

# Process Synchronization



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# Process Synchronization

- Processes can execute concurrently
  - May be interrupted at any time, partially completing execution
- Concurrent access to shared data may result in data inconsistency
- Maintaining data consistency requires mechanisms to ensure the orderly execution of cooperating processes

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- Modifying the Bounded Buffer Approach for Producer and Consumer Problem.
- Having a **counter** that keeps track of the number of full buffers.

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- One possibility is to add an integer variable counter, initialized to 0.
- Counter is
  - incremented every time
    - we add a new item to the buffer
  - decremented every time
    - we remove one item from the buffer.

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- The code for the producer process can be modified as follows:

```
while (true) {  
    /* produce an item in nextProduced */  
    while (counter == BUFFER_SIZE)  
        ; /* do nothing */  
    buffer[in] = nextProduced;  
    in = (in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;  
    counter++;  
}
```

## Earlier Approach-

```
item next_produced;  
  
while (true) {  
  
    /* produce an item in next produced */  
  
    while (((in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE) == out)  
        ; /* do nothing */  
  
    buffer[in] = next_produced;  
  
    in = (in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;  
  
}
```

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- The code for the consumer process can be modified as follows:

```
while (true) {  
    while (counter == 0)  
        ; /* do nothing */  
    nextConsumed = buffer[out];  
    out = (out + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;  
    counter--;  
    /* consume the item in nextConsumed */  
}
```

## **Earlier Approach-**

```
item next_consumed;  
while (true) {  
    while (in == out)  
        ; /* do nothing */  
    next_consumed = buffer[out];  
    out = (out + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;  
  
    /* consume the item in next consumed */  
}
```

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- The producer and consumer routines are correct separately,
  - May not function correctly when executed concurrently.
- **Suppose that the value of the variable counter is currently 5**

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- The producer and consumer processes execute
  - the statements "counter++" and "counter--" concurrently.
- Result= counter may be 4, 5, or 6!
- The only correct result, counter == 5, **which is generated correctly**
  - **if the producer and consumer execute separately.**



# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- "counter++" may be implemented in machine language as –  
    register1 = counter  
    register1 = register1 + 1  
    counter= register1
- register1 is one of the local CPU registers.
- "counter--" is implemented as follows:  
    register2 = counter  
    register2 = register2 - 1  
    counter= register2
- register2 is one of the local CPU registers.

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- The concurrent execution of "counter++" and "counter--" is equivalent to
  - A sequential execution in which the lower-level statements presented previously are interleaved in some arbitrary order.
- But the order within each high-level statement is preserved

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- One such interleaving is-

|         |          |         |                               |                      |
|---------|----------|---------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| $T_0$ : | producer | execute | $register_1 = counter$        | $\{register_1 = 5\}$ |
| $T_1$ : | producer | execute | $register_1 = register_1 + 1$ | $\{register_1 = 6\}$ |
| $T_2$ : | consumer | execute | $register_2 = counter$        | $\{register_2 = 5\}$ |
| $T_3$ : | consumer | execute | $register_2 = register_2 - 1$ | $\{register_2 = 4\}$ |
| $T_4$ : | producer | execute | $counter = register_1$        | $\{counter = 6\}$    |
| $T_5$ : | consumer | execute | $counter = register_2$        | $\{counter = 4\}$    |

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- Result=> "counter == 4", incorrect state
  - indicating that four buffers are full,
- Correct state=five buffers are full.

|         |          |         |                               |                      |
|---------|----------|---------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| $T_0$ : | producer | execute | $register_1 = counter$        | { $register_1 = 5$ } |
| $T_1$ : | producer | execute | $register_1 = register_1 + 1$ | { $register_1 = 6$ } |
| $T_2$ : | consumer | execute | $register_2 = counter$        | { $register_2 = 5$ } |
| $T_3$ : | consumer | execute | $register_2 = register_2 - 1$ | { $register_2 = 4$ } |
| $T_4$ : | producer | execute | $counter = register_1$        | { $counter = 6$ }    |
| $T_5$ : | consumer | execute | $counter = register_2$        | { $counter = 4$ }    |

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- If the order of the statements at T4 and T5 is reversed, we would arrive at the incorrect state
  - Result=> "counter == 6", incorrect state

|                  |          |         |   |                             |
|------------------|----------|---------|---|-----------------------------|
| T <sub>0</sub> : | producer | execute | register <sub>1</sub> = counter                   | {register <sub>1</sub> = 5} |
| T <sub>1</sub> : | producer | execute | register <sub>1</sub> = register <sub>1</sub> + 1 | {register <sub>1</sub> = 6} |
| T <sub>2</sub> : | consumer | execute | register <sub>2</sub> = counter                   | {register <sub>2</sub> = 5} |
| T <sub>3</sub> : | consumer | execute | register <sub>2</sub> = register <sub>2</sub> - 1 | {register <sub>2</sub> = 4} |
| T <sub>4</sub> : | producer | execute | counter = register <sub>1</sub>                   | {counter = 6}               |
| T <sub>5</sub> : | consumer | execute | counter = register <sub>2</sub>                   | {counter = 4}               |

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- Incorrect state as
  - we allowed both processes to manipulate the variable counter concurrently.

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- When several processes access and manipulate the same data concurrently
- The outcome of the execution depends on
  - the particular order in which the access takes place,
- Also called a Race Condition.

# Producer Consumer Problem Revisited

- To guard against the race condition,
  - Only one process at a time can be manipulating the variable counter.
  - Thus the processes must be synchronized



# The Critical Section Problem

# The Critical Section Problem

- Consider a system consisting of  $n$  processes  $\{P_0, P_1, \dots, P_{n-1}\}$ .

## Critical Section-

- Each process has a segment of code, called a critical section in which the process may be
  - changing common variables,
  - updating a table,
  - writing a file, and so on.

# The Critical Section Problem

- When one process is executing in its critical section,
  - No other process is to be allowed to execute in its critical section.
  - Execution of Critical Sections by the processes is mutually exclusive
- ***Critical-section problem* is to design a protocol that the processes can use to cooperate.**

# The Critical Section Problem

- **Entry section**

- Each process must request permission to enter its critical section. The section of code implementing this request is the entry section.

- **Exit Section**

- The critical section may be followed by an exit section.

- **Remaining Section**

- The remaining code is the remaining section.

# The Critical Section Problem

## General Structure of a Typical Process $P_i$

```
do {  
    entry section  
    critical section  
    exit section  
    remainder section  
} while (TRUE);
```

# The Critical Section Problem

Solution  $\equiv$  Must Satisfy three requirements-

- 1) **Mutual Exclusion**
- 2) **Progress**
- 3) **Bounded Waiting**

# The Critical Section Problem

## 1) Mutual Exclusion

If Process  $P_i$  is executing in its critical section, then no other processes can be executing in their critical sections

# The Critical Section Problem

## 2) Progress

- If no process is executing in its critical section and
  - some processes wish to enter their critical sections
- Then only those processes
  - that are not executing in their remainder sections
  - can participate in deciding which will enter its critical section next.
- This selection cannot be postponed indefinitely.



# The Critical Section Problem

## 2) Progress

- Only those processes interested in entering CS , should compete to enter CS.
- Only those processes wishing to enter CS, should compete for CS

# The Critical Section Problem

## 3) Bounded Waiting

- There exists
  - a bound, or
  - limit,
  - on the number of times that other processes are allowed to enter the critical sections
- after a process has made a request to enter its critical section and before that request is granted.

# The Critical Section Problem

## 3) Bounded Waiting

- Max After a bound/time limit , after which the process definitely will get a chance to enter CS

# The Critical Section Problem

## Assumption-

- Each process is executing at a nonzero speed.
- No assumption concerning the relative speed of the  $n$  processes.

# Critical-Section Handling in OS

Two approaches are used to handle critical sections in OS depending on if kernel is-

- **Preemptive**
- **Non-preemptive**

# Critical-Section Handling in OS

- **Preemptive-**
  - allows a process to be preempted while it is running in kernel mode.
- **Non-preemptive-**
  - does not allow a process running in kernel mode to be preempted;
  - a kernel-mode process will run until it
    - exits kernel mode,
    - blocks, or
    - voluntarily yields control of the CPU.

# Critical-Section Handling in OS

- **Non-preemptive kernel-**

- is essentially free from race conditions on kernel data structures,
- as only one process is active in the kernel at a time.

- **Preemptive kernels-**

- must be carefully designed to ensure that shared kernel data are free from race conditions.
- are especially difficult to design for SMP architectures,
- since in these environments it is possible for two kernel-mode processes
- to run simultaneously on different processors.

# Critical-Section Handling in OS

- Why would anyone favor a preemptive kernel over a nonpreemptive one? ?



# Critical-Section Handling in OS

- Why would anyone favor a preemptive kernel over a nonpreemptive one?
- A preemptive kernel
  - is more suitable for real-time programming, as it will allow a real-time process to preempt a process currently running in the kernel.
  - may be more responsive, since there is less risk that a kernel-mode process will run for an arbitrarily long period before relinquishing the processor to waiting processes.

# Solutions to The Critical Section Problem

- **Software Based Solutions**
- **Hardware Based Solutions**

# Software Synchronization



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# Software Based Solutions to The Critical Section Problem

- **Software Based Solutions**
  - **Two process Solution**
    - Algorithm 1
    - Algorithm 2
    - Algorithm 3/Peterson's Solution
  - **Multiple Process Solution**

# Software Based Solutions to The Critical Section Problem

- Two process Solution
  - Assume that the load and store machine-language instructions are atomic;
  - that is, cannot be interrupted

# Software Based Solutions to The Critical Section Problem

- **Algorithm 1**

```
do {  
    while (turn != i);  
    critical section  
    turn = j;  
    remainder section  
} while (1);
```

The structure of process  $P_i$  in algorithm 1.

# Working of While Loop without semicolon;

Example-

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int n = 0;
```

```
    printf("enter value of n");
```

```
    scanf("%d",&n);
```

```
    while(n < 4)
```

```
    {
```

```
        printf("Hi, Inside while loop\n");
```

```
        printf("%i\n", n);
```

```
        n++;
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

```
8
9  #include <stdio.h>
10
11 int main()
12 {
13     int n;
14     printf("Enter the value of n\t");
15     scanf("%d",&n);
16     while(n<4)
17     {
18         printf("Hi, Inside While Loop\t");
19         printf("%i\n",n);
20         n++;
21     }
22     return 0;
23 }
24
```

```
Enter the value of n    1
Hi, Inside While Loop  1
Hi, Inside While Loop  2
Hi, Inside While Loop  3
```

# Working of While Loop with;

- Generally we Dont write a semicolon after the condition in while loop
- The problem is that the loop body becomes a semicolon, which is a do nothing statement.
- This while loop has no body



# Working of While Loop with;

- Trapped in while loop as Condition is true
- Executes while loop with No body
- Out of while loop as Condition is False
- Enters CS

```
9  #include <stdio.h>
10
11  int main()
12  {
13      int n=0;
14      printf("Enter Value of n \t");
15      scanf("%d",&n);
16      while(n<4);
17      printf("Inside Critical Section\n");
18      return 0;
19  }
20
```

```
Enter Value of n      7
Inside Critical Section

...Program finished with exit code 0
```

# Working of While Loop with;

Example-

```
#include <stdio.h>
```

```
int main()
```

```
{
```

```
    int n = 0;
```

```
    printf("enter value of n");
```

```
    scanf("%d",&n);
```

```
    while(n < 4);
```

```
    {
```

```
        printf("Hi, Inside while loop\n");
```

```
        printf("%i\n", n);
```

```
        n++;
```

```
    }
```

# Working of While Loop with;

```
main.c
3 Online C Compiler.
4 Code, Compile, Run and
5 Write your code in this editor and press
6
7 *****
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9 #include <stdio.h>
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14     printf("enter value of n");
15     scanf("%d",&n);
16     while(n < 4);
17 {
18     printf("Hi, Inside while loop\n");
19     printf("%i\n", n);
20     n++;
21 }
22
```

```
enter value of n 7
Hi, Inside while loop
7

...Program finished with exit code 0
Press ENTER to exit console.
```

- Condition =False,
- Print statement Executes

```
main.c
3 Online C Compiler.
4 Code, Compile, Run and Debug C
5 Write your code in this editor and press "Run"
6
7 *****
8
9 #include <stdio.h>
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11 int main()
12 {
13     int n = 0;
14     printf("enter value of n");
15     scanf("%d",&n);
16     while(n < 4);
17 {
18     printf("Hi, Inside while loop\n");
19     printf("%i\n", n);
20     n++;
21 }
22
```

```
enter value of n 3
```

- Condition =True,
- Empty statement Executes
- Infinite Loop
- Print statement doesn't execute

# Working of While Loop with;

```
main.c
3 Online C Compiler.
4 Code, Compile, Run and Debug C
5 Write your code in this editor and press "Run" button
6
7 *****
8
9 #include <stdio.h>
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11 int main()
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13     int n = 0;
14     printf("enter value of n");
15     scanf("%d",&n);
16     while(n < 4);
17 {
18     printf("Hi, Inside while loop\n");
19     printf("%i\n", n);
20     n++;
21 }
22
```

```
enter value of n 7
Hi, Inside while loop
7

...Program finished with exit code 0
Press ENTER to exit console.
```

- Condition =False,
- Control comes out of Loop
- Critical Section executes

```
main.c
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4 Code, Compile, Run and Debug C
5 Write your code in this editor and press "Run" button
6
7 *****
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16     while(n < 4);
17 {
18     printf("Hi, Inside while loop\n");
19     printf("%i\n", n);
20     n++;
21 }
22
```

```
enter value of n 3
```

- Condition =True,
- Empty statement Executes
- Process gets trapped in Infinite Loop
- Does not enter Critical Section

# Software Based Solutions to The Critical Section Problem

- **Algorithm 1**

```
do {
```

```
    while (turn != i);
```

```
    critical section
```

```
    turn = j;
```

```
    remainder section
```

```
} while (1);
```

The structure of process  $P_i$  in algorithm 1.

**Entry Code**



**Exit Code**



- Acts like a trap
- Stopping processes to enter into the Critical Section
- Turn=Shared Common Integer/Global Integer turn initialized to 0/1

## Algorithm 1 : Mutual Exclusion Check

If P0 is executing critical section,  
Can another process P1 enter the critical section or not?

# Algorithm 1

CS=critical section

- Algorithm 1- Lets initialize turn with 0

| P0, i=0  | P1, i=1  |
|--|--|
| do{<br>while(turn!=0);<br>critical section<br>turn=1;<br>remainder section<br>}while(1); | do{<br>while(turn!=1);<br>critical section<br>turn=0;<br>remainder section<br>}while(1); |

```
do {  
    while (turn != i);  
        critical section  
    turn = j;  
        remainder section  
} while (1);
```

The structure of process  $P_i$  in algorithm 1.

Can P1 enter CS while P0 is in CS ?



