

BUS Exercise 5

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Introduction

Welcome back for another Exercise, with me writing every single thing in L^AT_EX. I am happy to announce, that i have finally found the period that we were looking for. I have also fired that unpaid intern that deleted all our data last time. It is currently 3.43 AM and i have procrastinated way too much... this seems to be my deserved punishment. I must do this, for i have an obligation to do bullshit. There may be fewer jokes... i also made code examples on github¹, even for the pseudocode stuff (i did it in C... i don't like pseudocode), if you want, you can look at that if i remember to push before dying from sleep deprivation...

Welp, i am finally done, i can now die in pieces. Fun fact: i haven't watched a single one of the lectures. man pages, google and persistence. Takes less time than one might think.

THE FORMAT

- Every file will be named similar to the sections in here, so `2.1-stack_exercise.c` is Exercise 2, section 1.
- Every Solution **WILL** be in this pdf, but not necessarily anything predefined by the exercise.
- Any explanation will be both in this PDF as well as in each file.
- This explanation will be in each PDF, in case someone who doesn't know the format tries to correct the exercises
- **WARNING:** Humor may or may not be used. If you are allergic to humor, that sounds like a personal problem.
- **WARNING:** Backing up your data is important. Although linux doesn't have the necessary shame to remove itself, unlike windows, please do back up your data. And try to keep track of your periods... they seem to be notoriously hard to find

¹<https://github.com/Dragonsight91/Study-Courses-Note-collection/tree/master/BUS/exercises/5>

1 Senpai Notice me

That solution will not work. Why? Simple: One reporter signals twice. This is like your parent telling you to do a thing, after they just told you, while you scheduled it. Suddenly you have to process another signal JUST to find out it's the same thing. In this case, it will just make one guy emulate another guy. Kinda weird... but it ain't gay because one said nohomo².

How do we fix it?

Remove one signal. That's it. Code should work now. Go and be free now, you deserve it.

2 I like trains

2.1 queues before sephora

If you want a simple and boring answer, just look at the code below. if you want a working example in C i have an unofficial thing for you in the github repo mentioned earlier, but i digress. To solve this, we need a list, which we have. then we need two counting semaphores. one to prevent deletion, one to prevent adding. Now we crosswire them, just like the royals used to do it, and we get THIS:

```
1 int MAX_LEN = 10; the maximum length of the list
2 sem_init(&enq, MAX_LEN) // initialize the insert blocking semaphore
3 sem_init(&deq, 0)       // initialize the remove blocking semaphore
4 sem_init(&sync, 1)      // a synchronizer mutex
5
6 void enqueue(element){
7     sem_wait(&enq); // can we insert AT ALL? if no, wait here
8
9     sem_wait(&sync); // is someone using my toys? let's just... let them play.. we
    can always clean up later
10    queue.add(element); // add our element
11    sem_post(&sync); // unlock write access again
12
13    sem_post(&deq); // grant UNLIMITED POWAH
14 }
15
16 element dequeue() {
17     sem_wait(&deq); // can we dequeue?
18
19     sem_wait(&sync); // I HAVE THE HIGH GROUND
20     element out = queue.pop();
21     sem_post(&sync) // DON'T UNDERESTIMATE MY POWER
22
23     sem_post(&enq); // AGATHE BAUAH
24 }
25
```

²SPOILER: it's still gay...

2.2 Escort(ing) services

1. Processes are executed ASYNCHRONOUSLY³ Meaning that we have a read/write asynchronicity problem here. Two guys try to get the same girl but she just takes 'em both. Nothing wrong with that, but somehow neither of the guys know, and have the same outdated status. In our case, we don't get busy. Let's say we have two cars that arrive at the same time. both will skip the busy loop and suddenly we have two cars on the platform. Now, I don't know about you, but I haven't seen anyone stack cars recently.
2. Another R/W asynchronicity problem. One car arrives but an amount of n visitors arrives. all have a chance to skip the busy loop due to outdated information and suddenly we have an amount of n visitors in 2 seats. I've seen clowns do that, they seem to be able to stack efficiently... but for anyone else, this tends to be a problem.

