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- I. The above solution to CS problem is deadlock-free → In TSL no deadlocks.
- II. The solution is starvation free → No bounded waiting → starvation
- III. The processes enter CS in FIFO order → NO deadlocks → only one process.
- IV. More than one process can enter CS at the same time

Which of the above statements are TRUE?

- (I) only
- (I) and (II)
- (II) and (III)
- (IV) only







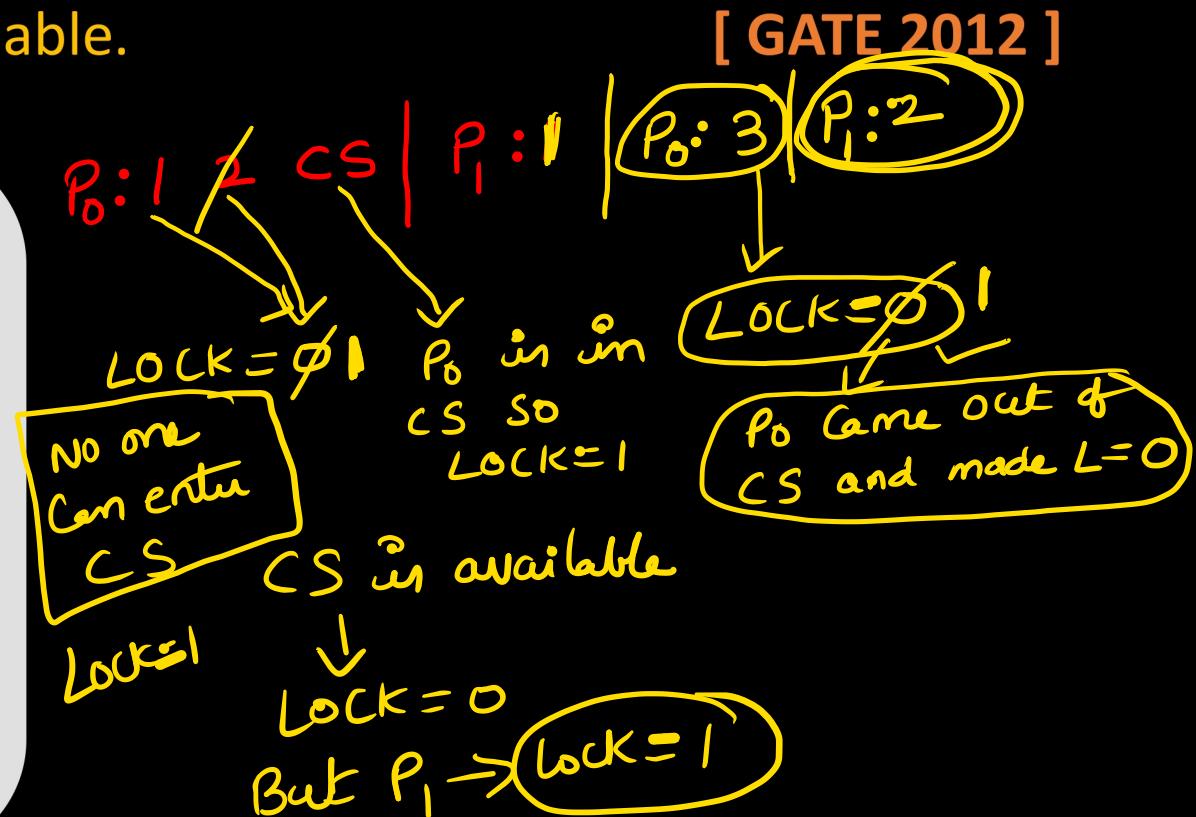
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AcquireLock(L){
    1) while (Fetch_And_Add(L,1))
    2)     L = 1;
}

ReleaseLock(L){
    3) L = 0;
}

```



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[ GATE 2012 ]

