

Ex3

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Part 2

Question 1

- a. Yes. Though both threads can overcome the line *while(busy)*, only one at a time can reach the critical section as *turn* is either 1 or 0 and 'me' is a local variable set to the threadID, therefore locking the other thread out.
- b. Deadlock can be achieved. Assume this order of operation:
 - I. Thread 0 makes *turn = 0*
 - II. Thread 1 makes *turn = 1*
 - III. Thread 0 turns *busy true*

In this situation, thread 1 will get stuck in the *while(busy)* state and thread 0 will get stuck in the *while (turn != me)* state as *turn = 1* and *me = 0*.

- c. Starvation can be achieved. As *turn* does not get changed in the exit code, if one of the threads exits its critical section and doesn't get recalled, the other thread can endlessly get stuck in the *while (turn != me)* state.
- d. Mutual exclusion is still maintained as *turn* and *me* have to equal to enter the critical section.

Deadlock can still be achieved as only a single thread can enter the critical section and that same thread can be stuck in the *while(busy)* state.

Starvation can still be achieved for the same reasons as above.

Question 2

- a. B array – this array *blocks* thread *i* from entering the critical section, conditioned on a resource being available to use. All threads where *B[i] = true* are waiting to enter.
T array – the array is responsible for *taking* a resource and ensures that once a resource has been taken, the thread is ready to enter the critical section.
- b. Yes. Assume thread0 and thread1 are both in the critical section. Then at some point both threads decremented value prior to either one of them incrementing value. Therefore WLOG thread[i] would not have changed *B[i]* to false which is a necessary criteria to entering the critical section.

- c. We can see that the smaller indices are more likely to take preference over the bigger ones. This is because we turn $T[j]$ to false starting from index 0 every time at the end of *Signal*. This means that for thread[50] to enter the critical section, it would essentially need all 49 other threads to not be waiting to enter.
- d. The while loop is a busy waiting condition that unnecessarily consumes CPU usage that would otherwise be used more efficiently. Also, we can iterate j cyclically instead of starting from 0 to improve the starvation issue.
- e. No. 2 threads can simultaneously be in their critical sections. Consider that both threads decrement value however they are currently still registering it as 0, therefore both $B[i]$'s will be turned to false and therefore enter the critical section.

Question 3

S_1 = counting semaphore initiated as 2.

S_2, S_3, S_4, S_5 are all binary semaphores initiated as 0.

Process 1	Process 2	Process 3	Process 4	Process 5
<pre>While (true) { Down (S1) Down (S1) //p1 Up (S2) }</pre>	<pre>While (true) { Down (S2) //p2 Up (S3) Up (S4) }</pre>	<pre>While (true) { Down (S3) //p3 Up (S5) }</pre>	<pre>While (true) { Down (S4) //p4 Up (S1) }</pre>	<pre>While (true) { Down (S5) //p5 Up (S1) }</pre>