

Chapter 4

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INTRODUCTION TO REAL-TIME OPERATING SYSTEM (RTOS).

- Desired Service within a given period of time.
- RTOS are time driven system and deadline driven.
 - ↳ Bounded response.

General purpose OS (GPOS)

- * time insensitive
- * non deterministic (non predictable)
- * tasks will be non prioritized
- * may not be preemptive
- * Virtual memory
- * General purpose applications
- * unbounded response.

Real time OS (RTOS).

- * time sensitive
- * deterministic (predictable)
- * they are prioritized
- * mostly preemptive
- * no virtual memory
- * Specific applications.
- * Bounded response

Types of RTOS:

- Soft RTOS
- hard RTOS.

Soft RTOS: Meeting deadline will not lead to ^{un}desirable or catastrophic changes but quality reduction may occur. Such type of RTOS are called as Soft RTOS.

Ex: Telecommunication applications, media applications.

Hard RTOS: It has to definitely meet deadline.

Ex: Nuclear power plant.

Key Characteristics of RTOS:

- Reliability: Long time service it should give.
- Predictability: deterministic.
- Compactness: as small as possible so that it consumes less memory.
- Performance: Throughput[↑] and response time[↓] should be good.
- Scalable: RTOS should allow to add some other component if required like any network protocol if needed.

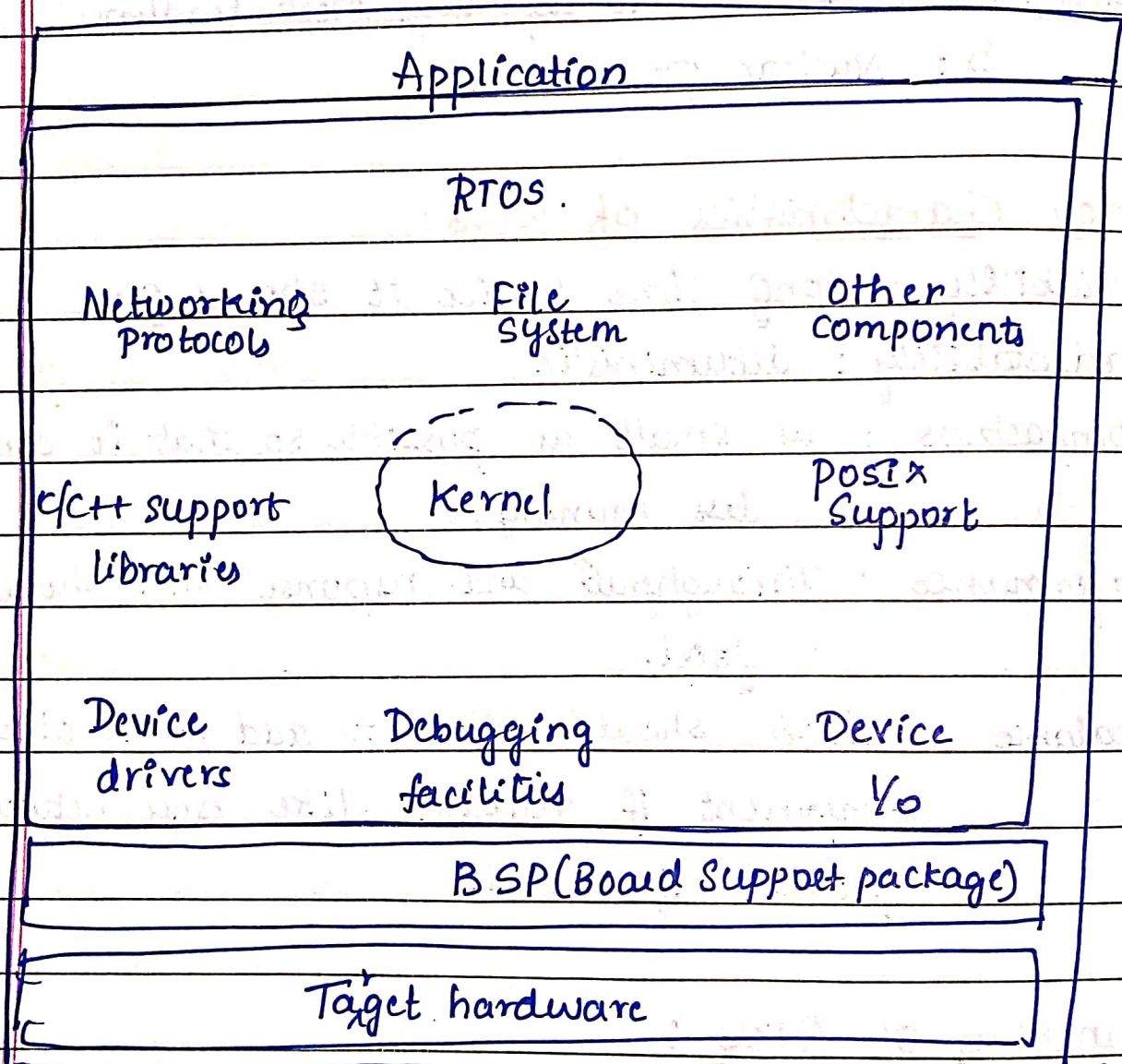
Functions of RTOS:

- * Task management: managing all tasks.
- * Scheduling.
- * Resource management / Resource allocation.
- * Interrupt handling.

