

Lab 2 – mythreads

This assignment is to write a user-level threads package called “mythreads.” In addition, you will write a solution to the dining philosophers problem using this library. The library and program you will write have these requirements.

- You must create your own thread stacks and jump between them using `setjmp/longjmp` or `setcontext/makecontext`, etc.
- The requirements for the interface are:
 - `mt_init();`
 - `mt_create(void (*func)(void *), void *arg);`
 - `mt_join(void *mt);`
 - `mt_exit();`
 - `mt_sleep(int seconds);`
 - `mt_yield();`
 - `mt_self();`
 - `mt_joinall();`
 - `mt_kill(void *mt);`
 - `typedef void *mt_sem;`
 - `mt_sem_create(int initial_value);`
 - `mt_sem_up(mt_sem sem);`
 - `mt_sem_down(mt_sem sem);`
 - `mt_sem_destroy(mt_sem sem);`
 - `mt_sem_getval(mt_sem sem);`
- For the dining philosophers problem, you will use the `dphil.h` and `dphil_skeleton.c` files and implement the functions **initialize_v** (to create semaphores, etc) and the functions **pickup** and **putdown** that use these semaphores to ensure a correct solution. The prototypes for these functions are given in `dphil.h`

Test (and develop if you like) on Linux. Relevant files and a working version of the `libmt.a` library can be found in `~swany/lab2` (`cd` directly into the directory. Do not be surprised if you cannot “`ls ~swany`”.)