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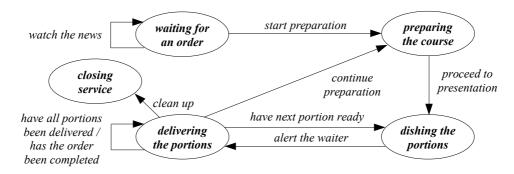
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Assume there are seven students and that the order consists of three courses per participant in the dinner: a starter, a main course and a dessert. Write a simulation of the life cycle of the chef, the waiter and the students using one of the models for *thread* communication and synchronization which have been studied: monitors or semaphores and shared memory.

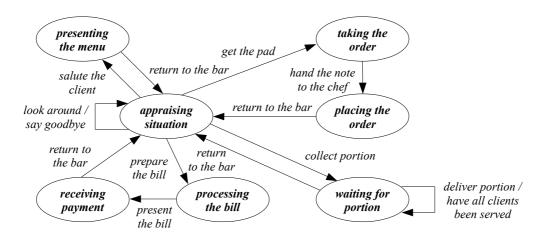
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Suggestion to solution

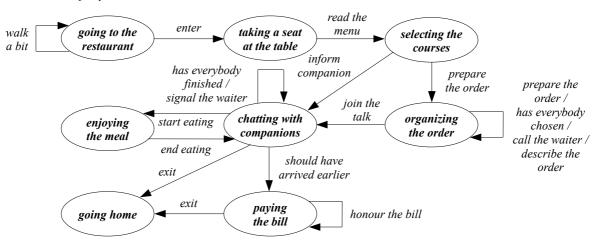
Chef life cycle



Waiter life cycle



Student life cycle



Characterization of the interaction

Chef

WAITING FOR AN ORDER – blocking state (initial state)

the chef is waken up by the operation handTheNoteToTheChef of the

PREPARING THE COURSE - transition state

DISHING THE PORTIONS - transition state

DELIVERING THE PORTIONS - blocking state

the chef is waken up by the operation *collectPortion* of the waiter

CLOSING_SERVICE - final state

Waiter

APPRAISING SITUATION – blocking state with transition (initial / final state)

the waiter is waken up by one of the following operations: alertThe-Waiter of the chef, enter and exit of all the students, callTheWaiter of the first student to sit at the table, signalTheWaiter of the last student to finish a course and shouldHaveArrivedEarlier of the last student to sit at the table; transition occurs when the last student has left the restaurant

PRESENTING THE MENU - blocking state

the waiter is waken up by the operation readTheMenu of the student

TAKING THE ORDER - blocking state

the waiter is waken up by the operation describe The Order of the student

PLACING THE ORDER - blocking state

the waiter is waken up by the operation startPreparation of the chef

WAITING FOR PORTION - blocking state

the waiter is waken up by the operation haveAllPortionsBeenDelivered of the chef

PROCESSING THE BILL - transition state

RECEIVING PAYMENT – blocking state

the waiter is waken up by the operation honorTheBill of the student

Student

GOING TO THE RESTAURANT – transition state with random time (initial state)

TAKING A SEAT AT THE TABLE - blocking state

the student is waken up by the operation *saluteTheClient* of the waiter

SELECTING_THE_COURSES - transition state

ORGANIZING THE ORDER - blocking state

the student is waken up by the operation *informCompanion* of another student and, when all students are already at the table, by the operation *getThePad* of the waiter

CHATTING WITH COMPANIONS - blocking state with transition

the student blocks while waiting for a course to be served and when he/she has finished eating it; transition occurs when the last course has been served and eaten

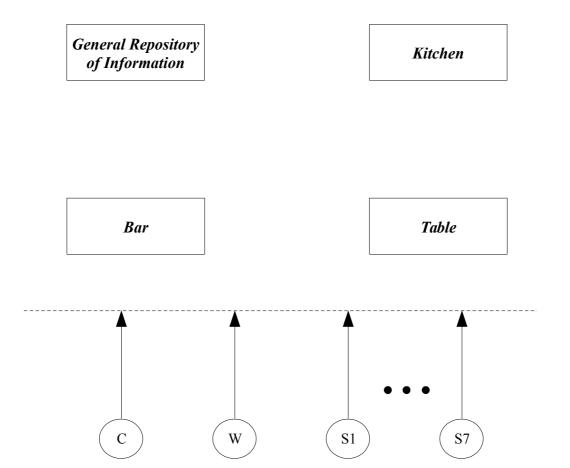
ENJOYING THE MEAL - transition state

PAYING_THE_MEAL – blocking state

the student is waken up by the operation *presentTheBill* of the waiter

GOING HOME - final state

Information sharing regions



Guidelines for solution implementation

- 1. Specify the life cycle and internal properties of each of the *intervening entities*.
- 2. Specify for each *information sharing region* the internal data structure, the operations which will be invoked, identifying their signature, functionality and who is the calling entity, and the synchronization points.
- 3. Sketch the *interaction diagram* which describes in a compact, but precise, way the dynamics of your solution. Go back to steps 1 and 2 until you are satisfied the description is correct.
- 4. Proceed to its coding in Java as specific reference data types.
- 5. Write the application main program which should instantiate the different *information* sharing regions and the different *intervening entities*, then start the different entities and finally wait for their termination.
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The operations that were assigned to activities previously carried out in the information sharing regions (for the already implemented concurrent version), must now be assigned to independent requests performed on the servers through message passing. In each case, a connection has to be established, a request has to be made, waiting for the reply will follow and the connection has to be closed.

One aims for a solution to be written in Java, to be run in Linux under TCP sockets, either in a concentrated manner (on a single platform), or in a distributed fashion (up to 7 different platforms) and to terminate (it must contemplate service shutdown).

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