Embedded Operating Systems

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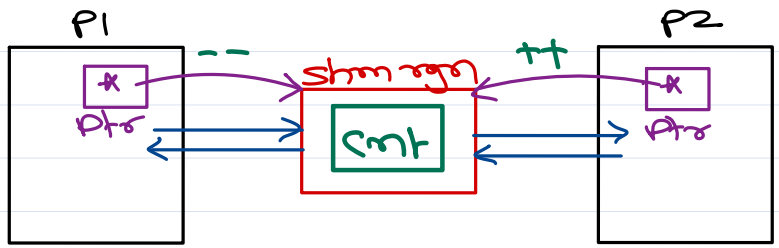
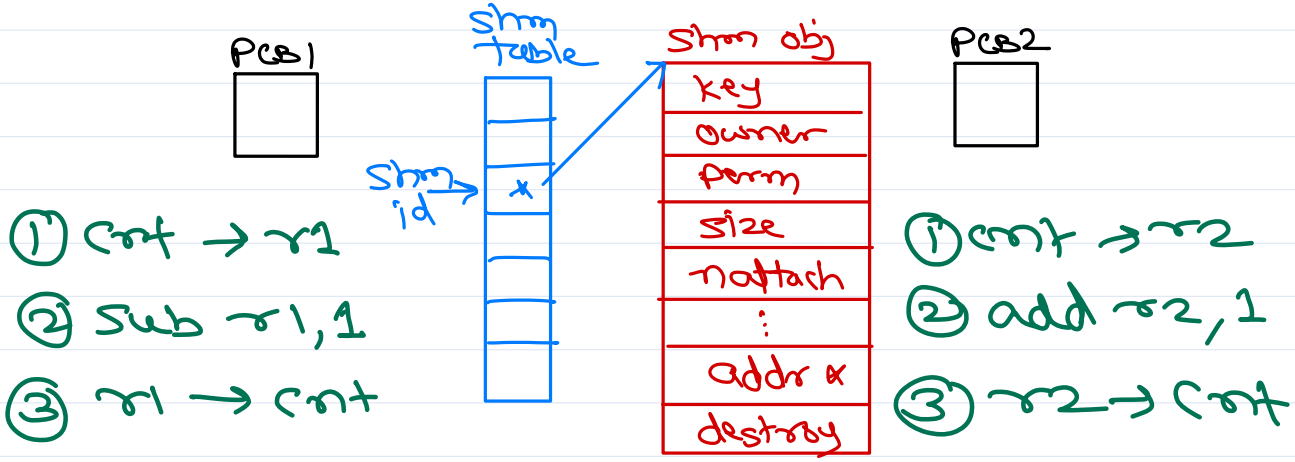
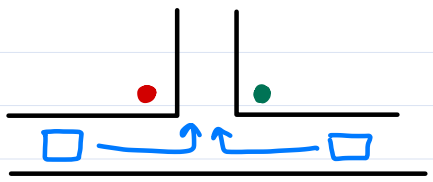
Synchronization — Semaphore





race condn: multiple process accessing same resource at the same time.

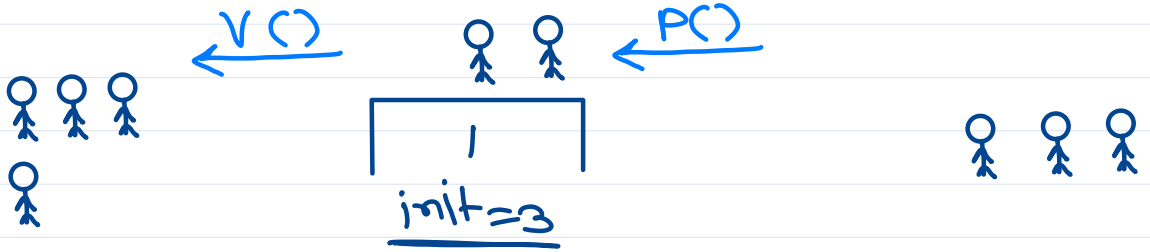


one / more processes can be blocked in order to provide safe access to other processes - synchronization.

Semaphore → sync primitive

- is a counter → operations: inc / dec
- dec op: decr count by 1.
  - if count < 0, the block curr. process
- inc op: incr count by 1.
  - if one/processes are blocked, wake up one of them.

V / Signal op | P / wait op



Semaphore types

① Counting semaphore: resource/processes counting. init value = n.

② binary semaphore: mutual exclusion or event/condition. init value = 1/0.

