

CPSC 213

Introduction to Computer Systems

Unit 3

Course Review

Learning Goals 1

- Memory
 - Endianness and memory-address alignment
- Globals
 - Machine model for access to global variables; static and dynamic arrays and structs
- Pointers
 - Pointers in C, & and * operators, and pointer arithmetic
- Instance Variables
 - Instance variables of objects and structs
- Dynamic Storage
 - Dynamic storage allocation and deallocation
- If and Loop
 - If statements and loops
- Procedures
 - Procedures, call, return, stacks, local variables and arguments
- Dynamic Flow Control
 - Dynamic flow control, polymorphism, and switch statements

Learning Goals 2

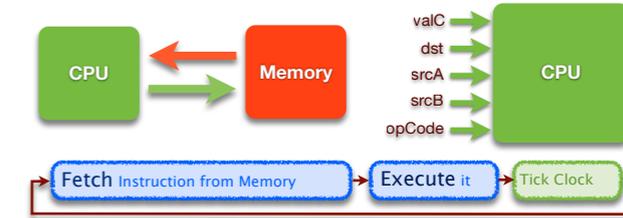
- Read Assembly
 - Read assembly code
- Write Assembly
 - Write assembly code
- ISA-PL Connection
 - Connection between ISA and high-level programming language
- Asynchrony
 - PIO, DMA, interrupts and asynchronous programming
- Threads
 - Using and implementing threads
- Synchronization
 - Using and implementing spinlocks, monitors, condition variables and semaphores
- Virtual Memory
 - Virtual memory translation and implementation tradeoffs

Big Ideas: First Half

- Static and dynamic
 - anything that can be determined **before execution** (by compiler) is called **static**
 - anything that can only be determined **during execution** (at runtime) is called **dynamic**

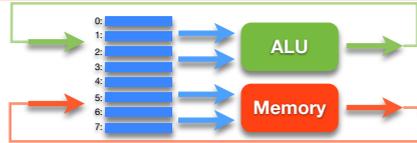
SM-213 Instruction Set Architecture

- hardware context is CPU and main memory with fetch/execute loop



Memory Access

- Memory is
 - an array of bytes, indexed by byte **address**
- Memory access is
 - restricted to a transfer between registers and memory
 - the ALU is thus unchanged, it still takes operands from registers
 - this is approach taken by Reduced Instruction Set Computers (RISC)
- Common mistakes
 - wrong: trying to have instruction read from memory and do computation all at once
 - must always load from memory into register as first step, then do ALU computations from registers only
 - wrong: trying to have instruction do computation and store into memory all at once
 - all ALU operations write to a register, then can store into memory on next step



Loading and Storing

- load into register
 - immediate value: 32-bit number directly inside instruction
 - from memory: base in register, direct offset as 4-bit number
 - offset/4 stored in machine language
 - common mistake: forget 0 offset when just want store value from register into memory
 - from memory: base in register, index in register
 - computed offset is 4*index
 - from register
- store into memory
 - base in register, direct offset as 4-bit number
 - base in register, index in register
 - common mistake: cannot directly store immediate value into memory

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
load immediate	$r[d] \leftarrow v$	ld Sv, rd	0d-- vvvvvvvv
load base+offset	$r[d] \leftarrow m[r[s]+(o \cdot p \cdot 4)]$	ld o(rs), rd	1psd
load indexed	$r[d] \leftarrow m[r[s]+4 \cdot r[i]]$	ld (rs,ri,4), rd	2sid
register move	$r[d] \leftarrow r[s]$	mov rs, rd	60sd
store base+offset	$m[r[d]+(o \cdot p \cdot 4)] \leftarrow r[s]$	st rs, o(rd)	3spd
store indexed	$m[r[d]+4 \cdot r[i]] \leftarrow r[s]$	st rs, (rd,ri,4)	4sdi

Numbers

- Hex vs. decimal vs. binary
 - in SM-213 assembly
 - 0x in front of number means it's in hex
 - otherwise it's decimal
 - converting from hex to decimal
 - convert each hex digit separately to decimal
 - $0x2a3 = 2 \cdot 16^2 + 10 \cdot 16^1 + 3 \cdot 16^0$
 - converting from hex to binary
 - convert each hex digit separately to binary: 4 bits in one hex digit
 - converting from binary to hex
 - convert each 4-bit block to hex digit
- exam advice
 - reconstruct your own lookup table in the margin if you need to do this

dec	hex	bin
0	0	0000
1	1	0001
2	2	0010
3	3	0011
4	4	0100
5	5	0101
6	6	0110
7	7	0111
8	8	1000
9	9	1001
10	A	1010
11	B	1011
12	C	1100
13	D	1101
14	E	1110
15	F	1111

Numbers

- Common mistakes
 - treating hex number as decimal: interpret 0x20 as 20, but it's actually decimal 32
 - using decimal number instead of hex: writing 0x20 when you meant decimal 20
 - wasting your time converting into format you don't particularly need
 - wasting your time trying to do computations in unhelpful format
 - think: what do you really need to answer the question?
 - adding small numbers easy in hex: B+2=D
 - for serious computations consider converting to decimal
 - unless multiply/divide by power of 2: then hex or binary is fast with bitshifting!

Two's Complement: Reminder

- unsigned
 - all possible values interpreted as positive numbers
 - int (32 bits)
 - 0 to 4,294,967,295
 - 0x0 to 0xffffffff
- signed: two's complement
 - the first half of the numbers are positive, the second half are negative
 - start at 0, go to top positive value, "wrap around" to most negative value, end up at -1
 - 2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
 - 0x80000000 to 0x7fffffff

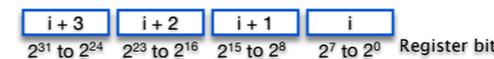
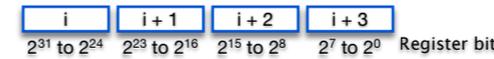
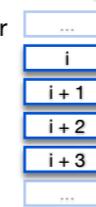
Two's Complement and Sign Extension

- Common mistakes:
 - forgetting to pad with 0s when sign extended
- normally, pad with 0s when extending to larger size
 - 0x8b byte (139) becomes 0x0000008b int (139)
- but that would change value for negative 2's comp:
 - 0xff byte (-1) should not be 0x000000ff int (255)
- so: pad with Fs with negative numbers in 2's comp:
 - 0xff byte (-1) becomes 0xfffffff int (-1)
 - in binary: padding with 1, not 0
- reminder: why do all this?
 - add/subtract works without checking if number positive or negative

Endianness

- Consider 4-byte memory word and 32-bit register
 - it has memory addresses i, i+1, i+2, and i+3
 - we'll just say its "at address i and is 4 bytes long"
 - e.g., the word at address 4 is in bytes 4, 5, 6 and 7.
- Big or Little Endian
 - we could start with the BIG END of the number
 - most computer makers except for Intel, also network protocols
 - or we could start with the LITTLE END
 - Intel

Memory



Alignment

- Power-of-two aligned addresses simplify hardware
 - required on many machines, faster on all machines
- computing alignment: for what size integers is address X aligned?
 - byte address to integer address is division by power to two, which is just shifting bits
 - $j / 2^k == j \gg k$ (j shifted k bits to right)
 - convert address to decimal; divide by 2, 4, 8, 16, ...; stop as soon as there's a remainder
 - convert address to binary; sweep from right to left, stop when find a 1

Static Variable Access (static arrays)

- Static Memory Layout
 - 0x1000: value of a
 - 0x2000: value of b[0]
 - 0x2004: value of b[1]
 - ...
 - 0x2020: value of b[9]
- Key observations
 - address of **b[a]** cannot be computed statically by compiler
 - address can be computed dynamically from base and index stored in registers
 - element size can known statically, from array type
- Array access: use load/store indexed instruction