# Can P1 enter CS while P0 is in CS-No

## • Algorithm 1

**P0, i=0**

```
do{
  while(turn!=0);
    critical section
  turn=1;
  remainder section
}while(1);
```

Lets initialize  
turn with 0

- For P0,Lets take turn=0,
- while condition =false
- P0 enters CS
- While P0 is Inside CS, Still turn=0
- P1 tries to enter the CS

**P1, i=1**

```
do{
  while(turn!=1);
    critical section
  turn=0;
  remainder section
}while(1);
```

- P1 tries to enter CS
- Still turn=0,
- while condition =true
- P1 gets trapped in an infinite loop
- P1 is unable to enter CS

Can P1 enter CS while P0 is in Remainder Section ?

# Can P1 enter CS while P0 is in Remainder Section -Yes

## • Algorithm 1

**P0, i=0**

```
do{
while(turn!=0);
    critical section
turn=1;
remainder section
}while(1);
```

- For P0,
- After CS
- Exit Code makes turn=1
- Starts executing Remainder Section
- Now can P1 enter CS

**P1, i=1**

```
do{
while(turn!=1);
    critical section
turn=0;
remainder section
}while(1);
```

- P1 tries to enter CS
- Now turn=1,
- while condition =false
- P1 enters CS

CS=critical section

# Algorithm 1 : Mutual Exclusion Check

Satisfied!!!!

Can P0 enter CS immediately again after completing RS?

# Can P0 enter CS immediately again after completing RS?-No

## • Algorithm 1

**P0, i=0**

```
do{  
  while(turn!=0);  
    critical section  
  turn=1;  
  remainder section  
}while(1);
```

CS=critical section

- After 1<sup>st</sup> run
- turn becomes =1,

For P0

- while condition =true
- P0 gets trapped in an infinite loop
- P0 is unable to enter CS

# Solutions to The Critical Section Problem

- **Algorithm 1**
- If  $\text{turn} == i$ , then process  $P_i$  executes in critical section
  - $\text{turn}=0$ ,  $P_0$  executes CS
  - $\text{turn}=1$ ,  $P_1$  executes CS

# Algorithm 1 : Progress Requirement Check



# Algorithm 1 : Progress Requirement Check

- After P0 comes out then P1 gets control to go inside
- After P1 comes out then P0 gets control to go outside.



# Algorithm 1 : Progress Requirement Check

- **It is Strict Alteration**
  - Case 1-If a process doesn't want to go to CS, still it goes due to alteration.
  - Case 2-If P1 doesn't want to go in CS and P0 wants to go in CS, still P0 won't get chance.
- **This Solution is not following progress**

# Algorithm 1 : Bounded Waiting Check

- Process 0 can go directly and Process 1 can go after process 0 into critical section. So, Bounded waiting is satisfied.

# Solutions to The Critical Section Problem

- **Algorithm 1**
- Mutual Exclusion is preserved
  - Ensures that only one process at a time can be in its critical section.
- Does not satisfy, Progress Requirement
- Bounded Waiting Criteria is satisfied

# Algorithm 2

## Algorithm 2

- The two processes share boolean array:
  - Boolean flag[2]
- The flag array is used to indicate if a process is ready to enter the critical section.  $\text{flag}[i] = \text{true}$  implies that process  $P_i$  is ready!
- Boolean array can be initialized to false.
- As the process wants to enter CS, its cell can be made true.

Boolean Array flag[2]

| [0] | [1] |
|-----|-----|
| F   | F   |

# Solutions to The Critical Section Problem

## Algorithm 2

```
do {
```

```
    flag[i] = true;  
    while (flag[j]);
```

```
        critical section
```

```
    flag[i] = false;
```

```
        remainder section
```

```
} while (1);
```

The structure of process  $P_i$  in algorithm 2.

# Algorithm 2

- Algorithm 2

| P0,i=0   | P1,i=1   |
|--|--|
| do{<br>flag[0]=true;<br>while(flag[1]);<br>critical section<br>flag[0]=false;<br>remainder section<br>}while(1); | do{<br>flag[1]=true;<br>while(flag[0]);<br>critical section<br>flag[1]=false;<br>remainder section<br>}while(1); |

do {

flag[i] = true;  
while (flag[j]);

critical section

flag[i] = false;

remainder section

} while (1);

The structure of process  $P_i$  in algorithm 2.

# Algorithm 2

- Algorithm 2

| P0  | P1  |
|---|---|
| <pre>do{     flag[0]=true;     while(flag[1]);     critical section     flag[0]=false;     remainder section }while(1);</pre> | <pre>do{     flag[1]=true;     while(flag[0]);     critical section     flag[1]=false;     remainder section }while(1);</pre> |

Boolean Array flag[2]

| [0] | [1] |
|-----|-----|
| F   | F   |



## Algorithm 2 : Mutual Exclusion Check

If P0 is executing critical section,  
Can another process P1 enter the critical section or not?

# If P0 is executing CS, Can another process P1 enter the CS or not? No

## • Algorithm 2

**P0**

```
do{
    flag[0]=true;
    while(flag[1]);
    critical section
    flag[0]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- For P0
- It wants to enter CS, so sets flag[0]=T
- It checks If his friend P1 wants to go,
- As flag[1]=F
- Control Comes out of while loop
- P0 executes CS

**P1**

```
do{
    flag[1]=true;
    while(flag[0]);
    critical section
    flag[1]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

do {

```
flag[i] = true;
while (flag[j]);
```

critical section

```
flag[i] = false;
```

remainder section

} while (1);

The structure of process  $P_i$  in algorithm 2.

| [0] | [1] | Boolean Array flag[2] |
|-----|-----|-----------------------|
| T   | F   |                       |

# If P0 is executing CS, Can another process P1 enter the CS or not? No

## • Algorithm 2

**P0**

```
do{
    flag[0]=true;
    while(flag[1]);
    critical section
    flag[0]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- For P0
- It wants to enter CS, so sets flag[0]=T
- It checks If his friend P1 wants to go,
- As flag[1]=F
- Control Comes out of while loop
- P0 executes CS

**P1**

```
do{
    flag[1]=true;
    while(flag[0]);
    critical section
    flag[1]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- P1 tries to enter CS
- Sets flag[1]=T,
- while condition =true
- P1 gets trapped in an infinite loop
- P1 is unable to enter CS

| [0] | [1] |
|-----|-----|
| T   | F   |

Boolean Array flag[2]

| [0] | [1] |
|-----|-----|
| T   | T   |

Can P1 enter CS while P0 is in Remainder Section ?

# Can P1 enter CS while P0 is in Remainder Section ? Yes

## • Algorithm 2

**P0**

```
do{
    flag[0]=true;
    while(flag[1]);
    critical section
    flag[0]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- For P0
- After finishing CS
- Sets flag[0]=false
- Continues with RS

**P1**

```
do{
    flag[1]=true;
    while(flag[0]);
    critical section
    flag[1]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- P1 tries to enter CS
- sets flag[1]=T,
- while condition =false
- P1 enters CS

| [0] | [1] | Boolean Array flag[2] |
|-----|-----|-----------------------|
| F   | T   |                       |

## Algorithm 2 : Mutual Exclusion Check

Satisfied!!!!

# Algorithm 2: Progress Requirement Check

Can P0 enter CS immediately again after completing RS?



# Can P0 enter CS immediately again after completing RS? Yes

## • Algorithm 2

P0

```
do{
    flag[0]=true;
    while(flag[1]);
    critical section
    flag[0]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- If His friend P1 is not interested in CS and flag[1]=F
- and If P0 wants to go again , is interested, so set flag[0]=T
- while loop is false
- So P0 can enter CS any number of times

| [0] | [1] |
|-----|-----|
| T   | F   |
| F   | F   |

Boolean Array flag[2]

# Algorithm 2 : Progress Requirement Check

- If P1 wants to go in CS again and immediately after executing RS, it can enter again if P2 is not interested in CS
- Whichever process is interested , while others are not, gets to enter CS
- Progress till now.

# Algorithm 2 : Progress Requirement Check

- **Contradiction crops up.....Now...**

# If both P0,P1 want to enter CS

Concurrent Execution!!!

## • Algorithm 2

**P0**

```
do{
    flag[0]=true;
    while(flag[1]);
    critical section
    flag[0]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- For P0
- Gets trapped in While
- Infinite Loop
- P0 Doesn't enter CS

**P1**

```
do{
    flag[1]=true;
    while(flag[0]);
    critical section
    flag[1]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- For P1
- Gets trapped in While
- Infinite Loop
- P1 Doesn't enter CS

| [0] | [1] |
|-----|-----|
| T   | T   |

Boolean Array flag[2]

# Algorithm 2 : Progress Requirement Check

- If Both P0,P1 want to enter CS, Both go in infinite loop, No one gets CS
- Thus, No Progress.

# Solutions to The Critical Section Problem

- **Algorithm 2**
- Mutual Exclusion is preserved
- Does not satisfy, Progress Requirement.

# Solutions to The Critical Section Problem

- Now Lets us combine the concept of
- both Algorithm 1 and Algorithm 2

# Algorithm 3

- Algorithm 3/Peterson's Solution
- The two processes share two variables:
  - int turn;
  - Boolean flag[2]
- The variable turn indicates whose turn it is to enter the critical section
- The flag array is used to indicate if a process is ready to enter the critical section.  $\text{flag}[i] = \text{true}$  implies that process  $P_i$  is ready!



# Algorithm 3

- Algorithm 3/Peterson's Solution

```
do {
```

```
    flag[i] = TRUE;  
    turn = j;  
    while (flag[j] && turn == j);
```

```
        critical section
```

```
    flag[i] = FALSE;
```

```
        remainder section
```

```
} while (TRUE);
```

6.2 The structure of process  $P_j$  in Peterson's solution.

# Algorithm 3

- Algorithm 3

| P0  | P1  |  |
|---|---|--|
| do{ flag[0]=true; turn=1 while(turn==1 && flag[1]==T); critical section flag[0]=false; remainder section }while(1); | do{ flag[1]=true; turn=0 while(turn==0 && flag[0]==T); critical section flag[1]=false; remainder section }while(1); | do { <div> flag[i] = TRUE; turn = j; while (flag[j] &amp;&amp; turn == j); </div> critical section <div> flag[i] = FALSE; </div> remainder section } while (TRUE); |

6.2 The structure of process P<sub>j</sub> in Peterson's solution.

# Algorithm 3

## • Algorithm 3

| P0   | P1   |
|--|--|
| <pre>do{     flag[0]=true;     turn=1     while(turn==1 &amp;&amp; flag[1]==T);     critical section     flag[0]=false;     remainder section }while(1);</pre> | <pre>do{     flag[1]=true;     turn=0     while(turn==0 &amp;&amp; flag[0]==T);     critical section     flag[1]=false;     remainder section }while(1);</pre> |

turn=0/1  
Boolean Array flag[2]

| [0] | [1] |
|-----|-----|
| F   | F   |

## Algorithm 3 : Mutual Exclusion Check

If P0 is executing critical section,  
Can another process P1 enter the critical section or not?

# If P0 is executing CS, Can another process P1 enter the CS or not? No

## • Case 1

- For P0
- Sets flag as true
- turn=1
- P1 is not interested
- while (T&&F);
- while(F);
- exits while loop
- P0 executes CS

P0

```
do{
    flag[0]=true;
    turn=1
    while(turn==1 &&
flag[1]==T);
    critical section
    flag[0]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

P1

```
do{
    flag[1]=true;
    turn=0
    while(turn==0 && flag[0]==T);
    critical section
    flag[1]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

```
do {
    flag[i] = TRUE;
    turn = j;
    while (flag[j] && turn == j);

    critical section

    flag[i] = FALSE;

    remainder section

} while (TRUE);
```

| [0] | [1] | turn=1                |
|-----|-----|-----------------------|
| T   | F   | Boolean Array flag[2] |

# If P0 is executing CS, Can another process P1 enter the CS or not? No

## • Case 2

**P0**

```
do{
    flag[0]=true;
    turn=1
    while(turn==1 &&
flag[1]==T);
    critical section
    flag[0]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- For P0
- Interested
- Already Inside CS

**P1**

```
do{
    flag[1]=true;
    turn=0
    while(turn==0 && flag[0]==T);
    critical section
    flag[1]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- P1 tries to enter CS
- set flag[1]=T,
- turn=0
- while(T&&T);
- while(T);
- gets trapped
- goes in Infinte loop

Can P1 enter CS while P0 is in Remainder Section ?

# Can P1 enter CS while P0 is in Remainder Section ?Yes

## • Case 2

**P0**

```
do{
    flag[0]=true;
    turn=1
    while(turn==1 &&
flag[1]==T);
    critical section
    flag[0]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- For P0
- after P0 comes out of CS
- Sets flag to False

**P1**

```
do{
    flag[1]=true;
    turn=0
    while(turn==0 && flag[0]==T);
    critical section
    flag[1]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- P1 tries to enter CS
- set flag[1]=T,
- turn=0
- while(T&&F);
- while(F);
- control comes out of while loop
- P1 Executes CS

| [0] | [1] | turn=0                |
|-----|-----|-----------------------|
| F   | T   | Boolean Array flag[2] |



## Algorithm 3 : Mutual Exclusion Check

Satisfied!!!!

# Algorithm 3: Progress Requirement Check

## If both P0,P1 want to enter CS

### • Algorithm 3

**P0**

```
do{
    flag[0]=true;
    turn=1
    while(turn==1 &&
flag[1]==T);
    critical section
    flag[0]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

- For P0
- Now P0 is also interested
- sets flag as true and turn=1
- while(T&&T);
- while(T);
- P0 gets trapped
- **Now Context Switch**
- Doesn't enter CS

**P1**

```
do{
    flag[1]=true;
    turn=0
    while(turn==0 && flag[0]==T);
    critical section
    flag[1]=false;
    remainder section
}while(1);
```

For P1

- Suppose P1 is interested
- sets flag as true and turn=0
- **Context Switch occurs**
- **As P0 had set turn as 1**
- Now P1 tries
- while(F&&T);
- while(F);
- P1 enters CS

| [0] | [1] | turn=0/1 |
|-----|-----|----------|
| T   | T   |          |

Boolean Array flag[2]

## Algorithm 3 : Progress Check

Satisfied!!!!

## Algorithm 3 : Bounded Waiting Check

$P_i$  will enter the critical section (progress) after at most one entry by  $P_j$  (bounded waiting) i.e.  
 $P_0$  will enter the critical section (progress) after at most one entry by  $P_1$  (bounded waiting).

Every process gets a fair chance.

Satisfied!!!!!!

# Solutions to The Critical Section Problem

## Algorithm 3/Peterson's Solution

- Provable that the three CS requirement are met:
  1. Mutual exclusion is preserved  
 $P_i$  enters CS only if:  
either  $\text{flag}[j] = \text{false}$  or  $\text{turn} = i$
  2. Progress requirement is satisfied
  3. Bounded-waiting requirement is met

# Hardware Synchronization



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# Hardware Based Solutions to The CS Problem

- Software-based solutions such as Peterson's are not guaranteed to work on modern computer architectures.



