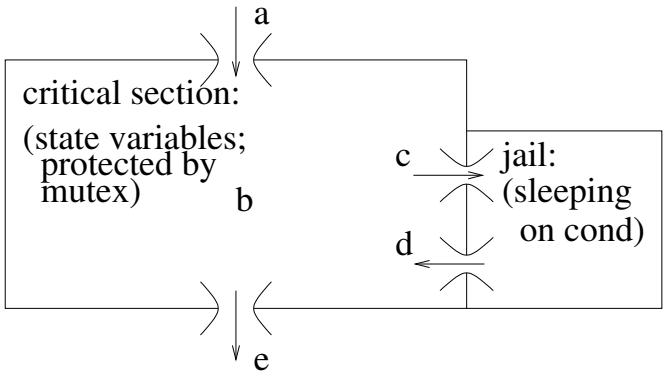
NOTE: We assume that using a resource may be slow, but acquiring and releasing a resource is fast.

ACQUIRE RESOURCE:

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pthread_mutex_t mutex;
pthread_cond_t cond;
```

a. pthread_mutex_lock(&mutex)
b. modify state variables;
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   while (! condition(state)) {
       pthread_cond_wait(&cond, &mutex);
   }
```
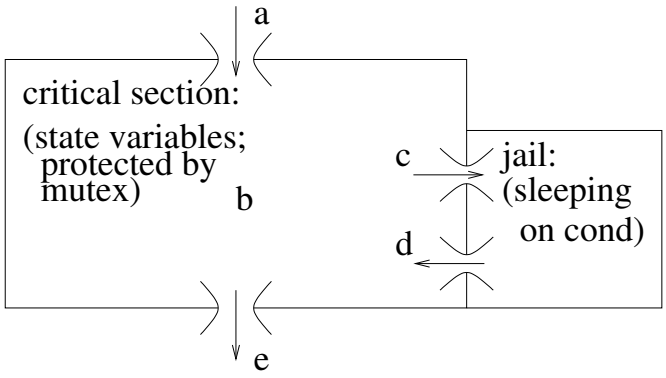
c. enters "jail" due to pthread_cond_wait()
d. leaves "jail" due to pthread_cond_signal()
   or pthread_cond_broadcast()
e. pthread_mutex_unlock(&mutex)

```
   # And if releasing a resource, then
   # call pthread_cond_signal() or
   # pthread_cond_broadcast to allow
   # other threads to leave the "jail".
```

USE RESOURCE:

Read, write, create new resource, delete resource, or whatever else

RELEASE RESOURCE:



NOTE: When releasing a resource, we will still modify the state variables in part b, and it is important to call pthread_cond_signal/broadcast, but we usually don't need to test a condition and wait.