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20. **Construct a C program to simulate Reader-Writer problem using Semaphores**.

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    - If it's the first reader, wait for the resource semaphore.
    - Signal mutual exclusion.
    - Perform reading.
    - Wait for mutual exclusion.
    - Decrement reader count.
    - If it's the last reader, signal the resource semaphore.
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5. For each writer:
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PROCEDURE

1. Declare and initialize semaphores and shared variables.
2. Create reader and writer threads.
3. Use semaphores to handle critical sections, ensuring no conflicts between readers and writers.

4. Synchronize thread execution.
5. Clean up and terminate.

CODE:

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

#define MAX_READERS 5

sem_t mutex;
sem_t wrt;
int read_count = 0;

void* reader(void* arg) {
   int f = *((int*)arg);
   while (1) {
      sem_wait(&mutex);
      read_count++;
      if (read_count == 1) {
         sem_wait(&wrt);
      }
      sem_post(&mutex);

      printf("Reader %d is reading\n", f);
      sleep(1);

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        read_count--;
        if (read_count == 0) {
            sem_post(&wrt);
        }
        sem_post(&mutex);
        sleep(1);
    }
}

void* writer(void* arg) {
    int f = *((int*)arg);
    while (1) {
        sem_wait(&wrt);
        printf("Writer %d is writing\n", f);
        sleep(1);
        sem_post(&wrt);
        sleep(1);
    }
}

int main() {
    pthread_t read[MAX_READERS], write;
    sem_init(&mutex, 0, 1);
    sem_init(&wrt, 0, 1);

    int reader_ids[MAX_READERS];
    for (int i = 0; i < MAX_READERS; i++) {
        reader_ids[i] = i + 1;
        pthread_create(&read[i], NULL, reader, &reader_ids[i]);
    }
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    int writer_id = 1;
    pthread_create(&write, NULL, writer, &writer_id);

    for (int i = 0; i < MAX_READERS; i++) {
        pthread_join(read[i], NULL);
    }
    pthread_join(write, NULL);

    sem_destroy(&mutex);
    sem_destroy(&wrt);
    return 0;
}
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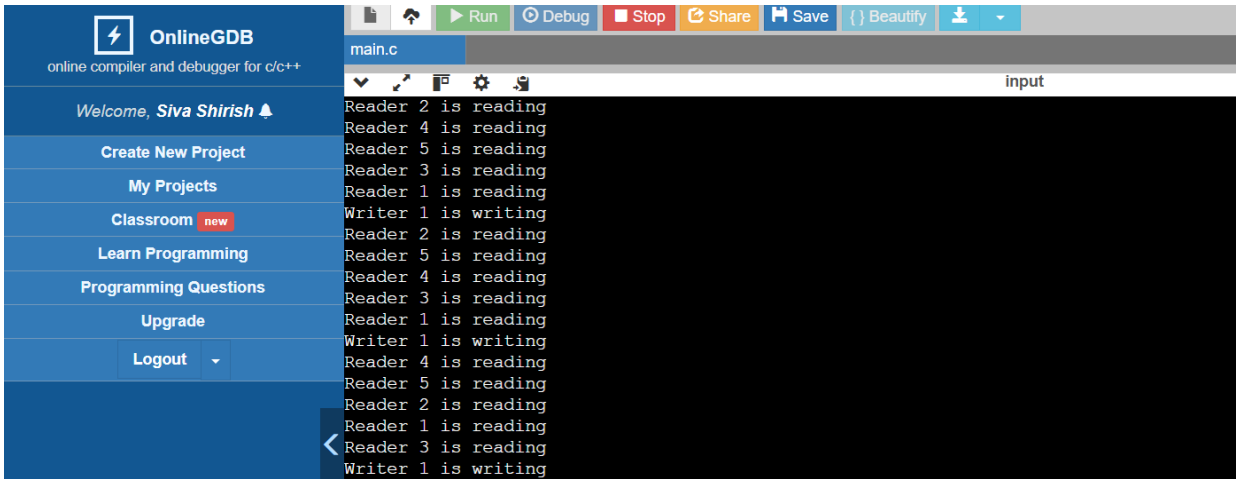
OUTPUT:



RESULT

The program successfully simulates the Reader-Writer problem using semaphores, ensuring proper synchronization and mutual exclusion.