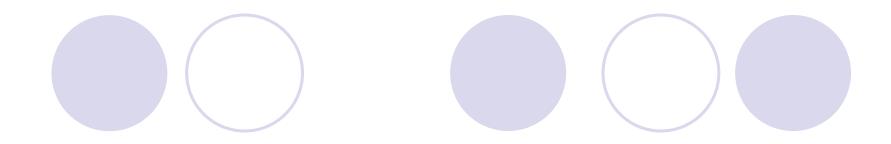
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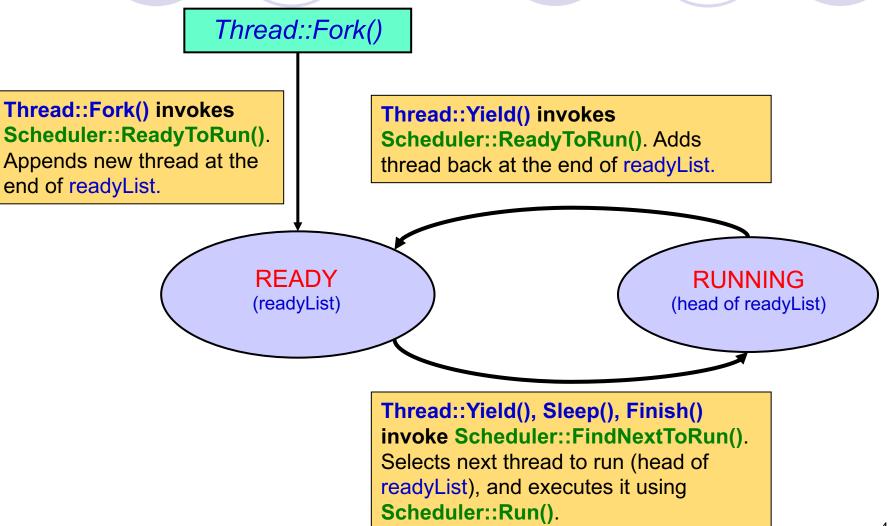


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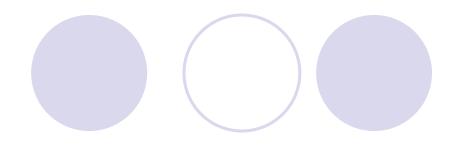


CPU Scheduling in NachOS

Non-preemptive FIFO Scheduling



Threads



- Thread()
 - Constructor: sets the thread as JUST_CREATED status
- Fork()
 - Allocate stack, initialize registers.
 - Call Scheduler::ReadyToRun() to put the thread into readyList, and set its status as READY.
- Yield()
 - Suspend the calling thread and put it into readyList.
 - Call Scheduler::FindNextToRun() to select another thread from readyList.
 - Execute selected thread by Scheduler::Run(), which sets its status as RUNNING and call SWITCH() (in code/threads/switch.s) to exchange the running thread.
- Finish()
 - Mark current thread for destruction.
 - Call Sleep() to find next thread to run and execute it.

Threads (Cont.)

- void Yield()
 - Suspend the calling thread and select a new one for execution
 - Find next ready thread by calling Scheduler::FindNextToRun().
 - Put current thread into ready list (waiting for rescheduling).
 - Execute the next ready thread by invoking Scheduler::Run().
 - If no other threads are ready to execute, continue running the current thread.

Threads (Cont.)



- Terminate the currently running thread.
 - Call Sleep() and never wake up
 - De-allocate the data structures of a terminated thread
 - The newly scheduled thread examines the toBeDestroyed variable and finishes this thread.

The same as "terminated" in our lecture

Threads (Cont.)

void Sleep ()

- Suspend the current thread and change its state to BLOCKED
 - Run next ready thread
 - Invoke interrupt->Idle() to wait for the next interrupt when readyList is empty
- Sleep is called when the current thread needs to be blocked until some future event takes place.
 - Eg. Waiting for a disk read interrupt
 - It is called by Semaphore::P() in code/threads/synch.cc.
 - Semaphore::V() will wake up one of the thread in the waiting queue (sleeping threads queue).

Timers

Timer can be used to trigger an interrupt (i.e., after a fixed number of time ticks)

- void TimerInterruptHandler ()
 - Interrupt handler that is called when timer expires.
- void TimerExpired ()
 - Function that executes when the timer expires.
- int TimeOfNextInterrupt ()
 - Function returns the next interrupt time tick.

