

semaphores

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synchronization patterns

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synchronization patterns

⌚ signaling

⌚ problem:

Thread A

statement a1

a1 < b1

Thread B

statement b1

⌚ solution:

a1_done = 0

Thread A

statement a1
a1_done.signal()

Thread B

a1_done.wait()
statement b1

synchronization patterns

⌚ rendezvous

⌚ problem:

Thread A

```
statement a1  
statement a2
```

$$\begin{aligned} a1 < b2 \\ b1 < a2 \end{aligned}$$

Thread B

```
statement b1  
statement b2
```

⌚ solution:

```
a_arrived = 0  
b_arrived = 0
```

Thread A

```
statement a1  
a_arrived.signal()  
b_arrived.wait()  
statement a2
```

Thread B

```
statement b1  
b_arrived.signal()  
a_arrived.wait()  
statement b2
```

no of context switches?

synchronization patterns

⌚ rendezvous

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Thread B

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statement b1  
statement b2
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⌚ solution:

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Thread A

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statement a1  
b_arrived.wait()  
a_arrived.signal()  
statement a2
```

Thread B

```
statement b1  
b_arrived.signal()  
a_arrived.wait()  
statement b2
```

no of context switches?

synchronization patterns

⌚ rendezvous

⌚ problem:

Thread A

statement a1
statement a2

a1 < b2
b1 < a2

Thread B

statement b1
statement b2

⌚ how about?

a_arrived = 0
b_arrived = 0

Thread A

statement a1
b_arrived.wait()
a_arrived.signal()
statement a2

Thread B

statement b1
a_arrived.wait()
b_arrived.signal()
statement b2

deadlock!

synchronization patterns

⌚ mutex

⌚ problem:

Thread A

```
count = count + 1
```

Thread B

```
count = count + 1
```

⌚ solution:

mutex = 1

Thread A

```
mutex.wait()  
# critical section  
count = count + 1  
mutex.signal()
```

Thread B

```
mutex.wait()  
# critical section  
count = count + 1  
mutex.signal()
```

synchronization patterns

⌚ multiplex

⌚ problem:

Thread 1

```
count = count + 1
```

Thread 2

```
count = count + 1
```

...

Thread N

```
count = count + 1
```

⌚ solution:

```
mutex = N
```

Thread 1

```
mutex.wait()  
# critical section  
count = count + 1  
mutex.signal()
```

Thread 2

```
mutex.wait()  
# critical section  
count = count + 1  
mutex.signal()
```

Thread N

```
mutex.wait()  
# critical section  
count = count + 1  
mutex.signal()
```

synchronization patterns

⌚ **barrier** (generalized rendezvous)

⌚ problem:

Thread 1 ... N

rendezvous
critical point

⌚ hint:

N = no. of threads
count = 0
mutex = semaphore(1)
barrier = semaphore(0)

synchronization patterns

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```
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critical point
```

⌚ how about?

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count = 0  
mutex = semaphore(1)  
barrier = semaphore(0)
```

deadlock!

Thread 1 ... N

```
rendezvous  
mutex.wait()  
    count = count + 1  
mutex.signal()
```

```
if count == N: barrier.signal()
```

```
barrier.wait()
```

critical point

synchronization patterns

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Thread 1 ... N

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rendezvous  
mutex.wait()  
count = count + 1  
mutex.signal()
```

```
if count == N: barrier.signal()
```

```
barrier.wait()  
barrier.signal()
```

turnstile
critical point

synchronization patterns

⌚ **barrier (generalized rendezvous)**

⌚ problem:

Thread 1 ... N

```
rendezvous  
critical point
```

⌚ solution

Thread 1 ... N

```
rendezvous  
mutex.wait()  
    count = count + 1  
mutex.signal()  
  
if count == N: turnstile.signal() # unlock turnstile  
  
turnstile.wait()  
turnstile.signal()  
  
critical point
```

synchronization patterns

☞ reusable barrier

☞ problem:

Thread 1 ... N

```
for(...):  
    rendezvous  
    critical point
```

☞ hint:

re-lock the turnstile

Thread 1 ... N

```
rendezvous  
mutex.wait()  
    count = count + 1  
mutex.signal()
```

```
if count == N: turnstile.signal() # unlock turnstile
```

```
turnstile.wait()  
turnstile.signal()
```

```
critical point
```

```
... ?
```

synchronization patterns

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Thread 1 ... N

```
for(...):  
    rendezvous  
    critical point
```

Thread 1 ... N

```
rendezvous  
mutex.wait()  
    count = count + 1  
mutex.signal()
```

```
if count == N: turnstile.signal() # unlock turnstile
```

⌚ how about?

all threads can
lock and unlock
the turnstile!

```
turnstile.wait()  
turnstile.signal()
```

critical point

```
mutex.wait()  
    count = count - 1  
mutex.signal()
```

```
if count == 0: turnstile.wait() # lock turnstile
```

