

Laboratory 4

Title of the Laboratory Exercise: Producer Consumer problem

1. Introduction and Purpose of Experiment

In computing, the producer-consumer problem (also known as the bounded-buffer problem) is a classic example of a multi-process synchronization problem. The problem describes two processes, the producer and the consumer, which share a common, fixed-size buffer used as a queue.

- The producer's job is to generate data, put it into the buffer, and start again.
- At the same time, the consumer is consuming the data (i.e. removing it from the buffer), one piece at a time.

Aim and Objectives

Aim

- To develop programs using monitors in Java

2. Experimental Procedure

- i. Analyse the problem statement
- ii. Design an algorithm for the given problem statement and develop a flowchart/pseudo-code
- iii. Implement the algorithm in Java language
- iv. Compile the Java program
- v. Test the implemented program
- vi. Document the Results
- vii. Analyse and discuss the outcomes of your experiment

3. Question

Create a multithreaded program in Java

The producer is to either go to sleep or discard data if the buffer is full. The next time the consumer removes an item from the buffer, it notifies the producer, who starts to fill the buffer again. In the same way, the consumer can go to sleep if it finds the buffer to be empty. The next time the producer puts data into the buffer, it wakes up the sleeping consumer.

4. Computations/Algorithms/Pseudocode

```
// Create producer thread
Thread t1 = new Thread(new Runnable() {
    @Override
    public void run()
    {try {
        pc.produce();}
        catch (InterruptedException e) {
            e.printStackTrace(); } });

// Create consumer thread
Thread t2 = new Thread(new Runnable() {
    @Override
    public void run()
    {try {
        pc.consume();}
        catch (InterruptedException e) {
            e.printStackTrace(); } })

public static class PC {
    LinkedList<Integer> list = new LinkedList<>();
    initialize capacity = 2;
    public void produce() throws InterruptedException{
        initialize value = 0,i=0;
        while (i<10) {
            synchronized (this){
                while (list.size() == capacity)
                    wait();
                Display("Producer produced item : "+ value);
                list.add(value++);
                notify();
                Thread.sleep(1000); }
            i++;}}
    consume() throws InterruptedException{
        initialize i=0;
        while (i<10) {
            synchronized (this){
                while (list.size() == 0)
                    wait();
                initialize val = list.removeFirst();
                display("Consumer consumed item : "+ val);
                notify(); }
            i++; } } }
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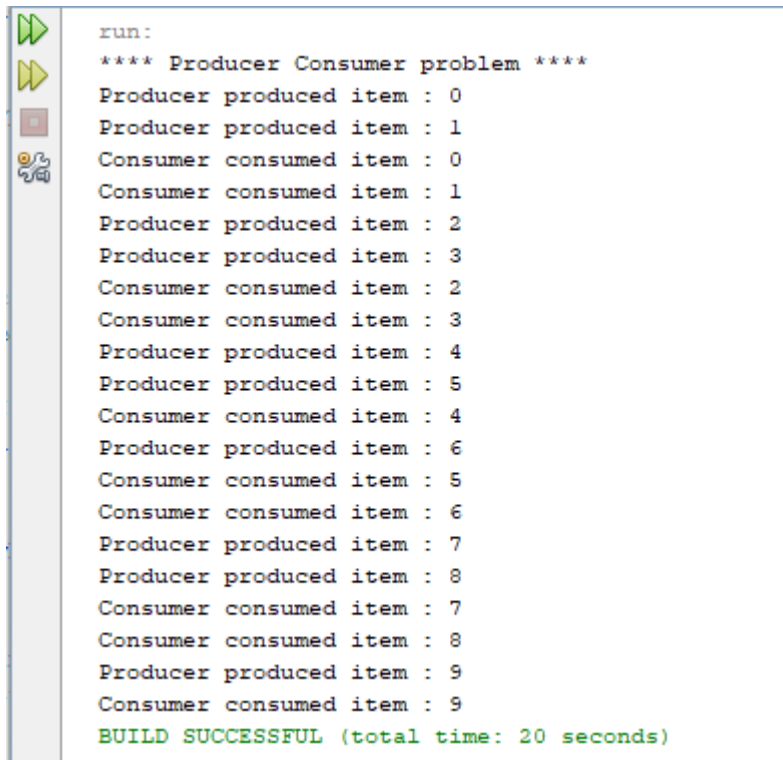
5. Source Code

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1 //Program done by Deepak R 18ETCS002041
2 package lab4;
3 import java.util.LinkedList;
4 public class Producer_consumer {
5     public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
6         System.out.println("***** Producer Consumer problem *****");
7         final PC pc = new PC();
8         // Create producer thread
9         Thread t1 = new Thread(new Runnable() {
10             @Override
11             public void run()
12             {
13                 try {
14                     pc.produce();
15                 }
16                 catch (InterruptedException e) {
17                     e.printStackTrace();
18                 }
19             }
20         });
21         // Create consumer thread
22         Thread t2 = new Thread(new Runnable() {
23             @Override
24             public void run()
25             {
26                 try {
27                     pc.consume();
28                 }
29                 catch (InterruptedException e) {
30                     e.printStackTrace();
31                 }
32             }
33         });
34         // Start both threads
35         t1.start();
36         t2.start();
37         // t1 finishes before t2
38         t1.join();
39         t2.join();
40     }
41     // This class has a list, producer (adds items to list
42     // and consumer (removes items).
43     public static class PC {
44         // Create a list shared by producer and consumer
45         // Size of list is 2.
46         LinkedList<Integer> list = new LinkedList<>();
47         int capacity = 2;
48         // Function called by producer thread
49         public void produce() throws InterruptedException{
50             int value = 0,i=0;
51             while (i<10) {
52                 synchronized (this){
53                     // producer thread waits while list
54                     // is full
55                     while (list.size() == capacity)
56                         wait();
57                     System.out.println("Producer produced item : "+ value);
58                     // to insert the jobs in the list
59                     list.add(value++);
60                     // notifies the consumer thread that
61                     // now it can start consuming
62                     notify();
63                     // makes the working of program easier
64                     // to understand
65                     Thread.sleep(1000);
66                 }
67                 i++;
68             }
69         }
70         // Function called by consumer thread
71         public void consume() throws InterruptedException{
72             int i=0;
73             while (i<10) {
74                 synchronized (this){
75                     // consumer thread waits while list
76                     // is empty
77                     while (list.size() == 0)
78                         wait();
79                     // to retrieve the ifirst job in the list
80                     int val = list.removeFirst();
81                     System.out.println("Consumer consumed item : "+ val);
82                     // Wake up producer thread
83                     notify();
84                     // and sleep
85                     Thread.sleep(1000);
86                 }
87                 i++;
88             }
89         }
90     }

```

6. Output



```
run:
**** Producer Consumer problem ****
Producer produced item : 0
Producer produced item : 1
Consumer consumed item : 0
Consumer consumed item : 1
Producer produced item : 2
Producer produced item : 3
Consumer consumed item : 2
Consumer consumed item : 3
Producer produced item : 4
Producer produced item : 5
Consumer consumed item : 4
Producer produced item : 6
Consumer consumed item : 5
Consumer consumed item : 6
Producer produced item : 7
Producer produced item : 8
Consumer consumed item : 7
Consumer consumed item : 8
Producer produced item : 9
Consumer consumed item : 9
BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 20 seconds)
```

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An inadequate solution could result in a deadlock where both processes are waiting to be awakened.

7. Analysis and Discussions

Limitations of Experiments

We have checked for only small data so Result may vary if done for large values

Limitations of Results

No

Learning happened

We learnt to solve Producer Consumer Problem using Monitors

Recommendations

No