# Hardware Synchronization

- **Hardware Solutions- Simple tool-a lock.**
- Race conditions are prevented by requiring that critical regions be protected by locks.

# Hardware Synchronization

- A process must acquire a lock before entering a critical section;
- It releases the lock when it exits the critical section.

```
do {  
    acquire lock  
    critical section  
    release lock  
    remainder section  
} while (TRUE);
```

Solution to the critical-section problem using locks.

# Hardware Synchronization

- Special Atomic Hardware Instructions-
  - Atomic = Non-Interruptable

- 1) Test Memory word and Set value-Test and Set()
- 2) Swap contents of two memory words-Swap()

# test\_and\_set Instruction

Definition:

```
boolean test_and_set (boolean *target)
{
    boolean rv = *target;
    *target = TRUE;
    return rv;
}
```

- Executed atomically
  - If 2 test and set instructions are executed simultaneously , they will be executed sequentially in some arbitrary order.

# test\_and\_set Instruction

Definition:

```
boolean test_and_set (boolean *target)
{
    boolean rv = *target;
    *target = TRUE;
    return rv;
}
```

- Returns the original value of passed parameter i.e False
- Set the new value of passed parameter to “TRUE”.

# Mutual-exclusion implementation with TestAndSet ()

- Implements mutual exclusion
- Lock=Shared /Global Boolean variable , initialized to FALSE

# Mutual-exclusion implementation with TestAndSet ()

- Solution:

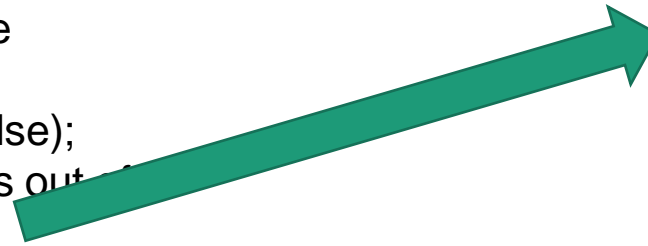
```
do {  
    while (TestAndSet(&lock))  
        ; // do nothing  
  
    // critical section  
  
    lock = FALSE;  
  
    // remainder section  
} while (TRUE);
```

# Mutual-exclusion implementation with TestAndSet ()

**P0**

```
do{  
    while(TestAndSet(&lock));  
    critical section  
    lock=FALSE;  
    remainder section  
}while(1);
```

- P0 tries to enter CS
- T&S returns False and set lock=True
- While(False);
- P0 comes out of while
- Enter CS



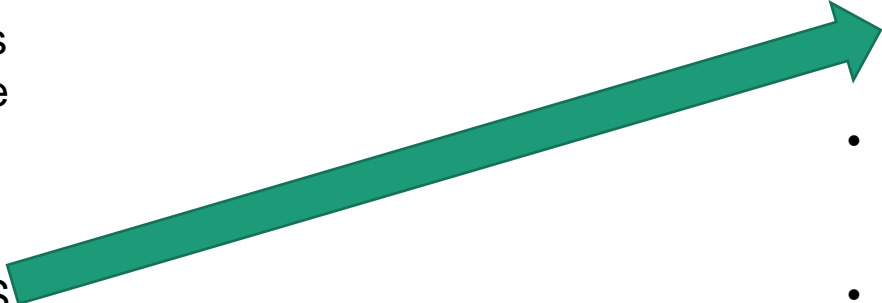
- Now P1 tries to enter CS
- P0 is still inside CS and lock=true
- Test&Set Returns the original value of passed parameter i.e. True
- While(True);
- Goes in Infinte Loop/Do Nothing
- so P1 cannot enter CS



# Mutual-exclusion implementation with TestAndSet ()

**P0**

```
do{  
    while(TestAndSet(&lock));  
    critical section  
    lock=FALSE;  
    remainder section  
}while(1);
```

- After completing CS
  - P0 makes lock=false
  - Exits CS
  - Enters RS
- 
- Now P1 can enter CS as lock is false now
  - Comes out of while loop
  - Executes CS

# swap Instruction

Definition:

```
void Swap(boolean *a, boolean *b) {  
    boolean temp = *a;  
    *a = *b;  
    *b = temp;  
}
```

- Swaps the contents of 2 memory word
- Executed atomically=Non-interruptable

# Mutual-exclusion implementation with swap ()

```
do {  
    key = TRUE;  
    while (key == TRUE)  
        Swap(&lock, &key);  
  
    // critical section  
  
    lock = FALSE;  
  
    // remainder section  
} while (TRUE);
```

- Solution:
- Key=Local Variable=Each process has its own Key
- Lock=Global Variable=Common for all Processes
- Both Initialized to False


Mutual-exclusion implementation with the Swap() instruction.

# Mutual-exclusion implementation with swap ()

- Solution:

```
do {  
    key = TRUE;  
    while (key == TRUE)  
        Swap(&lock, &key);  
  
    // critical section  
  
    lock = FALSE;  
  
    // remainder section  
} while (TRUE);
```

Mutual-exclusion implementation with the Swap () instruction.

- Initially (L,K)=(F,F)
  - P0 makes key=true so
  - (L,K)=(F,T)
  - While key is true
  - Swap values of Key and Lock so
  - (L,K)=(T,F)
  - Key becomes false, exits while loop
  - Enters CS
  - Now P1 tries to enter CS
  - P1's own key is also True Initially
  - Global Lock is True as P0 is in CS
  - Key=true so
  - (L,K)=(T,T)
  - After Swapping also,
  - Key will always be True, So trapped in while loop
  - P1 will not be able to enter CS
- 

# Mutual-exclusion implementation with swap ()

- Solution:

```
do {  
    key = TRUE;  
    while (key == TRUE)  
        Swap(&lock, &key);  
  
    // critical section  
  
    lock = FALSE;  
  
    // remainder section  
} while (TRUE);
```

Mutual-exclusion implementation with the Swap () instruction.

- P0
- Now, Lock=False and P0 exits CS
- P0 enters RS



- Now P1 tries to enter CS
- So Pair (L,K)=(F,T)
- The value will be swapped
- Key will become False
- Pair(L,K)=(T,F)
- Control comes out of while
- Enters CS

# Hardware Synchronization

- 1) Test Memory word and Set value-Test and Set()
- 2) Swap contents of two memory words-Swap()

These algorithms do not satisfy the bounded waiting requirement

# Bounded Waiting implementation with test and set ()

- Solution:

```
do {  
    waiting[i] = TRUE;  
    key = TRUE;  
    while (waiting[i] && key)  
        key = TestAndSet(&lock);  
    waiting[i] = FALSE;
```

➡ Entry Code

```
    // critical section  
  
    j = (i + 1) % n;  
    while ((j != i) && !waiting[j])  
        j = (j + 1) % n;  
  
    if (j == i)  
        lock = FALSE;  
    else  
        waiting[j] = FALSE;  
  
    // remainder section  
} while (TRUE);
```

➡ Exit Code

# Bounded Waiting implementation with test and set ()

```
do {
    waiting[i] = TRUE;
    key = TRUE;
    while (waiting[i] && key)
        key = TestAndSet(&lock);
    waiting[i] = FALSE;

    // critical section

    j = (i + 1) % n;
    while ((j != i) && !waiting[j])
        j = (j + 1) % n;

    if (j == i)
        lock = FALSE;
    else
        waiting[j] = FALSE;

    // remainder section
} while (TRUE);
```

- Solution: Satisfies all 3 critical section requirements
- Shared Data structures/Global variables
  - boolean waiting[n];
  - boolean lock;
- Both initialized to false



# Bounded Waiting implementation with test and set ()

```
do {
    waiting[i] = TRUE;
    key = TRUE;
    while (waiting[i] && key)
        key = TestAndSet(&lock);
    waiting[i] = FALSE;

    // critical section

    j = (i + 1) % n;
    while ((j != i) && !waiting[j])
        j = (j + 1) % n;

    if (j == i)
        lock = FALSE;
    else
        waiting[j] = FALSE;

    // remainder section
} while (TRUE);
```

- Lock is initialized to False
- $P_i$  can enter its critical section only if either  $waiting[i] == \text{false}$  or  $key == \text{false}$
- The value of Key can become false only if Test&Set() is executed
- The 1<sup>st</sup> process to execute the Test&Set() will set  $key == \text{false}$  and lock to True
- $waiting[i]$  of  $P_i = \text{False}$
- All other processes must wait

## Bounded Waiting implementation with test and set ()

```
do {
    waiting[i] = TRUE;
    key = TRUE;
    while (waiting[i] && key)
        key = TestAndSet(&lock);
    waiting[i] = FALSE;

    // critical section

    j = (i + 1) % n;
    while ((j != i) && !waiting[j])
        j = (j + 1) % n;

    if (j == i)
        lock = FALSE;
    else
        waiting[j] = FALSE;

    // remainder section
} while (TRUE);
```

- Lock=false
- For P<sub>i</sub> , waiting and Key both are True
- while Condtn=True
  - Inside While Loop,
  - Key=T&S(&Lock)
  - So Key=False(Returns Original Value of Lock=False)
  - Lock=True
- exit form While loop as Key=false
- Waiting of P<sub>i</sub> finishes=false
- Enters Critical Section
- Now P<sub>j</sub> tries to enter Critical Section
- waiting and key Both are True,
- Lock=True
- while conditn=True
  - Inside While Loop
  - Key=T&S(&Lock)
  - Key=True
  - Lock=True
  - Trapped in while loop

# Bounded Waiting implementation with test and set ()

- The hardware-based solutions to the CSP are complicated for application programmers to use.
- Soln= Semaphore

# Semaphore

- A synchronization tool
- A semaphore S is **an integer variable** that,
  - apart from initialization,
  - is accessed only through two standard atomic operations:
    - wait () and
    - signal ()

# Semaphore

- wait () operation = originally termed P
  - from the Dutch *proberen*,
  - *Meaning* "to test" or "to attempt"
- signal() operation = originally called V
  - from *verhogen*,
  - *Meaning* "to increment"

# Semaphore

- Classical Definition of Wait-

```
wait(S) {  
  while S <= 0  
  ; // no-op  
  S--;  
}
```

- The testing of the integer value of S ( $S \leq 0$ ), as well as its possible modification ( $S--$ ), must be executed without interruption.

# Semaphore

- Classical Definition of Signal-

```
signal(S) {  
  S++;  
}
```

# Semaphore

- All modifications to the integer value of the semaphore in the wait () and signal() operations must be executed indivisibly.
  - That is, when one process modifies the semaphore value, **no other process can simultaneously modify** that same semaphore value.



# Usage of Semaphore

- To Deal with n-process **Critical Section Problem, i.e. Mutual Exclusion**
  - binary semaphores to deal with the critical-section problem for multiple processes.
  - binary semaphores are known as mutex locks, as they are locks that provide mutual exclusion
- To Solve **Synchronization Problem**

# Types of Semaphore

- Types of Semaphores
  - Counting
  - Binary

# Types of Semaphore

- Counting Semaphore-
  - The value of a counting semaphore can range over an **unrestricted domain**.
- Binary Semaphore-
  - The value of a binary semaphore can range **only between 0 and 1**.
  - Also known as **mutex locks**,
  - As they **provide mutual exclusion**.

# Counting Semaphore

- Used to control access to a given resource consisting of a finite number of instances.
- The semaphore is initialized to the number of resources available.

# Counting Semaphore

- Each process that wishes to **use a resource** performs a **wait()** operation on the semaphore ,
  - **thereby decrementing the count.**
- When a process **releases a resource**, it performs a **signal()** operation
  - **incrementing the count.**

# Counting Semaphore

- When the count for the semaphore goes to 0, all resources are being used.
  - After that, processes that wish to use a resource will **block until the count becomes greater than 0.**

## ISRO | ISRO CS 2017 – May | Question 78

At particular time, the value of a counting semaphore is 10, it will become 7 after:

- (a) 3 V operations
- (b) 3 P operations
- (c) 5 V operations and 2 P operations
- (d) 2 V operations and 5 P operations

Which of the following option is correct?

- (A)** Only (b)
- (B)** Only(d)
- (C)** Both (b) and (d)
- (D)** None of these

At particular time, the value of a counting semaphore is 10, it will become 7 after:

- (a) 3 V operations
- (b) 3 P operations
- (c) 5 V operations and 2 P operations
- (d) 2 V operations and 5 P operations

Which of the following option is correct?

- (A) Only (b)
- (B) Only(d)
- (C) Both (b) and (d)
- (D) None of these

**Answer: (C)**

**Explanation:** P: Wait operation decrements the value of the counting semaphore by 1.

V: Signal operation increments the value of counting semaphore by 1.

Current value of the counting semaphore = 10

a) after 3 P operations, value of semaphore =  $10 - 3 = 7$

d) after 2 v operations, and 5 operations value of semaphore =  $10 + 2 - 5 = 7$

Hence option (C) is correct.



## UGC-NET | UGC NET CS 2018 July – II | Question 51

At a particular time of computation, the value of a counting semaphore is 10. Then 12 P operations and “x” V operations were performed on this semaphore. If the final value of semaphore is 7, x will be:

- (A) 8
- (B) 9
- (C) 10
- (D) 11

## UGC-NET | UGC NET CS 2018 July – II | Question 51

At a particular time of computation, the value of a counting semaphore is 10. Then 12 P operations and “x” V operations were performed on this semaphore. If the final value of semaphore is 7, x will be:

- (A) 8
- (B) 9
- (C) 10
- (D) 11

**Answer: (B)**

**Explanation:** Initially the value of a counting semaphore is 10. Now 12 P operations are performed.

Now counting semaphore value = -2

“x” V operations were performed on this semaphore and final value of counting semaphore = 7

i.e  $x + (-2) = 7$

$x = 9$ .

So, option (B) is correct.

# Binary Semaphore

## Mutual Exclusion using Binary Semaphore

- Used to deal with the critical-section problem for multiple processes.
- Processes share a semaphore, mutex, initialized to 1.

```
do {  
    wait(mutex);  
  
    // critical section  
  
    signal(mutex);  
  
    // remainder section  
} while (TRUE);
```

```
wait(S) {  
    while S <= 0  
    ; // no-op  
    S--;  
}
```

- Process P0 tries to enter the CS

P0

```
while(mutex<=0);
mutex=1 so Condition is False
Comes out of while loop
mutex - -
so mutex=0
```

```
do {
    wait(mutex);

    // critical section

    signal(mutex);

    // remainder section
} while (TRUE);
```

```
wait(S) {
    while S <= 0
    ; // no-op
    S--;
}
```

CS

Now P1 tries to enter CS

```
while(mutex<=0);
condition is True , so P1 gets trapped in a Do Nothing Loop
```

P1 cannot enter CS

=====>ME preserved

# Synchronization using Semaphore

- We can also use semaphores to solve various synchronization problems.
- Consider two concurrently running processes:
  - P1 with a statement S1
  - P2 with a statement S2 .
  - Suppose we require that S2 be executed only after S1 has completed.

