

CS 332/532 Systems Programming

Lecture 32
Thread / 2

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Agenda

Threads

Thread Synchronization

Mutex

exercise 1

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <unistd.h>
4  #include <pthread.h>
5
6
7  void *someFuncToCreateThread(void *someValue)
8  {
9      sleep(2);
10     printf("I am inside the thread \n");
11     return NULL;
12 }
13
14 int main()
15 {
16     pthread_t thread_id;
17     printf("I am inside the main function\n");
18     pthread_create(&thread_id, NULL, someFuncToCreateThread, NULL);
19     pthread_join(thread_id, NULL);
20     printf("Back to the main function\n");
21     exit(0);
22 }
23
```

compile & run

To compile a multithreaded program, we will be using gcc and we need to link it with the pthreads library.

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % gcc exercise1.c -o exercise1 -lpthread
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % ./exercise1
I am inside the main function
I am inside the thread
Back to the main function
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % _
```

exercise 2

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

void *function1(void *someValue)
{
    while(1==1) {
        sleep(1);
        printf("function 1 \n");
    }
}

void function2()
{
    while(1==1) {
        sleep(2);
        printf("function 2\n");
    }
}

int main()
{
    pthread_t thread_id;
    printf("I am inside the main function\n");
    pthread_create(&thread_id, NULL, function1, NULL);
    function2();
    exit(0);
}
```

compile & run

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % gcc exercise2.c -o exercise2 -lpthread
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % ./exercise2
I am inside the main function
function 1
function 2
function 1
function 1
function 2
function 1
function 1
function 2
function 1
function 1
function 2
function 1
function 1
```

exercise 3

```
int globalVar = 50; //define a global variable

void *someFuncToCreateThread(void *someValue)
{
    int *threadId = (int *)someValue; // Store the value argument passed to this thread

    //define a static and a local variable
    static int staticVar = 75;
    int localVar = 10;

    // let's change the variables
    globalVar +=100;
    staticVar +=100;
    localVar +=100;
    printf("id =%d,global = %d,  local = %d, static =%d, \n", *threadId, globalVar,localVar ,staticVar);

    return NULL;
}

int main()
{
    int i;
    pthread_t thread_id;
    for (i = 0; i < 4; i++)
        pthread_create(&thread_id, NULL, someFuncToCreateThread, (void *)&thread_id);
    pthread_exit(NULL);
}
```

compile & run

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % gcc exercise3.c -o exercise3 -lpthread
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % ./exercise3
id =151261184,global = 150,  local = 110, static =175,
id =151261184,global = 150,  local = 110, static =175,
id =151261184,global = 250,  local = 110, static =275,
id =151261184,global = 250,  local = 110, static =275,
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % _
```

Remember, global and static variables are stored in data segment.

All threads share data segment, so they are shared by all threads.

pthread1.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <pthread.h>
4
5  int nthreads;
6
7  void *compute(void *arg) {
8      long tid = (long)arg;
9
10     printf("Hello, I am thread %ld of %d\n", tid, nthreads);
11
12     return (NULL);
13 }
14
15 int main(int argc, char **argv) {
16     long i;
17     pthread_t *tid;
18
19     if (argc != 2) {
20         printf("Usage: %s <# of threads>\n", argv[0]);
21         exit(-1);
22     }
23
24     nthreads = atoi(argv[1]); // no. of threads
```

```

25
26 // allocate vector and initialize
27 tid = (pthread_t *)malloc(sizeof(pthread_t)*nthreads);
28
29 // create threads
30 for ( i = 0; i < nthreads; i++)
31     pthread_create(&tid[i], NULL, compute, (void *)i);
32
33 // wait for them to complete
34 for ( i = 0; i < nthreads; i++)
35     pthread_join(tid[i], NULL);
36
37 printf("Exiting main program\n");
38
39 return 0;
40 }
41

```

```

(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % gcc pthread1.c -o exercise4 -lpthread
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % ./exercise4 4
Hello, I am thread 0 of 4
Hello, I am thread 1 of 4
Hello, I am thread 2 of 4
Hello, I am thread 3 of 4
Exiting main program

