

# Process Synchronization

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## Semaphores

Integer variable that can only be accessed by

wait()      Signal()  $\Rightarrow$  atomic operations

```
Pi while(1) {  
    wait(S);  
    C.S  
    Signal(S);  
};
```

```
typedef {  
    int value;  
    queue * Waiting Procs;  
} semaphore;
```



\* NO waste in cycles

\* NO Starvation

wait(S) {

S--;

if (S ≤ 0) {

add process to  
block(P);

}

}

S=1  
↓  
S=0

S → Waiting Processes;

Signal(S) {

S++; if (S ≤ 0) {

if (~~S ≤ 0~~) {

pop P from S → waiting Processes;

wakeup(P);

}

}

P<sub>1</sub>

P<sub>2</sub>

P<sub>3</sub>

S=1

C.S

wait(S)  
S=0

C.S

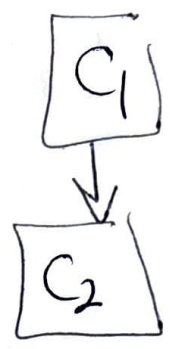
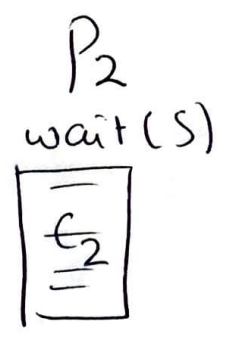
Signal(S)  
S=0

wait  
S=1  
blocked

C.S

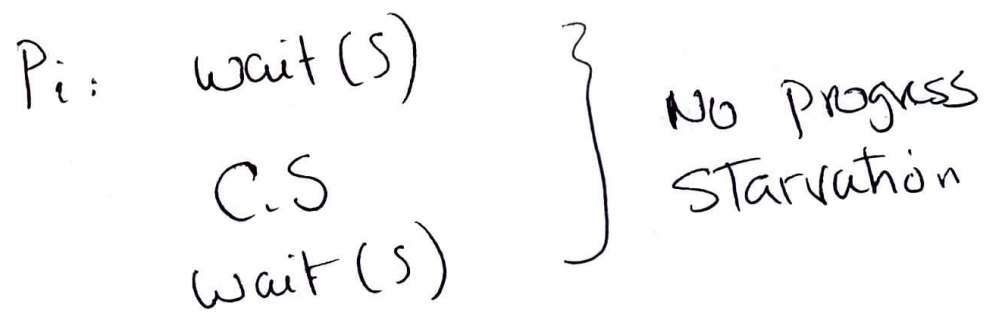
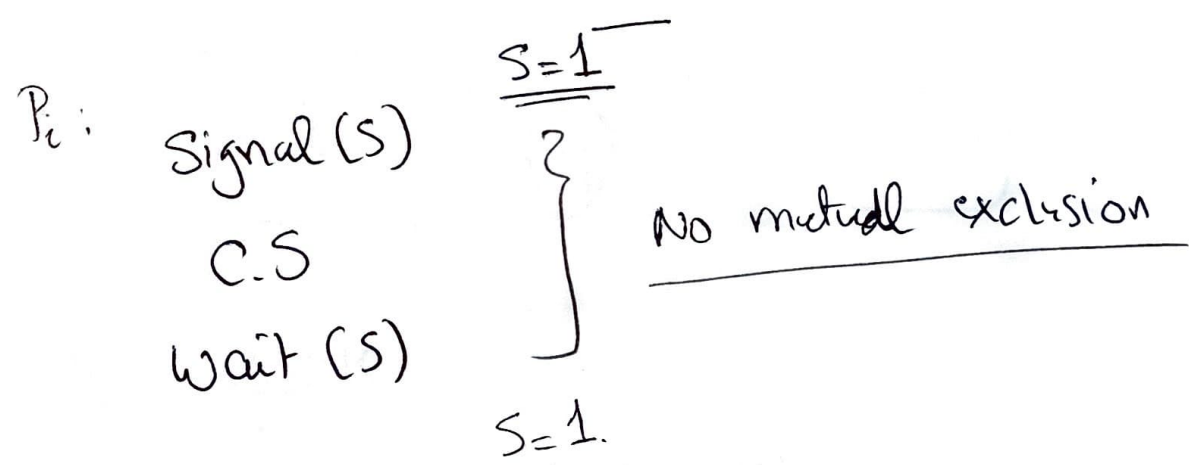
P<sub>1</sub>

(C.S)



$C_1$  executes before  $C_2$ .

