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- Interrupts as “poor mans” multitasking
- Embedded systems – realtime kernels
 - krnl, (FreeRTOS,...)
- For small embedded systems
 - No Memory management/protection == no protection against “wild pointers”
 - aka no mercy systems !!!
- Task concept
 - Multitasking: threads, tasks,...
 - Using functions as body code for task
 - Queues for dynamic handling tasks execution(activeQ, sleepQ,...)
 - running ↔ ready ↔ sleeping
 - (Static) task priority for selection of who to run
 - Just a number”
- createtask, deleteTask, changeTaskPriority,... you name it :-)
- Left for the reader – digging into POSIX threads/multitasking
 - (<https://computing.llnl.gov/tutorials/pthreads/>)



```
#include <pthread.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#define NUM_THREADS      5

void *PrintHello(void *threadid)
{
    long tid;
    tid = (long)threadid;
    printf("Hello World! It's me, thread #%ld!\n", tid);
    pthread_exit(NULL);
}

int main (int argc, char *argv[])
{
    pthread_t threads[NUM_THREADS];
    int rc;
    long t;
    for(t=0; t<NUM_THREADS; t++){
        printf("In main: creating thread %ld\n", t);
        rc = pthread_create(&threads[t], NULL, PrintHello, (void *)t);
        if (rc){
            printf("ERROR; return code from pthread_create() is %d\n", rc);
            exit(-1);
        }
    }

    /* Last thing that main() should do */
    pthread_exit(NULL);
}
```



- Semaphores – a synchronization object (invented 1962/1963)
 - ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Semaphore_\(programming\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Semaphore_(programming)))

Synchronization between

- Two tasks
- ISR and task
- Critical region protection
 - aka Mutex
- Considered as the most simple and most used primitive in emb sys
- Semaphores is often used as internal basic building block for other primitives.
- create semaphore
- wait on semaphore
 - tasks only a
- signal to a semaphore
 - tasks and ISRs
- attach a cyclic timer to a semaphore for later repeated waitin
- and more adv features not touched in the course (also for POSIX)



```
39 void t11(void) {
40
41     while (1) {
42         k_wait(sem1,0); // wait forever
43         doBlink();
44     }
45 }
46
47 void t22(void) {
48
49     while (1) {
50         k_sleep(100);
51         k_signal(sem1); // kick a signal to who cares (do not know receiver)
52         doBlink();
53     }
54 }
55
```



- t11 starts waiting
- t22 starts signaling
- sem1 and sem2 are both initialized to “1” - meaning on “key” present
- Why not same order of wait/signal in both tasks ???

```
39 void t11(void) {
40
41     while (1) {
42         k_wait(sem1,0); // wait forever
43         k_signal(sem2);
44         doBlink();
45     }
46 }
47
48 void t22(void) {
49
50     while (1) {
51         k_sleep(100);
52         k_signal(sem1); // kick a signal to who cares (do not know receiver)
53         k_wait(sem2,0);
54         doBlink();
55     }
56 }
57
```



- Between tasks
- Between(from) ISR to task
- Synchronous (aka rendezvous)
- Asynchronous (buffer in between sender and receiver)

```
39 void t1(void) {
40
41 while (1) {
42     k_wait(sem1,0); // wait forever
43     doBlink();
44 }
45
46 }
47
48 // krnlisrsemkick.ino
49 ISR(INT0_vect, ISR_NAKED) {
50
51     // no local vars ??? ! I think
52     PUSHREGS();
53     if (!k_running)
54         goto exitt;
55
56     icnt++;
57     ki_signal(sem1);
58     K_CHG_STAK();
59 exitt:
60
61     POPREGS();
62     RETI();
63 }
```



- Buffered coordinated dataflow from one task to another

```
18
19 struct k_msg_t *pMsg2;
20 char mar2[10* 2]; // 10 ints each 2 bytes    could instead write 10 *sizeof(int)
21
22 void t1(void) {
23     int i;
24     while (1) {
25         if (0 <= k_receive(pMsg2, &i, -1, NULL) ) {
26             doBlink();
27         }
28     }
29 }
30
31 void t2(void) {
32     int i;
33     i = 0;
34     while (1) {
35         k_sleep(20); // just ZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZ
36         k_send(pMsg2, &i); //just send 0,1,2,3,4....
37         i++;
38     }
39 }
40
41 void setup() {
42     Serial.begin(9600);
43
44     k_init(2, 0, 1); // from now you can crt task,sem etc
45     p_t1 = k_crt_task(t1, 10, s1, STK_SIZE);
46     p_t2 = k_crt_task(t2, 9, s2, STK_SIZE);
47
48     pMsg2 = k_crt_send_Q(10, 2, mar2);
49     k_start(10); // now we are running    with timer 10 msev
50 }
51
52 }
```