Applications:

Medical, Telecommunication, defence, security, Air traffic, Automobile.

RTOS



BSP is used to connect some peripherals to hardware.

→ When we connect peripheral we will in need of some drivers we will be installed in BSP (Board

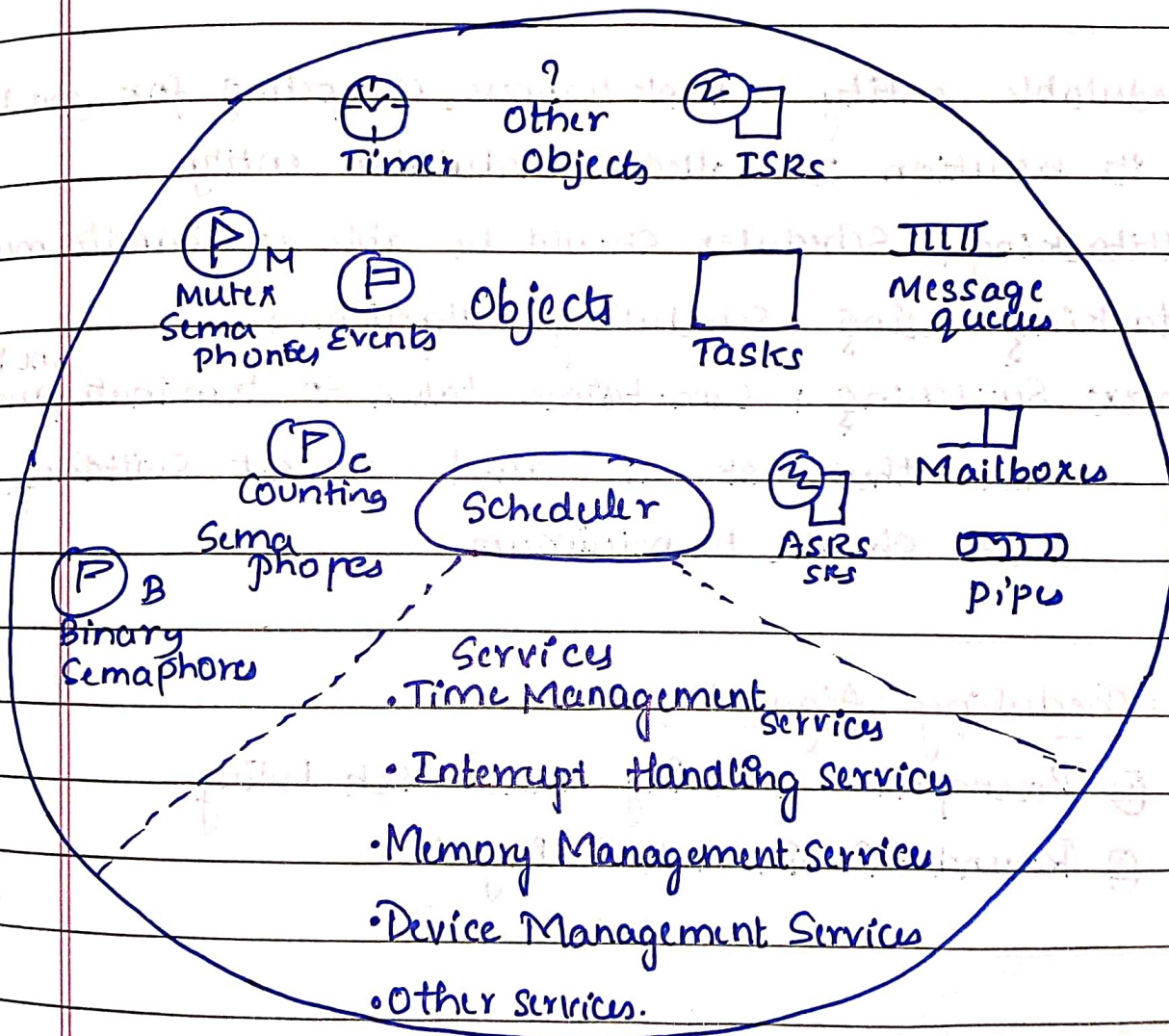
Support package Software

Kernel Structure

kernel is made up of mainly 3 components

* Scheduler * services * objects

→ Scheduler make use of objects and gives services



Scheduler : heart of every kernel.

