ANNOUNCEMENTS

Project 2a: Graded – see Learn@UW; contact your TA if questions
Part 2b will be longer….

Exam 2: Monday 10/26 7:15 – 9:15 Ingraham B10
• Covers all of Concurrency Piece (lecture and book)
  • Light on chapter 29, nothing from chapter 33
  • Very few questions from Virtualization Piece
• Multiple choice (fewer pure true/false)
• Look at two concurrency homeworks
• Questions from Project 2

Project 3: Only xv6 part; watch two videos early
• Due Wed 10/28

Today’s Reading: Chapter 31

SEMAPHORES

Questions answered in this lecture:
Review: How to implement join with condition variables?
Review: How to implement producer/consumer with condition variables?
What is the difference between semaphores and condition variables?
How to implement a lock with semaphores?
How to implement semaphores with locks and condition variables?
How to implement join and producer/consumer with semaphores?
How to implement reader/writer locks with semaphores?
CONCURRENCY OBJECTIVES

**Mutual exclusion** (e.g., A and B don’t run at same time)
- solved with *locks*

**Ordering** (e.g., B runs after A does something)
- solved with *condition variables* and *semaphores*

CONDITION VARIABLES

**wait**(cond_t *cv, mutex_t*lock)
- assumes the lock is held when wait() is called
- puts caller to sleep + releases the lock (atomically)
- when awoken, reacquires lock before returning

**signal**(cond_t*cv)
- wake a single waiting thread (if >= 1 thread is waiting)
- if there is no waiting thread, just return, doing nothing
**JOIN IMPLEMENTATION: CORRECT**

Parent:
```c
void thread_join() {
    Mutex_lock(&m); // w
    if (done == 0) // x
        Cond_wait(&c, &m); // y
    Mutex_unlock(&m); // z
}
```

Child:
```c
void thread_exit() {
    Mutex_lock(&m); // a
    done = 1; // b
    Cond_signal(&c); // c
    Mutex_unlock(&m); // d
}
```

Parent: w x y z
Child: a b c

Use mutex to ensure no race between interacting with state and wait/signal

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**PRODUCER/CONSUMER PROBLEM**

**Producers** generate data (like pipe writers)

**Consumers** grab data and process it (like pipe readers)

Use condition variables to:
- make producers wait when buffers are full
- make consumers wait when there is nothing to consume
BROKEN IMPLEMENTATION OF PRODUCER CONSUMER

void *producer(void *arg) {
    for (int i = 0; i < loops; i++) {
        Mutex_lock(&m); // p1
        while(numfull == max) // p2
            Cond_wait(&cond, &m); // p3
        do_fill(i); // p4
        Cond_signal(&cond); // p5
        Mutex_unlock(&m); // p6
    }
}

void *consumer(void *arg) {
    while(1) {
        Mutex_lock(&m); // c1
        while(numfull == 0) // c2
            Cond_wait(&cond, &m); // c3
        int tmp = do_get(); // c4
        Cond_signal(&empty, &m); // c5
        printf("%d\n", tmp); // c7
    }
}

Producer: p1 p2 p4 p5 p6 p1 p2 p3
Consumer1: c1 c2 c3
Consumer2: c1 c2 c3

wait() wait() signal() wait() signal()

does last signal wake producer or consumer2?

PRODUCER/CONSUMER: TWO CVS

void *producer(void *arg) {
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    }
}

Is this correct? Can you find a bad schedule?
1. consumer1 waits because numfull == 0
2. producer increments numfull, wakes consumer1
3. before consumer1 runs, consumer2 runs, grabs entry, sets numfull=0.
4. consumer2 then reads bad data.
Producer: p1 p2 p4 p5 p6
Consumer1: c1 c2 c3 c4! ERROR
Consumer2: c1 c2 c4 c5 c6
CV RULE OF THUMB 3

Whenever a lock is acquired, recheck assumptions about state!
Use “while” instead of “if”

Possible for another thread to grab lock between signal and wakeup from wait
  • Difference between Mesa (practical implementation) and Hoare (theoretical) semantics
  • Signal() simply makes a thread runnable, does not guarantee thread run next

Note that some libraries also have “spurious wakeups”
  • May wake multiple waiting threads at signal or at any time

