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Synchronization

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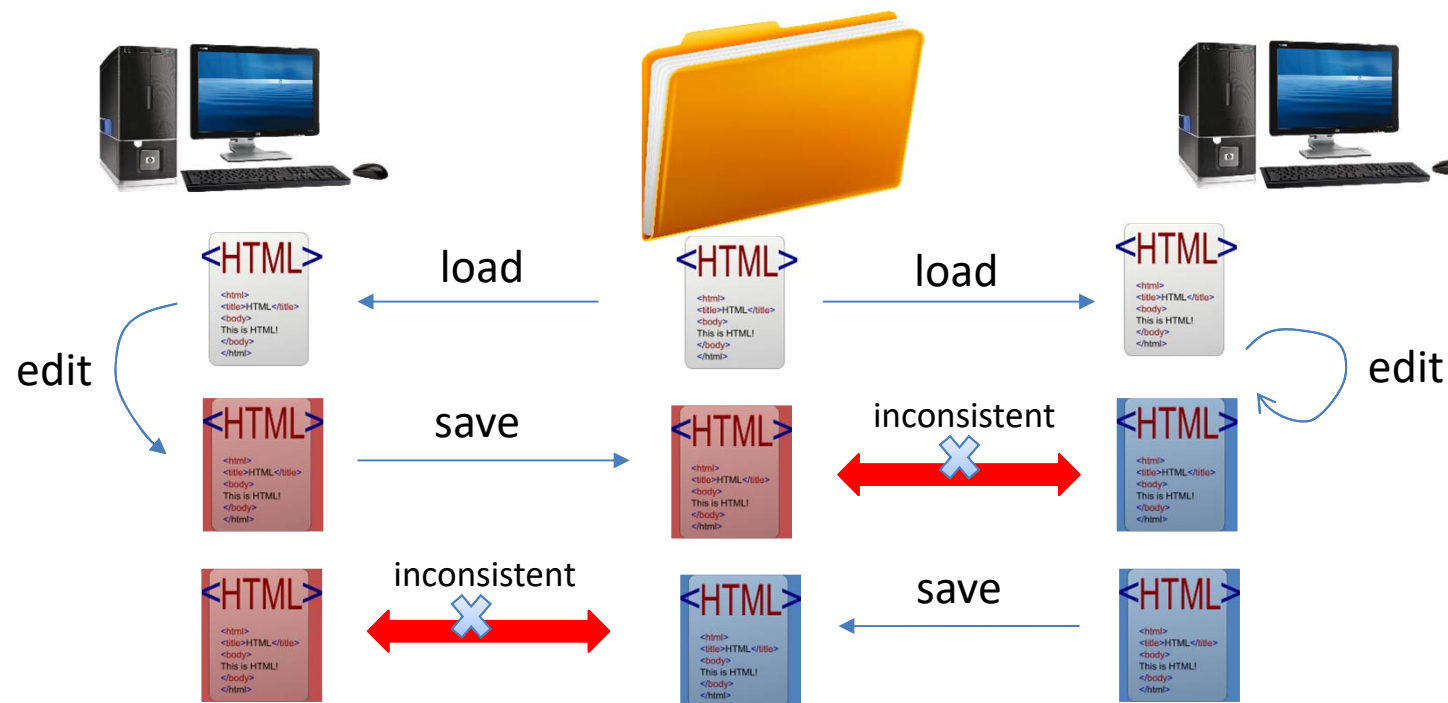
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Background

- Concurrent access to shared data may result in data inconsistency
 - 兩方同時access一個data，指令執行次序導致不同結果
 - 需要一個機制來規範讀寫次序，以利產出一致的執行結果



Ex: Consumer-Producer Problem (改良版)

- Determine whether buffer is empty or full
 - Previously: use in, out position
 - Now: use a global count value (不浪費掉一個buffer space)

```
/*producer*/ while (1) {  
    nextItem = getItem( );  
    while (counter == BUFFER_SIZE) ;  
    in = (in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;  
    counter++;  
}  
  
/*consumer*/ while (1) {  
    while (counter == 0) ;  
    out = (out + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;  
    counter--;  
}
```

counter: 全域變數
二個process同時存取(concurrent shared data access)!

滿
空

Race Condition

- **counter++** could be implemented as

<code>register1 = counter</code>	<code>addi \$t0, \$s0, 0</code>
<code>register1 = register1 + 1</code>	<code>addi \$t0, \$t0, 1</code>
<code>counter = register1</code>	<code>addi \$s0, \$t0, 0</code>

- **counter--** could be implemented as

<code>register2 = counter</code>	<code>addi \$t1, \$s0, 0</code>
<code>register2 = register2 - 1</code>	<code>addi \$t1, \$t1, -1</code>
<code>counter = register2</code>	<code>addi \$s0, \$t1, 0</code>

- Consider this execution interleaving with “count = 5” initially:

S0: producer execute <code>register1 = counter</code>	{register1 = 5}
S1: producer execute <code>register1 = register1 + 1</code>	{register1 = 6}
S2: consumer execute <code>register2 = counter</code>	{register2 = 5}
S3: consumer execute <code>register2 = register2 - 1</code>	{register2 = 4}
S4: producer execute <code>counter = register1</code>	{counter = 6}
S5: consumer execute <code>counter = register2</code>	{counter = 4}

讀取同一版本，各做不同修改後寫入，後寫入的勝利

Ensure the ordering

S0: producer execute	<code>register1 = counter</code>	{register1 = 5}
S1: producer execute	<code>register1 = register1 + 1</code>	{register1 = 6}
S2: producer execute	<code>counter = register1</code>	{counter = 6}
S3: consumer execute	<code>register2 = counter</code>	{register2 = 6}
S4: consumer execute	<code>register2 = register2 - 1</code>	{register2 = 5}
S5: consumer execute	<code>counter = register2</code>	{counter = 5}

Race Condition

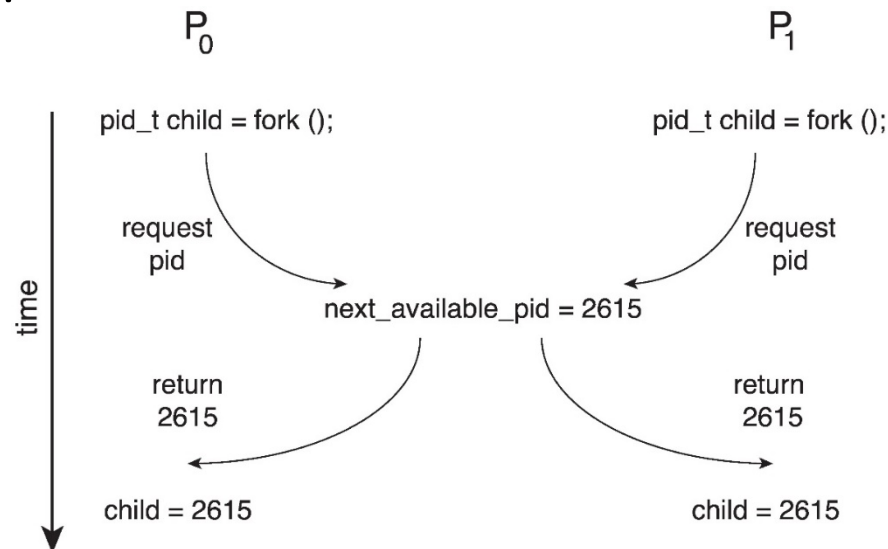
- Definition
 - Several processes update shared data concurrently
 - The final value of the shared data depends upon which process finishes last
- To prevent race condition, concurrent processes must be synchronized
 - Commonly described as critical section problem

S4: producer execute `counter = register1`
S5: consumer execute `counter = register2`

{counter = 6 }
{counter = 4}

Race Condition in Kernel

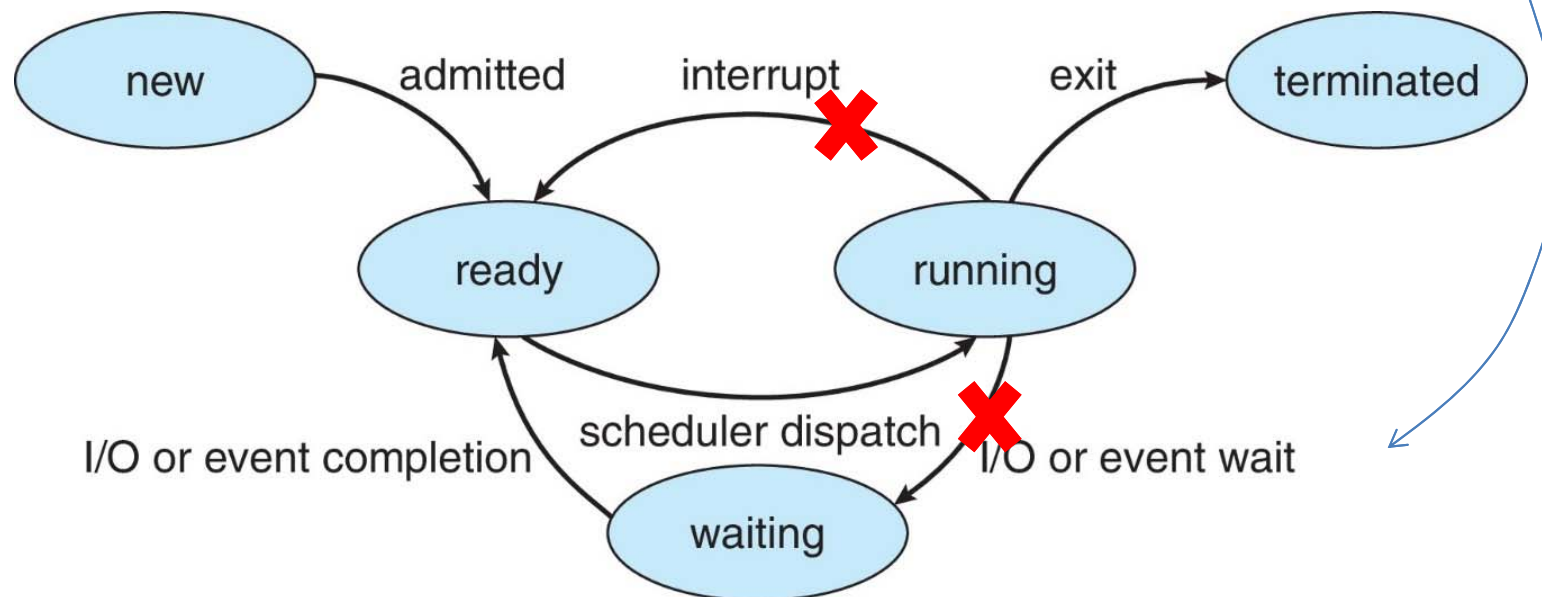
- Multiple kernel-mode processes may be active at the same time and subject to race conditions
- Ex: Processes P0 and P1 are creating child processes using fork()
 - Race condition on kernel variable `next_available_pid`
 - next available process identifier (pid)
 - Unless there is mutual exclusion, the same pid could be assigned to two different processes!



得到二個相同的pid，不合理!

Race Condition in Kernel

- Possible solution
 - Disable interrupt temporarily
 - 只有Single core才有效 (why?)



