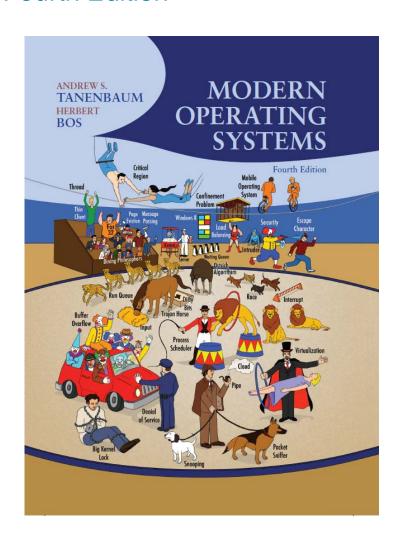


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Chapter 2

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The Process Model (1 of 3)

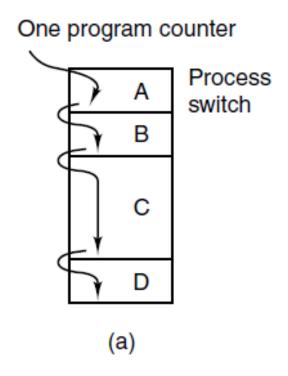


Figure 2-1. (a) Multiprogramming of four programs.



The Process Model (2 of 3)

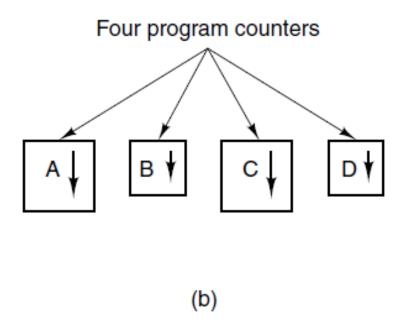


Figure 2-1. (b) Conceptual model of four independent, sequential processes.



The Process Model (3 of 3)

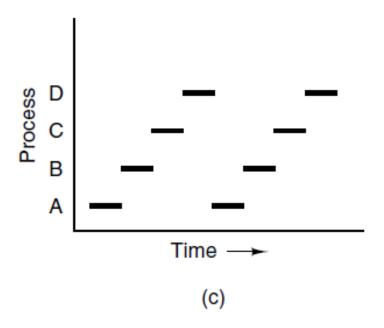


Figure 2-1. (c) Only one program is active at once.



Process Creation

Four principal events that cause processes to be created:

- 1. System initialization.
- 2. Execution of a process creation system call by a running process.
- 3. A user request to create a new process.
- 4. Initiation of a batch job.



Process Termination

Typical conditions which terminate a process:

- 1. Normal exit (voluntary).
- 2. Error exit (voluntary).
- 3. Fatal error (involuntary).
- 4. Killed by another process (involuntary).



Process States (1 of 3)

Three states a process may be in:

- 1. Running (actually using the CPU at that instant).
- 2. Ready (runnable; temporarily stopped to let another process run).
- 3. Blocked (unable to run until some external event happens).



Process States (2 of 3)

- 1. Process blocks for input
- 2. Scheduler picks another process
- 3. Scheduler picks this process
- 4. Input becomes available

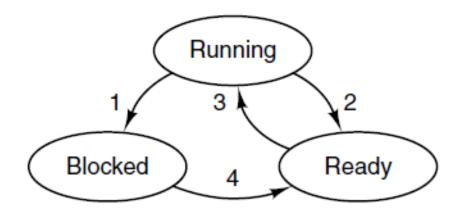


Figure 2-2. A process can be in running, blocked, or ready state. Transitions between these states are as shown.



Process States (3 of 3)

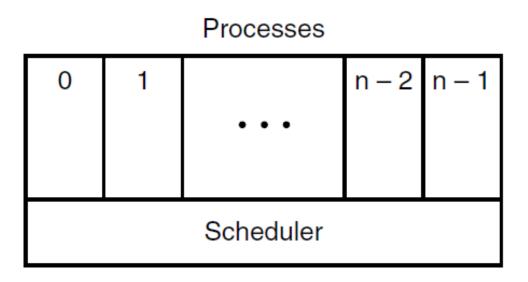


Figure 2-3. The lowest layer of a process-structured operating system handles interrupts and scheduling. Above that layer are sequential processes.



Implementation of Processes (1 of 2)

Some of the fields of a typical process table entry.

Process management	Memory management	File management
Registers	Pointer to text segment info	Root directory
Program counter	Pointer to data segment info	Working directory
Program status word	Pointer to stack segment info	File descriptors
Stack pointer		User ID
Process state		Group ID
Priority		
Scheduling parameters		
Process ID		
Parent process		
Process group		
Signals		
Time when process started		
CPU time used		
Children's CPU time		
Time of next alarm		



Implementation of Processes (2 of 2)

Skeleton of what the lowest level of the operating system does when an interrupt occurs.

- 1. Hardware stacks program counter, etc.
- Hardware loads new program counter from interrupt vector.
- Assembly language procedure saves registers.
- Assembly language procedure sets up new stack.
- C interrupt service runs (typically reads and buffers input).
- Scheduler decides which process is to run next.
- 7. C procedure returns to the assembly code.
- 8. Assembly language procedure starts up new current process.



Modeling Multiprogramming

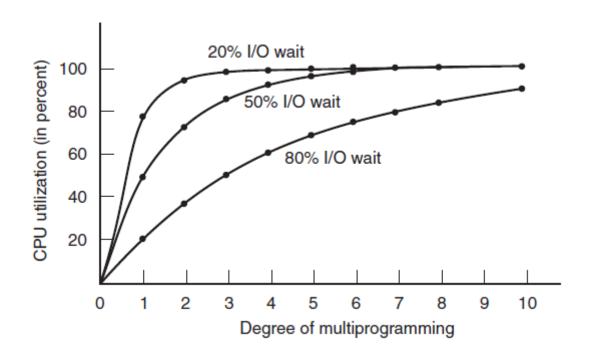


Figure 2-6. CPU utilization as a function of the number of processes in memory.