## This implementation

- (A) fails as L can overflow ✓
- (B) fails as L can take on a non-zero value when the lock is actually available ✓
- (C) works correctly but may starve some processes •
- (D) works correctly without starvation

overflow  
no starvation

$Lock = 0$ , it may  
show  
 $Lock \neq 0$  •



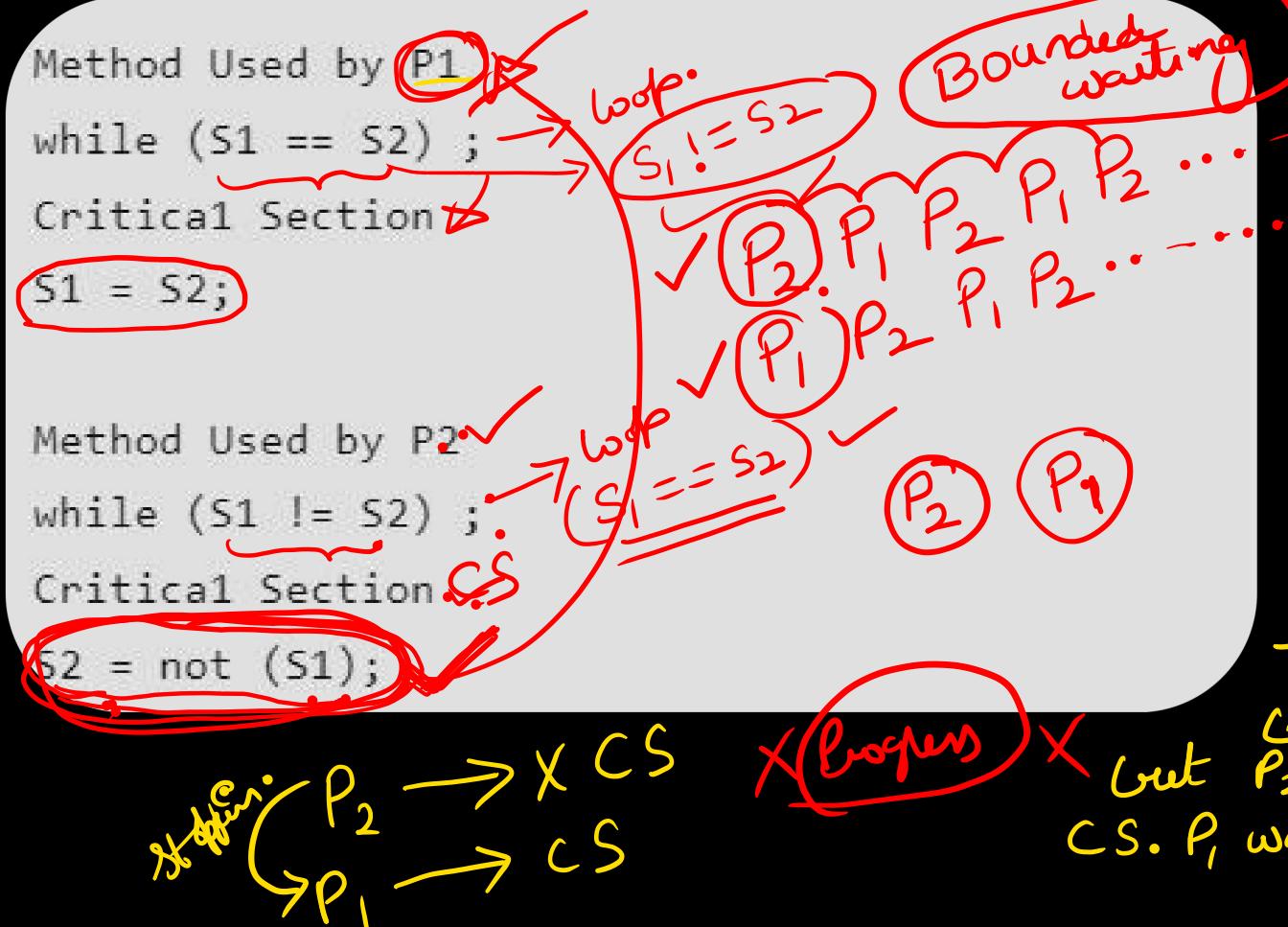




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Progress is not guaranteed. [ GATE 2010]

strict alternation

|   | $S_1$ | $S_2$ |    |
|---|-------|-------|----|
| 1 | T.    | T     | P2 |
| 2 | T.    | F     | P1 |
| 3 | F.    | T     | P1 |
| 4 | F.    | F     | P2 |

only one process can enter.

