

Auxiliary Variables

To assist interpretation, the following auxiliary variables are added to the buffer:

- **t_used**, **t_valid**: the tail, split into t_{used} (the item exactly before it is allocated to a writer, but not yet ready to pop) and t_{valid} (the items before it are ready for a reader to pop).
- **h_used**, **h_red**, **h_blue**: similarly, the head is also split, h_{used} means allocated to a reader, while h_{valid} is further split into h_{red} and h_{blue} , indicating the number of items that are finished reading for each stream, and $h_{\text{red}} + h_{\text{blue}} = h_{\text{valid}}$. h_{valid} is thus implicit.
- **x_red**, **x_blue**: the x pointers in both input streams are copied into the buffer so that x can be shared by both streams to help interpretation. The original x pointers (private in each stream) are kept but not used in the interpretations.

Added to the streams are:

- **Red.H**, **Red.T**: booleans, meaning “Red owns the Head pointer/Tail pointer”;
- **Blue.H**, **Blue.T**: likewise.

New Notations

To distinguish items of different colors for buffer interpretation, the following syntax is defined using our former **upto** notation and Python-like list comprehension:

- $B[h \text{ redupto } t) = [\text{item.v for item in } B[h \text{ upto } t) \text{ if item.c} = \text{Red}]$
- $B[h \text{ blueupto } t) = [\text{item.v for item in } B[h \text{ upto } t) \text{ if item.c} = \text{Blue}]$

Interpretations

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \text{Red}.S_O = \text{Red}.O[0, \text{Red}.y) & \text{Blue}.S_O = \text{Blue}.O[0, \text{Blue}.y) \\
 \text{Red}.S_{BO} = \text{Red}.O[\text{Red}.y, h_{\text{red}}) & \text{Blue}.S_{BO} = \text{Blue}.O[\text{Blue}.y, h_{\text{blue}}) \\
 \text{Red}.S_B = B[(h_{\text{red}} + h_{\text{blue}}) \text{ redupto } t_{\text{valid}}) & \text{Blue}.S_B = B[(h_{\text{red}} + h_{\text{blue}}) \text{ blueupto } t_{\text{valid}}) \\
 \text{Red}.S_{IB} = B[t_{\text{valid}} \text{ redupto } (x_{\text{red}} + x_{\text{blue}})) & \text{Blue}.S_{IB} = B[t_{\text{valid}} \text{ blueupto } (x_{\text{red}} + x_{\text{blue}})) \\
 \text{Red}.S_I = \text{Red}.I[x_{\text{red}}, \text{Red}.N) & \text{Blue}.S_I = \text{Blue}.I[x_{\text{blue}}, \text{Blue}.N)
 \end{array}$$

Invariant

The invariant can be split into five parts:

$$\begin{aligned}
S &: \text{Red}.S_O + \text{Red}.S_{BO} + \text{Red}.S_B + \text{Red}.S_{IB} + \text{Red}.S_I = K_{\text{Red}} \wedge \\
&\quad \text{Blue}.S_O + \text{Blue}.S_{BO} + \text{Blue}.S_B + \text{Blue}.S_{IB} + \text{Blue}.S_I = K_{\text{Blue}} \\
B &: h_{\text{Red}} + h_{\text{Blue}} \leq t_{\text{valid}} \wedge t_{\text{valid}} - h_{\text{Red}} - h_{\text{Blue}} \leq N_B \\
I &: \text{Red}.x \leq \text{Red}.N \wedge \text{Blue}.x \leq \text{Blue}.N \\
O &: \text{Red}.y \leq \text{Red}.N \wedge \text{Blue}.y \leq \text{Blue}.N \\
T &: \neg(\text{Red}.H \wedge \text{Blue}.H) \wedge \neg(\text{Red}.T \wedge \text{Blue}.T)
\end{aligned}$$

S ensures for both streams the overall content is constant. B is the boundary invariant for the buffer. I and O ensures the boundary of input and output pointers for both streams. T is the mutual exclusion invariant so that each pointer can be held by at most one stream.

Local Correctness

For brevity, the annotations are only shown for `Red.push()` and `Red.pop()`. For Blue it is only reversing the color.

All variables are assigned 0 (or `false` for booleans) on initialization.

For `push()`, $\text{Red}.T \rightarrow t_{\text{valid}} = x_{\text{red}} + x_{\text{blue}}$ is true on initialization, and it is proved as below that it is preserved by `push()`, thus by induction it is a precondition and a postcondition. The same reasoning applies for the precondition and postcondition $\text{Red}.y = h_{\text{red}}$ in `pop()`.

