

# **Concurrency – Locking**

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based on Tiger Wang's slides

# Example 1

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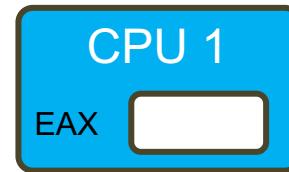
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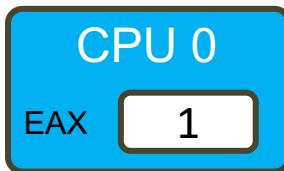
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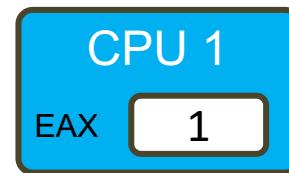
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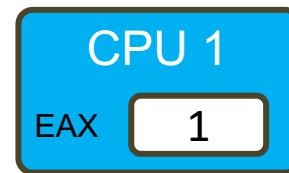


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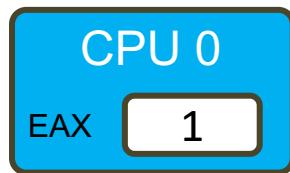
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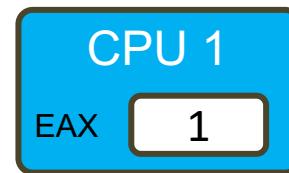
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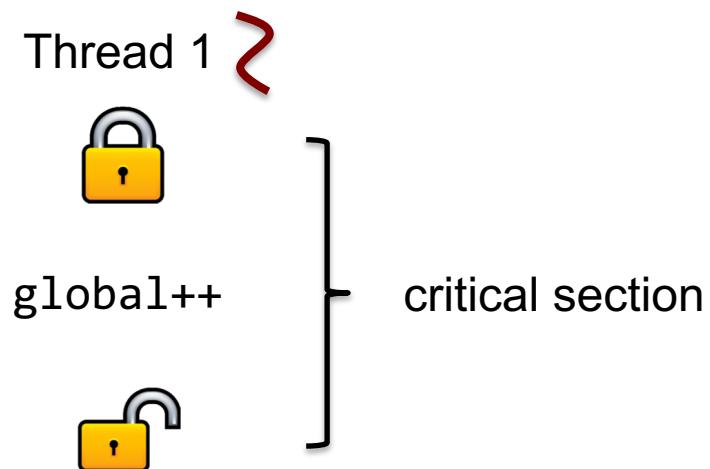
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# Lock/Mutex API in pthread lib

## `pthread_mutex_t`

- The type of mutex in pthread library
- Each mutex has two states: lock and unlock

```
int global = 0;  
pthread_mutex_t mu;  
...  
int main() {  
    ...  
    pthread_mutex_init(&mu, NULL);  
}
```

# Lock/Mutex API in pthread lib

```
int pthread_mutex_lock(pthread_mutex_t *m)
– lock mutex m. If m is locked, caller blocks until m is unlocked
– return 0 on success
```

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int global = 0;
pthread_mutex_t mu;

void *add(void *) {
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);
    global++;
}