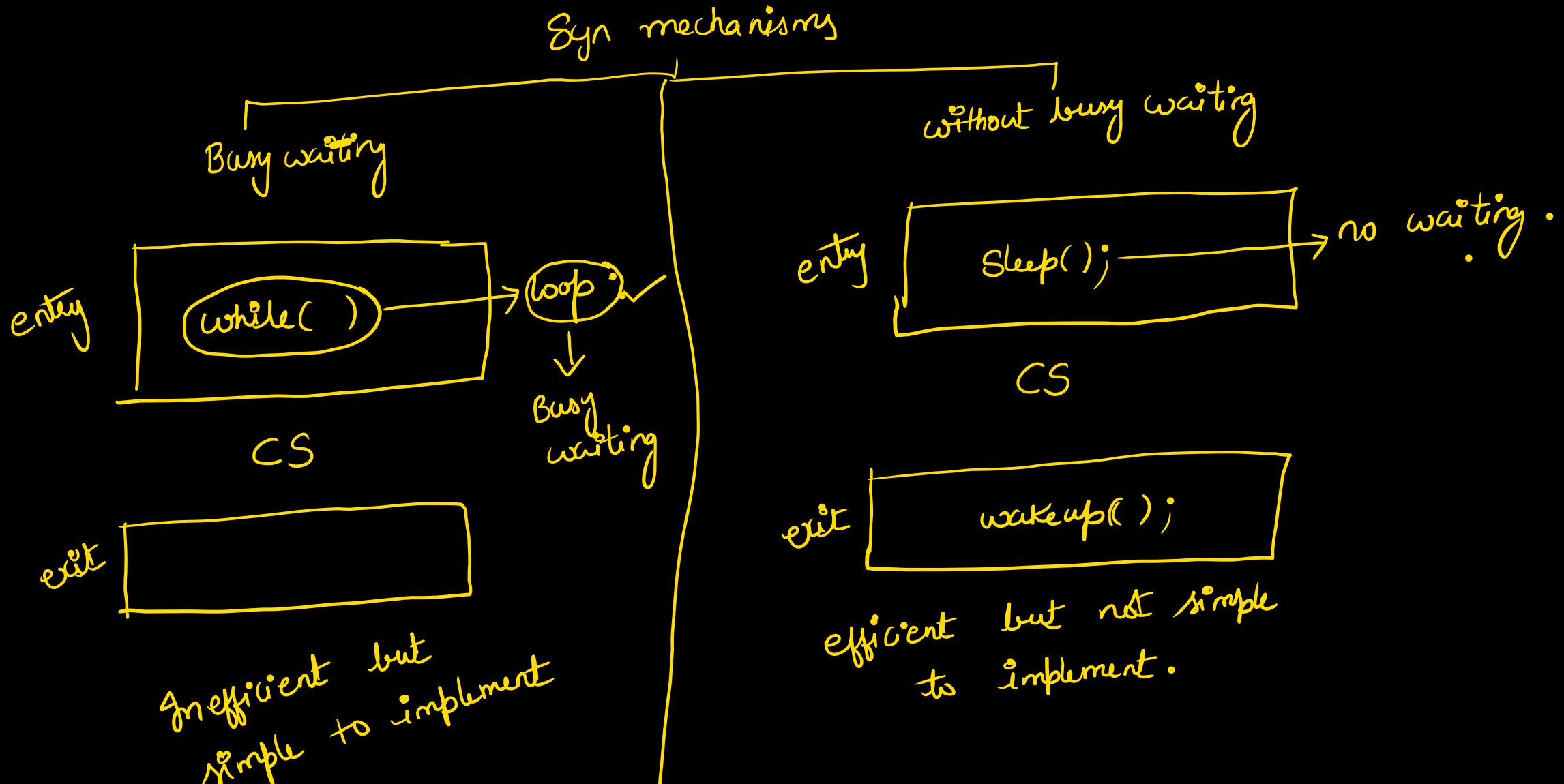
Even if  $P_1, P_2$  reach dead values at the same time, still only one can enter  
 $\rightarrow$  ME is guaranteed

$\rightarrow ① \rightarrow$

out  $P_2$  doesn't want CS.  $P_1$  wants CS.  $P_2$ , cannot enter

Which one of the following statements describes the properties achieved?