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
load indexed	$r[d] \leftarrow m[r[s]+4 \cdot r[i]]$	ld (rs,ri,4), rd	2sid
store indexed	$m[r[d]+4 \cdot r[i]] \leftarrow r[s]$	st rs, (rd,ri,4)	4sdi

Static vs Dynamic Arrays

- Same access, different declaration and allocation
 - for static arrays, the compiler allocates the whole array
 - for dynamic arrays, the compiler allocates a pointer
- Static array example:


```
int a;
int b[10];

void foo () {
    b[a] = a;
}
```

 - 0x2000: value of b[0]
 - 0x2004: value of b[1]
 - ...
 - 0x2024: value of b[9]
- Dynamic array example:


```
int a;
int* b;

void foo () {
    b = (int*) malloc (10*sizeof(int));
    b[a] = a;
}
```

 - 0x2000: value of b
 - ld \$a_data, r0 # r0 = address of a
 - ld (r0), r1 # r1 = a
 - ld \$b_data, r2 # r2 = address of b
 - ld (r2), r3 # r3 = b
 - st r1, (r3,r1,4) # b[a] = a

Dereferencing Registers

- Common mistakes
 - no dereference when you need it
 - extra dereference when you don't need it
- example


```
ld $a_data, r0 # r0 = address of a
ld (r0), r1 # r1 = a
ld $b_data, r2 # r2 = address of b
ld (r2), r3 # r3 = b
st r1, (r3,r1,4) # b[a] = a
```

 - a dereferenced once
 - b dereferenced twice
 - once with offset load
 - once with indexed store
- no dereference: value in register
- one dereference: address in register
- two dereferences: address of pointer in register

Basic ALU Operations

- Arithmetic

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
register move	$r[d] \leftarrow r[s]$	mov rs, rd	60sd
add	$r[d] \leftarrow r[d] + r[s]$	add rs, rd	61sd
and	$r[d] \leftarrow r[d] \& r[s]$	and rs, rd	62sd
inc	$r[d] \leftarrow r[d] + 1$	inc rd	63-d
inc address	$r[d] \leftarrow r[d] + 4$	inca rd	64-d
dec	$r[d] \leftarrow r[d] - 1$	dec rd	65-d
dec address	$r[d] \leftarrow r[d] - 4$	deca rd	66-d
not	$r[d] \leftarrow \sim r[d]$	not rd	67-d
- Shifting, NOP and Halt

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
shift left	$r[d] \leftarrow r[d] \ll S = s$	shl rd, s	7dss
shift right	$r[d] \leftarrow r[d] \gg S = -s$	shr rd, s	f0--
halt	halt machine	halt	f0--
nop	do nothing	nop	ff--

Summary: Static Scalar and Array Variables

- Static variables
 - the compiler knows the address (memory location) of variable
- Static scalars and arrays
 - the compiler knows the address of the scalar value or array
- Dynamic arrays
 - the compiler does not know the address the array
- What C does that Java doesn't
 - static arrays
 - arrays can be accessed using pointer dereferencing operator
 - arithmetic on pointers
- What Java does that C doesn't
 - typesafe dynamic allocation
 - automatic array-bounds checking

Structs

```
struct D {
    int e;
    long long f;
    int g;
};
```

struct D d0; address of d0 (also)

address of d0.e: 0x1000: value of d0.e
 address of d0.f: 0x1004: value of d0.f
 address of d0.g: 0x100c: value of d0.g

Key observation

- offset from base of struct to a specific field is static
 - can always be computed by compiler
- address can be computed dynamically from base stored in register and offset computed by compiler and encoded directly into instruction
 - difference from arrays: fields do not all have to be same size, so cannot necessarily compute offset from index

Struct access: use load/store offset instruction

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
load base+offset	$r[d] \leftarrow m[r[s]+(o=p*4)]$	<code>ld o(rs), rd</code>	1psd
store base+offset	$m[r[d]+(o=p*4)] \leftarrow r[s]$	<code>st rs, o(rd)</code>	3spd

Static vs. Dynamic Structs

```
struct D {
    int e;
    int f;
};
```

Static and dynamic differ by an extra memory access

- dynamic structs have dynamic address that must be read from memory

Static: `struct D d0; d0.e = d0.f;`
 Dynamic: `struct D* d1; d1->e = d1->f;`

Static access: `m[0x1000] ← m[0x1004]`
 Dynamic access: `m[m[0x1000]+0] ← m[m[0x1000]+4]` (extra dereference)

Static Control Flow for If/Loop

- conditional branches: do if register is
 - equal to zero
 - greater than zero
 - often requires ALU calculation to change condition into zero check
 - tradeoff is keep ISA compact, vs. require more instructions to execute desired behavior
 - continue with RISC approach: pick compact
- unconditional
 - PC-relative (branch)
 - 8 bits to encode address with respect to current PC, fits into 2-byte instruction
 - in assembly, target is label specifying location
 - absolute (jump)
 - 32 bits to encode address, requires 6-byte instruction

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
branch	$pc \leftarrow (a=pc+oo*2)$	<code>br a</code>	8-oo
branch if equal	$pc \leftarrow (a=pc+oo*2)$ if $r[c]=0$	<code>beq rc, a</code>	9coo
branch if greater	$pc \leftarrow (a=pc+oo*2)$ if $r[c]>0$	<code>bgt rc, a</code>	acoo
jump	$pc \leftarrow a$ (a specified as label)	<code>j a</code>	b--- aaaaaaa

Implementing for Loops

```
for (i=0; i<10; i++)
    s += a[i];
```

Transformation

- calculate condition into zero check
- use two branches
 - conditional to end at start
 - unconditional after loop body
- defer store to memory
 - only after loop end
 - (when possible)

```
temp_i=0
temp_s=0
loop: temp_t=temp_i-9
if temp_t>0 goto end_loop
temp_s+=a[temp_i]
temp_i++
goto loop
end_loop: s=temp_s
i=temp_i
```

```
ld $0x0, r0 # r0 = temp_i = 0
ld $a, r1 # r1 = address of a[0]
ld $0x0, r2 # r2 = temp_s = 0
ld $0xfffff7, r4 # r4 = -9
loop: mov r0, r5 # r5 = temp_i
add r4, r5 # r5 = temp_i-9
bgt r5, end_loop # if temp_i-9 > 0 goto +4
ld (r1, r0, 4), r3 # r3 = a[temp_i]
add r3, r2 # temp_s += a[temp_i]
inc r0 # temp_i++
br loop # goto -7
end_loop: ld $s, r1 # r1 = address of s
st r2, 0x0(r1) # s = temp_s
st r0, 0x4(r1) # i = temp_i
```

Implementing if-then-else

```
if (a>b)
    max = a;
else
    max = b;
```

Transformations: same idea

- calculate condition into zero check
- two branches for most cases
 - conditional on top
 - unconditional to bottom to skip next case
 - except for last case, do not need
- defer store to memory when possible

Common mistake (if and for)

- only using one branch

```
if (a>b)
    max = a;
else
    max = b;
```

```
ld $a, r0 # r0 = &a
ld 0x0(r0), r0 # r0 = a
ld $b, r1 # r1 = &b
ld 0x0(r1), r1 # r1 = b
mov r1, r2 # r2 = b
not r2 # temp_c = !b
inc r2 # temp_c = -b
add r0, r2 # temp_c = a-b
bgt r2, then # if (a>b) goto +2
else: mov r1, r3 # temp_max = b
br end_if # goto +1
then: mov r0, r3 # temp_max = a
end_if: ld $max, r0 # r0 = &max
st r3, 0x0(r0) # max = temp_max
```

Static Control Flow: Procedure Calls

- Set up return value
 - read the value of the program counter (PC): convention is to use r6
 - increment to skip next two instructions (incr itself, and jump)
- Do jump to callee
 - jump to a dynamically determined target address stored in register
- Procedure call: use indirect jump (with zero offset)

