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Chapter 5: Concurrency

Mutual Exclusion & Synchronization

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Chapter 5 Topics

Principles of Concurrency

- Terminology, Process interaction

Mutual Exclusion

- Race condition, Requirements, Hardware approaches

Semaphores

- Definition, Implementation, Producer/Consumer

Monitors

- Definition, Producer/Consumer (revisited), Implementation

Message Passing

- Synchronization, Addressing, Mailboxes

Readers/Writers Problem

- Light switch pattern

Concurrency

- Definition (ad hoc)

- The convergence of multiple actors upon a item

- OS design themes

- Managing processes & processors
 - **Multiprogramming**: N processes, 1 processor (N:1)
 - **Multiprocessing**: N processes, M processors (N:M, $N > M$)
 - **Distributed processing**: Multiprocessing across computers

- 2+ processes running concurrently by...

- **Interleaving**: processes alternate using a processor
 - Only way in uni-processors; multiprocessors can use it
- **Overlapping**: processes use different processors
 - Only available in multiprocessors

Concurrency

- ◉ Normally OS...

- keep track of processes
- allocating & manage their resources

- ◉ ...but with concurrency

- **protect** resources against **interference** by other processes
- **ensure** that processes & their **outputs** are independent of processing speed

- In multiprogramming

- a process relative **speed of execution** depends
 - on **other processes** activities
 - OS **interrupt** handling & **scheduling** policies

Terminology

- Atomic operation
 - Code segment whose execution is indivisible: once started it cannot be interrupted nor its state observed until it ends.
- Critical section
 - Code segment accessing a resource. It must be accessed by one thread at a time to maintain the integrity of the resource.
- Mutual exclusion
 - Requirement that only 1 thread accesses a critical section at a time.
- Race condition
 - When 2+ threads access a resource and their final result varies depending on the timing of their execution.
- Deadlock
 - When 2+ processes cannot proceed because each is waiting for the others to complete their work.
- Livelock
 - When 2+ processes repetitively change their state to adjust to changes in state of the others, without any advancing their work (e.g., corridor)
- Starvation
 - When a waiting thread is overlooked by the scheduler and never given a chance to proceed (e.g., lower priority).

Process interaction

- Degree of awareness (among projects)
 - **Unaware**: **Competition** (not working together)
 - Results obtained independently of others
 - **Indirectly aware**: Cooperation by **sharing** (indirect)
 - Results obtained by observing results of others
 - **Directly aware**: Cooperation by **communication** (direct)
 - Results obtained by communicating with others
- All require mechanisms addressing
 - Mutual exclusion (integrity), Deadlock & Starvation

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huh?

Mutual Exclusion

● When is it needed?

- when executing a **critical section**
 - ...which is the **code segment** where a **shared** resource is

used

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    while (true) {  
        // non-critical  
        enterCritical( resource );  
        // critical section  
        exitCritical( resource );  
        // non-critical  
    }  
}
```

...

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need
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Mutual Exclusion

⦿ Requirements

- Enforcement
 - only **1 thread** can be in the critical section of a shared object.
- Availability
 - if no thread is in a critical section then **any** thread can **enter**.
- Minimal permanence
 - threads **stay** in a critical section for a **minimal**, finite **time** only.
- Liveness (no deadlock/starvation)
 - mechanisms exist to **avoid** indefinite **delays** to access a resource.
- No side-effects (from non-critical sections)
 - **Halting** in a non-critical section does not impact other processes.
- Unpredictability
 - No assumptions about process **speeds** or number of **processors**.

Mutual Exclusion

● In Hardware

- 1. Interrupt Disabling
 - disabling interrupts guarantees mutual exclusion
 - disadvantages
 - efficiency of execution **degrades** noticeably
 - independent critical sections cannot overlap (e.g. printer, disk)
 - would **not** work in a **multiprocessor**

Mutual Exclusion

● In Hardware


- 2. Special (atomic) Instructions
 - Strategy
 - use a **flag** to indicate whether a thread is in the critical section
 - if flag is **on**, then critical section is taken; **wait** until available.
 - if flag is **off**, then set it **on** and **execute** the critical section; set flag **off** when exiting the critical section (to allow others to enter)
 - Implementations
 - Compare & Swap
 - Exchange

Mutual Exclusion

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Busy waiting

Busy waiting (technique)
a thread does nothing until it gets
permission to enter its critical section

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● In Hardware

- 2. Special (atomic) Instructions (II)
 - “Exchange” is similar to “Compare & Swap”
 - Advantages
 - Simple and easy to verify
 - Works for any number of processes & processors sharing memory
 - Supports many critical sections (each has its own variable)
 - Disadvantages
 - When busy-waiting a thread consumes CPU without doing anything
 - Starvation is possible (if 2+ threads are busy-waiting)
 - Deadlock is possible (if 2+ resources are needed in a critical section)

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Semaphores

Software module

- encapsulating an integer **variable** & implementing three **operations**:
 - Initialize**: to a non-negative value
 - Wait**: decrements value (if it can, if not it waits)
 - Signal**: increments value (no wait)

A **binary semaphore** (mutex) allows 1 thread-access to a critical section
A **multiplex** allows up to n thread-access at the same time

Consequences (**there is no way to know...**)

- ...before **decrementing** whether it will **block** or not
- ...(when **threads** run concurrently) which one goes **next**
- ...how many **threads** are **waiting** (if any)

Semaphores

Definition

```
struct semaphore {  
    int count;  
    queueType queue; Waiting Queue  
};
```

Waiting Queue

- **Strong** semaphore: **strictly** FIFO
- **Weak** semaphore: selection can vary (e.g., priorities)

```
    }  
}  
void semSignal(semaphore s)  
{  
    s.count++;  
    if (s.count <= 0) {  
        /* remove a process P from s.queue */;  
        /* place process P on ready list */;  
    }  
}
```

Semaphores

● Definition

```
struct semaphore {  
    int count;  
    queueType queue;  
};
```

```
void semWait(semaphore s)  
{
```

```
    s.count--;
```

```
    if (s.count < 0) {
```

```
        /* place this process in s.queue */;
```

```
        /* block this process */;
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

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```

```
{
```

```
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```

```
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```

```
        /* remove a process P from s.queue */;
```

```
        /* place process P on ready list */;
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

If negative: add to queue & wait

If non-positive: enable next from queue

Semaphore

- wait: `--flag < 0 ? block : continue`
- signal: `++flag < 1 ? dequeue & continue`

Semaphores

Use in programs

