

# The Bug

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## 1 Description of the bug

The bug occurs when one thread is creating a `DatabaseConnectionPool` and another thread is calling the database connection pool's `acquire` function, shown in the listing 1.

The problem is that when `thread 0` calls `acquireConnection` 2, `acquireConnection` retrieves the `wrapper lock`, then waits to acquire the `_connectionPoolLock`. While `thread 0` is calling the `acquireConnection` function, `thread 1` is constructing a `DatabaseConnectionPool`. As a database connection pool is created a `DatabaseConnectionPoolMonitor` is created, a thread is then made for this monitor, and the run function of this thread calls a `refresh` function. The refresh function then calls a `distributeConnection` function 3 and this function starts the deadlock. The `distributeConnection` function acquires the `_connectionPoolLock` and then calls the wrapper function `setConnection` 4 which then waits to acquire the `wrapper lock`. Thus, a deadlock has occurred because `thread 0` is waiting for a lock that `thread 1` has but `thread 1` is waiting for a different lock that `thread 0` is holding.

## 2 Recreating the bug

Assuming that the Connection Pool file is available and the JPF git repository is cloned. Adding the Connection Pool Java file to `jpf-core\src\examples\`, then creating a new Java file and creating a public class and a main function within that file. Then creating a `DatabaseConnectionPool` and then creating a `DatabaseConnection` by using the `acquireConnection` function on the pool created. The recreation is shown in 1. The next step is to create a `.jpf` file to give jpf properties to find the deadlock. The properties to look at are; file name in which to look for the bug, breadth first search instead of depth first search, choosing a random choice seed, and a search limit. The listed properties are show in the list 5.

```

1 public class DBDriverMatthewTam {
2     /**
3      * @param args
4      * @throws DatabaseException
5      */
6     public static void main (String[] args) throws DatabaseException {
7         DatabaseConnectionPool Pool1 = new DatabaseConnectionPool("pool1",
8         "jdbc:oracle:thin:@localhost:1521:orcl", "scott", "tiger", 10, 5);
9         DatabaseConnection dc1 = Pool1.acquireConnection(40);
10    }
11 }

```

Listing 1: Driver

```

1 DatabaseConnection acquireConnection( long timeout ) {
2     if (_poolMaxSize <= 0) {
3         try {
4             return new DatabaseConnection(null, _url, _user, _password, _name);
5         } catch (Exception e) {
6             return null;
7         }
8     }
9
10    DatabaseConnection result = null;
11
12    DatabaseConnectionWrapper wrapper = new DatabaseConnectionWrapper();
13
14    synchronized (wrapper)
15    {
16        boolean needWait = true;
17        try{
18            long t1 = 0, t2 = 0;
19            synchronized (_connectionPoolLock)
20            {
21                if ((_connections.size() > 0) && (_waiting.size() == 0))
22                {
23                    needWait = false;
24                    result = (DatabaseConnection) _connections.remove(0);
25                }
26                else
27                {
28                    _waiting.add(wrapper);
29                }
30            }
31
32            if (needWait) {
33                result = wrapper.waitForConnection(timeout);
34            }
35        } finally{
36            if (needWait) {
37                synchronized (_connectionPoolLock) {
38                    _waiting.remove(wrapper);
39                }
40            }
41        }

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42     }
43
44     return result;
45 }

```

Listing 2: acquireConnection

```

1 void distributeConnection(DatabaseConnection c)
2 {
3     DatabaseConnectionWrapper wrapper = null;
4
5     long t1 = 0, t2 = 0;
6     synchronized ( _connectionPoolLock)
7     {
8         while( _waiting.size() > 0 ) {
9             wrapper = (DatabaseConnectionWrapper) _waiting.remove(0);
10            if( wrapper.setConnection( c ) == true ) {
11                break;
12            }
13            wrapper = null;
14        }
15        if( wrapper == null ) {
16            _connections.add(0,c);
17        }
18    }
19    if (wrapper != null) {
20        synchronized( wrapper ) {
21            wrapper.notifyAll();
22        }
23    }
24 }

```

Listing 3: distributeConnection

```

1 public boolean setConnection( DatabaseConnection connection ) {
2     synchronized( this ) {
3         if( _isWaiting && _connection == null ) {
4             // wrapper is waiting and does not have a connection yet
5             _connection = connection;
6             return true;
7         }
8         else {
9             return false;
10        }
11    }
12 }

```

Listing 4: setConnection

```

1 target = DBDriverMatthewTam
2 search.class = .search.heuristic.BFSHeuristic
3 cg.randomize_choices = VARSEED
4 search.depth_limit = 50

```

Listing 5: .jpf file