Race Condition in Kernel

- Two approaches to handle critical sections in kernel
 - Non-preemptive – runs until exits kernel mode, blocks, or voluntarily yields CPU
 - Essentially free of race conditions in kernel mode
 - Multicore: disable all cores' interrupts is not feasible
 - poor efficiency and system clock problem
 - Preemptive kernel – allows preemption of process when they are running in kernel mode
 - More responsive
 - 會有Race Condition，需要同步演算法輔助
 - Multicore下preemptive kernel更難設計:
 - 一樣會有race condition
 - 不同process的code可能分散在不同core跑

See P.262上

See P.265 Memory Model

Critical Section Problem

- General form:
 - **N** processes (threads) are competing to use **the same shared data**
 - Critical section (CS): the code segment that modifies the shared data
 - Only one process can be executed in CS

```
while (true) {
```

```
    entry section
```

Get entry permission

```
        critical section
```

Modify shared data

```
    exit section
```

Release entry permission

```
        remainder section
```

```
}
```

在概念層次，thread和process的解法相同，課本在本章中，以process來指稱process或thread

Critical Section Requirements

- **Mutual Exclusion**: if process P is executing in its CS, no other processes can be executing in their CS
 - 一次只讓一個process進CS
- **Progress**: if no process is executing in its CS and there exist some processes that **wish** to enter their CS 有意願才能參與競爭
 - Only the processes **not in remainder** section can enter next (見下頁範例)
- **Bounded Waiting**: A bound must exist on the number of times that other processes are allowed to enter their CS after a process has made a request to enter its CS
 - 有限等待時間 (排隊)

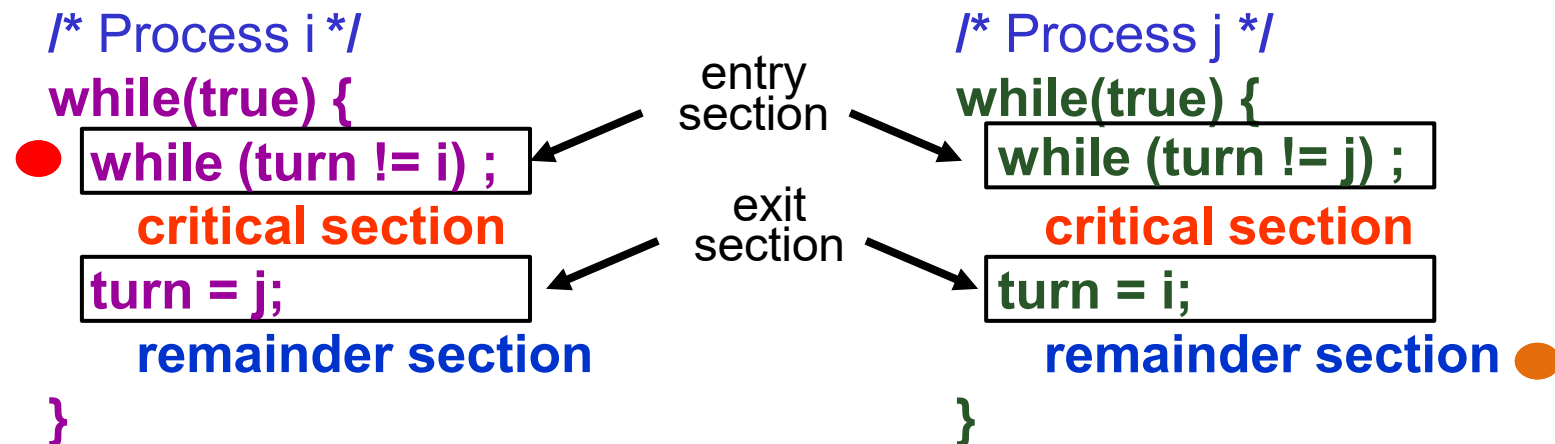
```
while (true) {  
    entry section  
    critical section  
    exit section  
    remainder section  
}
```

The diagram illustrates a process loop. It starts with a `while (true) {` loop. Inside the loop, there are four sections: `entry section`, `critical section`, `exit section`, and `remainder section`. The `entry section` and `exit section` are highlighted with boxes. A blue arrow points from the `Bounded Waiting` requirement in the list above to the `entry section` box.

CS問題→ How to design **entry and exit section** to satisfy the above requirement?
三個條件都要符合才可解此問題!

A Naïve Algorithm: 強制輪流法

- Only 2 processes, P_0 and P_1
- Shared variables
 - `int turn; // initially turn = 0` 現在誰有權利進CS
 - `turn = i; // P_i can enter its critical section`

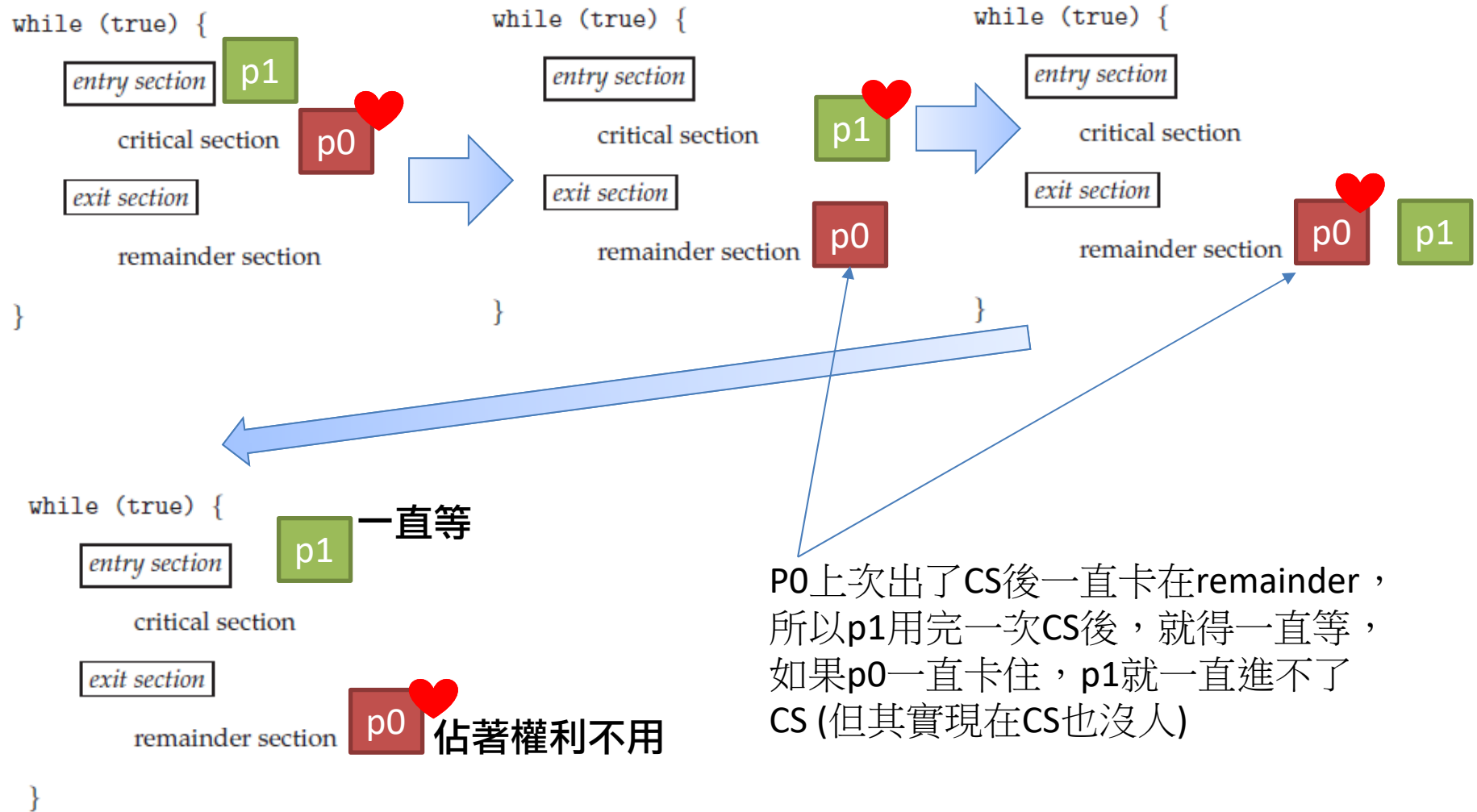


Mutual exclusion=Yes; Progress=No; Bounded-Wait=Yes;

若輪到的一方一直無意願，另一方就要一直等

p0、p1約好「輪流」進CS

♥:CS使用權



P0上次出了CS後一直卡在remainder，
所以p1用完一次CS後，就得一直等，
如果p0一直卡住，p1就一直進不了
CS (但其實現在CS也沒人)

就算有權利使用，如沒有意願用，也不能佔著不放 (progress)
離開remainder，進entry section才代表有意願

Peterson's Solution

- `int turn; // (馬上) 進CS的權利`
- `boolean flag[2]; // (馬上) 進CS的意願`

```

Process i:
while (true){
    flag[i] = true; 表達有意願
    turn = j; 權利給另一位
    while (flag[j] && turn == j)
        ;

    /* critical section */

    flag[i] = false; 表達沒意願了!

    /* remainder section */

}

```

只要另一位「沒權利」或
「沒意願」就可以進入
如果另一位(j)有權利也有
意願進CS，就要等

可解naïve solution的progress問題，因為若j還卡在remainder，那麼它一定沒意願進CS (flag[j]==false)

這行會導致P在remainder section時，都被標記為沒意願

```

/* process 0 */
while(1) {
    flag[ 0 ] = TRUE;
    turn = 1 ;
    while (flag [ 1 ] && turn == 1 ) ;
        // critical section
    flag [ 0 ] = FALSE ;
        // remainder section
}

```

```

/* process 1 */
while(1) {
    flag[ 1 ] = TRUE;
    turn = 0 ;
    while (flag [ 0 ] && turn == 0 ) ;
        // critical section
    flag [ 1 ] = FALSE ;
        // remainder section
}

```

flag[]意願; turn權利

是否符合Mutual Exclusion?

假設不符合Mutual Exclusion，則P0與P1同時在CS

此時，flag[0] == flag[1] == true (二者都有意願進CS)

又，依據程式:

If P1 in CS → 必須不符合while → flag[0] == false or turn == 1 → turn == 1

If P0 in CS → 必須不符合while → flag[1] == false or turn == 0 → turn == 0

→ P0 and P1 in CS → turn == 0 and turn == 1 (矛盾)

1 0

```

/* process 0 */
while(1) {
    flag[ 0 ] = TRUE;
    turn = 1 ;
    while (flag [ 1 ] && turn == 1 ) ;
    // critical section
    flag [ 0 ] = FALSE ;
    // remainder section
}

```

flag[]意願; turn權限

```

/* process 1 */
while(1) {
    flag[ 1 ] = TRUE;
    turn = 0 ;
    while (flag [ 0 ] && turn == 0 ) ;
    // critical section
    flag [ 1 ] = FALSE ;
    // remainder section
}

```

flag[]意願; turn權限

1 0

Progress: 如果CS中沒人，而且有人有意願進CS，則只有不在Remainder的人才有資格下一個進去

是否符合Progress?

如果CS中沒人，且P0有意願(flag[0]==true; turn ==1)

(1) P1在remainder(沒意願)，P0能進去 (因為flag[1]==false)

(2) P1不在remainder，代表二人都有意願，則(flag[0]==flag[1]==true)，此時誰先跑到while就能先進去 (turn 不是0就是1，後跑到的會將權利turn設給另一人)

在二種情況下，只要有人有意願都一定會有其中一人能進CS

```

/* process 0 */
while(1) {
    flag[ 0 ] = TRUE;
    turn = 1 ;
    while (flag [ 1 ] && turn == 1 ) ;
    // critical section
    flag [ 0 ] = FALSE ;
    // remainder section
}

```

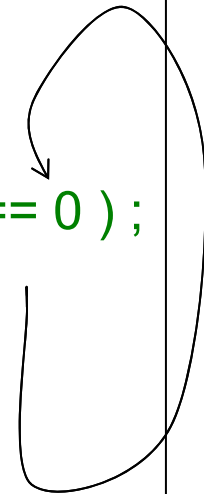
flag[]意願; turn權限

```

/* process 1 */
while(1) {
    flag[ 1 ] = TRUE;
    turn = 0 ;
    while (flag [ 0 ] && turn == 0 ) ;
    // critical section
    flag [ 1 ] = FALSE ;
    // remainder section
}

```

flag[]意願; turn權限



Progress: 如果CS中沒人，而且有人有意願進CS，則只有不在Remainder的人才資格下一個進去

是否符合Bounded waiting 如果有意願，則不能無限等待(被插隊)?