Thread Usage (1 of 4)

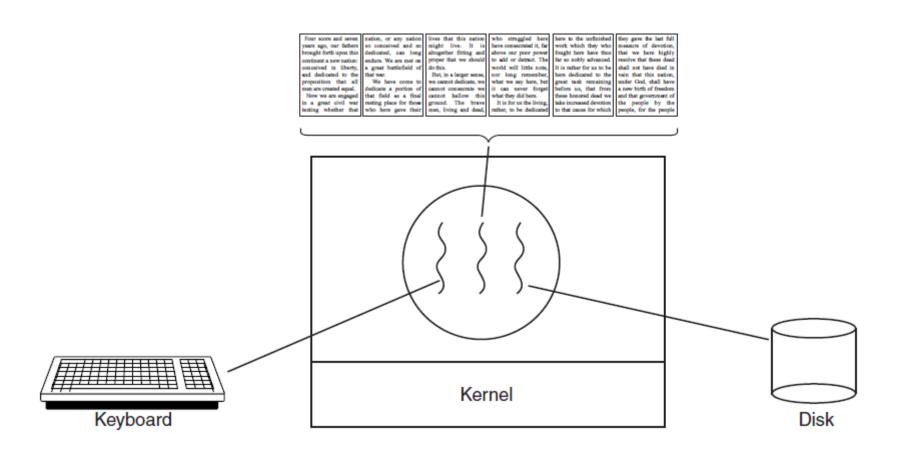


Figure 2-7. A word processor with three threads.



Thread Usage (2 of 4)

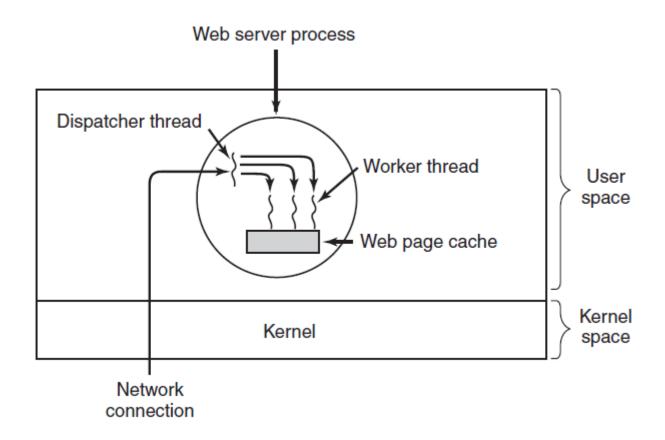


Figure 2-8. A multithreaded Web server.



Thread Usage (3 of 4)

```
while (TRUE) {
    get_next_request(&buf);
    handoff_work(&buf);
}

while (TRUE) {
    wait_for_work(&buf)
    look_for_page_in_cache(&buf, &page);
    if (page_not_in_cache(&page))
        read_page_from_disk(&buf, &page);
    return_page(&page);
}

(a)

(b)
```

Figure 2-9. A rough outline of the code for Fig. 2-8. (a) Dispatcher thread. (b) Worker thread.



Thread Usage (4 of 4)

Three ways to construct a server.

Model	Characteristics	
Threads	Parallelism, blocking system calls	
Single-threaded process	No parallelism, blocking system calls	
Finite-state machine	Parallelism, nonblocking system calls, interrupts	



The Classical Thread Model (1 of 3)

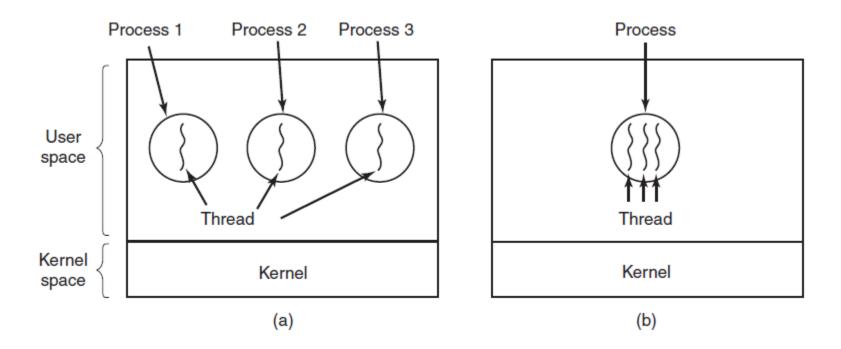


Figure 2-11. (a) Three processes each with one thread. (b) One process with three threads.



The Classical Thread Model (2 of 3)

The first column lists some items shared by all threads in a process. The second one lists some items private to each thread.

Per process items

Address space

Global variables

Open files

Child processes

Pending alarms

Signals and signal handlers

Accounting information

Per thread items

Program counter

Registers

Stack

State



The Classical Thread Model (3 of 3)

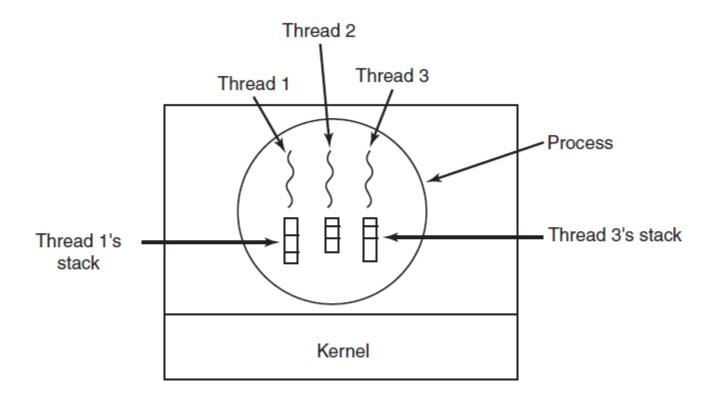


Figure 2-13. Each thread has its own stack.



POSIX Threads (1 of 3)

Some of the Pthreads function calls.