* Schedulable entity

* provides multitasking

* Context Switching

* Dispatching

* make use of Scheduling algorithms

→ Schedulable entity : task/process competing for cpu time for its execution is called Schedulable entity.

→ multitasking : Scheduler should be able to handle multitasking using scheduling algorithms.

→ Context Switching : ^{one task} time taken to terminate and load other task is called context switching. It should be minimum.

Scheduling Algorithms

- ① Preemptive priority-based scheduling
- ② Round-Robin scheduling.

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RTOS KERNEL OBJECT -TASK

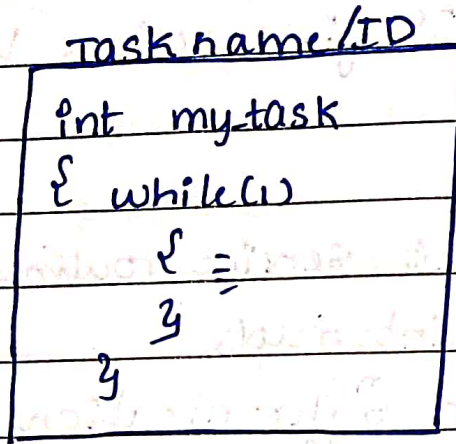
- By use of Object RTOS gives desired level of services
- Kernel Objects are
 - ① Task / process
 - ② Timer
 - ③ ISR'S → Interrupt service routines in help us to handle Interrupts.
 - ④ Semaphores → for ^{nc}synchronization during multitasking.
 - ⑤ Events / signals
 - ⑥ Queues / pipes
 - ⑦ Mail boxes

TASK

Task : A piece of program in is meant realizing a operath and is called as task.
Task is entity that competes for CPU time for its execution

Every task will ta have predefined a gorithm / scheduling algorithm..

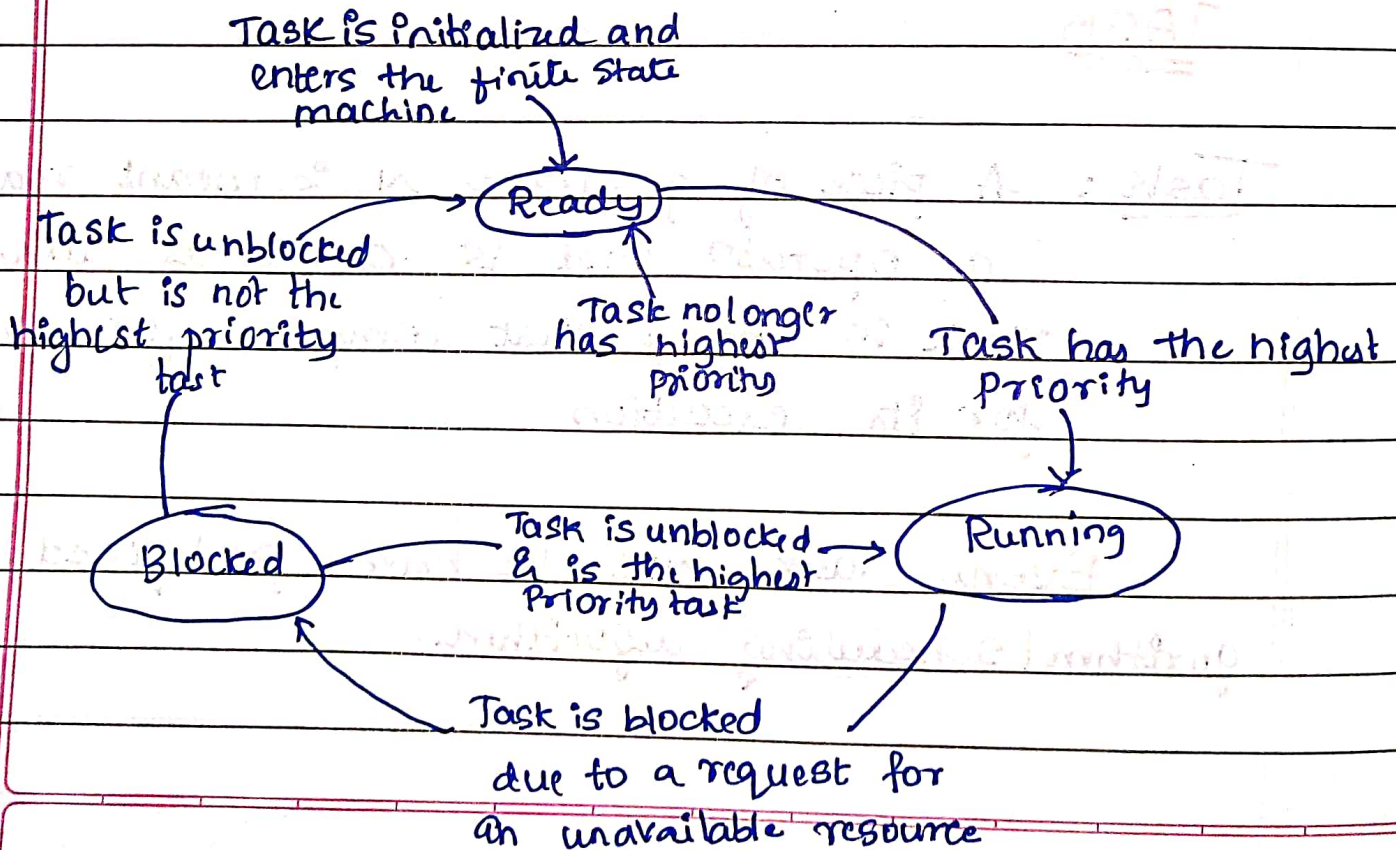
Structure of task:



→ We will have a TCB (Task control block) which is going to store the info about task like Taskname, ID etc. (parameters)

→ To store memory which is required to execute a task will be having a stack memory.

TASK STATE DIAGRAM



TYPICAL TASK OPERATIONS.

* Creating & deleting of task

* Scheduling

* Task Info

Operations	Description
Suspend	Suspend a task
Resume	Resumes a task
Delay	Delay a task
Restart	Restarts a task
Get priority	Get the current task's priority
Set priority	Dynamically sets a task's priority.
preemption lock	locks out higher pri tasks from Preempting current task
preemption unlock	Unlocks preemption lock.

Operat ⁿ s	Descript ⁿ
Get ID	Get current task's ID
Get TCB	Get the current task's TCB

RTOS KERNEL OBJECT - BASICS OF SEMAPHORE

→ Semaphore : for ^{achieving} Synchronizatⁿ, Communicatⁿ and Resource management.

→ act as key/token for hardware resources
whichever task will have this key they will be able to access CPU (resource).

→ 3 types of Semaphore

① Binary Semaphore

② Counting Semaphore

③ Mutex

1] Binary Semaphore : It carries two values $\begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 \end{cases}$

If it takes 0 : means that resource is unavailable

If it takes 1 : " " " " "



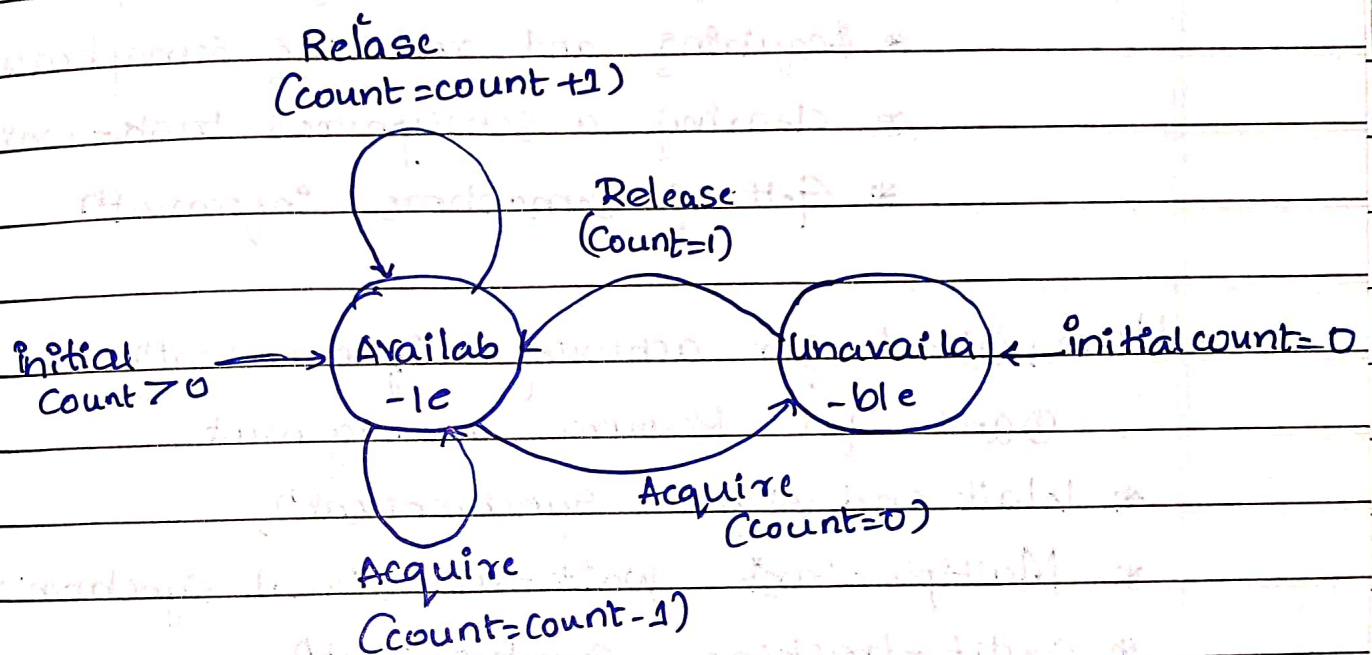
→ To store the attributes related to Semaphore
(Info like name, ID, task)
We have SCB (Semaphore control block).