假設P1在CS中，且P0有意願，卡在while loop
 若要不符合Bounded waiting，代表P1想插隊，此時P1出CS後，在P0未進入CS前，又快速走到P1的while (此時turn == 0, flag[0] == flag[1] == 1) → P1一定會被卡住 → P0進CS。

反之若P0在CS中，且P1有意願，卡在while loop，同上理由P1也終究能進CS

Limitation of Peterson's Solution

- Limitations
 - Only two process
 - Not guaranteed to work on modern architectures
 - Because of **reordering** of instructions (in CPU pipeline)

Reordering Instructions


- 假設二個threads同時存取下列全域變數:

```
boolean flag = false;  
int x = 0;
```

- Thread 1

```
while (!flag)  
    ; // wait for flag==true  
print x;
```

- Thread 2



```
x = 100;  
flag = true; // flag == true after assignment
```

- What is the expected output? x=100 or x=0?
 - The operations for Thread 2 may be reordered

若T2二個指令對調，結果就要看是print x先或是x=100先被執行 → race condition

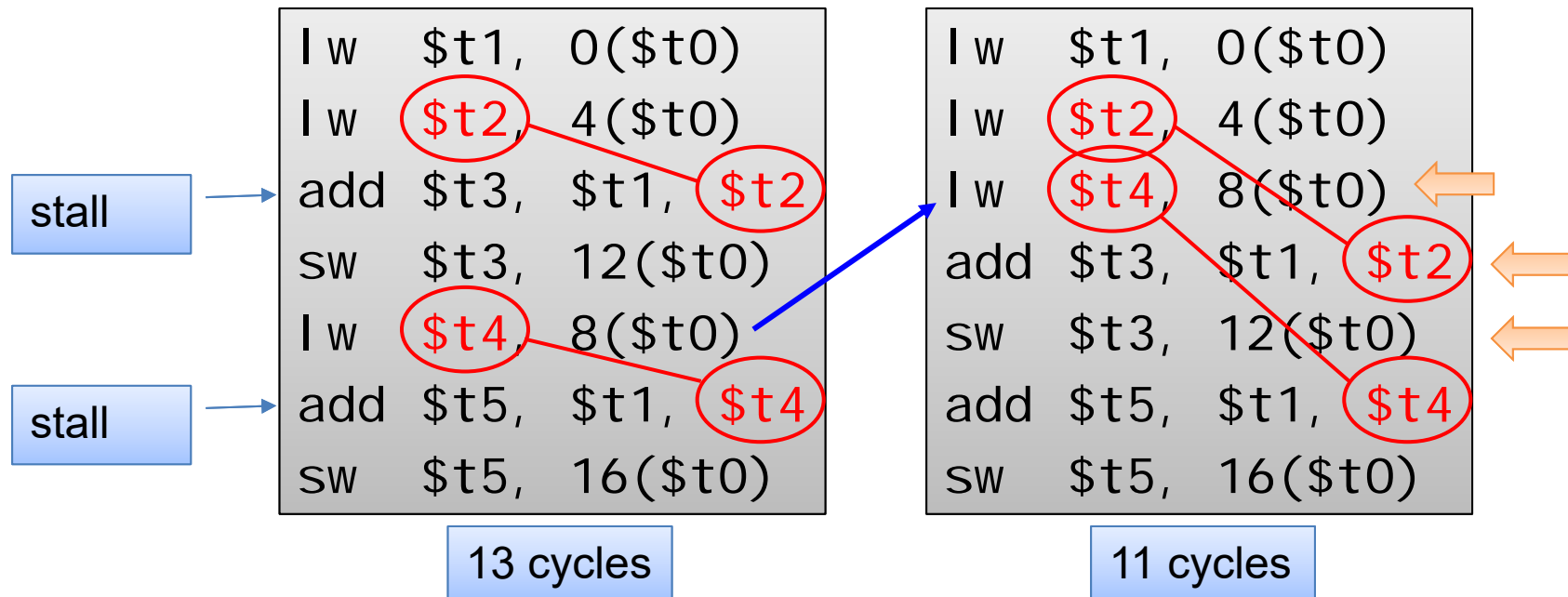
Code Scheduling to Avoid Stalls

- Reorder code to avoid use of load result in the next instruction

C code : $a = b + e;$
 $c = b + f;$

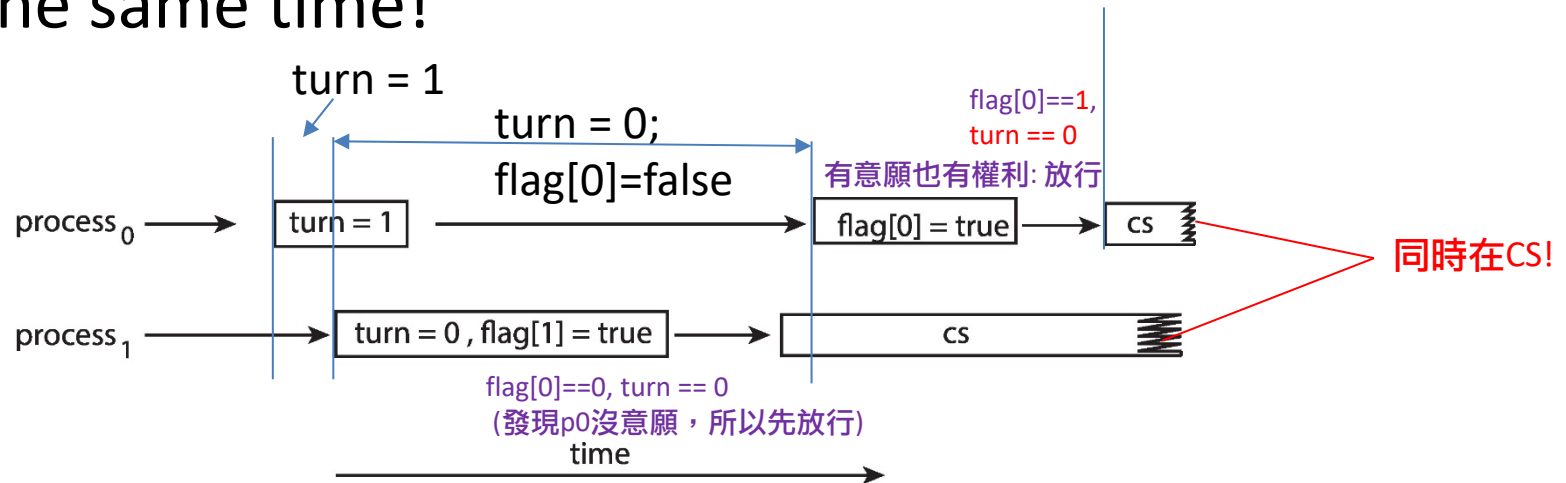
若緊接著load就要用，則會stall一個stage (即使用forwarding)

調整後，二個lw指令的結果都至少一個指令後才被用到，所以沒有stall



Reordering Instructions

- This allows both processes to be in their critical section at the same time!



```

/* process 0 */
while(1) {
    flag[ 0 ] = TRUE; (4)
    turn = 1 ; (1)
    while (flag [ 1 ] && turn == 1 ) ;
    // critical section
    flag [ 0 ] = FALSE ;
    // remainder section
}

```

```

/* process 1 */
while(1) {
    flag[ 1 ] = TRUE;(3)
    turn = 0 ; (2)
    while (flag [ 0 ] && turn == 0 ) ;
    // critical section
    flag [ 1 ] = FALSE ;
    // remainder section
}

```

Synchronization by Hardware

- Two types
 - 確保二個外部指令間的次序
 - Memory barriers
 - 確保一群內部指令的次序
 - test_and_set
 - compare_and_swap
 - Atomic variable (以compare_and_swap實現)

Memory barrier

- 功能

- An instruction that forces any change in memory to be propagated (made visible) to all other processors
- Ensure all loads and stores are completed in order

要確保二道指令的次序，就在中間加一個
`memory_barrier()`

- Thread 1

```
while (!flag);  
memory_barrier(); // flag load before x load  
print x
```

- Thread 2

```
x = 100;  
memory_barrier(); // x store before flag store  
flag = true
```


Peterson's Solution with Memory Barrier

- `/* process 0 */`

```
while(true) {
```

```
    flag[ 0 ] = TRUE;
```

要確保二道指令的次序，就在中間加一個
`memory_barrier()`

```
    memory_barrier(); // flag store first, then turn is stored
```

```
    turn = 1 ;
```

```
    while (flag [ 1 ] && turn == 1 ) ;
```

```
    //critical section
```

```
    flag [ 0 ] = FALSE ;
```

```
    //remainder section
```

```
}
```

Hardware Instructions

- Test-and-Set
 - Test-and modify the content of a word atomically

```
boolean test_and_set (boolean *target)
{
    boolean rv = *target;
    *target = true;
    return rv;
}
```

test_and_set是一道atomic指令
方框內的功能由硬體確保一次做完不中斷

- 回傳target的上一個狀態
- 執行指派true的動作 (set true)

```
boolean lock;
```

```
test_and_set(&lock); // 如果lock == false; 回傳false; 改成true
```

```
// 如果lock == true; 回傳true
```

```
// 如果已上鎖，執行了也沒用; 如果未上鎖，執行了就會鎖
```

```
// 第一個讀到lock==false的人，可以得到false，然後就上鎖了
```

Hardware Instructions

```
while (true)
{
    while (test_and_set(&lock))
        ; /* do nothing */
        /* critical section */
    lock = false;
        /* remainder section */
}
```

MUTEX: Yes (只會有一個人拿到false回傳值，在此之後除非它出CS，不然lock永遠true)

Progress: Yes (進remainder前會release lock給別人)

Bounded-wait: No (無法掌握誰先得到lock，有可能某人一直搶不到)

Hardware Instructions

- Compare-and-swap (CAS)
 - Swap the contents of two words atomically

```
int compare_and_swap(int *value, int expected, int new_value)
{
    int temp = *value;
    if (*value == expected)
        *value = new_value;
    return temp;
}
```

test_and_set的泛化版

- 回傳狀態值
- 合條件才設值; 可自由指定所設之值:
如果value == expected, 就將value設為new_value
- 在這裡的用途和test_and_set相同

```
int lock = 0; // lock==1 代表上鎖
compare_and_swap(&lock, 0, 1); // 如果lock == 0; 回傳0; 改成1
// 如果lock == 1; 回傳1;
```

Hardware Instructions

while (true) 一旦拿到key (lock==1)，lock馬上又會鎖住，
 因為是一次完成，所以只會有一個人拿到

```
{  
                                     Lock==0:解鎖  
    while (compare_and_swap(&lock, 0, 1) !=0 )  
        ; /* do nothing */  
        /* critical section */  
    lock = 0; //用完解鎖  
        /* remainder section */  
}
```

MUTEX: Yes (只會有一個人拿到0回傳值，在此之後除非它出CS，不然lock永遠不為0)

Progress: Yes (只要進remainder就會release lock給別人)

Bounded-wait: No (無法掌握誰先得到0回傳值)