`Red.push()`

[Precondition] $\text{Red}.T \rightarrow (t_{\text{valid}} = x_{\text{red}} + x_{\text{blue}}), \text{Red}.x < \text{Red}.N, \text{not Red}.T$
[Postcondition] $\text{Red}.T \rightarrow (t_{\text{valid}} = x_{\text{red}} + x_{\text{blue}}), \text{Red}.x \leq \text{Red}.N, \text{not Red}.T$

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> S, B, I, O, T holds
> Red.x < Red.N and not Red.T
> Red.T -> (t_valid = x_red+x_blue)
do (not Red.T)
  > S, B, I, O, T, Red.x < Red.N, not Red.T, Red.T->(t_valid=x_red+x_blue)
  t' := t_used
  > S, B, I, O, T, Red.x < Red.N, not Red.T
  > Red.T -> (t_valid = x_red + x_blue)
  if t' = t_valid then
    > S, B, I, O, T, Red.x < Red.N, not Red.T, Red.T->(t_valid=x_red+x_blue)
    > t' = t_used -> t_valid = t_used
    if t - h_red - h_blue < N_B then
      > S, B, I, O, T, Red.x < Red.N, not Red.T, Red.T->(t_valid=x_red+x_blue)
      > t' = t_used -> (t_valid = t_used and t_valid - h_red - h_blue < N_B)
      CAS(Red.T, t_used, t'+1, t')
      > S, B, I, O, T, Red.x < Red.N
      > Red.T -> (t_valid = x_red + x_blue)
      > Red.T -> (t_valid + 1 = t_used and t_valid - h_red - h_blue < N_B)
      > Red.T -> not Blue.T
    fi
  fi

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> S, B, I, O, T, Red.x < Red.N
> Red.T -> (t_valid = x_red + x_blue)
> Red.T -> (t_valid + 1 = t_used and t_valid - h_red - h_blue < N_B)
> Red.T -> not Blue.T
od
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.x < Red.N, Red.T, not Blue.T
> t_valid = x_red + x_blue
> t_valid + 1 = t_used, t_valid - h_red - h_blue < N_B
> Red.S_0 + Red.S_BO + B[(h_red+h_blue) redupto t_valid) + [] +
  (Red.I[x_red] + Red.I[x_red + 1, Red.N)) = K_Red
B[t_valid mod N_B].v := Red.I[Red.x]
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.x < Red.N, Red.T, not Blue.T
> t_valid = x_red + x_blue
> t_valid + 1 = t_used, t_valid - h_red - h_blue < N_B
> Red.S_0 + Red.S_BO + B[(h_red+h_blue) redupto t_valid) + [] +
  (B[t_valid mod N_B].v + Red.I[x_red + 1, Red.N)) = K_Red
B[t_valid mod N_B].c := Red
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.x < Red.N, Red.T, not Blue.T
> t_valid = x_red + x_blue
> t_valid + 1 = t_used, t_valid - h_red - h_blue < N_B
> Red.S_0 + Red.S_BO + B[(h_red+h_blue) redupto t_valid) + [] +
  (B[t_valid mod N_B].v + Red.I[x_red + 1, Red.N)) = K_Red
x_red := x_red + 1
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.x < Red.N, Red.T, not Blue.T
> t_valid + 1 = x_red + x_blue
> t_valid + 1 = t_used, t_valid - h_red - h_blue < N_B
> Red.S_0 + Red.S_BO + B[(h_red+h_blue) redupto t_valid) +
  B[t_valid mod N_B].v + Red.I[x_red, Red.N) = K_Red
Red.x := Red.x + 1
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.x <= Red.N, Red.T, not Blue.T
> t_valid + 1 = x_red + x_blue
> B[(t_valid + 1) redupto (x_red + x_blue)] = []
> t_valid + 1 = t_used, t_valid - h_red - h_blue < N_B
> Red.S_0 + Red.S_BO + B[(h_red+h_blue) redupto t_valid) +
  B[t_valid mod N_B].v + Red.I[x_red, Red.N) = K_Red
Red.T := false
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.x <= Red.N, not Red.T, not Blue.T
> B[(t_valid + 1) redupto (x_red + x_blue)] = []
> t_valid + 1 = t_used, t_valid - h_red - h_blue < N_B
> Red.S_0 + Red.S_BO + B[(h_red+h_blue) redupto t_valid) +
  B[t_valid mod N_B].v + Red.I[x_red, Red.N) = K_Red
t_valid := t_valid + 1
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.x <= Red.N, not Red.T
> Red.T -> (t_valid = x_red + x_blue)
> B[t_valid redupto (x_red + x_blue)] = []
> Red.S_0 + Red.S_BO + B[(h_red+h_blue) redupto t_valid) + [] +
  Red.I[x_red, Red.N) = K_Red