Semaphore

① mutual exclusion

S=1

P1
```
P(s);
access res.
V(s);
```

P2
```
P(s);
access res.
V(s);
```

② Condition / event

S=0

P1
```
—
—
P(s);
—
—
—
```

P2
```
—
—
—
—
V(s);
—
```

③ Counting

S=n

P1
```
P(s);
access res;
V(s);
```

P2
```
P(s);
access res;
V(s);
```

Pm
```
P(s);
access res;
V(s);
```

* Producer Consumer Problem

① producer process - produce data.
② consumer process - consume data.
③ producer → circular buffer → consumer
④ only one process should read/write into circular buffer.
- mutual exclusion. → Sm=1
⑤ if buffer is empty, block consumer.
- count filled slots → filled=0 → Sf=0
⑥ if buffer is full, block producer.
- count empty slots → empty=0 → Se=n

producer

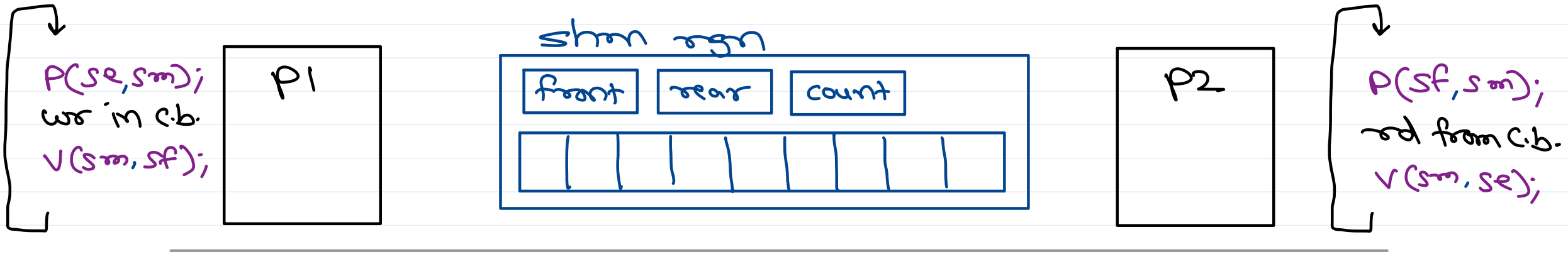
```
P(Se);
P(Sm);
wr in c.b.
V(Sm);
V(Sf);
```

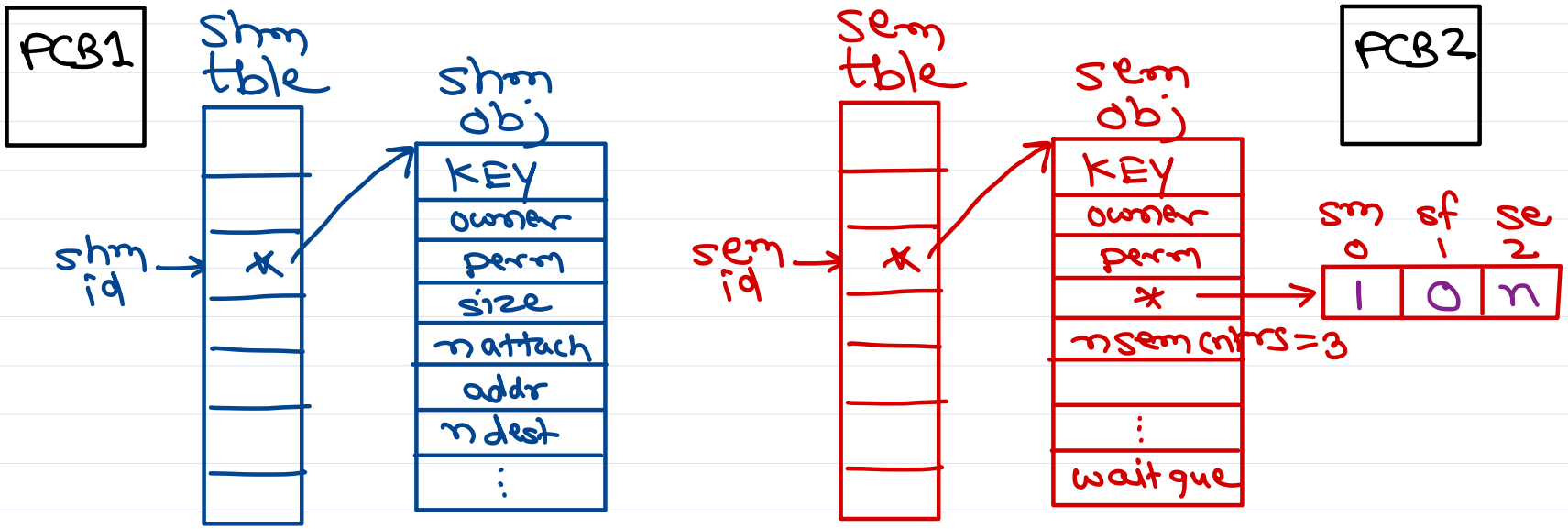
Q. Sm=1
1. Sf=0
2. Se=n

consumer

```
P(Sf);
P(Sm);
rd from c.b.
V(Sm);
V(Se);
```

Producer Consumer Problem





Deadlock

P1
1. open the file.
2. connect printer.
3. print file.
4. disconnect printer.
5. close the file.

P2
1. connect printer.
2. open the file.
3. print file
4. close the file.
5. disconnect printer.