```

pthread2.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <pthread.h>
4
5  int nthreads;
6
7  void *compute(void *arg) {
8      long tid = (long)arg;
9      pthread_t pthread_id = pthread_self();
10
11      printf("Hello, I am thread %ld of %d, pthread_self() = %lu (0x%lx)\n",
12            tid, nthreads, (unsigned long)pthread_id, (unsigned long)pthread_id);
13
14      return (NULL);
15 }
16
17 int main(int argc, char **argv) {
18     long i;
19     pthread_t *tid;
20     pthread_t pthread_id = pthread_self();
```

```

21
22 if (argc != 2) {
23     printf("Usage: %s <# of threads>\n", argv[0]);
24     exit(-1);
25 }
26
27 nthreads = atoi(argv[1]); // no. of threads
28
29 // allocate vector and initialize
30 tid = (pthread_t *)malloc(sizeof(pthread_t)*nthreads);
31
32 // create threads
33 for ( i = 0; i < nthreads; i++)
34     pthread_create(&tid[i], NULL, compute, (void *)i);
35
36 for ( i = 0; i < nthreads; i++)
37     printf("tid[%ld] = %lu (0x%lx)\n", i, tid[i], tid[i]);
38
39 printf("Hello, I am main thread. pthread_self() = %lu (0x%lx)\n",
40        (unsigned long)pthread_id, (unsigned long)pthread_id);
41
42 // wait for them to complete
43 for ( i = 0; i < nthreads; i++)
44     pthread_join(tid[i], NULL);
45
46 printf("Exiting main program\n");
47
48 return 0;
49 }

```

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % ./exercise5 4
tid[0] = 123145541038080 (0x70000e3ab000)
tid[1] = 123145541574656 (0x70000e42e000)
tid[2] = 123145542111232 (0x70000e4b1000)
tid[3] = 123145542647808 (0x70000e534000)
Hello, I am main thread. pthread_self() = 4365594048 (0x10435adc0)
Hello, I am thread 1 of 4, pthread_self() = 123145541574656 (0x70000e42e000)
Hello, I am thread 2 of 4, pthread_self() = 123145542111232 (0x70000e4b1000)
Hello, I am thread 0 of 4, pthread_self() = 123145541038080 (0x70000e3ab000)
Hello, I am thread 3 of 4, pthread_self() = 123145542647808 (0x70000e534000)
Exiting main program
```

pthread3.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <pthread.h>
4
5  typedef struct foo {
6      pthread_t ptid; /* thread id returned by pthread_create */
7      int tid; /* user managed thread id (0 through nthreads-1) */
8      int nthreads; /* total no. of threads created */
9  } F00;
10
11 void *compute(void *args) {
12     F00 *info = (F00 *)args;
13     printf("Hello, I am thread %d of %d\n", info->tid, info->nthreads);
14
15     return (NULL);
16 }
17
18 int main(int argc, char **argv) {
19     int i, nthreads;
20     F00 *info;
21
22     if (argc != 2) {
23         printf("Usage: %s <# of threads>\n", argv[0]);
24         exit(-1);
25     }
```

```

27     nthreads = atoi(argv[1]); // no. of threads
28
29     // allocate structure
30     info = (F00 *)malloc(sizeof(F00)*nthreads);
31
32     // create threads
33     for ( i = 0; i < nthreads; i++) {
34         info[i].tid = i;
35         info[i].nthreads = nthreads;
36         pthread_create(&info[i].ptid, NULL, compute, (void *)&info[i]);
37     }
38
39     // wait for them to complete
40     for ( i = 0; i < nthreads; i++)
41         pthread_join(info[i].ptid, NULL);
42
43     free(info);
44     printf("Exiting main program\n");
45
46     return 0;
47 }

```

(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % gcc pthread3.c -o exercise6 -lpthread

(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture31 % ./exercise6 4

Hello, I am thread 1 of 4

Hello, I am thread 0 of 4

Hello, I am thread 2 of 4

Hello, I am thread 3 of 4

Exiting main program

Thread Synchronization using Mutexes

- We can use the mutexes provided by the Pthreads library to control access to critical sections of the program and provide synchronization across the threads.
- We will use the example of computing the sum of the elements in a vector to illustrate the use of mutexes.
- We have a vector of N elements, we would like to assign each thread to compute the partial sum of N/P elements (where P is the number of threads), then we will update the shared global variable *sum* with the partial sums using mutex locks.

- The API for the mutex lock and unlock functions are shown below:

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