Implementation

- Intel x86 instruction for compare and swap
 - Lock cmpxchg <dest register> <source register>

https://c9x.me/x86/html/file_module_x86_id_41.html

Opcode	Mnemonic	Description
0F B0 /r	CMPXCHG r/m8, r8	Compare AL with r/m8. If equal, ZF is set and r8 is loaded into r/m8. Else, clear ZF and load r/m8 into AL.
0F B1 /r	CMPXCHG r/m16, r16	Compare AX with r/m16. If equal, ZF is set and r16 is loaded into r/m16. Else, clear ZF and load r/m16 into AX
0F B1 /r	CMPXCHG r/m32, r32	Compare EAX with r/m32. If equal, ZF is set and r32 is loaded into r/m32. Else, clear ZF and load r/m32 into EAX

解 Bounded-waiting

```
boolean waiting[n];
int lock=0;//解鎖
```

```
while (true) {
    waiting[i] = true; 是否有意願
    key = 1; 是否上鎖
    while (waiting[i] && key == 1)
        Key = lock 的狀態 key = compare_and_swap(&lock, 0, 1);
    waiting[i] = false;

    /* critical section */

    j = (i + 1) % n; 找下個
    是否全找完 下個是否有意願
    while ((j != i) && !waiting[j])
        j = (j + 1) % n; 再找下一個

    if (j == i)
        lock = 0;
    else
        waiting[j] = false; 具有針對特定人放行的功能

    /* remainder section */
}
```

全部卡住，直到
waiting[i]被改為false或lock被改成0

依序找出下一個有意願的人，找到就跳出

沒找到，就解鎖lock (隨便放行一人進CS)
有找到，就解鎖那個人進CS

Solution with CAS

```
boolean waiting[n];
int lock=0;

while (true) {
    waiting[i] = true;
    key = 1;
    while (waiting[i] && key == 1)
        key = compare_and_swap(&lock,0,1);
    waiting[i] = false;

    /* critical section */
    j = (i + 1) % n;
    while ((j != i) && !waiting[j])
        j = (j + 1) % n;
    if (j == i)
        lock = 0;
    else
        waiting[j] = false;

    /* remainder section */
}
```

全部卡住，直到
waiting[i]被改為false或lock被改成0

Mutual Exclusion: 一定要有Process離開CS才可能有人被放行

依序找出下一個卡住的人，找到就跳出

沒找到，就解鎖lock (隨便放行一人進CS)
有找到，就解鎖那個人進CS

Solution with CAS

```
boolean waiting[n];
int lock=0;

while (true) {
    waiting[i] = true;
    key = 1;
    while (waiting[i] && key == 1)
        key = compare_and_swap(&lock, 0, 1);
    waiting[i] = false;
    /* critical section */
    j = (i + 1) % n;
    while ((j != i) && !waiting[j])
        j = (j + 1) % n;
    if (j == i)
        lock = 0;
    else
        waiting[j] = false;
    /* remainder section */
}
```

要到這裡才可能有意願

全部卡住，直到
waiting[i]被改為false或lock被改成0

Progress: 只要有意願進CS的人，一定會有人進

進CS前就解除意願

依序找出下一個卡住的人，找到就跳出

經過這個步驟，有意願的其中一個
一定被選到

沒找到，就解鎖lock (隨便放行一人進CS)
有找到，就解鎖那個人進CS

Solution with CAS

```
boolean waiting[n];  
int lock=0;
```

```
while (true) {  
    waiting[i] = true;  
    key = 1;  
    while (waiting[i] && key == 1)  
        key = compare_and_swap(&lock, 0, 1);  
    waiting[i] = false;
```

全部卡住，直到
waiting[i]被改為false或lock被改成0

```
/* critical section */
```

```
    j = (i + 1) % n;  
    while ((j != i) && !waiting[j])  
        j = (j + 1) % n;  
    if (j == i)  
        lock = 0;  
    else  
        waiting[j] = false;
```

依序找出下一個卡住的人(waiting[j]==true)，
找到就跳出
Bounded wait: 依次序，所以waiting的一定輪得到

沒找到，就解鎖lock (隨便放行一人進CS)
有找到，就解鎖那個人進CS

```
/* remainder section */
```

```
}
```

Mutex (Spinlock)

- 一般應用程式開發人員不會直接接觸到上述的HW instruction，通常會透過一些較高階的機制
- Mutex: a high-level tool to solve critical section problem
 - 適合資源(cs)一次只會被佔用一小段時間的情況
 - <2 context switches **P.272**
 - Protect a critical section by first acquire() a lock then release() the lock
 - Boolean variable indicating if lock is available or not
- Calls to acquire() and release() is atomic
 - Implemented via hardware instructions
 - Typically needs busy waiting: spinlock
- Spinlock
 - In spinlock: Waste CPU cycles;
But, no context switch → save switching time
 - Widely used in modern multicore computer
 - 因為core多不怕少數被暫時佔用

```
while (true) {  
    acquire lock  
    critical section  
    release lock  
    remainder section  
}
```

Mutex Lock Definitions

- ```
acquire() {
 while (!available)
 Blocked until the lock is released
 ; /* busy wait */
 available = false;
}
```
  - ```
release() {  
    available = true;  
}
```
- ```
acquire() {
 while (test_and_set(&lock))
 ; /* busy wait */
}

release() {
 lock = false;
}
```

These two functions must be implemented **atomically**.  
Both test-and-set and compare-and-swap can be  
used to implement these functions

# POSIX Mutex Lock

- Creating and initializing the lock

```
#include <pthread.h>

pthread_mutex_t mutex;

/* create and initialize the mutex lock */
pthread_mutex_init(&mutex, NULL);
```

## Acquiring and releasing the lock

```
/* acquire the mutex lock */
pthread_mutex_lock(&mutex);

/* critical section */

/* release the mutex lock */
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mutex);
```

```
pthread_mutex_t mutex;
pthread_mutex_init(&mutex);
while (true)
{
 pthread_mutex_lock (&mutex);
 /* critical section */
 pthread_mutex_unlock (&mutex);
 /* remainder section */
}
```

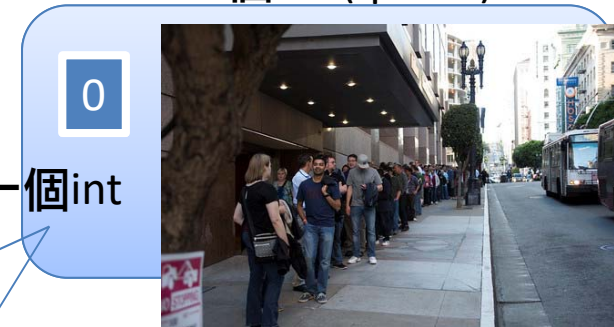
Why? 幫mutex加個queue排隊如何?

Mutual Exclusion: Yes; Progress: Yes; Bounded waiting: No

# Semaphore

- A tool for the synchronization problem
  - easier to solve, but no guarantee for correctness
- 語意: 管控資源的計數器 (**#record**)
  - 計數器=多少資源可用
  - $\leq 0$ 時，需要排隊等待
- Two types
  - Binary semaphore: #record equals to either 0 or 1
  - Counting semaphore
    - #record = how many instances of a particular resource are available
    - If #record > 1  $\rightarrow$  more than one available
    - If #record = 1  $\rightarrow$  exactly one
    - If #record = 0  $\rightarrow$  not available (缺貨，無人排隊等待)
    - If #record < 0  $\rightarrow$  someone waiting for (缺貨，有人排隊等待，負值代表多少人在queue等)  
(或想成缺少資源的數量)
- Accessed through 2 **atomic** operations: wait & signal

一個list (queue)



一個int

管控一個資源

管控多個資源

# Semaphore 概念

- 概念示意 (Spinlock) :
  - Semaphore S is typically an integer
  - 下列程式碼僅示意計數器的控制，**未包含Queue**

Binary Semaphore: S == 1 or S==0

```
wait (S) {
 while (S <= 0) ; spinlock // 大於0才繼續
 S--;
}
```

```
signal (S) {
 S++;
}
```



# Semaphore Usage

- 假設有  $P_1$  與  $P_2$  二個processes; 希望  $S_1$  執行完再執行  $S_2$   
此時: Create a semaphore “record” initialized to 0

P1:

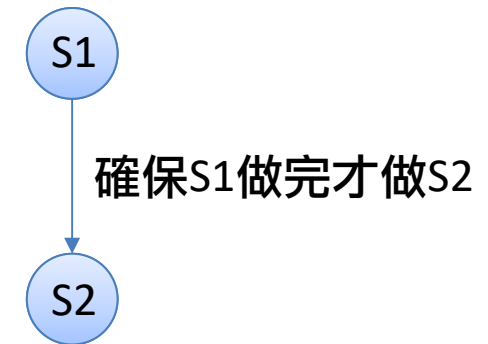
$S_1$ ;

signal(record); //  $S_1$  做完才開放 (1)

P2:

wait(record); // 一開始鎖住(0)

$S_2$ ;



```
wait (S) {
 while (S <= 0) ;
 S--;
}
```

```
signal (S) {
 S++;
}
```

# Semaphore Implementation

- Non-busy/waiting Implementation
  - Can use any queuing strategy that meets bounded waiting RQ

```
typedef struct {
 int value; 負值代表: 多少人在等此資源
 struct process *list; // PCB list
} semaphore; 在等的人的waiting queue
```

Counting semaphore:  
少幾個資源就有幾個人等  
E.g.,: Value = -3  
L → P0 → P3 → P5

- 如何使用Semaphore?
  - wait() and signal(): 見下頁

# Semaphore Implementation

Must be atomic!

```
wait(semaphore *S) {
 S->value--; // 修改計數器，負值代表等待的人數
 if (S->value < 0) {
 add this process to S->list;
 sleep(); // 如果要等，就排隊(added to list)並等(sleep)
 }
}

signal(semaphore *S) {
 S->value++; // 調整計數器(自己不需要)
 if (S->value <= 0) { // <=0代表還有人在等
 remove a process P from S->list;
 wakeup(P); // 喚醒下一個，並將它移出排隊隊伍
 }
}
```

# Semaphore Implementation

- How to ensure atomic wait & signal ops?
  - Single-core: disable interrupts
  - Multi-core: spinlock *spinlock = critical section design*
    - SW solution (busy waiting - spinlock)
      - 若佔有資源時間短，使用spinlock還是可行的
    - HW support (e.g. Test-And-Set, CAS) 實作上其實也是busy waiting

## 用法:

# n-Process Critical Section Problem

- Shared data:

```
semaphore sem ; // initially sem = 1
```

- Process  $P_i$ :

```
while(1) {
 wait (sem) ;
 // critical section
 signal (sem);
 // remainder section
}
```

Mutex? Yes; Progress? Yes; (出CS後，只有到wait才能再排隊)

Bounded waiting? Yes (queue不可插隊)

# POSIX Semaphore

- POSIX Semaphore routines:
  - `sem_init(sem_t *sem, int pshared, unsigned int value)`  
設定semaphore是否可讓不同process使用(否則只能同屬一個process的thread使用)  
Initial value of the semaphore  
一開始有多少資源?
  - `sem_wait(sem_t *sem)`
  - `sem_post(sem_t *sem)` // 等同於 signal
  - `sem_getvalue(sem_t *sem, int *valptr)`  
Current value of the semaphore
  - `sem_destory(sem_t *sem)`

Example:

```
#include <semaphore.h>
sem_t sem;
sem_init(&sem);
sem_wait(&sem);
// critical section
sem_post(&sem);
sem_destory(&sem);
```

# Java Semaphores

- Constructor:

```
Semaphore(int value);
```

問: Java Semaphore 實作上是Spinlock或notify?