Timers (Cont.)

void TimerInterruptHandler ()

- Function defined in code/threads/system.cc.
- Executes whenever the associated timer expires and the interrupt is triggered.
- Timer is initialized in code/threads/system.cc using the constructor for class Timer which is defined in code/machine/timer.cc.

void TimerExpired ()

- Function defined in code/machine/timer.cc.
- Executes whenever the timer expires. It in turn invokes the interrupt handler which is defined in previous slide.

Timers (Cont.)

- int TimeOfNextInterrupt ()
 - Defined in code/machine/timer.cc.
 - Returns an integer denoting number of time ticks.
 - Oused to schedule an interrupt using the timer. The interrupt will be triggered after this number of time ticks from the current time.
 - Ocan be used to make the timer periodic as required for round-robin scheduling.

Interrupt

- The timer uses several functions from the Interrupt class.
- Pending timer interrupts in the system are maintained in a list called pending, comprising objects of the class PendingInterrupt.
- This list is sorted in increasing order of the time tick when the interrupt will be triggered.
- Defined in code/machine/interrupt.cc.

Interrupt (Cont.)

void Schedule()

- Function schedules/inserts a new interrupt to the pending list.
- Insertion is in sorted order; sorted by the pending time ticks for the interrupt to be triggered.
- Used in Timer to initialize a timer interrupt.

Interrupt (Cont.)

void OneTick()

- Function to process a single time tick.
- Updates global variable stats → totalTicks.
- Calls Interrupt::CheckIfDue() (defined below) to process any pending interrupt that would be triggered now.
- If variable yieldOnReturn is true, then triggers a context switch through a call to *Thread::Yield()*.

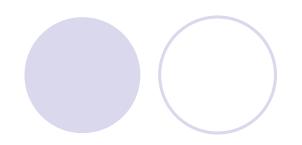
Interrupt (Cont.)

bool CheckIfDue()

- Function to process interrupts and invoke handler.
- Ohecks if pendingInterrupt at the head of pending list should be triggered at current tick.
- If yes, corresponding handler is invoked.
- O Handler for Timer is Timer::TimerExpired().

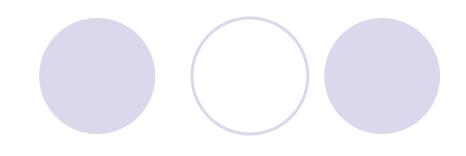
void YieldOnReturn()

- Function that is called by the Timer handler TimerInterruptHandler().
- Sets the variable yieldOnReturn to true.
- Force Interrupt::OneTick() to trigger context switch.



Timer::Timer()

Interrupt::Schedule(TimerInterruptHandler, TimeOfNextInterrupt)



Interrupt::OneTick()

Interrupt::CheckIfDue()

Timer::TimerExpired()

Timer::TimerInterruptHandler()

Interrupt::YieldOnReturn()

Interrupt::OneTick() will trigger context switch
Thread::yield()



Discussion of Experiment 2

Experiment 2 – Overview

Objective

- Understand how to schedule processes/threads using round-robin strategy with a fixed time quantum.
- Understand how to create and reset timer interrupts to implement the fixed time quantum.

Tasks

- Initialize the timer interrupt with a fixed time quantum of 40 time ticks.
- Make the timer interrupt periodic.
- Reset the timer interrupt if a thread finishes in the middle of a time quantum.
- Look for code comments /* Experiment 2 */

Directory Structure

bin For generating NachOS format files, DO NOT CHANGE!

filesys NachOS kernel related to file system, DO NOT CHANGE!

exp1 Experiment 1, nachos threads.

exp2 Experiment 2, CPU scheduling.

machine MIPS H/W simulation. Experiment 2 modifications for Timer, Interrupt.

Makefile.common For compilation of NachOS,

Makefile.dep

network NachOS kernel related to network, DO NOT CHANGE!

port NachOS kernel related to port, DO NOT CHANGE!

readme Short description of OS labs and assessments

DO NOT CHANGE!

test NachOS format files for testing virtual memory, DO NOT CHANGE!

threads NachOS kernel related to thread management. Experiment 2

modifications for System, Thread.

userprog
NachOS kernel related to running user applications, DO NOT CHANGE!

Experiment 2 – User program

- User program for Experiment 2 can be found in exp2/threadtest.cc
 - ○ThreadTest() ← this is the test procedure called from within main()
 - You will use it to evaluate your round-robin implementation. PLEASE DO NOT MODIFY.

