

- Project due tonight (4/8) at 11:59 PM EDT
- Concurrency Exam

GitHub Classroom

txt file: edit directly with your answers

commit to remote
push

Set a timer!

timed take home

75 min: time starts when you "accept assignment"
have until 4/15 9am EDT

Resources:

Colby office hours

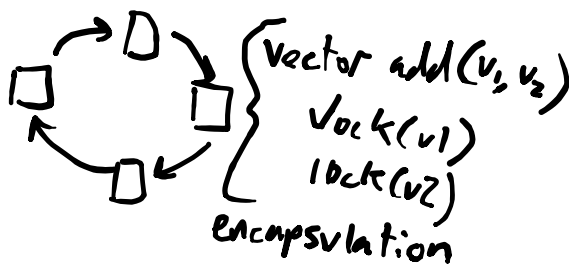
Reach out to me for Zoom

Today:

1. finish up deadlock
2. review concurrency unit
→ your questions

Deadlock

1. mutual exclusion
2. hold and wait
3. no preemption
4. Circular wait



Solutions

1. prevent

1. mutex: lock-free data structures
2. hold-and-wait
↳ atomic H/W prim.
grab all at same time
"mega"
3. mutex-trylock: "livelock"
4. total order

2. Avoid

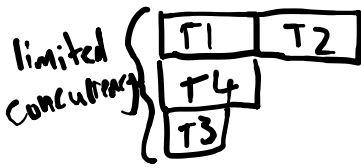
3. Detect + Recover

4. Ignore

Deadlock avoidance

Smart scheduler

limited env.



Threads	T1	T2	T3	T4
L1	y	y	n	n
L2	y	y	y	n



Dijkstra: Bankers Alg.

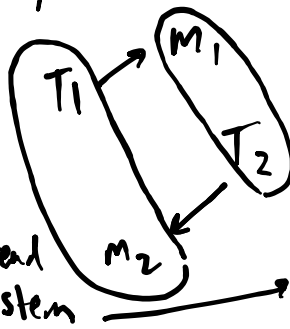
Not used much in practice

3. Detect + Recover

↳ keeping track of "waits for" graph

detect cycle
→ tell human

→ restart - thread
- system



4. Ignore

DBMS

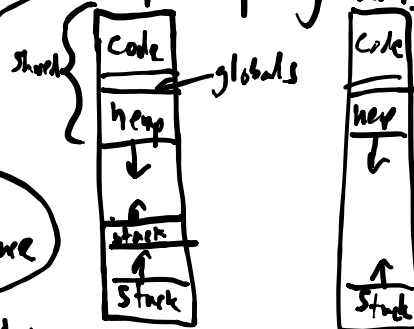
make sure state is consistent

Review:

Concurrency: multiple programs running at same time

↳ processes
↳ threads

↳ share address space



still have their own
- reg. (PC)
- stack

- interleaving I/O
- parallel programming
- OS

threads { Cooperating on some task + want lots of implicit sharing

Why is concurrency hard?

programmer is not in control of scheduling

content++;

```
mov addr, reg
add 1, reg
mov reg, addr
```

```
mov
add
mov
```

- .critical section
- .atomically

Think like the EVIL scheduler

- .non-deter.
- .indeterminate
- .race condition

one thread at a time

mutual exclusion (mutex) locks

```
pthread_mutex_lock (&m)
<crit. section>
```

```
pthread_mutex_unlock (&m)
```

How to build a lock

spinlock → flag: keep trying to check it's 0, then update

```
lock(L)
while( (L==0) )
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- H/w primitives:
- .Test and set
 - .CAS
 - .xchg

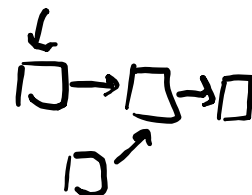
Spinlocks: wasteful, unfair: starvation
high vs low contention

queues: park, unpark
(setpark)

How to apply locks to data structure

1. find critical section
2. add locks

EVIL → set next
update head



Other synch primitives: CV's

join problem

pthread_join();

wait(cv, m)

signal(cv)

state variable ~~not if~~

lock(mutex)
while (done == 0)
wait(cv, mutex)
unlock

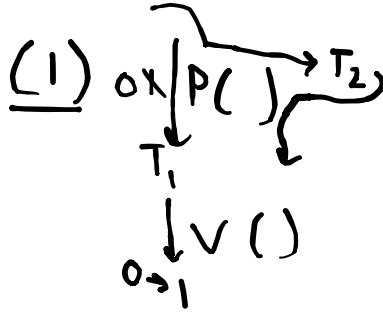
Mesa Semantics
- spurious wakeups
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Producer / consumer (Bounded buffer)

↳ cv for each

Semaphores: kind of do both mutex + cv

Binary semaphore (1)



wait if counter <= 0
sleep(wait)

post
dec counter
inc counter
wake up

Elegant solution to join problem init(0)

parent wait()
child post()

How to build semaphores from mutex / cv

Finally, problems
↳ deadlock