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#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 */
          receive(consumer, &m);
                                    /* wait for an empty to arrive */
          build_message(&m, item); /* construct a message to send */
          send(consumer, &m);
                                    /* send item to consumer */
  }
14 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 back empty reply */
          send(producer, &m);
          consume_item(item);
                                    /* do something with the item */
25 }
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