Experiment 2 - Summary

Objective:

- Understand how to schedule processes/threads using round-robin strategy with a fixed time quantum.
- Understand how to create and reset timer interrupts to implement the fixed time quantum.

Assessment:

- Assessment of your implementation. Please leave your code, the output files output_1.txt and output_2.txt, as well as Table1.csv and Table2.csv in the exp2 folder for TA/Supervisor to review. Deadline is 1 week after your lab session (e.g., if lab session is from 10AM-12PM on a Monday, then deadline is 9:59AM on the next Monday).
- Lab Quiz 1, which is an online multiple-choice quiz, will be administered through NTULearn during recess week.

Documents:

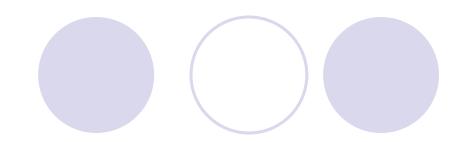
Can be found in NTULearn

Experiment 2 – Tasks 1 & 2

- Initialize the timer interrupt with a fixed time quantum of 40 time ticks.
 - Activate Timer in code/threads/system.cc.
 - Initialize the timer with the fixed time quantum in code/machine/timer.cc.
- Make the timer interrupt periodic.
 - Modify function Timer::TimerExpired() to make the above timer periodic.
 - It should trigger a timer interrupt every 40 time ticks.
- Test your implementation.
 - Change working directory to Experiment 2 by typing cd ~/nachos-exp1-2/exp2.
 - Ompile Nachos by typing make. If you see "In -sf arch/intel-i386-linux/bin/nachos nachos" at the end of the compiling output, your compilation is successful. If you encounter any anomalies, type make clean to remove all object and executable files and then type make again for a clean compilation.
 - Trace a run of this Nachos test program by typing ./nachos -d > output_1.txt. Option -d is to display Nachos debugging messages.
 - Populate the table (as instructed in the manual for Experiment 2) based on the generated output.

Task 1 and 2

- threads/system.cc
- machine/timer.cc



Initialize the timer interrupt with a fixed time quantum of 40

time ticks.

1(a) Activate Timer in code/threads/system.cc.

```
DebugInit(debugArgs);
                                         // initialize DEBUG messages
                                         // collect statistics
stats = new Statistics();
interrupt = new Interrupt:
                                         // start up interrupt handling
                                         // initialize the ready queue
scheduler = new Scheduler();
if (randomYield) {
                                         // start the timer (if needed)
   timer = new Timer(TimerInterruptHandler, 0, randomYield);
                                             No change here
   /* Experiment 2*/
   /* Debug message to denote scheduling of timer interrupt*/
   DEBUG('i'."*** Timer interrupt scheduled at %d\n".stats->totalTicks+timer->TimeOfNextInterrupt()):
threadToBeDestroyed = NULL;
// We didn't explicitly allocate the current thread we are running in.
// But if it ever tries to give up the CPU, we better have a Thread
// object to save its state.
currentThread = new Thread("main");
```

Initialize the timer with the fixed time quantum in code/machine/timer.cc.

Syntax

The syntax for creating a constant using #define in the C language is:

#define CNAME value

```
// timer.cc
        Routines to emulate a hardware timer device.
        A hardware timer generates a CPU interrupt every X milliseconds.
        This means it can be used for implementing time-slicing.
        We emulate a hardware timer by scheduling an interrupt to occur
        every time stats->totalTicks has increased by TimerTicks.
        In order to introduce some randomness into time-slicing, if "doRandom"
       is set, then the interrupt is comes after a random number of ticks.
        Remember -- nothing in here is part of Nachos. It is just
        an emulation for the hardware that Nachos is running on top of.
    DO NOT CHANGE -- part of the machine emulation
// Copyright (c) 1992-1993 The Regents of the University of California.
// All rights reserved. See copyright.h for copyright notice and limitation
// of liability and disclaimer of warranty provisions.
#include "copyright.h"
#include "timer.h'
#include "system.h"
/* Experiment 2 */
// Fixed quantum size definition.
```

```
//-
// Timer::TimeOfNextInterrupt
// Return when the hardware timer device will next cause an interrupt.
// If randomize is turned on, make it a (pseudo-)random delay.
//-
int
Timer::TimeOfNextInterrupt()
{
    /* Experiment 2 */
    /* Update below code so that it returns a fixed time quantum of 40 time ticks */
    if (randomize)
        return 1 + (Random() % (TimerTicks * 2));
    else
        return TimerTicks;
}
```