}
```

# Lock/Mutex API in pthread lib

```
int pthread_mutex_unlock(pthread_mutex_t *m)
– unlock mutex m
– return 0 on success
```

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void *add(void *) {
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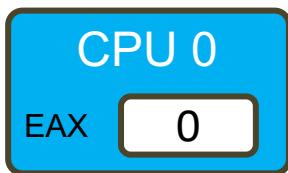
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Thread 2 ↗

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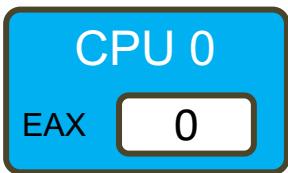
Thread 2 ↗



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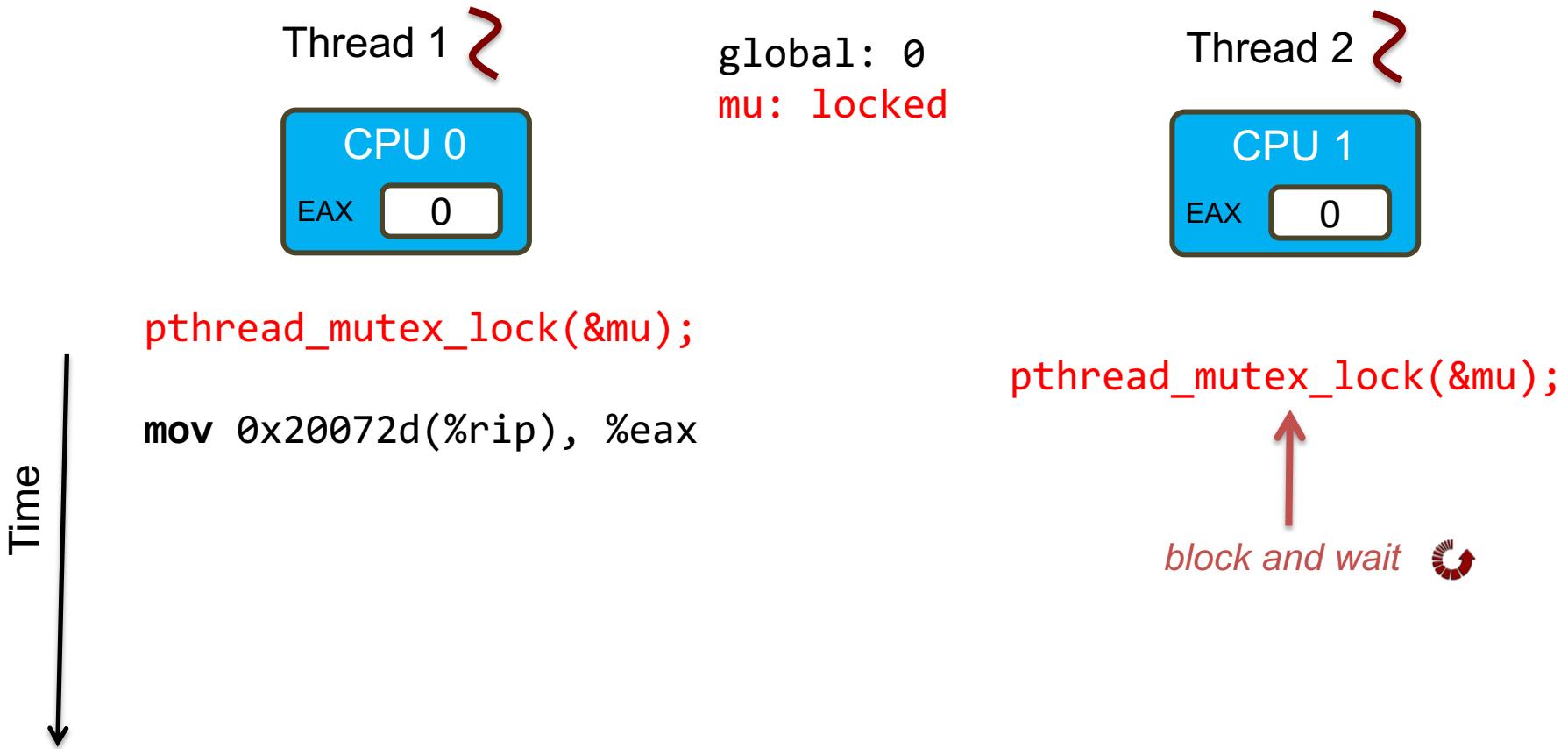
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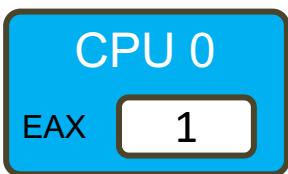


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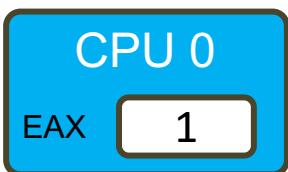
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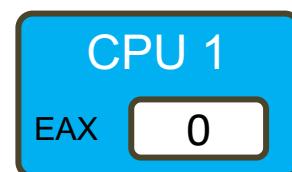