Deadlock characteristics

1. no preemption
2. mutual exclusion
3. hold & wait
4. circular wait

Deadlock avoidance

process should inform OS about resources required before actually allocating them.
OS maintains data of all resources & processes and take decision about allow/deny the resource.
Avoidance algorithms:

1. Safe state
2. resource allocation graph.
3. bankers algorithm

sf=1
sp=1

P1
```
P(sf);
P(sp);
print file;
V(sp);
V(sf);
```

P2
```
P(sp);
P(sf);
print file;
V(sf);
V(sp);
```

Deadlock prevention

design system so that one of the deadlock condn never holds true – so deadlock is prevented.

sf=1;
sp=1;

P1
```
P(sf,sp);
print file;
V(sf,sp);
```

P2
```
P(sf,sp);
print file;
V(sf,sp);
```

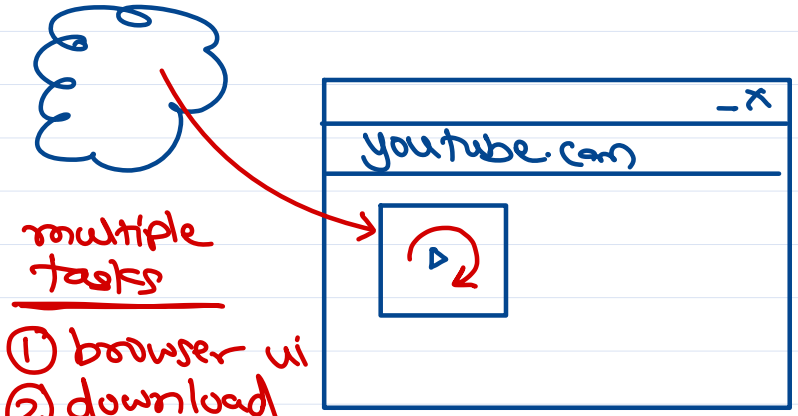
Sys V semaphore allow multiple ops to be done at same time. So hold & wait is never true.

deadlock detection

deadlock recovery

Processes 'involved' in deadlock are permanently blocked ie. 'in wait queue'.

Multi threading



multiple tasks

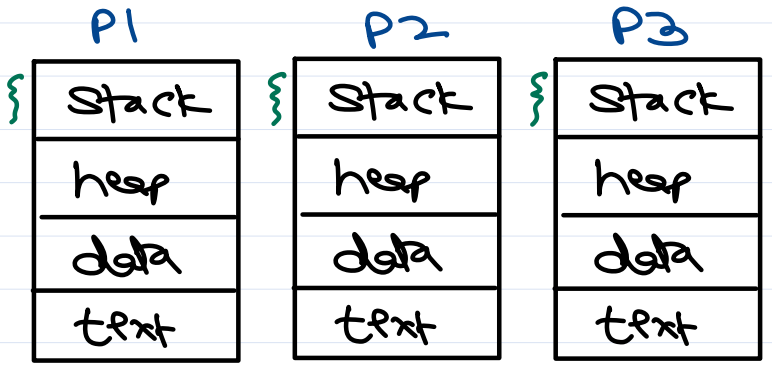
1. browser ui
2. download
3. play

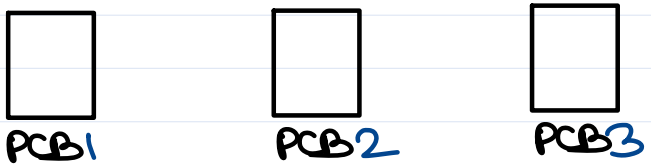
In modern OS, process is like a container that holds resources required for execution; while thread is unit of execution/scheduling.

For each process one thread is created by default, called as main thread.

cmd> PS -e -m -o pid,tid,nlwp,cmd

Process based multi-tasking

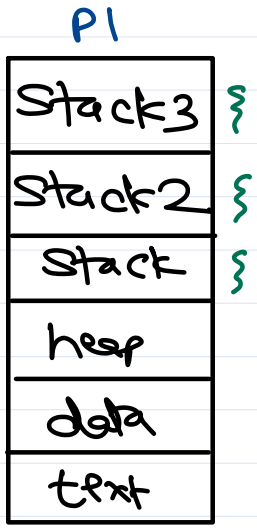


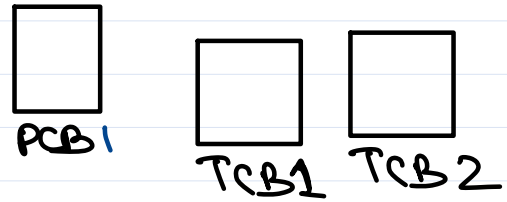


PCB: info about resource
e.g. pid, exit status, memory info, files info, ipc info (signal), ...

TCB: info about execution
e.g. tid, sched info (time, algo, priority), exec. ctx, kernel stack.

Thread based multi-tasking





Thread is a light-weight process.

Thank you!

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