- 2. Make the timer interrupt periodic.
 - Modify function Timer::TimerExpired() to make the above timer periodic.
 - It should trigger a timer interrupt every 40 time ticks.

```
Routine to simulate the interrupt generated by the hardware machine/timer.cc
                                                                                                                                                        threads/system.cc
void
                                                                                                                                   DebugInit(debugArgs);
Timer::TimerExpired()
                                                                                                                                   stats = new Statistics();
                                                                                                                                                                        // collect statistics
                                                                                                                                   interrupt = new Interrupt;
                                                                                                                                                                       // start up interrupt handling
                                                                                                                                   scheduler = new Scheduler();
                                                                                                                                                                       // initialize the ready queue
    /* Experiment 2 */
                                                                                                                                   if (randomYield) {
                                                                                                                                                                       // start the timer (if needed)
    /* Add code below to make the timer periodic. */
                                                                                                                                       timer = new Timer(TimerInterruptHandler, 0, randomYield);
     /* Experiment 2*/
                                                                                                                                       /* Debug message to denote scheduling of timer interrupt*/
                                                                                                                                       DEBUG('i',"**** Timer interrupt scheduled at %d\n",stats->totalTicks+timer->TimeOfNextInterrupt());
         /* Debug message to denote scheduling of timer interrupt*/
      DEBUG('i',"*** Timer interrupt scheduled at %d\n",stats->totalTicks+timer->TimeOfNextInterrupt())
                                                                                                                                   threadToBeDestroyed = NULL;
     // invoke the Nachos interrupt handler for this device
                                                                                                                                   // We didn't explicitly allocate the current thread we are running in.
     (*handler)(arg);
                                                                                                                                   // But if it ever tries to give up the CPU, we better have a Thread
                                                                                                                                   // object to save its state.
                                                                                                                                   currentThread = new Thread("main");
```

```
// Timer::Timer
       Initialize a hardware timer device. Save the place to call
       on each interrupt, and then arrange for the timer to start
       generating interrupts.
       "timerHandler" is the interrupt handler for the timer device.
               It is called with interrupts disabled every time the
               the timer expires.
       "callArg" is the parameter to be passed to the interrupt handler.
       "doRandom" -- if true, arrange for the interrupts to occur
               at random, instead of fixed, intervals.
Timer::Timer(VoidFunctionPtr timerHandler, int callArg, bool doRandom)
   randomize = doRandom:
                                                                Example of calling interrupt :: Schedule()
   handler = timerHandler:
   arg = callArg;
   // schedule the first interrupt from the timer device
   interrupt->Schedule(TimerHandler, ( int) this, TimeOfNextInterrupt(),
               TimerInt);
```

output_1.txt

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Tick	ready list	current thread	Timer Interrupt triggered	Thread completion	Context switch
40	child1, child2, child3	main	Timer interrupt scheduled at 80		main -> child1
50	child2, child3, main	child1		Thread 1 Completed	child1 -> child2

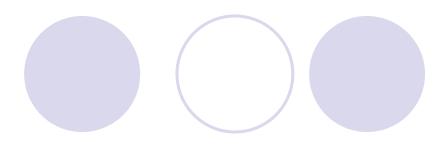
```
== Tick 10 ==
        interrupts: on -> off
Time: 10, interrupts off
Pending interrupts:
In mapcar, about to invoke 804b167(9ed1098)
Interrupt handler timer, scheduled at 40
End of pending interrupts
        interrupts: off -> on
Entering SimpleTestForking thread child1 #0 with func=0x804a640, arg=1, join=NO
        interrupts: on -> off
Putting thread child1 #0 on ready list.
        interrupts: off -> on
== Tick 20 ==
        interrupts: on -> off
Time: 20, interrupts off
Pending interrupts:
In mapcar, about to invoke 804b167(9ed1098)
Interrupt handler timer, scheduled at 40
End of pending interrupts
        interrupts: off -> on
Forking thread child2 #0 with func=0x804a640, arg=2, join=NO
        interrupts: on -> off
Putting thread child2 #0 on ready list.
        interrupts: off -> on
== Tick 30 ==
        interrupts: on -> off
Time: 30, interrupts off
Pending interrupts:
In mapcar, about to invoke 804b167(9ed1098)
Interrupt handler timer, scheduled at 40
End of pending interrupts
        interrupts: off -> on
Forking thread child3 #0 with func=0x804a640, arg=3, join=NO
        interrupts: on -> off
Putting thread child3 #0 on ready list.
        interrupts: off -> on
```

```
== Tick 40 ==
        interrupts: on -> off
Time: 40. interrupts off
Pending interrupts:
In mapcar, about to invoke 804b167(9ed1098)
Interrupt handler timer, scheduled at 40
End of pending interrupts
Invoking interrupt handler for the timer at time 40
Scheduling interrupt handler the timer at time = 80
*** Timer interrupt scheduled at 80
Time: 40, interrupts off
Pending interrupts:
In mapcar, about to invoke 804b167(9ee33c0)
Interrupt handler timer, scheduled at 80
End of pending interrupts
        interrupts: off -> on
        interrupts: on -> off
Yielding thread main #0
Putting thread main #0 on ready list.
Switching from thread main #0 to thread child1 #0
        interrupts: off -> on
== Tick 50 ==
         interrupts: on -> off
Time: 50, interrupts off
Pending interrupts:
In mapcar, about to invoke 804b167(9ee33c0)
Interrupt handler timer, scheduled at 80
End of pending interrupts
         interrupts: off -> on
Thread 1 Completed.
         interrupts: on -> off
Finishing thread child1 #0
Sleeping thread child1 #0
Switching from thread child1 #0 to thread child2 #0
         interrupts: off -> on
```