Thread call	Description
Pthread_create	Create a new thread
Pthread—exit	Terminate the calling thread
Pthread_join	Wait for a specific thread to exit
Pthread_yield	Release the CPU to let another thread run
Pthread_attr—init	Create and initialize a thread's attribute structure
Pthread_attr_destroy	Remove a thread's attribute structure



POSIX Threads (2 of 3)

```
#include <pthread.h>
 #include <stdio.h>
 #include <stdlib.h>
 #define NUMBER_OF_THREADS
                                      10
 void *print_hello_world(void *tid)
       /* This function prints the thread's identifier and then exits. */
       printf("Hello World. Greetings from thread %d\n", tid);
       pthread_exit(NULL);
 int main(int argc, char *argv[])
       /* The main program creates 10 threads and then exits. */
       pthread_t threads[NUMBER_OF_THREADS];
       int status, i;
       for(i=0; i < NUMBER_OF_THREADS; i++) {
            printf("Main here. Creating thread %d\n", i);
status = pthread_create(&threads[i], NULL, print_hello_world, (void *)i);
```

Figure 2-15. An example program using threads.



POSIX Threads (3 of 3)

```
for(i=0; i < NUMBER_OF_THREADS; i++) {
    printf("Main here. Creating thread %d\n", i);
    status = pthread_create(&threads[i], NULL, print_hello_world, (void *)i);

    if (status != 0) {
        printf("Oops. pthread_create returned error code %d\n", status);
        exit(-1);
    }
}
exit(NULL);
```

Figure 2-15. An example program using threads.



Implementing Threads in User Space

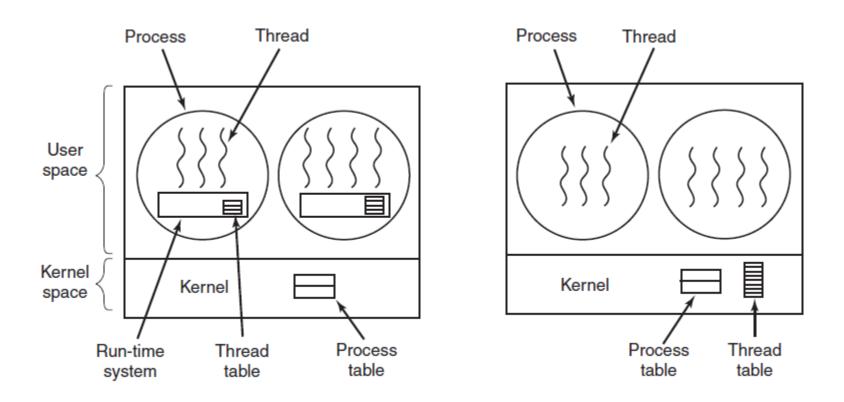


Figure 2-16. (a) A user-level threads package. (b) A threads package managed by the kernel.



Hybrid Implementations

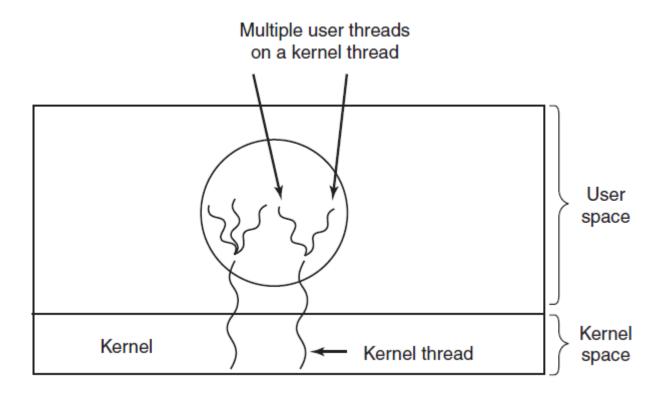


Figure 2-17. Multiplexing user-level threads onto kernel-level threads.



Pop-Up Threads

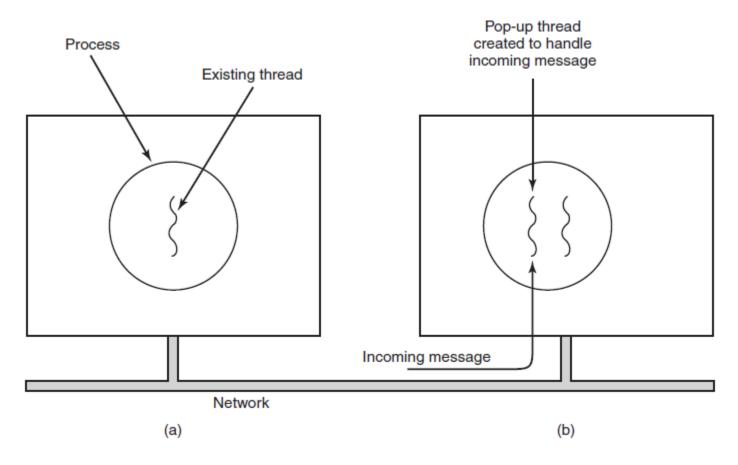


Figure 2-18. Creation of a new thread when a message arrives. (a) Before the message arrives. (b) After the message arrives.



Making Single-Threaded Code Multithreaded (1 of 2)

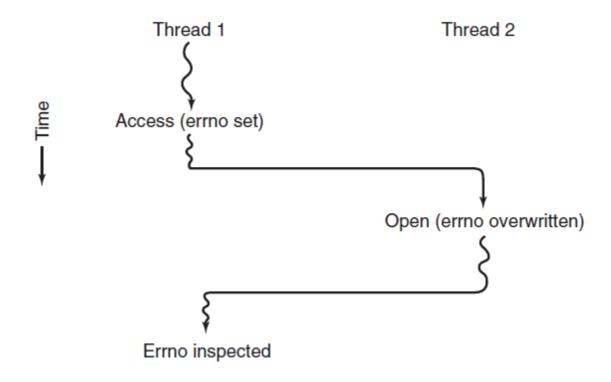


Figure 2-19. Conflicts between threads over the use of a global variable.



Making Single-Threaded Code Multithreaded (2 of 2)

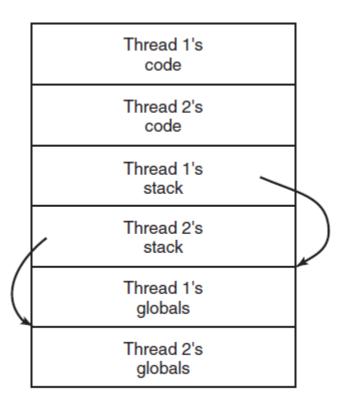


Figure 2-20. Threads can have private global variables.