# Synchronization using Semaphore

- Let P1 and P2 share a **common semaphore synch**, initialized to 0

- Statements inserted in P1

S1;  
signal(synch) ;

- Statements inserted in P2

wait(synch);  
S2;



```
wait(S) {  
  while S <= 0  
  ; // no-op  
  S--;  
}
```

# Synchronization using Semaphore

- P1

S1;

signal(synch) ;

- P2

wait(synch);

S2;

- Because synch is initialized to 0,
- P2 will execute S2 only after P1 has invoked signal (synch), which is after statement S1 has been executed.
  - Else P2 will caught in infinte loop inside wait() fn

# Semaphore

- Must guarantee that no two processes can execute the wait() and signal() on the same semaphore at the same time
- Thus, the implementation becomes the critical section problem
  - the wait and signal code are placed in the critical section



# Busy Waiting

- While a process is in its critical section,
  - any other process that tries to enter its critical section must loop continuously in the entry code=>Infinite Loop
  - This continual looping is clearly a problem in a real multiprogramming system where a single CPU is shared among many processes.
  - Busy waiting wastes CPU cycles that some other process might be able to use productively.

# Busy Waiting

- Disadvantage
  - Busy Waiting
- Software Solutions i.e. Algo 1, Algo2, Peterson's Solution and Semaphore definition
  - all suffer from Busy Waiting

# Busy Waiting

- While a process is in its critical section,
  - This type of semaphore is also called a **Spinlock**
  - The process "**spins**" **while waiting** for the lock.
  - Advantage of Spinlocks-
    - **No context switch is required when a process must wait on a lock, and a context switch may take considerable time.**

# Busy Waiting

- Thus, when locks are expected to be held for short times, spinlocks are useful;
- Often employed on multiprocessor systems where
  - one thread can "spin" on one processor while
  - another thread performs its critical section on another processor.

# Busy Waiting

- Little busy waiting if critical section rarely occupied
- Note that applications **may spend lots of time in critical sections and therefore this is not a good solution**

# Semaphore Implementation with no Busy waiting

# Semaphore Definition

- Define a semaphore as a "C" struct
- Each semaphore has
  - an integer value
  - a list of processes-"list"

```
typedef struct {  
    int value;  
    struct process *list;  
} semaphore;
```

# Semaphore Definition

- With each semaphore there is an associated waiting queue
- Each entry in a waiting queue has two data items:
  - value (of type integer)
  - pointer to next record in the list

```
typedef struct {  
    int value;  
    struct process *list;  
} semaphore;
```



# Semaphore Definition

- Wait()
  - When a process must wait on a semaphore, it is **added to the list of processes**.
- Signal()
  - A signal() operation **removes one process from the list** of waiting processes and awakens that process

```
typedef struct {  
    int value;  
    struct process *list;  
} semaphore;
```

# Implementation with no busy waiting

- We modify the definition of the wait() and signal() semaphore operations.
- When a process executes the wait () operation and finds that the semaphore value is not positive, it must wait.
- Rather than busy waiting, the process can *block* itself.

# Implementation with no busy waiting

- Two operations:
  - **block**
  - **wakeup**

# Implementation with no busy waiting

- Two operations:
  - **block** –
    - The block() operation suspends the process that invokes it.
    - **place the process** invoking the operation **on the waiting queue** associated with the semaphore
    - The state of the process is switched to the **waiting state**.
    - Control transferred to the **CPU scheduler**, which selects another process to execute.

# Implementation with no busy waiting

## wakeup –

- A process that is blocked, waiting on a semaphore S, **should be restarted** when some **other process executes a signal()** operation.
- The process is restarted by a wakeup ( ) operation

# Implementation with no busy waiting

## wakeup –

- The wakeup(P) operation **resumes the execution** of a blocked process P.
- Remove one of processes in the waiting queue and place it in the ready queue
- Changes the process state from **waiting to ready**
- These two operations are provided by the operating system as basic system calls.

# Implementation with no busy waiting

```
wait(semaphore *S) {  
    S->value--;  
    if (S->value < 0) {  
        add this process to S->list;  
        block();  
    }  
}
```

```
signal(semaphore *S) {  
    S->value++;  
    if (S->value <= 0) {  
        remove a process P from S->list;  
        wakeup(P);  
    }  
}
```

```
typedef struct {  
    int value;  
    struct process *list;  
} semaphore;
```

# Implementation with no busy waiting

- Semaphore values **may be negative**,
- If a semaphore value is negative, its magnitude is the **no of processes waiting on that semaphore**.
- Binary Semaphore values are **never negative under the classical definition** of semaphores with busy waiting.



# Implementation with no busy waiting

- The list of waiting processes can be easily implemented by
  - a link field in each process control block (PCB).
- Each semaphore contains
  - an integer value and
  - a pointer to a list of PCBs.

# Implementation with no busy waiting

- One way to **add and remove processes from the list**
  - so as to ensure bounded waiting is to use a **FIFO queue**,
  - where the semaphore contains both head and tail pointers to the queue.
  - In general, the list can use *any* queueing strategy.

# Deadlock and Starvation

- **Deadlock** – two or more processes are waiting indefinitely for an event that can be caused by only one of the waiting processes

# Deadlock and Starvation

- The event in question is execution of signal operation
- Let  $S$  and  $Q$  be two semaphores initialized to 1

$P_0$

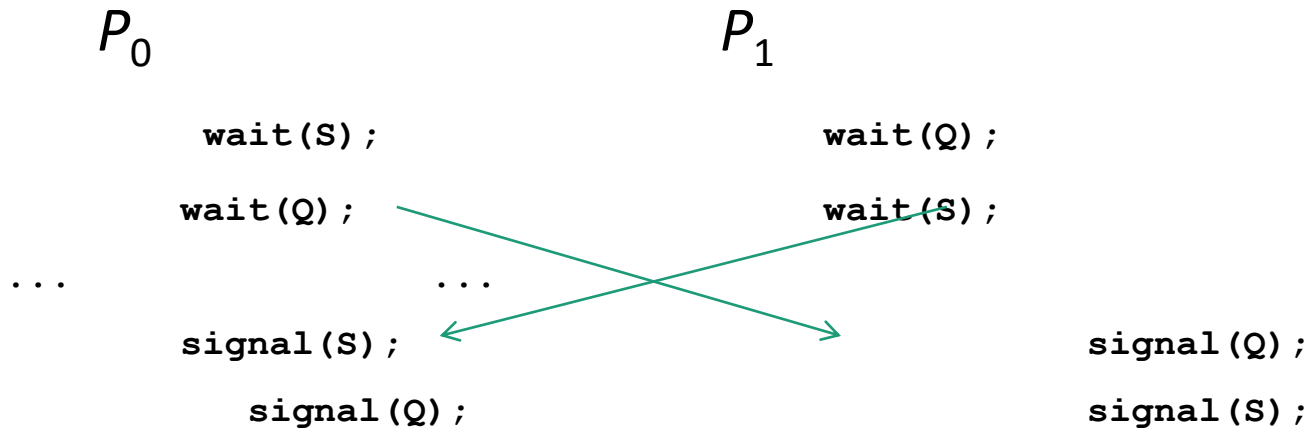
```
wait(S);  
wait(Q);  
...  
signal(S);  
signal(Q);
```

$P_1$

```
wait(Q);  
wait(S);  
...  
signal(Q);  
signal(S);
```

```
wait(semaphore *S) {  
    S->value--;  
    if (S->value < 0) {  
        add this process to S->list;  
        block();  
    }  
}
```

# Deadlock and Starvation



- $P_0$  executes `wait(S)` then  $P_1$  executes `wait(Q)`
- When  $P_0$  executes `wait(Q)`, it must wait until  $P_1$  executes `signal(Q)`
- When  $P_1$  executes `wait(S)`, it must wait until  $P_0$  executes `signal(S)`

# Deadlock and Starvation

- Deadlock-Every process in the set is waiting for an event that can be caused only by another waiting process in the set
- Starvation – indefinite blocking
  - A process may never be removed from the semaphore queue in which it is suspended

# Classical Problems of Synchronization

Classical problems used to test newly-proposed synchronization schemes

- Bounded-Buffer Problem
- Readers and Writers Problem
- Dining-Philosophers Problem

# Semaphore Solution to Bounded-Buffer Problem



# Bounded-Buffer Problem

- $n$  buffers, each can hold one item
- Semaphore **mutex** -> Binary Semaphore
  - Provides mutual exclusion for access to the buffer pool
  - initialized to the **value 1**
- Semaphore **full** -> Counting Semaphore
  - Counts no of full buffers
  - initialized to the **value 0**
- Semaphore **empty** -> Counting Semaphore
  - Counts no of empty buffers
  - initialized to the **value n**
- Assuming Buffer is empty

# Bounded-Buffer Problem

- The structure of the producer process

```
do {  
    ...  
    /* produce an item in next_produced */  
    ...  
    wait(empty);  
    wait(mutex);  
    ...  
    /* add next produced to the buffer */  
    ...  
    signal(mutex);  
    signal(full);  
} while (true);
```

- Semaphore mutex
  - initialized to the value 1
- Semaphore full
  - initialized to the value 0
- Semaphore empty
  - initialized to the value n

```
wait(S) {  
    while S <= 0  
    ; // no-op  
    S--;  
}
```

# Bounded-Buffer Problem

- The structure of the producer process

```
do {  
  
    ...  
    /* produce an item in next_produced */  
    ...  
    wait(empty);  
    wait(mutex);  
  
    ...  
    /* add next produced to the buffer */  
    ...  
    signal(mutex);  
    signal(full);  
} while (true);
```

## Mutual Exclusion?

```
wait(S) {  
    while S <= 0  
    ; // no-op  
    S--;  
}
```

# Bounded-Buffer Problem

## ■ The structure of the consumer process

```
do {  
    wait(full);  
    wait(mutex);  
    ...  
    /* remove an item from buffer to next_consumed */  
    ...  
    signal(mutex);  
    signal(empty);  
    ...  
    /* consume the item in next consumed */  
    ...  
} while (true);
```

- Semaphore mutex
  - initialized to the value 1
- Semaphore full
  - initialized to the value 0
- Semaphore empty
  - initialized to the value n

```
wait(S) {  
    while S <= 0  
    ; // no-op  
    S--;  
}
```

# Bounded-Buffer Problem

- The structure of the consumer process

```
do {  
    wait(full);  
    wait(mutex);  
  
    ...  
    /* remove an item from buffer to next_consumed */  
    ...  
    signal(mutex);  
    signal(empty);  
  
    ...  
    /* consume the item in next consumed */  
    ...  
} while (true);
```

## Mutual Exclusion?

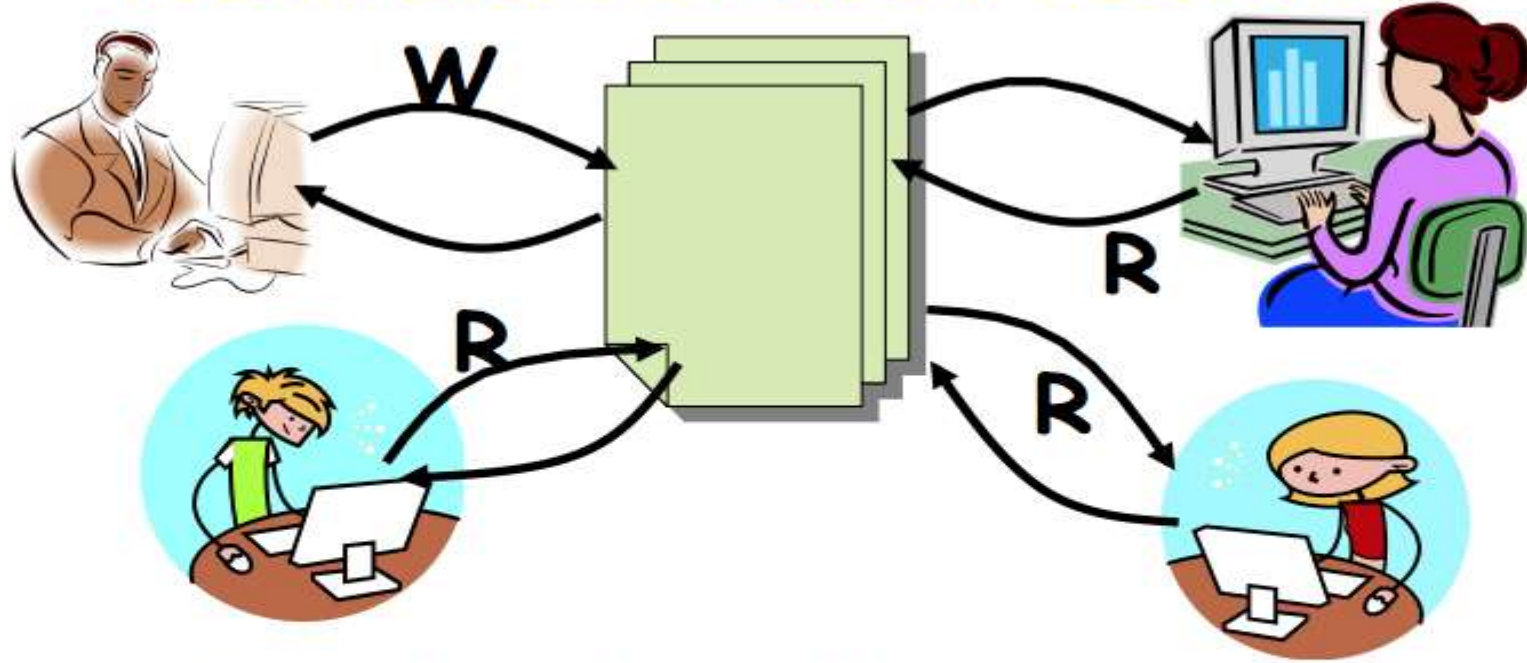
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    while S <= 0  
    ; // no-op  
    S--;  
}
```

# Readers-Writers Problem

# Readers-Writers Problem

- Process Synchronization Problem
- A Database/Data set/Object/File/Record is shared among a number of concurrent processes
  - Readers – **only read** the data set; they do **not** perform any updates
  - Writers – **can both read and write i.e.** update

# Readers/Writers Problem



Motivation: Consider a shared database

– Two classes of users:

- » Readers – never modify database
- » Writers – read and modify database



# Readers-Writers Problem

Problem –

- Allow multiple readers to read at the same time, no adverse effects
- If a writer and some other process(reader/writer) access shared object simultaneously chaos may ensue

Requirements

- Writers must have exclusive access to the shared object

# Readers-Writers Problem

Problem –

- R-W : Problem
- W-R : Problem
- W-W : Problem
- R-R : No Problem

# Reader Writer Problem

- Several variations– all involving priorities
- **First Reader** Writer Problem-
  - No reader will be kept waiting unless a writer has already obtained permission to use the shared object.
  - No reader should wait for other readers to finish simply because a writer is waiting
- **Second** Reader Writer Problem-
  - Once a writer is ready , that writer performs its write as soon as possible
  - If a writer is waiting to access the object, no new readers may start reading

# Solution to First Reader Writer Problem

- Shared Data
  - Data set
  - Semaphore **rw\_mutex**
  - Semaphore **mutex**
  - Integer **read\_count**

- Semaphore **rw\_mutex**
  - Initialized to 1
  - **Common to both reader and writers**
  - **Mutual Exclusion semaphore for the writers**
  - **Also used by 1<sup>st</sup> or Last Reader that enters or exits CS**
  - **It is not used by readers who enter or exit while other readers are in their critical sections**
- Semaphore **mutex**
  - Initialized to 1
  - **To ensure Mutual Exclusion when variable readcount is updated**
- Integer **read\_count**
  - **Initialized to 0**
  - **Keeps a track of how many processes are currently reading the object**

- The structure of a writer process

