

# Simulated Operating Systems

## Phase 3

### Implement Code for Term.c

You need to study the code for terminal manager and complete the code for term.c, including completing the end of request processing actions as well as thread creation and synchronization. First, you insert code for performing necessary actions after a terminal request has completed processing. Second, in start\_terminal, you need to create threads so that the managers run as separate threads. You also need to define and initialize semaphores. Finally, you add sem\_wait and sem\_post functions in the code to ensure proper synchronization between the threads.

Your synchronization solution should ensure that the accesses to termIO queue are mutual exclusive. You also need to properly handle the problem of waiting for an empty queue. Note that handling this synchronization issues is not just to learn how to program for concurrent threads, but also to see how the concurrent control examples introduced in the lectures can be applied to practical problems. So, you are required to use integer semaphores only (with sem\_wait and sem\_post and sem\_init only). You are not allowed to use more advanced synchronization functions offered in pthread library (of course it will be fun to know what other functions are available in thread libraries and you can study them). You can reference the bounded buffer problem and modify the solution for this synchronization and mutual exclusion problem.

### Correct Sync for EndIO List Accesses

In process.c, the functions for accessing the endIO list have been implemented, including function insert\_endIO\_list, which is called by swap.c, term.c, and clock.c, and function endIO\_moveto\_ready, which is invoked locally by process.c. Similar to the case in swap.c and term.c, you need to ensure mutual exclusive accesses to the endIO list. But in addition, we prioritize these functions.

Since function endIO\_moveto\_ready may move multiple processes from endIO list to ready queue, which may be slower, we give it a lower priority than insert\_endIO\_list. In other words, if two threads are trying to perform endIO list insertion (insert\_endIO\_list) and endIO list removal (endIO\_moveto\_ready), then the insertion thread gets to go first, unless the removal thread has already started its access. If multiple threads are trying to perform list insertion simultaneously, then the first comer gets the right to do its insertion first (no priority between insertion threads). You need to use integer semaphores to achieve this prioritized synchronization and mutual exclusion. Same as Phase 1, you are not allowed to use more advanced synchronization functions offered in pthread library, just semaphores and its sem\_wait and sem\_post and sem\_init functions. You can reference the reader-writer problem introduced in the lectures and come up with a specific solution for this case.