Project 1: Alarm Clock

CSL-Pintos



Notice

Submission Deadline

- Mon May 13 until 23:59
- Delay
 - √ 10 % reduction for every more than 1 day
 - ✓ Delayed submission will be accepted until Thu May 16

Softcopy

- Design (50%) / Testing (50%)
 - ✓ Design: design document / source code
 - ✓ Testing: test case
- Student must submit a "report" and "pintos.tar.gz"
- Receives 0 point if flagged as a plagiarism with others





Get familiar with Pintos!

The structure of Pintos

- ① src/utils/
 - ✓ It contains a number of help functions and utilities related to the Pintos kernel
- ② src/threads/
 - ✓ It configures the behavior of kernel threads
- ③ src/devices/
 - ✓ It contains hardware device drivers and related code for the Pintos operating system
- ④ src/lib/
 - ✓ It contains various libraries and utility codes providing common functions and features for both the kernel and application programs
- ⑤ src/tests/
 - ✓ It contains test code and test suites used to verify various components and functionalities





Main goal

- Implement a thread scheduling algorithm without busy-waiting
- Managing sleeping threads separately in a list other than the ready list
- When the sleep time is up, wake the thread and put it in the ready list

```
void timer_sleep (int64_t ticks)
{
  int64_t start = timer_ticks ();

ASSERT (intr_get_level () == INTR_ON);
  while (timer_elapsed (start) < ticks)
  thread_yield ();
}</pre>
```





Files to modify

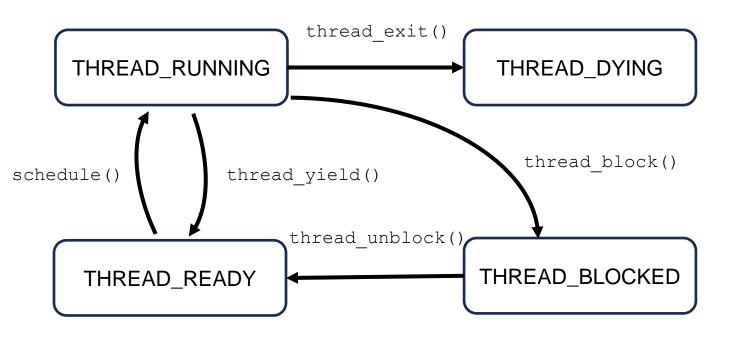
- ① threads/thread.*
 - ✓ Code related to thread behavior and scheduling
- ② devices/timer.*
 - ✓ Code related to device time, such as yielding CPU occupancy to a thread





Threads in Pintos have 4 states

Running, Ready, Blocked, Dying



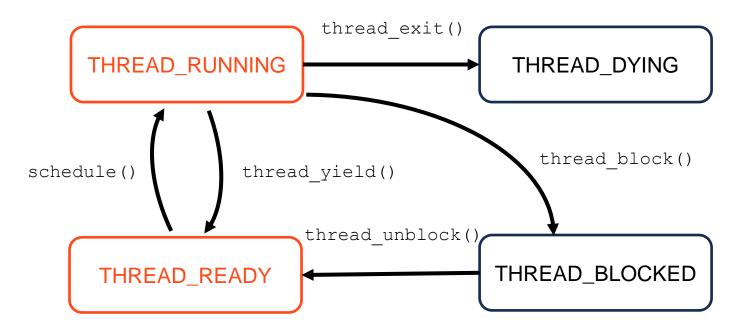
```
enum thread_status
{
    THREAD_RUNNING, // Running thread
    THREAD_READY, // Not running but ready to run
    THREAD_BLOCKED, // Waiting for an event to trigger
    THREAD_DYING // About to be destroyed
};
```





With a busy-waiting, the thread uses just 2 states

Running, Ready, Blocked, Dying

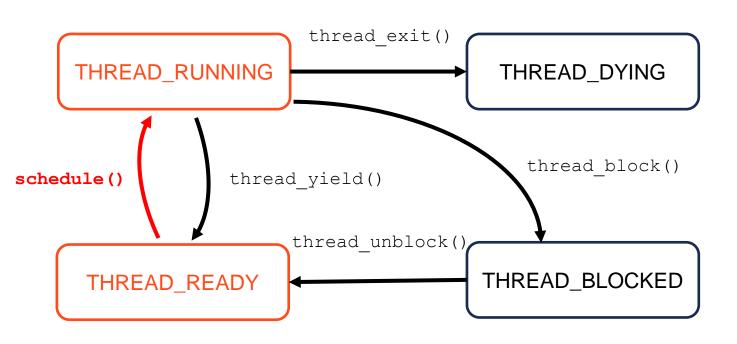






READY -> RUNNING with schedule()