```
/* program mutualexclusion */
const int n = /* number of processes */;
semaphore s = 1;
void P(int i)
{
    while (true) {
        semWait(s);
        /* critical section */;
        semSignal(s);
        /* remainder */;
    }
}
void main()
{
    parbegin (P(1), P(2), . . . , P(n));
}
```

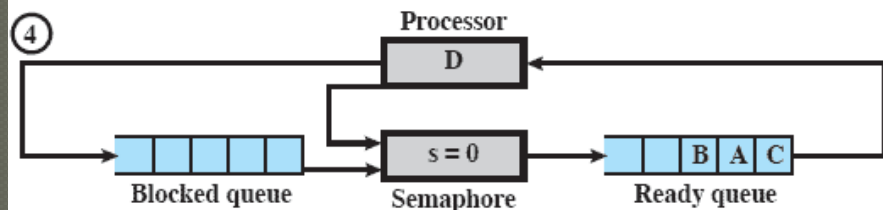
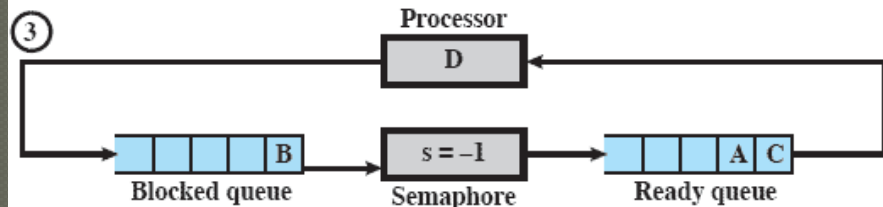
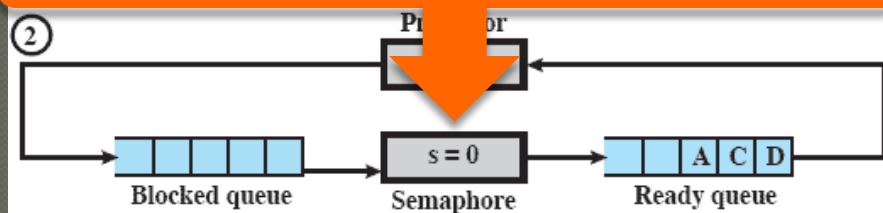
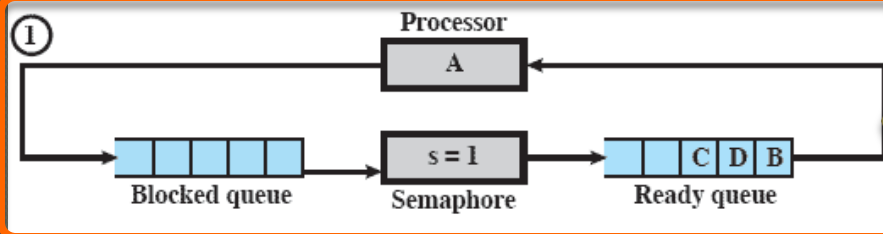
• wait until resource available ($s > 0$)

• signal that a resource is available ($s++$)

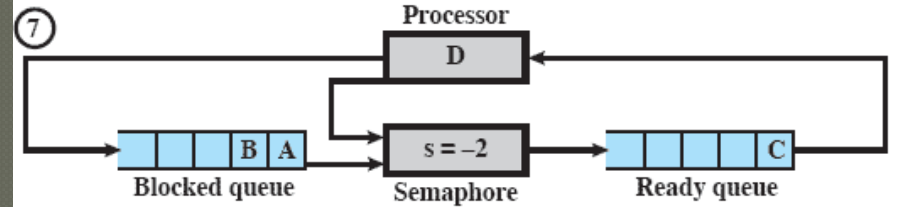
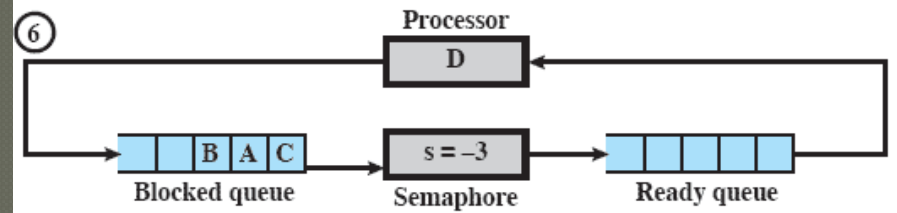
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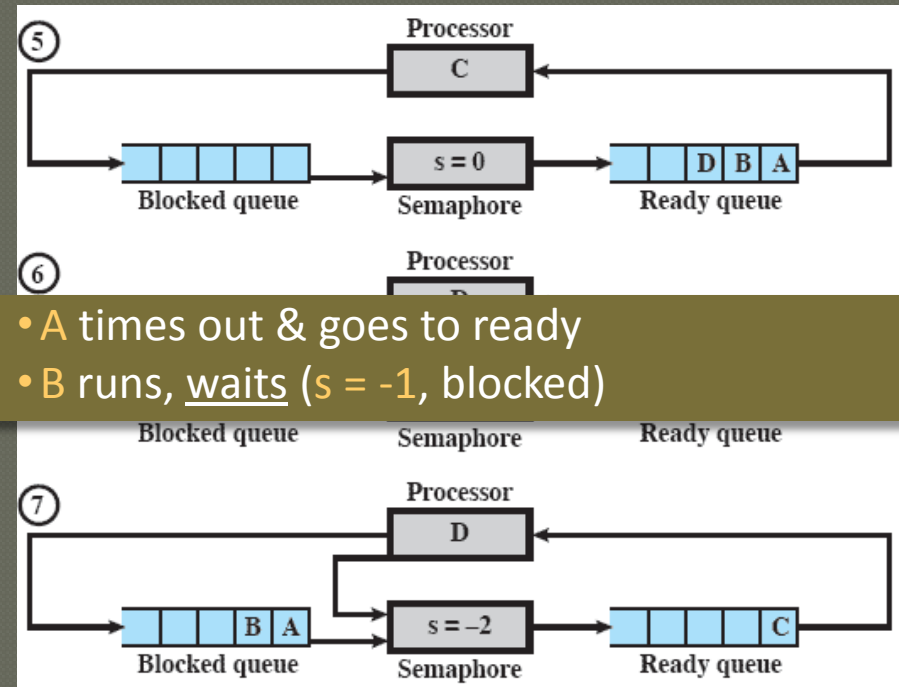
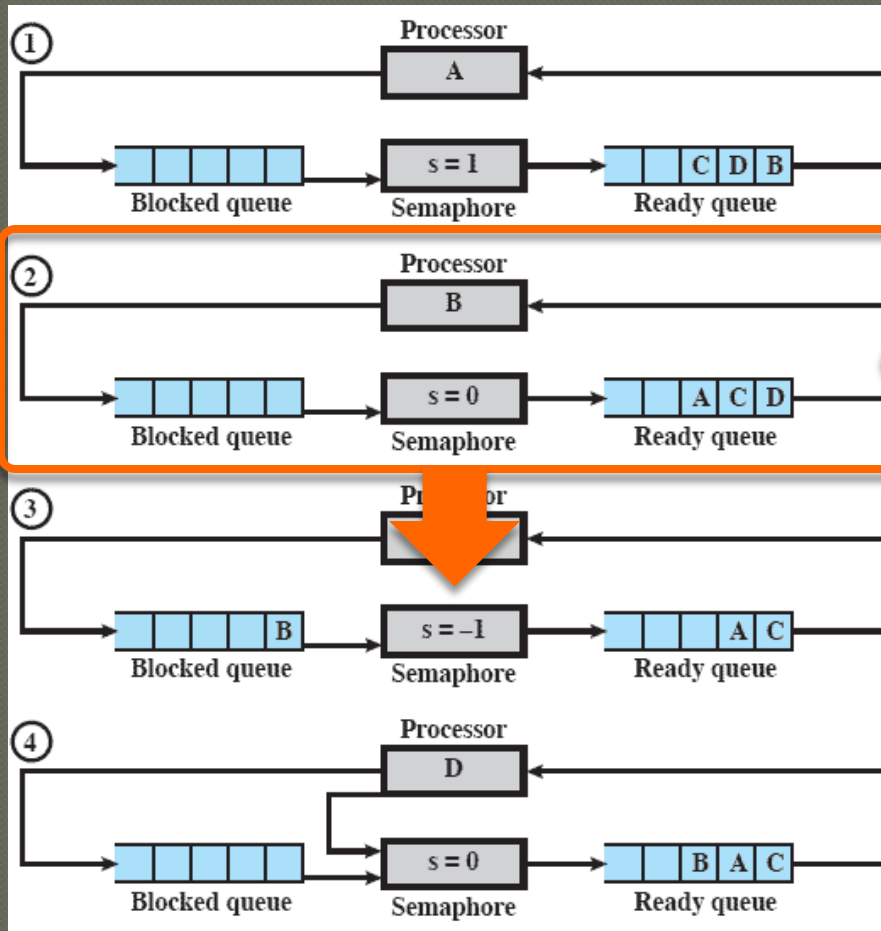
- ⑤
- D provided an initial resource ($s = 1$)
 - B, D & C in ready
 - A runs, waits ($s = 0$, use)



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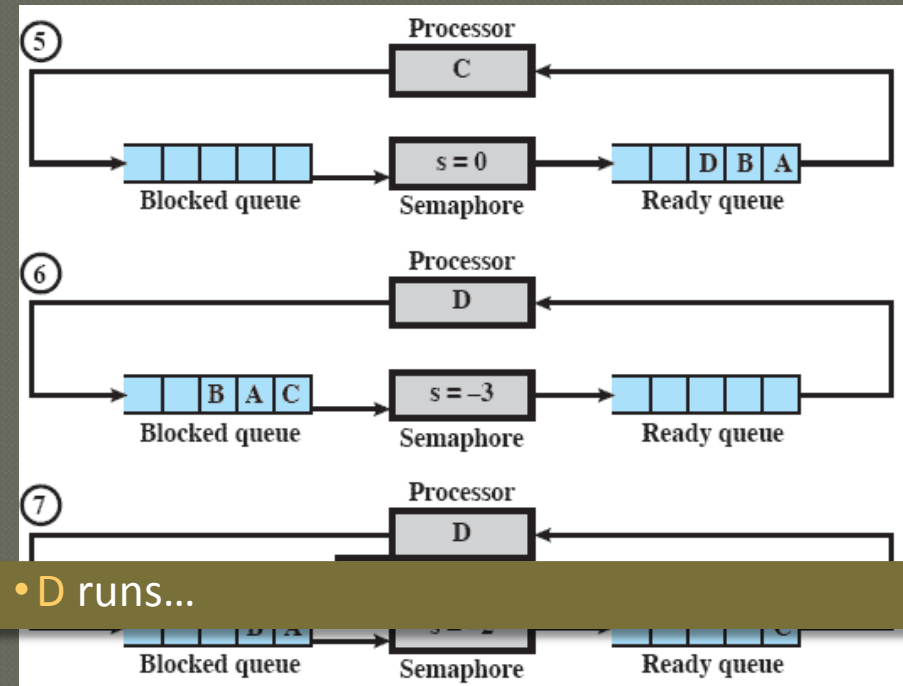
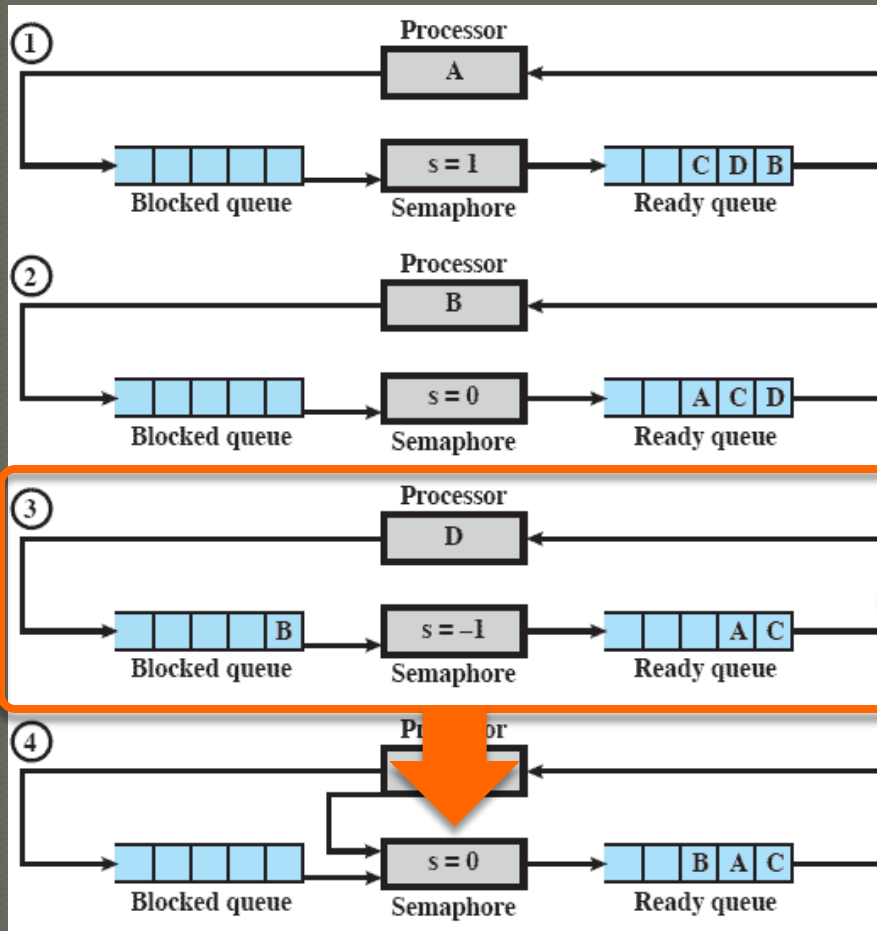


- A times out & goes to ready
- B runs, waits ($s = -1$, blocked)

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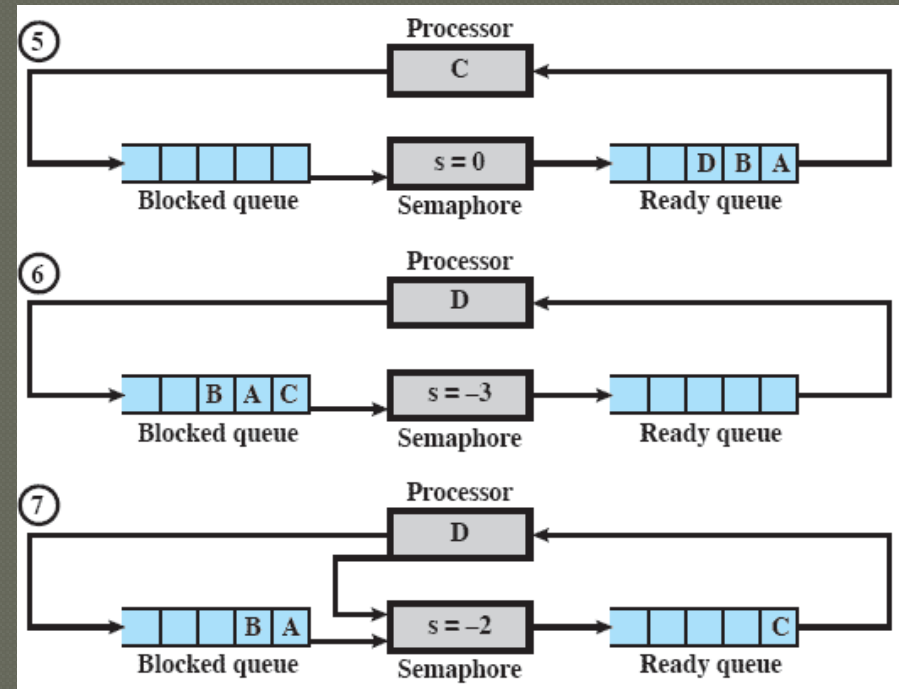
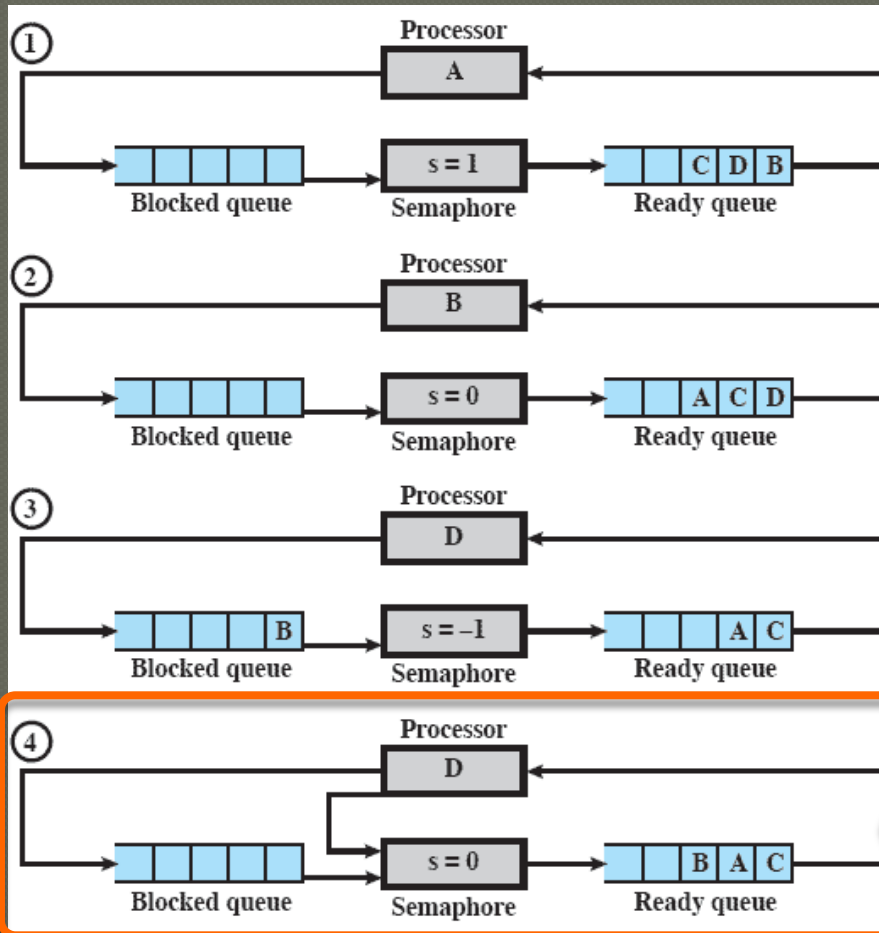


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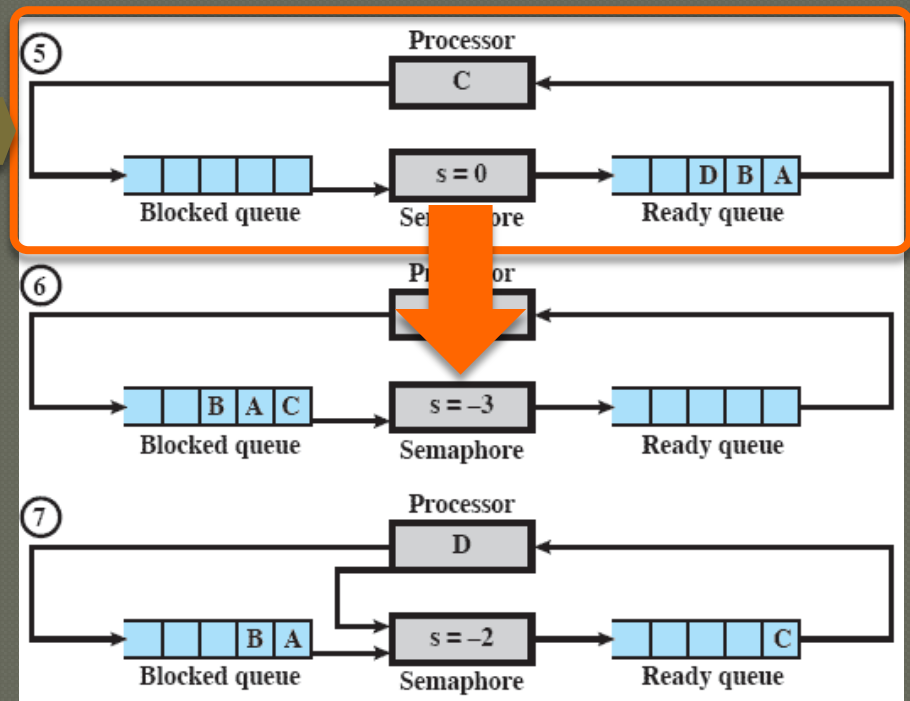
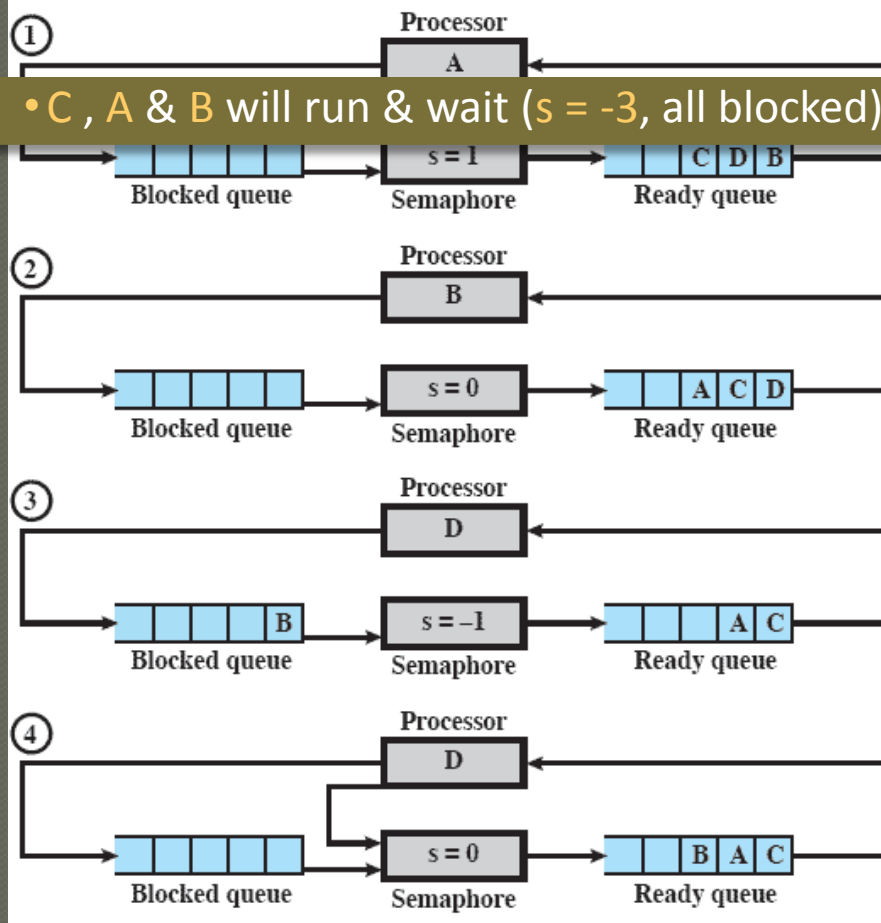


• ... (D) , signals ($s = 0$, dequeue B), times out & goes to ready

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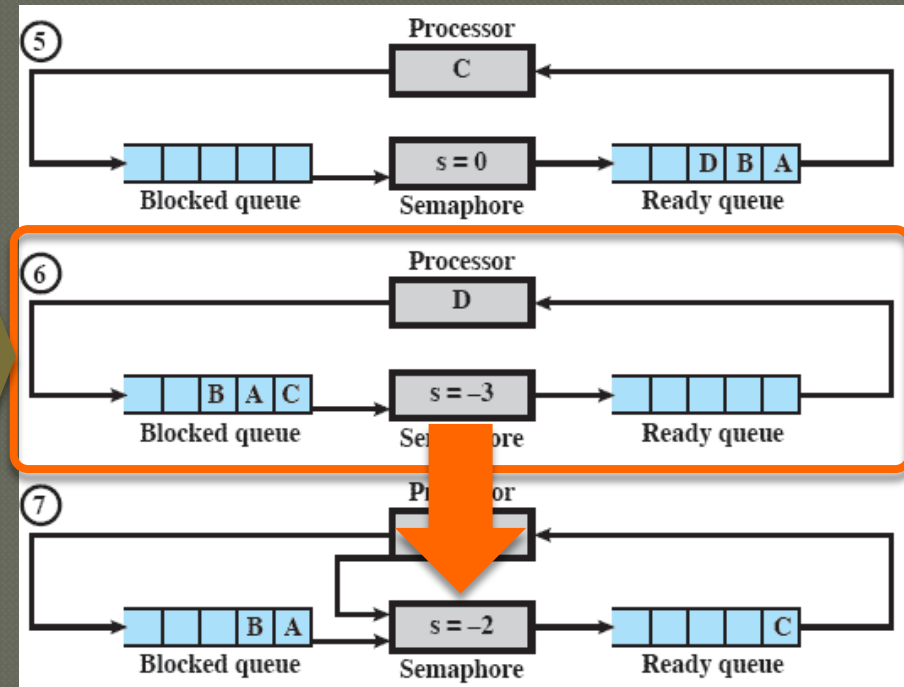
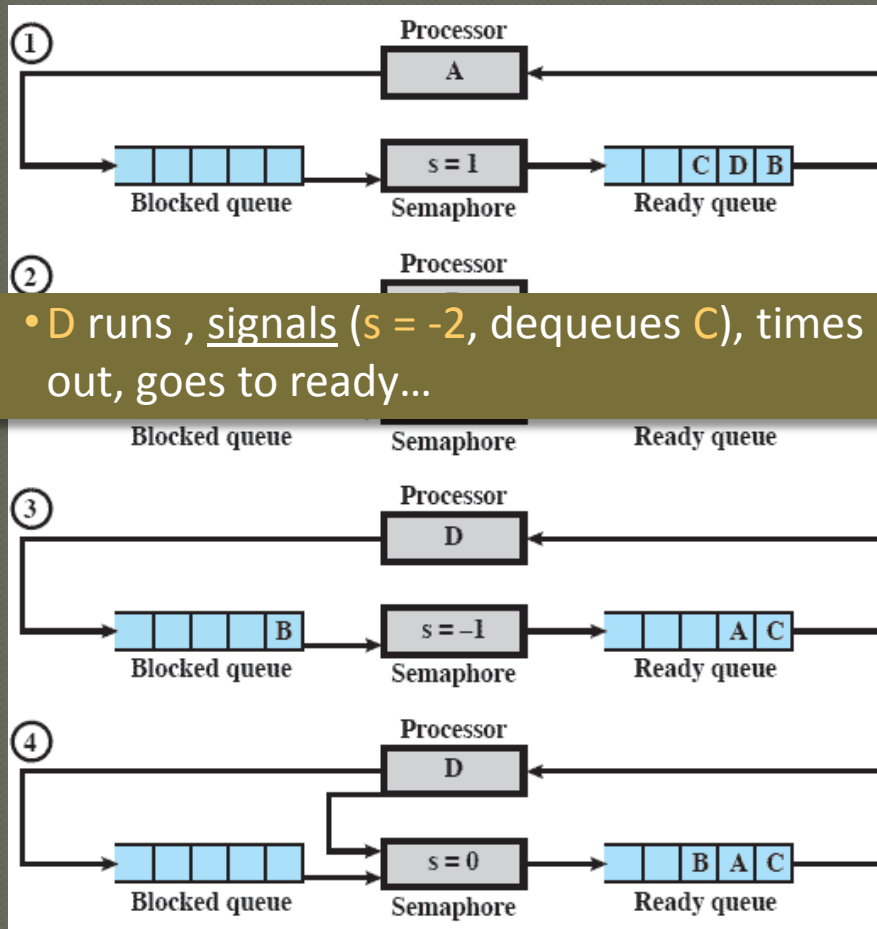
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Example



...and will continue (forever) alternating D with one of C, A & B.

Semaphore

- wait: `--flag < 0 ? block : continue`
- signal: `++flag < 1 ? dequeue & continue`

Semaphores

● Producer/Consumer Problem

- Description
 - A producer **adds** an item to a buffer
 - A consumer **removes** an item out of the buffer
 - There might be **many** producers/consumers
 - but **only one** can access the buffer at any one time
- The Problem (ensure that...)
 - ...producers can't **add** items into a **full** buffer (overflow)
 - ...consumer can't **remove** from an **empty** buffer (underflow)

Initially, let's focus on buffer **underflows** (i.e., removing when empty)

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Semaphores

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- applying mutual exclusion in a critical section

Producer

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    while (true) {  
        s.sWait();           // wait for critical section  
        r++;                 // produce  
        if (r == 1) {        // if this is first item...  
            delay.sSignal(); // ...awake consumers  
        }  
        s.sSignal();         // release critical section  
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Consumer

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```
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s.flag     = 1  
r          = 0
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```
start( producer, consumer1, consumer2 ) ← current thread
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        }  
        s.sSignal();         // release critical section  
    }  
}
```

