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**Subject:** Interprocess communication with U++

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Are there any classes to help making interprocess communication?

Maybe something like Windows` named kernel objects.

For example, I`m updating a number of files and I want other copies of my process to wait for i/o operations to complete. Is there anything in U++ to help me with?

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I've discovered that both Windows and UNIX standards support named semaphores. So the existing Semaphore class could be extended towards the named semaphores.

Research continues.

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OK, patch seems to be trivial.

Here is what I propose:

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Mt.h: class Semaphore {  
#ifdef PLATFORM_WIN32  
    HANDLE handle;  
#else  
    sem_t sem;  
    sem_t *namedSem;  
#endif  
  
public:  
    void Wait();  
    void Release();  
  
    Semaphore();  
    Semaphore(const char *name);  
    ~Semaphore();  
};
```

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Win32: void Semaphore::Release()  
{
```

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ReleaseSemaphore(handle, 1, NULL);
}

void Semaphore::Wait()
{
    WaitForSingleObject(handle, INFINITE);
}

Semaphore::Semaphore()
{
    handle = CreateSemaphore(NULL, 0, INT_MAX, NULL);
}

Semaphore::Semaphore(const char *name)
{
    handle = CreateSemaphore(NULL, 0, INT_MAX, name);
}

Semaphore::~Semaphore()
{
    CloseHandle(handle);
}

POSIX: void Semaphore::Wait()
{
    namedSem ? sem_wait(namedSem) : sem_wait(&sem);
}

Semaphore::Semaphore()
: namedSem(NULL)

{
    sem_init(&sem, 0, 0);
}

Semaphore::Semaphore(const char *name)
{
    namedSem = sem_open(name, O_CREAT);
}

Semaphore::~Semaphore()
{
    namedSem ? sem_close(namedSem) : sem_destroy(&sem);
}

```

Didn't have opportunity to test on Linux.

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