

# Pintos Project 2

## User Programs

COS 450 - Fall 2018

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## Project 1 Submissions

### Easy Things to Fix

Project submission

Code style

ASSERT and malloc()

Design document questions

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## Code Style

### 1.2.2.2

Match the Pintos code style

Indent 2 spaces -- braces by themselves

`/* */` not `//`

Remove don't comment out unused code

```
function (arg1, arg2)
not function(arg1, arg2)
```

**Note the  
Space**

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## ASSERT and malloc

Don't `ASSERT()` on things that fail

Check the return from `malloc()`

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## DESIGNDOC

It's an ASCII text file

Hard wrapped at 79 characters

Use proper spelling and grammar

Answer the questions

Consider alternative designs

`pintos/src/____/DESIGNDOC`

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## Project 1 Review

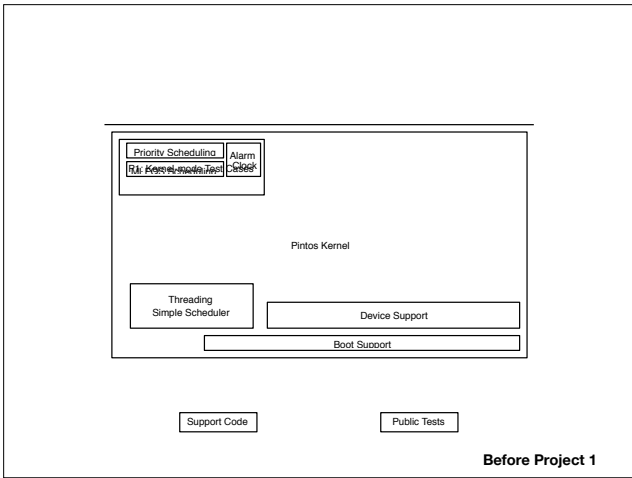
All code was *kernel* code...

Alarm Clock

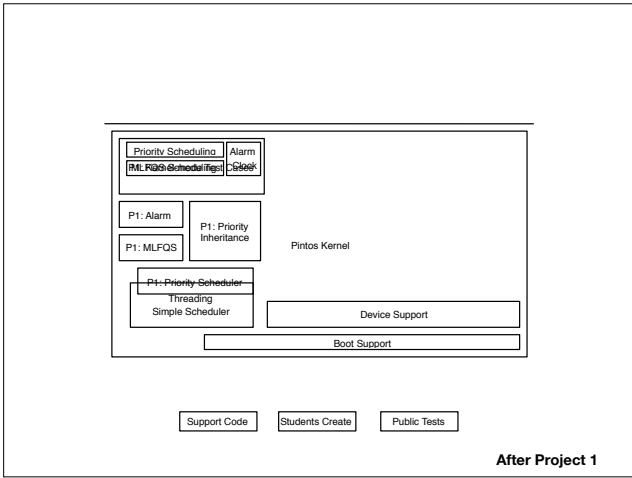
Priority Scheduling

Advanced Scheduler

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## Project 2

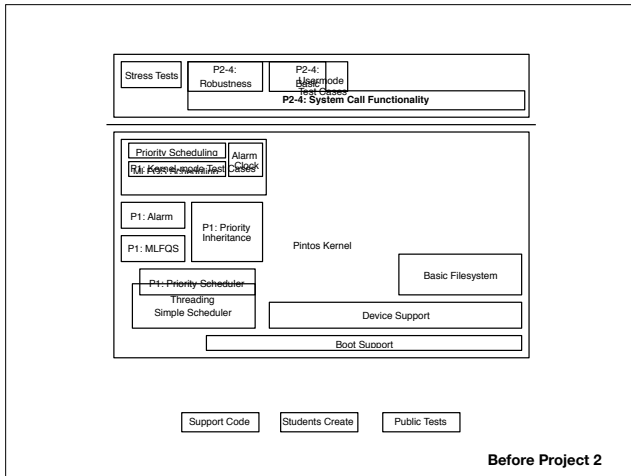
Enable **user** processes in Pintos...

Set up stack and pass arguments

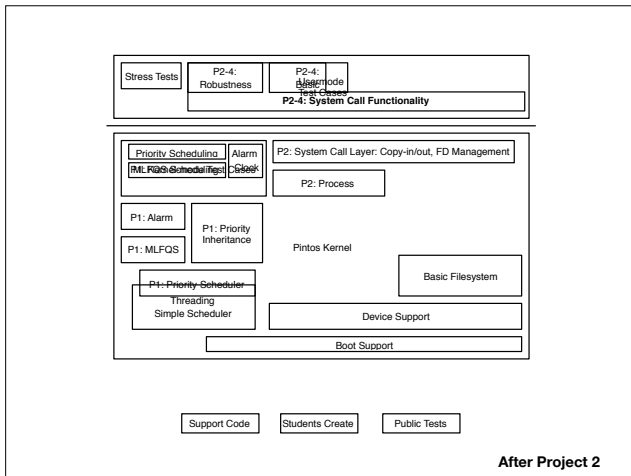
Implement process waiting

Implement system calls

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## Getting Started

No code from Project 1 is needed

You can start from a fresh copy

Knowledge of threads is important

Read "Testing" section again

70+ tests, know how to run them

## Where You Work

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Most Work in “userprog”

make, make check, make grade here

All files already exist.