Interrupts are disabled and the currently running thread is switched to the next thread



```
static void schedule (void)
{
    struct thread *cur = running_thread ();
    struct thread *next = next_thread_to_run ();
    struct thread *prev = NULL;

ASSERT (intr_get_level () == INTR_OFF);
    ASSERT (cur->status != THREAD_RUNNING);
    ASSERT (is_thread (next));

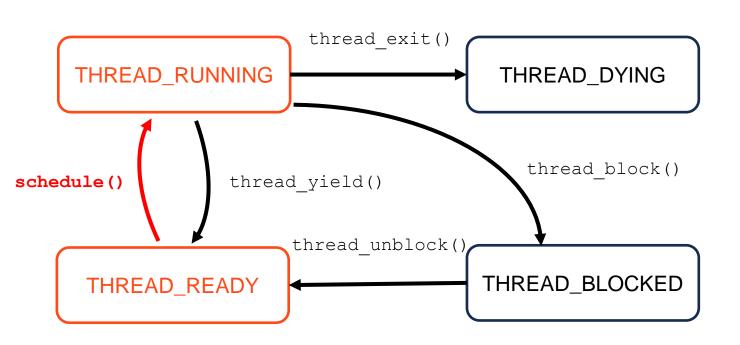
if (cur != next)
    prev = switch_threads (cur, next);
    thread_schedule_tail (prev);
}
```

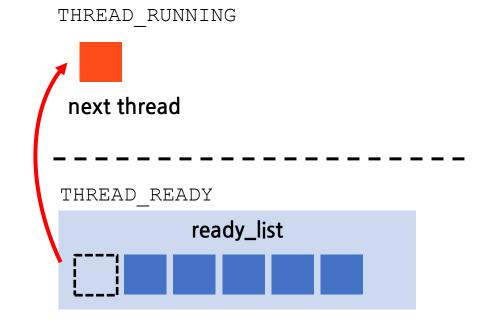




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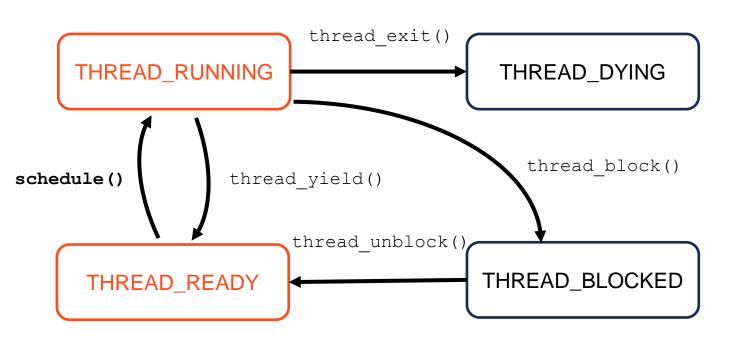






Check the ticks of the thread

• Check the time to see if it's time for the thread to wake up or not





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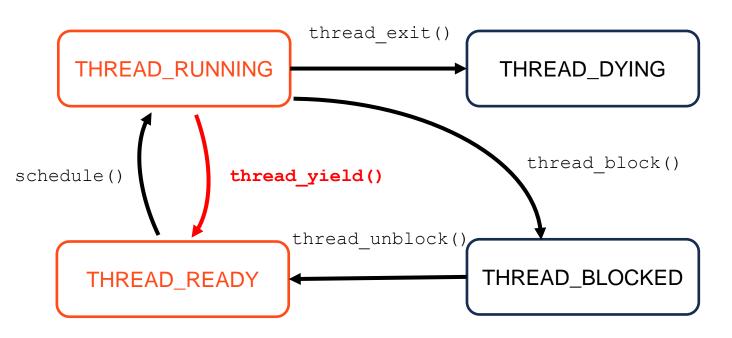
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  while (timer_elapsed (start) < ticks)
    thread_yield ();
}</pre>
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RUNNING -> READY with thread yield()

