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Chapter 7 Synchronization Examples

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Objectives

- Explain the bounded-buffer, readers–writers, and dining–philosophers synchronization problems.

Semaphore

- Semaphore S – integer variable
- Two standard atomic operations : **wait()** and **signal()**
 - ✓ Originally called **P()** and **V()**
- Can only be accessed via two indivisible (atomic) operations

```
✓ wait (S) {  
    while S <= 0  
        ; // busy wait  
    S--;  
}
```

*locking에 해당하는 것이 wait()
unlocking에 해당하는 것이 signal()*

*semaphore는 db에서 concurrency control
그리고 two-phase locking protocol과 유사
two-phase locking protocol : locking & unlocking*

```
✓ signal (S) {  
    S++;  
}
```

Classic Problems of Synchronization

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

Bounded-Buffer Problem

*queue*를 사용하는 프로세스들 간에 *synchronization* 작업 수행

- n buffers, each capable of holding one item
- Semaphore **mutex** *mutex* : 버퍼 접근 통제 (서로 다른 프로세스가 공유 자원을 한번에 접근하는 것 예방)
 - ✓ Provides mutual exclusion for accesses to the buffer pool
 - ✓ Initialized to the value 1
- Semaphore **full**
 - ✓ Count the number of full buffers
 - ✓ Initialized to the value 0
- Semaphore **empty**
 - ✓ Count the number of empty buffers
 - ✓ Initialized to the value n

Bounded Buffer Problem

- The structure of the producer process

```
while (true) {  
    // produce an item in next_produced  
    wait (empty);  
    wait (mutex); mutex : 1 -> 0 값 변환  
    // add next_produced to the buffer  
    signal (mutex);  
    signal (full);  
}
```

Bounded Buffer Problem

- The structure of the consumer process

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

Readers-Writers Problem

- A database is to be shared among several concurrent processes.
 - ✓ Readers – only read the database; they do not perform any updates
 - ✓ Writers – can update the database
- Problem
 - ✓ Allow multiple reader가 많이 있는 것을 허용할 것인가? readers to read at the same time.
 - ✓ Only one single writer can access the shared data at the same time.
 - ✓ If a writer and some other process (a reader or a writer) access the database simultaneously, chaos may ensue.

Readers-Writers Problem

- First solution
 - ✓ No reader is kept waiting unless a writer has already obtained permission to use the shared object.
 - ✓ Writers may starve
- Second solution
 - ✓ Once a writer is ready, that writer performs its write as soon as possible.
 - ✓ Readers may starve.

Readers-Writers Problem

- Shared Data
 - ✓ Semaphore **mutex** initialized to 1.
 - ❖ Used to ensure mutual exclusion when the variable **read_count** is updated
 - ✓ Semaphore **rw_mutex** initialized to 1.
 - ❖ A mutual-exclusion semaphore for writers
 - ❖ Used by the first or last reader that enters or exits the critical section
 - ✓ Integer **read_count** initialized to 0. reading process count를 하는 것
 - ❖ Keeps track of how many processes are currently reading the object

