

CSE 430 – Operating Systems – Fall 2015

Assignment: #3

Due date: Nov 16, 2015. (hardcopy, hand-in, in class)
(Not all questions will be graded)

Note: You may choose to do this HW in groups of 2 or do it individually. Your choice, but if done in a group submit only 1 copy with two names.

Q1]

Suppose a system has an **atomic** hardware instruction SHIFT, that does the follows:

```
SHIFT ( int *A, *B ) {
    *B = *A; // ATOMICALLY
    *A = 0
}
```

A] Implement Dijkstra style semaphores with the shift instruction, that is, semaphores which utilize busy waiting.

B] Implement blocking semaphores using the shift instructions.

Q2] // same as a sample exam question

There are 4 processes, executing concurrently. Process P_0 is in an infinite loop, incrementing the value of the variable x (x is initialized to 0). P_0 is the only process that changes the value of x .

The rest of the processes P_i ($1 \leq i \leq 3$) monitor the value of x . Whenever x reaches a value such that it is divisible by i , P_i prints the value of x . For example, P_3 will print the sequence 3 6 9 12 as the value of x reaches 3, 6, 9, 12 and so on.

Write the code for all the 4 processes using semaphores. Note that $P_1 - P_3$ should be identical; also P_i determines whether x is to be printed, and this decision is not made by P_0 .

Q3]

A synchronization mechanism consists of 2 *atomic* routines, ENQ(r) and DEQ(r). "r" is a resource variable that has two fields, inuse (boolean) and queue (a queue) which is a queue of processes waiting to acquire the resource. The definitions of ENQ and DEQ are:

```
ENQ(r) : if (r.inuse==1) then begin
    insert current process in r.queue
    block
end
else r.inuse = 1;
```

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DEQ(r) : if r.queue == nil then inuse = false
    else delete a process from r.queue and activate it.
```

Construct an implementation of ENQ/DEQ using semaphores. You can use other variables, etc that you need, but no other atomic code or synchronization constructs other than P or V can be used.

Q4]

Do the reverse of Q3, that is implement Semaphores using ENQ/DEQ.