$S=0$



$S=1$   $q=1$

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$P_1$

$P_2$

1) wait(S)  $S=0$   
wait(q)

wait(q) 2  
wait(S)  $q=0$

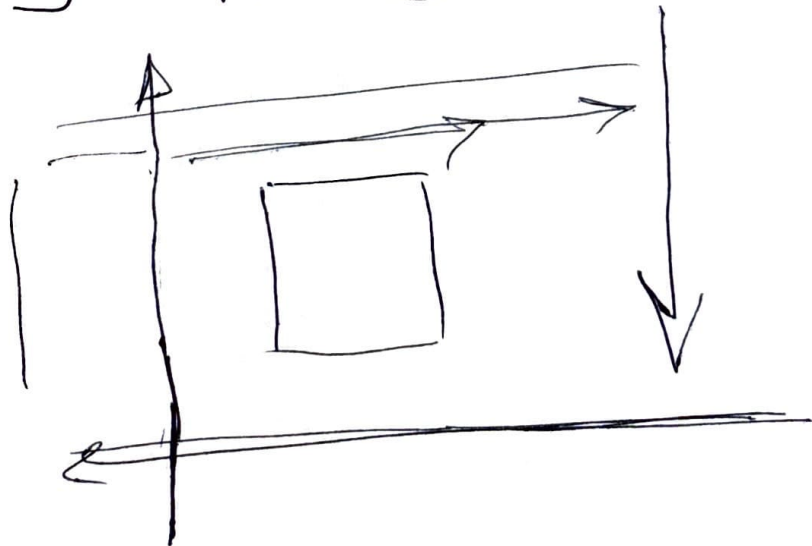
C.S  
Signal(q)  
Signal(S)

C.S  
Signal(S)  
Signal(q)



## Deadlock

A Set of processes are deadlocked if each is waiting for an event that can only happen by a waiting process.