- (A) Mutual exclusion but not progress
- (B) Progress but not mutual exclusion
- (C) Neither mutual exclusion nor progress
- (D) Both mutual exclusion and progress



there is  
no solution

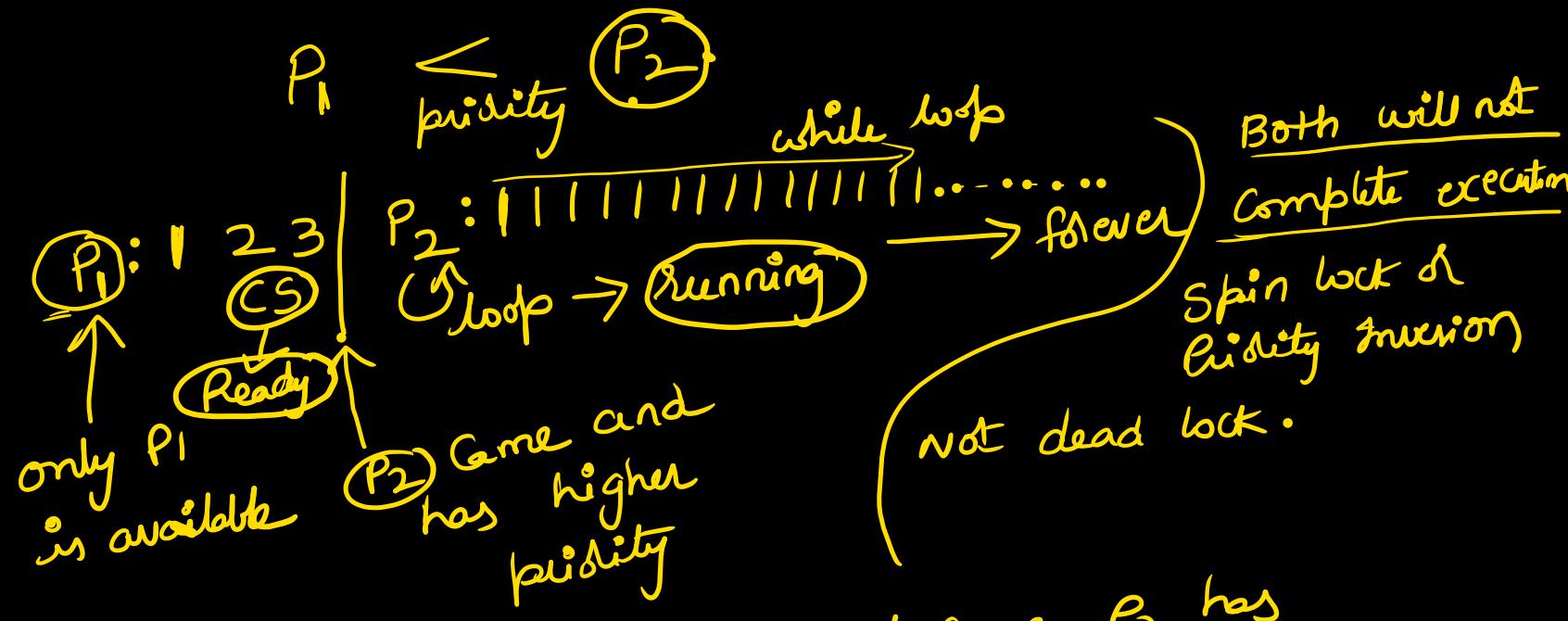
entry | ① while ( ) ✓

exit [ 2) 5 )

$P_1 \rightarrow$  ready  
 $P_2 \rightarrow$  running

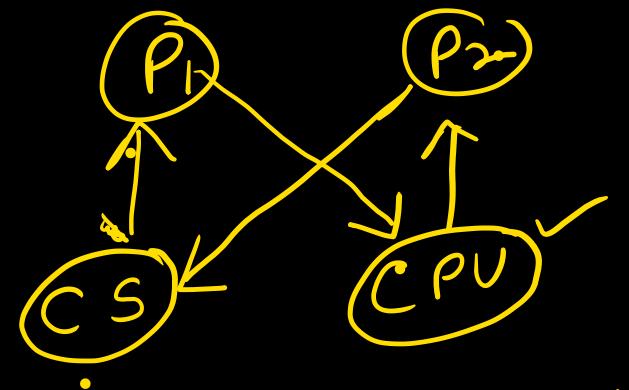
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Note deadlock

Busy waiting solutions have priority inversion (or) spin lock.



