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Project Description

Project 1: The Sleeping Teaching Assistant:

A university computer science department has a teaching assistant (TA) who helps undergraduate students with their programming assignments during regular office hours. The TA 's office is rather small and has room for only one desk with a chair and computer. There are three chairs in the hallway outside the office where students can sit and wait if the TA is currently helping another student. When there are no students who need help during office hours, the TA

sits at the desk and takes a nap. If a student arrives during office hours and finds the TA sleeping, the student must awaken the TA to ask for help. If a student arrives and finds the TA currently helping another student, the student sits on one of the chairs in the hallway and waits. If no chairs are available, the student will come back at a later time. Using JAVA threads, mutex locks, and semaphores, implement a solution that coordinates the activities of the TA and the students. The number of disks in the TA's room (aka no. of TAs), number of chair for waiting students and number of students that have questions should be provided as an input to your program.

A Java Swing window with a light gray background. On the left side, there are three input fields: '#TAs' with the value '2', '#Students' with the value '20', and '#Chairs' with the value '3'. Below these fields is a 'Start' button. On the right side, there are five labels with corresponding values: '#TAs Working' (2), '#TAs Sleeping' (0), '#Students waiting onChairs' (2), and '#Students that will come later' (16). The window has standard macOS-style window controls (red, yellow, green buttons) in the top-left corner.

#TAs	2	#TAs Working	2
#Students	20	#TAs Sleeping	0
#Chairs	3	#Students waiting onChairs	2
		#Students that will come later	16

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1-Test Case

IF no available students come to visit the TA and the TA will check the hallway outside his office, none of the students are seated and waiting for him.

The TA will sleep in his office.

2-Test Case

When a student arrives at the TA's office and finds the TA sleeping, then the student will awaken the TA and ask for help. When the TA assists the student, when the TA finishes helping one student, he will check if there is any other student waiting in the hallway. If yes, he will help the next student and if not, TA goes back to sleeping and TA's semaphore becomes 1 and awaits student's semaphore.

3-Test Case

When a student arrives while the TA.
IF the TA is busy, the student will have to wait seated outside in the hallway until the TA is done with his session. When the TA completes his session, the student seated outside will be called in by the TA for a review session. Once all students have finished their sessions and left the TA's office, the TA will go back to sleep after making sure no students are waiting.

4-Test Case

When a student arrives while the TA is busy in a review session, and all the seats in the hallway are occupied. Then, students will have to leave the hallway and come back later. When the student comes back, eventually, and there is a seat available, he will take a seat and wait for his turn with the TA

Total Threads.

Main Thread:

- The `main` method (not provided in the code snippet) is likely the entry point for the program.
- The `main` method would create instances of the `TA` class, start threads, and possibly perform other tasks.
- The `main` method would run in the main thread.

TA Thread:

- Each instance of the `TA` class is associated with a thread because the class implements the `Runnable` interface.
- The `run` method of the `TA` class contains the logic executed by the thread associated with an instance of `TA`.
- Multiple instances of the `TA` class can be created, each running in its own thread

`Student` class, there is a single thread associated with each instance of the class. The class implements the `Runnable` interface, and its behavior is defined in the `run` method

- The total number of threads used depends on how many instances of the `TA`, `Student` class are created and started in the `main` method.

Code Documentation

```
class Student {
    private Thread t;

    static class Student implements Runnable {
        private int id;
        public Student(int id) {
            this.id = id;
        }
        public void run() {
            try {
                // Check if there is an available chair in the hallway
                if (chairMutex.tryAcquire()) {
                    // If yes, student waits
                    waitingStudents++;
                    // Notify TA
                    student.release();
                    // Acquire TA's attention
                    ta.acquire();
                    // Ask questions
                    // Release chair
                    chairMutex.release();
                    // Simulate time taken to ask questions
                    Thread.sleep(1000);
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```

        // Simulate TA answering questions
        studentsWithQuestions--;
        // Notify TA that student is done
        student.release();
    } else {
        // If no chair available, student comes back later
    }
}
}
}
}
}

```

```

static class TA implements Runnable {
    private Thread t;
    public void run() {
        try {
            while (studentsWithQuestions > 0) {
                // Wait for student to arrive
                student.acquire();
                // Wake up TA
                taMutex.acquire();
                // Check if there are waiting students
                if (waitingStudents > 0) {
                    // TA helps the student
                    waitingStudents--;
                    // Notify student
                    ta.release();
                    Thread.sleep(2000);
                } else {
                    // No students waiting, TA can take a nap
                    // Release TA's room
                    taMutex.release();
                    // Notify student
                    ta.release();
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

```

```
        // Wait for next student
        student.acquire();
        // Wake up TA
        taMutex.acquire();
        // TA helps the student
        waitingStudents--;
        // Notify student
        ta.release();
        // Simulate time taken to help the student
        Thread.sleep(2000);
    }
    // Release TA's room
    taMutex.release();
}
}
}
```