Consumer

```
public void run() {  
    delay.sWait();           // consumer 1 zzz  
    while (true) {          // consumer 2 zzz  
        s.sWait();           // wait for critical section  
        r--;                 // consume  
        s.sSignal();         // release critical section  
        if (r == 0) {        // if there are no items...  
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        r--;                 // consume  
        s.sSignal();         // release critical section  
        if (r == 0) {        // if there are no items...  
            delay.sWait();   // ...wait for an item  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
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r          = 0 | 1  
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    while (true) {  
        s.sWait(); // wait for critical section  
        r--; // consumer 1  
        s.sSignal(); // release critical section  
        if (r == 0) {  
            // if there are no items...  
            delay.sWait(); // ...wait for an item  
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        r--;                 // consume  
        s.sSignal();         // release critical section  
        if (r == 0) {        // consumer 1: no items...  
            delay.sWait();   // ...wait for an item  
        }  
    }  
}
```

could producer increment `r`
before consumer reads it?

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delay.flag = 0 | -2 | -1  
s.flag     = 1 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -1 | 0  
r          = 0 | 1 | 0 | 1  
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        }                    // consumer 1  
    }  
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Consumer

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public void run() {  
    delay.sWait();           // wait for an consumer 2  
    while (true) {  
        s.sWait();           // consumer 1 critical section  
        r--;                 // consume  
        s.sSignal();         // release critical section  
        if (r == 0) {        // if there are no items...  
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    delay.sWait();           // wait for an item  
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}
```

producer 1 critical section zzz

Consumer

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}
```

consumer 2 zzz

consumer 1

```
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        // consumer 1 critical section  
        if (r == 0) {  
            // if there are no items...  
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            // ...wait for an item  
        }  
    }  
}
```

could signal awake consumer2
instead of producer?

```
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s.flag     = 1 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -1 | -2 | -1 | -2 | -1  
r          = 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0  
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```

critical section
producer 1
zzz
// produce
// if this is first item...
// ...awake consumers
// release critical section

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        }  
    }  
}
```

// wait for an item
// wait for critical section
// consume
// release critical section
// consumer 1 are no items...
// ...wait for an item
consumer 2

```
delay.flag = 0 | -2 | -1 | 0  
s.flag     = 1 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -1 | -2 | -1 | -2 | -1  
r          = 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | -1  
start( producer, consumer1, consumer2 )
```

halt! resource underflow!

What is the problem?

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}
```

it is possible to **change** the value of **r** between the time the critical section is freed and the time **r** is read (in if)

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start( producer, consumer1, consumer2 )
```

How to solve it?

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        }  
        s.sSignal();  
    }  
}
```

moving signal after "if".
would it work?

```
delay.flag = 0 | -2 | -1 | 0  
s.flag     = 1 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -1 | -2 | -1 | -2 | -1  
r          = 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | -1  
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Consumer

```
public void run() {  
    delay.sWait();           // wait for an item  
    while (true) {  
        s.sWait();           // wait for critical section  
        int m = -r;          // consume  
        s.sSignal();         // release critical section  
        if (m == 0) {        // if there are no items...  
            delay.sWait();    // ...wait for an item  
        }  
    }  
}
```

add a local variable **m** to remember the value of **r** at the time it was modified

← a solution

```
delay.flag = 0 | -2 | -1 | 0  
s.flag     = 1 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -1 | 0 | -1 | -2 | -1 | -2 | -1  
r          = 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | -1  
start( producer, consumer1, consumer2 )
```

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public void run() {  
    while (true) {  
        s.sWait();           // wait for critical section  
        r++;                 // produce  
        s.sSignal();         // release critical section  
        n.sSignal();          // item available  
    }  
}
```

Consumer

```
public void run() {  
    while (true) {  
        n.sWait();           // wait for item  
        s.sWait();           // wait for critical section  
        r--;                 // consume  
        s.sSignal();         // release critical section  
    }  
}
```

avoiding underflow

using a semaphore `n` signaling
when items are available (`delay` is gone)

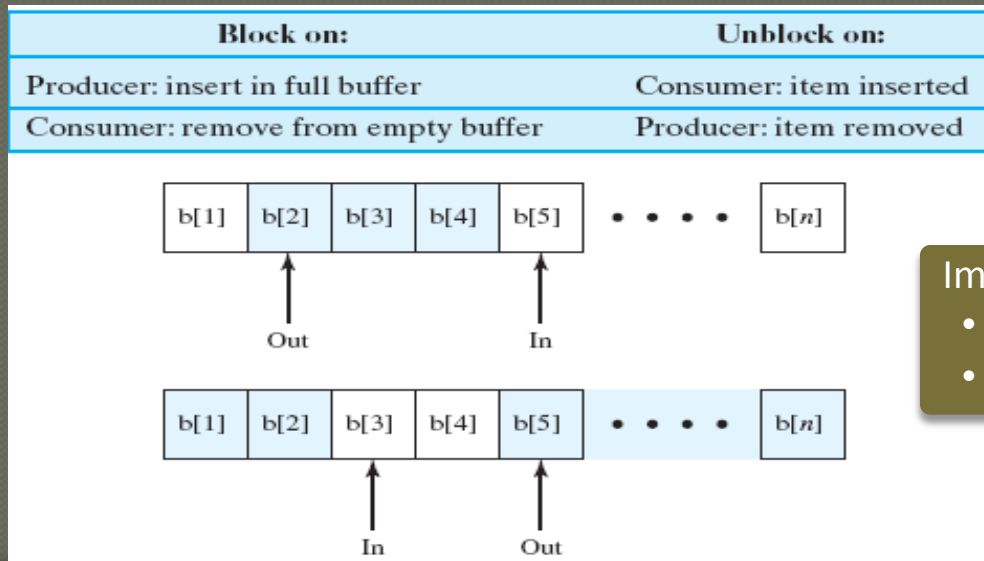
improved solution