Race Conditions

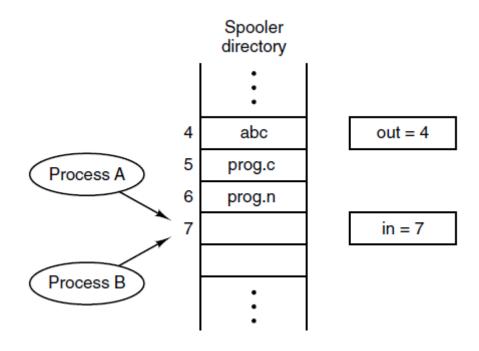


Figure 2-21. Two processes want to access shared memory at the same time.



Critical Regions (1 of 2)

Requirements to avoid race conditions:

- 1. No two processes may be simultaneously inside their critical regions.
- 2. No assumptions may be made about speeds or the number of CPUs.
- No process running outside its critical region may block other processes.
- 4. No process should have to wait forever to enter its critical region.



Critical Regions (2 of 2)

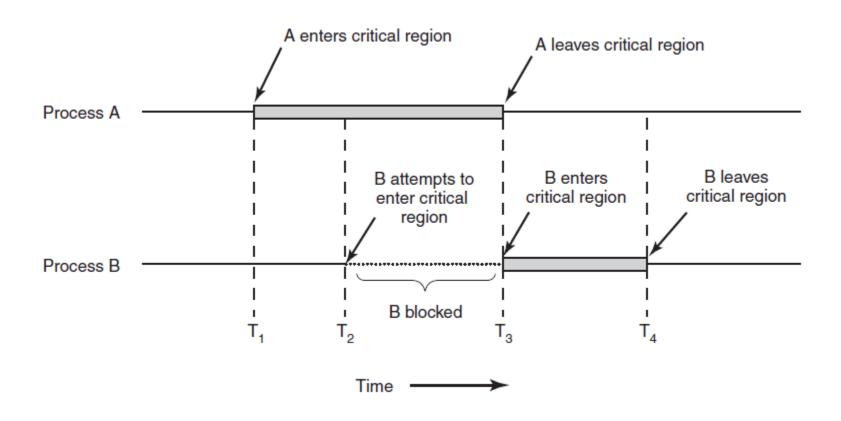


Figure 2-22. Mutual exclusion using critical regions.



Mutual Exclusion with Busy Waiting: Strict Alternation

Figure 2-23. A proposed solution to the critical region problem. (a) Process 0. (b) Process 1. In both cases, be sure to note the semicolons terminating the **while** statements.



Mutual Exclusion with Busy Waiting: Peterson's Solution

```
#define FALSE 0
#define TRUE 1
#define N
                                        /* number of processes */
                                        /* whose turn is it? */
int turn;
int interested[N];
                                        /* all values initially 0 (FALSE) */
void enter_region(int process);
                                        /* process is 0 or 1 */
     int other;
                                        /* number of the other process */
     other = 1 - process;
                                        /* the opposite of process */
     interested[process] = TRUE;
                                        /* show that you are interested */
                                        /* set flag */
     turn = process;
     while (turn == process && interested[other] == TRUE) /* null statement */;
void leave_region(int process)
                                        /* process: who is leaving */
     interested[process] = FALSE;
                                        /* indicate departure from critical region */
```

Figure 2-24. Peterson's solution for achieving mutual exclusion.



Mutual Exclusion with Busy Waiting: The TSL Instruction (1 of 2)

```
enter_region:

TSL REGISTER,LOCK

CMP REGISTER,#0

JNE enter_region

RET

| copy lock to register and set lock to 1
| was lock zero?
| if it was nonzero, lock was set, so loop
| return to caller; critical region entered

| leave_region:
| MOVE LOCK,#0
| RET
| store a 0 in lock
| return to caller
```

Figure 2-25. Entering and leaving a critical region using the TSL instruction.



Mutual Exclusion with Busy Waiting: The TSL Instruction (2 of 2)

```
enter_region:
     MOVE REGISTER,#1
                                               put a 1 in the register
     XCHG REGISTER,LOCK
                                               swap the contents of the register and lock variable
     CMP REGISTER.#0
                                               was lock zero?
     JNE enter_region
                                               if it was non zero, lock was set, so loop
     RET
                                               return to caller; critical region entered
leave_region:
     MOVE LOCK,#0
                                               store a 0 in lock
     RFT
                                               return to caller
```

Figure 2-26. Entering and leaving a critical region using the XCHG instruction



Sleep and Wakeup: The Producer-Consumer Problem (1 of 2)

```
#define N 100
                                                      /* number of slots in the buffer */
int count = 0:
                                                      /* number of items in the buffer */
void producer(void)
     int item:
     while (TRUE) {
                                                      /* repeat forever */
                                                      /* generate next item */
           item = produce_item();
                                                      /* if buffer is full, go to sleep */
           if (count == N) sleep();
           insert_item(item);
                                                      /* put item in buffer */
                                                      /* increment count of items in buffer */
           count = count + 1:
          if (count == 1) wakeup(consumer);
                                                      /* was buffer empty? */
void consumer(void)
```

Figure 2-27. The producer-consumer problem with a fatal race condition.



Sleep and Wakeup: The Producer-Consumer Problem (2 of 2)

```
void consumer(void)
{
    int item;

    while (TRUE) {
        if (count == 0) sleep();
        item = remove_item();
        count = count - 1;
        if (count == N - 1) wakeup(producer);
        consume_item(item);
}

void consumer(void)

/* repeat forever */
/* if buffer is empty, got to sleep */
/* take item out of buffer */
/* decrement count of items in buffer */
/* was buffer full? */
/* print item */

}

}
```

Figure 2-27. The producer-consumer problem with a fatal race condition.