```
do{
```

```
    wait(rw_mutex) ;
```

```
    ...
```

```
    /* writing is performed */
```

```
    ...
```

```
    signal(rw_mutex) ;
```

```
} while (true) ;
```

- Semaphore `rw_mutex`
  - **Mutual Exclusion** for the writers
  - initialized to 1

```
wait(S) {  
    while S <= 0  
    ; // no-op  
    S--;  
}
```

## Writer process:

- Writer requests the entry to critical section.
- If allowed i.e. `wait()` gives a true value, it enters and performs the write. If not allowed, it keeps on waiting.
- If allowed, Performs writing
- It exits the critical section.

# Readers-Writers Problem

- The structure of a writer process
- **If a writer is in the critical section and  $n$  readers are waiting,**
  - **then one reader is queued on `rw_mutex`, and  $n-1$  readers are queued on `mutex`.**
- When a writer executes `signal(rw_mutex)`,
  - **It resumes the execution of either the waiting readers or a single waiting writer.**
  - **The selection is made by the scheduler**

```
do{  
    wait(rw_mutex);  
  
    ...  
    /* writing is performed */  
    ...  
    signal(rw_mutex);  
} while (true);
```

- Semaphore `rw_mutex`
  - **Mutual Exclusion for the writers**
  - initialized to 1

# Readers-Writers Problem

- The structure of a reader process

```
do {
    wait(mutex);
    read_count++;
    if (read_count == 1)
        wait(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);

    ...
    /* reading is performed */
    ...

    wait(mutex);
    read_count--;
    if (read_count == 0)
        signal(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);
} while (true);
```

- Semaphore **rw\_mutex**
  - **Mutual Exclusion** for the **writers**
  - initialized to 1
- Semaphore **mutex**
  - **ME** for readcount update
  - initialized to 1
- **read\_count** initialized to 0



# Readers-Writers Problem

- The structure of a reader process

```
do {
    wait(mutex);
    read_count++;
    if (read_count == 1)
        wait(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);

    ...
    /* reading is performed */
    ...

    wait(mutex);
    read_count--;
    if (read_count == 0)
        signal(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);
} while (true);
```

## Reader process:

- Reader requests the entry to critical section.
- If allowed:
  - it increments the count of number of readers inside the critical section.
  - If this reader is the first reader entering, it locks the rw\_mutex semaphore to restrict the entry of writers if any reader is inside.
  - It then, signals mutex as any other reader is allowed to enter while others are already reading.**

# Readers-Writers Problem

- The structure of a reader process

```
do {  
    wait(mutex);  
    read_count++;  
    if (read_count == 1)  
        wait(rw_mutex);  
    signal(mutex);  
  
    ...  
    /* reading is performed */  
    ...  
    wait(mutex);  
    read_count--;  
    if (read_count == 0)  
        signal(rw_mutex);  
    signal(mutex);  
} while (true);
```

## Reader process:

- After performing reading, it exits the critical section.
- When exiting, it checks if no more reader is inside, it signals the semaphore “rw\_mutex” as now, writer can enter the critical section.**
- If not allowed, it keeps on waiting.

- The structure of a reader process

```

do {
    wait(mutex);
    read_count++;
    if (read_count == 1)
        wait(rw_mutex); //First reader sets rw_mutex=0
                        //So writer cannot enter CS
                        //Following Readers need not enter if statement

    signal(mutex);

    ...
    /* reading is performed */
    ...

    wait(mutex);
    read_count--;
    if (read_count == 0)
        signal(rw_mutex); //now writers can write
                        //accessed by last reader

    signal(mutex);

} while (true);

```

# R-W Problem

- The structure of a reader process

```
do {
    wait(mutex);
    read_count++;
    if (read_count == 1)
        wait(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);

    ...
    /* reading is performed */
    ...

    wait(mutex);
    read_count--;
    if (read_count == 0)
        signal(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);
} while (true);
```

## Reader

- Initially readcount=0
- First Reader R1 tries to enter
- wait mutex so mutex=0
- readcount=1
- if readcount is one i.e. First reader
- wait rw\_mutex so rw\_mutex=0
- readcount updation finished so signal mutex, mutex=1
- Reader enters CS
- “Reader R1 is reading”

## Writer

- Now Writer tries to enter
- It executes his code
- wait(rw\_mutex)
- gets trapped in infinite loop as rw\_mutex was already 0
- Writer cannot enter CS

```
do{
    wait(rw_mutex);
    ...
    /* writing is performed */
    ...
    signal(rw_mutex);
} while (true);
```

# W-R Problem

- The structure of a reader process

```
do {
    wait(mutex);
    read_count++;
    if (read_count == 1)
        wait(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);

    ...
    /* reading is performed */
    ...

    wait(mutex);
    read_count--;
    if (read_count == 0)
        signal(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);
} while (true);
```

## Writer1

- Initially rw\_mutex=1
- First Writer W1 tries to enter CS
- wait operation
- rw\_mutex becomes 0
- Writer W1 enters CS

## Reader1

- Initially mutex=1, readcount=0
- Now reader R1 tries to enter CS
- wait mutex
- mutex=0
- readcount=1
- In if section,
- wait(rw\_mutex)
- gets trapped in infinite loop
- Reader Cannot enter CS

```
do{
    wait(rw_mutex);
    ...
    /* writing is performed */
    ...
    signal(rw_mutex);
} while (true);
```

# W-W Problem

- The structure of a reader process

```
do {
    wait(mutex);
    read_count++;
    if (read_count == 1)
        wait(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);

    ...
    /* reading is performed */
    ...

    wait(mutex);
    read_count--;
    if (read_count == 0)
        signal(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);
} while (true);
```

## Writer1

- Initially rw\_mutex=1
- First Writer W1 tries to enter CS
- wait operation
- rw\_mutex becomes 0
- Writer W1 enters CS

## Writer2

- Another Writer W2 tries to enter CS
- wait operation
- rw\_mutex was already 0
- Thus trapped in Infinite loop
- Writer2 Cannot enter CS

```
do{
    wait(rw_mutex);
    ...
    /* writing is performed */
    ...
    signal(rw_mutex);
} while (true);
```

```
wait(S) {
    while S <= 0
    ; // no-op
    S--;
}
```

## R-R Problem

- The structure of a reader process

```
do {
    wait(mutex);
    read_count++;
    if (read_count == 1)
        wait(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);

    ...
    /* reading is performed */
    ...

    wait(mutex);
    read_count--;
    if (read_count == 0)
        signal(rw_mutex);
    signal(mutex);
} while (true);
```

### Reader1

- Initially readcount=0
- First Reader R1 tries to enter
- wait mutex so mutex=0
- readcount=1
- if readcount is one i.e. First reader
- wait rw\_mutex so rw\_mutex=0
- readcount updation finished so signal mutex,
- mutex=1
- Reader enters CS

### Reader2

- Reader R2 tries to enter CS
- wait mutex so mutex=0
- readcount=2
- Does not enter If section
- readcount updation finished so signal mutex,
- mutex=1
- Reader R2 Enters CS

```
do{
    wait(rw_mutex);
    ...
    /* writing is performed */
    ...
    signal(rw_mutex);
} while (true);
```

# Readers-Writers Problem

- Both Soln may lead to Starvation
- First Reader Writer Problem-
  - Writers may starve
- Second Reader Writer Problem-
  - Readers may starve
- For this reason, other variants of the problem have been proposed.
- Problem is solved on some systems by kernel providing reader-writer locks

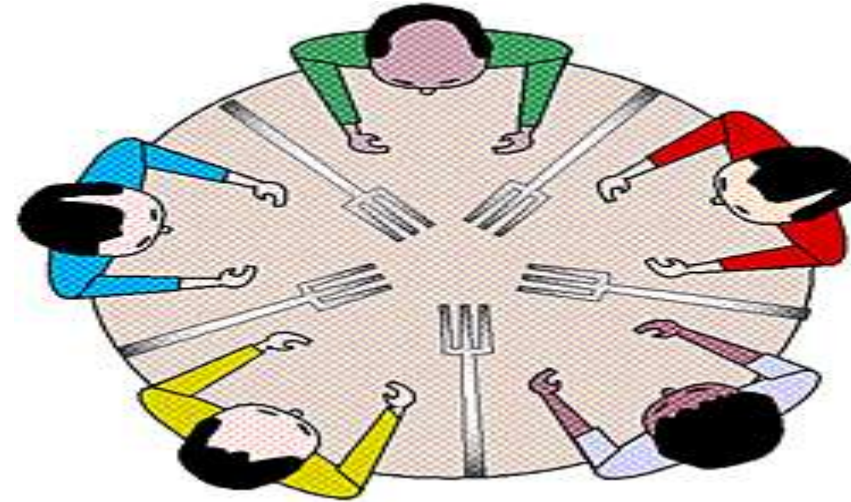


# Dining-Philosophers Problem



- 5 Philosophers spend their lives alternating thinking and eating

# Dining-Philosophers Problem



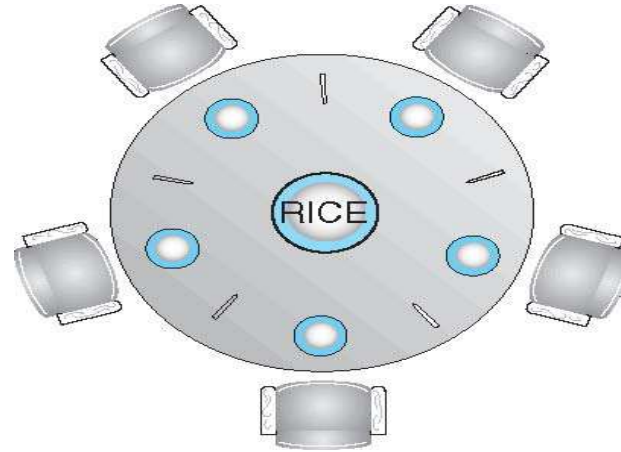
- When thinking
  - Don't interact with their neighbors
- When hungry-
  - A philosopher needs both their right and left chopstick to eat.
  - A hungry philosopher may only eat if there are both chopsticks available

# Dining-Philosophers Problem



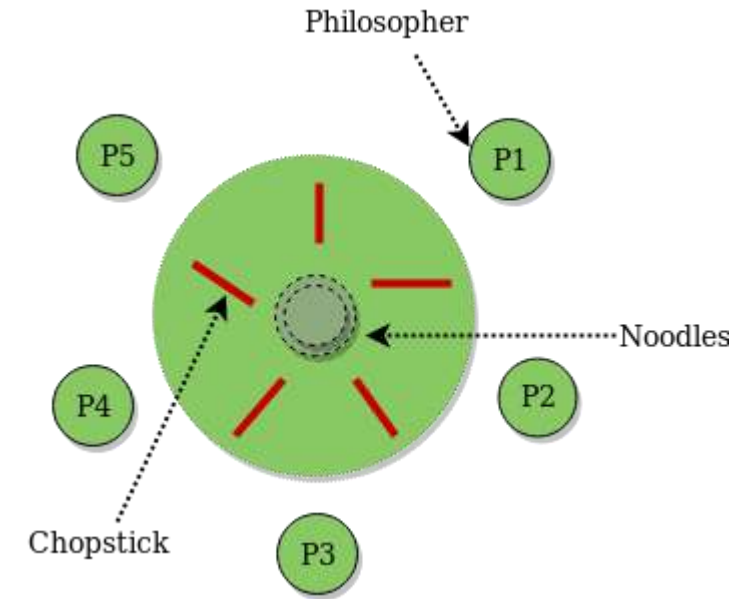
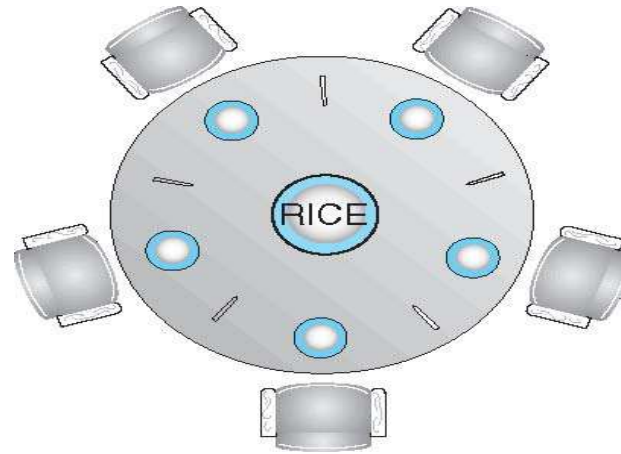
- Occasionally try to pick up 2 chopsticks that are closest to her to eat from bowl
  - Chopsticks that are between her and her left and right neighbor
  - Pick up only one at a time
  - Need both to eat, then release both when done

# Dining-Philosophers Problem



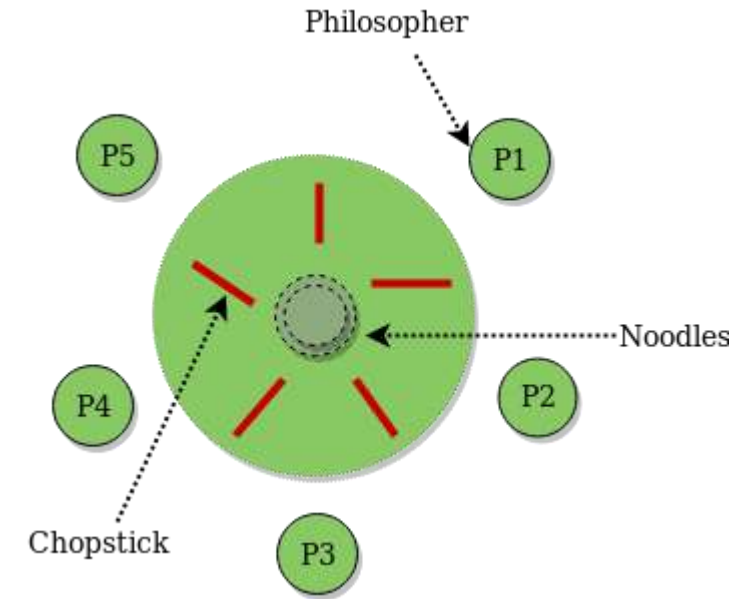
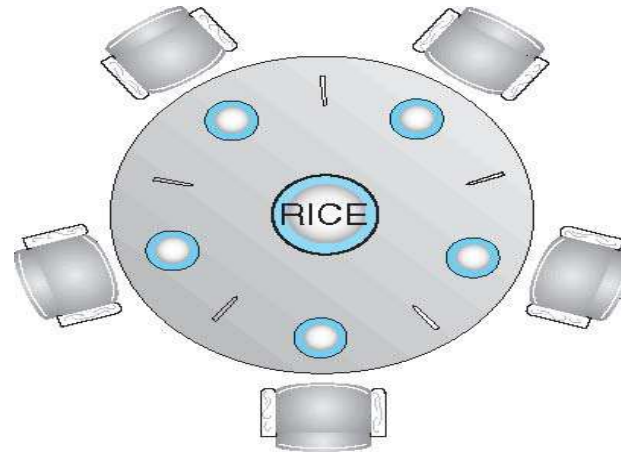
- Classic Synchronization problem
- Example of large class of concurrency control problems
- Represents the need to allocate several resources among several processes
  - in a deadlock free and starvation free manner

# Dining-Philosophers Problem



- 5 Philosophers share a common circular table
  - Surrounded by 5 chairs=each belonging to one philosopher
  - Center of table -> Bowl of rice
  - Five single chopsticks

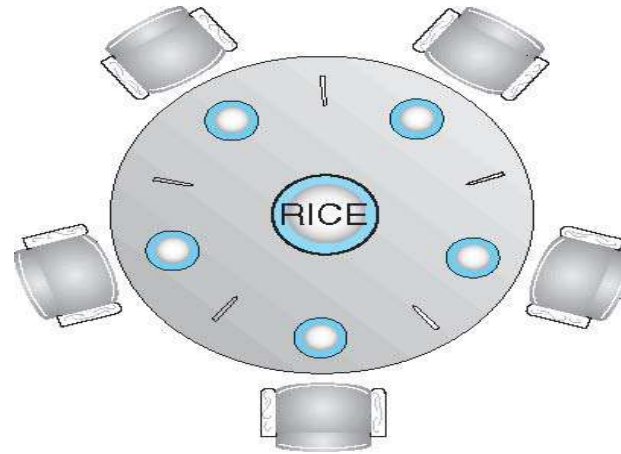
# Dining-Philosophers Problem



- Shared data?
  - Bowl of rice (data set)
  - Semaphore **chopstick** [5] initialized to 1



# Semaphore Solution for Dining-Philosophers Problem



- Grab the chopstick –By Executing wait operation on the semaphore
- Release the chopstick-By executing the signal operation on the appropriate semaphore
- Array of Semaphores **chopstick [5]** initialized to 1

# Semaphore Solution for Dining-Philosophers Problem Algorithm

- The structure of Philosopher *i*:

```
do {  
    wait (chopstick[i] );  
    wait (chopStick[ (i + 1) % 5] );  
  
    // eat  
  
    signal (chopstick[i] );  
    signal (chopstick[ (i + 1) % 5] );  
  
    // think  
  
} while (TRUE);
```

Philosopher *i* has picked up the chopsticks on his sides.

Then the eating function is performed.

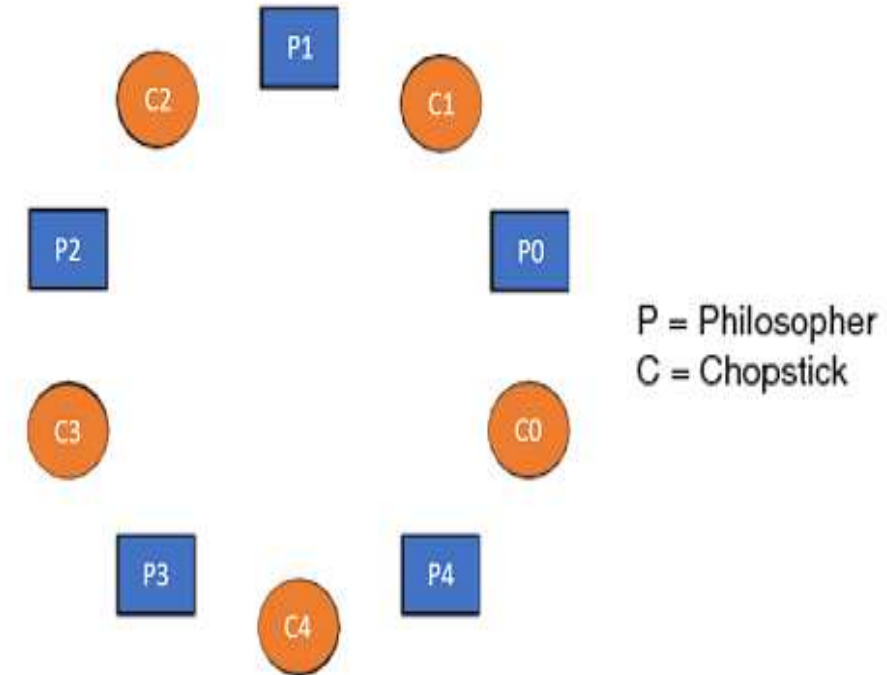
Philosopher *i* has eaten and put down the chopsticks on his sides.

Then the philosopher goes back to thinking.



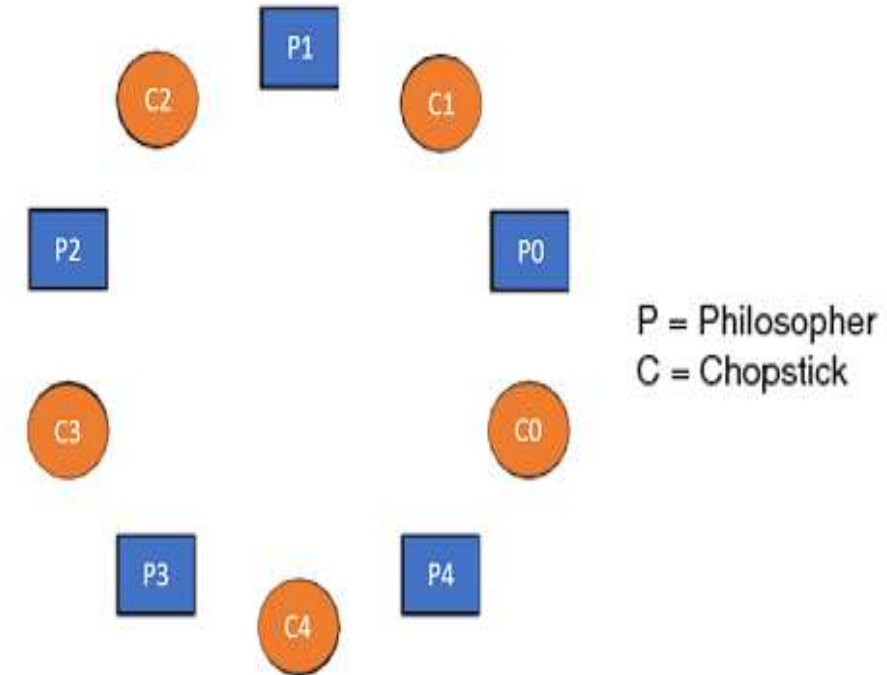
# Semaphore Solution for Dining-Philosophers Problem Algorithm

```
do {  
    wait (chopstick[i] );  
    wait (chopstick[ (i + 1)  
    % 5] );  
  
    // eat  
  
    signal (chopstick[i] );  
    signal (chopstick[ (i +  
    1) % 5] );  
  
    // think  
  
} while (TRUE);  
  
do {  
    i=0  
    wait (chopstick[0] );  
    wait (chopstick[1] );  
  
    // eat  
  
    signal (chopstick[0] );  
    signal (chopstick[1] );  
  
    // think  
  
} while (TRUE);
```



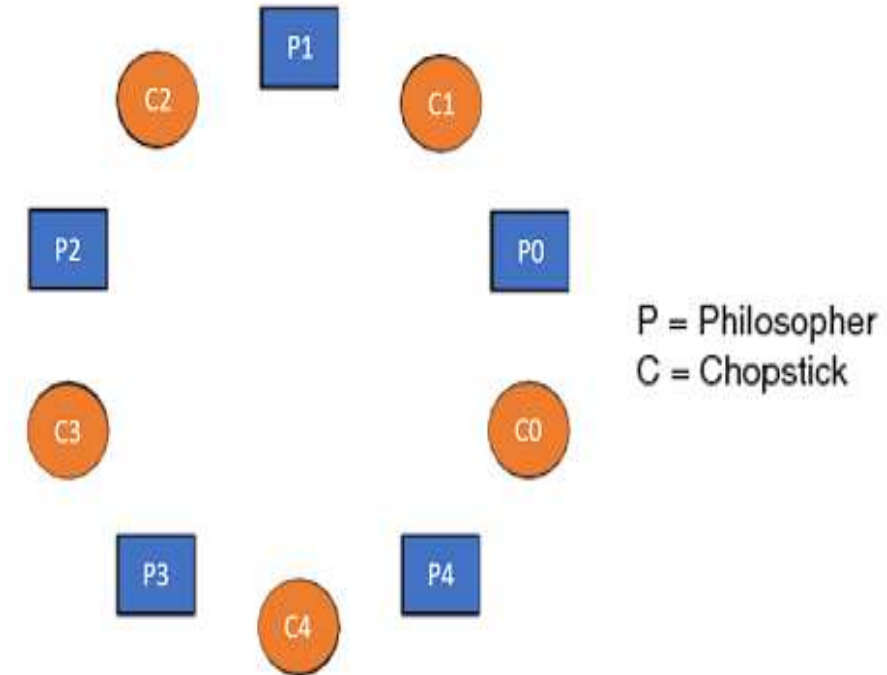
# Semaphore Solution for Dining-Philosophers Problem Algorithm

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <pre>do {<br/>  i=1<br/><br/>    wait (chopstick[1] );<br/>    wait (chopstick[2] );<br/><br/>        // eat<br/><br/>    signal (chopstick[1] );<br/>    signal (chopstick[2] );<br/><br/>        // think<br/><br/>} while (TRUE);</pre> | <pre>do {<br/>  i=2<br/><br/>    wait (chopstick[2] );<br/>    wait (chopstick[3] );<br/><br/>        // eat<br/><br/>    signal (chopstick[2] );<br/>    signal (chopstick[3] );<br/><br/>        // think<br/><br/>} while (TRUE);</pre> |
|--|--|



# Semaphore Solution for Dining-Philosophers Problem Algorithm

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <pre>do {<br/>i=3<br/><br/>    wait (chopstick[3] );<br/>    wait (chopstick[4] );<br/><br/>        // eat<br/><br/>    signal (chopstick[3] );<br/>    signal (chopstick[4] );<br/><br/>        // think<br/><br/>} while (TRUE);</pre> | <pre>do {<br/>i=4<br/><br/>    wait (chopstick[4] );<br/>    wait (chopstick[4+1%5=0] );<br/><br/>        // eat<br/><br/>    signal (chopstick[4] );<br/>    signal (chopstick[0] );<br/><br/>        // think<br/><br/>} while (TRUE);</pre> |
|--|--|



# Semaphore Solution for Dining-Philosophers Problem Algorithm

What is the problem with this algorithm?

# Semaphore Solution for Dining-Philosophers Problem Algorithm

- Algorithm Guarantees that No two neighbors are eating simultaneously

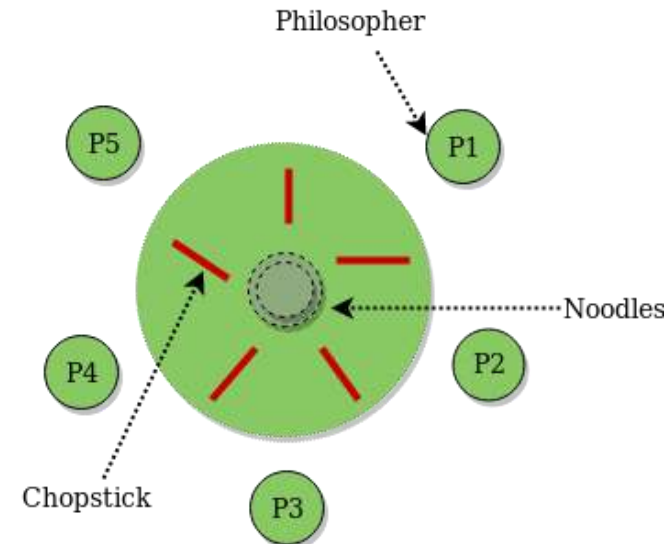
Still Must be rejected

- Why?

# Semaphore Solution for Dining-Philosophers Problem Algorithm

Why?

- Possibility of deadlock
- If all 5 philosophers are hungry simultaneously and each grabs left chopstick
- All elements of chopsticks will be  $=0$
- When each philosopher tries to grab her right chopstick, delayed forever



# Semaphore Solution for Dining-Philosophers Problem Algorithm

- Deadlock handling
  - Allow at most 4 philosophers to be sitting simultaneously at the table.
  - Allow a philosopher to pick up the forks only if both are available (picking must be done in a critical section)
  - Use an asymmetric solution --
    - Odd-numbered philosopher picks up first the left chopstick and then the right chopstick.
    - Even-numbered philosopher picks up first the right chopstick and then the left chopstick

# Problems with Semaphores

- Incorrect use of semaphore operations:
  - signal (mutex) .... wait (mutex)
  - wait (mutex) ... wait (mutex)
  - Omitting of wait (mutex) or signal (mutex) (or both)
- Deadlock and starvation are possible.



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Explanation: The semaphore T ensures that all the statements from A finish execution before B begins.

So now there is only one way in which statements from A and B can be interleaved:

A1 A2 B1 B2:  $X = 11$ .

Ans c)

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# Monitors

# Monitors

- A high-level synchronization construct
- *Set of programmer defined operators*

# Syntax of Monitors

```
monitor monitor-name
{
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    procedure P1 (...) { ... }

    procedure Pn (...) {.....}

    Initialization code (...) { ... }
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# Monitors

- *Declaration of variables*
  - whose *value define the state* of an instance of the type
- *Bodies of procedures*
  - that *implement operations* on the type

