

Unit - 2 (Concurrent Processes)

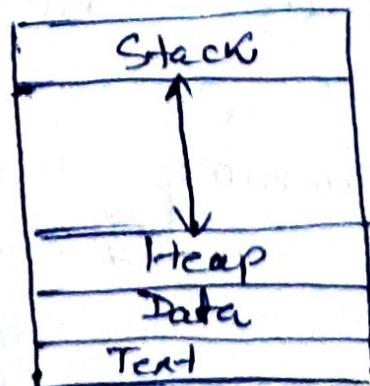
Process → "A Process is basically a program in execution."

→ The execution of process must progress in a sequential fashion.

→ "A Process is defined as an entity which represents the basic unit of work to be implemented in the system."

⇒ * To understand it in simple terms, we write our computer programs in a text file and when we execute this program, it becomes a process which performs all the tasks mentioned in program.

* → When a program is loaded into the memory and it becomes a process, it can be divided into four sections - Stack, heap, text and data.



Stack - The process stack contains the temporary data such as method/function parameters, return address, and local variables.

Heap - This is a dynamically allocated memory to a process during its runtime.

Text - This includes the current activity represented by the value of Program Counter and the content of processor registers.

Data - This section contains the global and static variables

Concurrent Process — Two processes are concurrent when they are executed in a way that their execution intervals overlap.

There is Concurrency

There is
No Concurrency

Kinds of Concurrency

① Apparent Concurrency — More

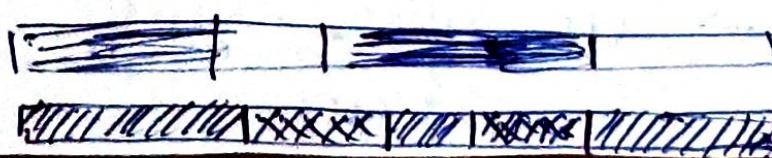
processes than processors

- Processes are ~~not~~ multiplexed in time
- Pseudoparallelism

1 CPU

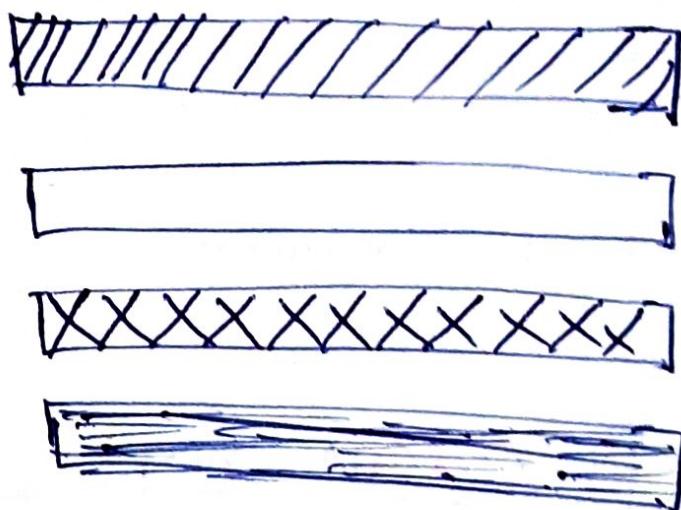


2 CPU



- ② Real Concurrency:- Each Process runs in a Processor
- A Parallel execution happens
 - Also known as real Parallelism

4 CPUs



Concurrent Programming Models

① Multiprogramming with Single Processor

- OS in charge of dividing time among processes

② Multiprocessor → Combined real Parallelism and Pseudoparallelism

- Usually more processes than CPU.

③ Distributed System →
Computers

- Several Connected through a Network.

Advantages of Concurrent Execution

1) Eases Programming →

- Several tasks can be structured in separate processes
- web Server: - A Process in charge of handling each request

Accelerates Computation Execution →

- Division of Computations in Processes run in Parallel
 - Ex- Simulations, Image Processing, ~~etc~~ financial Computations.

2) Improves Application Interactivity

- Ability to separate Processing tasks from User attention tasks.
 - Ex- Print and edit.

④ Improve CPU utilization →

- If phases from one application are used for processing from other applications

Kinds of Concurrent Processes →

① Independent -

- Processes run concurrently but without interaction
 - No need for communication
 - No need for synchronization

Ex- Two shells for two user in two different terminals.

② Cooperating →

- Processes run concurrently with some interaction
 - May communicate each other
 - May be synchronized

Ex- Transaction Server organized in receiver process and request handling processes

Interactions among Processes →

① Access to Shared Resources:

- Processes sharing a resource
- Processes competing for a resource

Ex- Request server with different processes writing to a log file.

② Communication →

- Processes exchanging information

Ex- Requests receiver must pass information to a request handling process.

Synchronization →

- A process must wait for an event in another process.
- Ex- A user interface process must wait until all computation process have finished

So, we can say that

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The concurrent processes executing in the O.S may be either independent processes or cooperating processes.

A process is independent if it can't affect or be affected by the other processes executing in the system. Clearly, any process that does not share any data (temporary or permanent) with any other process is independent. On the other hand, a process is cooperating if it can affect or be affected by the other processes executing in the system. Clearly, any process that shares data with other processes is a cooperating process.

