EXPERIMENT-12

Design a C program to simulate the concept of Dining-Philosophers problem

AIM:-

To simulate the Dining Philosophers problem in C using multithreading. This problem illustrates synchronization and deadlock handling where philosophers are seated at a table, each needing two chopsticks to eat.

ALGORITHM:-

- 1. Create 5 philosopher threads.
- 2. Each philosopher needs two chopsticks to eat (simulated by mutex locks).
- 3. The philosophers will pick up chopsticks and eat in a specific order to avoid deadlock.
- 4. Use mutexes to represent chopsticks and ensure only one philosopher can use a chopstick at a time.
- 5. Implement a strategy to avoid deadlock (e.g., using resource hierarchy or even/odd strategies).

CODE:-

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

#define NUM_PHILOSOPHERS 5

pthread_mutex_t chopsticks[NUM_PHILOSOPHERS];

void* philosopher(void* num) {
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int id = *((int*)num);
int left = id;
int right = (id + 1) % NUM_PHILOSOPHERS;
while (1) {
  printf("Philosopher %d is thinking\n", id);
  // Simulate thinking time
  usleep(1000);
  // Pick up the left chopstick
  pthread_mutex_lock(&chopsticks[left]);
  printf("Philosopher %d picked up left chopstick\n", id);
  // Pick up the right chopstick
  pthread_mutex_lock(&chopsticks[right]);
  printf("Philosopher %d picked up right chopstick\n", id);
  // Simulate eating
  printf("Philosopher %d is eating\n", id);
  usleep(1000);
  // Put down the right chopstick
  pthread_mutex_unlock(&chopsticks[right]);
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printf("Philosopher %d put down right chopstick\n", id);
    // Put down the left chopstick
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&chopsticks[left]);
    printf("Philosopher %d put down left chopstick\n", id);
  }
}
int main() {
  pthread_t philosophers[NUM_PHILOSOPHERS];
  int philosopher_ids[NUM_PHILOSOPHERS];
  // Initialize mutexes for chopsticks
  for (int i = 0; i < NUM_PHILOSOPHERS; i++) {
    pthread_mutex_init(&chopsticks[i], NULL);
  }
  // Create philosopher threads
  for (int i = 0; i < NUM_PHILOSOPHERS; i++) {
    philosopher_ids[i] = i;
    pthread_create(&philosophers[i], NULL, philosopher, &philosopher_ids[i]);
  }
  // Wait for philosopher threads to finish (this won't happen as philosophers are always eating
or thinking)
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for (int i = 0; i < NUM_PHILOSOPHERS; i++) {
    pthread_join(philosophers[i], NULL);
}

// Destroy mutexes

for (int i = 0; i < NUM_PHILOSOPHERS; i++) {
    pthread_mutex_destroy(&chopsticks[i]);
}

return 0;
}</pre>
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OUTPUT:-

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Philosopher 4 is thinking
  Welcome, Ravi Sai vinay M A
                                Philosopher 0 picked up left chopstick
                                Philosopher 2 picked up left chopstick
      Create New Project
                                Philosopher 1 put down right chopstick
         My Projects
                                Philosopher 1 put down left chopstick
                                Philosopher 1 is thinking
       Classroom (new
                                Philosopher 0 picked up right chopstick
      Learn Programming
                                Philosopher 0 is eating
                                Philosopher 3 picked up right chopstick
    Programming Questions
                                Philosopher 3 is eating
          Upgrade
                                Philosopher 0 put down right chopstick
                                Philosopher 0 put down left chopstick
         Logout -
                                Philosopher 1 picked up left chopstick
                                Philosopher 0 is thinking
                                Philosopher 3 put down right chopstick
                                Philosopher 4 picked up left chopstick
                                Philosopher 4 picked up right chopstick
                              Philosopher 4 is eating
                                Philosopher 3 put down left chopstick
                                Philosopher 2 picked up right chopstick
                                Philosopher 2 is eating
                                Philosopher 3 is thinking
                                Philosopher 4 put down right chopstick
                                Philosopher 2 put down right chopstick
                                Philosopher 3 picked up left chopstick
                                Philosopher 0 picked up left chopstick
                                Philosopher 3 picked up right chopstick
                                Philosopher 3 is eating
                                Philosopher 4 put down left chopstick
                                Philosopher 4 is thinking
                                Philosopher 2 put down left chopstick
                                Philosopher 2 is thinking
• FAQ • Blog • Terms of Use • Contact Us • GDB Philosopher 1 picked up right chopstick
                                Philosopher 1 is eating
```

RESULT:-

The program simulates the Dining Philosophers problem with five philosophers. Each philosopher alternates between thinking and eating, while properly managing access to the chopsticks using mutexes. This program avoids deadlock by ensuring that philosophers pick up the chopsticks in a defined order (left first, then right).