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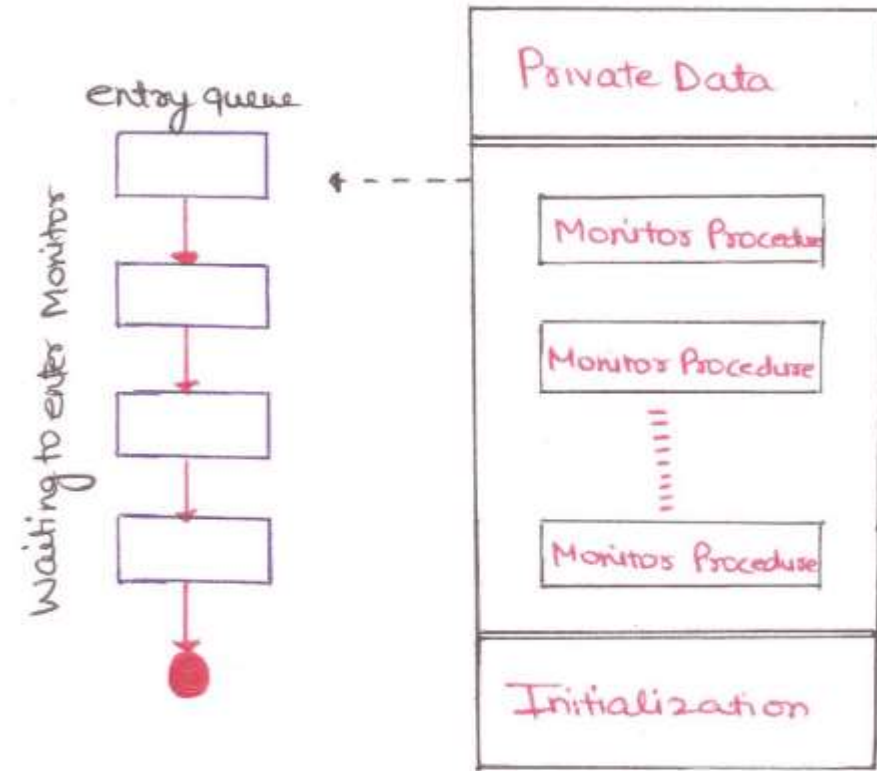
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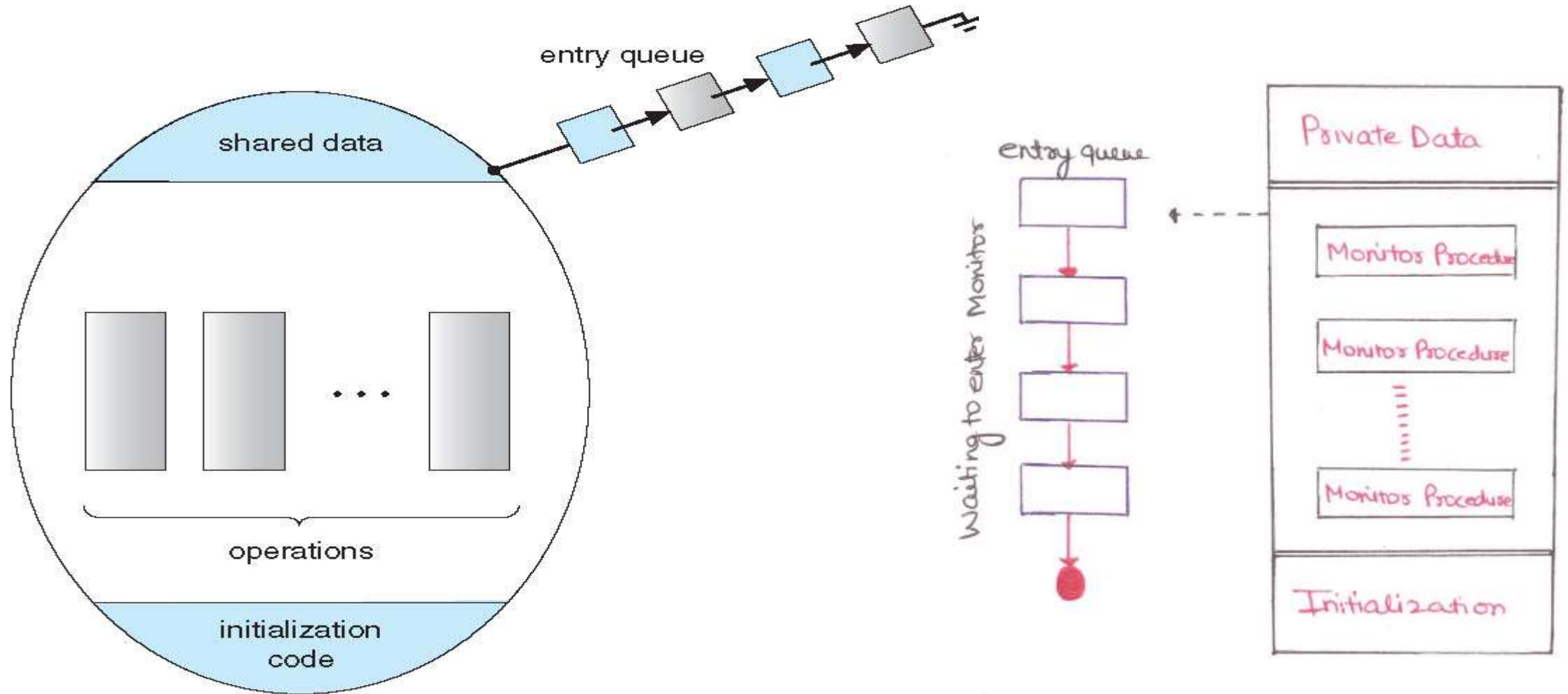


# Monitors

- Internal variables only accessible by code within the procedure
- Procedure defined within the monitor can access only those variables
  - declared locally within the monitor and
  - its formal parameters.

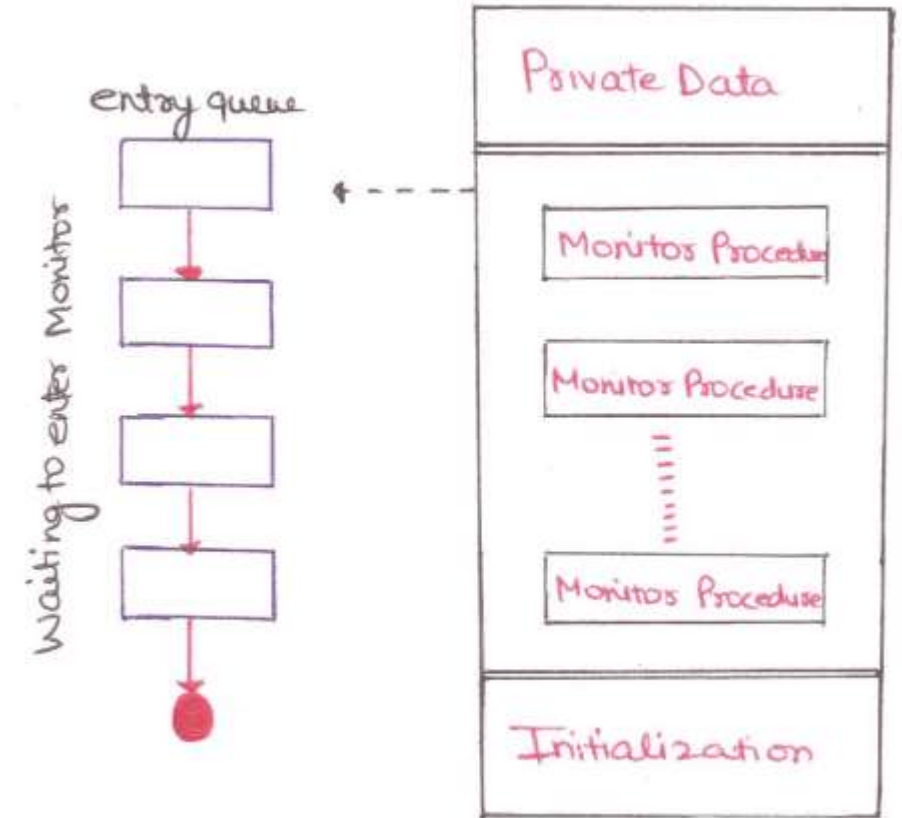


# Schematic view of a Monitor



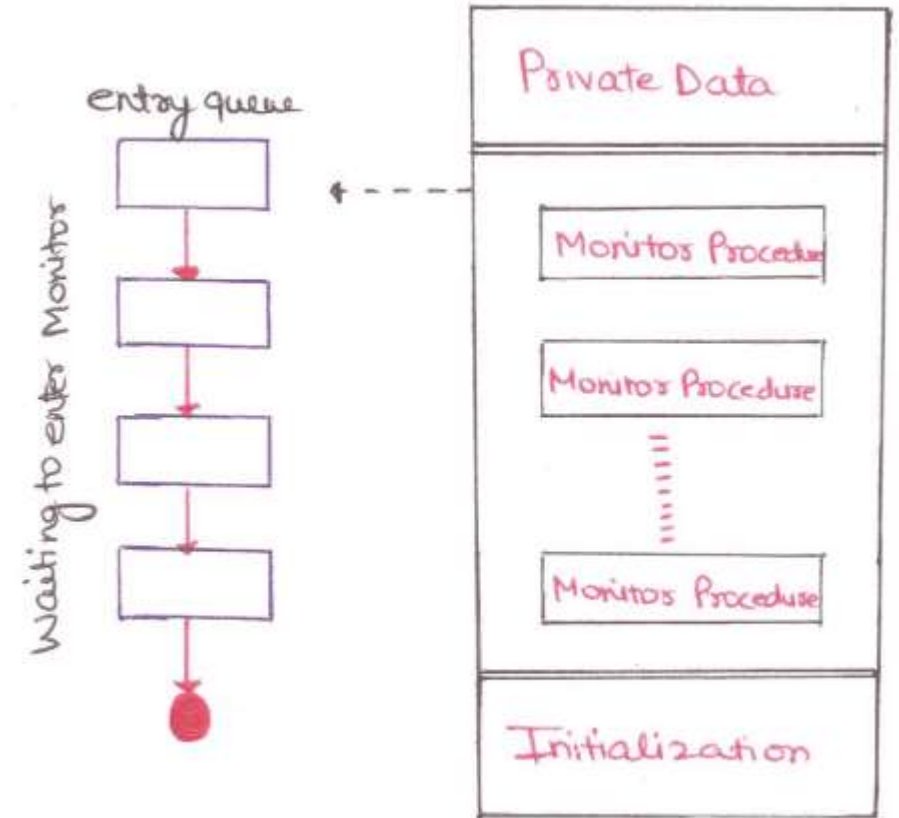
# Monitors

- It is the collection of condition variables and procedures combined together in a special kind of module or a package.



# Monitors

- The processes running outside the monitor can't access the internal variable of the monitor but can call procedures of the monitor.



# Monitors

- Only **one process at a time** can execute code inside monitors.
- Monitor ensures that
  - Only one process may be active within the monitor at a time

# Monitors

- Prgmr does not need to
  - code the synchronization constraint explicitly
- But not powerful enough to model some synchronization schemes
- Need to define additional condition construct

# Condition Variables

- Prgmr can define one or more condition variables

`condition x, y;`

- Only Two operations are allowed on a condition variable:

- `x.wait()`
- `x.signal()`

```
Monitor Demo //Name of Monitor
{
variables;
condition variables;

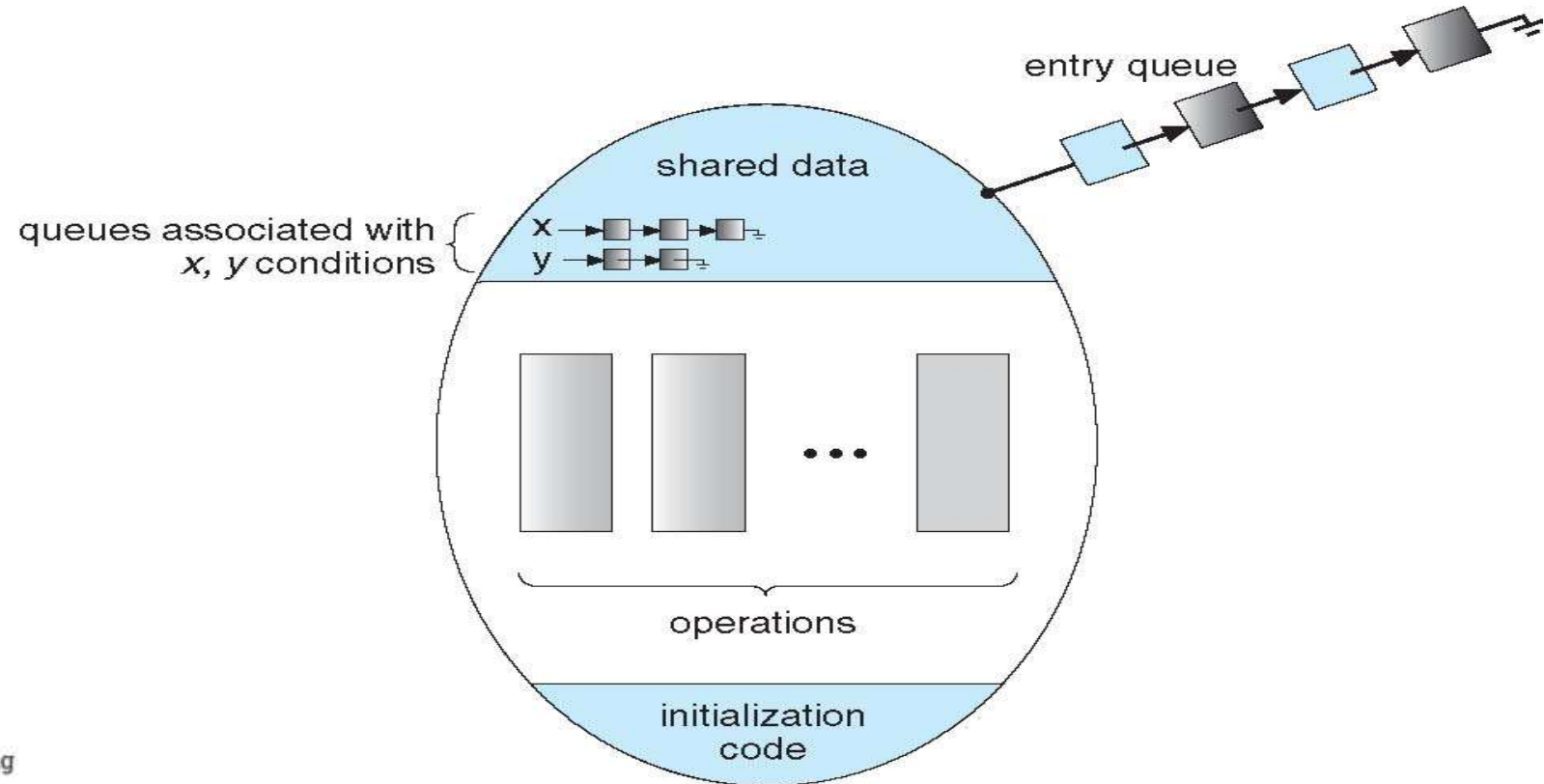
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```

Syntax of Monitor

# Condition Variables

- `x.wait()` –
  - Process performing wait operation on any condition variable are suspended.
  - suspended until `x.signal()`
- The suspended processes are placed in **block queue of that condition variable.**





# Condition Variables

- `x.signal()` –
  - When a process performs signal operation on condition variable, **one** of the blocked processes is given chance.
  - resumes one of processes (if any) that invoked `x.wait()`
    - If no **process is suspended**, then it has no effect on the variable
    - State of x, As if the operation was never executed
    - In contrast to semaphore, state of semaphore always gets affected

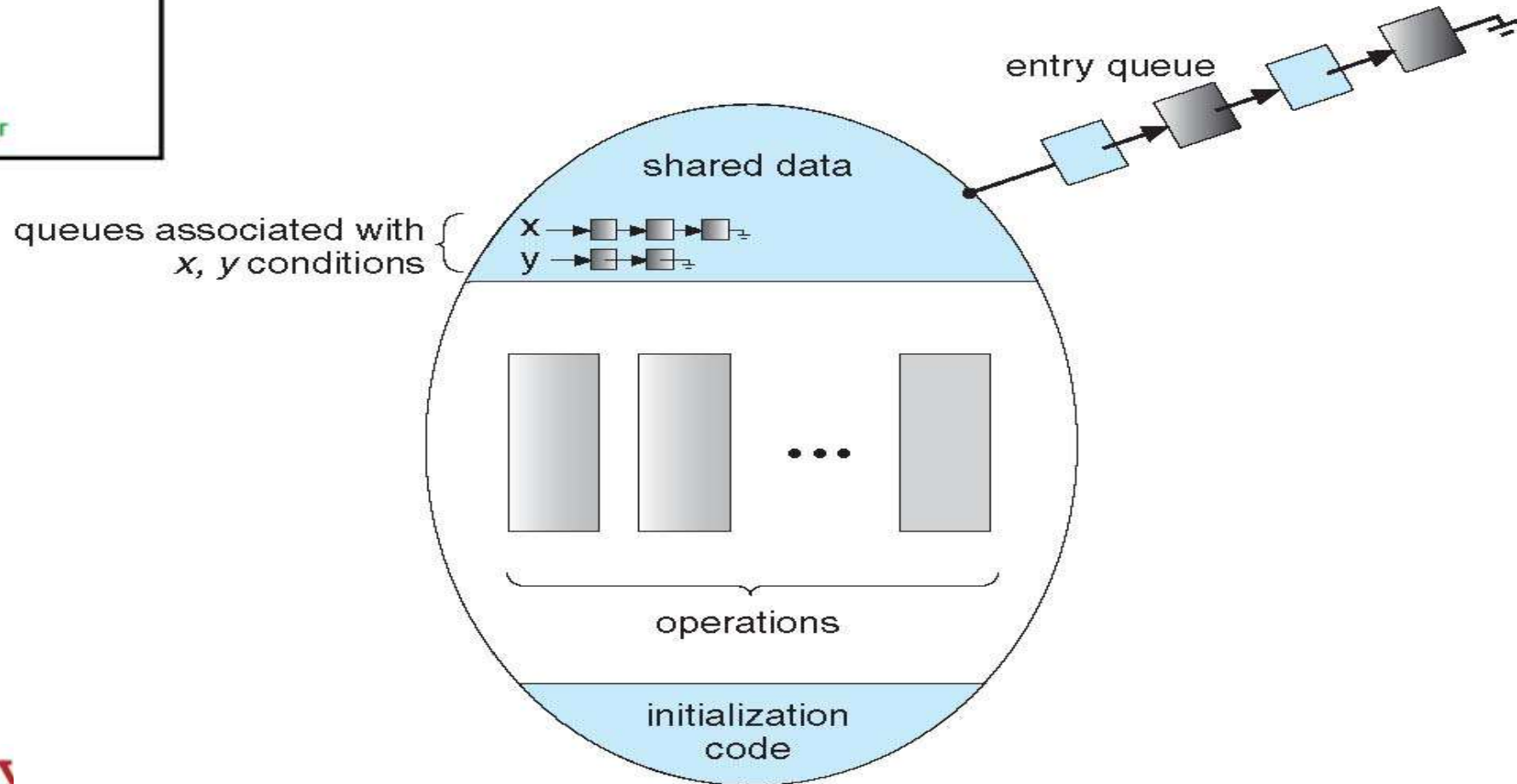
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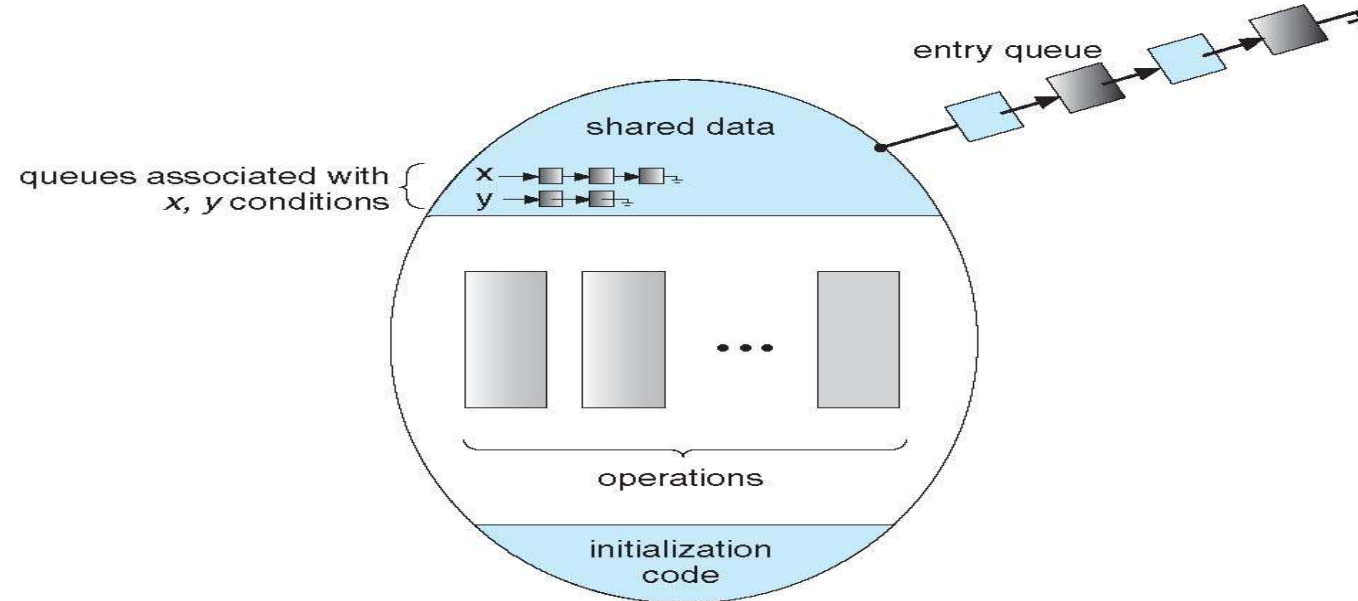
}
```

Syntax of Monitor



# Condition Variables Choices

- If process P invokes **`x.signal()`**, and process Q is suspended in **`x.wait()`**,
  - Suspended process Q associated with condition x is invoked
  - what should happen next?



# Condition Variables Choices

- Both Q and P cannot execute in parallel.
  - If Q is resumed, then P must wait
  - Otherwise both P and Q will be active simultaneously within the monitor

# Condition Variables Choices

- Options include
  - **Signal and wait** – P waits until Q either leaves the monitor or it waits for another condition
  - **Signal and continue** – Q waits until P either leaves the monitor or it waits for another condition

# Condition Variables Choices

- Since P was already executing in the monitor,
  - Option 2 seems more reasonable
  - However, If P continues, the logical condition for which Q was waiting may no longer hold by the time Q is resumed
- Both have pros and cons – language implementer can decide
- Monitors implemented in Concurrent Pascal compromise
  - P executing signal immediately leaves the monitor, Q is resumed
- Some languages that do support monitors are Java, C#, Visual Basic, Ada, Mesa and concurrent Euclid.

# Monitors

- **Advantages of Monitor:**

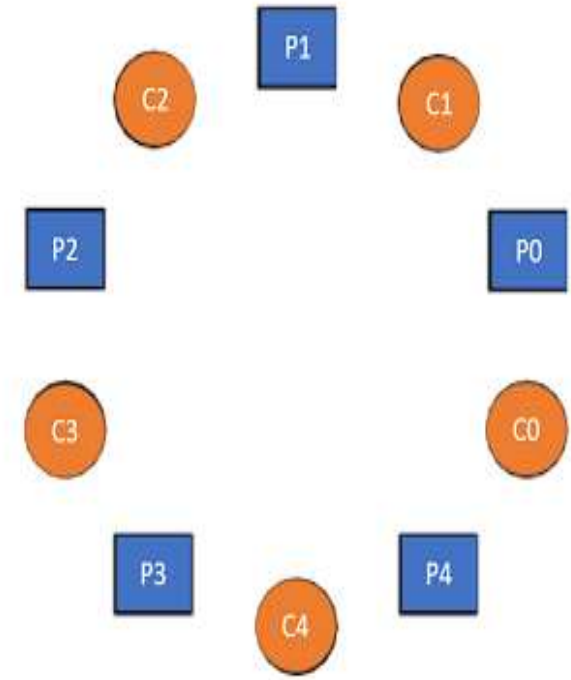
- Make parallel programming easier and
- less error prone than using techniques such as semaphore.

- **Disadvantages of Monitor:**

- Monitors have to be implemented as part of the programming language .
- The compiler must generate code for them.
- This gives the compiler the additional burden of having to know what operating system facilities are available to control access to critical sections in concurrent processes.

# Monitor Solution to Dining Philosophers

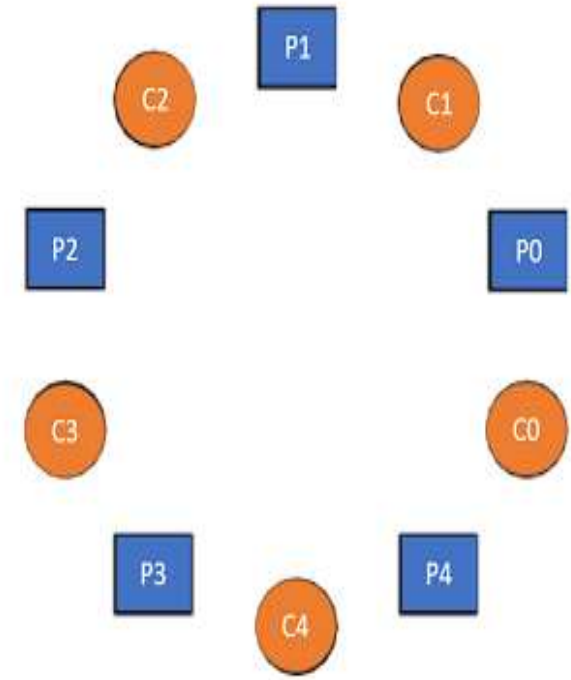
- Deadlock free solution to Dining Philosophers Problem
- To distinguish amongst the 3 states in which the philosopher
  - **enum { THINKING; HUNGRY, EATING) state [5] ;**
- Philosopher i can set the variable state [i] = EATING only
  - **if her two neighbors are not eating**
  - **(state [ (i +4) % 5] != EATING) and (state [ (i +1) % 5] != EATING)**





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- $i=3, P3$
- $state(i+1)$ , state  $P4$ , Right Neighbour
- $state(i+4)\%5, 7\%5, state P2$ , Left Neighbour



# Monitor Solution to Dining Philosophers

- Also need to declare
  - condition self[5];
  - in which  $i^{\text{th}}$  philosopher **can delay herself when she is hungry but is unable to obtain the chopsticks she needs.**
- Distribution of chopsticks is controlled by the **monitor DiningPhilosophers**

# Monitor Solution to Dining Philosophers

```
monitor DiningPhilosophers
```

```
{
```

```
enum { THINKING; HUNGRY, EATING) state [5] ;
```

```
condition self [5];
```

```
void pickup (int i) {
```

```
    state[i] = HUNGRY;
```

```
    test(i);
```

```
    if (state[i] != EATING)
```

```
        self[i].wait;
```

```
}
```

Pickup chopsticks

- If unable to eat, waits to be signaled
- Philosopher can delay herself when she is hungry but is unable to obtain the chopsticks she needs.

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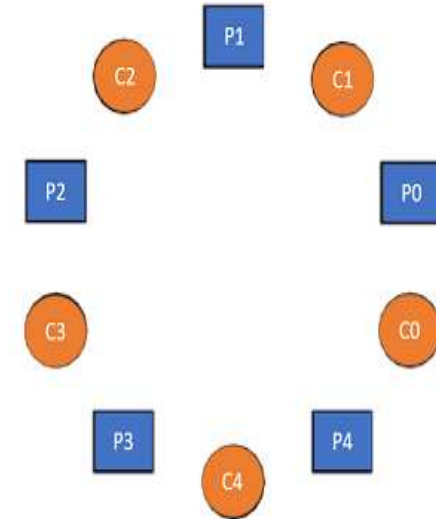
```
    void putdown (int i) {  
        state[i] = THINKING;  
        // test left and right neighbors  
        test((i + 4) % 5);  
        test((i + 1) % 5);  
    }
```



Put down chopsticks



if right neighbor  $R=(i+1)\%5$  is hungry and both of R's neighbors are not eating, set R's state to eating and wake up neighbour R by signaling



# Monitor Solution to Dining Philosophers

```
void test (int i) {  
    if ((state[(i + 4) % 5] != EATING) && (state[i] == HUNGRY) && (state[(i + 1) % 5] !=  
EATING) ) {  
        state[i] = EATING ;  
        self[i].signal () ;  
    }  
}  
  
initialization_code() {  
    for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++)  
        state[i] = THINKING;  
}  
}
```



- If her two neighbors are not eating and she is hungry
  - I.E. if my left and right neighbors are not eating
- Set her state as eating
- signal() has no effect during Pickup(),
- but is important to wake up waiting hungry philosophers during Putdown()

# Solution to Dining Philosophers

- Each philosopher  $i$  invokes the operations `pickup()` and `putdown()` in the following sequence:

```
DiningPhilosophers.pickup(i) ;
```

**EAT**

```
DiningPhilosophers.putdown(i) ;
```

- No deadlock, but starvation is possible

# Solution to Dining Philosophers

- Each philosopher, before starting to eat, must invoke the operation pickup().
- This act may result in the suspension of the philosopher process.
- After the successful completion of the operation, the philosopher may eat.
- After eating, philosopher invokes putdown() and start to think

# Solution to Dining Philosophers

- Execution of Pickup(), Putdown() and test() are all mutually exclusive, i.e. only one at a time can be executing
- No 2 neighbors are eating simultaneously
- So No deadlock, but starvation is possible