$P_1$  will never get a chance because  $P_2$  has high credibility.

Dead lock is when all the processes are blocked and waiting for each other.



all busy waiting solution have priority inversion problem.

Lock variable:

S/w mechanism implemented in user mode  
no support from OS required.

Busy waiting solution (loop)

It works for two or more processes.

LOCK =  $\boxed{0}$   $\rightarrow$  CS is available

LOCK =  $\boxed{1}$   $\rightarrow$  CS is not available.



LOCK = 0 → not locked  
LOCK = 1 → locked

In case of Busy waiting solutions

↓  
avoid priorities.

If

BW + priorities

↓  
Priority inversion.

```

while (LOCK!=0);
LOCK=1;

```

CS

```

LOCK=0

```

assembly code:

- 1) LOAD  $\overline{LOCK}$ ,  $R_0$
- 2) CMP  $R_0, 0$
- 3) JNZ step1
- 4) STORE 1,  $\overline{LOCK}$

CS

- 5) STORE 0,  $\overline{LOCK}$

entry section

check if CS is available.  
if not avail, wait in loop.

lock the CS before entering so that no one else can enter.  
unlock CS so that others can enter

$R_0 \neq 0 \rightarrow \text{loop}$

if  $R_0 == 0$   
Jump if not zero ( $R_0 \neq 0$ )

NO mutual exclusion

Not a good solution

$LOCK = 0;$   
 $P_0: 1, 2, 3, 4 \mid CS \mid P_1: 1, 2, 3$   
 $L = 1$   
 $P_0: 65 \mid P_1: 4 \mid CS \mid 5$

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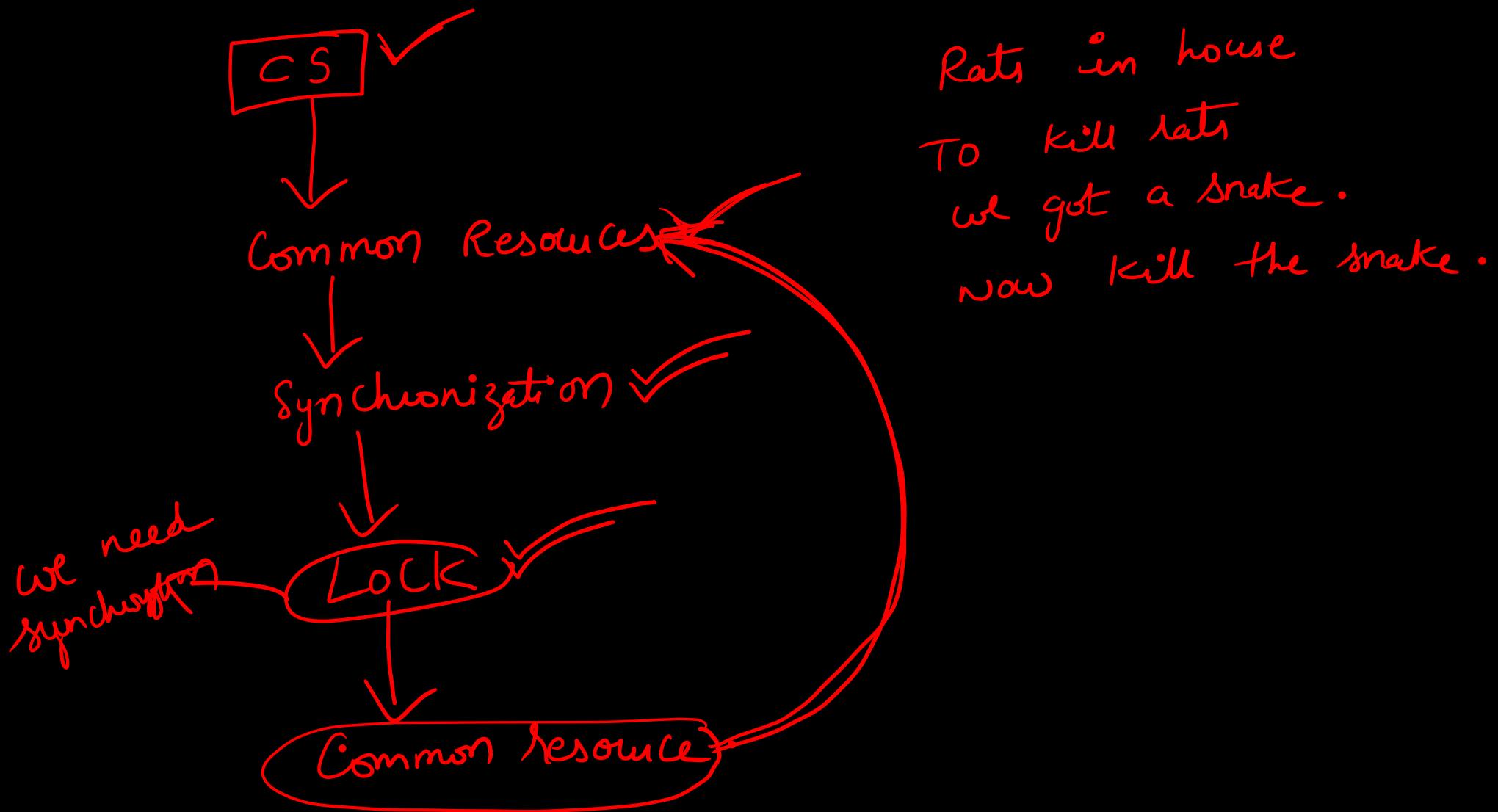
Problem:  $(LOCK = 0)$

$P_0: 1 \mid (P_1) \mid 2 3 4 \mid CS \mid P_0: 23$   
 $R_0 [0] \quad R_0 [0]$   
 $P_1$

4 CS

