

Implementing Mutexes & Condition Variables

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Mutex & Condition Variable Primitives

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int thread_mutex_init (thread_mutex_t *mutex);  
int thread_mutex_lock (thread_mutex_t *mutex);  
int thread_mutex_unlock (thread_mutex_t *mutex);
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```
int thread_cond_init (thread_cond_t *cond);  
int thread_cond_wait (thread_cond_t *cond  
                      thread_mutex_t *mutex);  
int thread_cond_signal (thread_cond_t *cond);
```

Mutex lock / unlock

lock object must contain:

Flag - is lock locked?

if locked, which thread owns it?

if locked, queue of threads waiting
on lock

Mutex Lock

if lock is not locked

set FLAG to LOCKED

set owner to current thread's ID

else

if the owner is the current thread

return FAILURE

else

remove current thread's TCB

from ready list

put it on the end of the lock's

queue

call `asm-yield`

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should be done
in unlock!

set FLAG to LOCKED

set owner to current thread's ID

return SUCCESS

Mutex Unlock

See if you can write the pseudo code yourself.

Condition Variable Wait/Signal

Condition variable must contain:

queue of threads waiting

For each thread in queue, the
mutex it held when it called
wait

wait

remove current thread's TCB from
ready list

place TCB on end of c.v.'s wait queue

record mutex in queue entry *

unlock mutex **

call csu_yield

lock mutex

Do this in
signal?

* perhaps add field to TCB

** return failure if thread does not have
mutex locked

Signal

See if you can write pseudo code yourself.

This discussion assumed there was only one processor.

If our threads were running on multiple processors, then we would use `mutexes` to do low-level lock or lock and condition variable objects before we worked upon them.