Readers-Writers Problem

- The structure of a writer process

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

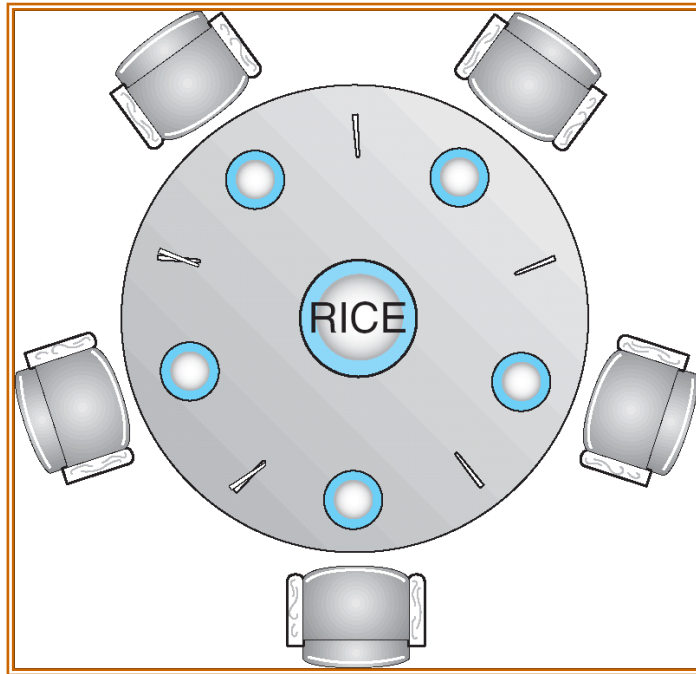
Readers-Writers Problem

- The structure of a reader process

```
while (true) {  
    wait (mutex) ;  
    read_count ++ ; read_count : 0 -> 1로 변경하는 것  
    if (read_count == 1) wait (rw_mutex) ;  
    signal (mutex) rw_mutex를 1-> 0으로 변경  
  
    // reading is performed  
  
    wait (mutex) ;  
    read_count -- ;  
    if (read_count == 0) signal (rw_mutex) ;  
    signal (mutex) ;  
}
```

Dining-Philosophers Problem

- Consider five philosophers who spend their lives thinking and eating.
- In the center of the table is a bowl of rice, and the table is laid with five single chopsticks. 젓가락이 한 짝 씩만 있는 경우임 (쌍이 안맞춰진 상태)
- A philosopher thinks, gets hungry, and tries to pick up the two chopsticks that are closest to her.
 - ✓ A philosopher may pick up only one chopstick at a time.



공유하는 자원을 적절하게 잘 생각해서 사용하는가?

Dining-Philosophers Problem

- One simple solution is to represent each chopstick with a semaphore.
 - ✓ A philosopher tries to grab a chopstick by executing a `wait()` operation on that semaphore.
 - ✓ She releases her chopstick by executing the `signal()` operation on the appropriate semaphores.
- Shared data
 - ✓ Bowl of rice (data set)
 - ✓ Semaphore `chopstick[5]` initialized to 1 동시에 인접한 철학자들은 함께 식사를 할 수 없음
- Guarantees that no two neighbors are eating simultaneously

Dining-Philosophers Problem

- The structure of Philosopher *i*:

```
while (true) {  
    wait( chopstick[i] );  
    wait( chopstick[ (i + 1) % 5] );  
  
    // eat for a while  
  
    signal( chopstick[i] );  
    signal( chopstick[ (i + 1) % 5] );  
  
    // think for a while  
  
}
```

Thinking

Hungry

Eating

Eating (shared resource)

Dining-Philosophers Problem

- Problem – deadlock 모든 프로세스가 *waiting*하는 상황이 *deadlock*
 - Suppose that all five philosophers become hungry at the same time and each grabs her left chopstick.
- Several possible remedies to the deadlock problem
 - Allow at most four philosophers to be sitting simultaneously at the table
 - Allow a philosopher to pick up her chopsticks only if both chopsticks are available
 - Use an asymmetric solution
 - ❖ An odd-numbered philosopher picks up first her left chopstick and then her right chopstick, whereas an even-numbered philosopher picks up her right chopstick and then her left chopstick

1. 젓가락 수보다 1명 적은 철학자가 앉아 있는 경우

2. 양쪽 젓가락이 모두 가용 가능한 경우

3. 홀수 번호 철학자의 경우는 왼쪽 젓가락을 잡게 하고, 짝수 번호 철학자는 오른쪽 젓가락을 잡게하는 것

Dining-Philosophers Solution Using Monitors

- A deadlock-free solution to the dining-philosophers problem
- This solution imposes the restriction that a philosopher may pick up her chopsticks only if both of them are available.
- This allows philosopher i to delay herself when she is hungry but is unable to obtain the chopsticks she needs.
`condition self[5];`
- Each philosopher, before starting to eat, must invoke the operation `pickup()`.
- Ensures that no two neighbors are eating simultaneously.
- Ensures that no deadlocks will occur.
- It is possible for a philosopher to starve to death.

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();
    }

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

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;  
}  
}
```