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System Software Experiment 2
Thread Synchronization

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Example 1

- Make program
  - 5 Reader + 1 Writer
  - Writer updates value 1,000,000 times
  - Each reader reads value 10,000,000 times

- Use pthread_mutex

Example 2

- Implement same thing using pthread_spinlock
  - pthread_spinlock_t s
  - pthread_spin_init(&s, PTHREAD_PROCESS_PRIVATE)
  - pthread_spin_[un]lock(&s)
  - pthread_spin_destroy(&s)

- What is the difference?

Readers-Writer Lock

- Reader blocks other reader
  - Do we need this?
- Implementation
  - Using two mutexes
  - Using a condition variable and a mutex

Readers-Writer Lock(1)

- Two mutex

Begin Read

- Lock r.
- Increment b.
- If $b = 1$, lock g.
- Unlock r.

End Read

- Lock r.
- Decrement b.
- If $b = 0$, unlock g.
- Unlock r.

Begin Write

- Lock g.

End Write

- Unlock g.

Readers-Writer Lock(2)

- A condition variable and a mutex
  - Lock for read

- Input: mutex m, condition variable c, integer r (number of readers waiting), flag w (writer waiting).
- Lock m (blocking).
- While w:
  - wait c, m[a]
- Increment r.
- Unlock m.

  - Lock for write

- Lock m (blocking).
- While w:
  - wait c, m
- Set w to true.
- While $r > 0$:
  - wait c, m
- Unlock m.

Example 3-4

- Example 3
  - Implement program with readers-writer lock(Using mutex)
- Example 4
  - Implement program with readers-writer lock(Using condition variables)
- What is the difference?