It will have Id(name, task weight, ^{list} ~~and~~ Value

problem of Binary S : no ownership means when someone access resource any other can release it by deleting task w may lead to memory leakage.

2] Counting Semaphore : having a count value (integer) how many times Particular Semaphore is being accessed that count value can be maintained (recorded) by this Semaphore.

→ Here also we will have 2 states (available and unavailable).

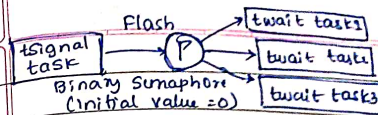
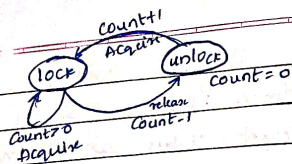


3] Mutex : To avoid problems in previous semaphores

↳ 3 main features:

- * Ownership is provided
- * Task deletion safety
- * provides Recursive access

→ have 2 states : defined as lock and unlock.

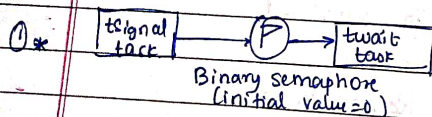


SEMAPHORE OPERATION & USES.

- Operations:
- * Creating and deleting Semaphores
 - * Acquiring and releasing Semaphores
 - * clearing a semaphore's task-waiting list
 - * Getting semaphore information

- Uses:
- ① Used for achieving Synchronization
 - ② and for Resource management.

- * Wait-and-signal Synchronization
- * Multiple-task wait-and-signal Synchronization
- * Credit-tracking Synchronization
- * Single shared-resource-access Synchronization
- * Recursive shared-resource-access Synchronization
- * Multiple shared-resource-access "



OBJECT - PRIORITY INVERSION.

→ let us say we have 3 task
 Low priority Med Pri high priority
T₁ T₂ T₃

@ One instance of time when let us assume T₁ is in running mode

T₁ utilizes resource called R₁

Now when T₂ comes tries to preempt T₁ as it medium priority and when T₃ comes it also tries to preempt.

When T₂ preempt T₁ when ^{T₁}R₁ enters to blocked mode now when T₃ comes it want to execute Though priority is high R₁ has to be released by T₁ so T₃ has to wait due to poor design. [→] leads to Convert high priority T₃ to low priority. This problem is called as priority inversion.

→ Solving priority inversion problem.

We use mutex to solve this problem

Mutex solves problem by incorporating priority inheritance and ceiling priority protocol

1. Priority inheritance protocol : means someone's priority being inherited

We make T_1 as highest priority so that T_2 cannot preempt T_1 and T_3 can do that its execution

2. Ceiling priority protocol :

highest possible priority among all task will be assigned to running low priority task.

RTOS kernel Object: Basics of Message Queues

Message Queues:

→ Inter task processes (communication) (IPC):

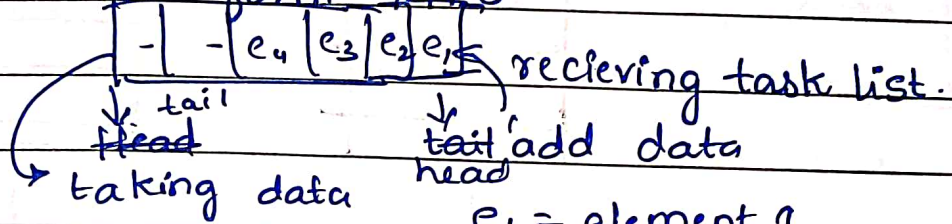
↳ Message Queues are achieving IPC

Along with message queue we can also use pipes, mail boxes for IPC

→ Message queue is going to carry message.