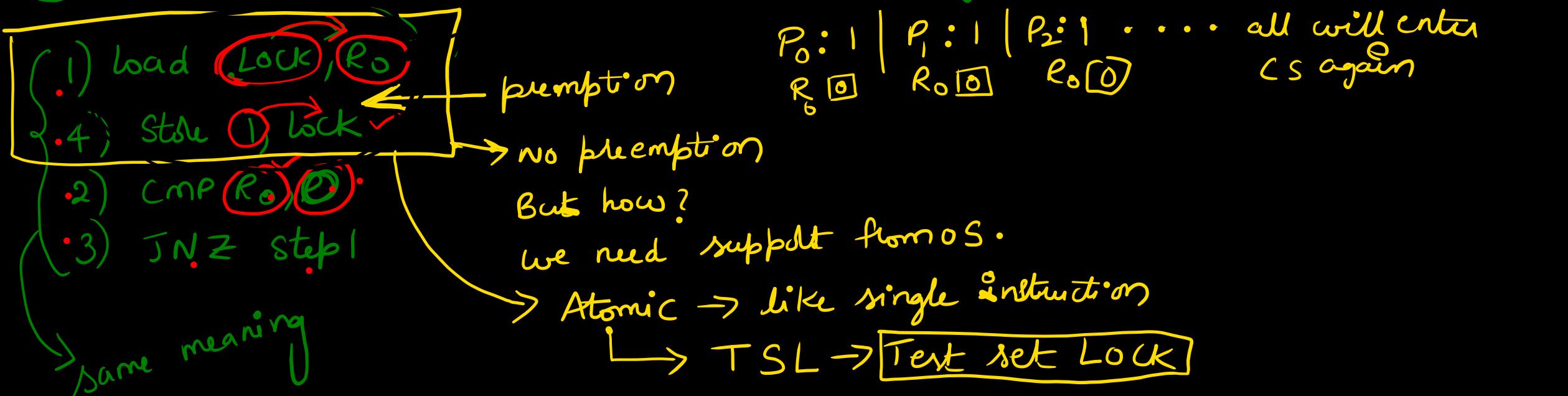
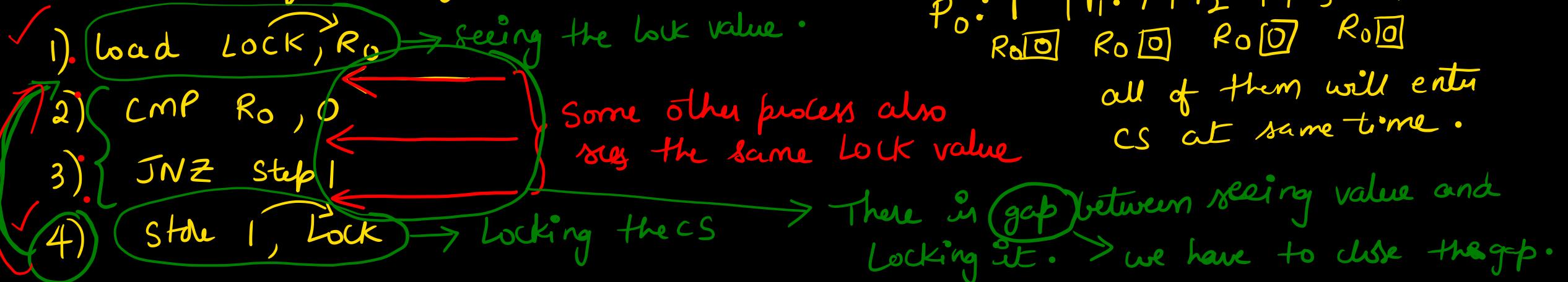
$P_0$

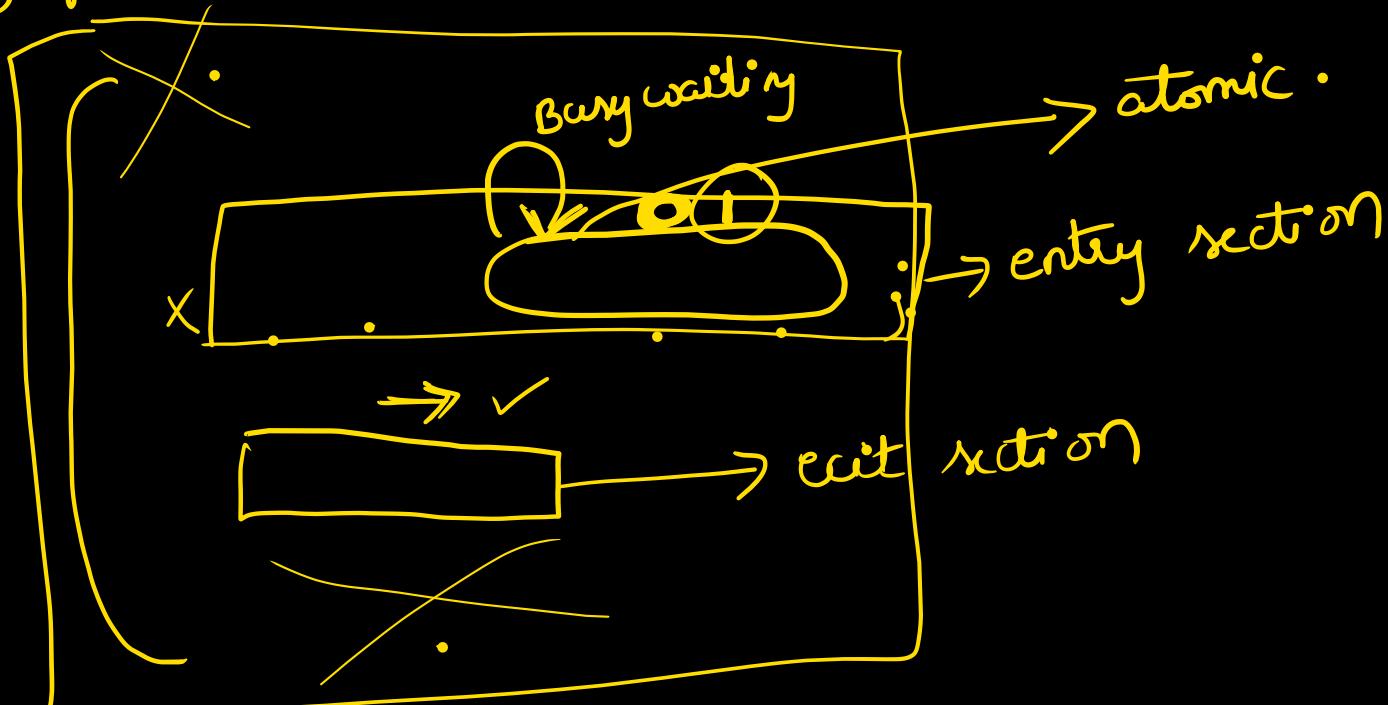
Both are in CS.



Rats in house  
To kill rats  
we got a snake.  
now kill the snake.

Let's analyse why we got the problem?  $\text{LOCK} = 0$





$$\frac{\text{LOCK} = 0 \checkmark}{\text{LOCK} = 1}$$

only one process can enter  
critical section.

## 4 Conditions: of TSL:

4. Concurrency: Mutual exclusion ✓ → only one process will enter CS.

i) mutual exclusion ✓ → only one process is interested in CS, it will not stop others

2) Progress → if a progress is in  
the circle do

3) Bounded ~~waiting~~  $\rightarrow$  NO

4) architectural ~~neutral~~

gt need support  
from h/w and OS