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
get pc	$r[d] \leftarrow pc + (o=p*2)$	<code>gpc \$o, rd</code>	6fpd
indirect jump	$pc \leftarrow r[s] + (o=pp*2)$	<code>j o(rs)</code>	cspp

```
void foo () {
    ping ();
}
```

```
foo: gpc $6, r6 # r6 = pc of next instruction
j ping # goto ping ()
```

```
void ping () {
    ping: j 0(r6) # return
}
```

Procedure Storage Needs

frame

- arguments
- local variables
- saved registers
 - return address
- access through offsets from top
 - just like structs with base
- simple example
 - two local vars
 - saved return address

```

0x1000 local 0 local variables
0x1004 local 1 local variables
0x1008 ret addr saved register
```

Stack vs. Heap

- split memory into two pieces
 - heap grows down
 - stack grows up
- move stack pointer up to smaller number when add frame
- but within frame, offsets still go down
- convention: r5 is stack pointer

```

address 0x00000000 memory
Frame C
Frame B
Frame A
Struct A
Struct B
Struct C
address 0xfffffff memory
```

```

ptr + 0 local 0 Frame A
ptr + 4 local 1
ptr + 8 ret addr
```

Snippet 8: Caller vs. Callee

```
foo: deca r5 # sp -= 4 for ra
st r6, (r5) # *sp = ra
```

- allocate frame save r6
- call b()
- save r6 and allocate frame
- body
- deallocate frame return

```
ld (r5), r6 # ra = *sp
inca r5 # sp += 4 to discard ra
j (r6) # return
```

```
b: deca r5 # sp -= 4 for ra
st r6, (r5) # *sp = ra
deca r5 # sp -= 4 for l1
deca r5 # sp -= 4 for l0
```

```
ld $0, r0 # r0 = 0
st r0, 0x0(r5) # l0 = 0
ld $0x1, r0 # r0 = 1
st r0, 0x4(r5) # l1 = 1
```

```
inca r5 # sp += 4 to discard l0
inca r5 # sp += 4 to discard l1
ld (r5), r6 # ra = *sp
inca r5 # sp += 4 to discard ra
j (r6) # return
```

Stack Frame Setup

```
void three () {
    int i;
    int j;
    int k;
}
```

```
void two () {
    int i;
    int j;
}
```

```
void one () {
    int i;
}
```

```
void foo () {
    // r5 = 2000
    one ();
}
```

sp 1968 Frame Three (local i, j, k) - do not touch r6

sp 1980 Frame Two (local i, j, ret addr: \$retToTwo) - save r6 to stack at (sp+8) then set r6: \$retToTwo

sp 1992 Frame One (local i, ret addr: \$retToOne) - save r6 to stack at (sp+4) then set r6: \$retToOne

sp 2000 Frame Foo (ret addr: \$retToFoo) - r6: \$retToFoo

Arguments and Return Value

- Return value
 - convention: store in r0 register
 - common mistake:
 - push return value on stack instead of using r0
- Arguments
 - in registers or on stack
 - pushing on stack requires more work, but holds unlimited number
 - work must be done by caller
 - common mistake:
 - allocate space and save off arguments to stack in callee

Stack Summary

- stack is managed by code that the compiler generates
 - stack pointer (sp) is current top of stack (stored in r5)
 - grows from bottom up towards 0
 - push (allocate) by decreasing sp value, pop (deallocate) by increasing sp value
- accessing information from stack
 - callee accesses local variables, saved registers, arguments as static offsets from base of stack pointer (r5)
- stack frame for procedure created by mix of caller and callee work
 - common mistake: confusion about what caller vs callee should do
- caller setup
 - if arguments passed through stack: allocates room for them and save them to stack
 - sets up new value of r6 return address (to next instruction in this procedure, after the jump)
 - saves registers r0-r3 to stack if expect to use values after call
 - jumps to callee code
- callee setup (prologue)
 - unless leaf procedure, allocates room for old value of r6 and saves it to stack
 - save r4, r7 to stack if they will be overwritten
 - allocates space on stack for local variables
- callee teardown (epilogue)
 - ensure return value in r0
 - deallocates stack frame space for locals
 - unless leaf procedure, restores old r6 and deallocates that space on stack
 - if previously saved, restore old r4/r7 and deallocate that space on stack
 - jump back to return address (location stored in r6)
- caller teardown
 - deallocates stack frame space for arguments
 - restore r0-r3 if previously saved to stack, deallocate that space
 - use return value (if any) in r0

Security Vulnerability: Buffer Overflow

The bug

- if position of the first '.' in str is more than 10 bytes from the beginning of str, this loop will write portions of str into memory beyond the end of buf

```
void printPrefix (char* str) {
    char buf[10];
    ...
    // copy str up to "." input buf
    while (*str!='.')
        *(bp++) = *(str++);
    *bp = 0;
}
```

The vulnerability

- attacker can change printPrefix's return address
 - buf[XX] can overwrite return address on stack frame
 - instead of return to caller code, "return" to attacker's code
 - execute arbitrary code

The Stack when printPrefix is running

```

pointer
buf [0 ..9]
other stuff
return address
```

Variables Summary

- Global variables
 - address known statically
- Reference variables
 - variable stores address of value (usually allocated dynamically)
- Arrays
 - elements, named by index (e.g. a[i])
 - address of element is base + index * size of element
 - base and index can be static or dynamic; size of element is static
- Instance variables
 - offset to variable from start of object/struct known statically
 - address usually dynamic
- Locals and arguments
 - offset to variable from start of activation frame known statically
 - address of stack frame is dynamic

Pointers

- Notation
 - &X the address of X
 - *X the value X points to
 - we also call this operation dereferencing
- Examples:
 - int a; int* b; address of a: 0x1000: 3 value of a
 - void foo () { a = 3; *b = 4; } address of b: 0x2000: 0x3000 value of b
 - address of *b: 0x3000: 4 value of *b
- Common mistakes
 - use address of pointer
 - try to dereference integer storing value

Pointer Arithmetic in C

- Alternative to a[i] notation for dynamic array access
 - a[x] equivalent to *(a+x)
 - &a[x] equivalent to (a+x)
- Pointer arithmetic takes into account size of datatype
 - int a[4];

0x2000: value of a[0]
0x2004: value of a[1]
0x2008: value of a[2]
0x200a: value of a[3]
 - &a[0] = 0x2004; &a[2] = 0x2008
 - (&a[2] - (&a[1])) == 1 == (a+2) - (a+1)
 - compiler treats pointer-to-int differently than int!
 - even though both can be stored with 32 bits on IA-32 machine

- Common mistake**
 - treat pointer arithmetic like direct calculations with addresses
 - off by 4 when doing pointer arithmetic with integers

Pointer Arithmetic Example Program

```

Exam studying advice
- try writing simple test programs, use gdb and print to explore

tmm% cat array2.c
#include <stdio.h>
int main (int argc, char** argv) {
  int a[4] = {100, 110, 120, 130};
  int k = &a[4];
  int m = &a[1];
  int n = k-m;
  int o = &a[4]-&a[1];
  printf ("k hex: %x, k dec: %d, m hex: %x, m dec %d, n: %d, o: %d\n",k, k, m, m, n, o);
}

tmm% gcc -g -o array2 array2.c
array2.c: In function 'main':
array2.c:6: warning: initialization makes integer from pointer without a cast
array2.c:7: warning: initialization makes integer from pointer without a cast

tmm% ./array2
k hex: bffff7d0, k dec: -1073743920, m hex: bffff7c4, m dec -1073743932, n: 12, o: 3

tmm% gdb array2
(gdb) p &a[4]
$1 = (int *) 0xbffff7d0
(gdb) p k
$2 = -1073744624

```

Determining Endianness of a Computer

```

#include <stdio.h>

int main () {
  char a[4];

  *((int*)a) = 1;

  printf("a[0]=%d a[1]=%d a[2]=%d a[3]=%d\n",a[0],a[1],a[2],a[3]);
}

- how does this C code check for endianness?
  - create array of 4 bytes (char data type is 1 byte)
  - cast whole thing to an integer, set it to 1
  - check if the 1 appears in first byte or last byte

- things to understand:
  - concepts of endianness
  - casting between arrays of bytes and integers
  - masking bits, shifting bits