This Queue is in form FIFO

Sending tasks



$e_1 = \text{element 1,}$

$e_2 = \text{element 2 etc}$

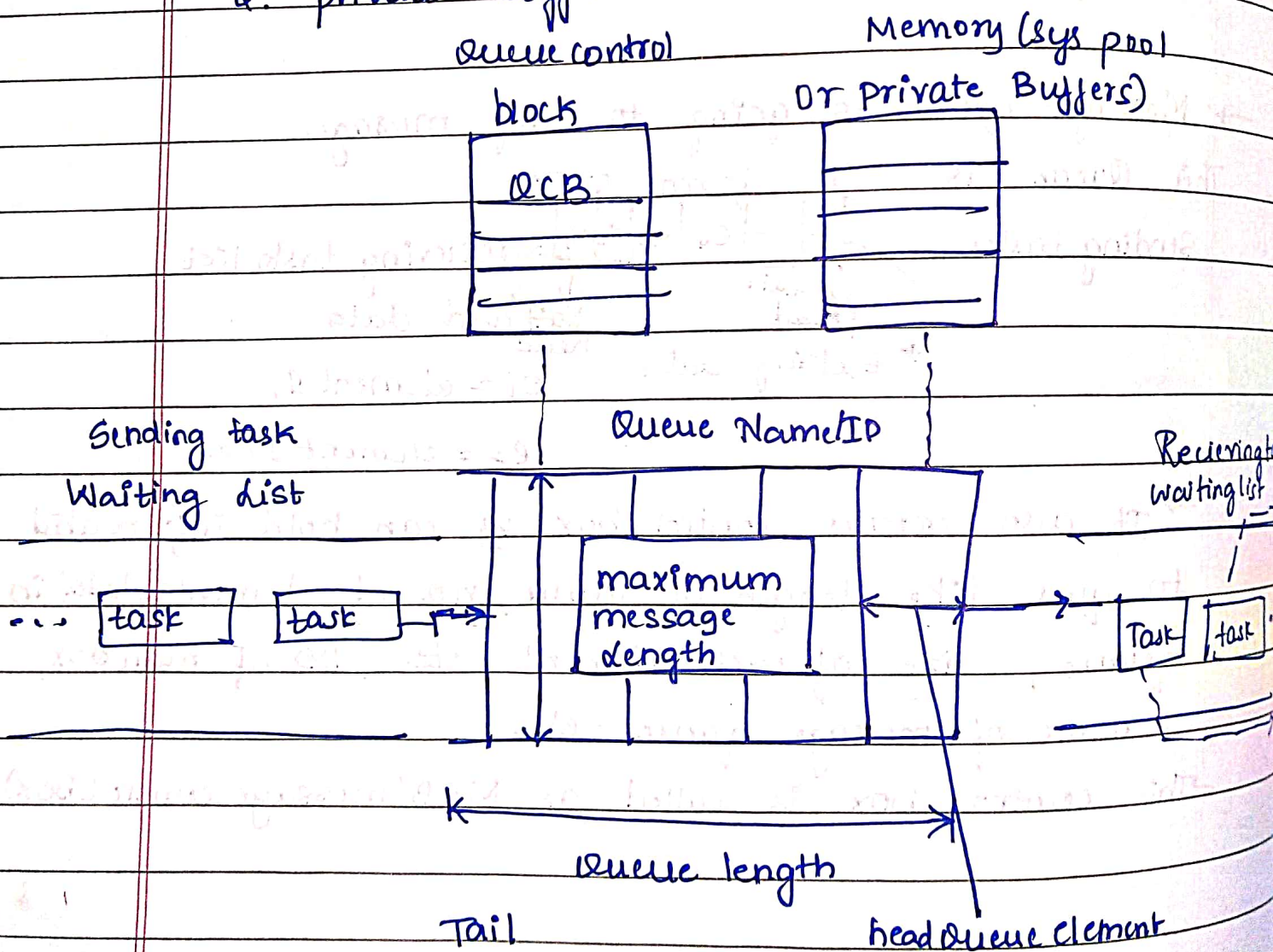
→ It also creates control box we can hold info related to ques like length of queue, no. of elements (data) in queues, size of each element etc. ID of mailbox, name of message queue etc.

→ This control box is called as MCB (message control box).

→ A message queue is a buffer-like object through which tasks and TSRS send and receive message communicate and synchronize with data. A message queue is like a pipeline.

→ 2 means of allocating memory to queue:

1. System pool
2. private buffer.



→* System pools : Using a system pool can be advantageous if it is certain that all message queues will never be filled to capacity @ the same time. The advantage occurs because system pools typically save on memory use.

The downside is that a message queue with large messages can easily use most of the pooled memory, not leaving enough memory for other message queues.

2)* Private Buffers: Using private buffers, on the other hand, requires enough reserved memory area for the full capacity of every message queue that will be created.