- Interrupts are disabled and the status of the currently running thread changes to THREAD_READY
- Currently running threads are pushed to the ready list.



```
void thread_yield (void)
{
    struct thread *cur = thread_current ();
    enum intr_level old_level;
    ASSERT (!intr_context ());

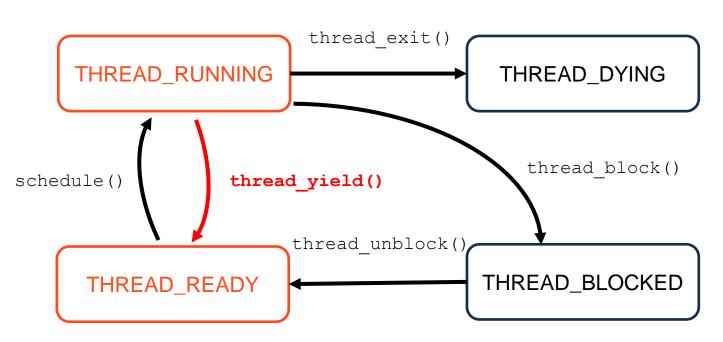
    old_level = intr_disable ();
    if (cur != idle_thread)
        list_push_back (&ready_list, &cur->elem);
    cur->status = THREAD_READY;
    schedule ();
    intr_set_level (old_level);
}
```

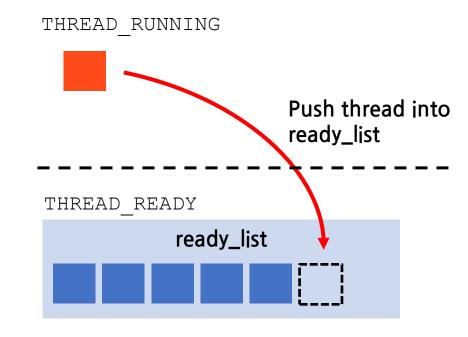




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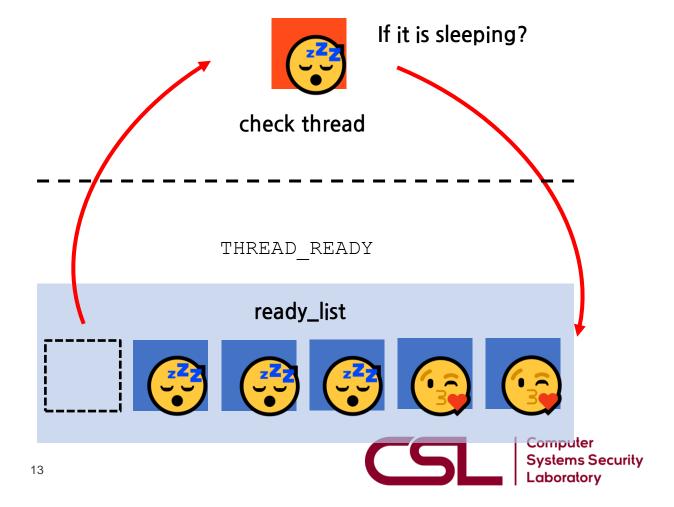




The limitation of a busy-waiting

- Sleeping threads occupy the CPU
- It wastes time

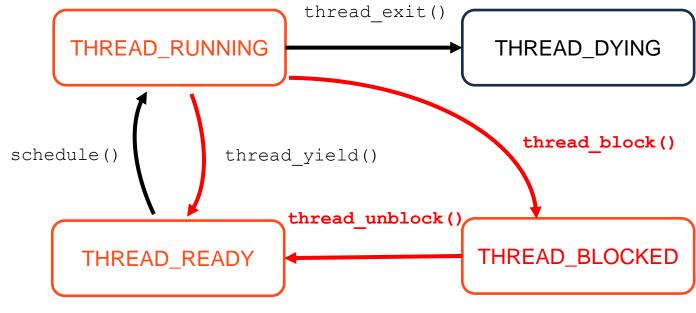
THREAD RUNNING





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- Use "blocked" state to handle sleeping threads!
- Push threads in the sleep_list while sleeping, and move them to the ready_list when wake up