答: 二種都支援

acquire() => notify

acquireUninterruptibly() => spinlock

- Usage:

```
Semaphore sem = new Semaphore(1);
```

```
try {
 sem.acquire();
 /* critical section */
}
catch (InterruptedException ie) { }
finally {
 sem.release();
}
```

<https://docs.oracle.com/en/java/javase/11/docs/api/java.base/java/util/concurrent/Semaphore.html>

# 範例1: Bounded-Buffer Problem

- A pool of  $n$  buffers, each capable of holding one item
- Producer:
  - grab an empty buffer
  - place an item into the buffer
  - waits if no empty buffer is available
- Consumer:
  - grab a buffer and retracts the item
  - place the buffer back to the free pool
  - waits if all buffers are empty



# Bounded-Buffer Problem

```
while (true) {
 while (count == 0)
 ; /* do nothing */

 next_consumed = buffer[out];
 out = (out + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;
 count--;

 /* consume the item in next_consumed */
}
```



```
while (true) {
 /* produce an item in next_produced */

 while (count == BUFFER_SIZE)
 ; /* do nothing */

 buffer[in] = next_produced;
 in = (in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;
 count++;
}
```

# Bounded-Buffer Problem

為什麼同時要有empty和full?

答: 對生產者與消費者來說, 「資源」的意義不同!

```
int n = 10; // buffer size
semaphore mutex = 1; // 控制CS (boolean)
semaphore empty = n; // 管控空位(個數)資源
semaphore full = 0; // 管控產品(個數)資源
```



producer

```
while (true) {
 . . .
 /* produce an item in next_produced */
 . . .
 wait(empty); 等到空位(個數)>0
 wait(mutex);
 . . .
 /* add next_produced to the buffer */
 . . .
 signal(mutex);
 signal(full); 產品++
}
```

consumer

```
while (true) {
 wait(full); 等到產品(個數)>0
 wait(mutex);
 . . .
 /* remove an item from buffer to next_consumed */
 . . .
 signal(mutex);
 signal(empty); 空位++
 . . .
 /* consume the item in next_consumed */
 . . .
}
```

## 範例2: Readers-Writers Problem

- A shared database for shared processes
- The group of processes
  - Reader (read): Many reader can access at the same time
  - Writer (read/ write): Only one writer can access at a time
- Different variations involving priority
  - First RW problem: the writer may starve
    - 一旦reader取得mutex，所有reader讀完才會release lock
  - Second RW problem: the readers may starve
    - Once a writer is ready, no new reader may start reading

# First Readers-Writers (Writer may starved!)

用來保護database

Reader/Writer共享

// reader

semaphore rw\_mutex = 1;

semaphore rc\_mutex = 1;

int readcount = 0;

用來保護readcount  
Reader間共享

while (true) {

wait(rc\_mutex);

readcount++;

if (readcount == 1) // first reader should

**wait(rw\_mutex);** // acquire the lock

signal(rc\_mutex);

...

/\* reading is performed \*/

...

用來保護readcount

wait(rc\_mutex);

readcount--;

if (readcount == 0) // last reader should

**signal(rw\_mutex);** // release the lock

signal(rc\_mutex);

}

// writer

while (true) {

**wait(rw\_mutex);**

... /\* writing is performed \*/

**signal(rw\_mutex);**

}

# The Need for Modular Sync. Mechanisms

- Correct usage of semaphore is depending on the developer
  - must execute wait() and signal() in the right order and right place
- Incorrect use of semaphore
  - signal (mutex) .... wait (mutex)
  - wait (mutex) ... wait (mutex)
  - Omitting of wait (mutex) and/or signal (mutex)

# Monitor

- A high-level language construct
  - Similar to a class in OO language
  - The member function can access only
    - Member variables in the monitor
    - Variables passed via function parameters
  - Only one process may be active within the monitor at a time

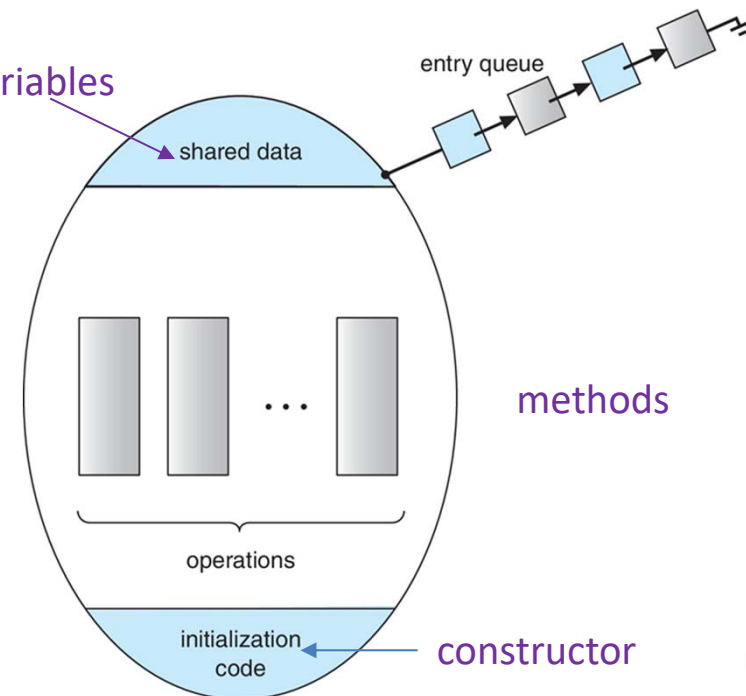
```
monitor monitor-name
{
 // shared variable declarations
 function P1 (...) { ... }

 function P2 (...) { ... }

 function Pn (...) { }

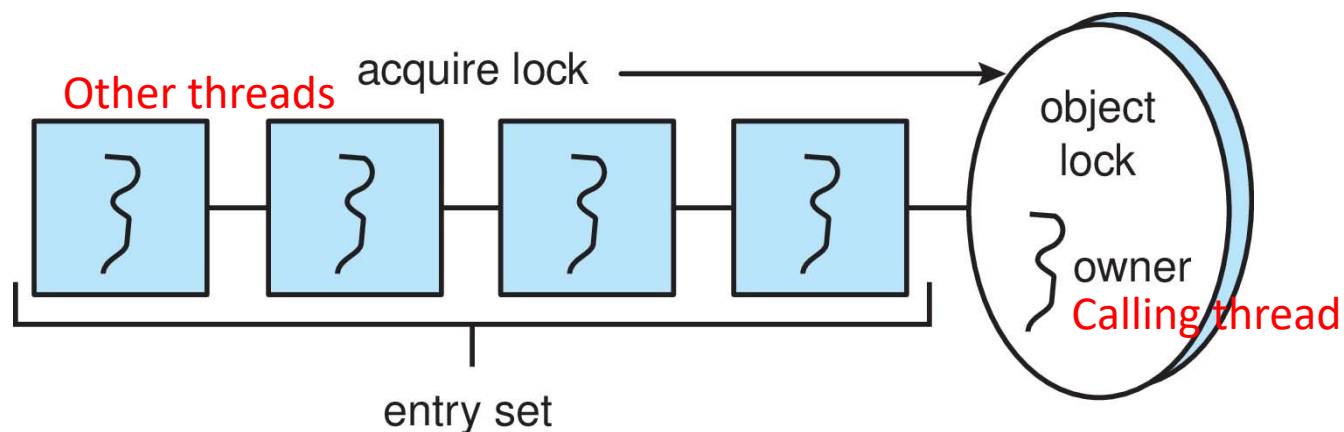
 initialization code (...) { ... }
}
```

Member variables



# Java Monitors

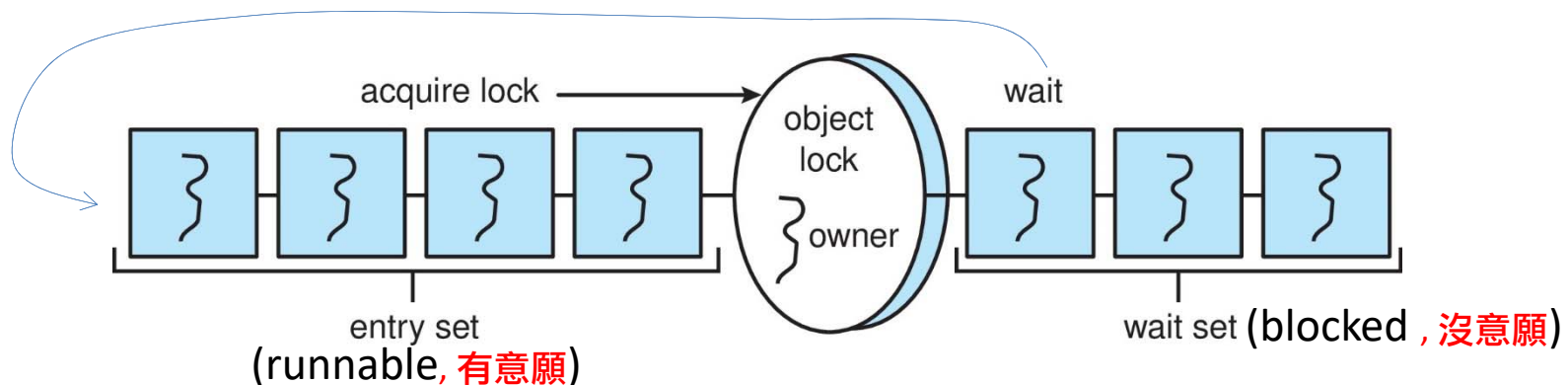
- Every Java object has associated with it a single lock
- To enable a monitor
  - Just declare one of the method as **synchronized**
  - Usage
    - Calling thread own the lock (for this object)
    - Other threads wait in an entry set



# Wait Set

- A thread typically calls wait() when it is waiting for a condition to become true
- When a thread calls notify():
  - An arbitrary thread T is selected from the wait set
  - T is moved from the wait set to the entry set
  - Set the state of T from blocked to runnable
  - T can now compete for the lock

曾取得過object，但執行到一半因故暫時unlock





# Bounded Buffer – Java Synchronization

```
public class BoundedBuffer<E>
{
 private static final int BUFFER_SIZE = 5;

 private int count, in, out;
 private E[] buffer;

 public BoundedBuffer() {
 count = 0;
 in = 0;
 out = 0;
 buffer = (E[]) new Object[BUFFER_SIZE];
 }

 /* Producers call this method */
 public synchronized void insert(E item) {
 /* See Figure 7.11 */ P.306
 }

 /* Consumers call this method */
 public synchronized E remove() {
 /* See Figure 7.11 */ P.306
 }
}
```

# Bounded Buffer – Java Synchronization

整個object是atomic，一次只有一個thread會進method  
不能預知，下一個執行者是Consumer或Producer

```
/* Producers call this method */
public synchronized void insert(E item) {
 while (count == BUFFER_SIZE) { 已滿
 try {
 wait(); 先在wait set等; 讓別人先用
 }
 catch (InterruptedException ie) { }
 }

 buffer[in] = item;
 in = (in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE; 生產
 count++;

 notify(); 用完後隨機從wait set取一個T到entry set
}
```

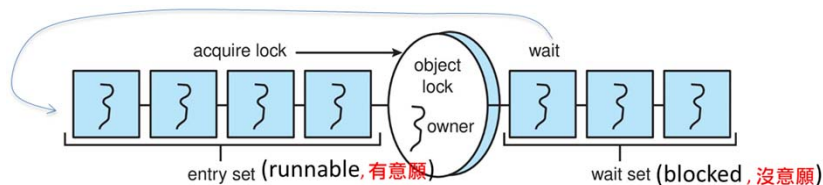
```
/* Consumers call this method */
public synchronized E remove() {
 E item;

 while (count == 0) { 已空
 try {
 wait(); 先在wait set等; 讓別人先用
 }
 catch (InterruptedException ie) { }
 }

 item = buffer[out];
 out = (out + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE; 消費
 count--;

 notify(); 用完後隨機從wait set取一個T到entry set

 return item;
}
```