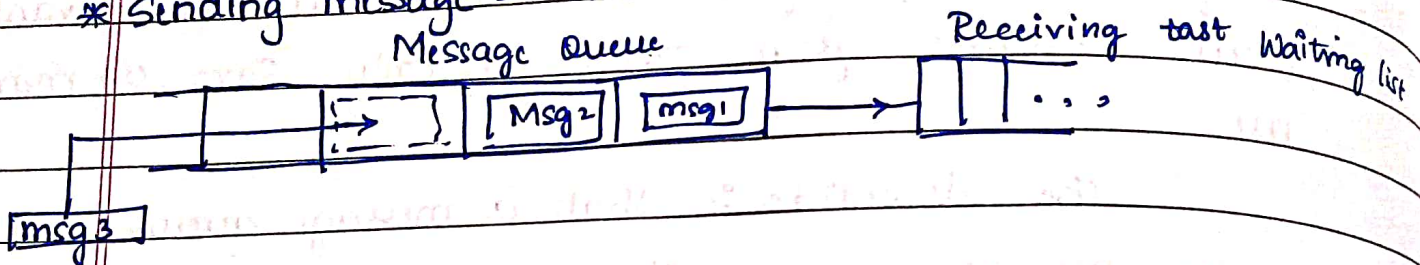
This approach clearly uses up more memory;

OPERATIONS ON MESSAGE QUEUES

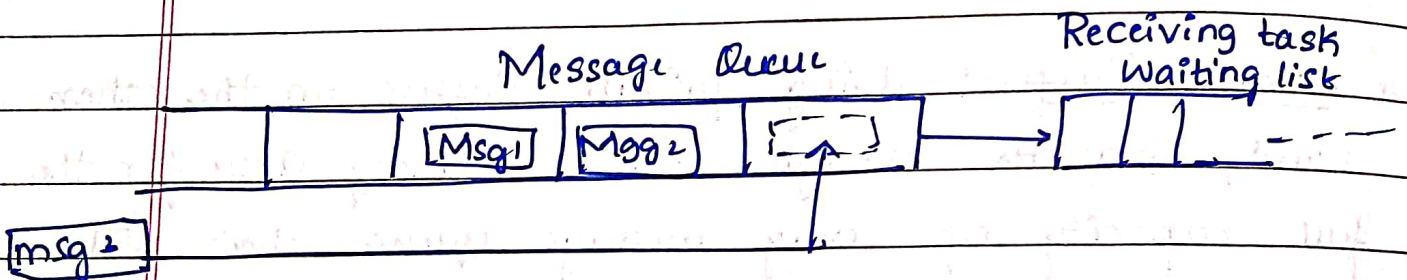
- ① Create queues:
- ② Deleting queue
- ③ Sending & Receiving messages:
- ④ At Get info abt message queue.

→ Sending & Receiving messages:

* Sending message - First in - First-out (FIFO) order



* Sending message - Last-in, first-out (LIFO) order

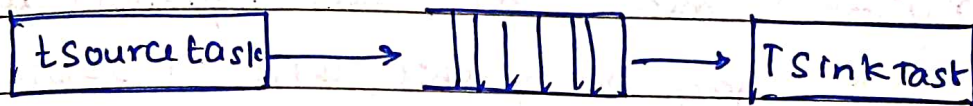


* for Task waiting list also we have FIFO & priority based order.

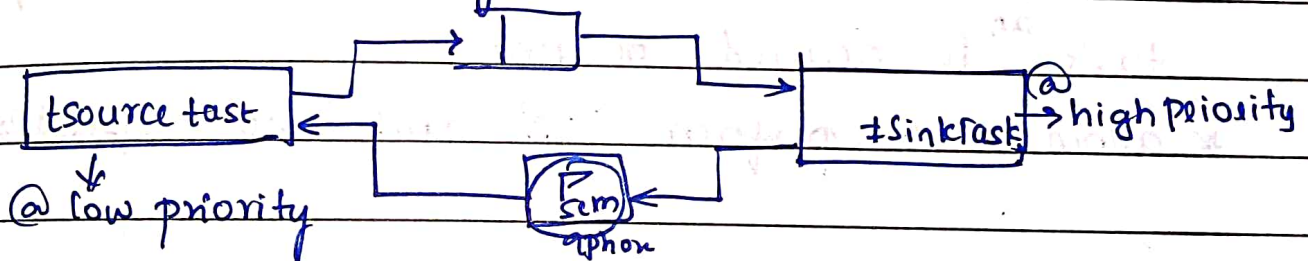
Uses of Message Queues

- > Non-interlocked, one-way data communication.
- > Interlocked, one-way data communication.
- > Interlocked, two-way " "
- > Broadcast communication.