```

Memory Management in C

- Explicit allocation with malloc and deallocation with free
- Dangling pointer problem
 - pointer to object that has already been freed
 - happens when allocate and free happen in different parts of code
 - various strategies to avoid (reduce likelihood, but not a guaranteed cure)
 - use local variables (allocated on the stack) and pass in address of the local from caller, instead of dynamic allocation in callee
 - coding conventions
 - explicit reference counting (heavyweight solution)
- Memory leak problem
 - allocated memory is not deallocated when no longer needed, so memory usage steadily grows (problem especially for long-running programs)

- Common mistake**
 - don't free any memory to avoid dangling pointer problem
 - result is memory leak, leads to later problems even though no immediate crash

Memory Management in Java

- Garbage collection model
 - allocation with new
 - deallocation handled by Java system, not programmer
 - thus some kinds of programmer errors are impossible, including dangling pointers
- Advantages
 - much easier to program
- Disadvantages
 - some performance penalties
 - system knows less than programmer in best case
 - GC pass could occur at bad time (realtime/interactive situation)
 - programmers tempted to ignore memory management completely
 - GC is not perfect, memory leaks can still occur!

Polymorphic Dispatch

- Method address is determined dynamically
 - compiler can not hardcode target address in procedure call
 - instead, compiler generates code to lookup procedure address at runtime
 - address is stored in memory in the object's class *jump table*
- Class Jump table
 - every class is represented by class object
 - the class object stores the class's jump table
 - the jump table stores the address of every method implemented by the class
 - objects store a pointer to their class object
- Static and dynamic of method invocation
 - address of jump table is determined dynamically
 - method's offset into jump table is determined statically

Dynamic Jumps in C

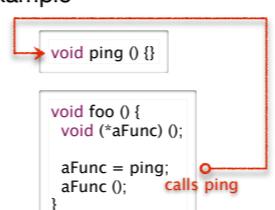
```

Function pointer
- a variable that stores a pointer to a procedure
- declared
  - <return-type> (*<variable-name>)(<formal-argument-list>);
- used to make dynamic call
  - <variable-name> (<actual-argument-list>);

Example
void ping () {
  ...
}

void foo () {
  void (*aFunc) ();
  aFunc = ping;
  aFunc ();
}

```



Indirect Jump: Base/Offset

- Key observation
 - base address stored in register (dynamic)
 - for polymorphism jump table, offset can be computed statically by compiler
- Function pointers: use indirect base/offset jump instruction

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
<i>indir jump b+o</i>	pc ← m[r[s] + (o==pp*2)]	j *o(rs)	dspp

Switch Statement

```

int i;
int j;

void foo () {
  switch (i) {
    case 0: j=10; break;
    case 1: j=11; break;
    case 2: j=12; break;
    case 3: j=13; break;
    default: j=14; break;
  }
}

void bar () {
  if (i==0)
    j=10;
  else if (i==1)
    j=11;
  else if (i==2)
    j=12;
  else if (i==3)
    j=13;
  else
    j=14;
}

```

- Semantics the same as simplified nested if statements
 - choosing one computation from a set
 - restricted syntax: static, cardinal values
- Potential benefit: more efficient computation (usually)
 - jump table to select correct case with single operation
 - if statement may have to execute each check
 - number of operations is number of cases (if unlucky)

Switch Statement Strategy

- Choose one of two strategies to implement
 - use jump table unless case labels are sparse or there are very few of them
 - use nested-if-statements otherwise
- Jump-table strategy
 - statically
 - build jump table for all label values between lowest and highest
 - generate code to
 - goto default if condition is less than minimum case label or greater than maximum
 - normalize condition to lowest case label
 - use jump table to go directly to code selected case arm

```

goto address of code_default if cond < min_label_value
goto address of code_default if cond > max_label_value
goto jumtable[cond-min_label_value]

statically: jumtable[i-min_label_value] = address of code_i
forall i: min_label_value <= i <= max_label_value

```

Switch Snippet

```

switch (i) {
  case 20: j=10; break;
  case 21: j=11; break;
  case 22: j=12; break;
  case 23: j=13; break;
  default: j=14; break;
}

foo: ld $i, r0 # r0 = &i
ld 0x0(r0), r0 # r0 = i
ld $0xfffffed, r1 # r1 = -19
add r0, r1 # r0 = i-19
bgt r1, i0 # goto i0 if i>19
br default # goto default if i<20
i0: ld $0xfffffe9, r1 # r1 = -23
add r0, r1 # r1 = i-23
bgt r1, default # goto default if i>23
ld $0xfffffec, r1 # r1 = -20
add r1, r0 # r0 = i-20
ld $jumtable, r1 # r1 = &jumtable
j *(r1, r0, 4) # goto jumtable[i-20]

case20: ld $0xa, r1 # r1 = 10
br done # goto done
...
default: ld $0xe, r1 # r1 = 14
br done # goto done
done: ld $j, r0 # r0 = &j
st r1, 0x0(r0) # j = r1
br cont # goto cont

jumtable: .long 0x00000140 # &(case 20)
.long 0x00000148 # &(case 21)
.long 0x00000150 # &(case 22)
.long 0x00000158 # &(case 23)

```

Indirect Jump: Indexed

- Key observation
 - base address stored in register (dynamic)
 - for switch jump table, have index stored in register
- Switch: use indirect jump indexed instruction

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
<i>indir jump indexed</i>	pc ← m[r[s] + r[i]*4]	j *(rs,ri,4)	esi-

Static and Dynamic Jumps

- Jump instructions
 - specify a *target address* and a *jump-taken condition*
 - target address can be static or dynamic
 - jump-target condition can be static (unconditional) or dynamic (conditional)
- Static jumps
 - jump target address is static
 - compiler hard-codes this address into instruction

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
<i>branch</i>	pc ← (a==pc+oo*2)	br a	8-oo
<i>branch if equal</i>	pc ← (a==pc+oo*2) if r[c]=0	beg a	9coo
<i>branch if greater</i>	pc ← (a==pc+oo*2) if r[c]>0	bgt a	acoo
<i>jump</i>	pc ← a (a specified as label)	j a	b--- aaaaaaa
- Dynamic jumps
 - jump target address is dynamic

Dynamic Jumps

- Jump base+offset
 - Jump target address stored in a register
 - We already introduced this instruction, but used it for *static* procedure calls

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
<i>indir jump</i>	pc ← r[s] + (o==pp*2)	j o(rs)	cspp
- Indirect jumps
 - Jump target address stored in memory
 - Base-plus-offset (function pointers) and indexed (switch) modes for memory access

Name	Semantics	Assembly	Machine
<i>indir jump b+o</i>	pc ← m[r[s] + (o==pp*2)]	j *o(rs)	dspp
<i>indir jump indexed</i>	pc ← m[r[s] + r[i]*4]	j *(rs,ri,4)	esi-

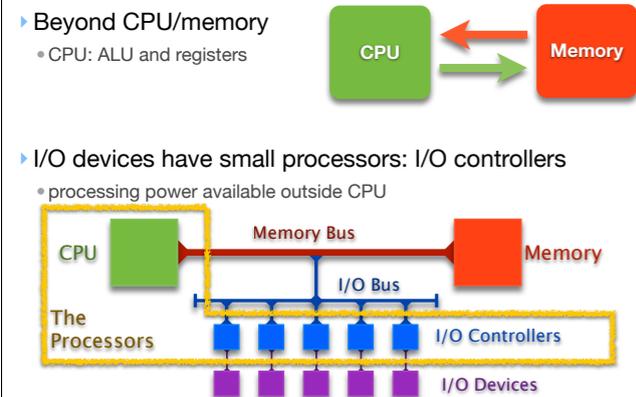
Dynamic Control Flow Summary

- Static vs dynamic flow control
 - static if jump target is known by compiler
 - dynamic for polymorphic dispatch, function pointers, and switch statements
- Polymorphic dispatch in Java
 - invoking a method on an object in Java
 - method address depends on object's type, which is not known statically
 - object has pointer to class object; class object contains method jump table
 - procedure call is an indirect jump - i.e., target address in memory
- Function pointers in C
 - a variable that stores the address of a procedure
 - used to implement dynamic procedure call, similar to polymorphic dispatch
- Switch statements
 - syntax restricted so that they can be implemented with jump table
 - jump-table implementation running time is independent of the number of case labels
 - but, only works if case label values are reasonably dense