Experiment 2 – Task 3

- Reset the timer interrupt if a thread finishes in the middle of a time quantum.
 - When the current thread finishes, remove the pending timer interrupt from the pending list, and insert a new timer interrupt with the time quantum of 40 time ticks.
 - You would need to modify files/functions Threads::Finish(), timer.cc, timer.h, interrupt.cc and interrupt.h.
 - Note: For this experiment, to keep things simple, we will assume that no other interrupts are pending in the list, except the timer interrupts created by us.
 - Compile and execute NachOS as in Tasks 1 & 2 in the previous slide (use filename output 2.txt to store your results).
 - Populate the table (as instructed in the manual for Experiment 2) based on the generated output.

Task 3



- machine/timer.cc
- machine/interrupt.cc
- machine/timer.h
- machine/interrupt.h
- threads/thread.cc

Create new function

```
/* Experiment 2 */ machine/timer.cc
//----
// Timer::getHandler
// Return TimerHandler.
//---
VoidFunctionPtr
Timer::getHandler()
{
}
```

Create new function

Header file

Just add the new function to the class public attribute.

```
#ifndef TIMER H
#define TIMER H
                                               machine/timer.h
#include "copyright.h"
#include "utility.h"
// The following class defines a hardware timer.
class Timer {
 public:
   Timer(VoidFunctionPtr timerHandler, int callArg, bool doRandom);
                              // Initialize the timer, to call the interrupt
                              // handler "timerHandler" every time slice.
   ~Timer() {}
// Internal routines to the timer emulation -- DO NOT call these
                              // called internally when the hardware
   void TimerExpired();
                              // timer generates an interrupt
   int TimeOfNextInterrupt(); // figure out when the timer will generate
                              // its next interrupt
  /* Experiment 2 */
  // get handler for timer to reset it
 private:
   bool randomize:
                              // set if we need to use a random timeout delay
   VoidFunctionPtr handler; // timer interrupt handler
                              // argument to pass to interrupt handler
   int arg;
#endif // TIMER H
```

```
// The following class defines the data structures for the simulation
// of hardware interrupts. We record whether interrupts are enabled
// or disabled, and any hardware interrupts that are scheduled to occur
// in the future.
                           machine/interrupt.h
class Interrupt {
 public:
   Interrupt();
                                       // initialize the interrupt simulation
   ~Interrupt();
                                      // de-allocate data structures
   IntStatus SetLevel(IntStatus level):// Disable or enable interrupts
                                      // and return previous setting.
   void Enable():
                                      // Enable interrupts.
   IntStatus getLevel() {return level:}// Return whether interrupts
                                      // are enabled or disabled
   void Idle():
                                      // The ready queue is empty, roll
                                      // simulated time forward until the
                                      // next interrupt
   void Halt():
                                      // quit and print out stats
   void YieldOnReturn();
                                      // cause a context switch on return
                                      // from an interrupt handler
   MachineStatus getStatus() { return status; } // idle, kernel, user
   void setStatus(MachineStatus st) { status = st; }
   void DumpState();
                                      // Print interrupt state
   // NOTE: the following are internal to the hardware simulation code.
   // DO NOT call these directly. I should make them "private",
   // but they need to be public since they are called by the
   // hardware device simulators.
   void Schedule(VoidFunctionPtr handler,// Schedule an interrupt to occur
       int arg, int when, IntType type);// at time ``when''. This is called
                                      // by the hardware device simulators.
   void OneTick();
                                      // Advance simulated time
  /* Experiment 2 */
  // Function to remove pending interrupt from head of pending list.
```

```
void
Thread::Finish ()
    if (will joinP == 0) {
                                          // this thread will not be joined
        (void) interrupt->SetLevel(IntOff);
                                                                                          threads/thread.cc
        ASSERT(this == currentThread);
        DEBUG('t', "Finishing thread %s #%i\n", getName(), pid);
        threadToBeDestroyed = currentThread;
        /* Experiment 2 */
        /* Add code here to reset the timer interrupt so that the next
