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PRODUCER CONSUMER USING SEMAPHORES

Aim:

To write a C program to implement a solution to the Producer-Consumer problem using semaphores.

Algorithm:

1. Initialize semaphores empty, full, and mutex.
2. Create two threads — one for the producer and another for the consumer. 3. Use `pthread_create` to create threads and `pthread_join` to wait for them to finish.
4. In each thread, use `sem_wait()` on empty and then on mutex before entering the critical section.
5. Produce or consume the item inside the critical section.
6. After the critical section, call `sem_post()` on mutex and then full (producer) or empty (consumer).
7. Let the threads alternate based on buffer availability.
8. Exit the loop after 10 iterations for both producer and consumer.
9. Terminate the program.

Program Code:

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

```
#include <pthread.h>
```

```
#include <semaphore.h>
```

```
#include <unistd.h>
```

```
#define SIZE 5
```

```
int buffer[SIZE]; int in = 0,
```

```
out = 0, item = 0; sem_t  
empty, full, mutex;
```

```
void* producer(void* arg) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
        sem_wait(&empty);  
        sem_wait(&mutex);  
  
        item++;  
        buffer[in] = item;  
        printf("Producer produces the item %d\n", item); in  
        = (in + 1) % SIZE;  
  
        sem_post(&mutex);  
        sem_post(&full);  
        sleep(1);  
    }  
    return NULL;  
}
```

```
void* consumer(void* arg) {  
    for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {  
        sem_wait(&full); sem_wait(&mutex);  
  
        int consumed_item = buffer[out]; printf("Consumer  
consumes item %d\n", consumed_item);  
        out = (out + 1) % SIZE;
```

```
sem_post(&mutex);
sem_post(&empty);
sleep(1);
}
return NULL;
}
```

```
int main() { pthread_t
prod, cons;
```

```
sem_init(&empty, 0, SIZE);
sem_init(&full, 0, 0); sem_init(&mutex,
0, 1);
```

```
int choice;
while (1) {
printf("1. Producer\n2. Consumer\n3. Exit\nEnter your choice: ");
scanf("%d", &choice);
if (choice == 1) {
pthread_create(&prod, NULL, producer, NULL);
pthread_join(prod, NULL); } else if (choice == 2) {
pthread_create(&cons, NULL, consumer, NULL);
pthread_join(cons, NULL);
} else {
break;
}
}
sem_destroy(&empty);
```

```
sem_destroy(&full); sem_destroy(&mutex);
```

```
return 0;
```

```
}
```

Sample Output:

1. Producer

2. Consumer

3. Exit

Enter your choice: 1

Producer produces the item 1

Enter your choice: 2

Consumer consumes item 1

Enter your choice: 2

Buffer is empty!!

Enter your choice: 1

Producer produces the item 1

Enter your choice: 1

Producer produces the item 2

Enter your choice: 1

Producer produces the item 3

Enter your choice: 1 Buffer

is full!!

Enter your choice: 3

Result:

Thus, the Producer-Consumer problem was implemented successfully using semaphores in C, ensuring proper synchronization and avoiding race conditions.