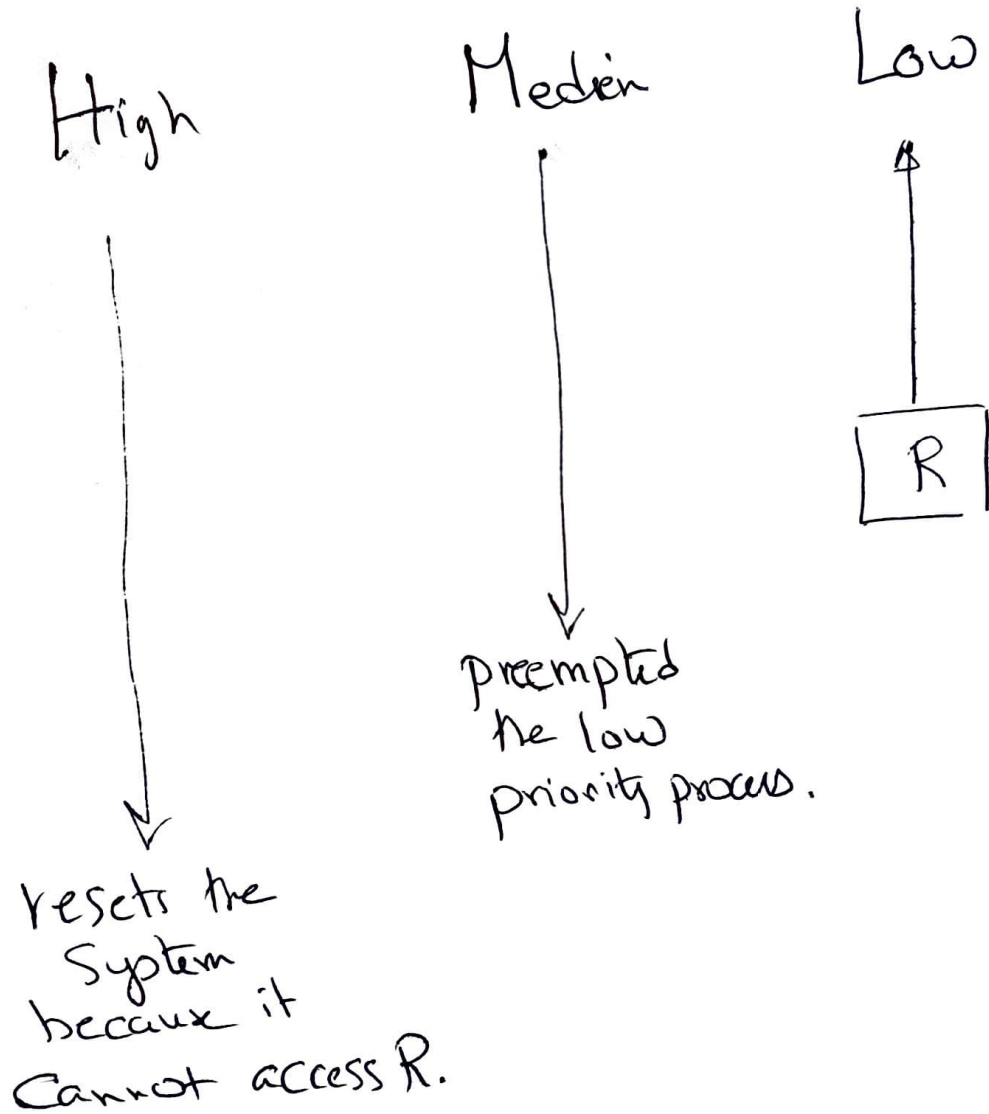


# Priority Inversion

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When a high priority process waits for a resource held by a lower priority process.

Mars landing Pathfinder 1997.



## Priority Inheritance

Give the low priority process the priority of the process waiting until it is done. then it gets back its priority (low).

# Classical Problems of Synchronization

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## [I] Bounded buffer problem

Semaphores [ mutex : buffer access (Prevent the producer and Consumer from accessing the same location at same time);  
empty : # of empty buffers  
Full : # of Full buffers  
mutex = 1  
empty = n  
Full = 0 ]

Producer

do {

item = produce item;

wait(empty);

[ wait(mutex);  
put item in buffer();

Signal(mutex);

Signal(Full);

} while(1)

Consumer

do {

wait(Full);

wait(mutex);

item = get item();

Signal(mutex);

Signal(empty);

consume - item();

} while(1);

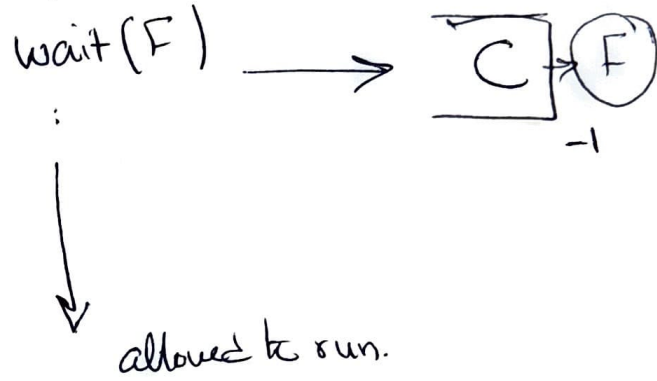


$n = 2$

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$m = 1$   
 $E = 2$   
 $F = 0$  Init

C



$P_1$

$E = 1$   
 $M = 0$

item

$m = 1$

$F = 0$

//

$E = 0$   
 $m = 1$

item

$m = 0$

$F = 1$

$E = -1$

$P$   $(E)$