            interrupt is triggered after 40 time ticks from now.
        // Get handler for the timer.
        // Remove pending timer interrupt from pending list. This is the interrupt based on fixed time quantum.
        // Reschedule a new timer interrupt so that it is triggered after a fixed time quantum from current time.
        // Debug message to denote resetting of timer interrupt
        DEBUG('i', "*** Timer interrupt reset to %d\n", stats->totalTicks+timer->TimeOfNextInterrupt());
        Sleep();
                                                            // invokes SWITCH
    else {
                                          // this thread will be joined
        DEBUG('j', "Thread %s #%i is here to revive the thread that "
                                                                                                                    threads/system.cc
               "called it\n", getName(), pid);
                                                                                                 DebugInit(debugArgs);
                                                                                                                                  // initialize DEBUG messages
        join thereP->P();
                                           // make sure the Join proc has
                                                                                                 stats = new Statistics();
                                                                                                                                  // collect statistics
                                             // been called
                                                                                                                                  // start up interrupt handling
                                                                                                 interrupt = new Interrupt;
                                          // tell that Join proc that you
                                                                                                 scheduler = new Scheduler();
                                                                                                                                  // initialize the ready queue
        join wait->V();
                                                                                                 if (randomYield) {
                                                                                                                                  // start the timer (if needed)
                                            // are in finish and done
                                                                                                    timer = new Timer(TimerInterruptHandler, 0, randomYield):
        (void) interrupt->SetLevel(IntOff);
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        // Reschedule a new timer interrupt so that it is triggered after a fixed time quantum from current time.
        // Debug message to denote resetting of timer interrupt
        DEBUG('i',"*** Timer interrupt reset to %d\n",stats->totalTicks+timer->TimeOfNextInterrupt());
        Sleep();
                                                            // invokes SWITCH
    // not reached
```

Output 2.txt

Tick	ready list	current thread	Timer Interrupt triggered	Thread completion	Context switch	
40	child1, child2, child3	main	Timer interrupt scheduled at 80		main -> child1	1
50	child2, child3, main	child1	Timer interrupt reset to 90	Thread 1 Completed	child1 -> child2	

```
== Tick 40 ==
        interrupts: on -> off
Time: 40, interrupts off
Pending interrupts:
In mapcar, about to invoke 804b28d(8f49098)
Interrupt handler timer, scheduled at 40
End of pending interrupts
Invoking interrupt handler for the timer at time 40
Scheduling interrupt handler the timer at time = 80
*** Timer interrupt scheduled at 80
Time: 40, interrupts off
Pending interrupts:
In mapcar, about to invoke 804b28d(8f5b3c0)
Interrupt handler timer, scheduled at 80
End of pending interrupts
        interrupts: off -> on
        interrupts: on -> off
Yielding thread main #0
Putting thread main #0 on ready list.
Switching from thread main #0 to thread child1 #0
        interrupts: off -> on
== Tick 50 ==
        interrupts: on -> off
Time: 50, interrupts off
Pending interrupts:
In mapcar, about to invoke 804b28d(8f5b3c0)
Interrupt handler timer, scheduled at 80
End of pending interrupts
        interrupts: off -> on
Thread 1 Completed.
        interrupts: on -> off
Finishing thread child1 #0
Scheduling interrupt handler the timer at time = 90
*** Timer interrupt reset to 90
Sleeping thread child1 #0
Switching from thread child1 #0 to thread child2 #0
        interrupts: off -> on
```

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 The slides are created with assistance from Ankita Samaddar.