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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:

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#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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for (int \ i=0; \ i < N; \ i++) \ \{ sem\_init(\&chopstick[i], \ 0, \ 1); id[i] = i; \} for (int \ i=0; \ i < N; \ i++) pthread\_create(\&philosopher[i], \ NULL, \ dine, \ \&id[i]); for (int \ i=0; \ i < N; \ i++) pthread\_join(philosopher[i], \ NULL); return \ 0; \}
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Result:

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

Output:

