





Clearing up synchronization issues

- $_{\rm n}$ Monitors
 - How should we use them?
 - Why is this weird inside a monitor? P(mutex); account+=balance; V(mutex);
- _n Smoker problem
 - Mhat's wrong if we had:
 - Agent: V(ingr[i]); V(ingr[j]);
 Some smoker: P(ingr[a]); P(ingr[b]);
- General note: always init your semaphores!

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- n File sharing problem
 - $_{\rm n}$ Recall: processes can share a file as long as $\Sigma {\rm pid} < {\rm n}$
 - What's wrong here:

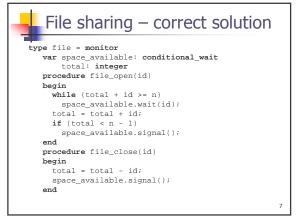
```
ifle_open(pid) {
    if(current + pid >= n)
        sum.wait();
    current += pid;
}
```

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File sharing – (almost) correct solution

```
type file = monitor
  var space_available: condition
    total: integer
  procedure file_open(id)
  begin
  while (total + id >= n)
    space_available.wait();
  total = total + id;
  end
  procedure file_close(id)
  begin
  total = total - id;
  space_available.signal();
end
```

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- n Out right after midterm, due Nov. 19
- _n Given: vmtrace
 - Takes a memory trace file (also given)
 - Outputs # of references, # of page faults, compulsory faults, page evictions, pageouts.
- n Implement an LRU-like page replacement algorithm
- n Design and perform an experiment on some aspect of virtual memory



Project 3 experiment

- _n Have a hypothesis
 - "Big pages are better"
 - "Algorithm y is better"
 - "Prefetching will reduce the number of page
 - "If we understand why x happens, we can fix it"
- _n Two steps
 - Determine baseline behavior
 - - Change one aspect of the system, observe differences



Some Ideas

- _n What is the ideal page size for this trace under different amounts of main memory?
- n How much better is page replacement algorithm X than LRU
 - "Real" LRU, FIFO, 2Q, ARC, etc
- n How close can we come to LRU without doing any work between page faults?
 - No scanning, constant work per page fault
- n How important is recency vs. frequency in predicting page re-use?

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Not so good ideas

- n What kind of music is made when I convert the address trace to notes?
- n Can I make a fractal out of this data?

VM stuff virtual page # offset frame 0 page page frame # page frame # offset page : Often, first page table entry (page zero) is left invalid by the OS Any ideas why?
How can we use paging to set up sharing of memory between two

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