

EECS 482

Introduction to Operating Systems

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Recap

- Two types of synchronization
 - Mutual exclusion → Locks
 - Ordering constraints → Condition variables
- Condition variables: Enable a thread to sleep inside a critical section by
 - Releasing lock
 - Putting thread onto waiting list
 - Going to sleep
 - After being woken, call lock()

atomic

Thread-safe queue with condition variables

```
cv queueCV;
```

```
enqueue ()
```

```
    queueMutex.lock ()
```

```
    find tail of queue
```

```
    add new element to tail of queue
```

```
    queueCV.signal ()
```

```
    queueMutex.unlock ()
```

```
}
```

```
dequeue ()
```

```
    queueMutex.lock ()
```

```
    while (queue is empty) {
```

```
        queueCV.wait ();
```

```
    }
```

```
    remove item from queue
```

```
    queueMutex.unlock ()
```

```
    return removed item
```

```
}
```

Operations on condition variables

- `wait()`
 - Atomically release lock, add thread to waiting list, go to sleep
- `signal()`
 - Wake up one thread waiting on this condition variable
- `broadcast()`
 - Wake up all threads waiting on this condition variable
 - **When is this useful?**

Thread-safe queue with condition variables

```
cv queueCV;
```

```
enqueue(set of elements)
```

```
    queueMutex.lock()
```

```
    find tail of queue
```

```
    add new elements to tail of queue
```

```
    queueCV.broadcast()
```

```
    queueMutex.unlock()
```

```
}
```

```
dequeue()
```

```
    queueMutex.lock()
```

```
    while (queue is empty) {
```

```
        queueCV.wait();
```

```
    }
```

```
    remove item from queue
```

```
    queueMutex.unlock()
```

```
    return removed item
```

```
}
```

Monitors

- Combine two types of synchronization
 - **Locks** for mutual exclusion
 - **Condition variables** for ordering constraints
- A monitor = a lock + the condition variables associated with that lock

Producer-consumer (bounded buffer)

- Producers put things into a shared buffer; consumers take them out
- Need to synchronize actions of producers and consumers



- **Why use a shared buffer?**
 - Lets producers and consumers operate somewhat independently
- Used in many situations
 - Unix pipes
 - Project 1!
 - Coke vending machine

Producer-consumer with monitors

- Shared variables
 - State of coke machine slots
 - » *numCokes* (assume coke machine can hold at most MAX cokes)
 - One lock (*cokeLock*) to protect this data
- **When must a thread wait?**
 - Mutual exclusion (when *acquiring a lock*)
 - Consumer must wait if all *slots are empty*
 - » Use condition variable *waitingConsumers*
 - Producer must wait if all *slots are full*
 - » Use condition variable *waitingProducers*

Producer-consumer with monitors

Consumer

```
cokeLock.lock()
```

```
while (numCokes == 0) {  
    waitingConsumers.wait()  
}
```

```
take coke out of machine  
numCokes--
```

```
waitingProducers.signal()
```

```
cokeLock.unlock()
```

Producer

```
cokeLock.lock()
```

```
while (numCokes == MAX) {  
    waitingProducers.wait()  
}
```

```
add coke to machine  
numCokes++
```

```
waitingConsumers.signal()
```

```
cokeLock.unlock()
```

Producer-consumer with monitors

Consumer

```
cokeLock.lock()

while (numCokes == 0) {
    waitingConsumers.wait()
}

take coke out of machine
numCokes--

waitingProducers.signal()

cokeLock.unlock()
```

Producer

```
cokeLock.lock()

while (1) {
    sleep(1 hour)
    while (numCokes == MAX) {
        waitingProducers.wait()
    }

    add coke to machine
    numCokes++

    waitingConsumers.signal()
}

cokeLock.unlock()
```

Producer-consumer with monitors

Consumer

```
cokeLock.lock()

while (numCokes == 0) {
    waitingConsumers.wait()
}

take coke out of machine
numCokes--

waitingProducers.signal()

cokeLock.unlock()
```

Producer

```
cokeLock.lock()

while (numCokes == MAX) {
    waitingProducers.wait()
}

add coke to machine
numCokes++

if (numCokes == 1) {
    waitingConsumers.signal()
}

cokeLock.unlock()
```

Producer-consumer with monitors

Consumer

```
cokeLock.lock()
```

```
while (numCokes == 0) {  
    waitingCons&Prod.wait()  
}
```

```
take coke out of machine  
numCokes--
```

```
waitingCons&Prod.signal()
```

```
cokeLock.unlock()
```