```
n.flag = 0  
s.flag = 1  
r = 0  
start( producer, consumer1, consumer2 )
```


Semaphores

● Producer/Consumer Problem

- initially, we prevented buffer **underflow**
 - i.e., removing when empty
- now, let's prevent buffer **overflow**
 - i.e., adding beyond capacity



Implemented using a **circular list**

- adding at in, removing from out
- may wrap around

how to control it?

Semaphore

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Semaphores

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Producer

```
public void run() {  
    while (true) {  
        c.sWait();           // wait for capacity to add  
        s.sWait();           // wait for critical section  
        r++;                 // produce  
        s.sSignal();         // release critical section  
        n.sSignal();         // item available  
    }  
}
```

Consumer

```
public void run() {  
    while (true) {  
        n.sWait();           // wait for item  
        s.sWait();           // wait for critical section  
        r--;                 // consume  
        s.sSignal();         // release critical section  
        c.sSignal();         // capacity available  
    }  
}
```

```
c.flag    = 10  
n.flag    = 0  
s.flag    = 1  
r         = 0
```

```
start( producer, consumer1, consumer2 )
```

using a semaphore `c` restricting
the maximum number of items in the buffer (e.g., 10)

avoiding overflow

Semaphore

- wait: `--flag < 0 ? block : continue`
- signal: `++flag < 1 ? dequeue & continue`

Semaphores

Implementation

- **sWait** & **sSignal** must be implemented as **atomic** operations (in hardware or software)

Java

```
public class Semaphore {  
    private int counter;  
  
    public Semaphore(int _counter) {  
        counter = _counter;  
    }  
  
    public synchronized void sWait() {  
        if (--counter < 0) {  
            try {  
                wait();  
            } catch (InterruptedException e) {  
            }  
        }  
    }  
  
    public synchronized void sSignal() {  
        if (++counter < 1) {  
            notify();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Chapter 5 Topics

- ◉ Principles of Concurrency
 - Terminology, Process interaction
- ◉ Mutual Exclusion
 - Race condition, Requirements, Hardware approaches
- ◉ Semaphores
 - Definition, Implementation, Producer/Consumer
- ◉ Monitors
 - Definition, Producer/Consumer (revisited), Implementation
- ◉ Message Passing
 - Synchronization, Addressing, Mailboxes
- ◉ Readers/Writers Problem
 - Light switch pattern

Monitors

◎ Software module that...

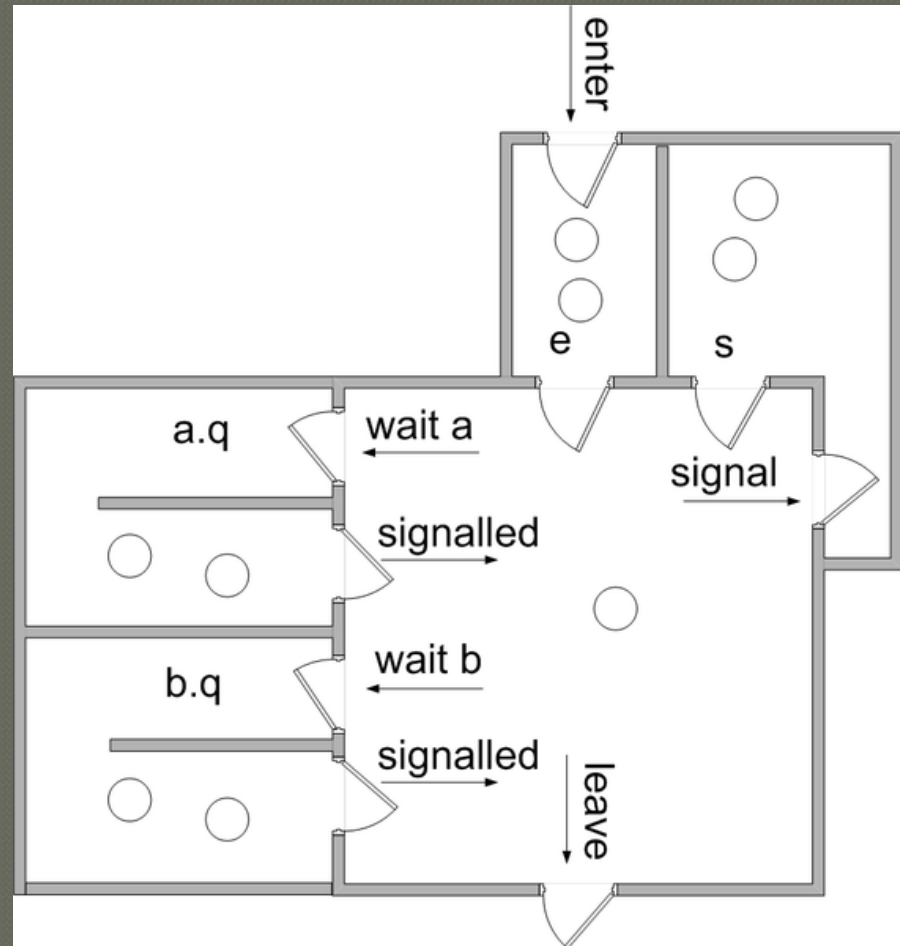
- has **methods** (invoked by threads)
- encapsulates **data structures** (accessible only through its methods)
- only **1** thread can execute its methods at any one time

◎ Synchronization

- achieved through **conditional variables**
 - encapsulated in the monitor
 - each conditional variable...
 - manages a block **queue**
 - uses **cWait()** and **cSignal()** to block/dequeue threads.

Monitors

- Bird's eye view ➡
- Implemented in
 - Pascal-descendants
 - Concurrent Pascal & Modula
 - Java



from: wikipedia.org

Monitors

● Producer/Consumer Problem

- using a monitor **m** to encapsulate the buffer
- synchronization happens within the monitor
 - not in your programs!

Producer

```
public void run() {  
    while (true) {  
        char c = produce();    // create next  
        m.add( c );            // add to buffer  
    }  
}
```

Consumer

```
public void run() {  
    while (true) {  
        char c = m.get();    // get from buffer  
        ...                  // do whatever  
    }  
}
```

Monitor

- add: **resource == MAX ?** wait (until false) then **add**
- get: **resource == 0 ?** wait (until false) then **remove** & return removed

How does that happen?