PRODUCER/CONSUMER: TWO CVs AND WHILE

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        while (numfull == 0)
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}
```

Is this correct? Can you find a bad schedule?

Correct!
- no concurrent access to shared state
- every time lock is acquired, assumptions are reevaluated
- a consumer will get to run after every do_fill()
- a producer will get to run after every do_get()
SUMMARY: RULES OF THUMB FOR CV'S

Keep state in addition to CV’s

Always do wait/signal with lock held

Whenever thread wakes from waiting, recheck state

CONDITION VARIABLES VS SEMAPHORES

Condition variables have no state (other than waiting queue)
  • Programmer must track additional state

Semaphores have state: track integer value
  • State cannot be directly accessed by user program, but state determines behavior of semaphore operations
SEMAPHORE OPERATIONS

Allocate and Initialize

```c
sem_t sem;
sem_init(sem_t *s, int initval) {
    s->value = initval;
}
```
User cannot read or write value directly after initialization

Wait or Test (sometime P() for Dutch word)
Waits until value of `sem` is > 0, then decrements sem value

Signal or Increment or Post (sometime V() for Dutch)
Increment sem value, then wake a single waiter
wait and post are atomic

JOIN WITH CV VS SEMAPHORES

CVs:
```c
thread_exit() {
    Mutex_lock(&m); // a
    done = 1; // b
    Cond_signal(&c); // c
    Mutex_unlock(&m); // d
}
thread_join() {
    Mutex_lock(&m); // w
    if (done == 0) // x
        Cond_wait(&c, &m); // y
    Mutex_unlock(&m); // z
}
```

Semaphores:
```c
sem_t s;
sem_init(&s, ???); Initialize to 0 (so sem_wait() must wait...)
```
```c
thread_exit() {
    sem_post(&s)
}
thread_join() {
    sem_wait(&s);
}
```

Sem_wait(): Waits until value > 0, then decrement
Sem_post(): Increment value, then wake a single waiter
EQUIVALENCE CLAIM

Semaphores are equally powerful to Locks+CVs
- what does this mean?

One might be more convenient, but that’s not relevant

Equivalence means each can be built from the other

PROOF STEPS

Want to show we can do these three things:
typedef struct __lock_t {
// whatever data structs you need go here
} lock_t;

void init(lock_t *lock) {
}

void acquire(lock_t *lock) {
}

void release(lock_t *lock) {
}

Sem_wait(): Waits until value > 0, then decrement
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BUILDING CV’S OVER SEMAPHORES

Possible, but really hard to do right

Read about Microsoft Research’s attempts:
http://research.microsoft.com/pubs/64242/ImplementingCVs.pdf

BUILD SEMAPHORE FROM LOCK AND CV

```c
typedef struct {
    // what goes here?
} sem_t;