Semaphores (1 of 2)

```
#define N 100
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* number of slots in the buffer */
      typedef int semaphore;
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* semaphores are a special kind of int */
      semaphore mutex = 1;
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* controls access to critical region */
      semaphore empty = N;
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* counts empty buffer slots */
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* counts full buffer slots */
      semaphore full = 0;
      void producer(void)
                            int item:
                            while (TRUE) {
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* TRUE is the constant 1 */
                                                 item = produce_item();
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* generate something to put in buffer */
                                                 down(&empty);
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* decrement empty count */
                                                 down(&mutex);
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* enter critical region */
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* put new item in buffer */
                                                 insert_item(item);
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* leave critical region */
                                                 up(&mutex);
                                                                                                                                                                                                       /* increment count of full slots */
                                                 up(&full);
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Figure 2-28. The producer-consumer problem using semaphores.



Semaphores (2 of 2)

```
/* increment count of full slots */
void consumer(void)
     int item;
     while (TRUE) {
                                                /* infinite loop */
          down(&full);
                                                /* decrement full count */
          down(&mutex);
                                                /* enter critical region */
                                                /* take item from buffer */
          item = remove_item();
          up(&mutex);
                                                /* leave critical region */
                                                /* increment count of empty slots */
          up(&empty);
          consume_item(item);
                                                /* do something with the item */
```

Figure 2-28. The producer-consumer problem using semaphores.



Mutexes

```
mutex lock:
        TSL REGISTER, MUTEX
                                        copy mutex to register and set mutex to 1
        CMP REGISTER,#0
                                        was mutex zero?
        JZE ok
                                        if it was zero, mutex was unlocked, so return
                                        mutex is busy; schedule another thread
        CALL thread_yield
        JMP mutex lock
                                        try again
        RFT
                                        return to caller; critical region entered
ok:
mutex_unlock:
        MOVE MUTEX,#0
                                        store a 0 in mutex
        RFT
                                        return to caller
```

Figure 2-29. Implementation of mutex_lock and mutex_unlock.



Mutexes in Pthreads (1 of 5)

Some of the Pthreads calls relating to mutexes.

Thread Call	Description
Pthread_mutex	Create a mutex
Pthread_mutex	Destroy an existing mutex
Pthread _mutex	Acquire a lock or block
Pthread_mutex	Acquire a lock or fail
Pthread_mutex	Release a lock



Mutexes in Pthreads (2 of 5)

Some of the Pthreads calls relating to condition variables.

Thread Call	Description
Pthread_cond_init	Create a mutex
Pthread_cond_destroy	Destroy an existing mutex
Pthread _cond_wait	Acquire a lock or block
Pthread_cond_signal	Acquire a lock or fail
Pthread_cond_broadcast	Release a lock



Mutexes in Pthreads (3 of 5)

```
#include <stdio.h>
        #include <pthread.h>
        #define MAX 1000000000
                                                                                                                                                                                       /* how many numbers to produce */
        pthread_mutex_t the_mutex;
        pthread_cond_t condc, condp;
                                                                                                                                                                                       /* used for signaling */
       int buffer = 0:
                                                                                                                                                                                       /* buffer used between producer and consumer */
       void *producer(void *ptr)
                                                                                                                                                                                        /* produce data */
                           int i;
                           for (i=1; i \le MAX; i++) {
                                               pthread_mutex_lock(&the_mutex); /* get exclusive access to buffer */
                                               while (buffer != 0) pthread_cond_wait(&condp, &the_mutex);
                                                                                                                                                                                        /* put item in buffer */
                                               buffer = i:
                                               pthread_cond_signal(&condc);
                                                                                                                                                                                       /* wake up consumer */
                                               pthread_mutex_unlock(&the_mutex); /* release access to buffer */
                           pthread_exit(0);
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Figure 2-32. Using threads to solve the producer-consumer problem.



Mutexes in Pthreads (4 of 5)

```
void *consumer(void *ptr)
                                                 /* consume data */
       int i:
       for (i = 1; i \le MAX; i++) {
            pthread_mutex_lock(&the_mutex); /* get exclusive access to buffer */
            while (buffer ==0) pthread_cond_wait(&condc, &the_mutex);
                                               /* take item out of buffer */
            buffer = 0:
            pthread_cond_signal(&condp); /* wake up producer */
            pthread_mutex_unlock(&the_mutex); /* release access to buffer */
       pthread_exit(0);
int main(int argc, char **argv)
```

Figure 2-32. Using threads to solve the producer-consumer problem.



Mutexes in Pthreads (5 of 5)

```
int main(int argc, char **argv)
         pthread_t pro, con;
         pthread_mutex_init(&the_mutex, 0);
         pthread_cond_init(&condc, 0);
         pthread_cond_init(&condp, 0);
         pthread_create(&con, 0, consumer, 0);
         pthread_create(&pro, 0, producer, 0);
         pthread_join(pro, 0);
         pthread_join(con, 0);
         pthread_cond_destroy(&condc);
         pthread_cond_destroy(&condp);
         pthread_mutex_destroy(&the_mutex);
```

Figure 2-32. Using threads to solve the producer-consumer problem.



Monitors (1 of 6)

```
monitor example
    integer i;
    condition c;

procedure producer();
...
end;

procedure consumer();
...
end;
end monitor;
```

Figure 2-33. A monitor.



Monitors (2 of 6)

```
monitor ProducerConsumer
                                                         condition full, empty;
                                                         integer count;
                                                         procedure insert(item: integer);
                                                         begin
                                                                                             if count = N then wait(full);
                                                                                             insert_item(item);
                                                                                             count := count + 1;
                                                                                             if count = 1 then signal(empty)
                                                         end;
                                                         function remove: integer;
                                                         begin
                                                                                             if count = 0 then wait(empty);
                                                                                             remove = remove\_item;
                                                                                             count := count - 1;
                                                                                             if count = N - 1 then signal(full)
                                                         end;
                                                        count := 0;
                      end monitor:
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```

Figure 2-34. An outline of the producer-consumer problem with monitors. Only one monitor procedure at a time is active. The buffer has N slots.



Monitors (3 of 6)

```
procedure producer;
    begin
         while true do
         begin
               item = produce_item;
               ProducerConsumer.insert(item)
         end
    end;
    procedure consumer;
    begin
         while true do
         begin
               item = ProducerConsumer.remove;
               consume_item(item)
         end
    end;
```

Figure 2-34. An outline of the producer-consumer problem with monitors. Only one monitor procedure at a time is active. The buffer has N slots.



Monitors (4 of 6)