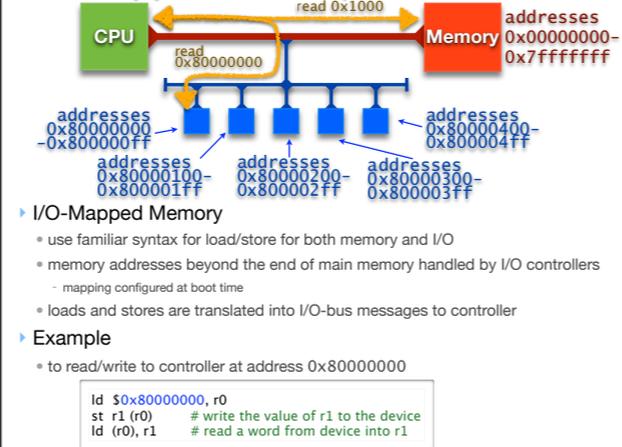
Big Ideas: Second Half

- Memory hierarchy
 - progression from small/fast to large/slow
 - registers (same speed as ALU instruction execution, roughly: 1 ns clock tick)
 - memory (over 100x slower: 100ns)
 - disk (over 1,000,000x slower: 10 millisec)
 - network (even worse: 200+ millisec RT to other side of world just from speed of light in fiber)
 - implications
 - don't make ALU wait for memory
 - ALU input only from registers, not memory
 - don't make CPU wait for disk
 - interrupts, threads, asynchony
- Clean abstraction for programmer
 - ignore asynchronous reality via threads and virtual memory (mostly)
 - explicit synchronization as needed

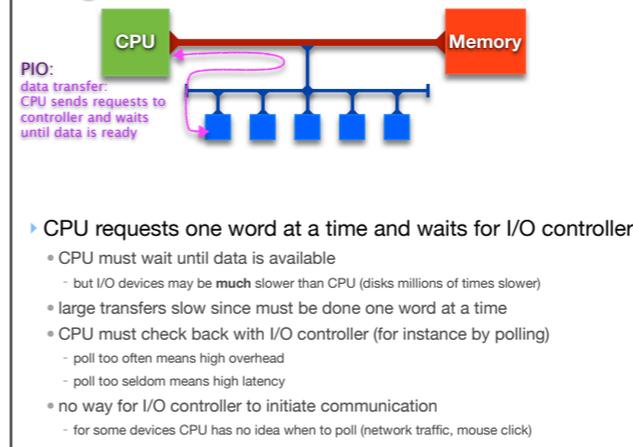
Adding I/O to Simple Machine



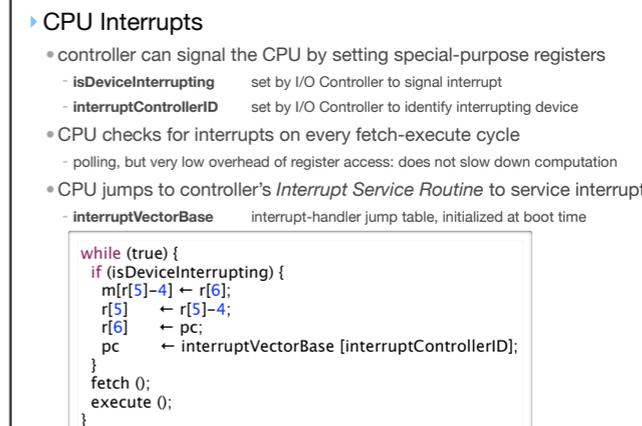
I/O-Mapped Memory



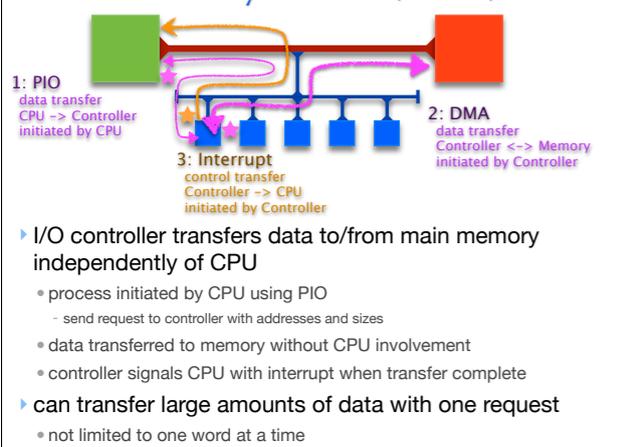
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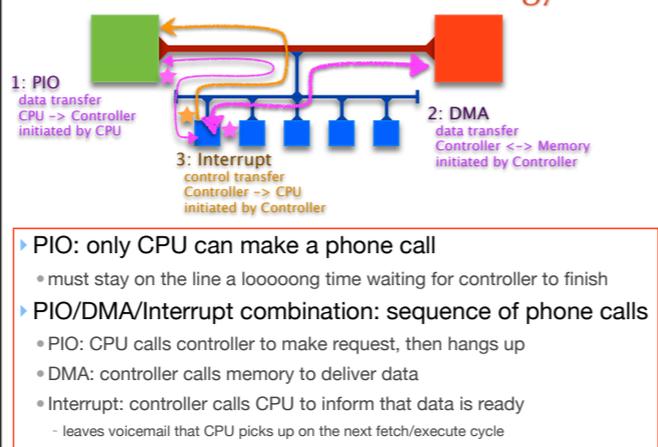
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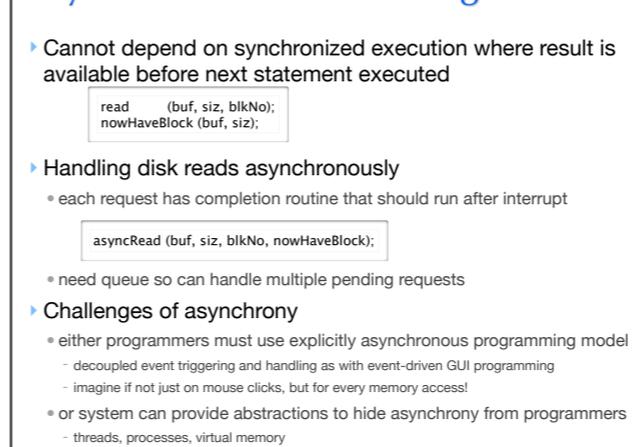
Direct Memory Access (DMA)



