
OPERATING SYSTEM: CSET209



CONTENT

- **Software solutions to CSP**
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PRINTER SPOOLER DAEMON

Let we have two process P1 and P2 in ready queue

0	F1.docx
1	F2.docx
2	F3.docx
3	
4	
5	
6	

In = 3

Out = 0

Ready queue

P1 "f4.docx"	P2 "f5.docx"
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P1 |
P1 | |
P1 | | |
P2 |
P2 | |

0	F1.docx
1	F2.docx
2	F3.docx
3	
4	
5	
6	

- I1. LOAD Ri M[IN]
- I2. STORE SD[Ri] "FILE_NAME"
- I3. INCR Ri
- I4. STORE M[IN] Ri

Problem: Data Loss

TURN VARIABLE OR STRICT ALTERNATION APPROACH

For Process P_i

- ❑ Turn Variable or Strict Alternation Approach or Decker's algorithm is the software mechanism implemented at user mode. It is a busy waiting solution which can be implemented only for two processes. In this approach, A turn variable is used which is actually a lock.
- ❑ This approach can only be used for only two processes. In general, let the two processes be P_i and P_j . They share a variable called turn variable. The pseudo code of the program can be given as following.

```
Non - CS  
while (turn != i);  
Critical Section  
turn = j;  
Non - CS
```

For Process P_j

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while (turn != j);  
Critical Section  
turn = i;  
Non - CS
```

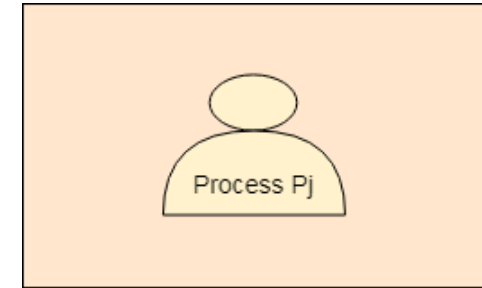
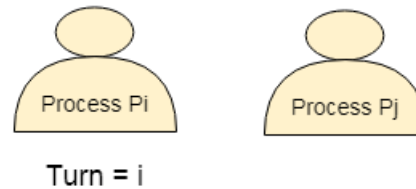
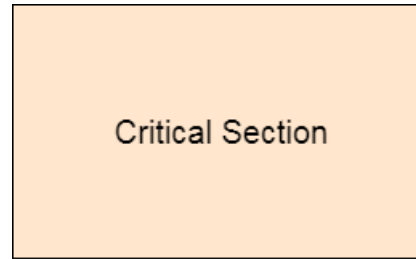
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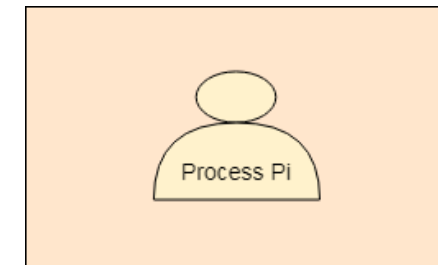
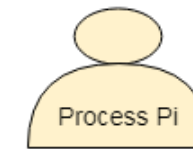
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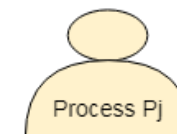
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Turn = j



Turn = i




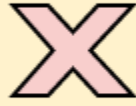