```
public class ProducerConsumer {
       static final int N = 100:
                               // constant giving the buffer size
       static producer p = new producer(); // instantiate a new producer thread
       static consumer c = new consumer(); // instantiate a new consumer thread
                                                  // instantiate a new monitor
       static our_monitor mon = new our_monitor();
       public static void main(String args[]) {
                    // start the producer thread
         p.start();
                   // start the consumer thread
         c.start();
       static class producer extends Thread {
         public void run() {// run method contains the thread code
           int item:
           while (true) { // producer loop
             item = produce_item();
             mon.insert(item);
         private int produce_item() { ... } // actually produce
       static class consumer extends Thread {
^{\wedge}
```

Figure 2-35. A solution to the producer-consumer problem in Java.



Monitors (5 of 6)

```
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               private int produce_item() { ... } // actually produce
    static class consumer extends Thread {
               public void run() { run method contains the thread code
                          int item:
                          while (true) { // consumer loop
                                     item = mon.remove();
                                    consume_item (item);
               private void consume_item(int item) { ... } // actually consume
    static class our_monitor { // this is a monitor
               private int buffer[] = new int[N];
               private int count = 0, lo = 0, hi = 0; // counters and indices
               public synchronized void insert(int val) {
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Figure 2-35. A solution to the producer-consumer problem in Java.



Monitors (6 of 6)

```
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                        if (count == N) go_to_sleep(); // if the buffer is full, go to sleep
                       buffer [hi] = val; // insert an item into the buffer
                        hi = (hi + 1) % N; // slot to place next item in
                       count = count + 1; // one more item in the buffer now
                       if (count == 1) notify(); // if consumer was sleeping, wake it up
              public synchronized int remove() {
                       int val:
                       if (count == 0) go_to_sleep(); // if the buffer is empty, go to sleep
                       val = buffer [lo]; // fetch an item from the buffer
                       Io = (Io + 1) \% N; // slot to fetch next item from
                       count = count - 1; // one few items in the buffer
                        if (count == N - 1) notify(); // if producer was sleeping, wake it up
                       return val:
           private void go_to_sleep() { try{wait();} catch(InterruptedException exc) {};}
```

Figure 2-35. A solution to the producer-consumer problem in Java.



The Producer-Consumer Problem with Message Passing (1 of 2)

```
#define N 100
                                               /* number of slots in the buffer */
void producer(void)
     int item:
                                               /* message buffer */
     message m;
     while (TRUE) {
          item = produce_item();
                                               /* generate something to put in buffer */
                                               /* wait for an empty to arrive */
          receive(consumer, &m);
                                               /* construct a message to send */
          build_message(&m, item);
                                               /* send item to consumer */
          send(consumer, &m);
void consumer(void)
```

Figure 2-36. The producer-consumer problem with **N** messages.



The Producer-Consumer Problem with Message Passing (2 of 2)

```
send(consumer, &m);
                                  /* send item to consumer */
void consumer(void)
    int item, i;
    message m;
    for (i = 0; i < N; i++) send(producer, &m); /* send N empties */
    while (TRUE) {
         receive(producer, &m);
                                           /* get message containing item */
         item = extract_item(&m);
                                           /* extract item from message */
         send(producer, &m);
                                            /* send back empty reply */
                                            /* do something with the item */
         consume_item(item);
```

Figure 2-36. The producer-consumer problem with **N** messages.



Barriers

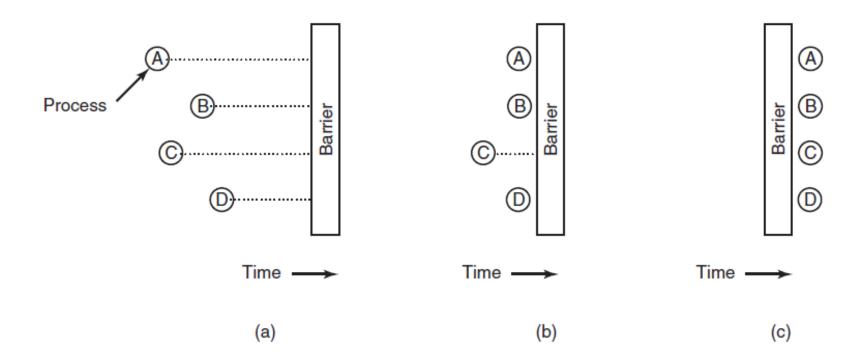
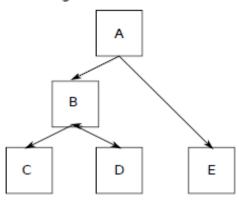


Figure 2-37. Use of a barrier. (a) Processes approaching a barrier. (b) All processes but one blocked at the barrier. (c) When the last process arrives at the barrier, all of them are let through.

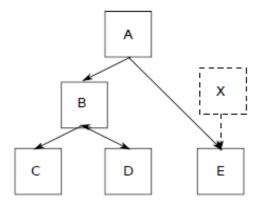


Avoiding Locks: Read-Copy-Update (1 of 2)

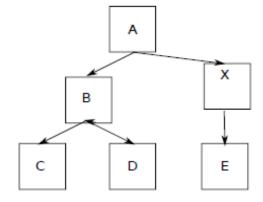
Adding a node:



(a) Original tree



(b) Initialize node X and connect E to X. Any readers in A and E are not affected.



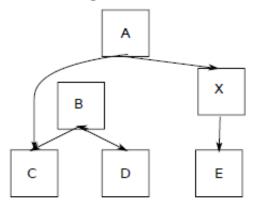
(c) When X is completely initialized, connect X to A. Readers currently in E will have read the old version, while readers in A will pick up the new version of the tree.

Figure 2-38. Read-Copy-Update: inserting a node in the tree and then removing a branch-all without locks

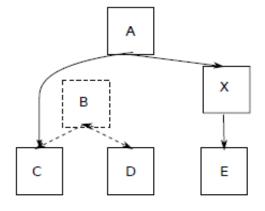


Avoiding Locks: Read-Copy-Update (2 of 2)

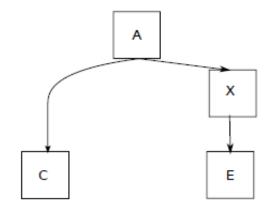
Removing nodes:



(d) Decouple B from A. Note that there may still be readers in B. All readers in B will see the old version of the tree, while all readers currently in A will see the new version.



