

# Operating System Homework

Semaphores are used to provide better synchronization between processes.

In this homework you are asked to write a full program based on Reader Writer Lock example using Semaphores.

- Your program should:
  - Perform write and read operations on same data array
  - If two threads should access the same array
  - If any of these threads are writing data in the array, no other thread should be to read or write data
  - If there are no writes on the array, both threads should be able to read concurrently
  
- Submission should include:
  - Source code
  - Example screenshots of the program
  - All files should be zipped in one file

You can use the implementation of Reader Writer Lock with semaphores as shown below:

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1  typedef struct _rwlock_t {
2      sem_t lock;          // binary semaphore (basic lock)
3      sem_t writelock;    // used to allow ONE writer or MANY readers
4      int  readers;       // count of readers reading in critical section
5  } rwlock_t;
6
7  void rwlock_init(rwlock_t *rw) {
8      rw->readers = 0;
9      sem_init(&rw->lock, 0, 1);
10     sem_init(&rw->writelock, 0, 1);
11 }
12
13 void rwlock_acquire_readlock(rwlock_t *rw) {
14     sem_wait(&rw->lock);
15     rw->readers++;
16     if (rw->readers == 1)
17         sem_wait(&rw->writelock); // first reader acquires writelock
18     sem_post(&rw->lock);
19 }
20
21 void rwlock_release_readlock(rwlock_t *rw) {
22     sem_wait(&rw->lock);
23     rw->readers--;
24     if (rw->readers == 0)
25         sem_post(&rw->writelock); // last reader releases writelock
26     sem_post(&rw->lock);
27 }
28
29 void rwlock_acquire_writelock(rwlock_t *rw) {
30     sem_wait(&rw->writelock);
31 }
32
33 void rwlock_release_writelock(rwlock_t *rw) {
34     sem_post(&rw->writelock);
35 }

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