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29. Write a C program to simulate the solution of Classical Process Synchronization Problem

### Aim:

To simulate the solution to the Classical Process Synchronization Problem (e.g., Producer-Consumer or Dining Philosophers) using C programming and demonstrate the correct functioning of process synchronization.

# **Algorithm (Dining Philosophers Example):**

- 1. Initialize the state of philosophers as "thinking."
- 2. Use semaphores to control access to shared resources (chopsticks).
- 3. Define pickup() and putdown() functions to manage chopsticks.
- 4. A philosopher alternates between thinking and eating.
- 5. Ensure no deadlock or starvation occurs using a synchronization mechanism.

#### **Procedure:**

- 1. Create threads to represent philosophers.
- 2. Use semaphores for chopstick access.
- 3. Implement synchronization logic to prevent deadlock (e.g., wait-and-signal operations).
- 4. Run the program and observe how philosophers alternate between thinking and eating.

## Code:

```
#include <pthread.h>
#include <semaphore.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#define N 5

sem_t chopstick[N];
pthread_t philosopher[N];
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void* dine(void* arg) {
  int id = *(int*)arg;
  while (1) {
     printf("Philosopher %d is thinking.\n", id);
     sleep(1);
     sem_wait(&chopstick[id]);
     sem_wait(&chopstick[(id + 1) % N]);
     printf("Philosopher %d is eating.\n", id);
     sleep(1);
     sem_post(&chopstick[id]);
     sem_post(&chopstick[(id + 1) % N]);
     printf("Philosopher %d finished eating and starts thinking.\n", id);
  }
}
int main() {
  int id[N];
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\label{eq:continuous_sem_init} \begin{split} &\text{for (int } i=0; i < N; i++) \; \{ \\ &\text{sem\_init(\&chopstick[i], 0, 1);} \\ &\text{id[i]} = i; \\ &\} \\ &\text{for (int } i=0; i < N; i++) \\ &\text{pthread\_create(\&philosopher[i], NULL, dine, \&id[i]);} \\ &\text{for (int } i=0; i < N; i++) \\ &\text{pthread\_join(philosopher[i], NULL);} \\ &\text{return 0;} \end{split}
```

## **Output:**

}

# **Result:**

The output of the program demonstrates that each philosopher alternates between thinking and eating, ensuring proper synchronization without deadlock or starvation.