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Thread 1 ↗



global: 1  
mu: locked

Thread 2 ↗



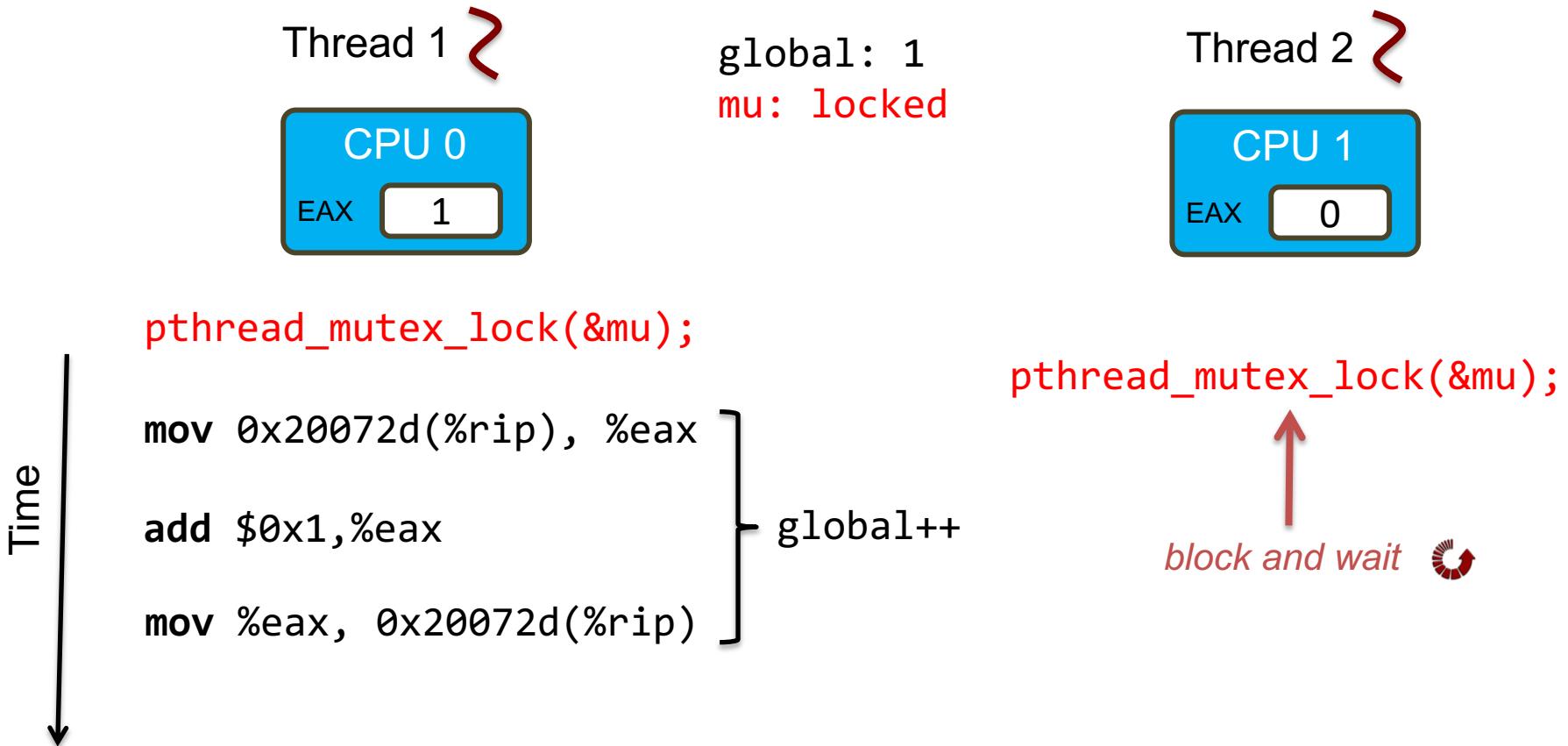
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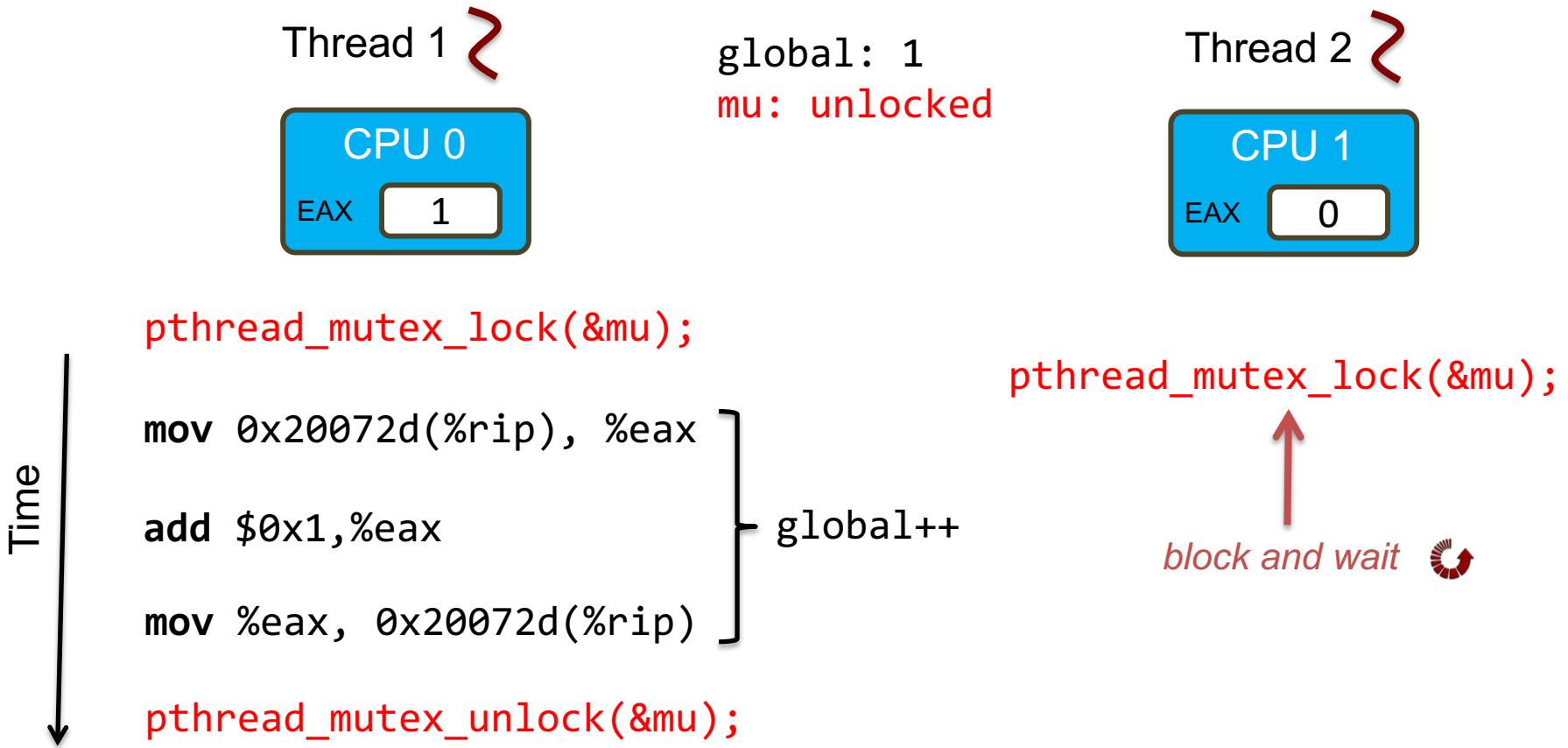
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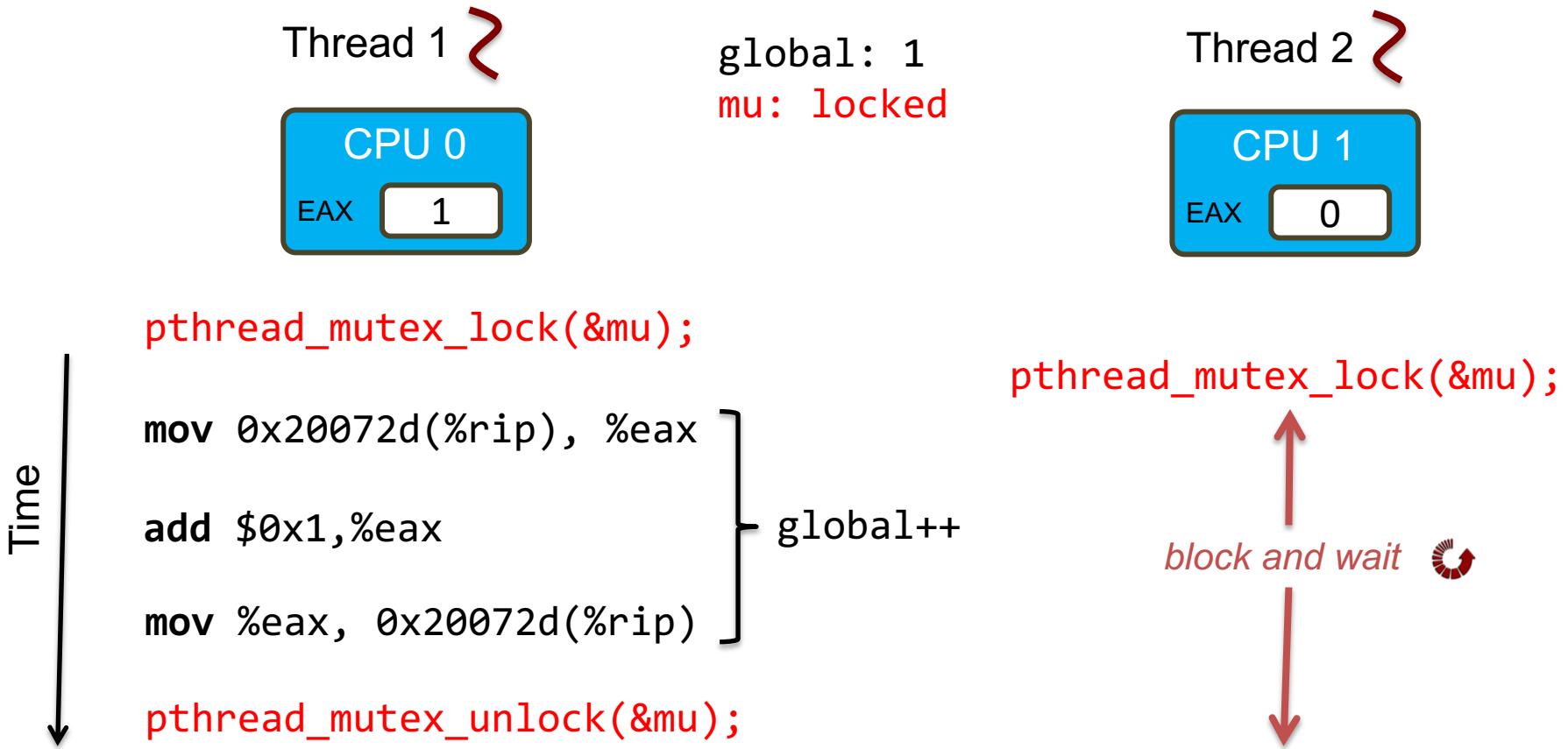
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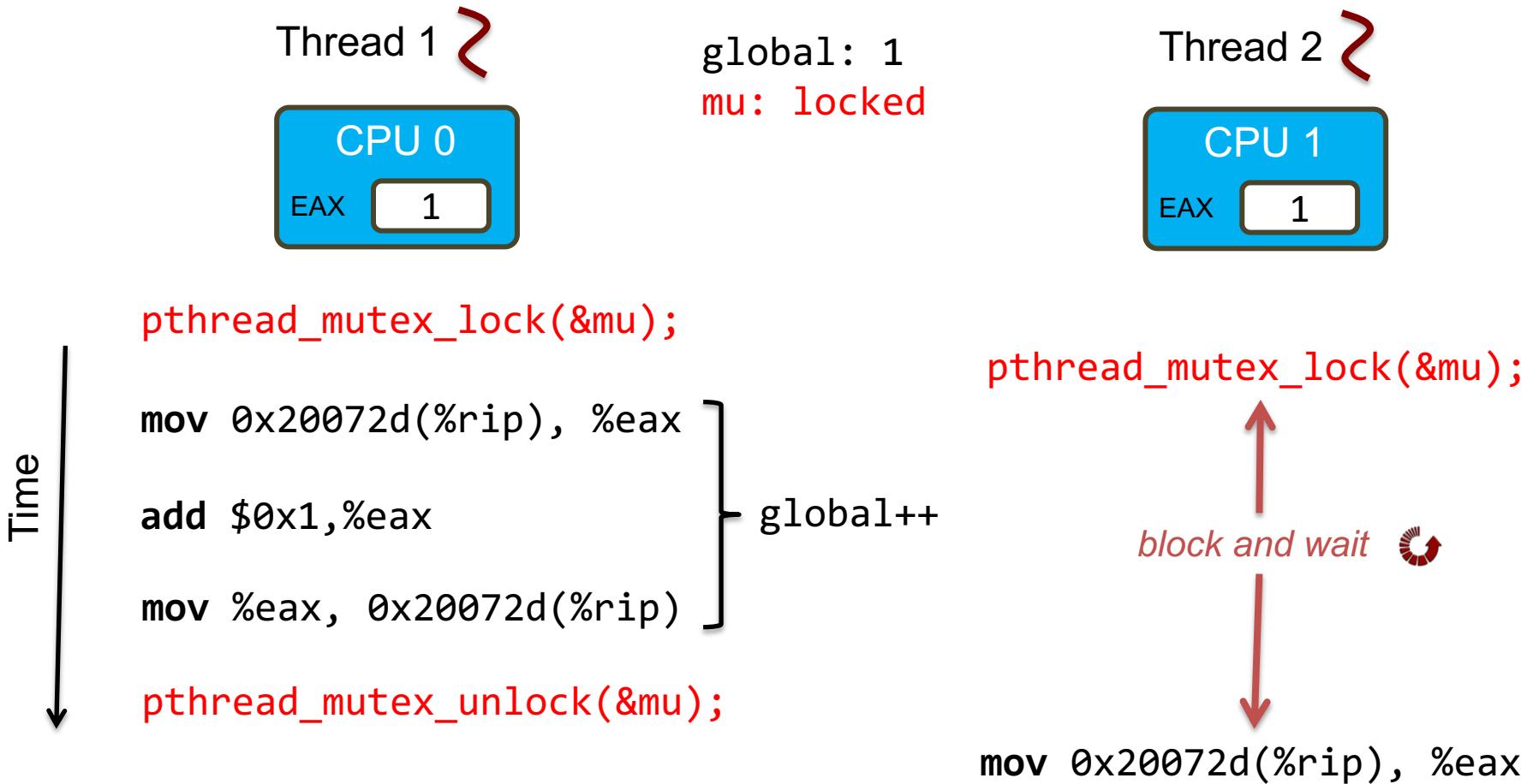
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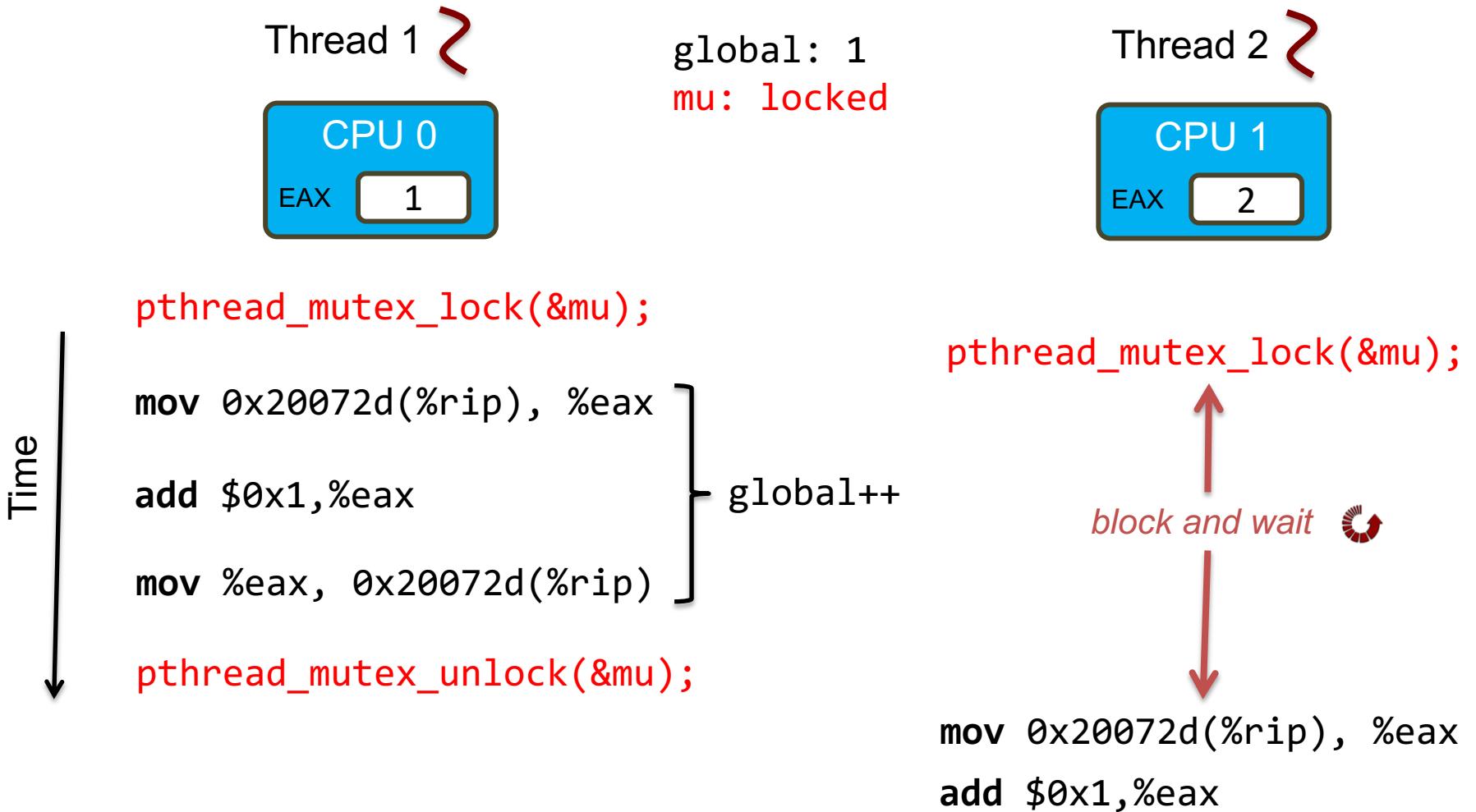
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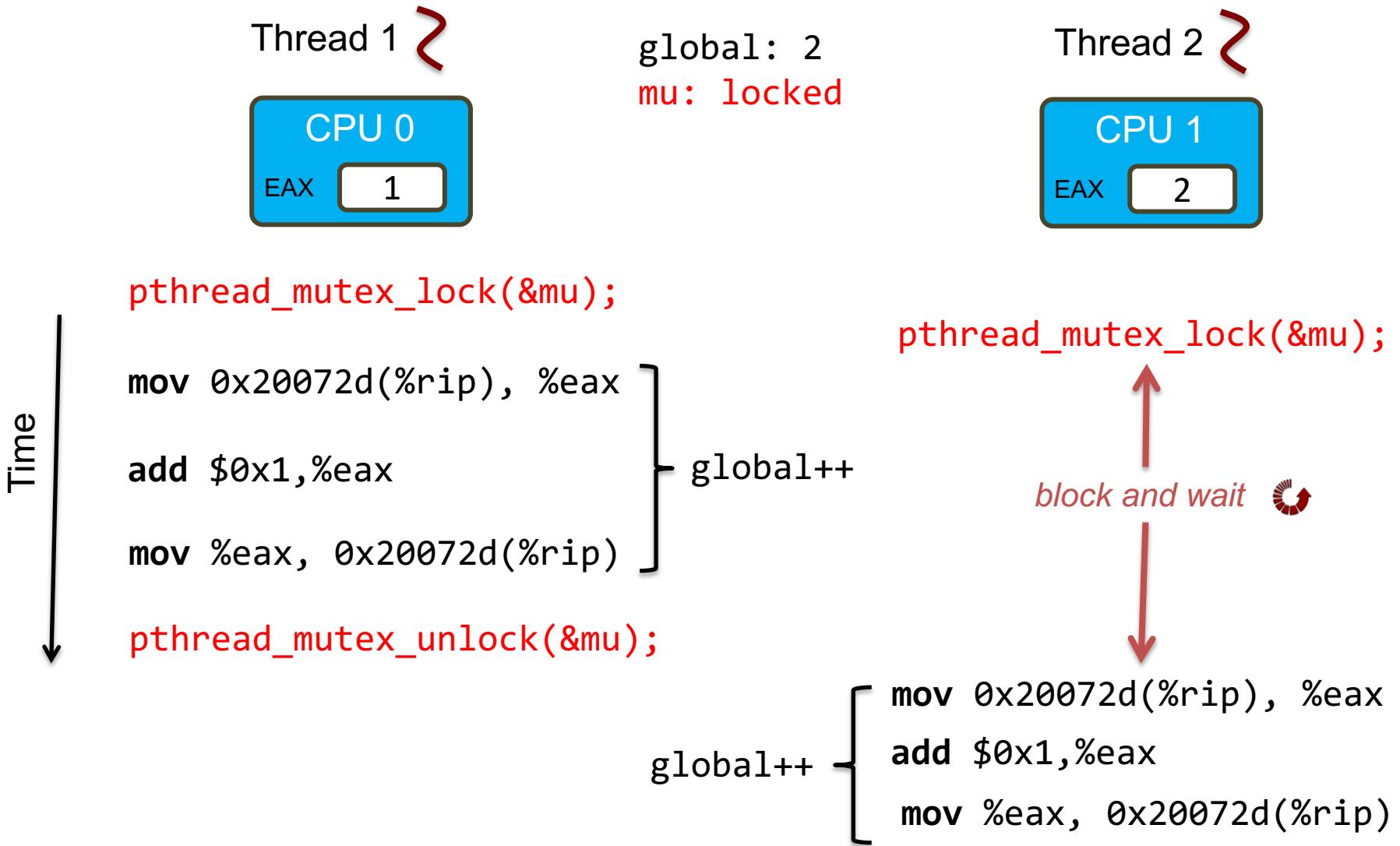
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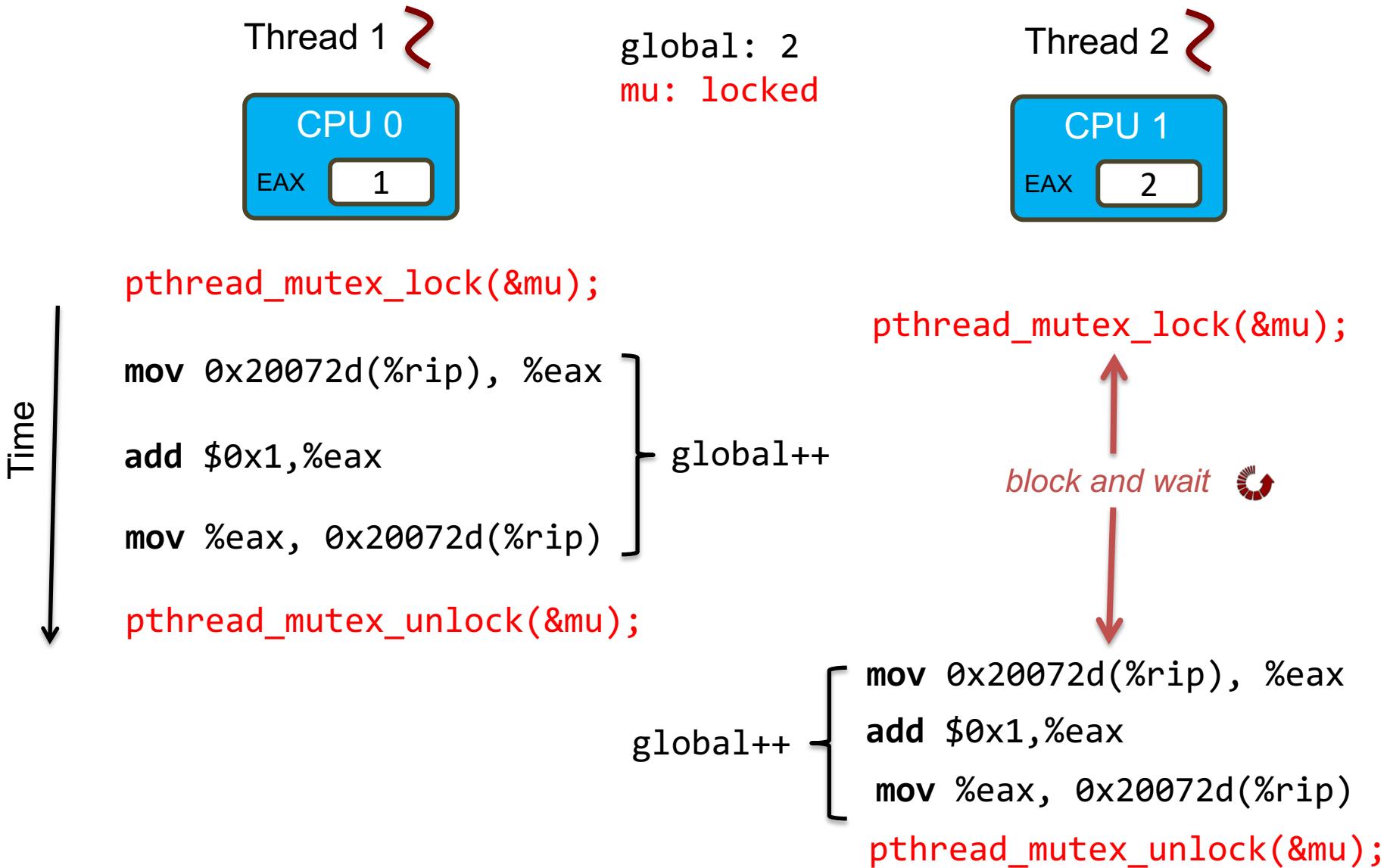
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Which one is correct?