# Condition Variables

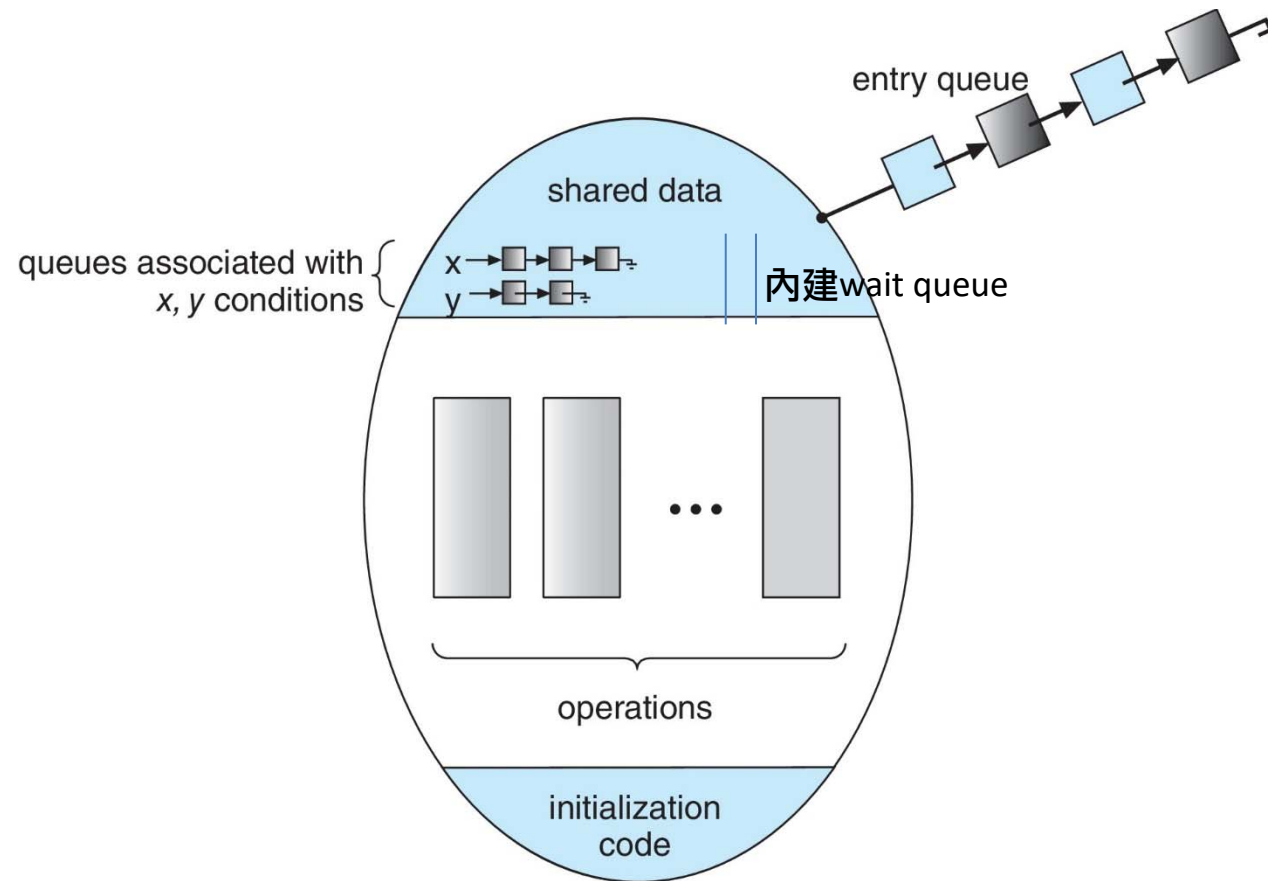
- condition x;
  - 內部維護一個Queue
  - 二個動作: **wait** → 等待被叫; **signal** → 依規則從Queue中選一個叫
- Details
  - **x.wait()** – the process invoking this operation is suspended (in the CV queue) until another process invokes x.signal()
  - **x.signal()** – resumes **exactly one** suspended process
    - If no process is suspended (CV queue沒有人), then signal() does nothing

# Condition Variables (CV)

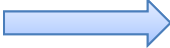
- Monitor lock the entire object sometimes not efficient
  - Use condition variables for more sophisticated synchronization
    - Many different conditions to wait for
    - 可以做到自由控制那個thread can enter
    - 等同於在Monitor中做多個wait queues
- CV represent some condition that a thread can:
  - Wait until the condition **x** occurs; or
  - Notify other waiting threads that the condition has occurred

```
condition x;
...
x.wait(); // the calling process suspend itself
...
x.signal(); // resume exactly one process
```

# Monitor with Condition Variables



# Condition Variables Choices

- If thread P invokes `x.signal()`, and thread Q is suspended in `x.wait()`, what should happen next?
  - 針對CV x，P完成針對x的工作且呼叫了x.signal
  - P與Q在同一個Monitor:
    - CV x在Monitor中→Monitor中同時只能1個thread active→P還想繼續在Monitor中其它地方活動→P和Q只能有一個繼續
    - 馬上要叫Q嗎? 還是等P在Monitor中辦完其它事離開後再叫Q?
- Options
  -  **(P) Signal and wait – Hoare P等Q**  
課本採用Hoare
    - P waits until Q either leaves the monitor or it waits for another condition
  - **(P) Signal and continue – Mesa Q等P**
    - Q waits until P either leaves the monitor or it waits for another condition
  - Both have pros and cons – language implementer can decide

# Java Condition Variables

- Condition variables are associated with an **ReentrantLock**.
- Creating a condition variable using **newCondition()** method of **ReentrantLock**:

```
Lock key = new ReentrantLock();
Condition condVar = key.newCondition();
```

- A thread waits by calling the **await()** method, and signals by calling the **signal()** method.

# Java Condition Variables

- Five threads numbered 0 - 4
- Shared variable `turn` indicating which thread's turn it is.
- Thread calls `doWork()` when it wishes to do some work
  - If not their turn, wait
  - If their turn, do some work for awhile .....
  - When completed, notify the thread whose turn is next.
- Necessary data structures:

```
Lock lock = new ReentrantLock();
Condition[] condVars = new Condition[5];

for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
 condVars[i] = lock.newCondition();
```



```

/* threadNumber is the thread that wishes to do some work */
public void doWork(int threadNumber)
{
 lock.lock();

 try {
 /**
 * If it's not my turn, then wait
 * until I'm signaled.
 */
 if (threadNumber != turn)
 condVars[threadNumber].await();

 /**
 * Do some work for awhile ...
 */

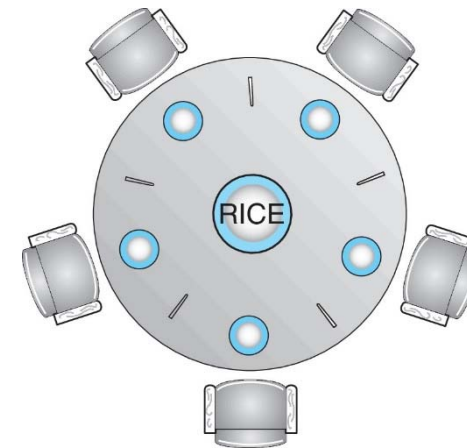
 /**
 * Now signal to the next thread.
 */
 turn = (turn + 1) % 5;
 condVars[turn].signal();
 }
 catch (InterruptedException ie) { }
 finally {
 lock.unlock();
 }
}

```

指定下一個thread

# Dining-Philosophers Problem

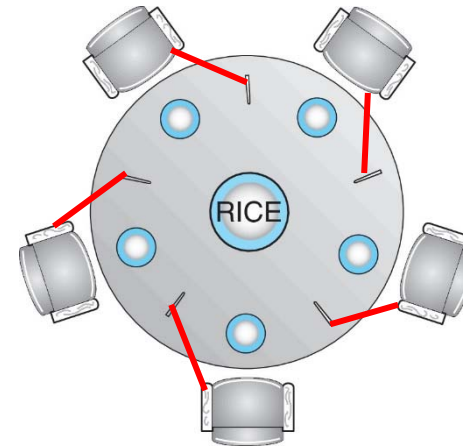
- 5 persons sitting on 5 chairs with 5 chopsticks
- A person is either thinking or eating
  - thinking: no interaction with the rest 4 persons
  - eating: need 2 chopsticks at hand
  - a person picks up 1 chopstick at a time
  - done eating: put down both chopsticks
- Problems implied
  - Resource contention (mutual exclusion)
  - deadlock problem (progress)
  - starvation problem (bounded waiting)



# 錯誤解法 (Deadlock)

```
while (true) {
 wait(chopstick[i]);
 wait(chopstick[(i+1) % 5]);
 . . .
 /* eat for a while */
 . . .
 signal(chopstick[i]);
 signal(chopstick[(i+1) % 5]);
 . . .
 /* think for awhile */
 . . .
}
```

等待並拿左筷  
等待並拿右筷



- Possible solutions

四個人用五支筷子


  1. Allow at most four philosophers to be sitting simultaneously at the table.
  2. Allow a philosopher to pick up her chopsticks only if both chopsticks are available
  3. Asymmetric—that is, an odd-numbered philosopher picks up first her left chopstick and then her right chopstick, whereas an even numbered philosopher picks up her right chopstick and then her left chopstick

# Monitor Solution to Dining Philosophers

```
monitor dp {
 enum {thinking, hungry, eating} state[5]; //哲學家的狀態
 condition self[5]; //delay eating if can't obtain chopsticks
 // 代表五個哲學家

 void pickup(int i) // pickup chopsticks
 void putdown(int i) // putdown chopsticks
 void test(int i) // try to eat

 void init() {
 for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
 state[i] = thinking;
 }
}
```



使用condition variable的原因:  
必須指定「特定process」被wait or 被signal

# Monitor Solution to Dining Philosophers

Allow a philosopher to pick up her chopsticks only if both chopsticks are available

```
monitor DiningPhilosophers
{
 enum {THINKING, HUNGRY, EATING} state[5];
 condition self[5];

 void pickup(int i) {
 state[i] = HUNGRY;
 test(i);
 if (state[i] != EATING)
 self[i].wait();
 }

 void putdown(int i) {
 state[i] = THINKING;
 test((i + 4) % 5);
 test((i + 1) % 5);
 }

 void test(int i) {
 if ((state[(i + 4) % 5] != EATING) &&
 (state[i] == HUNGRY) &&
 (state[(i + 1) % 5] != EATING)) {
 state[i] = EATING;
 self[i].signal();
 }
 }

 initialization_code() {
 for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
 state[i] = THINKING;
 }
}
```

Test失敗 (剛好隔壁有人在吃)，就要等

叫右方吃; 叫左方吃 (各一次機會)

如果左右方人都沒在吃，而且自己有意願吃

→開始吃

DiningPhilosophers.pickup(i);