2.3 Need for Seat

```
1 sem_init(&carQueue,1); //Mutex to show if platform is available.
2 sem_init(&passQueue,0); //Counter Semaphore for the passenger queue
3 sem_init(&seatAvail,0); //Counter Semaphore to check seat availability. no seat = no
   car
4
5 void AnkunftWagen(){
6
7     // wait for the platform to be available. Just how we do with shoes.
8     wait(&carQueue);
9
10    fahreAufPlattform();
11    oeffneTueren();
12
13    // promise a "real bunny"
14    sem_post(&seatAvail);
15    sem_post(&seatAvail);
16
17    // wait for victims to get in van
18    sem_wait(&passQueue);
19    sem_wait(&passQueue);
20
21    schliesseTueren();
22    verlassePlattform();
23
24    // let ne
25    sem_post(&carQueue);
26 }
27
28 void AnkunftBesucher(){
29     sem_wait(&seatAvail); // wait for seats to be available. no seat = no car
30     betreteWagen();
31     sem_post(&passQueue); // let the driver know you're inside
32 }
33
```

³fun adventures in human multithreading

2.4 Pascha 7th Floor

We can add another semaphore that counts VIPs. If there's someone in there, we prioritize them. If there aren't enough VIP, we fill the rest with peasants. it can be done like this:

- get value of VIP semaphore
- if >0 , we add n VIP to the car. then we fill up with $2 - n$ peasants.
- otherwise we add 2 peasants.

3 Eating out. waiiiiit a minute...

Since all explanations are in the comments, i will keep it short.

1. we need to add a synchronization mutex. only one person can write at a time.
2. since shared memory is being deregistered and properly marked for destruction, there's no need to care for that.
3. i wanted to implement zombie process handling, but i didn't. Daddy does not know about the death of his children.
4. we sync every time we read or write to/from shared memory. otherwise we get a gangbang problem (many try to access one resource. can work, can go wrong).
5. i only use an 8-bit integer for the waiter's run flag, because i only need 1 or 0.
6. `masks` is a zero initialized semaphore. No one has a mask.
7. `insert_unnecessarily_long_free_space_variable_name`⁴ is initialized to `MAX_CUSTOMERS` it holds the amount of free space
8. It is now 5.15AM sleep is overrated, i'm a programmer.
9. the waiter only gives anyone a mask, if there are enough people in the queue. otherwise we randomly give masks to no one, which sometimes creates weird problems.
10. Customers are first invited to the restaurant and only then do they wait to get a mask. suboptimal, but masks can be available, as long as there are people in the queue.
11. i don't know why, but i decided to just do the most annoying thing and put an lslisting with all the code on the next.. few pages.... it's the exact same thing as the code file.