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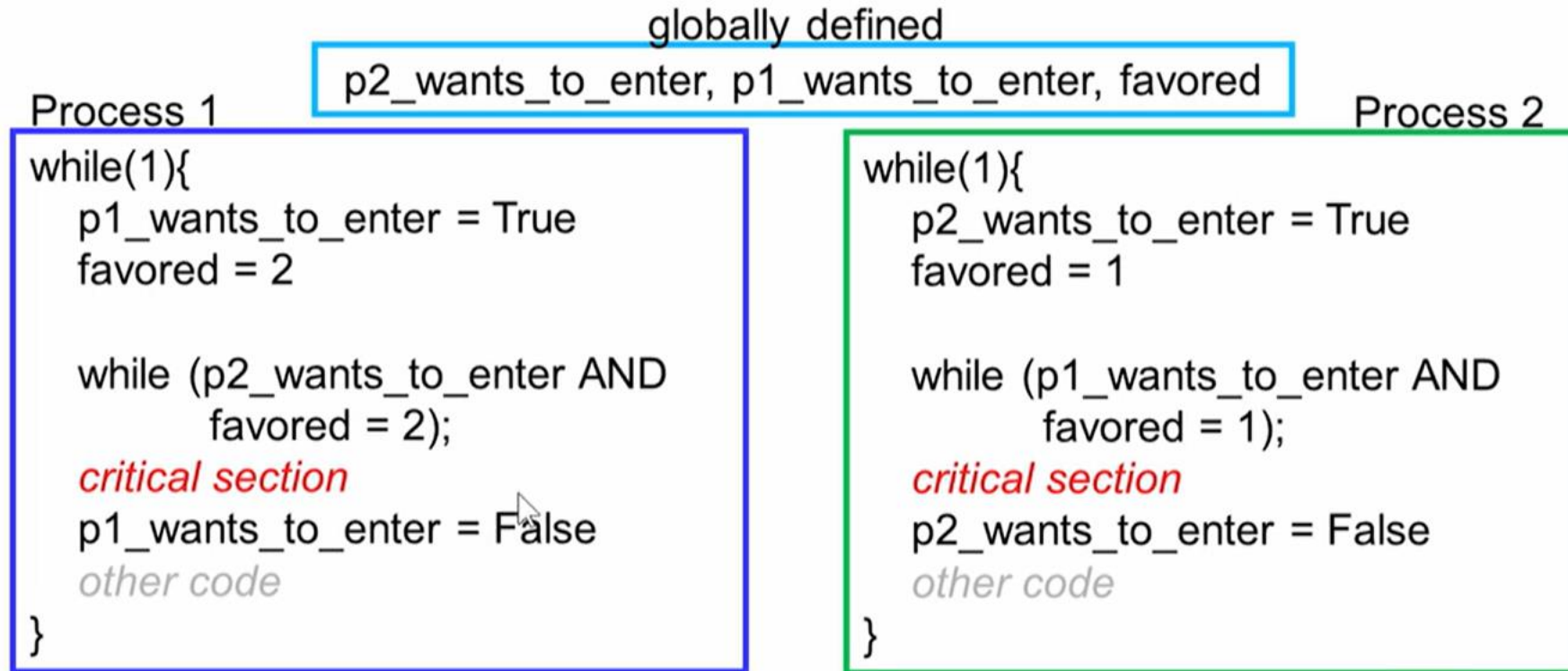
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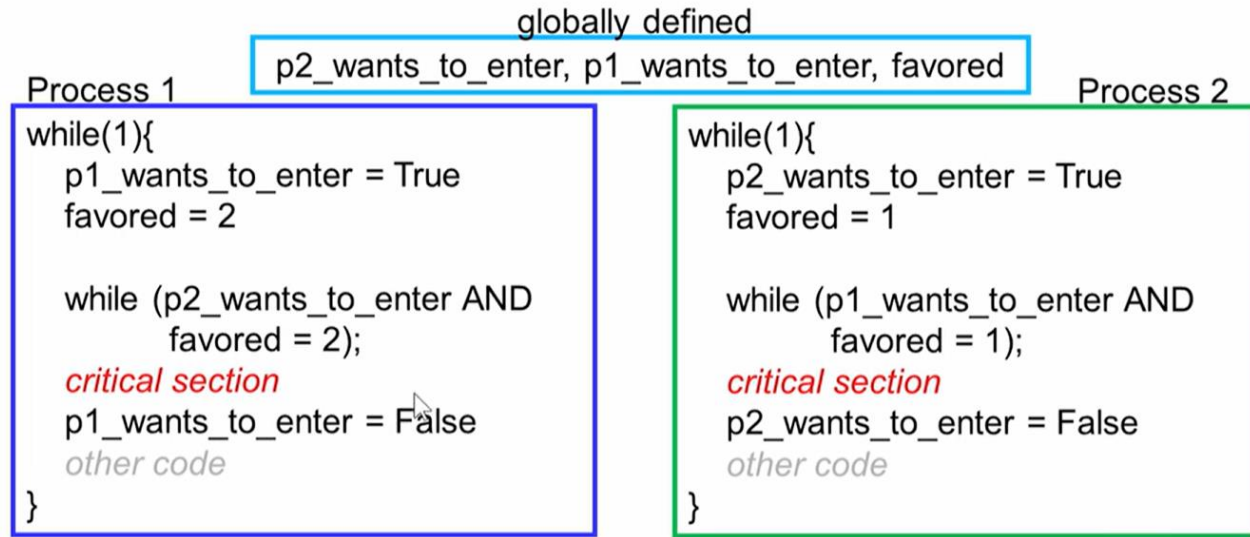
Mutual Exclusion	
Progress	
Bounded Waiting	

PETERSON'S SOLUTION



- ❑ This is a software mechanism implemented at user mode.
- ❑ It is a busy waiting solution can be implemented **for only two processes**.
- ❑ It uses **two variables** which are globally defined.

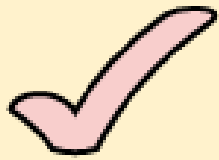
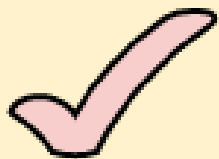
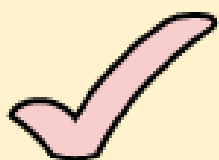
PETERSON'S SOLUTION



Same as

```
do {
    flag[i] = true;
    turn = j;
    while (flag[j] && turn == j);
        critical section
    flag[i] = false;
    remainder section
} while (true);
```

ANALYSIS OF PETERSON SOLUTION

Mutual Exclusion	
Progress	
Bounded Waiting	

globally defined
p2_wants_to_enter, p1_wants_to_enter, favored

Process 1

```
while(1){
  p1_wants_to_enter = True
  favored = 2

  while (p2_wants_to_enter AND
        favored = 2);
  critical section
  p1_wants_to_enter = False
  other code
}
```

Process 2

```
while(1){
  p2_wants_to_enter = True
  favored = 1

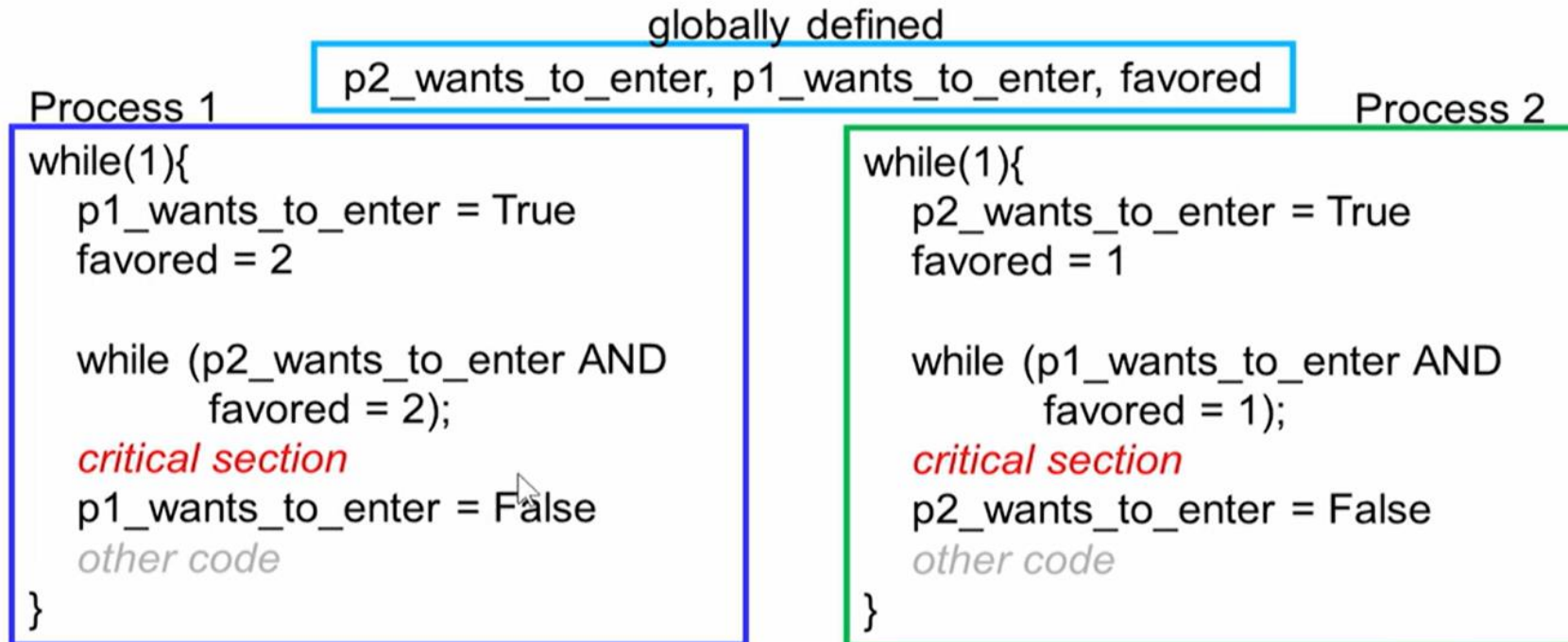
  while (p1_wants_to_enter AND
        favored = 1);
  critical section
  p2_wants_to_enter = False
  other code
}
```

ANALYSIS OF PETERSON SOLUTION

- ❑ This is a two process solution. Let us consider two cooperative processes P1 and P2. The entry section and exit section are shown below. Initially, the value of interested variables and turn variable is 0.
- ❑ Initially process P1 arrives and wants to enter into the critical section. It sets its interested variable to True (instruction line 3) and also sets turn to 1 (line number 4). Since the condition given in line number 5 is completely satisfied by P1 therefore it will enter in the critical section.
- ❑ P1 → 1 2 3 4 5 CS
- ❑ Meanwhile, Process P1 got preempted and process P2 got scheduled. P2 also wants to enter in the critical section and executes instructions 1, 2, 3 and 4 of entry section. On instruction 5, it got stuck since it doesn't satisfy the condition (value of other interested variable is still true). Therefore it gets into the busy waiting.
- ❑ P2 → 1 2 3 4 5
- ❑ P1 again got scheduled and finish the critical section by executing the instruction no. 6 (setting interested variable to false). Now if P2 checks then it are going to satisfy the condition since other process's interested variable becomes false. P2 will also get enter the critical section.
- ❑ P1 → 6
- ❑ P2 → 5 CS
- ❑ Any of the process may enter in the critical section for multiple numbers of times. Hence the progress condition is satisfied.

QUESTION ON PETERSON

Question: If both process P_1 and P_2 are trying to enter into the critical section at the same time then which process will go to the critical section first.



HARDWARE SOLUTION 1: DISABLE INTERRUPT

Process 1