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⌚ reusable barrier

⌚ problem:

Thread 1 ... N

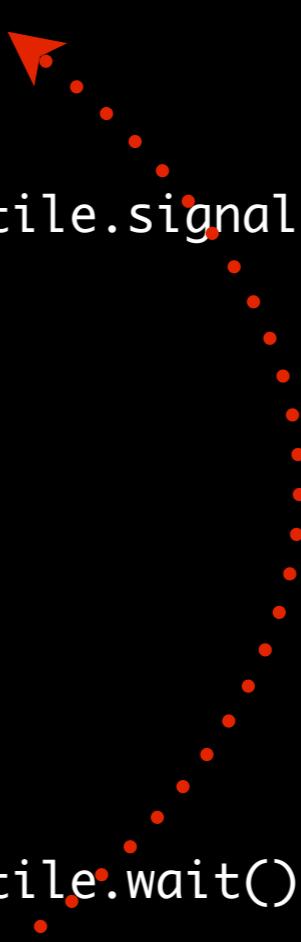
```
for(...):  
    rendezvous  
    critical point
```

⌚ how about?

threads can
loop around!

Thread 1 ... N

```
rendezvous  
mutex.wait()  
count = count + 1  
if count == N: turnstile.signal() # unlock turnstile  
mutex.signal()  
  
turnstile.wait()  
turnstile.signal()  
  
critical point  
  
mutex.wait()  
count = count - 1  
if count == 0: turnstile.wait() # lock turnstile  
mutex.signal()
```



synchronization patterns

⌚ reusable barrier

⌚ problem:

Thread 1 ... N

```
for(...):  
    rendezvous  
    critical point
```

⌚ hint:

```
turnstile_1 = semaphore(0) # locked  
turnstile_2 = semaphore(1) # unlocked  
mutex = semaphore(1)
```

synchronization patterns

☞ reusable barrier

☞ problem:

Thread 1 ... N

```
for(...):  
    rendezvous  
    critical point
```

☞ solution

Thread 1 ... N

```
rendezvous  
mutex.wait()  
count = count + 1  
if count == N:  
    turnstile_2.wait()      # lock turnstile #2  
    turnstile_1.signal()   # unlock turnstile #1  
  
mutex.signal()  
  
turnstile_1.wait()          # turnstile #1  
turnstile_1.signal()  
  
critical point  
  
mutex.wait()  
count = count - 1  
if count == 0:  
    turnstile_1.wait()      # lock turnstile #1  
    turnstile_2.signal()   # unlock turnstile #2  
mutex.signal()  
  
turnstile_2.wait()          # turnstile #2  
turnstile_2.signal()
```

synchronization patterns

⌚ queue

⌚ problem:

- ⌚ threads represent ballroom dancers.
- ⌚ there are 2 kinds of dancers: leaders and followers; waiting in 2 queues
- ⌚ when a leader arrives, it checks if a follower is waiting and vice versa
- ⌚ leader and follower form a pair and proceed to dance

⌚ hint:

```
leader_q = 0  
follower_q = 0
```

leaders

```
...  
dance()
```

followers

```
...  
dance()
```

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⌚ solution:

```
leader_q = 0  
follower_q = 0
```

leaders

```
follower_q.signal()  
leader_q.wait()  
dance()
```

followers

```
leader_q.signal()  
follower_q.wait()  
dance()
```

synchronization patterns

⌚ exclusive queue

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- ⌚ threads represent ballroom dancers.
- ⌚ there are 2 kinds of dancers: leaders and followers; waiting in 2 queues
- ⌚ when a leader arrives, it checks if a follower is waiting and vice versa
- ⌚ leader and follower form a pair and proceed to dance
- ⌚ each leader can dance concurrently with only 1 follower and vice versa

⌚ hint:

```
leader_q = semaphore(0)
follower_q = semaphore(0)
rendezvous = semaphore(0)
```

```
leaders = followers = 0
mutex = semaphore(1)
```

synchronization patterns

⌚ exclusive queue

⌚ solution:

leaders

```
mutex.wait()
if followers > 0:
    followers = followers - 1
    follower_q.signal()
else:
    leaders = leaders + 1
    mutex.signal()
    leader_q.wait()

dance()
rendezvous.wait()
mutex.signal()
```

```
leader_q = semaphore(0)
follower_q = semaphore(0)
rendezvous = semaphore(0)
```

```
leaders = followers = 0
mutex = semaphore(1)
```

followers

```
mutex.wait()
if leaders > 0:
    leaders = leaders - 1
    leader_q.signal()
else:
    followers = followers + 1
    mutex.signal()
    follower_q.wait()

dance()
rendezvous.signal()
```