We want Process & cooperation for several reasons:

(1) Information Sharing: Since user may be interested in the same piece of information (for instance, a shared file), we must provide an environment to allow concurrent access to these type of resources.

④

Computation Speedup \rightarrow if we want a particular task to run faster, we must break it into subtasks, each of which will be executing in parallel with the others. Such a speedup can be achieved only if the computer has multiple processing elements (such as CPU or I/O channels)

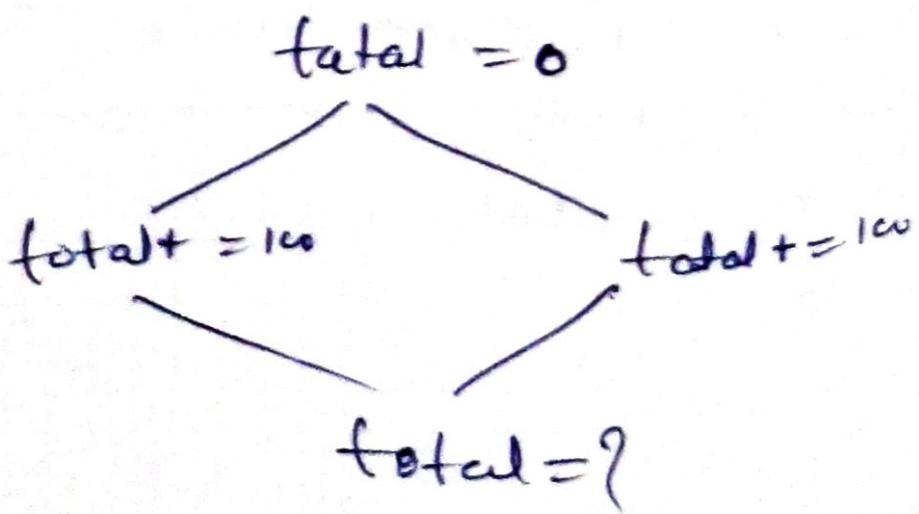
Modularity \rightarrow We may want to construct the system in a modular fashion, dividing the system functions into separate processes or threads.

Convenience \rightarrow Even an individual user may have many tasks on which to work at one time. For instance, a user may be editing, printing, and compiling in parallel.

Process Synchronization :- It means Coordinating the execution of processes such that no two processes access the same shared resource and data and hence it's a technique to overcome the problem that can result in data inconsistency.

What is race condition ? - "A situation where several processes access and manipulate the same data concurrently and outcome of the execution depends on the particular order in which the access takes place, is called a race condition."

Ex. -



So, functioning of a process and its results must be independent from its relative execution ~~and~~ with respect to other processes.

- ~~//~~ — Necessary to guarantee that order of execution does not affect result.

Solution → To achieve that a set of instructions can be executed atomically

Mutual Exclusion

Critical Section Problem → Consider a system consisting of n processes (P_0, P_1, \dots, P_{n-1}) each has a segment of code which is known as critical section in which the process may be changing common variable, updating a table, writing a file and so on.

- The important feature of the system is that when the process is executing in its critical section, no other process is to be allowed to execute in its critical section.
- The execution of critical section by the process is a ^x mutually exclusive.
- The critical section problem is to design a protocol that the process can use to cooperate. Each process must request permission to enter its critical section.
- The section of code implementing this request is the entry section.
- The critical section is followed by exit section.
- The remaining code is the remain section.

Example:

while (1)

{

Entry Section;

critical Section;

Exit Section;

Remainder Section;

}

A solution to the critical section problem must satisfy the following conditions

1 - Mutual Exclusions:- If

Process P_1 is executing in its critical section then no any other process can be executing in their critical section.

2 - Progress:- If no process is executing in its critical section and some process ~~wish~~ wish to enter their critical section then only those

Process that are not executing their remainder section can enter its critical section next

3.- Bounded Waiting → There exists a bound on the number of times that other processes are allowed to enter their critical section after a process has made a request.

Semaphores: —

- For the solution to the critical section problem one synchronization tool is used which is known as semaphores.
- A Semaphore 'S' is an integer variable which is accessed through two standard operations such as wait and signal.
- These operations were originally termed 'P' (for wait means to test) and 'V' (for ~~stop~~ Signal means to increment).

The classical definition of wait is

$\text{Wait}(S)$

{

$\text{while } (S \leq 0)$

~~do~~

~~;~~ // no-op

~~end~~

$S--;$

}

The classical definition of the signal is

$\text{Signal}(S)$

{

$S++;$

}

repeat

$\text{exit } (\text{mutex})$ // End ~~Section~~

critical section

$\text{Signal } (\text{mutex})$ // End ~~Section~~

remainder section

until false.