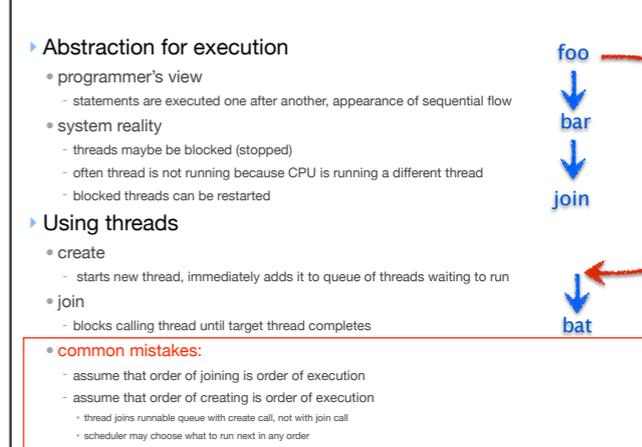
PIO vs DMA: Phone Call Analogy



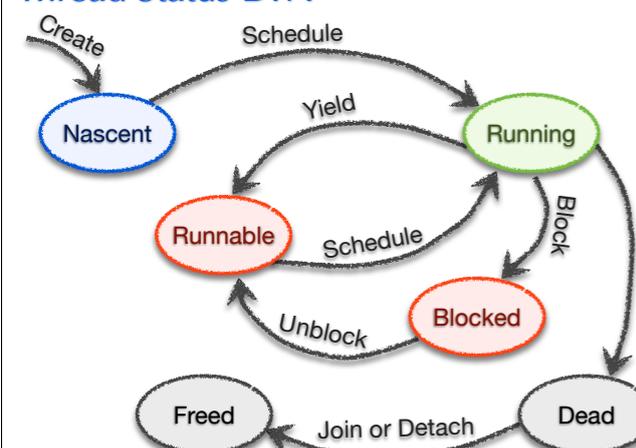
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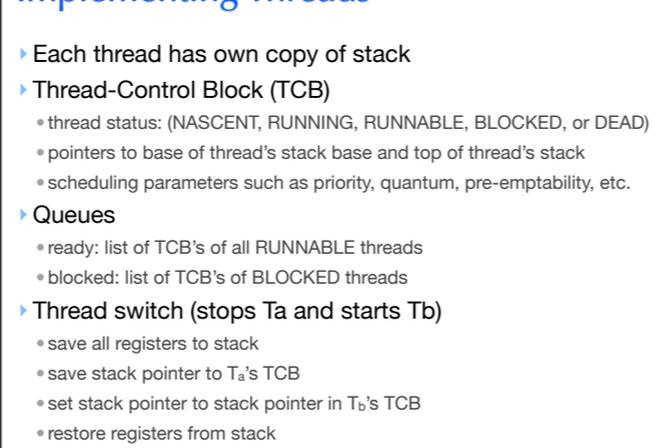
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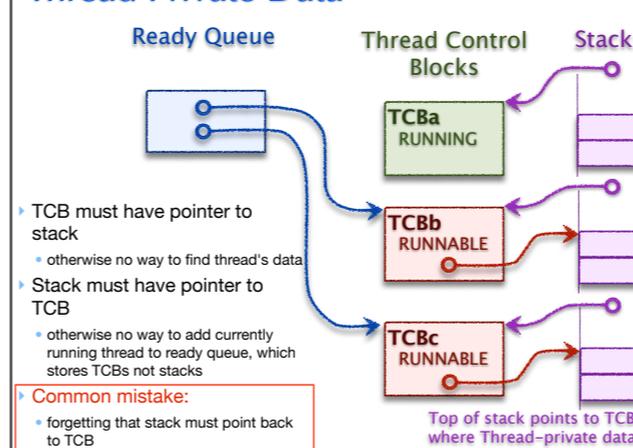
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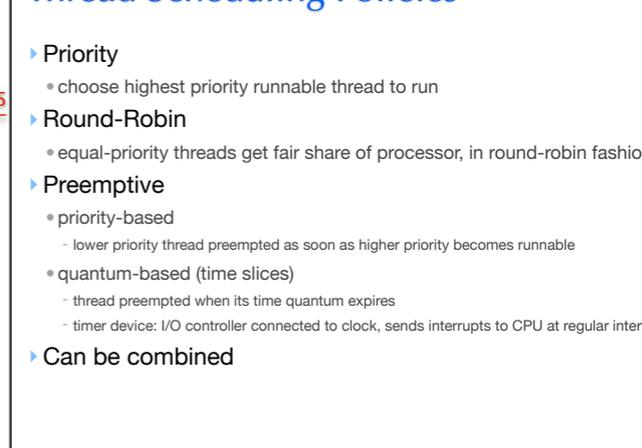
Implementing Threads



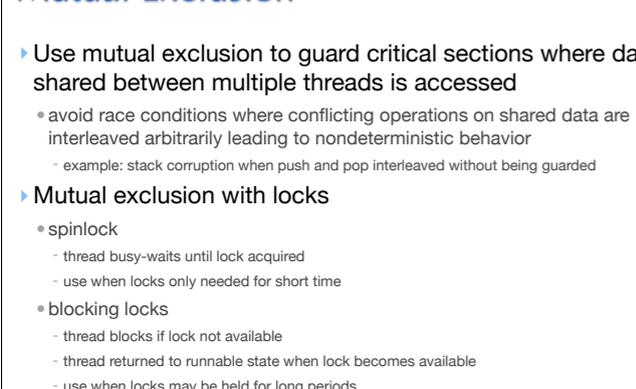
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Thread Scheduling Policies



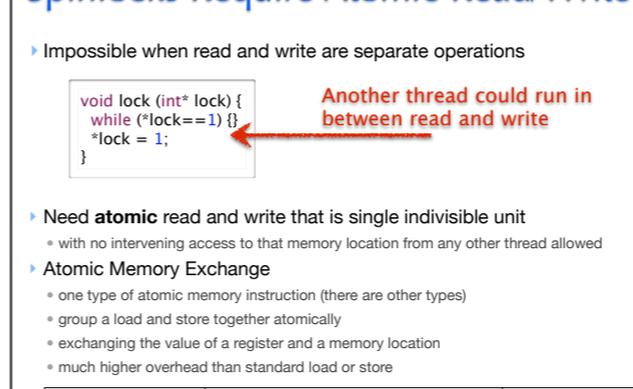
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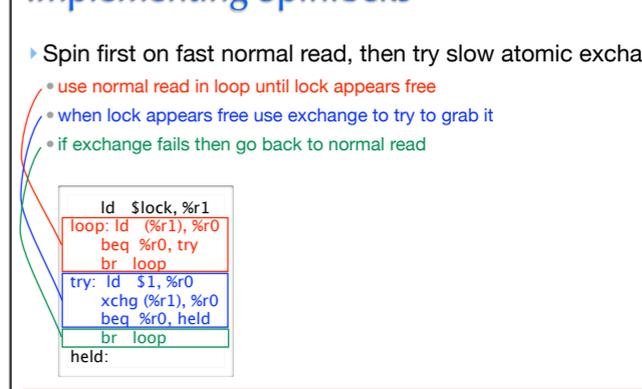
Mutual Exclusion Using Locks



Spinlocks Require Atomic Read/Write



Implementing Spinlocks



Blocking Locks

- ▶ If a thread may wait a long time
 - it should block so that other threads can run
 - it will then unblock when it becomes runnable (lock available or event notification)
- ▶ Blocking locks for mutual exclusion
 - if lock is held, locker puts itself on waiter queue and blocks
 - when lock is unlocked, unlocker restarts one thread on waiter queue
- ▶ Blocking locks for event notification (condition variables)
 - waiting thread puts itself on a waiter queue and blocks
 - data structure is shared by multiple threads; lock operations are critical sections
 - thus we use spinlocks to guard these sections in blocking lock implementation
- ▶ Implementing blocking locks using spinlocks
 - lock data structure includes a waiter queue and a few other things
 - data structure is shared by multiple threads; lock operations are critical sections
 - thus we use spinlocks to guard these sections in blocking lock implementation

