

Operating Systems

University at Albany
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ICS 412

Assignment-7

Assigned: Thursday, April 14th, 2022

Due: Thursday, April 21st through your Blackboard account by 11:59 PM. Submissions with 20% penalty will be accepted by Tuesday, April 26th, by 11:59 PM.

Student Name:

OBJECTIVES

To develop a multithreading program with the use of the pthread library and semaphores.

PROBLEM

You are to use any distribution of the Linux operating system to create a C program that uses two threads in an interleaving way. Your solution must include the pthread library and semaphores. It must be based on the *shopping.c* program provided in this document and modify it such that *Salad* will be always printed before *Butter* and *Milk* will be always printed before *Apples*. The following syntax is used to express this requirement where the symbol < is used to indicate “*printed before*”.

Salad < Butter and Milk < Apples.

SAMPLE CODE

```
/* shopping.c */
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include <pthread.h>
#include <semaphore.h>

void *print_produce( void * );
void *print_dairy( void * );

void *print_dairy(void *items)
{
    int i = 0;
    char** array = (void*)items;
    {
        printf("got %s\n", (array[i++]) );
        printf("got %s\n", (array[i++]) );
    }
    return( NULL );
}

void *print_produce(void *items)
{
    int i = 0;
    char** array = (void*)items;
    {
        printf("got %s\n", (array[i++]) );
        printf("got %s\n", (array[i++]) );
    }
    return( NULL );
}
```

```
int main()
{
    char *produce[] = { "Salad", "Apples", NULL };
    char *dairy[] = { "Milk", "Butter", NULL };
    pthread_t th1, th2;
    pthread_create( &th1, NULL, print_produce, (void*)produce);
    pthread_create( &th2, NULL, print_dairy, (void*)dairy);
    pthread_join(th1, NULL);
    pthread_join(th2, NULL);
}
```

WHAT TO SUBMIT

You are to be submitted through Blackboard the following:

- a) The source code of your modified *shopping.c* program and,
- b) And a screenshot of the output of your solution illustrating the printing sequences produced.