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LAB:4

(Producer & Consumer Problem)

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#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
  int buffer[10], bufsize, in, out, produce, consume, choice = 0;
  in = 0;
  out = 0;
  bufsize = 10;
  while (choice != 3) {
    printf("\n1. Produce \t 2. Consume \t3. Exit");
    printf("\nEnter your choice: ");
    scanf("%d", &choice);
    switch (choice) {
       case 1:
         if ((in + 1) % bufsize == out)
            printf("\nBuffer is Full");
         else {
            printf("\nEnter the value: ");
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scanf("%d", &produce);
    buffer[in] = produce;
    in = (in + 1) \% bufsize;
  }
  break;
case 2:
  if (in == out)
    printf("\nBuffer is Empty");
  else {
    consume = buffer[out];
    printf("\nThe consumed value is %d", consume);
    out = (out + 1) % bufsize;
  }
  break;
case 3:
  printf("\nExiting the program...");
  break;
default:
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printf("\nInvalid choice! Please enter 1, 2, or 3.");
}
return 0;
}
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2. Solve the producer-consumer problem using linked list. (You can perform this task using any programming language)

Note: Keep the buffer size to 10 places.

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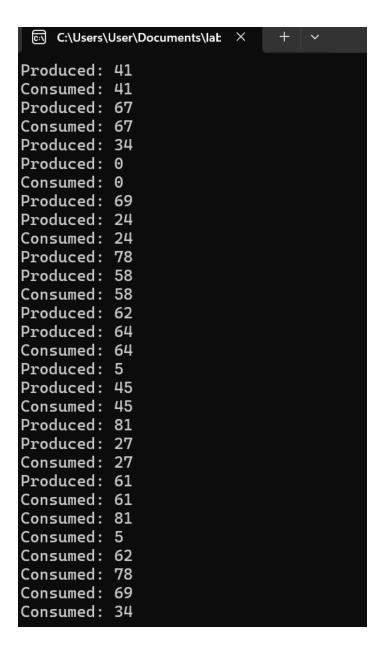
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#include <stdlib.h>
#include <pthread.h>
#include <semaphore.h>
#include <unistd.h>
// Define buffer size
#define BUFFER_SIZE 10
// Node structure for linked list
typedef struct Node {
  int data;
  struct Node* next;
} Node;
// Shared buffer (linked list head)
Node* head = NULL;
// Synchronization variables
pthread_mutex_t mutex;
sem_t full, empty;
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// Function to add item to linked list (Producer)
void addItem(int item) {
  Node* newNode = (Node*)malloc(sizeof(Node));
  newNode->data = item;
  newNode->next = head;
  head = newNode;
}
// Function to remove item from linked list (Consumer)
int removeItem() {
  if (head == NULL) return -1;
  Node* temp = head;
  int item = temp->data;
  head = head->next;
  free(temp);
  return item;
}
// Producer function
void* producer(void* arg) {
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int item;
  for (int i = 0; i < 15; i++) { // Produce 15 items
    item = rand() % 100; // Random number
    sem_wait(&empty); // Wait if buffer is full
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mutex); // Lock
    addItem(item);
    printf("Produced: %d\n", item);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mutex); // Unlock
    sem_post(&full); // Increase full count
    sleep(1); // Simulate delay
  }
  return NULL;
}
// Consumer function
void* consumer(void* arg) {
  int item;
  for (int i = 0; i < 15; i++) { // Consume 15 items
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sem_wait(&full); // Wait if buffer is empty
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mutex); // Lock
    item = removeItem();
    printf("Consumed: %d\n", item);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mutex); // Unlock
    sem_post(&empty); // Increase empty count
    sleep(2); // Simulate delay
  }
  return NULL;
}
// Main function
int main() {
  pthread_t prod, cons;
  // Initialize mutex and semaphores
  pthread_mutex_init(&mutex, NULL);
  sem_init(&full, 0, 0);
  sem_init(&empty, 0, BUFFER_SIZE);
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// Create producer and consumer threads
pthread_create(&prod, NULL, producer, NULL);
pthread_create(&cons, NULL, consumer, NULL);
// Wait for threads to finish
pthread_join(prod, NULL);
pthread_join(cons, NULL);
// Destroy mutex and semaphores
pthread_mutex_destroy(&mutex);
sem_destroy(&full);
sem_destroy(&empty);
return 0;
```



3. In producer-consumer problem what difference will it make if we utilize stack for the buffer rather than an array?

In the **Producer-Consumer Problem**, the buffer is typically implemented as a **queue (FIFO - First In, First Out)** to ensure that items are consumed in the order they were produced. However, if we use a **stack (LIFO - Last In, First Out)** instead of a queue, the following differences will occur:

1. Order of Consumption

- **Queue (FIFO):** The oldest item is consumed first, ensuring that all items are processed in the order they arrive.
- Stack (LIFO): The newest item is consumed first, which may lead to older items being left unprocessed if the buffer is full.

2. Potential Data Loss

- With a stack, if the producer keeps adding new items rapidly, older items might never be consumed, leading to data loss.
- o A queue ensures fairness, where every item gets processed in the order it was added.

3. Use Cases

- o A **stack is useful** in scenarios like undo operations (where the last action is reversed first) or depth-first search algorithms.
- o A **queue** is **better** for real-world producer-consumer systems like job scheduling, order processing, and messaging systems, where maintaining order is important.