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int nr = 0;      # number of active readers
sem rw = 1;     # lock for reader/writer exclusion
process Reader[i = 1 to M] {
  while (true) {
    ...
    < nr = nr+1;
      if (nr == 1) P(rw); # if first, get lock
    >
    read the database;
    < nr = nr-1;
      if (nr == 0) V(rw); # if last, release lock
    >
  }
}
process Writer[j = 1 to N] {
  while (true) {
    ...
    P(rw);
    write the database;
    V(rw);
  }
}

```

Figure 4.9 Outline of readers and writers solution.