(e) Wait until we are sure that all readers have left B and C. These nodes cannot be accessed by anymore.



(f) Now we can safely remove B and D

Figure 2-38. Read-Copy-Update: inserting a node in the tree and then removing a branch-all without locks



Introduction to Scheduling Process Behavior

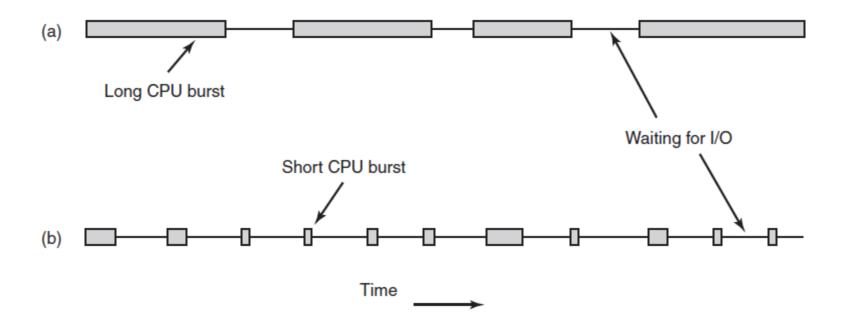


Figure 2-39. Bursts of CPU usage alternate with periods of waiting for I/O. (a) A CPU-bound process. (b) An I/O-bound process.



Categories of Scheduling Algorithms

- 1. Batch.
- 2. Interactive.
- 3. Real time.



Scheduling Algorithm Goals (1 of 2)

Some goals of the scheduling algorithm under different circumstances.

- All systems
 - Fairness giving each process a fair share of the CP
 - Policy enforcement seeing that stated policy is carried out
 - Balance keeping all parts of the system busy
- Batch systems
 - Throughput maximize jobs per hour





Scheduling Algorithm Goals (2 of 2)

- Turnaround time minimize time between submission and termination
- CPU utilization keep the CPU busy all the time
- Interactive systems
 - Response time respond to requests quickly
 - Proportionality meet users' expectations
- Real-time systems
 - Meeting deadlines avoid losing data
 - Predictability avoid quality degradation in multimedia systems



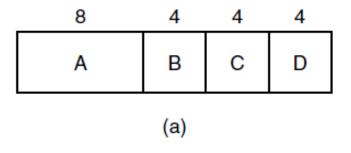
Scheduling in Batch Systems

- First-Come First-Served
- Shortest Job First
- Shortest Remaining Time Next





Shortest Job First



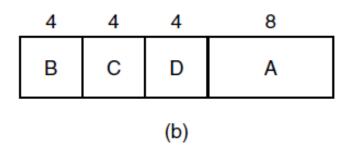


Figure 2-41. An example of shortest job first scheduling. (a) Running four jobs in the original order. (b) Running them in shortest job first order.



Scheduling in Interactive Systems

- Round-Robin Scheduling
- Priority Scheduling
- Multiple Queues
- Shortest Process Next
- Guaranteed Scheduling
- Lottery Scheduling
- Fair-Share Scheduling





Round-Robin Scheduling

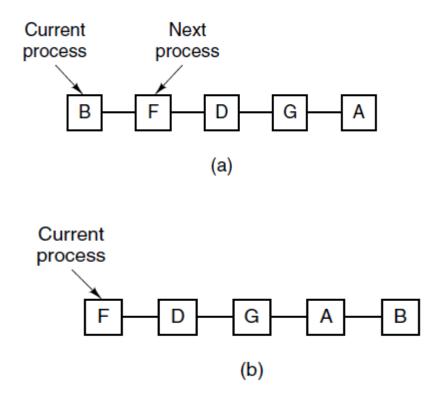


Figure 2-42. Round-robin scheduling. (a) The list of runnable processes. (b) The list of runnable processes after **B** uses up its quantum.



Priority Scheduling

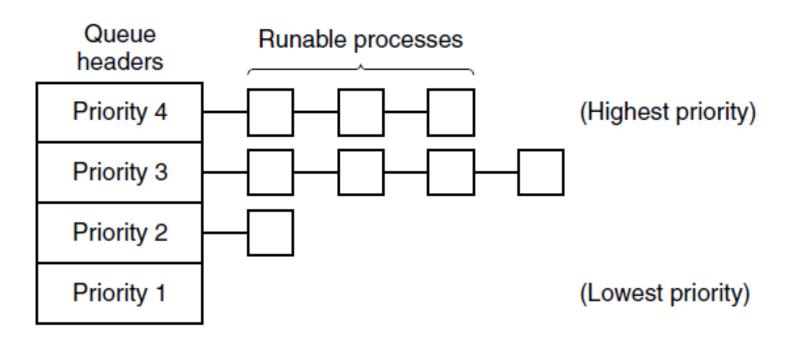


Figure 2-43. A scheduling algorithm with four priority classes.



Scheduling in Real-Time Systems

- Time plays an essential role
- Categories
 - Hard real time
 - Soft real time
 - Periodic or aperiodic
- Schedulable satisfies

$$\sum_{i=1}^{m} \frac{C_i}{P_i} \le 1$$

Thread Scheduling (1 of 2)

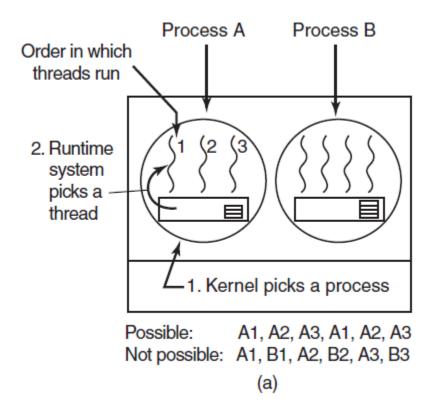


Figure 2-44. (a) Possible scheduling of user-level threads with a 50-msec process quantum and threads that run 5 msec per CPU burst.



