p->state = RUNNING;
cprintf("Process %s with pid %d running\n", p->name, p->pid);
swtch(&cpu->scheduler, p->context);
switchkvm();
.....
}
```

Hint: Add more features to your scheduler so that you can implement time-stamp of processes

Add in the file proc.h the struct proc> the timestamps and the priority:

```
struct inode *cwd;
                      //Current directory
                      //Process name (debugging)
char name[16];
// add timestamps and others
uint createTime;
                      // process creation time
int sleepTime;
                      // process sleeping time
int readyTime;
                      // process ready (runnable) time
                      // process running time
int runTime;
int priority;
                      // process priority
int tickcounter;
char dum[8];
};
Add to the function allocproc() in proc.c the timestamp statements (highlighted in blue):
static struct proc*
allocproc(void)
{
release(&ptable.lock);
return 0;
found:
p->state = EMBRYO;
p->pid = nextpid++;
p->createTime = ticks;
p->readyTime = 0;
p->runTime = 0;
p->sleepTime = 0;
```

At this point, you should recompile the OS to make sure there is no typo error. Then modify the cprintf statement added in scheduler()

cprintf("Process %s with pid %d running with createTime %d\n", p->name, p->pid, p->createTime);