In case of wait the testing ~~integer value~~ condition ~~can't be violated~~ ~~and can't be violated~~ ~~as the decrementation~~ ~~is executed without interruption.~~

the semaphore construct described ^{is} ~~is~~ previous
is known as counting semaphore, since its integer
value can range over an unrestricted set.
Binary Semaphore: A binary

semaphore is a semaphore with
an integer value which can vary

between 0 and 1. A binary semaphore
can be simpler to implement than a counting
semaphore, depending on underlying hardware architecture.
Let S be a counting semaph

To implement it in terms of
a binary semaphore
we need following structure of data

~~else~~

~~Signal(S1);~~

{ P() , Down , Wait
V() ; Up , Signal }

type semaphore = record

 value : integer

 L : list of process

end

The Semaphore operations can be defined as

wait(S) : S.value = S.value - 1

 if S.value < 0

 then begin

 add this process to

 S.L
 BLOCK/Sleep()

 end

Signal(S) : $S.value' = S.value + 1$

If $S.value \leq 0$

then begin

remove a process P from
wake up(P)

end.

To get into
Ready Queue
(wake up) means
become active
based on FIFO

Now, Definition of Binary Semaphore

Type Binary_semaphore = record
value(0,1)

Queue: List of Process

end

Var S: binary_semaphore.
Wait 'P(S)

If $S.value = 1$

then $S.value = 0$

else begin

Place the Process to S Queue
Block this Process

end

{ NB-
Value=1
means it
is free
Value=0
means it
is occupied
Queue

code

Signal B(S)

If S. Queue is empty
then S. value = 1

else

remove a process from S. Queue

Place Process P on ready list

end.

Process Synchronization using Producer and Consumer Problem

repeat

produce an item in next P

item produced by producer

while Counter = n do no-operation

buffer[m] = next P

m = (m + 1) mod n

Counter = Counter + 1

until False

Code for Producer

register t = Counter

register I = register L + 1

m is never the rear of Queue

Counter = register

repeat

while Counter = 0 do no-operation

next C = buffer[out]

$$\text{out} = (\text{out} + 1) \bmod n$$

Counter = Counter - 1

- - -

Consume the items in next C

until false

Code for Consumer -

register 2 = -Counter

register2 = register2 - 1

Counter = register 2

To understand

jet Counter = 5

To : Producer execute register - Center

r_2 : consumer educated registers, \Rightarrow Counter registered by self

T_3 : Consumer executes $\text{register}_2 = \text{register}_2 - 1$

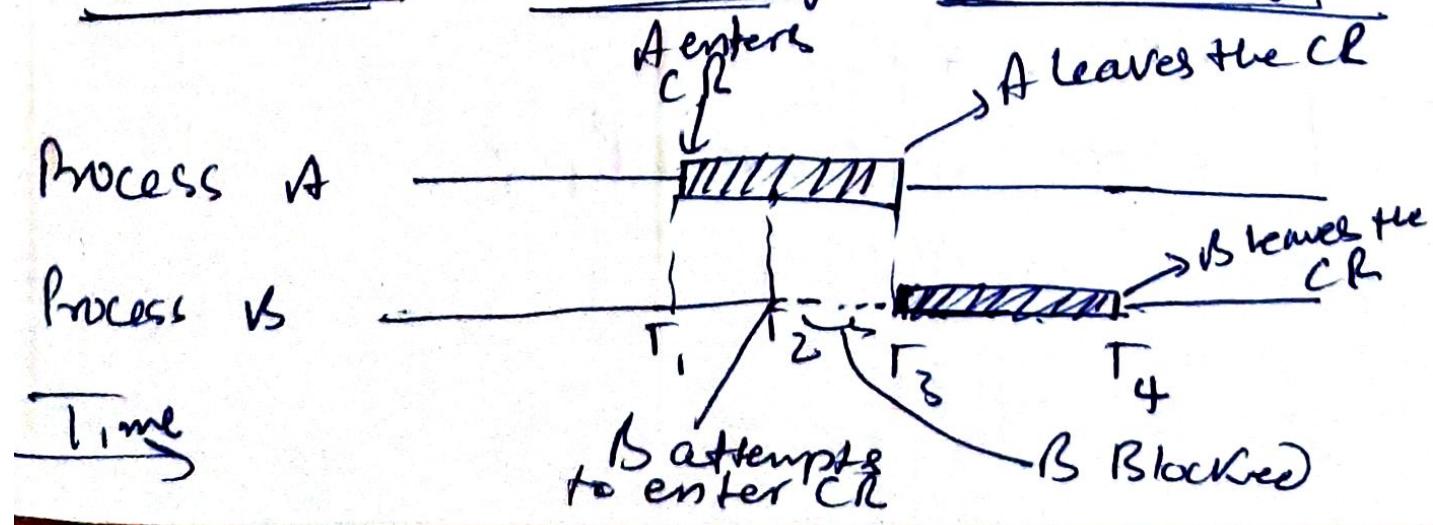
T4 Producers execute Counter = register,
{ Counter = 6 }

T₅: Consumer executes Counter = register₂

Notice that we have arrived at the incorrect state "Counter = 4", indicating that four buffers are full, whereas in fact, five buffers are full.

xx We arrive at this incorrect state because we allowed both process to manipulate the variable counter concurrently.