Some external files are useful

from threads and lib

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## Files to Modify

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process.c

Load and execute of processes

Stack setup code

Process waiting code

syscall.c

exception.c

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## Files to Modify

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process.c

syscall.c

All system calls go here

Stub code exits immediately

exception.c

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## Files to Modify

process.c

syscall.c

exception.c

Contains exception handling code

May/may not modify, depends on solution

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## Important Files

pagedir.c

pagedir\_get\_page () - validate refs

threads/vaddr.h

is\_user\_vaddr() - validate pointers

lib/string.c

strtok\_r()

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## Running a Program

The shell parses a command "cp pintos ."

Shell calls fork() and execve("cp", argv, env)

cp uses file system API to copy files

cp (might) print to the console

cp exits and returns an exit code to shell

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## Pintos Chain of Execution

`threads/init.c`

`main()` → `run_actions(argv)`

`run_actions(argv)` → `run_task(argv)`

`run_task(argv)` →  
`process_wait(process_execute(task))`

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## Pintos Chain of Execution

`userprog/process.c`

`process_execute()` creates thread that runs  
`start_process(filename, ...)`

`start_process()` → `load(filename)`

`load()` does all the remaining work

set up stack, data, code, etc.

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## Project Requirements

Passing arguments to process

Safe memory access

Process waiting

System calls (implement them)

Process termination messages

Deny write to open executable files

**This is just  
a list of tasks  
not the order of  
implementation**

# Passing Arguments

Parse command line string:

```
cp -r pintos .
```

into individual tokens onto user stack.

Spec says in  
process\_execute()

You can do this in many ways...

strtok\_r() a really good choice

# Setting up the Stack

Push the arguments, word align

Push a NULL sentinel (0)

Push pointers to arguments (in reverse)

Push a pointer to the first pointer

Push the argument count

Push a fake return address (0)

Address	Name	Data	Type
0xbfffffff0c	argv[3][...]	"bar\0"	char[4]
0xbfffffff08	argv[2][...]	"foo\0"	char[4]
0xbfffffff05	argv[1][...]	"-l\0"	char[3]
0xbfffffff04	argv[0][...]	"/bin/l\0"	char[8]
0xbfffffff0c	word-align	0	uint8_t
0xbfffffff08	argv[4]	0	char *
0xbfffffff04	argv[3]	0xbfffffff0c	char *
0xbfffffff00	argv[2]	0xbfffffff08	char *
0xbffffffdc	argv[1]	0xbfffffff05	char *
0xbffffffd8	argv[0]	0xbfffffff04	char *
0xbffffffd4	argc	0xbffffffd0	char **
0xbffffffd0	argc	4	int
0xbffffffcc	return address	0	void (*) ()

hex\_dump()

```
bfffffff0c 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 | .....
bfffffff08 04 00 00 00 d8 ff ff bf-ed ff ff bf 55 ff ff bf | ...../bi
bfffffff04 e8 ff ff bf fc ff ff bf-00 00 00 00 2f 62 69 | ...../bi
bfffffff00 6e 2f 6c 73 00 2d 6c 00-66 6e ff 00 82 61 72 00 | n/l\.-l.foo.bar.
```

this all should happen in start\_process() after the interrupt frame (and the stack pointer) is initialized



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## Accessing User Memory

When user processes make system calls the kernel needs to deal with the pointers...

NULL pointers

Pointers to unmapped memory

Pointers to kernel memory (invalid)

Once identified, just kill the process...

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## Accessing User Memory

Verify before dereference

is in user space -- `is_user_vaddr()`

is mapped -- `pagedir_get_page()`

at start and end of buffers and strings

Modify fault handler

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## Accessing User Memory

Verify before dereference

Modify fault handler

only check if in user space

invalid access triggers page fault

modify page fault handler

much better performance (§ 3.1.5)

# Typical Implementation

Check address and use page fault handler

Don't pass user addresses into kernel

```
copy_from_user(void *dst, void *src)
```

```
copy_to_user(void *dst, void *src)
```