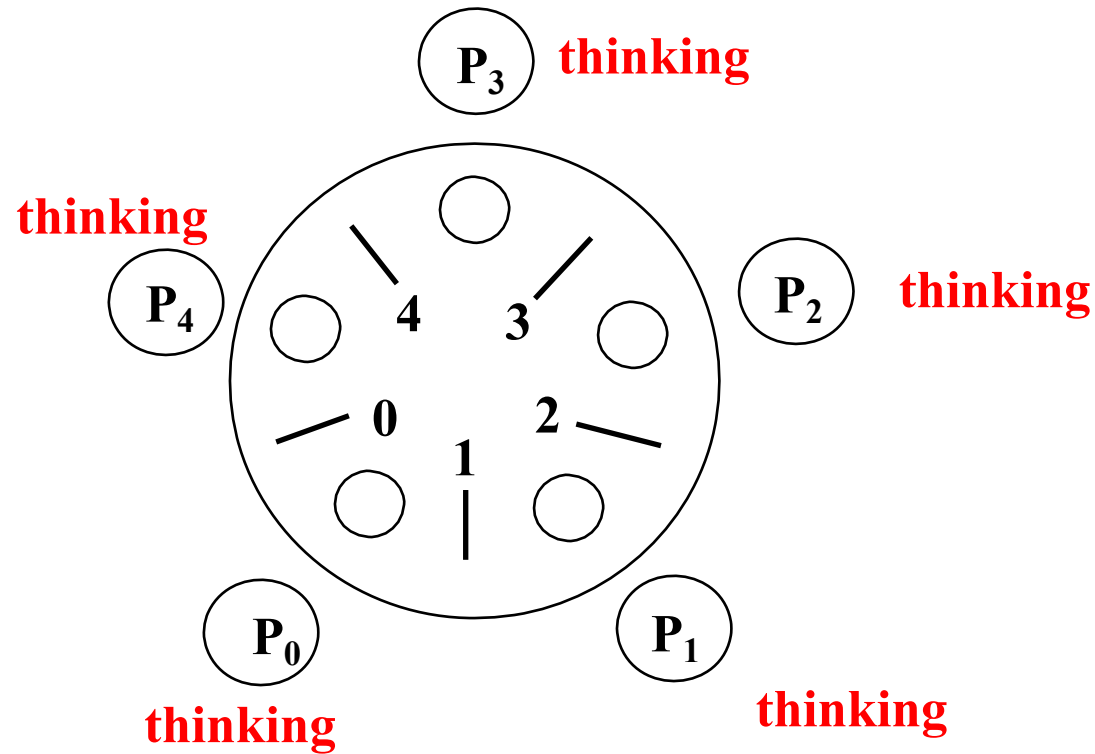
...

eat

...

DiningPhilosophers.putdown(i);

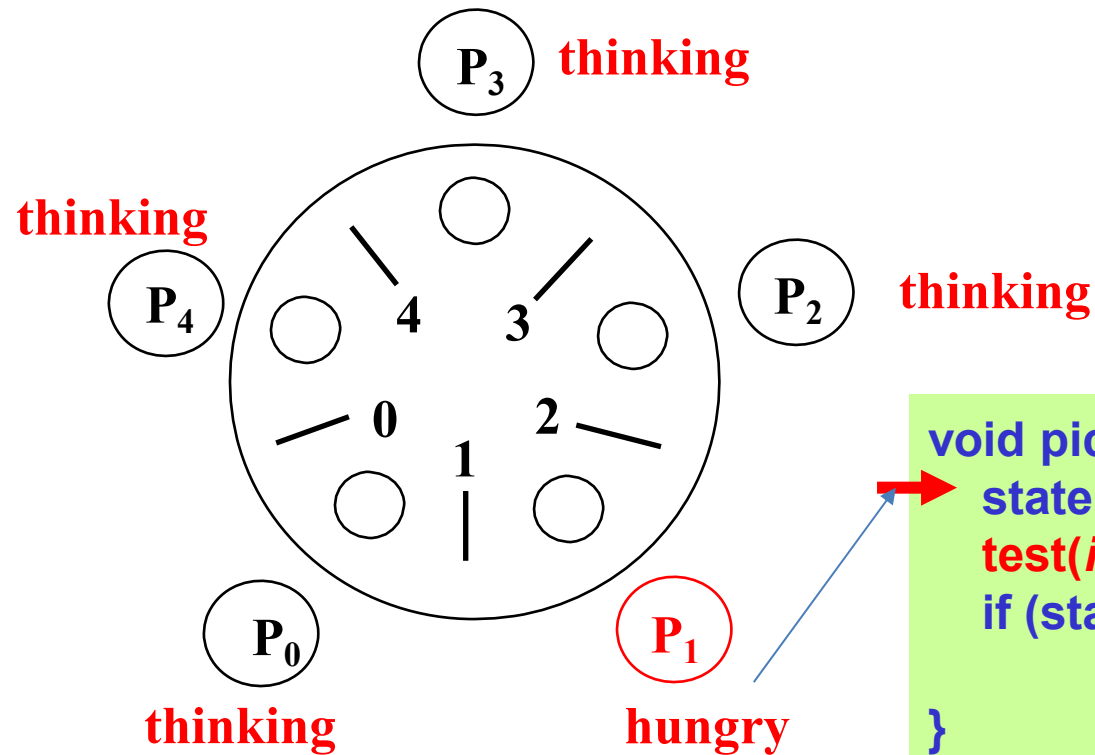
# An illustration



P1:  
DiningPhilosophers.pickup(1)  
eat  
DiningPhilosophers.putdown(1)

P2:  
DiningPhilosophers.pickup(2)  
eat  
DiningPhilosophers.putdown(2)

# An illustration



```
void pickup(int i) {
 state[i] = hungry;
 test(i); //try to eat
 if (state[i] != eating)
 self[i].wait(); //wait to eat
}
```

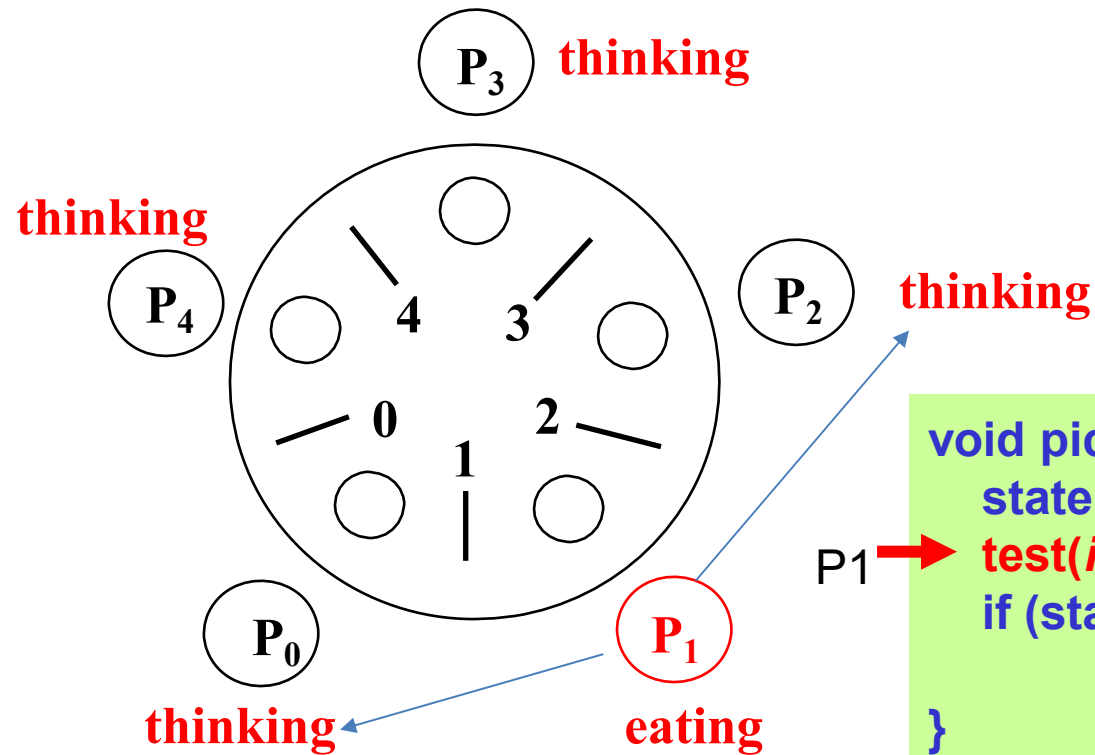
P1:

```
→ DiningPhilosophers.pickup(1)
 eat
DiningPhilosophers.putdown(1)
```

P2:

```
DiningPhilosophers.pickup(2)
 eat
DiningPhilosophers.putdown(2)
```

# An illustration



```
void test(int i) {
 if ((state[(i + 4) % 5] != EATING) &&
 (state[i] == HUNGRY) &&
 (state[(i + 1) % 5] != EATING)) {
 state[i] = EATING;
 self[i].signal();
 }
}
```

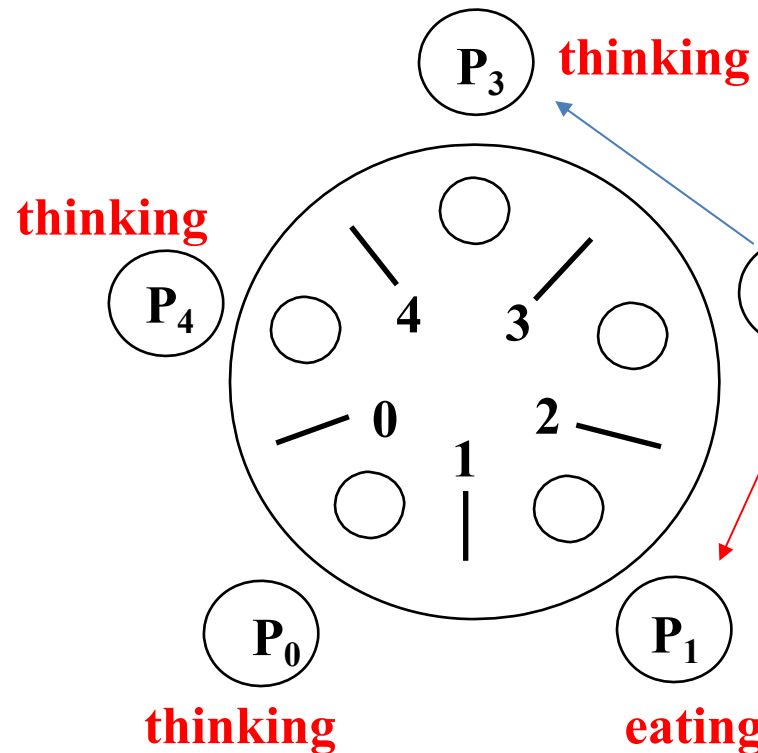
```
void pickup(int i) {
 state[i] = hungry;
 test(i); //try to eat
 if (state[i] != eating)
 self[i].wait(); //wait to eat
}
```

P1:  
 → DiningPhilosophers.pickup(1)  
 eat  
 DiningPhilosophers.putdown(1)

P2:  
 DiningPhilosophers.pickup(2)  
 eat  
 DiningPhilosophers.putdown(2)



# An illustration



```
void test(int i) {
 if ((state[(i + 4) % 5] != EATING) &&
 (state[i] == HUNGRY) &&
 (state[(i + 1) % 5] != EATING)) {
 state[i] = EATING;
 self[i].signal();
 }
}
```

不符合if

**hungry** → **self[2].wait**

```
void pickup(int i) {
 state[i] = hungry;
 test(i); //try to eat
 if (state[i] != eating)
 self[i].wait(); //wait to eat
}
```