Mutual Exclusion using Critical Region



// Producer.

int Count = 0

void Producer(void)

{

int itemp i

while (true)

{

Produce_item(itemp)

white (Count == n); // Buffer

Buffer[i m] = itemp

i m = (i m + 1) mod n;

Count = Count + 1; // Count is shared by both P and M

}

}

{ Load R_P, m[Count] }
INCR R_P
Store m[Count], R_P;

Micro instructions get us into

;

;

;

// Consumer

```
Void Consumer( Void )
```

```
{ int itemc;
```

```
while (true)
```

```
{
```

```
    while (Count == 0); // Buffer empty
```

```
    itemc = Buffer(Out)
```

```
    Out = (Out + 1) mod n;
```

memory Count > Count - 1;

load R_c, m[Count]

Process item(itemc);

DECR R_c.

Store m[Out], R_c

```
{
```

```
}
```

Case-2 (① execute)
I₁, I₂ / Preempt, I₃
(② I₁, I₂ / Preempt)
execute

n=8, Buffer[0] = n-1

(no Doble)

I₂ - I - I₁

(0+1) mod 8

= 1

((0+1)mod8

mod 8

= 1

0

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

X₁

Consumed

Successful
Case 1

in []

Count [1]

// is shared

by Both
Producers and
Consumers

Peterson's Solution (1981)

- A Classic software-based solution to the critical-section Problem
- May not work on modern Comp Architecture.
- However, it Provides a good algorithm description of solving the critical section Problem and illustrates some of the complexities involved in design in software that addresses the requirement of mutual exclusion, progress and bounded waiting requirements.
- Peterson's solution is restricted to two processes that alternate exec between their critical Section and non-critical Section.
Let's call the Processes P_1 and P_2
- ⇒ Peterson's solution requires two data items to be shared between the two processes
 - Int turn
indicates whose turn it is to enter its critical Section
 - boolean flag[2]
used to indicate if a process is ready to enter its critical Section.

Structure of Process P_i in Peterson's Solution

do

{ flag[i] = true;

turn = j;

while(flag[j] && turn == ~~(j)~~);

critical Section

flag[i] = false;

remainder Section

} while(true)

Structure of Process P_j in Peterson's Solution

do {

flag[j] = true

turn = i;

while(flag[i] && turn == ~~(i)~~);

critical Section

flag[j] = false;

remainder Section

} while(true)

DeKker's Algorithm

(Dutch Mathematician) DeKker's algorithm is the first known algorithm that solves the mutual exclusion problem in concurrent programming. It is credited to Th. J. DeKker.

The DeKker's algo assumes that there are two processes P_{first} and P_{second} :

```
{ int first=0;  
  int second=1-first;
```

Two process share two variables:

```
boolean flag[2];  
int turn;
```

Here initially, flag[first] = flag[second]: and no initial value for turn is needed but variable turn can either 0 or 1.

1 // Entry Section begins
 flag[first]=true;
 while(flag[second])
 { if (turn==second)
 { flag[first]=false;
 while(turn==second)
 { // do no-op as P_{second}
 // is executing in its CS;
 flag[first]=true;
 }
 }
 }
 }

2 // Entry Section begins
 if(flag[second]) flag[second]=1
 while(flag[first])
 { if (turn==first)
 { flag[second]=false;
 while(turn==first)
 { // do no-op as P_{first}
 // is executing in its CS;
 flag[second]=true;
 }
 }
 }
 }

```
// Entry Section ends  
    {critical Section}  
  
    // Exit Section begins  
    turn = Second;  
    Flag[First] = false;  
  
    // Exit Section Ends  
    {remainder Section}
```

```
// Entry Section ends  
    {critical Section}  
  
    // Exit Section begins  
    turn = first;  
    flag[Second] = false;  
  
    // Exit Section ends  
    {remainder Section}  
  
    }
```

int item, itemc

Solution of P-C Problem

Counting Semaphore \leftarrow full = 0 = No of filled slots
 Binary Semaphore $s=1$ \rightarrow empty = N = No of empty slots

// Producer

Produce_item(item)

- 1 - down(empty);
- 2 - down(s);

Buffer[m] = item;
 $m = (m+1) \bmod n;$

- 3 - up(s);
- 4 - up(full);

// Consumer

1 - down(full);
 2 - down(s);
 item = Buffer[out];
 $out = (out+1) \bmod n$

- 3 - up(s);
- 4 - up(empty);

Initially
m
4

0	a
1	b
2	c
3	d
4	
5	
6	
7	

Initially

then put item d in location [3]

