

CSE 380: Homework 2: Synchronization

Due : Thursday, October 2, 2003

Submit a hardcopy solution of the problems in class on Oct 2, and submit code and documentation for the programs using the `turnin` command to the account `cse380@eniac` by 11.59pm on Oct 2. The code should include comments which adequately describe the solution, as described below.

Reminder: Copying the solution from a fellow student, a website, or some other source, is a violation of the University policies on academic integrity.

Implementing

Recall the dining philo-
sophers problem. In the
semaphores. You

- a) a solution to the problem using semaphores
- b) a solution using mutexes

A skeleton for

<http://www.cis.berkeley.edu/~cs380/>

It specifies the basic structure
that will allow you to write
the program for part one in the
makefile.

This assignment is about
threads. You are to write a
program that simulates the
dining philosophers problem.



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As far as the solution to the problem is concerned, you can use class notes, textbook, or design your own solution.

Part One: Using Process and Shared Memory

For part one, your solution should work in the following way (see `dinPhil_proc.c` in the skeleton):

1. Create one process for each philosopher
2. The number of philosophers should be the first argument to your program. The input range is restricted from three to 20 philosophers, inclusive.
3. Each philosopher should eat *bites* times, which is the second input parameter to the program. Count the number of times each philosopher eats, and when (s)he has eaten the maximum number of bites, (s)he stops eating (the corresponding process exits).

4. For mutual exclusion, use POSIX semaphores. Relevant system calls are: `sem_init()`, `sem_post()`, `sem_wait`, `sem_getvalue` and `sem_destroy()`.

The semaphores should be allocated in shared memory (see Appendix A on the system support for doing this in Solaris).

5. Simulate thinking and eating using the `random` and `sleep` system calls.
6. Your code should be well documented with sufficient explanation of high-level objectives as well as of details. Your documentation will serve as the main justification for the correctness of your program. It is your responsibility to convince the graders that your solution makes sense.

Part Two: Using pthreads

Threads should be created using `pthread_create()`. You should create pthreads in part one with the following requirements:

1. Create one thread for each philosopher.
2. Shared memory should be used for the semaphore.
3. Mutual exclusion should be used for the semaphore as in part one.

Submission

We have created a template for you. You should submit the output, and the code. You should also submit the makefile, or alter the names of the files. You should submit two sections, one for each part of the assignment. You should submit your name, email address, and a description of each of the two solutions. Please include the following in your submission:

- use `turnin` with the following syntax:

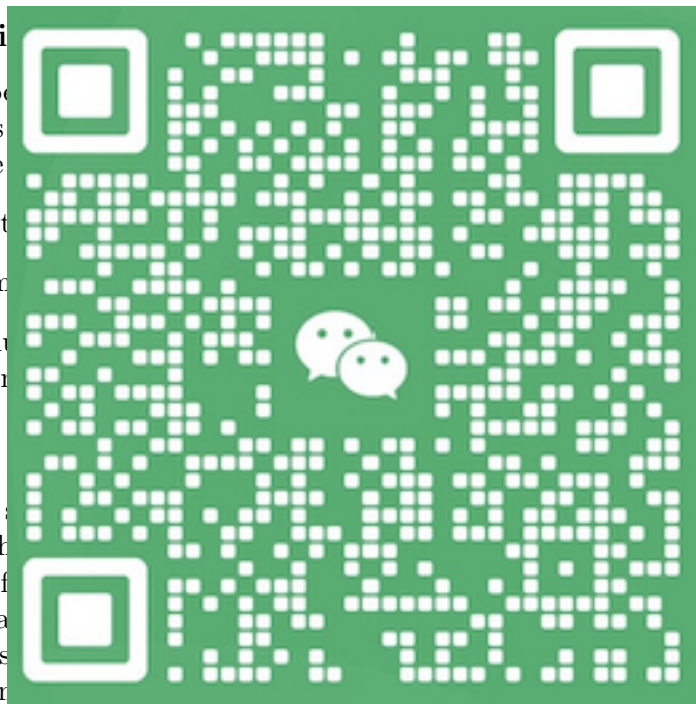
```
turnin -ccse380 -phw2 Makefile dinPhil_thread.c dinPhil_proc.c
```

- For every critical section in your code, add statements that identify the entering and exiting from that section. If your program has two critical sections, then the lock of the mutex before the first should be directly followed by the line:

```
printf("Starting critical section 1\n");
```

- Unlocking the mutex to exit the critical section should be directly preceded by this line:

```
printf("Stopping critical section 1\n");
```



An example of a requirements for

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either semaphores
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solution.

Use the exact format above.

- When philosopher 'i' takes their forks, print a line with the following format to stdout:

```
printf("Philosopher %d taking forks\n", i);
```

Similarly, when philosopher 'i' puts their forks down, print a line with the following format:

```
printf("Philosopher %d putting forks\n", i);
```

- Keep track of each time a philosopher eats. When philosopher 'i' eats for the 'j'-th time, print the following format to stdout:

```
printf("Philosopher %d ate %d times\n", i, j);
```

Use the man page for `printf` for more information on necessary system calls (e.g. `FILE`).



Appendix A: Shared Memory System Calls

This section gives information on how Unix processes can request and use shared memory segments. For every shared memory segment, the kernel maintains the following structure of information:

```

/*
 *   There is a shared mem id data structure (shmid_ds) for each
 *   segment in the system.
 */
struct shmid_ds {
    struct ipc_perm shm_perm;    /* operation permission struct */
    size_t          shm_size;    /* shared memory bytes */
    /*.... s
    pid_t            shm_pid;    /*
    pid_t            shm_lpid;   /*
    shmatt_t         shm_nattch; /*
    unsigned long    shm_daddr;  /*
    time_t           shm_atime;  /*
    time_t           shm_dtime;  /*
    time_t           shm_ctime;  /*
};

The ipc_perm structure is used to control access to the shared memory segment.

struct ipc_perm {
    uid_t    uid;
    gid_t    gid;
    uid_t    uid;
    gid_t    gid;
    mode_t   mode;
    uint_t   seq; /* Use usage sequence number */
    key_t    key; /* key */
};

int shmget(key_t key, int size, int shmflag);

```

The *shmflag* argument specifies the low-order 9 bits of the *mode* for the shared memory, and whether a new segment is being created or if an existing one is being referenced.

The *shmflag* argument is a combination of the constants:

Numeric	Symbolic	Description
0400	SHM_R	Read by owner
0200	SHM_W	Write by owner
0040	SHM_R>>3	Read by group
0020	SHM_W>>3	Write by group
0004	SHM_R>>6	Read by world
0002	SHM_W>>6	Write by world
	IPC_CREAT	See below
	IPC_EXCL	See below

The rules for whether a new shared memory segment is created or whether an existing one is referenced are:

- Specifying a channel is created.
- Setting the `key`, if it does not exist, a new entry is created.
- Setting both `key` and `shm_id` creates a new entry if an existing entry is found, and

Upon creation, the shared memory segment is initialized as follows:

- The values of `shm_perm.uid` and `shm_perm.gid` are set equal to the `uid` and `gid` of the calling process.
- The access permission bits of `shm_perm` are set equal to the access permission bits of the calling process.
- The values of `shm_atime` and `shm_mtime` are set equal to 0.
- The `shm_ctime` is set equal to the current time.

The following example illustrates how shared memory can be used.

```
#include <sys/types.h>
#include <sys/ipc.h>
#include <sys/shm.h>

int main (int argc, char *argv[]){
    int shmid; /* shared memory ID */
    char *p;   /* pointer to shared memory area */

    /* reserve a 10-byte physical memory segment
       using the pid as the key */
```



```
    shmidx = shmget ((key_t) getpid (), 10, 0666|IPC_CREAT);
    if (shmidx == -1) {
        puts ("shmget failed");
        exit (1);
    }

    /* attach the shared memory for use by this program */
    p = (char *) shmat (shmidx, (char *) 0, 0);
    strcpy (p, "hello"); /* put string into shared memory */
    puts (p);

    /* detach the shared memory */
    shmdt (p);

    /* remove the shared memory */
    shmctl (shmidx, SHM_RMID, 0);
}
```