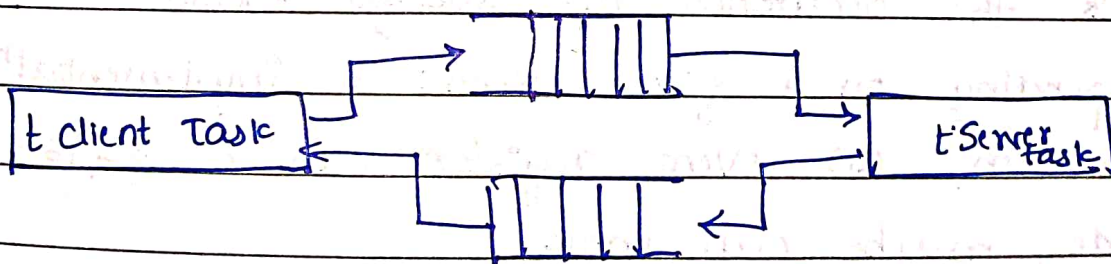
> Non-interlocked, one way



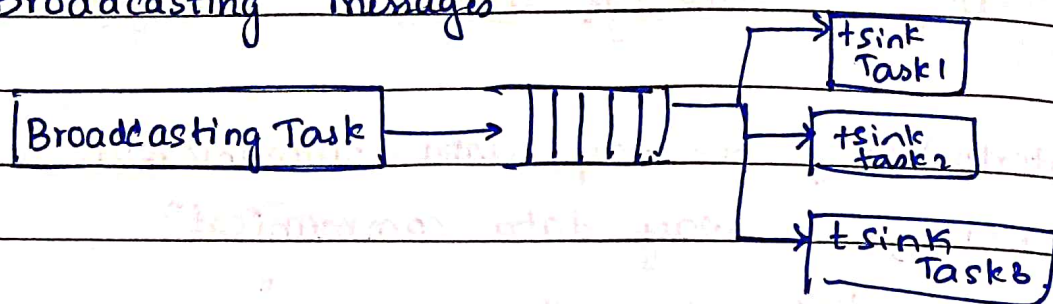
> Interlocked, one way



> Interlocked, two-way communication.



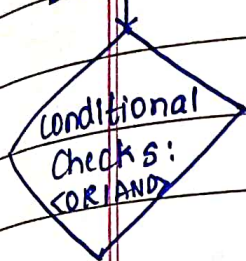
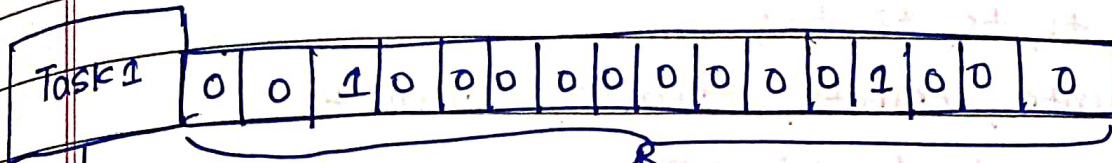
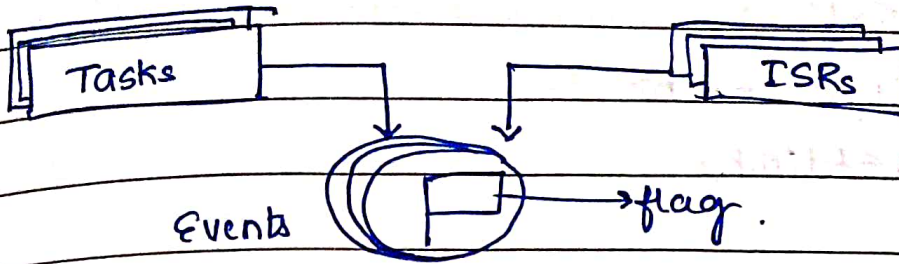
➤ Broadcasting messages



KERNEL OBJECTS - EVENT REGISTERS.

- * Event register is meant for task synchronization.
- * " " may be of 8bit, 16bit or 32bit.
- * Each bit will be acting as flag
- * Each bit can be set or reset (0 or 1) to say a task ^{can} is occurred or not
- * allow us to perform 'OR' and 'AND' operations.
- * Event register, is an object belonging to a task and consists of a group of binary event flags used to track the occurrence of specific event.
- * Depending on a given kernel's implementation of this mechanism, an event register can be 8-, 16-, or 32-bit wide, maybe even more.
- * Each bit in this register is treated like a binary flag (also called an event flag) & can be either set or cleared.

Setting Events



Checking Events

- No wait ~~⊗~~
- Wait 
- Wait with time out