Assignment No. 4A

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Title: Thread synchronization using counting semaphores.

Aim: Application to demonstrate producer-consumer problem with counting semaphores and mutex.

OBJECTIVE: Implement C program to demonstrate producer-consumer problem with counting semaphores and mutex.

THEORY:

Semaphores:

An integer value used for signaling among processes. Only three operations may be performed on a semaphore, all of which are atomic: initialize, decrement, and increment. The decrement operation may result in the blocking of a process, and the increment operation may result in the unblocking of a process. Also known as a counting semaphore or a general semaphore.

Semaphores are the OS tools for synchronization. Two types:

1. Binary Semaphore. **2**. Counting Semaphore.

Counting semaphore

The counting semaphores are free of the limitations of the binary semaphores. A counting

semaphore comprises:

An integer variable, initialized to a value K (K>=0). During operation it can assume any value <= K, a pointer to a process queue. The queue will hold the PCBs of all those processes, waiting to enter their critical sections. The queue is implemented as a FCFS, so that the waiting processes are served in a FCFS order.

Code:

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#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <pthread.h>
#include <semaphore.h>
#include <unistd.h>

#define BUFFER_SIZE 5

int buffer[BUFFER_SIZE];
sem_t empty, full;
pthread_mutex_t mutex;
int in = 0, out = 0;

void print_buffer() {
   printf("Buffer: [");
   for (int i = 0; i < BUFFER_SIZE; i++) {
      printf("%d", buffer[i]);
      if (i < BUFFER_SIZE - 1) {
         printf(", ");
      }
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    }
    printf("]\n");
}

void *producer(void *arg) {
    int item;

    while(1){
        item = rand() % 100;

        sem_wait(&empty);
        pthread_mutex_lock(&mutex);

        buffer[in] = item;
        printf("Prodcer %d Produced: %d\n",in, item);
        in = (in + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;

        pthread_mutex_unlock(&mutex);
        sem_post(&full);

        print_buffer();

        sleep(2);
    }
    pthread_exit(NULL);
}

void *consumer(void *arg) {
    int item;
    while(1) {
        sem_wait(&full);
        pthread_mutex_lock(&mutex);

        item = buffer[out];
        printf("Consumer %d Consumed: %d\n",out,item);
        out = (out + 1) % BUFFER_SIZE;


        pthread_mutex_unlock(&mutex);
        sem_post(&empty);

        print_buffer();

        sleep(5);
    }
    pthread_exit(NULL);
}
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int main() {
    pthread_t producer_thread, consumer_thread;

    sem_init(&empty, 0, BUFFER_SIZE);
    sem_init(&full, 0, 0);
    pthread_mutex_init(&mutex, NULL);

    pthread_create(&producer_thread, NULL, producer, NULL);
    pthread_create(&consumer_thread, NULL, consumer, NULL);

    pthread_join(producer_thread, NULL);
    pthread_join(consumer_thread, NULL);

    sem_destroy(&empty);
    sem_destroy(&full);
    pthread_mutex_destroy(&mutex);

    return 0;
}
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Output: