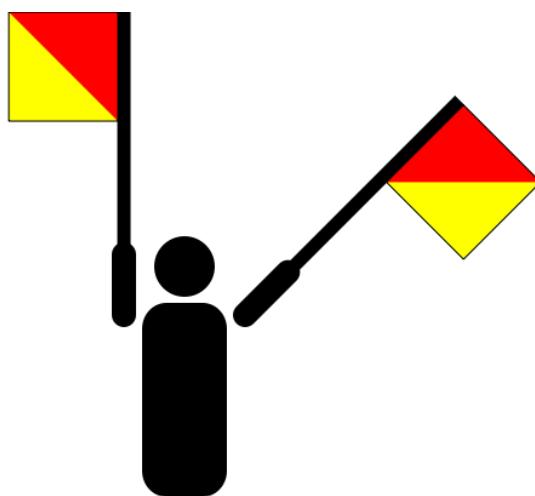


Too Few Chairs

Threads A, B, C, ...

```
1 if (chairs > 0) {  
2     chairs--;  
3     print("I'm working!");  
4     chairs++;  
5 }
```

Semaphores



Too Much Milk with Semaphores

```
sem = new Semaphore(1);
```

Threads A, B

```
1 sem.wait();
2 if (noMilk) {
3     buy milk;
4 }
5 sem.signal();
```

Too Few Chairs with Semaphores

```
sem = new Semaphore(NUM_CHAIRS);
```

Threads A, B, C, ...

```
1 sem.wait();
2 print("I'm working!");
3 sem.signal();
```

Implementing Semaphores

```
class Semaphore {  
public:  
    void Wait(Thread T);  
    void Signal();  
private:  
    int value;  
    Queue Q;  
}  
  
Semaphore(int val) {  
    value = val;  
    Q = empty;  
}  
  
Wait() {  
    value--;  
    if (value < 0) {  
        add curThread to Q;  
        put curThread to sleep;  
    }  
}  
  
Signal() {  
    value++;  
    if (value <= 0){  
        remove T from Q;  
        put T on ready queue;  
    }  
}
```

Must be atomic (interrupts or Test&Set)!

Producers/Consumers with Semaphores

```
class ProducerConsumer {  
public:  
    void Produce();  
    void Consume();  
private:  
    Items buffer;  
    // control buffer access  
    Semaphore mutex;  
    // count of free slots  
    Semaphore empty;  
    // count of used slots  
    Semaphore full;  
}  
  
ProducerConsumer(int N) {  
    mutex.value = 1;  
    empty.value = N;  
    full.value = 0;  
    buffer = new buffer[N];  
}  
  
void Produce() {  
    <produce item>  
    empty.Wait(); // one fewer slot, or wait  
    mutex.Wait(); // get access to buffers  
    <add item to buffer>  
    mutex.Signal(); // release buffers  
    full.Signal(); // one more used slot  
}  
  
void Consume() {  
    full.Wait(); // wait until there's an item  
    mutex.Wait(); // get access to buffers  
    <remove item from buffer>  
    mutex.Signal(); // release buffers  
    empty.Signal(); // one more free slot  
    <use item>  
}
```

Locks and Semaphores Summary

- Synchronization difficult without OS help
- Primitives: Locks, Semaphores
- Disable interrupts or test&set
 - Hardware support!
- Semaphores generalize locks
 - Binary semaphores
 - Counting semaphores
 - Scheduling constraints