Producer

```
cokeLock.lock()
```

```
while (numCokes == MAX) {  
    waitingCons&Prod.wait()  
}
```

```
add coke to machine  
numCokes++
```

```
waitingCons&Prod.signal()
```

```
cokeLock.unlock()
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Producer-consumer with monitors

Consumer

```
cokeLock.lock()
```

```
while (numCokes == 0) {  
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}
```

```
take coke out of machine  
numCokes--
```

```
waitingCons&Prod.broadcast()
```

```
cokeLock.unlock()
```

Producer

```
cokeLock.lock()
```

```
while (numCokes == MAX) {  
    waitingCons&Prod.wait()  
}
```

```
add coke to machine  
numCokes++
```

```
waitingCons&Prod.broadcast()
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cokeLock.unlock()
```

Producer-consumer with monitors

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cokeLock.lock()
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cokeLock.unlock()
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Producer

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cokeLock.lock()
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while (numCokes == MAX) {  
    waitingProducers.wait()  
}
```

```
add coke to machine  
numCokes++
```

```
waitingConsumers.signal()
```

```
cokeLock.unlock()
```

Announcements

- Started with Project 1?
 - Due in a week
- Group declaration due today
 - Project 2 will be posted on the Sunday 29th of Jan

Reader-writer locks

- Recall: Threads need to acquire lock even to read shared data
 - This prevents other threads from accessing the data
- **Can we allow more concurrency without risking reading unstable data?**
- Problem definition:
 - Shared data will be read and written by multiple threads
 - **Allow multiple readers**, if no threads are writing data
 - A thread **can write only when no other thread is reading or writing**

Need for reader-writer locks

- Use of normal mutex locks limits concurrency

Reader:

lock ()

print catalog

unlock ()

Writer:

lock ()

change catalog

unlock ()

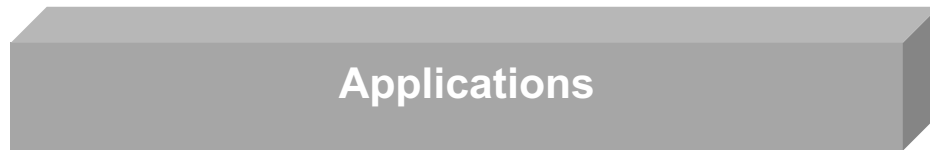
Reader-writer locks

- Implement set of functions that a program can use to follow “*multiple-reader, single-writer*” paradigm
 - readerStart()
 - readerFinish()
 - writerStart()
 - writerFinish()
- ```
Reader:
readerStart()
print catalog
readerFinish()

Writer:
writerStart()
change catalog
writerFinish()
```
- Pros and cons compared to normal mutex locks?

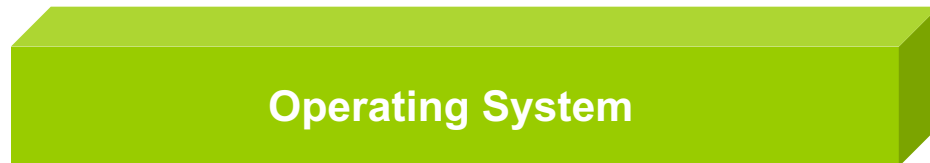
# Another level of abstraction

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Applications

Even higher-level  
concurrent programs  
synchronization primitives  
(readerStart, readerFinish,  
writerStart, writerFinish)



Operating System

Higher-level synchronization  
primitives  
(lock, monitor, semaphore)



Hardware

Atomic operations  
(load/store, interrupt enable/  
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# Implementing reader-writer locks with monitors

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- Shared data needed to implement readerStart, readerFinish, writerStart, writerFinish?
  - *numReaders*
  - *numWriters*
- Use one lock (*sLock*)
- **Condition variables?**
  - *waitingReaders*: readers must wait if there are writers
  - *waitingWriters*: writers must wait if there are readers or writers

# Implementing reader-writer locks with monitors

---

```
readerStart () {
 sLock.lock()
 while (numWriters > 0) {
 waitingReaders.wait()
 }
 numReaders++
 sLock.unlock()
}
```

```
readerFinish() {
 sLock.lock()
 numReaders--
 waitingWriters.signal()
 sLock.unlock()
}
```

```
writerStart() {
 sLock.lock()
 while (numReaders > 0 || numWriters > 0) {
 waitingWriters.wait()
 }
 numWriters++
 sLock.unlock()
}
```

```
writerFinish() {
 sLock.lock()
 numWriters--
 waitingReaders.broadcast()
 waitingWriters.signal()
 sLock.unlock()
}
```