- All msg's of same size
- You decide
- You supply with memory
- You can
 - wait forever
 - timeout
 - have buffer filled
 - if no space for new msg
 - its just dropped !
- Messages are copied to send sys internal buffer
- you did supply in crt call
- So NO dynamic sh*t



- Same mechanism

```
struct k_t * p_t1;

struct k_msg_t *pMsg;
char mar[10 * 2];

void t1(void) {
    int i;
    while (1) {
        if (0 <= k_receive(pMsg, &i, 0, NULL) ) {
            doBlink();
        }
    }
}

ISR(INT0_vect, ISR_NAKED) { // UNO only
    static int icnt = 0;
    PUSHREGS();
    if (!k_running)    goto exitt ;

    icnt++;
    ki_send(pMsg, (void *)&icnt);
    K_CHG_STAK();

exitt:
    POPREGS();
    RETI();
}

void setup() {
    Serial.begin(9600);

    k_init(1, 0, 1); // from now you can crt task,sem etc
    p_t1 = k_crt_task(t1, 10, s1, STK_SIZE);
    pMsg = k_crt_send_Q(10, 2, mar);
    installISR (); // left out here
    k_start(10); // now we are running    with timer 10 msev
}
```



- signal to another task from ISR and task
 - receive signals
 - do mutexes for tasks
 - Send information from task or ISR to task
 - fixed message size
 - Receive information in tasks
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- Message system internally
 - A ringbuffer applied on the data/array you supply with in `crt_send` call
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- You cant !!
 - change ringbuffer size after `k_start`
 - change size of items in ringbuffer after `k_start`
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- WHY ?? (this goes for all primitives)
-
- Because system must not change behaviour/metrics during execution



- Producing task/ISR is normally high priority
- Receiving task may(may!) eat messages in chunks to
- task1/ISR p p pppp p p p pp
- task2 r r r(and waiting maybe)s



- You might find libraries where “read” from an external device is busy waiting on until some timeout
- should be coded with interfaces based on
 - task waiting for data is temporarily blocked by a semaphore

1) ISR Semaphore kick

- ISR triggered by button
- signaling to semaphore
- Task receiving signal and printing kick

• ISR Message kick

- As 1) except an int counting nr of interrupts is received by use of msgQ

• Design a debouncing mechanism in ISRs (as first lecture)

• Add counter so we can

see how many

bounces

Send nr of bounces back

by ki_send and ...

reset counter

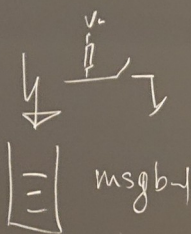
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```
32 ISR(INT0_vect, ISR_NAKED) { // UNO only
33     static int unsigned long t = 0;
34     PUSHREGS();
35     if (!k_running) goto exitt;
36
37     if ( (millis() - t) > 500) {
38         t = millis();
39         icnt++;
40         ki_send(pMsg, (void *)&icnt);
41
42     }
43     K_CHG_STAK();
44
45 exitt:
46     POPREGS();
47     RETI();
48 }
```



button w. pullup \rightarrow ISR $\xrightarrow{\#ISR}$ ki-send \rightarrow buffer

20 slots of
sizeof(int)

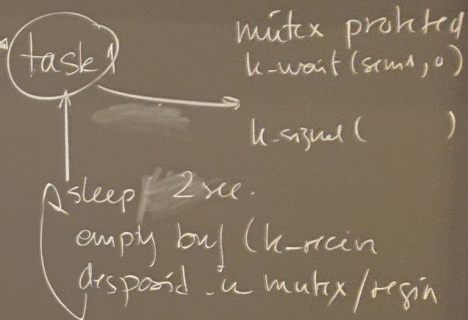
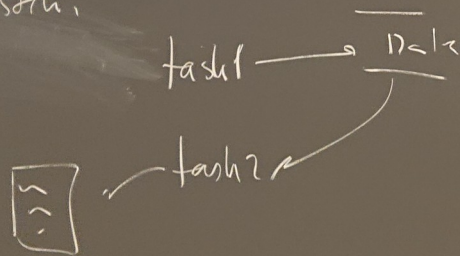


Explain 3+4 calls

4 calls for task
semaphor
msg system.

hint: look into kernel.h
OR

github.com/jlu-aau



sleep 2 sec.
empty buf (k-receive
disposed in mutex/region)

task2 display
even 1 sec
get data from mutex
display on serial ifaces