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1) while (TSL (LOCK));

2CS

3) LOCK=0;

} while (true)

All platforms  
(OS + HW)  
may not have TSL.

| $S_1$ | $S_2$ |        |
|-------|-------|--------|
| T     | T     | $-P_2$ |
| T     | F     | $-P_1$ |
| F     | T     | $-P_1$ |
| F     | F     | $-P_2$ |

whose chance?  $\rightarrow P_2$



if But  $P_2$  doesn't want CS.

$P_1$  wants CS, but it  
cannot enter.

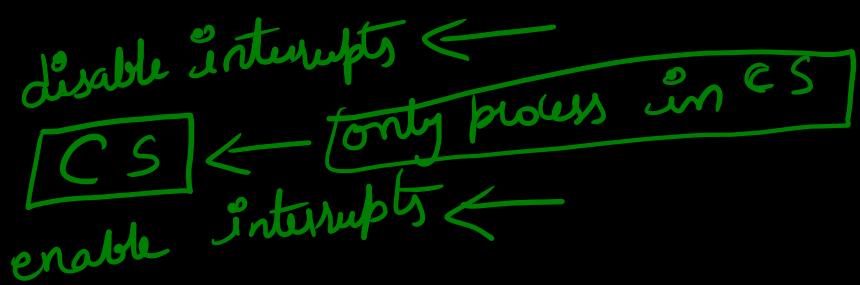
only after  $P_2$  enters,  $P_1$  can  
enter.

why are we getting Race Conditions

1) shared resources

2) Preemption → what if we eliminate preemption.

↓  
Caused by interrupts → so disable interrupts.



Problem: we cannot give control over  
interrupts to users. They may misuse.