Thread Scheduling (2 of 2)

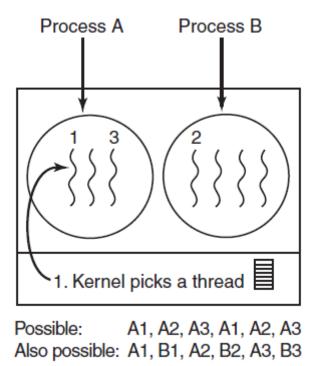


Figure 2-44. (b) Possible scheduling of kernel-level threads with the same characteristics as (a).

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The Dining Philosophers Problem (1 of 5)

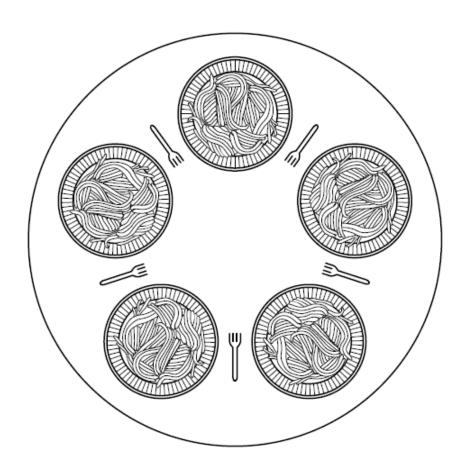


Figure 2-45. Lunch time in the Philosophy Department.



The Dining Philosophers Problem (2 of 5)

```
#define N 5
                                               /* number of philosophers */
void philosopher(int i)
                                               /* i: philosopher number, from 0 to 4 */
     while (TRUE) {
           think();
                                               /* philosopher is thinking */
           take_fork(i);
                                               /* take left fork */
           take_fork((i+1) \% N);
                                               /* take right fork; % is modulo operator */
           eat();
                                               /* yum-yum, spaghetti */
           put_fork(i);
                                               /* put left fork back on the table */
                                               /* put right fork back on the table */
           put_fork((i+1) \% N);
```

Figure 2-46. A nonsolution to the dining philosophers problem.



The Dining Philosophers Problem (3 of 5)

```
#define N
                                           /* number of philosophers */
                                           /* number of i's left neighbor */
#define LEFT
                      (i+N-1)%N
                                           /* number of i's right neighbor */
#define RIGHT
                      (i+1)%N
                                           /* philosopher is thinking */
#define THINKING
                                           /* philosopher is trying to get forks */
#define HUNGRY
#define EATING
                                           /* philosopher is eating */
                                           /* semaphores are a special kind of int */
typedef int semaphore;
                                           /* array to keep track of everyone's state */
int state[N];
semaphore mutex = 1;
                                           /* mutual exclusion for critical regions */
                                           /* one semaphore per philosopher */
semaphore s[N]:
                                           /* i: philosopher number, from 0 to N-1 */
void philosopher(int i)
     while (TRUE) {
                                           /* repeat forever */
                                           /* philosopher is thinking */
          think();
                                           /* acquire two forks or block */
          take_forks(i);
                                           /* yum-yum, spaghetti */
          eat();
                                           /* put both forks back on table */
          put_forks(i);
```

Figure 2-47. A solution to the dining philosophers problem.



The Dining Philosophers Problem (4 of 5)

```
/* put both forks back on table */
          put_forks(i);
void take_forks(int i)
                                             /* i: philosopher number, from 0 to N-1 */
     down(&mutex);
                                             /* enter critical region */
     state[i] = HUNGRY;
                                             /* record fact that philosopher i is hungry */
                                             /* try to acquire 2 forks */
     test(i);
                                             /* exit critical region */
     up(&mutex);
     down(&s[i]);
                                             /* block if forks were not acquired */
                                            /* i: philosopher number, from 0 to N-1 */
void put_forks(i)
```

Figure 2-47. A solution to the dining philosophers problem.



The Dining Philosophers Problem (5 of 5)

```
void put_forks(i)
                                       /* i: philosopher number, from 0 to N-1 */
     down(&mutex);
                                       /* enter critical region */
                                       /* philosopher has finished eating */
     state[i] = THINKING;
                                       /* see if left neighbor can now eat */
     test(LEFT);
                                       /* see if right neighbor can now eat */
     test(RIGHT);
                                       /* exit critical region */
     up(&mutex);
void test(i) /* i: philosopher number, from 0 to N-1 */
     if (state[i] == HUNGRY && state[LEFT] != EATING && state[RIGHT] != EATING) {
         state[i] = EATING;
         up(&s[i]);
```

Figure 2-47. A solution to the dining philosophers problem.



The Readers and Writers Problem (1 of 2)

```
typedef int semaphore;
                                     /* use your imagination */
                                    /* controls access to 'rc' */
 semaphore mutex = 1;
                                    /* controls access to the database */
 semaphore db = 1;
 int rc = 0:
                                     /* # of processes reading or wanting to */
 void reader(void)
      while (TRUE) {
                                     /* repeat forever */
                                     /* get exclusive access to 'rc' */
          down(&mutex);
                                     /* one reader more now */
          rc = rc + 1:
          if (rc == 1) down(\&db);
                                    /* if this is the first reader ... */
          up(&mutex);
                                    /* release exclusive access to 'rc' */
          read_data_base();
                                    /* access the data */
          down(&mutex);
                                    /* get exclusive access to 'rc' */
          rc = rc - 1:
                                    /* one reader fewer now */
          if (rc == 0) up(&db); /* if this is the last reader ... */
                                    /* release exclusive access to 'rc' */
          up(&mutex);
          use_data_read();
                                    /* noncritical region */
```

Figure 2-48. A solution to the readers and writers problem.



The Readers and Writers Problem (2 of 2)

```
void writer(void)
{
  while (TRUE) {
    think_up_data();
    down(&db);
    write_data_base();
    up(&db);
}

/* noncritical region */
    /* noncritical region */
    /* get exclusive access */
    write_data_base();
    /* update the data */
    up(&db);
    /* release exclusive access */
}
```

Figure 2-48. A solution to the readers and writers problem.



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