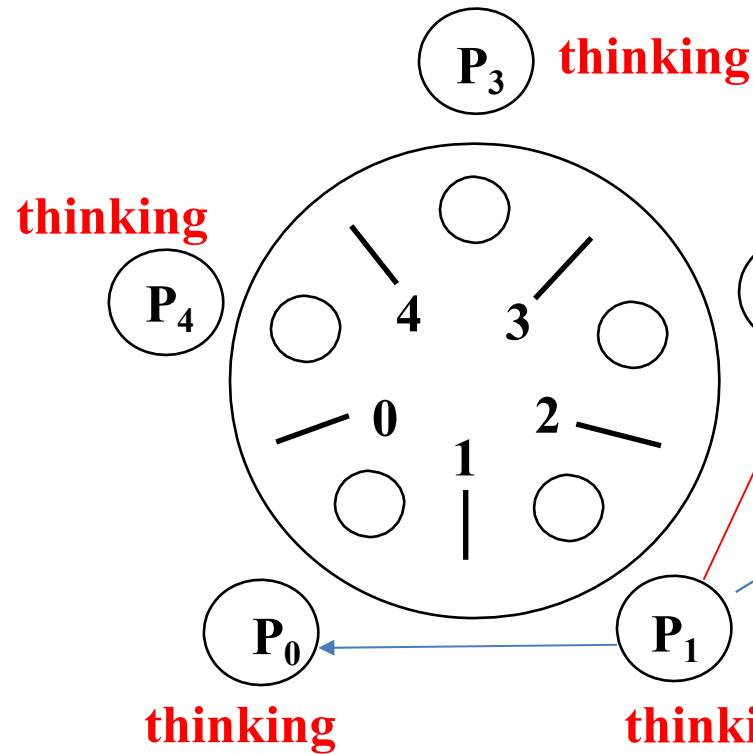
P2 →

(3)

P1:  
DiningPhilosophers.pickup(1)  
eat  
DiningPhilosophers.putdown(1)

P2:  
→ DiningPhilosophers.pickup(2)  
eat  
DiningPhilosophers.putdown(2)

# An illustration



```
void test(int i) {
 if ((state[(i + 4) % 5] != EATING) &&
 (state[i] == HUNGRY) &&
 (state[(i + 1) % 5] != EATING)) {
 state[i] = EATING;
 self[i].signal();
 }
}
```

符合if

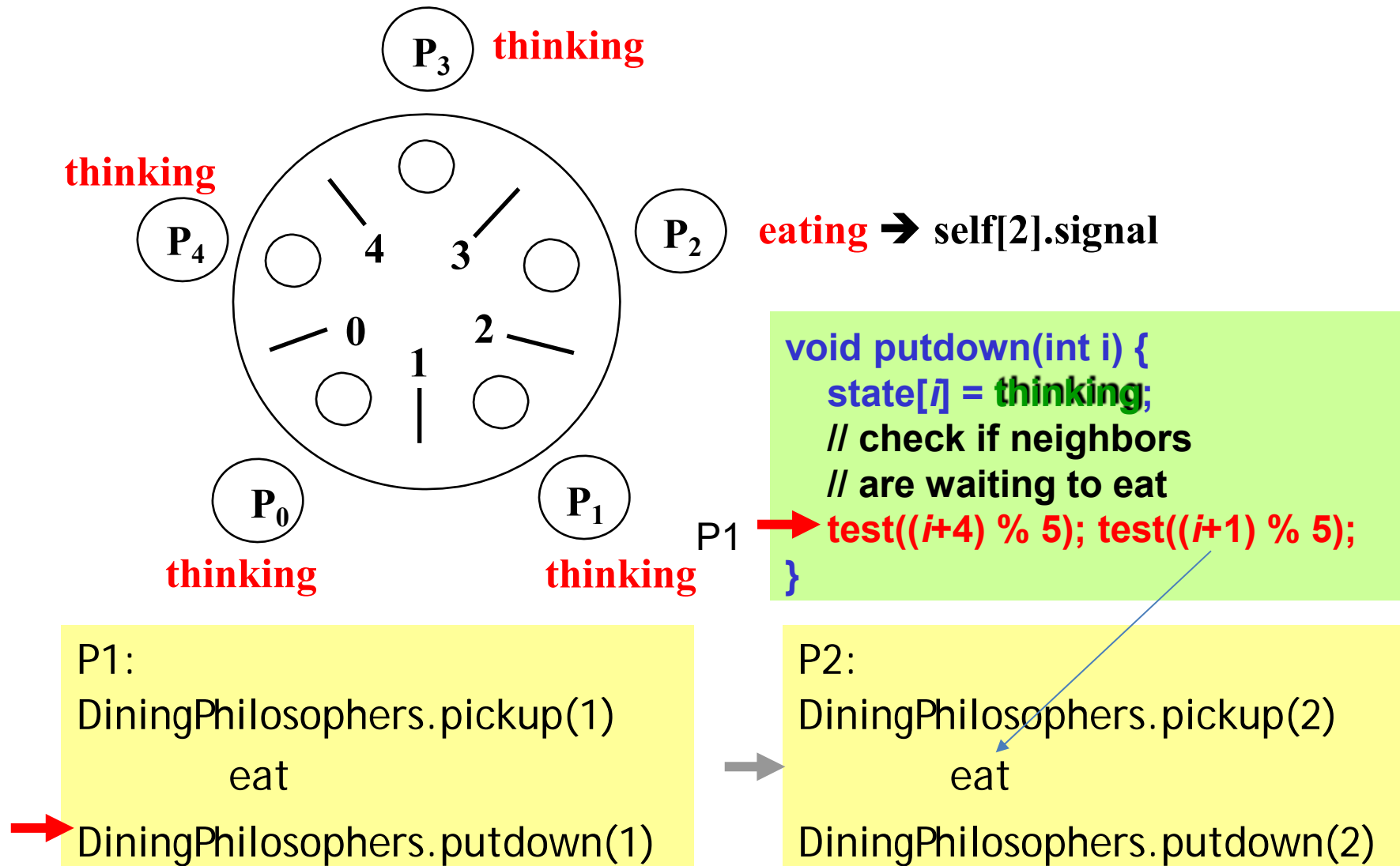
hungry → self[2].wait

```
void putdown(int i) {
 state[i] = thinking;
 // check if neighbors
 // are waiting to eat
 test((i+4) % 5); test((i+1) % 5);
}
```

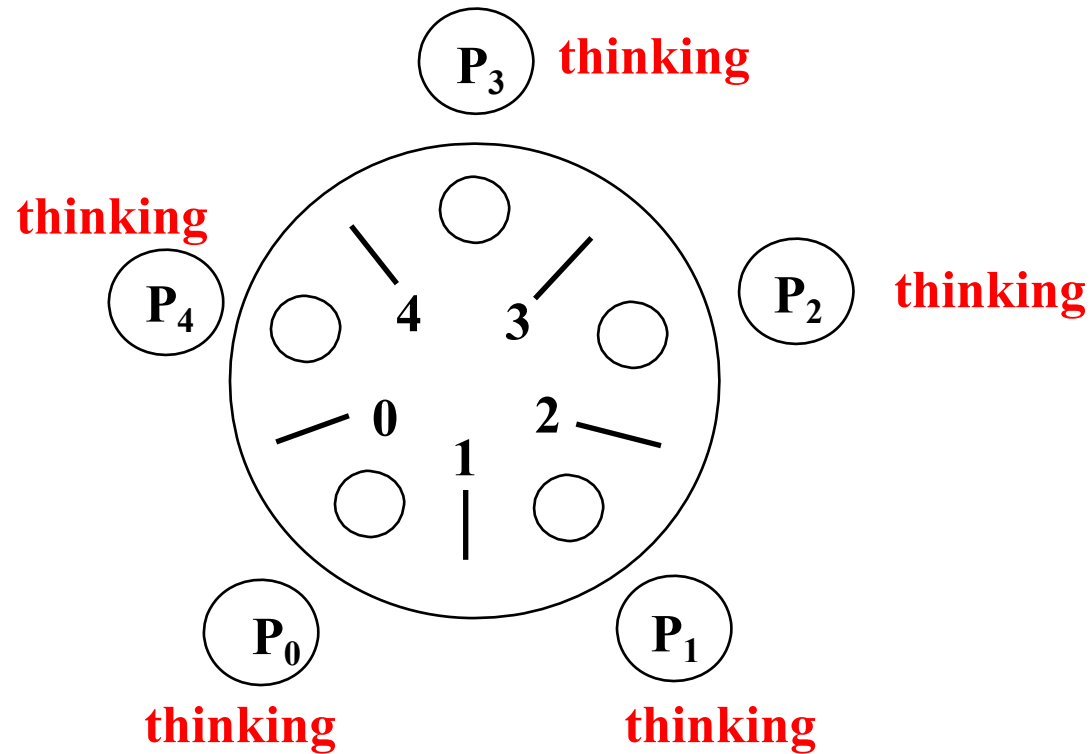
P1:  
DiningPhilosophers.pickup(1)  
eat  
→ DiningPhilosophers.putdown(1)

P2:  
→ DiningPhilosophers.pickup(2)  
eat  
DiningPhilosophers.putdown(2)

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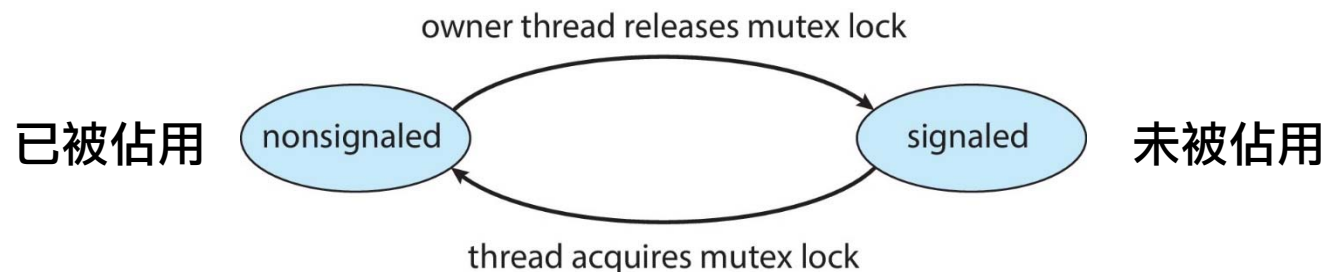


P1:  
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eat  
→ DiningPhilosophers.putdown(1)

P2:  
DiningPhilosophers.pickup(2)  
eat  
→ DiningPhilosophers.putdown(2)

# Synchronization - Windows

- Global resource protection *In kernel*
  - Uniprocessor: enable/disable interrupt
  - Multi-processor: spinlock
- Dispatcher objects *Outside kernel*
  - Implemented using semaphore, event, and timer
  - Event: notify a waiting thread when a condition occurs



# Linux Synchronization

- Kernel
  - Version 2.6 and later, fully **preemptive**
  - Uniprocessor:
    - enable/disable interrupt 使系統暫時變成non-preemptive
  - Multi-Processor:
    - Short period task: spinlock (with preempt\_count)
    - Long period task: hw supported semaphore or mutex lock

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# Liveness

- Processes may have to wait indefinitely while trying to acquire a lock
- Waiting indefinitely violates the progress and bounded-waiting
- **Liveness** refers to a set of properties that a system must satisfy to ensure processes make progress

# Liveness

- Deadlock – two or more processes are waiting indefinitely for an event that can be caused by only one of the waiting processes
- Let S and Q be two semaphores initialized to 1

| $P_0$         | $P_1$                  |
|---------------|------------------------|
| wait(S);      | wait(Q); // S==0; Q==0 |
| wait(Q);      | wait(S);               |
| Circular wait | .                      |
| .             | .                      |
| .             | .                      |
| signal(S);    | signal(Q);             |
| signal(Q);    | signal(S);             |

- Consider if P0 executes wait(S) and P1 wait(Q). When P0 executes wait(Q), it must wait until P1 executes signal(Q)
- However, P1 is waiting until P0 execute signal(S).
- Since these signal() operations will never be executed, P0 and P1 are deadlocked.



# 課後閱讀

- P.271 Lock contention
- P.299 什麼是preempt\_count, Linux中如何使用它來決定現在kernel是否適合preemption?
- P.296 Critical-section object 為何效能會好: kernel mutex is allocated on demand
- P.313 Sect. 7.5.3 第6、7章探討的問題，為何在Functional Programming中不存在?

# Q & A