

Experiment-29: Write a C program to simulate the solution of Classical Process Synchronization Problem

Aim:

To simulate the solution of the classical process synchronization problem, specifically using the Producer-Consumer Problem (also known as the Bounded Buffer Problem) where one process (producer) produces data and another process (consumer) consumes data. A shared buffer is used to hold data, and synchronization mechanisms like semaphores are employed to ensure safe access to the buffer.

Procedure:

1. **Producer:** The producer process produces items and places them into a shared buffer.
2. **Consumer:** The consumer process consumes items from the shared buffer.
3. **Mutex and Semaphores:** Use semaphores to synchronize access to the shared buffer.
Specifically:
 - A mutex semaphore is used to provide mutual exclusion to the buffer.
 - Empty and Full semaphores are used to ensure that the consumer waits if the buffer is empty and the producer waits if the buffer is full.

Code:

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#include <stdio.h>
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```
#include <pthread.h>
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#include <semaphore.h>
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#include <unistd.h>
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```
#define BUFFER_SIZE 5
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```
int buffer[BUFFER_SIZE];
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int in = 0, out = 0;
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```
sem_t empty, full, mutex;
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```
void* producer(void* arg) {  
  
    int item;  
  
    while (1) {  
  
        item = rand() % 100;  
  
        sem_wait(&empty);  
  
        sem_wait(&mutex);  
  
  
        buffer[in] = item;  
  
        printf("Produced: %d\n", item);  
  
        in = (in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;  
  
  
        sem_post(&mutex);  
  
        sem_post(&full);  
  
  
        sleep(1);  
    }  
}
```

```
void* consumer(void* arg) {  
  
    int item;  
  
    while (1) {  
  
        sem_wait(&full);  
  
        sem_wait(&mutex);  
  
  
        item = buffer[out];  
  
        printf("Consumed: %d\n", item);
```

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    out = (out + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;

    sem_post(&mutex);

    sem_post(&empty);

    sleep(1);
}
}

int main() {
    pthread_t prod, cons;

    sem_init(&empty, 0, BUFFER_SIZE);
    sem_init(&full, 0, 0);
    sem_init(&mutex, 0, 1);

    pthread_create(&prod, NULL, producer, NULL);
    pthread_create(&cons, NULL, consumer, NULL);

    pthread_join(prod, NULL);
    pthread_join(cons, NULL);

    sem_destroy(&empty);
    sem_destroy(&full);
    sem_destroy(&mutex);

    return 0;
```

}

Output:

Output
Produced: 45
Produced: 23
Produced: 78
Consumed: 45
Consumed: 23
Produced: 56
Consumed: 78
Produced: 34
Consumed: 56