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Red.pop()
[Precondition] Red.y = h_red and Red.y < Red.N and not Red.H
[Postcondition] Red.y = h_red and Red.y <= Red.N and not Red.H

> S, B, I, O, T holds
> Red.y = h_red, Red.y < Red.N, not Red.H
do (not Red.H)
  > S, B, I, O, T, Red.y = h_red, Red.y < Red.N, not Red.H
  h' := h_used
  > S, B, I, O, T, Red.y = h_red, Red.y < Red.N, not Red.H
  if h' = h_red + h_blue then
    > S, B, I, O, T, Red.y = h_red, Red.y < Red.N, not Red.H
    > h' = h_used -> h_used = h_red + h_blue
    if h' < t_valid and B[h' mod N_B].c = Red then
      > S, B, I, O, T, Red.y = h_red, Red.y < Red.N, not Red.H
      > h' = h_used -> h_used = h_red + h_blue
      > h' = h_used -> h_used < t_valid and B[h_used mod N_B].c = Red
      CAS(Red.H, h_used, h'+1, h')
      > S, B, I, O, T, Red.y = h_red, Red.y < Red.N
      > Red.H -> h_used = h_red + h_blue + 1
      > Red.H -> h_red + h_blue < t_valid
      > Red.H -> B[(h_red + h_blue) mod N_B].c = Red
      > Red.H -> not Blue.H
    fi
  fi
  > S, B, I, O, T, Red.y = h_red, Red.y < Red.N
  > Red.H -> h_used = h_red + h_blue + 1
  > Red.H -> h_red + h_blue < t_valid
  > Red.H -> B[(h_red + h_blue) mod N_B].c = Red
  > Red.H -> not Blue.H
od
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.y = h_red, Red.y < Red.N, Red.H, not Blue.H
> h_used = h_red + h_blue + 1
> h_red + h_blue < t_valid
> B[(h_red + h_blue) mod N_B].c = Red
> Red.O[0, Red.y) + [] + (B[(h_red + h_blue) mod N_B].v +
  B[(h_red + h_blue + 1) redupto t_valid)) + Red.S_IB + Red.S_I = K_Red
Red.O[Red.y] := B[(h_red + h_blue) mod N_B].v
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.y = h_red, Red.y < Red.N, Red.H, not Blue.H
> h_used = h_red + h_blue + 1
> h_red + h_blue < t_valid
> B[(h_red + h_blue) mod N_B].c = Red
> Red.O[0, Red.y) + [] + (Red.O[Red.y] +
  B[(h_red + h_blue + 1) redupto t_valid)) + Red.S_IB + Red.S_I = K_Red
Red.H := false
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.y = h_red, Red.y < Red.N, not Red.H, not Blue.H
> h_used = h_red + h_blue + 1
> h_red + h_blue < t_valid

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> B[(h_red + h_blue) mod N_B].c = Red
> Red.O[0, Red.y) + [] + (Red.O[Red.y] +
  B[(h_red + h_blue + 1) redupto t_valid)) + Red.S_IB + Red.S_I = K_Red
h_red := h_red + 1
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.y + 1 = h_red, Red.y < Red.N, not Red.H
> Red.O[0, Red.y) + Red.O[Red.y] + B[(h_red + h_blue) redupto t_valid) +
  Red.S_IB + Red.S_I = K_Red
Red.y := Red.y + 1
> S, B, I, O, T, Red.y = h_red, Red.y <= Red.N, not Red.H
> Red.O[0, Red.y) + [] + B[(h_red + h_blue) redupto t_valid) +
  Red.S_IB + Red.S_I = K_Red

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Noninterference Proof

To prove noninterference between colours and between operations, we find that all assertions are a conjunction of predicates of 5 forms:

- The invariants S, B, I, O, T , which are proved to hold everywhere as long as other conjuncts hold.
- $\{\text{MyColor}\}. \{x|y\} \{<|<=\} \{\text{MyColor}\}.N, [\text{not}] \{\text{MyColor}\}. \{T|H\}$, which only involve local variables and constants, so interference is impossible.
- $\{\text{MyColor}\}.y = h_{\{\text{myColor}\}}, \{\text{MyColor}\}.y + 1 = h_{\{\text{myColor}\}}$, which involve shared variables h_{myColor} , but they are only ever updated by the concerned process itself, so it cannot be violated by interference.
- $\{\text{Red|Blue}\}. \{H|T\} \rightarrow \text{not } \{\text{Blue|Red}\}. \{H|T\}$, which are also parts of the invariant, so already covered.

This leaves only the following predicates that might suffer interference:

1. $\{\text{MyColor}\}.T \rightarrow (t_{\text{valid}} = x_{\text{red}} + x_{\text{blue}})$ only appears in $\{\text{MyColor}\}.\text{push}()$, and the only non-local statements that might could modify these variables are in $\{\text{OtherColor}\}.\text{push}()$.

The first such statement is $\mathbf{x}_{\{\text{otherColor}\}} := x_{\{\text{otherColor}\}} + 1$, which has $\neg\{\text{MyColor}\}.T$ as precondition and postcondition, so $\{\text{MyColor}\}.T \rightarrow (t_{\text{valid}} = x_{\text{red}} + x_{\text{blue}})$ always holds.

The second such statement is $t_{\text{valid}} := t_{\text{valid}} + 1$, where the pre- and post- conditions are also compatible:

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▷ ¬{MyColor}.T ∧ ¬{OtherColor}.T
▷ {MyColor}.T → (t_valid = x_red + x_blue) (precondition holds)
t_valid := t_valid + 1
▷ ¬{OtherColor}.T
▷ {OtherColor}.T → (t_valid = x_red + x_blue)
▷ {MyColor}.T → (t_valid = x_red + x_blue) (no conflict)

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2. Similarly,

$$\{\text{MyColor}\}.T \wedge (t_{\text{valid}} = x_{\text{red}} + x_{\text{blue}})$$

and

$$\{\text{MyColor}\}.T \wedge (t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = x_{\text{red}} + x_{\text{blue}})$$

also only appear in $\{\text{MyColor}\}.\text{push}()$, and are only possibly affected by the same two statements as above. But this is actually impossible by mutual exclusion, because they both have $\neg\{\text{MyColor}\}.T$ as precondition, which is a conflict.

3. $\{\text{MyColor}\}.T \rightarrow (t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = t_{\text{used}})$ only appears in $\{\text{MyColor}\}.\text{push}()$, and the only statements that might could modify these variables are in $\{\text{OtherColor}\}.\text{push}()$. The first such statement is $\text{CAS}(\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T, t_{\text{used}}, t' + 1, t')$, whose non-interference can be proved by annotations:

$$\begin{aligned} &\triangleright \{\text{MyColor}\}.T \rightarrow t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = t_{\text{used}} \\ &\triangleright t' = t_{\text{used}} \rightarrow t_{\text{valid}} = t_{\text{used}} \text{ (precondition no conflict)} \\ &\text{CAS}(\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T, t_{\text{used}}, t' + 1, t') \\ &\triangleright \{\text{OtherColor}\}.T \rightarrow \neg\{\text{MyColor}\}.T \\ &\triangleright \{\text{OtherColor}\}.T \rightarrow t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = t_{\text{used}} \\ &\triangleright \{\text{MyColor}\}.T \rightarrow t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = t_{\text{used}} \text{ (postcondition no conflict)} \end{aligned}$$

The second such statement is $t_{\text{valid}} := t_{\text{valid}} + 1$, where the pre- and post- conditions are also compatible:

$$\begin{aligned} &\triangleright \{\text{MyColor}\}.T \rightarrow t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = t_{\text{used}} \\ &\triangleright t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = t_{\text{used}} \\ &\triangleright \neg\{\text{MyColor}\}.T \wedge \neg\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T \text{ (precondition no conflict)} \\ &t_{\text{valid}} := t_{\text{valid}} + 1 \\ &\triangleright \{\text{MyColor}\}.T \rightarrow t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = t_{\text{used}} \\ &\triangleright \neg\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T \text{ (postcondition no conflict)} \end{aligned}$$

4. Similarly, $\neg\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T \wedge t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = t_{\text{used}}$ also only appears in $\{\text{MyColor}\}.\text{push}()$, and are only possibly affected by the same two statements as above.

For $\text{CAS}(\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T, t_{\text{used}}, t' + 1, t')$, the noninterference can be proved by annotations:

$$\begin{aligned} &\triangleright \neg\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T \wedge t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = t_{\text{used}} \\ &\triangleright t' = t_{\text{used}} \rightarrow t_{\text{valid}} = t_{\text{used}} \text{ (so, } t' \neq t_{\text{used}}) \\ &\text{CAS}(\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T, t_{\text{used}}, t' + 1, t') \\ &\triangleright \neg\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T \wedge t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = t_{\text{used}} \text{ (postcondition no conflict)} \end{aligned}$$