```
lock-----> while(1){
                disable interrupts ()
                critical section
unlock----->                enable interrupts ()
                other code
                }
```

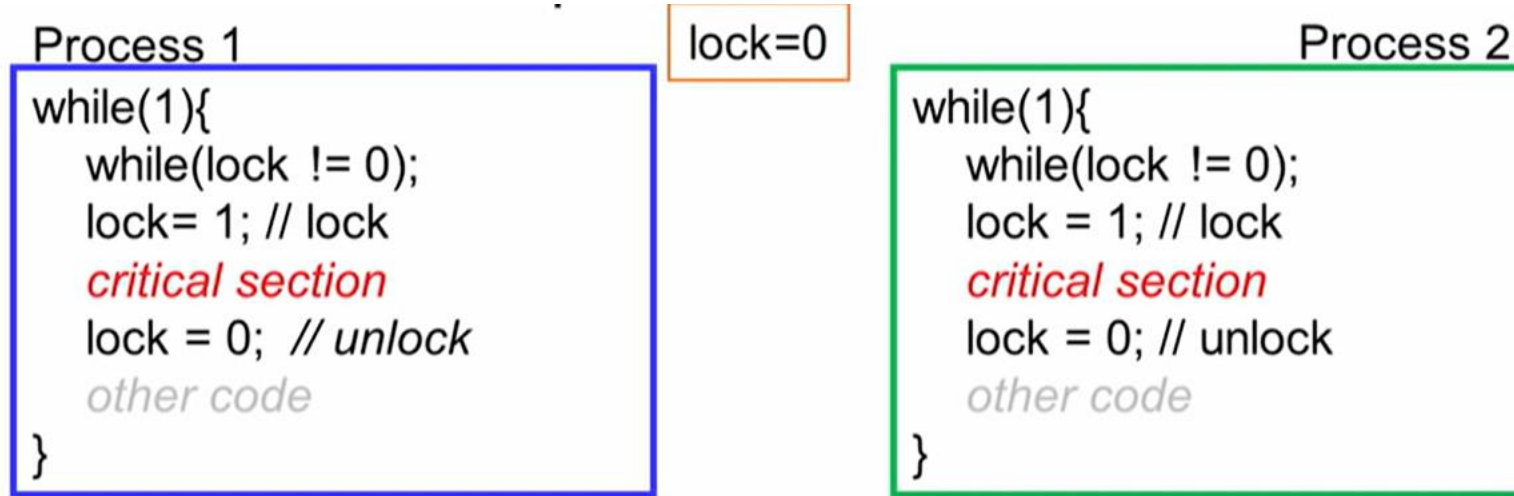
Process 2

```
while(1){
    disable interrupts ()
    critical section
    enable interrupts ()
    other code
}
```

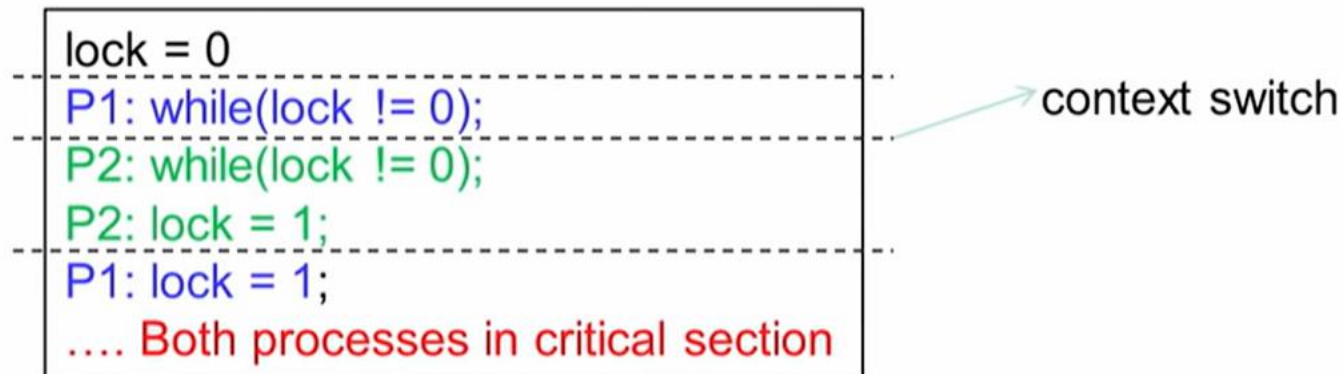
- ❑ **Simple:** When interrupts are disabled, context switches won't happen
- ❑ **Requires privileges:** User level programs cannot disable interrupts. Only kernel level programs can.
- ❑ **Not suited for multicore systems. Why?**

HARDWARE INSTRUCTION: TEST AND SET LOCK

Does this scheme provides mutual exclusion?

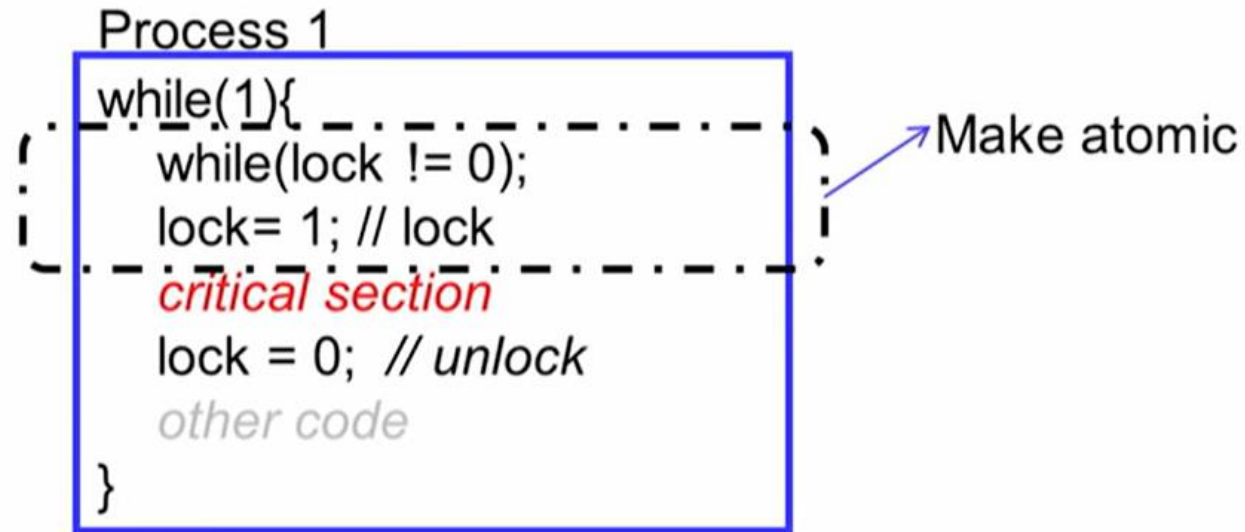


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HARDWARE INSTRUCTION: TEST AND SET LOCK

Only when the operation shown can be made atomic.



HARDWARE INSTRUCTION: TEST AND SET LOCK

1. Executed **atomically**.
2. Returns the **original value of passed parameter**.
3. Set the new value of passed parameter to “TRUE”.