Void sem_init(sem_t*s, int value) {
    // what goes here?
}
```

Sem_wait(): Waits until value > 0, then decrement
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BUILD SEMAPHORE
FROM LOCK AND CV

Typedef struct {
    int value;
    cond_t cond;
    lock_t lock;
} sem_t;

Void sem_init(sem_t*s, int value) {
    s->value = value;
    cond_init(&s->cond);
    lock_init(&s->lock);
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    lock_release(&s->lock);
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Sem_wait(sem_t*s) {
    lock_acquire(&s->lock);
    while (s->value <= 0)
        cond_wait(&s->cond);

    s->value--;
    lock_release(&s->lock);
}

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    s->value++;
    cond_signal(&s->cond);
    lock_release(&s->lock);
}

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PRODUCER/CONSUMER:
SEMAPHORES #1

Simplest case:
• Single producer thread, single consumer thread
• Single shared buffer between producer and consumer

Requirements
• Consumer must wait for producer to fill buffer
• Producer must wait for consumer to empty buffer (if filled)

Requires 2 semaphores
• emptyBuffer: Initialize to ???
• fullBuffer: Initialize to ???

Producer
While (1) {
    sem_wait(&emptyBuffer);
    Fill(&buffer);
    sem_signal(&fullBuffer);
}

Consumer
While (1) {
    sem_wait(&fullBuffer);
    Use(&buffer);
    sem_signal(&emptyBuffer);
}
Next case: **Circular Buffer**

- Single producer thread, single consumer thread
- Shared buffer with \( N \) elements between producer and consumer

Requires 2 semaphores
- emptyBuffer: Initialize to ???
- fullBuffer: Initialize to ???

\( N \rightarrow N \) empty buffers; producer can run \( N \) times first
\( 0 \rightarrow 0 \) full buffers; consumer can run 0 times first

### Producer
\( i = 0; \)
While (1) {
  sem_wait(&emptyBuffer);
  Fill(&buffer[i]);
  i = (i+1)%N;
  sem_signal(&fullBuffer);
}

### Consumer
\( j = 0; \)
While (1) {
  sem_wait(&fullBuffer);
  Use(&buffer[j]);
  j = (j+1)%N;
  sem_signal(&emptyBuffer);
}

Final case:

- Multiple producer threads, multiple consumer threads
- Shared buffer with \( N \) elements between producer and consumer

Requirements
- Each consumer must grab unique filled element
- Each producer must grab unique empty element
- **Why will previous code (shown below) not work???**

### Producer
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}

Are \( i \) and \( j \) private or shared? Need each producer to grab unique buffer
PRODUCER/CONSUMER: MULTIPLE THREADS

Final case:
- Multiple producer threads, multiple consumer threads
- Shared buffer with N elements between producer and consumer

Requirements
- Each consumer must grab unique filled element
- Each producer must grab unique empty element

Producer
While (1) {
    sem_wait(&emptyBuffer);
    myi = findempty(&buffer);
    Fill(&buffer[myi]);
    sem_signal(&fullBuffer);
}

Consumer
While (1) {
    sem_wait(&fullBuffer);
    myj = findfull(&buffer);
    Use(&buffer[myj]);
    sem_signal(&emptyBuffer);
}

Are myi and myj private or shared? Where is mutual exclusion needed???

PRODUCER/CONSUMER: MULTIPLE THREADS

Consider three possible locations for mutual exclusion

Which work?? Which is best???

Producer #1
sem_wait(&mutex);
sem_wait(&emptyBuffer);
myi = findempty(&buffer);
Fill(&buffer[myi]);
sem_signal(&fullBuffer);

Consumer #1
sem_wait(&mutex);
sem_wait(&fullBuffer);
myj = findfull(&buffer);
Use(&buffer[myj]);
sem_signal(&emptyBuffer);

Problem: Deadlock at mutex (e.g., consumer runs first; won't release mutex)
### PRODUCER/CONSUMER: MULTIPLE THREADS

Consider three possible locations for mutual exclusion

Which work?? Which is best???

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Works, but limits concurrency:
Only 1 thread at a time can be using or filling different buffers

### PRODUCER/CONSUMER: MULTIPLE THREADS

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Works and increases concurrency; only finding a buffer is protected by mutex;
Filling or Using different buffers can proceed concurrently
Goal:

Let multiple reader threads grab lock (shared)

Only one writer thread can grab lock (exclusive)
  • No reader threads
  • No other writer threads

Let us see if we can understand code…

```c
typedef struct _rwlock_t {
    sem_t lock;
    sem_t writelock;
    int readers;
} rwlock_t;

void rwlock_init(rwlock_t* rw) {
    rw->readers = 0;
    sem_init(&rw->lock, 1);
    sem_init(&rw->writelock, 1);
}
```
**READER/WRITER LOCKS**

```c
t1: acquire_readlock()
T2: acquire_readlock()
T3: acquire_writelock()
T1: release_readlock()
T1: release_readlock()
T4: acquire_readlock()
```

```c
t2: release_readlock()
```

```c
T3: release_writelock()
```

```c
T5: acquire_readlock() // ???
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T4: acquire_readlock()
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**SEMAPHORES**

Semaphores are equivalent to locks + condition variables

- Can be used for both mutual exclusion and ordering

Semaphores contain state

- How they are initialized depends on how they will be used
- Init to 1: Mutex
- Init to 0: Join (1 thread must arrive first, then other)
- Init to N: Number of available resources

Sem_wait(): Waits until value > 0, then decrement (atomic)

Sem_post(): Increment value, then wake a single waiter (atomic)

Can use semaphores in producer/consumer relationships and for reader/writer locks