CS241#20 – Deadlock II, Dining Philosophers

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ conditions for deadlock are:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: "A process is currently holding at least one resource and requesting additional resources which are being held by other processes."

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:"There is a set of waiting processes, such that P1 is waiting for a resource held by P2, P2 is waiting for a resource held by P3 and so on until PN is waiting for a resource held by P1."

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:"A resource can be released only voluntarily by the process holding it, after that process has completed its task"

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:"At least one resource must be held in a non-shareable mode"

Three gardeners visit the garden shed pick up their desired tools for the day. There is a potential for deadlock. Fortunately they know about the C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ conditions! Find four ways to solve the problem (break one condition each time). Name which condition you break in each case.

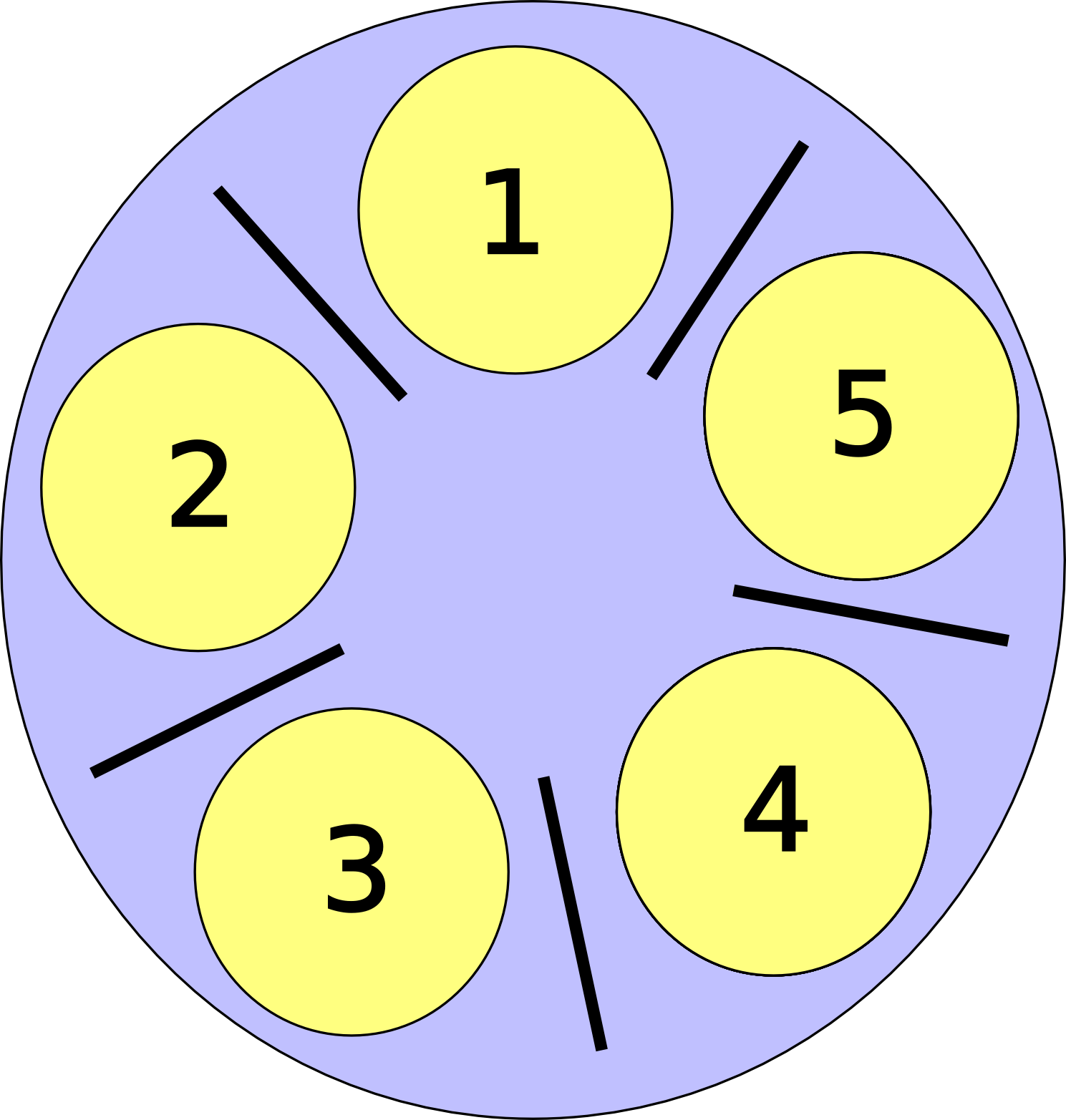
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Remember Mergesort? How can you implement parallel Mergesort? Explain what synchronization calls you will use and when.

What is the Dining Philosophers problem?

Candidate Solutions:

1. "Pick up left chopstick. Pickup right chopstick. Eat. Release both."

2. "Pick up right. Pick up left. Eat. Release both"

3. "Eat when I tell you"

4. "Pick up left chopstick. Try to pickup right chopstick (Fail? release both and restart). Eat. Release both."

5?