out = 1

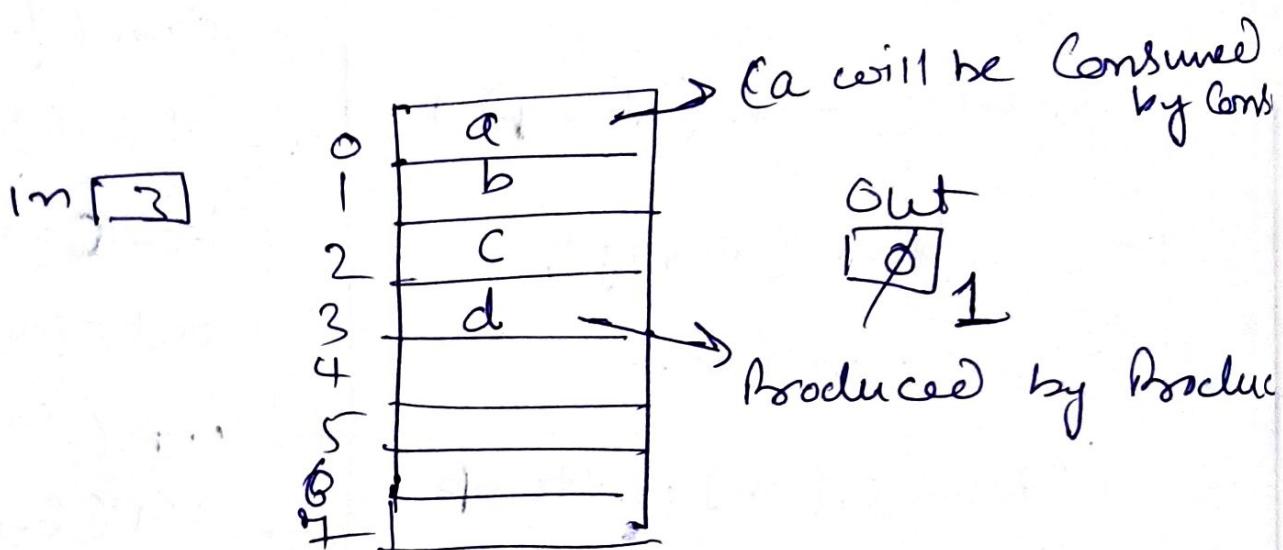
$$\begin{aligned} empty &= \{0, 1, 2, 5\} \\ full &= \{3, 4, 6, 7\} \\ s &= 1, 0, 1, 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} out &= (out+1) \bmod 8 \\ &= 1 \bmod 8 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m &= (m+1) \bmod 8 \\ &= 4 \bmod 8 \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

So, if 1 Producer and one Consumer is coming then there is no problem.

Again lets see the situation where Concurrent Process ~~one~~ situation:-



Empty = \emptyset ~~if~~ Producer Preempt
 full = $\forall i \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ after executing instruction \downarrow i.e down(Empty)
 $s = \{ \emptyset, f, \emptyset \}$ (Preempt)

Now after performing all operations of Consumer code, the control arrives at Produce down(s) → successful
 (i.e - L to 0)

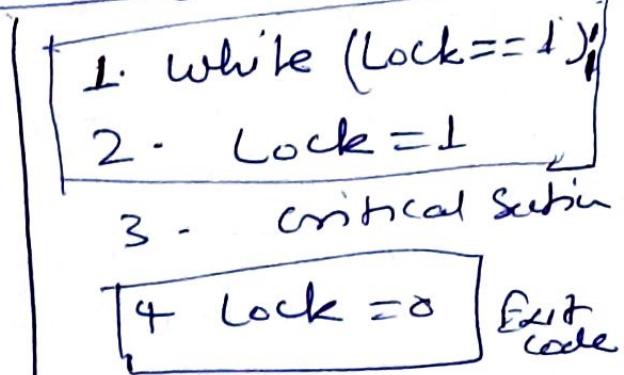
$in = d$ → item produced
 $in = 4$ → updated {
 (if) }
 Now consumer is at line out i.e Processing out inst
 Now preempted at this point again consumer comes, it already executed line
 (D) of producer. it can't return down(s). it will be blocked

Critical Section Solution using Locks

d {
 acquire lock
 CS
 release lock

{

- * Execute in user mode
- * Multi process Solution
- * No Mutual ^{Inclusion} Solution Guarantee



Case - I -

P₁, P₂

lock = 0 → Vacant } CS
1 → full }

→ instru 1 2 3
ction
executed
and P₁ is in
critical
Section

Now after
executing
critical
Section, P₁
will change
the value
of lock
to '0'

Since the
value of
lock = 1
at this
time because
P₁ has changed
the value of lock from
0 to 1 to enter
in critical Section, so
P₂ can't enter

= How after P₁ has been
executed in its critical
Section P₂ can enter into
its C.S because at
this time lock = 0.

Critical Section Solution using Test & Set Instructions

Case - 2 To Prove that there is no guarantee of mutual exclusion.

- P₁ P₂ $L = 0$ initially
- L₁ executes
 - at the same time when P₁ gets preempted,
 - P₂ enters and gets same L = 0 because it is not updated yet i.e. L₁ executed
 - L₂ "
 - and P₂ is in C.S

Now again
P₁ comes back at this time to execute
@ L₂ and executes it successfully
and enters into its C.S (L₃ executed)

NB — It means there is no guarantee of mutual exclusion as explained in Case - No - 2

So, Now the code is changed in
solution using Test_and_Set
instruction:

while (test_and_Set (& lock));

CS

lock = false

Definition of function

boolean test_and_Set (boolean *target)

{

 boolean r2 = *target;

* target = True

 return r2

}

- First P_1
arrives the
definition
of function will
return false
as P_1 will
get into it
C.S

P_1

P_2

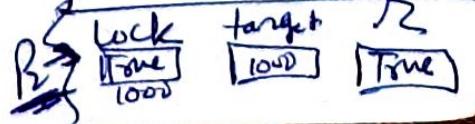
Now P_2 arrives
after P_1 is executing
the C.S. Now
at this time the
lock value is
True. So in $r2$
it will be updated
to True. Here a
true value will
be returned as
`while (True);` will
be executed as
 P_2 will not enter in
C.S.

$L \geq 0$ initially

i.e

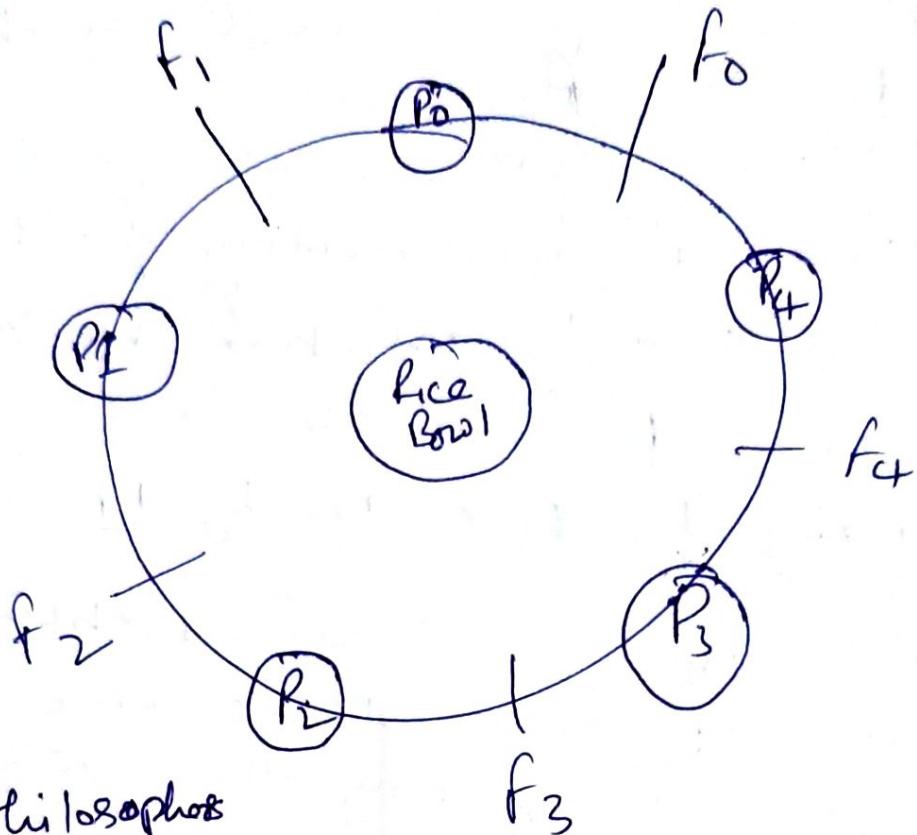


after executing
Code *target=True
it will be



Dining Philosopher Problem

①



5 Philosophers

'5' Forks/Chopsticks

Case - I - P0 (let's assume)

will Pic f0
 $N = \text{No of forks}$

$$f(0+1) \bmod 5 = 1$$

then

Put fork = f0

Put fork = f1

Case - II - P1 (let's assumes)

Pic f1

$$P.i.c \quad (1+1) \bmod 5 \\ 1 \leq f_2$$

Put f1

Put f2

Void Philosopher (Void)

S while (True)

S Thinking();

take_fork(i); ← left fork

take_fork((i+1)%N); ← right fork

Eat();

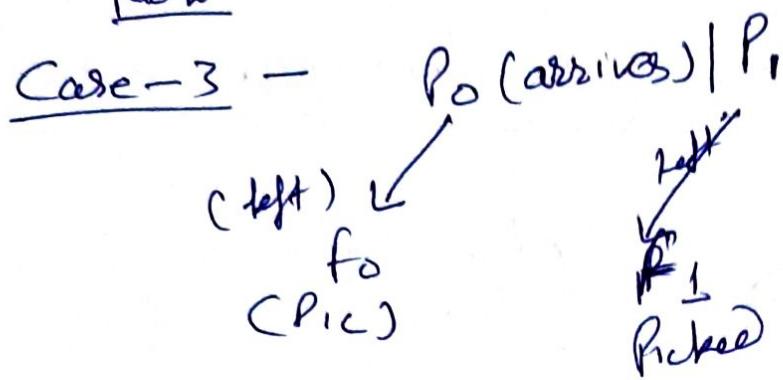
Put_fork(i);

Put_fork((i+1)%N);

;

So, if the philosopher is correctly
serially then there is no problem
with this code.

Now



P_1 , arrives at
same time after
 P_0 Picked left
fork

Now, here P_0 is waiting for fork f_1 and P_0 will only get fork f_1 ~~when~~ only after P_1 will f_1 and f_2 and after eating and ~~putting~~ after Putting for f_1 and f_2 by P_1

|| So, when two are more problems arriving at same time then ~~and~~ we are facing the race condition.

|| So, here ~~with~~ we will solve this problem by Binary Semaphores

|| $S[i]$ five ~~binary~~ Semaphores

So, S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4
 $\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$
 $1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 1$

|| lets assume all are initialized with 1

Let's rewrite the code -

Void Philosopher (void)

2

```

    {
        while (True)
        {
            Thinking();
            wait (take_fork(s[i]));
            wait (take_fork((s[i+1]) % N));
            Eat();
            Signal (Put_fork(i));
            Signal (Put_fork((i+1) % N));
        }
    }
}

```

// So, ~~needs~~ if Po want to take both fork the
it needs two Semafore value that

is s_0 & s_1

\downarrow \downarrow
`take_fork(s_i)` `take_fork($s_{(i+1) \bmod N}$)`

11 like P_1 need S_1 & S_2

- // Like P1 need S_1 and S_2
- // Like P₁ comes then it needs S_2 and S_3

"like P_1 " then it needs S_3 & S_4

$$\text{Like } P_4 \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad " \quad S_4 \otimes S_0 \xrightarrow{\text{Ind}} \\ = S_{(4+1), \text{mod} 5} \quad "$$

Case - 1 Now

initially	S_0	S_1	S_2	S_3	S_4
	1	1	1	1	1
$P_0 \rightarrow S_0$		S_1			
will change	S_0	& S_1			

(Execution of wait code)

then will change S_0 & S_1

0	0
↓	↓
1	1

(Execution by signal code)

Case - 2

Let's assume P_0 arrives

- a) It executes wait code i.e.
it decrements S_0 , & S_1 as down
the value from 1 to 0

i.e.

S_0	&	S_1
1		1
↓		↓

Now P_0 started eating

*→ Let us assume at the same if P_1 arrives
it will try to execute wait code
as try to decrement the value of
Semaphore S_1 which is already 0 value
so it will be blocked as per semaphore code

i.e.

P_0	P_1	P_2
↓	↓	↓
executing		
critical		
section		

Block

If P_2 arrived then
it will decrement the
value of S_2 & S_3
(So, it's
executing
in critical
section)

II In Dining Philosopher Problem Mutual Exclusion Principle is not valid
(Special Case)

Imp because if Philosopher's are independent then they can eat

So, Here P_0 & P_2 can run at the same time

Case - 3

S_0	S_1	S_2	S_3	S_4
1	1	1	1	1

No Philosopher's are eating

but here is situation of Deadlock even no philosopher's are eating

let's assume P_0 arrives and it changes the value of S_1 from 1 to 0 i.e. successful but when P_0 is trying to pick S_1 i.e. right fork it gets preempted

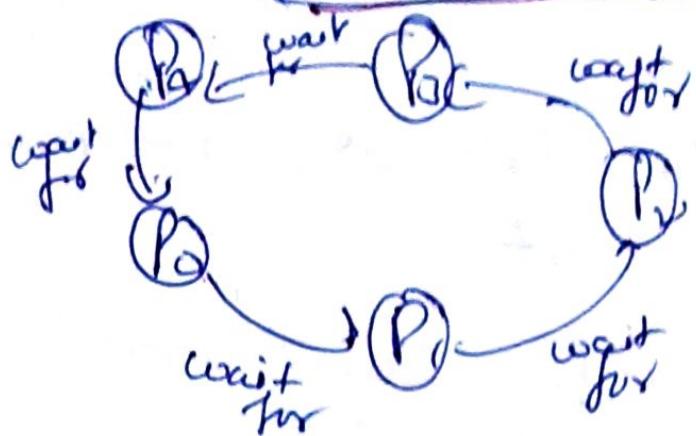
at the same time P_1 arrives and

tries to get left fork i.e. S_1 and changes it from 1 to 0 (i.e. successful)

now when P_1 is trying to pick right fork, the same time P_2 arrives

Like, say - - - -

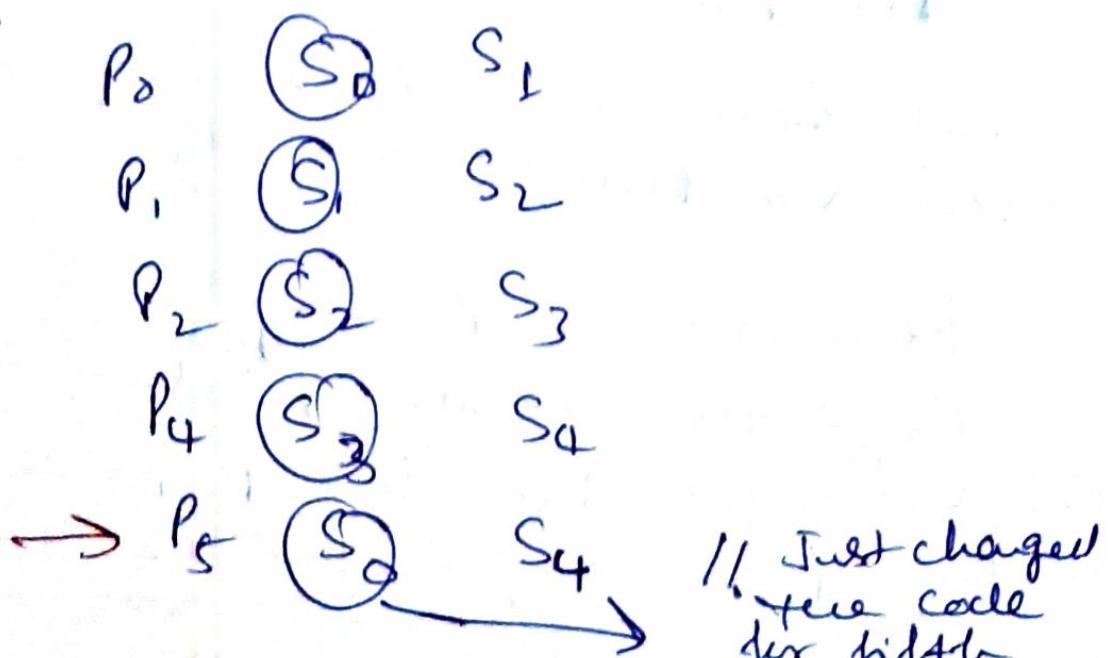
the DeadLock Situation



(Circular wait)