Monitor

- cWait: `condition ? block in condition(queue) : continue`
- cSignal: `condition(dequeue)`

Monitors

Implementation

```
public class Monitor {  
    private char[] data = new char[ size ];  
    private int count = 0, in = 0, out = 0;  
  
    public synchronized void add(char c) { ... }  
    public synchronized char get() { ... }  
}
```

Java

cWait(condition)

cSignal()

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cSignal()

```
public synchronized void add(char c) {  
    while (count == data.length) { // isFull  
        try { wait(); }  
        catch (InterruptedException e) {}  
    }
```

```
    data[ in ] = c;  
    in = (in + 1) % data.length;  
    count++;  
    notifyAll();  
}
```

```
public synchronized char get() {  
    while (count == 0) { // isEmpty  
        try { wait(); }  
        catch (InterruptedException e) {}  
    }
```

```
    char c = data[ out ];  
    out = (out + 1) % data.length;  
    count--;  
    notifyAll();  
    return c;  
}
```

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Message Passing

● It achieves

- **synchronization** (to reach mutual exclusion) through **communication** (by exchanging information)

● Communication primitives

- **send**(destination, message)
 - deliver message to destination process
- **receive**(source, message)
 - receive a message from the source (if non? tough luck!)
- either **synchronous** (wait) or **asynchronous** (no wait)

Message Passing

● Synchronicity

- send & receive (**block**)
 - aka “rendezvous” allows for tight synchronization
- **send** (doesn't block)
 - sender continue (other things) after sending
- **receive** (blocks)
 - most common
 - implemented natively (e.g., Java sockets)
- **receive** (doesn't block)
 - implemented through libraries (e.g., multi-agents)

Message Passing

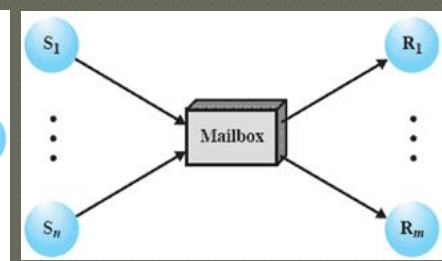
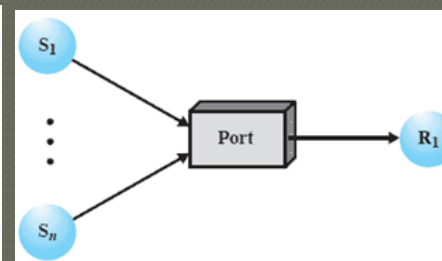
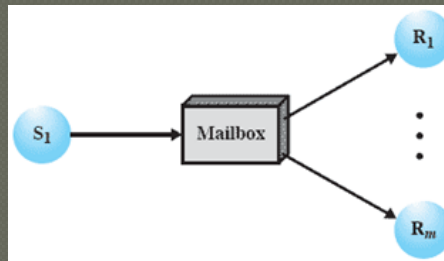
Addressing

- Direct

- aka Point-to-point (1:1)

- Indirect

- through a shared queue entity (aka mailbox)
 - messages are sent to mailbox
 - receivers pick up messages from mailbox (if any)
- mailboxes can be used 1:1, 1:N, N:1, M:N



Message Passing

● Mailboxes & Mutual Exclusion

- how to use mailboxes for mutual exclusion
- create a mailbox with a generic message (any receiver)

```
/* program mutualexclusion */
const int n = /* number of processes */;
void P(int i)
{
    message msg;
    while (true) {
        receive (box, msg);
        /* critical section */;
        send (box, msg);
        /* remainder */;
    }
}
void main()
{
    create mailbox (box);
    send (box, null);
    parbegin (P(1), P(2), . . . , P(n));
}
```

Message Passing

● Mailboxes & Mutual Exclusion

- for the producer/consumer problem

- create mailboxes
“mayProduce”
(buffer not full) &
“mayConsume”
(buffer not empty)

```
const int
    capacity = /* buffering capacity */ ;
    null = /* empty message */ ;
int i;
void producer()
{
    message pmsg;
    while (true) {
        receive (mayproduce, pmsg);
        pmsg = produce();
        send (mayconsume, pmsg);
    }
}
void consumer()
{
    message cmsg;
    while (true) {
        receive (mayconsume, cmsg);
        consume (cmsg);
        send (mayproduce, null);
    }
}
void main()
{
    create_mailbox (mayproduce);
    create_mailbox (mayconsume);
    for (int i = 1; i <= capacity; i++) send (mayproduce, null);
    parbegin (producer, consumer);
}
```

critical section

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Readers/Writers Problem

- ⊙ A data resource is shared among processes
 - some only read (**readers**), some only write (**writers**)
 - Mutual exclusion rules
 - **any** readers can read (if no one is writing)
 - only **one** writer writes at any one time
- ⊙ Categorical Exclusion (generalization)
 - any number of A or B threads can access a critical section...
 - but no A thread can be in it with a B thread, and vice versa.
- ⊙ The “**Light Switch**” Pattern
 - The **first** A or B in the room turns **ON** the switch, and the **last** A or B in the room turns **OFF** the switch.
 - Any A (or B) can **enter** the room if...
 - lights are **OFF**, or
 - there is an A (or B – i.e., if there is someone **like you**) in the room.

Readers/Writers Problem

● Light Switch Pattern

- 1 writer only (enters with **semaphore**)
- N readers simultaneously (enter with **light switch**)

Writer

```
public void run() {  
    while (true) {  
        roomEmpty.sWait();    // wait to enter  
        ++r;                  // write  
        roomEmpty.sSignal();  // leaving  
    }  
}
```

Reader

```
public void run() {  
    while (true) {  
        lightSwitch.lock( roomEmpty ); // wait  
        int blah = r;                  // reading  
        lightSwitch.unlock( roomEmpty ); // leaving  
    }  
}
```

```
roomEmpty.flag = 1  
start( writer1, writer2, reader1, reader2, reader3 )
```


Readers/Writers Problem

Reader

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    }  
}
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Writer

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public void run() {  
    while (true) {  
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        ++r;  
        roomEmpty.sSignal();  
    }  
}
```

```
roomEmpty.flag = 1  
start( writer1, writer2, reader1, reader2, reader3 )
```

Java

```
public class Lightswitch {  
    private int counter = 0; // number inside room  
    private Semaphore mutex = new Semaphore(1 );  
  
    public void lock(Semaphore semaphore) {  
        mutex.sWait(); // can we enter critical?  
        if (++counter == 1) { // if first customer...  
            semaphore.sWait(); // ...wait to turn lights ON  
        }  
        mutex.sSignal(); // exit critical (lights are ON)  
    }  
  
    public void unlock(Semaphore semaphore) {  
        mutex.sWait(); // can we enter critical?  
        if (--counter == 0) { // if last customer...  
            semaphore.sSignal(); // ...turn lights OFF  
        }  
        mutex.sSignal(); // exit critical  
    }  
}
```

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Done!

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- Given
- a1 x = 5
a2 print x
- b1 x = 7
- What path yields output 5 and final value 5?
 7
 7?
 5
 7?
 7
 5?
-
- a1 x = x + 1
- b1 x = x + 1
- If initial value of x is 1, what is its value after both threads run?

Chapter 5 Topics

- Unisex bathroom: Men and women can use the bathroom, and a maximum of 3 people can use the bathroom at once, but no people of different gender can occupy it at the same time.
- female:
 - `femaleSwitch.lock(emptyRoom);`
 - `femaleMultiplex.wait();`
 - `//bathroom code`
 - `femaleMultiplex.signal();`
 - `femaleSwitch.lock(emptyRoom);`
- male:
 - `maleSwitch.lock(emptyRoom);`
 - `maleMultiplex.wait();`
 - `//bathroom code`
 - `maleMultiplex.signal();`
 - `maleSwitch.lock(emptyRoom);`