

SOME CLASSIC CONCURRENCY PROBLEMS

REUSABLE BARRIERS

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THE PROBLEM

- The previous barrier solution will not work in a loop
 - Why?
- How do we solve this problem?
- We need a reusable barrier that locks itself after all the threads have passed through
- Try it now!

WHY IS THIS A BAD SOLUTION?

```
mutex.wait ()
    count += 1
mutex.signal ()

if count == n : turnstile.signal ()
turnstile.wait ()
turnstile.signal ()
//CRITICAL POINT

mutex.wait ()
    count -= 1
mutex.signal ()
if count == 0: turnstile.wait ()
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```
turnstile = Semaphore (0)
turnstile2 = Semaphore (1)
mutex = Semaphore (1)
```

- Use two turnstiles
- One turnstile is always locked!
- Sometimes called a two phase barrier