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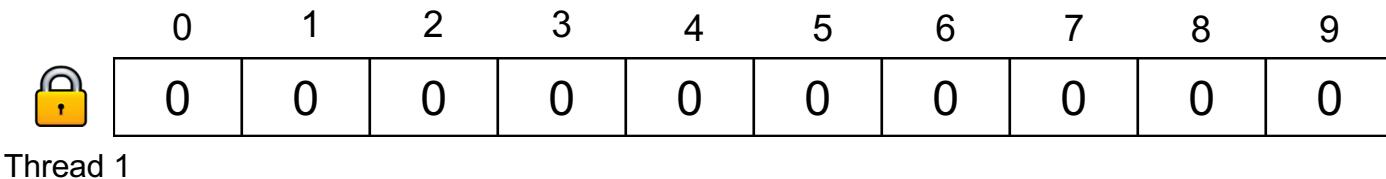
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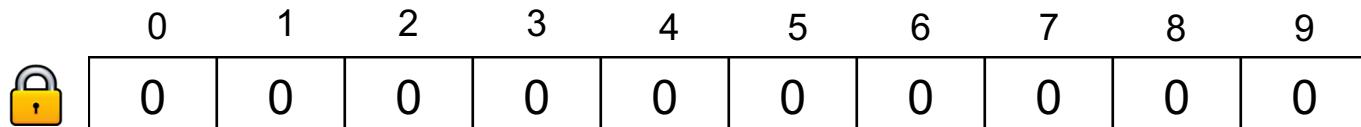
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*(block and wait)* ⏪



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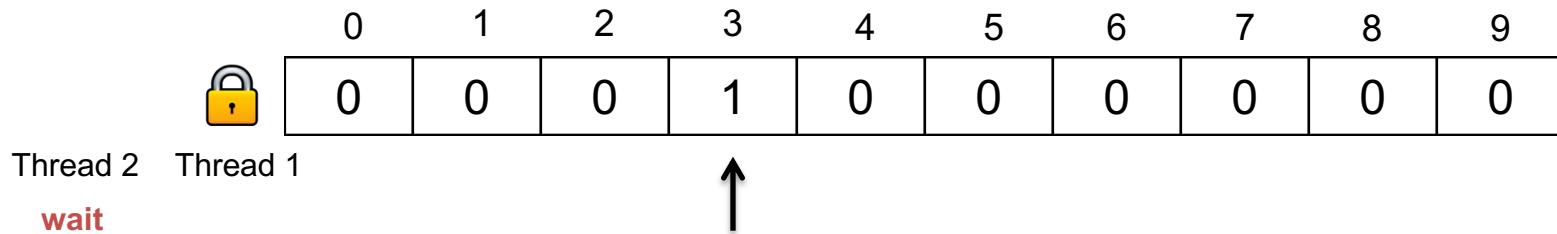
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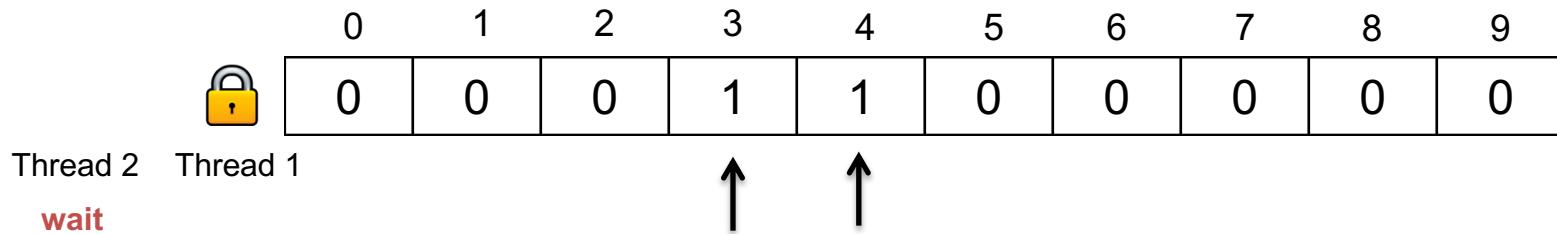
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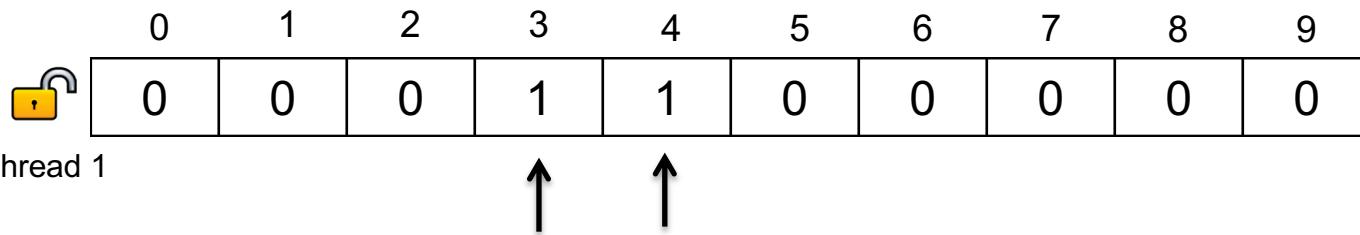
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Thread 2

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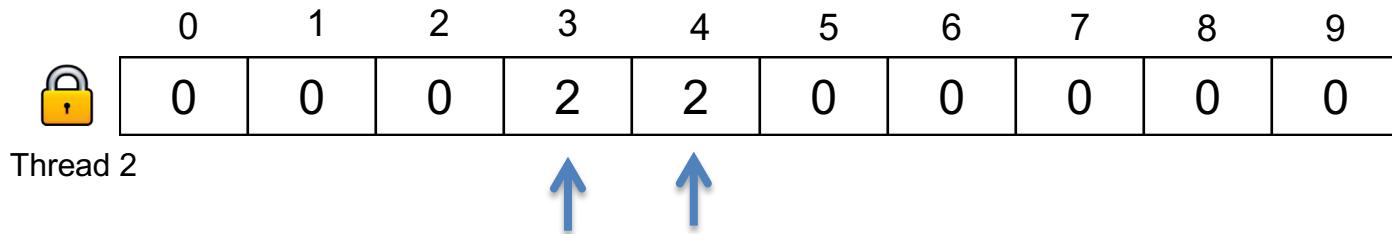
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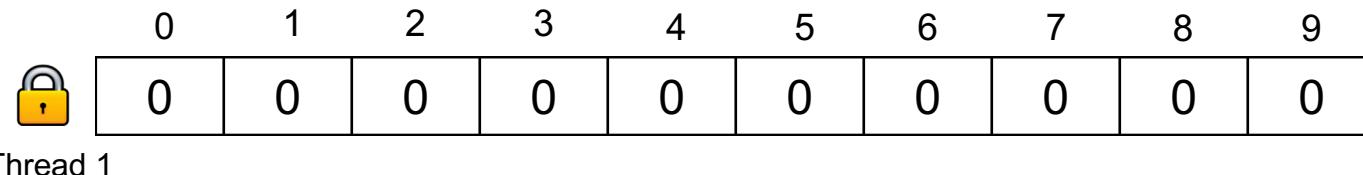
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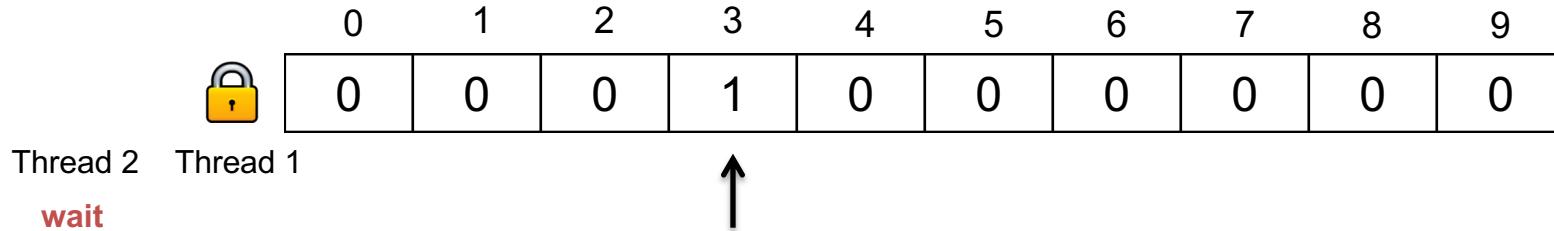
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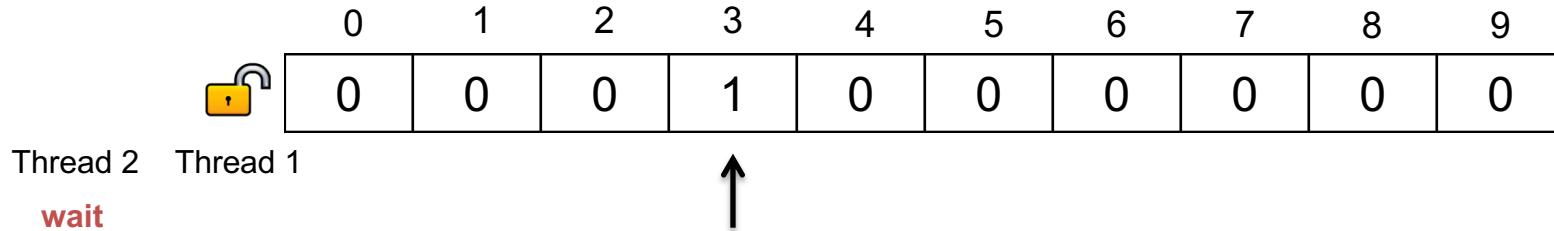
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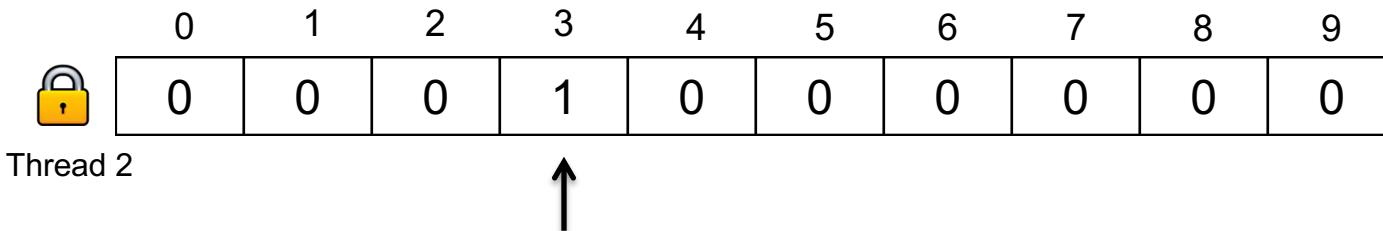
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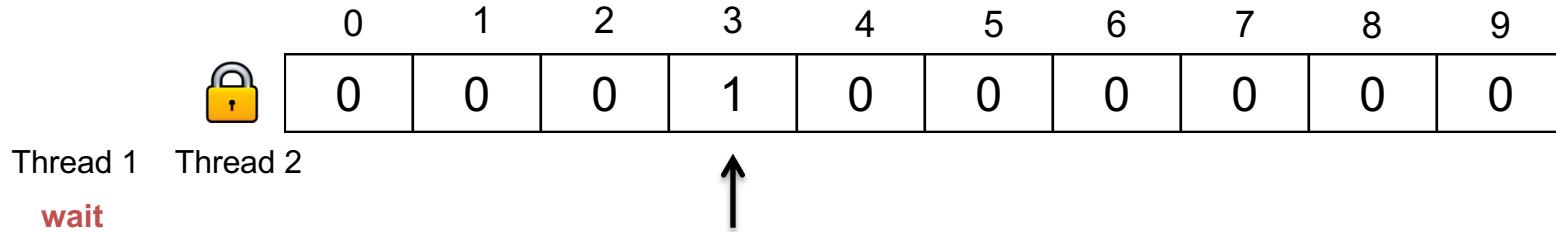
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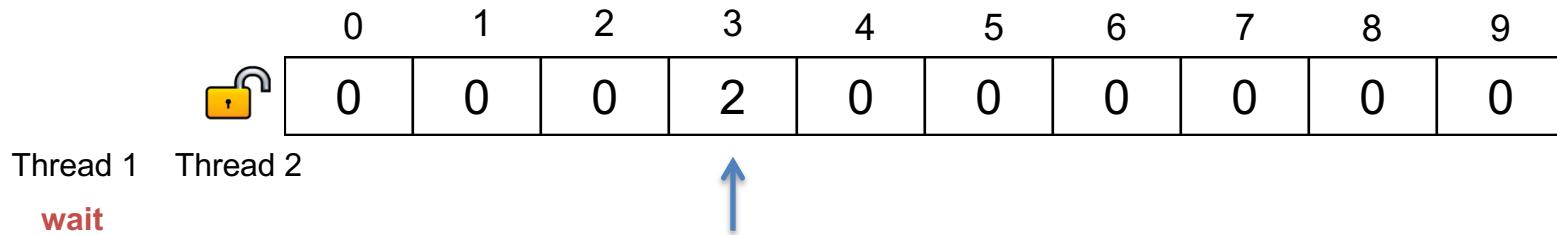
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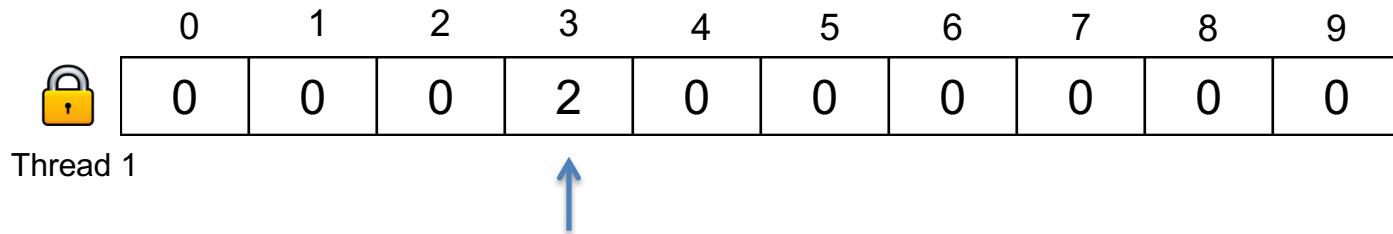
Both of them update elements 3 and 4

Thread 1 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
array[3]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);  
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
(block and wait) ⏪
```

Thread 2 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
(block and wait) ⏪  
array[3]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
```



# Example 2.2

Each thread updates 2 random elements from a shared array

```
int array[10];  
  
void *thr(void *) {  
    for(int i = 0; i < 2; i++) {  
        int idx = random() % 10;  
        pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
        array[idx]++;  
        pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);  
    }  
}
```

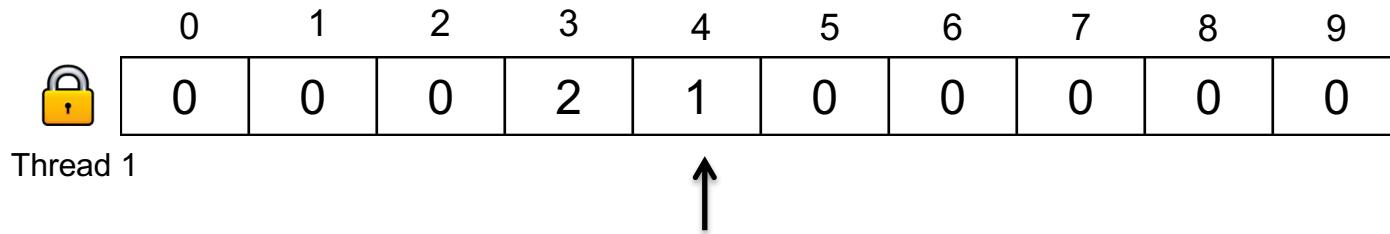
Both of them update elements 3 and 4

Thread 1 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
array[3]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);  
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
(block and wait) ⏺  
array[3]++;  
array[4]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
```

Thread 2 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
(block and wait) ⏺  
array[3]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
```



# Example 2.2

Each thread updates 2 random elements from a shared array

```
int array[10];  
  
void *thr(void *) {  
    for(int i = 0; i < 2; i++) {  
        int idx = random() % 10;  
        pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
        array[idx]++;  
        pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);  
    }  
}
```

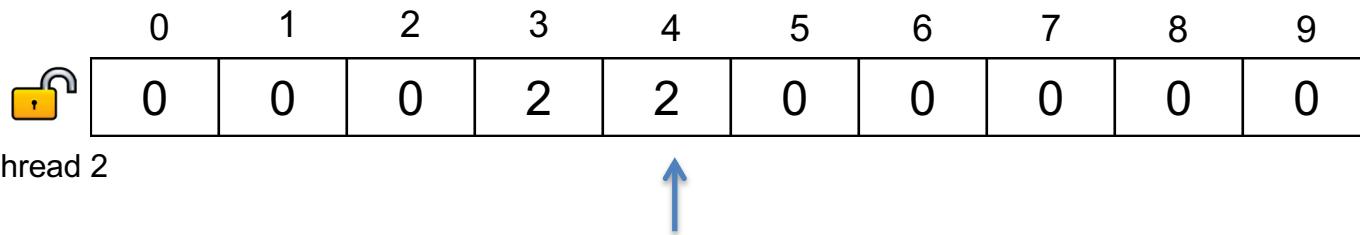
Both of them update elements 3 and 4

Thread 1 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
array[3]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);  
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
(block and wait) ⏪  
array[4]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
```

Thread 2 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
(block and wait) ⏪  
array[3]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);  
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
(block and wait) ⏪  
array[4]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
```



# Example 2.2

Each thread updates 2 random elements from a shared array

```
int array[10];  
  
void *thr(void *) {  
    for(int i = 0; i < 2; i++) {  
        int idx = random() % 10;  
        pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
        array[idx]++;  
        pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);  
    }  
}
```

Both of them update elements 3 and 4

Thread 1 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
array[3]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);  
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
(block and wait) ⏪  
array[4]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
```

Thread 2 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
(block and wait) ⏪  
array[3]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);  
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
(block and wait) ⏪  
array[4]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
```

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Thread 2	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0

Thread 2

What is the problem?

# Example 2.3

Each thread updates 2 random elements from a shared array

Thread 1 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
array[1]++;  
array[2]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
```

Thread 2 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
array[5]++;  
array[6]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
```

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

The diagram illustrates the state of a shared array of size 10. The array is represented as a horizontal row of 10 boxes, each containing the value '0'. Below the array, indices from 0 to 9 are shown above each box. Two specific indices are highlighted: index 1 (under the second box) and index 5 (under the sixth box). Index 1 is associated with Thread 1's update (array[1]++), and index 5 is associated with Thread 2's update (array[5]++). Blue arrows point from the code snippets to these respective indices.

These two threads' execution always be serialized, even they access different elements.

# Problem: over-synchronization

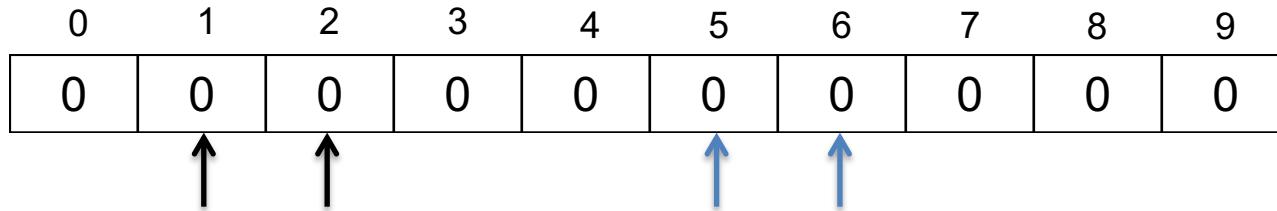
Each thread updates 2 random elements from a shared array

Thread 1 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
array[1]++;  
array[2]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
```

Thread 2 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);  
array[5]++;  
array[6]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
```



These two threads' execution always be serialized, even they access different elements.

How to improve it?

# **Lock granularity**

## Coarse granularity

- One big lock, associated with the entire array

## Fine granularity

- Multiple locks, each associated with a single element

# Example 2.3

Each thread updates 2 random elements from a shared array

```
int array[10];
pthread_mutex_t locks[10];

void *thr(void *) {
    for(int i = 0; i < 2; i++) {
        int idx = random() % 10;
        pthread_mutex_lock(&locks[idx]);
        array[idx]++;
        pthread_mutex_unlock(&locks[idx]);
    }
}
```

# Example 2.3

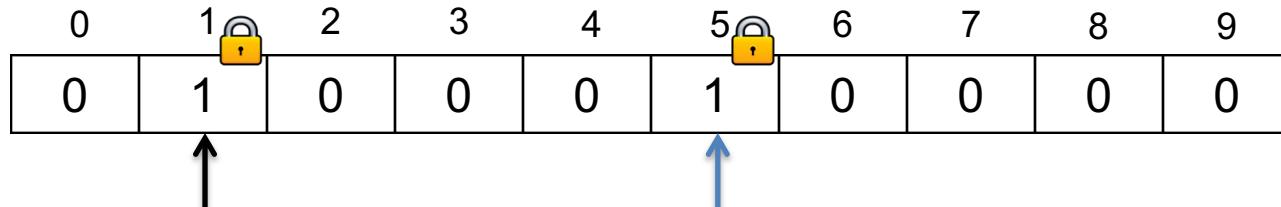
Each thread updates 2 random elements from a shared array

Thread 1 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu[1]);  
array[1]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu[1]);
```

Thread 2 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu[5]);  
array[5]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu[5]);
```



# Example 2.3

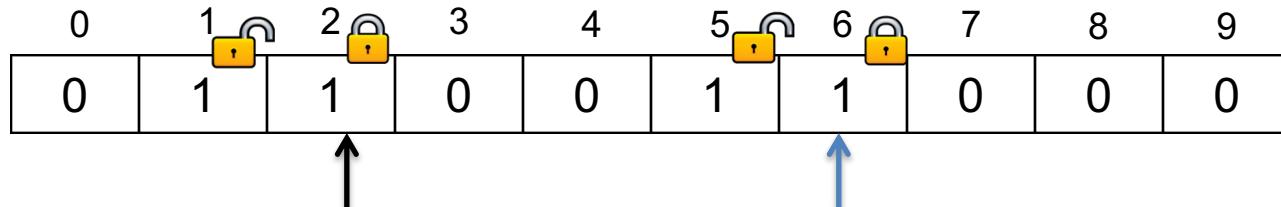
Each thread updates 2 random elements from a shared array

Thread 1 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu[1]);  
array[1]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu[1]);  
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu[2]);  
array[2]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu[2]);
```

Thread 2 ↗

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu[5]);  
array[5]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu[5]);  
pthread_mutex_lock(&mu[6]);  
array[6]++;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu[6]);
```



# Example 3

```
typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
}

int sum(int x, int y)
{
    return accounts[x]->val + accounts[y]->val;
}
```

# Example 3

```
typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];

//transfer monkey from account x to y
void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
}

// read the total of account x and y
int sum(int x, int y)
{
    return accounts[x]->val + accounts[y]->val;
}
```

Each thread may invoke `transfer` or `sum`  
No thread should observe the intermediate state of a transfer.

Thread 1 ↗ Thread 2 ↗  
`transfer(1, 2, 10)` `sum(1, 2)`

# Example 3

```
typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

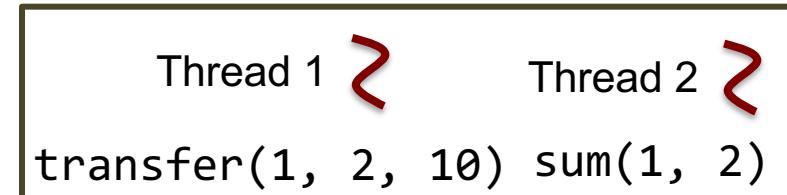
account *accounts[10];
pthread_mutex_t mu;

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
}

int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);
    int a = accounts[x]->val + accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
    return a;
}
```

Each thread may invoke `transfer` or `sum`

No thread should observe the intermediate state of a transfer.



# Example 3

```
typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

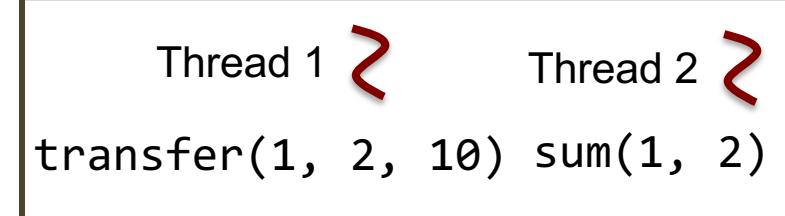
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void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
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    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
}

int sum(int x, int y)
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    pthread_mutex_lock(&mu);
    int a = accounts[x]->val + accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mu);
    return a;
}
```

Each thread may invoke `transfer` or `sum`

No thread should observe the intermediate state of a transfer.



Can you improve this impl.  
with fine-grained lock?

```

typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];
pthread_mutex_t mus[10];

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}

int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}

```

# Example 3

Thread may invoke transfer or sum

No thread should observe intermediate state of a transfer.

Thread 1 ↗	Thread 2 ↗
transfer(1, 2, 10) sum(1, 2)	

```

typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];
pthread_mutex_t mus[10];

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}

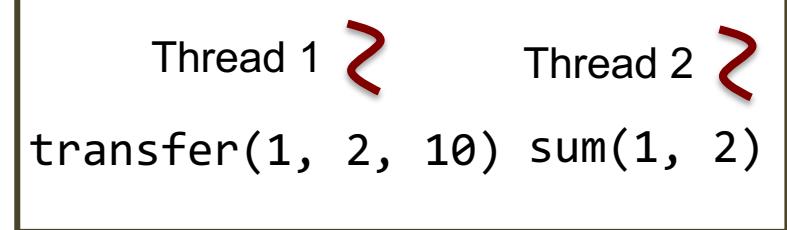
int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}

```

# Example 3

Thread may invoke transfer or sum

No thread should observe intermediate state of a transfer.



Any problem?

```
typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

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void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
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    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}

int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}
```

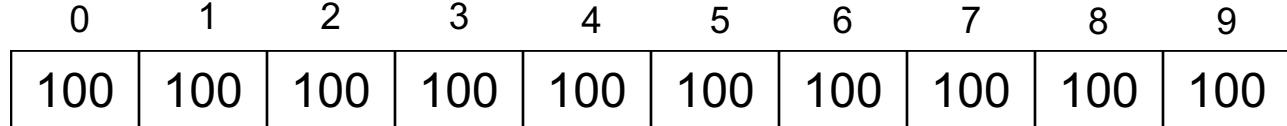
# Example 3

# Thread 1

```
transfer(1, 2, 10)
```

## Thread 2

sum(1, 2)



```
typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];
pthread_mutex_t mus[10];

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}

int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}
```

# Example 3

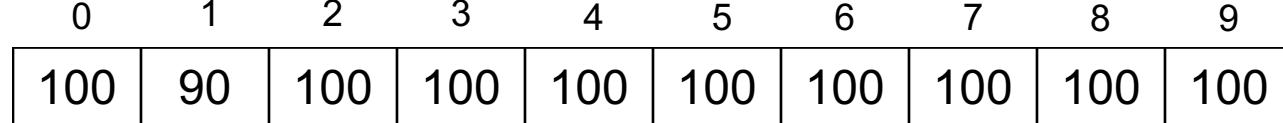
## Thread 1

```
transfer(1, 2, 10)
```

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[1]);  
accounts[1]->val -= 10;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[1]);
```

## Thread 2

sum(1, 2)



```
typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];
pthread_mutex_t mus[10];

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}

int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}
```

# Example 3

## Thread

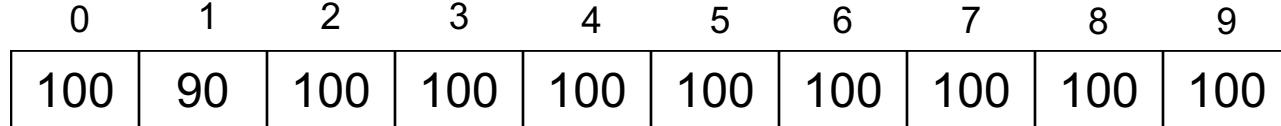
```
transfer(1, 2, 10)
```

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[1]);  
accounts[1]->val -= 10;  
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[1]);
```

## Thread 2

sum(1, 2) (190)

```
pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[1]);
int xv = accounts[1]->val;
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[1]);
pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[2]);
int yv = accounts[2]->val;
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[2]);
return xv + yv;
```



```

typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];
pthread_mutex_t mus[10];

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}

int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}

```

# Example 3

Thread 1

`transfer(1, 2, 10)`

```

pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[1]);
accounts[1]->val -= 10;
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[1]);

```

```

pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[2]);
accounts[2]->val += 10;
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[2]);

```

Thread 2

`sum(1, 2) (190)`

```

pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[1]);
int xv = accounts[1]->val;
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[1]);
pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[2]);
int yv = accounts[2]->val;
pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[2]);
return xv + yv;

```

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
100	90	110	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

```

typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];
pthread_mutex_t mus[10];

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}

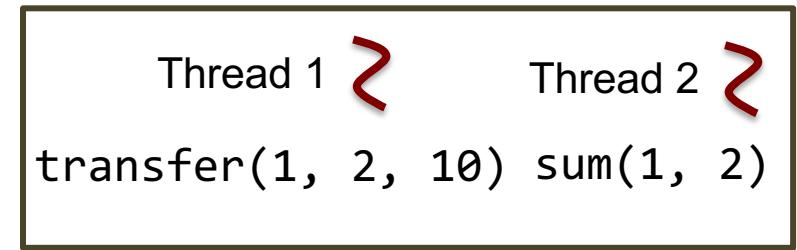
int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}

```

# Example 3

No thread is able to observe the middle state of the transfer.

→ Still hold x's lock when access y.



```

typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

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void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
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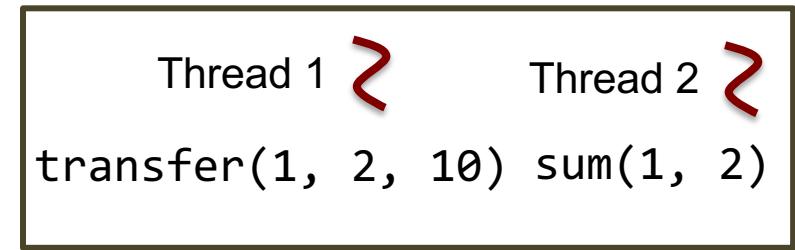
int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}

```

# Example 3

No thread is able to observe the middle state of the transfer.

→ Still hold x's lock when access y.



Any problem?

```

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    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];
pthread_mutex_t mus[10];

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
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    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}

int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}

```

# Deadlock

Thread 1 ↗

transfer(1, 2, 10)

Thread 2 ↗

sum(2, 1)

```
typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];
pthread_mutex_t mus[10];

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}

int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}
```

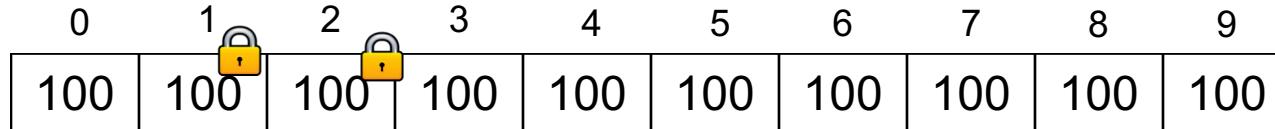
# Deadlock

## Thread 1

```
transfer(1, 2, 10)
```

# Thread 2

sum(2, 1)



```
typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];
pthread_mutex_t mus[10];

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}

int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}
```

# Deadlock

## Thread 1

```
transfer(1, 2, 10)
```

# Thread 2

sum(2, 1)

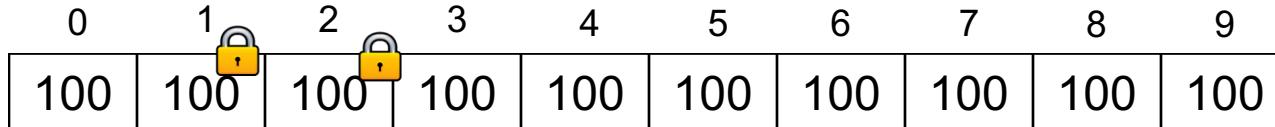
```
; pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[1]);    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[2]);  
pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[2]);    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[1]);
```



wait for thread 2 to release mutex[2]



wait for thread 1 to release mutex[1]



```
typedef struct {
    char *name;
    int val;
} account;

account *accounts[10];
pthread_mutex_t mus[10];

void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}

int sum(int x, int y)
{
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    int xv = accounts[x]->val;
    int yv = accounts[y]->val;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
    return xv + yv;
}
```

# Deadlock

## Thread 1

```
transfer(1, 2, 10)
```

# Thread 2

sum(2, 1)

```
; pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[1]);    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[2]);  
pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[2]);    pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[1]);
```

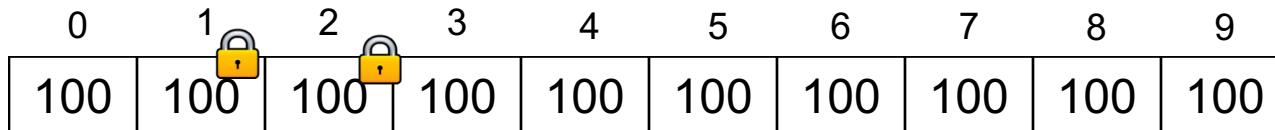


wait for thread 2 to release mutex



wait for thread 1 to release mutex[1]

## Program can not make progress!



# Techniques to prevent deadlock

## Observation

- A deadlock occurs if a thread who's holding one lock is blocked trying to grab another lock

## Trick

- Use “trylock” to avoid thread being blocked.

# Use **trylock** to avoid deadlock

- `int pthread_mutex_trylock(pthread_mutex_t *mu);`
  - If the mutex is locked, the call returns immediately.
  - Return value:
    - Zero: acquired the lock successfully;
    - Non-Zero: lock is held by others

# Use trylock to avoid deadlock

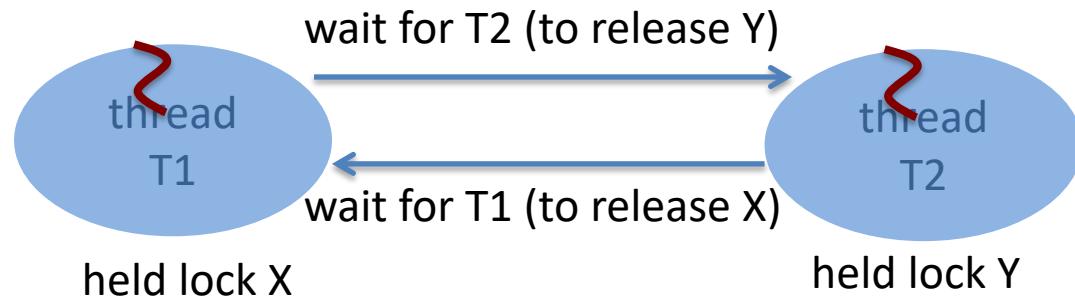
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```
void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    retry:
        pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
        int succ = pthread_mutex_trylock(&mus[y]);
        if (succ != 0) {
            pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]); ← must release held lock
            goto retry;                  if trylock is unsuccessful
        }
        accounts[x]->val -= amount;
        accounts[y]->val += amount;
        pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
        pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}
```

# Technique 2: Lock ordering

## Observation

- A deadlock occurs only if concurrent threads try to acquire locks in different order



## Technique:

- Each thread acquires lock in the same order

# Trick II to prevent deadlock

Each thread acquires lock in the same order

```
void transfer(int x, int y, int amount)
{
    if(x < y) {
        pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
        pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
    } else {
        pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[y]);
        pthread_mutex_lock(&mus[x]);
    }
    accounts[x]->val -= amount;
    accounts[y]->val += amount;
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[x]);
    pthread_mutex_unlock(&mus[y]);
}
```