Implementing a Blocking Lock

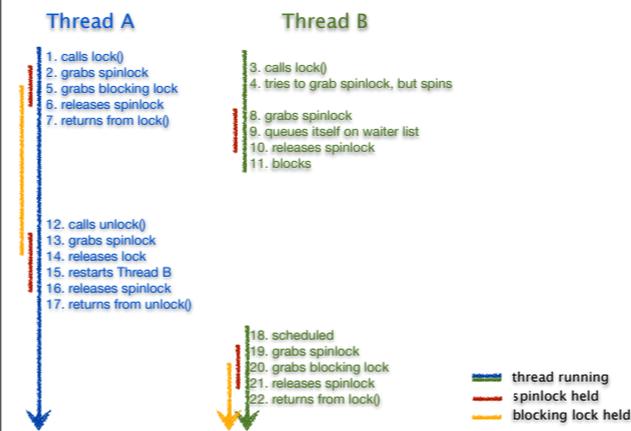
```
void lock (struct blocking_lock l) {
  spinlock_lock (&l->spinlock);
  while (!l->held) {
    enqueue (&l->waiter_queue, pthread_self ());
    spinlock_unlock (&l->spinlock);
    pthread_switch (ready_queue_dequeue (0), TS_BLOCKED);
    spinlock_lock (&l->spinlock);
  }
  l->held = 1;
  spinlock_unlock (&l->spinlock);
}

void unlock (struct blocking_lock l) {
  pthread_t* waiter_thread;
  spinlock_lock (&l->spinlock);
  l->held = 0;
  waiter_thread = dequeue (&l->waiter_queue);
  spinlock_unlock (&l->spinlock);
  waiter_thread->state = TS_RUNNABLE;
  ready_queue_enqueue (waiter_thread);
}

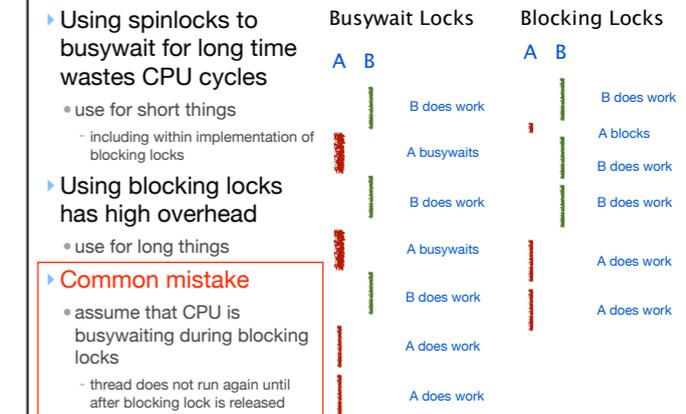
struct blocking_lock {
  spinlock_t spinlock;
  int held;
  pthread_queue_t waiter_queue;
};
```

- ▶ Spinlock guard
 - on for **critical sections**
 - off before thread **blocks**

Blocking Lock Example Scenario



Busywaiting vs Blocking



Locks and Loops Common Mistakes

- ▶ Confusion about spinlocks inside blocking locks
 - use spinlocks in the implementation of blocking locks
 - two separate levels of lock!
 - holding spinlock guarding variable read/write
 - holding actual blocking lock
- ▶ Confusion about when spinlocks needed
 - must turn on to guard access to shared variables
 - must turn off before finishing or blocking
- ▶ Confusion about loop function
 - busywait
 - only inside spinlock
 - thread blocked inside loop body, **not** busywaiting
 - yield for blocking lock
 - re-check for desired condition: is lock available?
 - blocking wait for CV, blocking wait for semaphore P implementation
 - re-check for desired condition

Synchronization Abstractions

- ▶ Monitors and condition variables
 - monitor provides **blocking locks**
 - guarantees mutual exclusion
 - condition variable provides **blocking notify**
 - control transfer among threads with wait/notify
 - abstraction supports explicit locking
- ▶ Semaphores
 - **blocking atomic counter**, stop thread if counter would go negative
 - introduced to coordinate asynchronous resource use
 - abstraction implicitly supports mutex, no need for explicit locking by user
 - could use to implement monitors, barriers (and CVs, sort of)
- ▶ Common mistake:
 - confusing three things
 - how to use, how to implement, how one abstraction might be used to implement the other

Spin/Block, Lock/Notify: 3YrOld Analogy

- ▶ Common mistake: confusing lock and notify
 - lock: resource only available for single user at once
 - notify: event has occurred
- ▶ Common mistake: confusing spin and block
 - spin: actively use CPU resources while waiting
 - block: do not use any CPU resources while waiting, use scheduler blocking mechanism
- ▶ checking the lock: try washroom door handle to see if it opens
 - spinlock: keep rattling the door handle and knocking until the door opens
 - like a three year old child
 - blocking lock: knock once, step away from the door to wait quietly, walk towards door after it opens. (and somebody else might beat you there, so do check door again!)
- ▶ checking for notification: asking 'are we there yet' on a car trip
 - spinnotify: keep asking 'are we there yet' every 30 seconds, for 1000km
 - like a three year old child
 - blocking notify: after first question, driver says 'no, go to sleep, I'll wake you up when we get there'.

Monitors

- ▶ Provides mutual exclusion with blocking lock
 - **enter** lock
 - **exit** unlock
- ```
void doSomething (pthread_monitor_t* mon) {
 pthread_monitor_enter (mon);
 touchSharedMemory();
 pthread_monitor_exit (mon);
}
```
- ▶ Standard case: assume all threads could overwrite shared memory.
    - mutex: only allows access one at a time
  - ▶ Special case: distinguish read-only access (readers) from threads that change shared memory values (writers).
    - mutex: allow multiple readers but only one writer

# Condition Variables

- ▶ Mechanism to transfer control back and forth between threads
  - uses monitors: CV can only be accessed when monitor lock is held
- ▶ Primitives
  - **wait** blocks until a subsequent **notify** operation on the variable
  - **notify** unblocks one waiter, continues to hold monitor
  - **notify\_all** unblocks all waiters (broadcast), continues to hold monitor
- ▶ Each CV associated with a monitor
- ▶ Multiple CVs can be associated with same monitor
  - independent conditions, but guarded by same mutex lock

```
pthread_monitor_t* beer = pthread_monitor_create (0);
pthread_cv_t* not_empty = pthread_cv_create (beer);
pthread_cv_t* warm = pthread_cv_create (beer);
```

# Wait and Notify Semantics

- ▶ Monitor automatically exited before block on wait
  - before waiter blocks, it exits monitor to allow other threads to enter
- ▶ Monitor automatically re-entered before return from wait
  - when trying to return from wait after notify, thread may block again until monitor can be entered (if monitor lock held by another thread)
- ▶ Monitor stays locked after notify: does not block
- ▶ Implication: cannot assume desired condition holds after return from blocking wait
  - other threads may have been in monitor between wait call and return
    - must explicitly re-check: usually enclose wait in while loop with condition check
    - same idea as blocking lock implementation with spinlocks!

```
void pour () {
 monitor {
 while (glasses==0)
 wait;
 glasses--;
 }
}

void refill (int n) {
 monitor {
 for (int i=0; i<n; i++) {
 glasses++;
 notify;
 }
 }
}
```

# Condition Variables

- ▶ Common mistakes:
  - CVs do not have internal storage variables (boolean flags or int counters)
    - CVs are variables: named so can tell them apart from each other
    - wait/notify *ti* red vs. wait/notify hungry
  - users of CVs do *not* have to explicitly block
    - wait/notify done within implementation of CVs
  - users of CVs *do* have to hold monitor in order to access CV values

# Semaphores

- ▶ Atomic counter that can never be less than 0
  - attempting to make counter negative blocks calling thread
- ▶ P(s): acquire
  - try to decrement s
  - if s would be negative, atomically blocks until s positive, then decrement s
- ▶ V(s): release
  - increment s
  - atomically unblock any threads waiting in P
- ▶ Explicit locking not required when using semaphores since atomicity built in

```
pthread_semaphore_t* glasses = pthread_create_semaphore (0);

void pour () {
 pthread_P (glasses);
}

void refill (int n) {
 for (int i=0; i<n; i++)
 pthread_V (glasses);
}
```

# Semaphores

- ▶ Using semaphores: good building block for implementing many other things
  - monitors
  - condition variables (almost)
  - rendezvous: two threads wait for each other before continuing
  - barriers: all threads must arrive at barrier before any can continue
- ▶ Implementing semaphores: similar spirit to blocking locks

```
struct pthread_semaphore {
 spinlock_t spinlock;
 int count;
 pthread_queue_t waiter_queue;
};

struct blocking_lock {
 spinlock_t spinlock;
 int held;
 pthread_queue_t waiter_queue;
};
```

(really should be boolean...)