```
int pthread_mutex_lock(pthread_mutex_t *mutex);
```

```
int pthread_mutex_unlock(pthread_mutex_t  
*mutex);
```

pthread_sum.c

- The *mutex* variable is of type *pthread_mutex_t* and can be initially statically by assigning the value *PTHREAD_MUTEX_INITIALIZER*.
- Note that the mutex variable must be declared in global scope since it will be shared among multiple threads.
- A mutex can also be initialized dynamically using the function *pthread_mutex_init*.
- The *pthread_mutex_destroy* function can be used to destroy the mutex that was initialized using *pthread_mutex_init*.

pthread_sum.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <pthread.h>
4  #include <unistd.h>
5
6  pthread_mutex_t mutex=PTHREAD_MUTEX_INITIALIZER;
7
8  double *a=NULL, sum=0.0;
9  int     N, size;
10
11 void *compute(void *arg) {
12     int myStart, myEnd, myN, i;
13     long tid = (long)arg;
14
15     // determine start and end of computation for the current thread
16     myN = N/size;
17     myStart = tid*myN;
18     myEnd = myStart + myN;
19     if (tid == (size-1)) myEnd = N;
20
21     // compute partial sum
22     double mysum = 0.0;
23     for (i=myStart; i<myEnd; i++)
24         mysum += a[i];
25
26     // grab the lock, update global sum, and release lock
27     pthread_mutex_lock(&mutex);
28     sum += mysum;
29     pthread_mutex_unlock(&mutex);
30
31     return (NULL);
32 }
```

pthread_sum.c

```
34 int main(int argc, char **argv) {
35     long i;
36     pthread_t *tid;
37
38     if (argc != 3) {
39         printf("Usage: %s <# of elements> <# of threads>\n", argv[0]);
40         exit(-1);
41     }
42
43     N = atoi(argv[1]); // no. of elements
44     size = atoi(argv[2]); // no. of threads
45
46     // allocate vector and initialize
47     tid = (pthread_t *)malloc(sizeof(pthread_t)*size);
48     a = (double *)malloc(sizeof(double)*N);
49     for (i=0; i<N; i++)
50         a[i] = (double)(i + 1);
51
52     // create threads
53     for ( i = 0; i < size; i++)
54         pthread_create(&tid[i], NULL, compute, (void *)i);
55
56     // wait for them to complete
57     for ( i = 0; i < size; i++)
58         pthread_join(tid[i], NULL);
59
60     printf("The total is %g, it should be equal to %g\n",
61         sum, ((double)N*(N+1))/2);
62
63     return 0;
64 }
```

pthread_sum.c

- compile & run

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture32 % gcc pthread_sum.c -o exercise7 -lpthread
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture32 % ./exercise7 200 4
The total is 20100, it should be equal to 20100
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture32 % ./exercise7 1000 4
The total is 500500, it should be equal to 500500
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture32 % _
```

pthread_sum2.c

```
1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3  #include <pthread.h>
4  #include <unistd.h>
5
6  double *a=NULL, *partialsum;
7  int     N, nthreads;
8
9  void *compute(void *arg) {
10     int myStart, myEnd, myN, i;
11     long tid = (long)arg;
12
13     // determine start and end of computation for the current thread
14     myN = N/nthreads;
15     myStart = tid*myN;
16     myEnd = myStart + myN;
17     if (tid == (nthreads-1)) myEnd = N;
18
19     // compute partial sum
20     double mysum = 0.0;
21     for (i=myStart; i<myEnd; i++)
22         mysum += a[i];
23
24     partialsum[tid] = mysum;
25     return (NULL);
26 }
27
```

pthread_sum2.c