⁴`free_space_inside`, could be shortened to `fSpace`

```

1 #include <stdio.h>
2 #include <stdlib.h>
3 #include <unistd.h>
4 #include <sys/types.h>
5 #include <sys/ipc.h>
6 #include <sys/shm.h>
7 #include <sys/wait.h>
8 #include <semaphore.h>
9 #include <errno.h>
10 #include <string.h>
11 #include <time.h>
12 #include <signal.h>
13
14 #define MAX_CUSTOMERS 8
15 #define MAX_QUEUE_LENGTH 10
16 #define MAX_PROCESSES (MAX_CUSTOMERS + MAX_QUEUE_LENGTH)
17 #define MASK_MIN 3
18 #define MASK_MAX 5
19
20 struct restaurant_s
21 {
22     pid_t pid[MAX_PROCESSES]; /* PIDs of child processes */
23     sem_t free_space_inside; /* this is the actual bouncer */
24     sem_t shsync; /* memory sync semaphore
25     sem_t masks; /* mask counter semaphore
26     pid_t waiter; /* waiter PID, only needs one
27     int customers_in_queue;
28     int customers_in_restaurant;
29 };
30
31 int shouldEnd = 0; /* to terminate for-loop */
32 int8_t run = 1; /* waiter run variable. we only need a bit, this can never
33                overflow, so why use more than 8 bit?
34
35 // handle SIGINT in root
36 void signal_handler(int signalNum)
37 {
38     printf("Owner: Got interrupted, will shutdown the restaurant now \n");
39     shouldEnd = 1;
40 }
41
42 // handle SIGINT in waiter
43 void waiter_exit(int signalNum)
44 {
45     printf("Waiter: Going home. \n");
46     run = 0;
47 }
48
49 int main(int argc, char **argv)
50 {
51     int id, free_slot; /* "id" of Shared Memory Segment
52                        change value stored in shared memory with *shar_mem */
53     struct restaurant_s *shar_mem;
54     pid_t f_pid; /* the pid after fork (customer pid) */
55
56     /* request shared memory segment (get), attach to process (shmat), and set to 0
57     */
58     id = shmget(IPC_PRIVATE, sizeof(struct restaurant_s), IPC_CREAT | 0644);
59     shar_mem = (struct restaurant_s *)shmat(id, 0, 0);
60     memset(shar_mem, 0, sizeof(struct restaurant_s));
61
62     /* initialize pids to -1, i.e. not in restaurant */
63     for (int i = 0; i < MAX_PROCESSES; i++)
64     {

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63     shar_mem->pid[i] = -1;
64 }
65
66 /* shar_mem->free_space_inside ist eine Zaehlsemaphore die angibt, wieviel Platz
im Restaurant ist
67 *
68 * Am Anfang kann sie also MAX_CUSTOMERS viele Leute reinlassen
69 * Was waere also ein guter start Wert? Wann blockt die Semaphore?
70 *
71 * Achtung: shar_mem->free_space_inside ist die Semaphore um zu zaehlen,
wieviele Leute im Club sind,
72 * sie sichert nicht den gemeinsamen Speicherbereich (shar_mem), dazu benoetigen
Sie eine 2. unbenannte
73 * Semaphore, die sie noch anlegen muessen.
74 */
75
76 /* initialize random number generator */
77 srand(time(NULL));
78
79 // initialize semaphores
80 sem_init(&shar_mem->masks, 1, 0); // a counter semaphore, there are no masks
available, no one has a mask
81 sem_init(&shar_mem->shsync, 1, 1); // a mutex, only one process is allowed to
write at a time
82 sem_init(&shar_mem->free_space_inside, 1, MAX_CUSTOMERS); // the free space
semaphore. it's just the amount of customers that fits
83
84 /* catch interrupts */
85 signal(SIGINT, signal_handler);
86
87 // create the waiter and save its PID in shared memory
88 if ((shar_mem->waiter = fork()) == 0)
89 {
90     // handle the SIGINT
91     signal(SIGINT, waiter_exit);
92     printf("Waiter: arriving at restaurant\n"); // waiter was created
93     int sleep;
94
95     int masks; // the random amount of masks
96
97     // run as long as no SIGINT was sent
98     while (run)
99     {
100         masks = ((random() % 3)+3) ; // generate a random integer between 3 and
101         5
102         sleep = ((rand() % 3001) + 6000)*1000; // sleep time in microseconds
103
104         // we only give masks, if there are enough people in the queue,
otherwise we give masks to nonexistent people
105         if (shar_mem->customers_in_queue >= masks)
106         {
107             // print status
108             printf("Waiter: Handing out %d masks\n", masks);
109
110             // hand out 3-5 masks
111             for (size_t i = 0; i < masks; i++) // 1 iq, 3 masks; (1%3)-3 = 0
112             {
113                 sem_post(&shar_mem->masks);
114             }
115             usleep(sleep); // sleep for 3-6 seconds
116         }
117     }
118     exit(0); // exit

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119
120 printf("Waiter PID: %d\n", shar_mem->waiter); // doesn't need sync, we are in
    root and it is only written once
121
122 // root process
123 while (!shouldEnd)
124 {
125     /* we are exclusive now */
126     if (shar_mem->customers_in_queue < MAX_QUEUE_LENGTH)
127     {
128         /* there is space for at least one more */