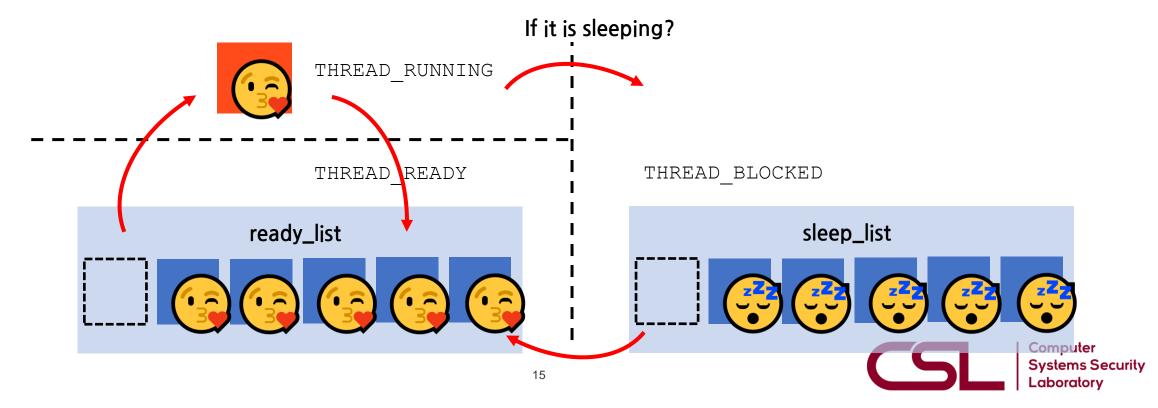






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Implementation details

Add timer field in thread structure

Initialize sleep list in thread_init

```
/* /src/threads/threads.h */
struct thread
{
  int64_t waketime; // time to wake up
  ...
}
```

```
/* /src/threads/threads.c */
static struct list sleep_list; // define sleep_list

void thread_init (void)
{
    ...
    list_init (&sleep_list); // initialize sleep_list
    ...
}
```



Implementation details

Add a functionality to make threads sleep in timer_sleep

```
/* /src/devices/timer.c */
void timer_sleep (int64_t ticks)
{
  int64_t start = timer_ticks ();

  /*
  - Call thread_sleep
  */
}
```

```
/* /src/threads/threads.c */
void thread_sleep (int64_t ticks)
{
    /*
    - Disable interrupts between switching thread
    - Store a value for the time the thread will wake up
    - Add the current thread to the sleep list
    - Change the thread status to THREAD_BLOCKED
    - Enable interrupts
    */
```

Also, if you are creating a new function, you must define it in the header file. Ex) "thread/thread.h"





Implementation details

Add a functionality to wake up the threads in timer_interrupt

```
/* /src/devices/timer.c */
void timer_interrupt (struct intr_frame *args UNUSED)
{
   ticks++;
   thread_tick ();

   /*
   - call thread_interrupt
   */
}
```

```
/* /src/threads/threads.c */
void thread_interrupt (int64_t ticks)
{
    /*
    - Iterate the sleep list to determine
        the time to wake up
    - Remove the thread from the sleep list
    - Add it to the ready list
    */
}
```

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Compile

- \$ cd pintos/src/thread
- \$ make

Testing

\$ pintos -q run alarm-multiple

```
(alarm-multiple) thread 2: duration=30, iteration=5, product=150
(alarm-multiple) thread 3: duration=40, iteration=4, product=160
(alarm-multiple) thread 2: duration=30, iteration=6, product=180
(alarm-multiple) thread 4: duration=50, iteration=4, product=200
(alarm-multiple) thread 3: duration=40, iteration=5, product=200
(alarm-multiple) thread 2: duration=30, iteration=7, product=210
(alarm-multiple) thread 3: duration=40, iteration=6, product=240
(alarm-multiple) thread 4: duration=50, iteration=5, product=250
(alarm-multiple) thread 3: duration=40, iteration=7, product=280
(alarm-multiple) thread 4: duration=50, iteration=6, product=300
(alarm-multiple) thread 4: duration=50, iteration=7, product=350
(alarm-multiple) end
Execution of 'alarm-multiple' complete.
Timer: 600 ticks
Thread: 550 idle ticks, 50 kernel ticks, 0 user ticks
Console: 2955 characters output
Keyboard: 0 keys pressed
Powering off...
marco@csl:~/pintos/src/utils$ /home/marco/pintos/src
```



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