So, no Philosopher's are eating
but they just created a deadlock
situation

Solution →



// Just changed
free code
for fifth
Philosopher

// change mean the fifth philosopher
will pick right fork first

(4)

Let's see

$s_0 \ s_1 \ s_2 \ s_3 \ s_4$
 | | | | | (initially)

$P_0 - s_0 \ s_1$

$P_1 - s_1 \ s_2$

$P_2 - s_2 \ s_3$

$P_3 - s_3 \ s_4$

$P_4 - s_0 \ s_4$

→ changed Sequence
 → will be blocked
 because its value
 is already "done"
 by $\underline{P_0}$

∴ s_0, P_3 will gain access to s_4
 i.e right fork.

→ In this way will recover from
 Deadlock

i.e we can reverse any one
 Philosopher's Code

~~Explanation~~ for $(N-1)$ Philosophers we will
 run the code as it is but
 for N^{th} philosopher it will be like
 $\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{wait (takefork} (\{i+1) \bmod N) \\ \text{wait (takefork} (\cdot s_i) \end{array} \right\} \text{Reversed}$

Sleeping Barber Problem

- (1) There is one barber, one barber chair and n waiting chairs.
- (2) If there is no customer, barber sleeps in his own chair.
- (3) When customer arrives, he has to wake up barber.
- (4) When many customers come and waiting chairs are empty, they sit on waiting chairs else they leave if no chair is empty.
- (5) (i) Semaphore Customer - Counts waiting customers (excluding the customer in the barber chair, who is not waiting)
- (ii) Semaphore Barbers - Counts the no. of idle/active (0/1) barber
- (iii) Semaphore mutex - used for mutual exclusion.
- (6) Integer Variable waiting - also counts the no. of waiting customers.

"the reason for using variable waiting
is that there is no way to read
the current value of Semaphore Customer

Chairs = n

Semaphore Customer = 0

(no of customers in waiting room)

Semaphore Barber = 0

(Barber is idle i.e sleeping)

Semaphore mutex = 1

(\rightarrow Mutual Exclusion)

int waiting = 0

(No of waiting customers)

Customer Process

while (True)

{ wait(mutex);

off (waiting < chairs)

{

waiting = waiting + 1;

Signal (Customer);

Signal (Mutex);

wait (Barber);

~~get_haircut();~~

~~customer_leaves();~~

}

Signal (mutex);

}

it is a Deadlock free

Problem \rightarrow Starvation //

A queue can be used
to add customer, FIFO order

Barber Process

while (True)

{

exit (Customer);

exit (mutex);

waiting = waiting - 1

Signal (barber);

Signal (mutex);

Cut-hair();

}

Readers is an Untext Problem

- A database is to be shared among several concurrent processes
- Some of these processes may want only to read the database, whereas others may want to update (that is, to read and write) the database.

- We distinguish between these two types of processes by referring to the former as readers and to the latter as writers
- Obviously, if two readers access the shared data simultaneously, no adverse effects will result.
- However, if a writer and some other thread (either a reader or a writer) access the database simultaneously, chaos may ~~occur~~ occur.

∴ To ensure that these difficulties do not arise, we require that the writers have exclusive access to the shared database

→ Thus synchronization problems referred to as the readers-writers problem.

Solutions to the Readers-Writers Problem

using Semaphores: (Binary Semaphores)

- 1 - mutex, a semaphore (initialized to 1) which is used to ensure mutual exclusion when read count is updated i.e when any reader enters or exits from the critical section
- 2 - wrt, a semaphore (initialized to 1) common to both reader and writer processes
- 3 - readCount, an integer variable (initialized to 0) that keeps track of how many processes are currently reading the object.

Writer

```
do { /* writer requests for Critical Section */
    wait(wrt);
    /* perform the write */
    IDb
    // leaves the critical section
    signal(wrt);
} while(true);
```

Reader process

```
do {  
    pfdown /> exit (mutex);  
    readcnt++; // The number of readers  
    has now increased by 1  
    if (readcnt == 1)  
        wait (wrt); // This ensures no writer  
        can enter if there is  
        even one reader  
    Signal (mutex); // Other readers  
    can enter while  
    this current reader  
    is inside the critical  
    section  
    CR → [Pb]  
/* current reader performs reading  
here */  
    wait (mutex);  
    readcnt--; // a reader wants to  
    leave  
    if (readcnt == 0) // no reader is  
    left in the critical  
    section  
        signal (wrt); // writer can  
        enter  
    Signal (mutex); // reader leaves  
} while (true);
```