129         for (free_slot = 0; free_slot < MAX_PROCESSES; free_slot++)
130         {
131             if (shar_mem->pid[free_slot] == -1)
132             {
133                 break;
134             }
135         }
136
137         /* enqueue customer in line */
138         // synchronize memory access.
139         sem_wait(&shar_mem->shsync);
140         shar_mem->customers_in_queue++;
141         sem_post(&shar_mem->shsync);
142
143         /* create the new customer */
144         // stack variables don't need to be threadsafe
145         f_pid = fork();
146         if (f_pid == 0)
147         {
148             /* this is the customer code (child) */
149             struct timespec tv;
150
151             /* childs should not catch SIG_INT */
152             signal(SIGINT, SIG_DFL);
153             srand(time(NULL));
154
155             /* Check if we can enter the restaurant within 2 seconds */
156             /* requires absolute time */
157             clock_gettime(CLOCK_REALTIME, &tv);
158             tv.tv_sec += 2;
159             tv.tv_nsec = 0;
160
161             // a value of -1 means that it had an error. as there is no reason
    for an error other than a timeout
162             // we can assume that we caught that.
163             if (sem_timedwait(&shar_mem->free_space_inside, &tv) == -1)
164             {
165
166                 printf("%d: That takes too long, I leave\n", getpid());
167
168                 for (int i = 0; i < MAX_PROCESSES; i++)
169                 {
170                     if (shar_mem->pid[i] == getpid())
171                     {
172                         sem_wait(&shar_mem->shsync);
173                         shar_mem->pid[i] = -1;
174                         sem_post(&shar_mem->shsync);
175                         break;
176                     }
177                 }
178
179                 sem_wait(&shar_mem->shsync);
180                 shar_mem->customers_in_queue--;

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181         sem_post(&shar_mem->shsync);
182     }
183     else
184     {
185         /* we are in, so we leave the queue */
186         printf("%d: Waiting for mask \n", getpid());
187         sem_wait(&shar_mem->masks);
188         printf("%d: Going inside \n", getpid());
189
190         sem_wait(&shar_mem->shsync);
191         shar_mem->customers_in_queue--;
192         shar_mem->customers_in_restaurant++;
193         sem_post(&shar_mem->shsync);
194
195         /* stay here some time to eat - yummy!!! */
196         printf("%d: YUMMY YUM - Delicious! \n", getpid());
197         usleep(((rand() % 5000) + 3000) * 1000);
198         printf("%d: I am full - I go home now\n", getpid());
199
200         sem_wait(&shar_mem->shsync);
201         shar_mem->customers_in_restaurant--;
202         sem_post(&shar_mem->shsync);
203
204         for (int i = 0; i < MAX_PROCESSES; i++)
205         {
206             if (shar_mem->pid[i] == getpid())
207             {
208                 sem_wait(&shar_mem->shsync);
209                 shar_mem->pid[i] = -1;
210                 sem_post(&shar_mem->shsync);
211
212                 break;
213             }
214         }
215
216         // we have to free the space after we leave
217         sem_post(&shar_mem->free_space_inside);
218     }
219     /* exit, this causes a SIGCHLD at the parent process */
220     exit(0);
221 }
222 else
223 {
224     /* Root process prints queue size and joined customer
225        * root process now knows about the child processes
226        currently running */
227     sem_wait(&shar_mem->shsync);
228     shar_mem->pid[free_slot] = f_pid;
229     sem_post(&shar_mem->shsync);
230
231     printf("Owner: %d joined the queue, there are %d people in the queue
232        and %d in the restaurant \n",
233        f_pid, shar_mem->customers_in_queue, shar_mem->
234        customers_in_restaurant);
235 }
236
237     /* delay everything a bit between 300 and 800 ms */
238     usleep(((rand() % 501) + 300) * 1000);
239 }
240
241 /* ok we should end here so wait for all children to terminate */
242 printf("Owner: Close the kitchen, wait for customers to leave\n");

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242 // destroy the masks semaphore and stop all processes from waiting for masks.
243 sem_destroy(&shar_mem->masks);
244
245 for (int i = 0; i < MAX_PROCESSES; i++)
246 {
247     if (shar_mem->pid[i] != -1)
248     {
249         printf("%d: Going Home\n", shar_mem->pid[i]);
250         waitpid(shar_mem->pid[i], NULL, 0);
251     }
252 }
253
254 // wait for the waiter to close
255 waitpid(shar_mem->waiter, NULL, 0);
256
257 /* detach shared memory */
258 shmdt(shar_mem);
259 /* remove shared memory identifier */
260 shmctl(id, IPC_RMID, 0);
261
262 return 0;
263 }

```

3-eating_out.c