```
int test_and_set(int *L){  
    int prev = *L;  
    *L = 1;  
    return prev;  
}
```

HARDWARE INSTRUCTION: TEST AND SET LOCK USAGE

atomic

```
int test_and_set(int *L){
    int prev = *L;
    *L = 1;
    return prev;
}
```

Process 1

```
while(1){
    while(test_and_set(&lock) == 1);
    critical section
    lock = 0; // unlock
    other code
}
```

Process 2

```
while(1){
    while(test_and_set(&lock) == 1);
    critical section
    lock = 0; // unlock
    other code
}
```

1. “lock” initialized to 0.
2. So, if two CPUs execute test_and_set at the same time, hardware ensures one test_and_set completes its execution before the other starts.
3. But the implementation shown here does not satisfy the **Bounded-waiting requirement**.

ANOTHER HARDWARE INSTRUCTION: COMPARE_AND_SWAP

1. Executed atomically.
2. Returns the **original value of passed parameter “value”**.
3. Set the variable “value” the value of the passed parameter “new_value” but only if “value” == “expected”. That is, the swap takes place only under this condition.

```
int compare_and_swap (int *value, int expected, int new_value)
{
    int temp = *value;

    if (*value == expected)
        *value = new_value;
    return temp;
}
```

COMPARE_AND_SWAP: USAGE

```
do {
    while (compare_and_swap(&lock, 0, 1) != 0); /* do
nothing */

    /* critical section */

    lock = 0;

    /* remainder section */
} while (true);
```


```
int compare_and_swap (int *value, int
expected, int new_value)
{
    int temp = *value;

    if (*value == expected)
        *value = new_value;
    return temp;
}
```

- Shared integer “lock” initialized to 0.

SUMMARY OF SOLUTIONS TO CRITICAL SECTION PROBLEM

- Software based solution
 - Peterson's solution
- Hardware based solutions
 - Disable interrupts
 - Atomic instructions: Test_and_Set and Compare_and_Swap
- OS solutions
 - Semaphore



THANK YOU
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