# Copy to/from User

```
/* Reads a byte at user virtual address UADDR.
   UADDR must be below PHYS_BASE.
   Returns the byte value if successful, -1 if a segfault
   occurred. */
static int
get_user (const uint8_t *uaddr)
{
    int result;
    asm ("movl $1f, %0; movzbl %1, %0; 1:"
         : "=a" (result) : "m" (*uaddr));
    return result;
}

/* Writes BYTE to user address UDEST.
   UDEST must be below PHYS_BASE.
   Returns true if successful, false if a segfault occurred. */
static bool
put_user (uint8_t *udst, uint8_t byte)
{
    int error_code;
    asm ("movl $1f, %0; movb %b2, %1; 1:"
         : "=a" (error_code), "=m" (*udst) : "q" (byte));
    return error_code != -1;
}

static void
```

```
/* Page fault handler. This is a skeleton that must be filled in
   to implement virtual memory. Some solutions to project 2 may
   also require modifying this code.

   At entry, the address that faulted is in CR2 (Control Register
   2) and information about the fault, formatted as described in
   the PF_* macros in exception.h, is in E's error_code member. The
   example code here shows how to parse that information. You
   can find more information about both of these in the
   description of "Interrupt 14--Page Fault Exception (PF)" in
   [IA32-3A] section 5.15 "Exception and Interrupt Reference". */
static void
page_fault (struct intr_frame *f)
{
    bool not_present; /* True: not-present page, false: writing r/o page. */
    bool write; /* True: access was write, false: access was read. */
    bool user; /* True: access by user, false: access by kernel. */
    void *fault_addr; /* Fault address. */

    /* Obtain faulting address, the virtual address that was
       accessed to cause the fault. It may point to code or to
       data. It is not necessarily the address of the instruction
       that caused the fault (that's E-0x0).

       See [IA32-V2a] "MOV--Move to/from Control Registers" and
       [IA32-3A] 5.15 "Interrupt 14--Page Fault Exception
       (PF)". */
    asm ("movl %cr2, %0 : "=r" (fault_addr));

    /* Turn interrupts back on (they were only off so that we could
       be assured of reading CR2 before it changed). */
    intr_enable ();

    /* Count page faults. */
    page_fault_cnt++;

    /* Determine cause. */
    not_present = (f->error_code & PF_N) == 0;
    write = (f->error_code & PF_W) != 0;
    user = (f->error_code & PF_U) != 0;

    /* To implement virtual memory, delete the rest of the function
       body, and replace it with code that brings in the page to
       which fault_addr refers. */
    printf ("Page fault at %p: %s error %s page in %s context.\n",
            fault_addr,
            not_present ? "not present" : "rights violation",
            write ? "writing" : "reading",
            user ? "user" : "kernel");

    kill (f);
}
```

# Page Fault Handler

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## System Calls

System Calls allow *user processes* to ask the *kernel* to perform operations they don't have permission to do themselves.

...this is done through `syscall_handler()`

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## System Calls

Read the system call number (`f->esp`)

Read the arguments above the stack pointer

Pass to the appropriate function (that you write)

Return any results in `f->eax`      **Avoid duplicate code, keep it clean**

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## Array of Function Pointers

```
int sum(int a, int b);
int subtract(int a, int b);
int mul(int a, int b);
int div(int a, int b);
                                     the functions

int (*p[4]) (int x, int y);
                                     the array

int main(void)
{
    int result;
    int i, j, op;

    p[0] = sum; /* address of sum() */
    p[1] = subtract; /* address of subtract() */
    p[2] = mul; /* address of mul() */
    p[3] = div; /* address of div() */
    [...]
                                     setup

    // op being the index of one of the four functions
    result = (*p[op]) (i, j);
                                     use
}
```

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## Filesystem Calls

`file.h` and `filesystem.h`

Don't need to modify these.

Syscalls use *file descriptors* and the file system uses *struct file*.

Make sure to **synchronize** access to the file system -- only one change at a time.

STDOUT\_FILENO and STDIN\_FILENO

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## process\_wait()

Calling function blocks (using synchronization) waiting for the child process to exit.

Syscall wait() is trivial after this is complete.

Returns exit status of child, or -1

Most work of all system calls.

READ SPECIFICATION CAREFULLY

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## process\_wait()

Child may exit **before** parent calls process\_wait()

Parent may **never** call process\_wait()

Child may exit **after** parent is gone

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## Deny Write to Executables

Don't allow changes to files that are currently loaded as executables.

Use "file\_deny\_write()" to prevent writes to an open file.

Use "file\_allow\_write()" to allow.

Executables should be kept open and unwritable as long as the process is running

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## Order of Implementation

Temporarily set up the stack

Implement safe memory access

Basic system call handler

Implement exit system call

Implement write system call (to console)

Make process\_wait() an infinite loop

Everything else...

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## Do This!

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Match coding style

Package for grading correctly

Answer questions in DESIGNDOC

Think about alternate designs

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## Argument Passing

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String parsing

No limit to "command" size

Avoid stack overflow, abort if needed

Synchronize parent's startup of child

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## System Calls

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Keep it clean, abstract, easily extensible

Synchronize access to filesystem  
(don't disable interrupts!)

Map *fd* to *struct file \** in your code

Synchronize *process\_wait()* properly

Cover all cases of *process\_wait()*

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## User Memory Access

Choose an implementation (there are two)

Don't pass bad data further into kernel

Don't get too creative or complex

Look ahead, what will work in Project 3?

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## End

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