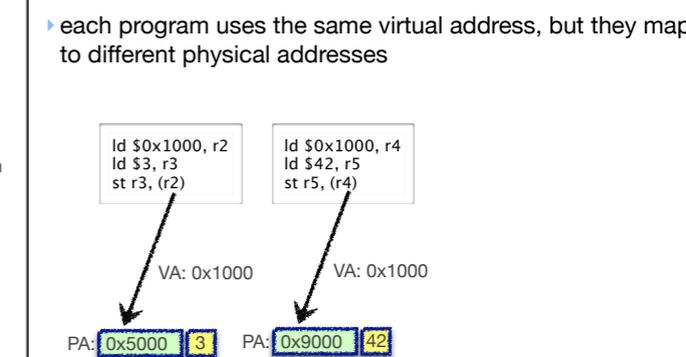
# Deadlock and Starvation

- ▶ Solved problem: race conditions
  - solved by synchronization abstractions: locks, monitors, semaphores
- ▶ Unsolved problems when using multiple locks
  - deadlock: nothing completes because multiple competing actions wait for each other
  - starvation: some actions never complete
  - no abstraction to simply solve problem, major concern intrinsic to synchronization
  - some ways to handle/avoid:
    - precedence hierarchy of locks
    - detect and destroy: notice deadlock and terminate threads

# Virtual Memory

- ▶ Virtual Address Space
  - an abstraction of the *physical* address space of main (i.e., *physical*) memory
  - programs access memory using virtual addresses
  - memory management unit translates virtual address to physical memory addresses
    - MMU hardware performs translation on **every** memory access by program
- ▶ Process
  - a program execution with a private virtual address space
    - may have one or many threads
  - private address space required for static address allocation and isolation

# Virtual Address Translation

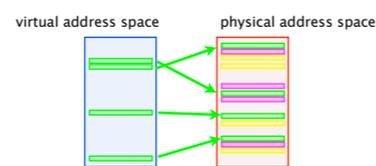


# Address Space Translation Tradeoffs

- ▶ **Single, variable-size, non-expandable segment**
  - internal fragmentation of segment due to sparse address use
- ▶ **Multiple, variable-size, non-expandable segments**
  - internal fragmentation of segments when size isn't know statically
  - external fragmentation of memory because segments are variable size
  - moving segments would resolve fragmentation, but moving is costly
- ▶ **Expandable segments**
  - expansion must be physically contiguous, but there may not be room
  - external fragmentation of memory requires moving segments to make room
- ▶ **Multiple, fixed-size, non-expandable segments**
  - called pages
  - need to be small to avoid internal fragmentation, so there are many of them
  - since there are many, need indexed lookup instead of search

# Paging

- ▶ **Key idea**
  - Virtual address space is divided into set of fixed-size segments called pages
  - number pages in virtual address order
  - virtual page number = virtual address / page size
- ▶ **Page table**
  - indexed by virtual page number (vpn)
  - stores **base physical address** (actually address / page size (pfn) to save space)
  - stores **valid flag**



# Translation: Search vs. Lookup Table

- ▶ Translate by searching through all segments: too slow!

```
for (int i=0; i<segments.length; i++) {
 int offset = va - segment[i].baseVA;
 if (offset > 0 && offset < segment[i].bounds) {
 pa = segment[i].basePA + offset;
 return pa;
 }
}
throw new IllegalAddressException (va);
```

- ▶ Translate with indexed lookup: Page Table

```
class AddressSpace {
 PageTableEntry pte[];

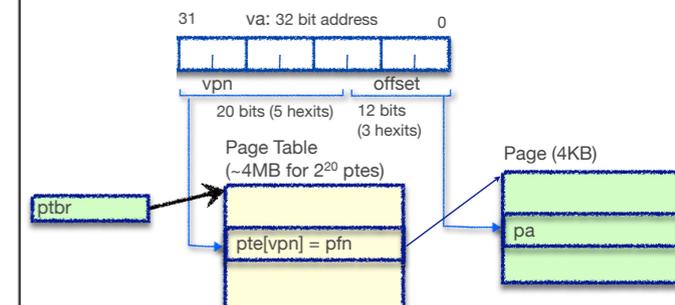
 int translate (int va) {
 int vpn = va / PAGE_SIZE;
 int offset = va % PAGE_SIZE;
 if (pte[vpn].isValid)
 return pte[vpn].pfn * PAGE_SIZE + offset;
 else
 throw new IllegalAddressException (va);
 }
}
```

```
class PageTableEntry {
 boolean isValid;
 int pfn;
}
```

# Address Translation

- ▶ The bit-shifty version
  - assume that page size is 4-KB = 4096 = 2<sup>12</sup>
  - assume addresses are 32 bits
  - then, vpn and pfn are 20 bits and offset is 12 bits
  - pte is pfn plus valid bit, so 21 bits or so, say 4 bytes

```
int translate (int va) {
 int vpn = va >>> 12;
 int offset = va & 0xfff;
 if (pte[vpn].isValid)
 return pte[vpn].pfn << 12 | offset;
}
```



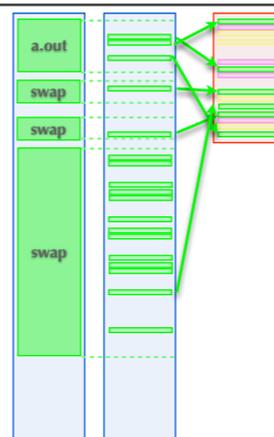
# Demand Paging

- ▶ **Key Idea**
  - some application data is not in memory
  - transfer from disk to memory, only when needed
- ▶ **Page Table**
  - only stores entries for pages that are in memory
  - pages that are only on disk are marked invalid
  - access to non-resident page causes a page-fault interrupt
- ▶ **Page Fault**
  - is an exception raised by the CPU
  - when a virtual address is invalid
  - an exception is just like an interrupt, but generated by CPU not IO device
  - page fault handler runs each time a page fault occurs
- ▶ **Memory Map**
  - a second data structure managed by the OS
  - divides virtual address space into regions, each mapped to a file
  - page-fault interrupt handler checks to see if faulted page is mapped
  - if so, gets page from disk, update Page Table and restart faulted instruction



# Demand Paging

- ▶ **Virtual vs Physical Memory Size**
  - VM can be even larger than available PM with demand paging!
- ▶ **Page Replacement**
  - pages can now be removed from memory, transparent to program
  - a replacement algorithm choose which pages should be resident and swaps out others



# Context Switch

- ▶ A context switch is
  - switching between threads from different processes
    - each process has private virtual address space and thus its own page table
- ▶ **Implementing a context switch**
  - change PTBR to point to new process's page table
  - thread switch (save regs, switch stacks, restore regs)
- ▶ **Context switch vs thread switch**
  - changing page tables can be considerably slower than just changing threads
    - mainly because caching techniques used to make translation fast
    - many pages may need reloading from disk because of demand paging

# Paging Summary

- ▶ **Paging**
  - a way to implement address space translation
  - divide virtual address space into small, fixed sized virtual page frames
  - page table stores base physical address of every virtual page frame
  - page table is indexed by virtual page frame number
  - some virtual page frames have no physical page mapping
  - some of these get data on demand from disk

# Summary: Second Half

- ▶ **Single System Image**
  - hardware implements a set of instructions needed by compilers
  - compilers translate programs into these instructions
  - translation assumes private memory and processor
- ▶ **Threads**
  - an abstraction implemented by software to manage asynchrony and concurrency
  - provides the illusion of single processor to applications
  - differs from processor in that it can be stopped and restarted
- ▶ **Virtual Memory**
  - an abstraction implemented by software and hardware
  - provides the illusion of a single, private memory to application
  - not all data need be in memory, paged in on demand