```
27
28 int main(int argc, char **argv) {
29     long i;
30     pthread_t *tid;
31     double sum = 0.0;
32
33     if (argc != 3) {
34         printf("Usage: %s <# of elements> <# of threads>\n", argv[0]);
35         exit(-1);
36     }
37
38     N = atoi(argv[1]); // no. of elements
39     nthreads = atoi(argv[2]); // no. of threads
40
41     // allocate vector and initialize
42     tid = (pthread_t *)malloc(sizeof(pthread_t)*nthreads);
43     a = (double *)malloc(sizeof(double)*N);
44     partialsum = (double *)malloc(sizeof(double)*nthreads);
45     for (i=0; i<N; i++)
46         a[i] = (double)(i + 1);
47
48     // create threads
49     for ( i = 0; i < nthreads; i++)
50         pthread_create(&tid[i], NULL, compute, (void *)i);
51
```

pthread_sum2.c

```
51
52     // wait for them to complete
53     for ( i = 0; i < nthreads; i++)
54         pthread_join(tid[i], NULL);
55
56     for ( i = 0; i < nthreads; i++)
57         sum += partialsum[i];
58
59     printf("The total is %g, it should be equal to %g\n",
60           sum, ((double)N*(N+1))/2);
61
62     free(tid);
63     free(a);
64     free(partialsum);
65
66     return 0;
67 }
68
```

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture32 % gcc pthread_sum2.c -o exercise8 -lpthread
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture32 % ./exercise8 1000 4
The total is 500500, it should be equal to 500500
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture32 % ./exercise8 200 4
The total is 20100, it should be equal to 20100
```


Extra exercises

```
pthread_t tid[2];
int counter;

void* trythis(void* arg)
{
    unsigned long i = 0;
    counter += 1;
    printf("\n Job %d has started\n", counter);

    for (i = 0; i < (0xFFFFFFFF); i++)
        ;
    printf("\n Job %d has finished\n", counter);

    return NULL;
}

int main(void)
{
    int i = 0;
    int error;

    while (i < 2) {
        error = pthread_create(&(tid[i]), NULL, &trythis, NULL);
        if (error != 0)
            printf("\nThread can't be created : [%s]", strerror(error));
        i++;
    }

    pthread_join(tid[0], NULL);
    pthread_join(tid[1], NULL);

    return 0;
}
```

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture32 % gcc exercise2.c -o exercise2 -lpthread  
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture32 % ./exercise2
```

Job 1 has started

Job 2 has started

Job 2 has finished

Job 2 has finished

```

1  #include <pthread.h>
2  #include <stdio.h>
3  #include <string.h>
4
5
6  pthread_t tid[2];
7  int counter;
8  pthread_mutex_t lock;
9
10 void* trythis(void* arg)
11 {
12     pthread_mutex_lock(&lock);
13
14     unsigned long i = 0;
15     counter += 1;
16     printf("\n Job %d has started\n", counter);
17
18     for (i = 0; i < (0xFFFFFFFF); i++)
19         ;
20
21     printf("\n Job %d has finished\n", counter);
22
23     pthread_mutex_unlock(&lock);
24
25     return NULL;
26 }

```

```

28  int main(void)
29  {
30      int i = 0;
31      int error;
32
33      if (pthread_mutex_init(&lock, NULL) != 0) {
34          printf("\n mutex init has failed\n");
35          return 1;
36      }
37
38      while (i < 2) {
39          error = pthread_create(&(tid[i]),
40                                NULL,
41                                &trythis, NULL);
42          if (error != 0)
43              printf("\nThread can't be created :[%s]",
44                    strerror(error));
45          i++;
46      }
47
48      pthread_join(tid[0], NULL);
49      pthread_join(tid[1], NULL);
50      pthread_mutex_destroy(&lock);
51
52      return 0;
53  }

```

```
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture32 % gcc exercise3.c -o exercise3 -lpthread  
(base) mahmutunan@MacBook-Pro lecture32 % ./exercise3
```

Job 1 has started

Job 1 has finished

Job 2 has started

Job 2 has finished