For $t_{\text{valid}} := t_{\text{valid}} + 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} &\triangleright \neg\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T \wedge t_{\text{valid}} + 1 = t_{\text{used}} \\ &\triangleright \neg\{\text{MyColor}\}.T \wedge \neg\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T \text{ (precondition no conflict)} \\ &t_{\text{valid}} := t_{\text{valid}} + 1 \\ &\triangleright \neg\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T \text{ (postcondition does not care about } t_{\text{used}}, \text{ so no conflict)} \end{aligned}$$

5. Following the same reasoning in 3 and 4,

$$\{\text{MyColor}\}.T \rightarrow (t_{\text{valid}} - h_{\text{red}} - h_{\text{blue}} < N_B)$$

and

$$\neg\{\text{OtherColor}\}.T \wedge (t_{\text{valid}} - h_{\text{red}} - h_{\text{blue}} < N_B)$$

in $\{\text{MyColor}\}.\text{push}()$ cannot be interfered by $\{\text{OtherColor}\}.\text{push}()$. In addition, h_{red} and h_{blue} can be updated by $h_{\text{color}} := h_{\text{color}} + 1$ in $\text{pop}()$ of both colors, but it only makes the lefthand side of the inequality smaller, so they still holds.

6. $t' = t_{\text{used}} \rightarrow t_{\text{valid}} = t_{\text{used}}$ and $t' = t_{\text{used}} \rightarrow t_{\text{valid}} - h_{\text{red}} - h_{\text{blue}} < N_B$ only appears in $\text{push}()$, where t' is a local variable. Wherever interference might happen, it is possible to set $t' \neq t_{\text{used}}$, so it still holds.

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$$B[(t_{\text{valid}} + 1) \{\text{myColor}\}\text{upto} (x_{\text{red}} + x_{\text{blue}})] = []$$

and

$$B[t_{\text{valid}} \{\text{myColor}\}\text{upto} (x_{\text{red}} + x_{\text{blue}})] = []$$

only appears in $\{\text{MyColor}\}.\text{push}()$, and the only statements that might invalidate it is in $\{\text{OtherColor}\}.\text{push}()$.

First, $x_{\{\text{otherColor}\}} := x_{\{\text{otherColor}\}} + 1$ makes the range larger by 1, but it does not add or remove items of **myColor**, so they still holds.

Second, $t_{\text{valid}} := t_{\text{valid}} + 1$ only makes the range smaller, so they can only stay empty.

8. Following the same reasoning as 6, in $\text{pop}()$, $h' = h_{\text{used}} \rightarrow h_{\text{used}} = h_{\text{red}} + h_{\text{blue}}$ and $h' = h_{\text{used}} \rightarrow h_{\text{used}} < t_{\text{valid}} \wedge B[h_{\text{used}} \bmod N_B].c = \text{Red}$ also hold where interference is possible.

9. Following the same reasoning as in 3 and 4,

$$\{\text{MyColor}\}.H \rightarrow$$

$$h_{\text{used}} = h_{\text{red}} + h_{\text{blue}} + 1 \wedge h_{\text{red}} + h_{\text{blue}} < t_{\text{valid}} \wedge B[(h_{\text{red}} + h_{\text{blue}}) \bmod N_B].c = \text{Red}$$

and

$$\neg\{\text{OtherColor}\}.H \wedge$$

$$h_{\text{used}} = h_{\text{red}} + h_{\text{blue}} + 1 \wedge h_{\text{red}} + h_{\text{blue}} < t_{\text{valid}} \wedge B[(h_{\text{red}} + h_{\text{blue}}) \bmod N_B].c = \text{Red}$$

in $\{\text{MyColor}\}.\text{pop}()$ cannot be interfered by $\{\text{OtherColor}\}.\text{pop}()$. In addition, t_{valid} can be updated by $t_{\text{valid}} := t_{\text{valid}} + 1$ in $\text{push}()$ of both colors, but it only makes t_{valid} larger, so the inequality still holds.

Partial Correctness

From initialization $x_{\{\text{color}\}}, h_{\{\text{color}\}}, h_{\text{used}}, t_{\text{used}}, t_{\text{valid}}, \{\text{Color}\}.x, \{\text{Color}\}.y := 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0$ and the extended invariant, we know that $[] + [] + [] + [] + I[0, N) = K_{\{\text{Color}\}}$, so $K_{\{\text{Color}\}} = I[0, N)$.

The extended invariant plus the termination condition ($Red.y = Red.N$) for \mathbf{R} (the receiver) implies that

$$\{\text{Color}\}.O[0, N) + \{\text{Color}\}.S_{BO} + \{\text{Color}\}.S_B + \{\text{Color}\}.S_{IB} + \{\text{Color}\}.S_I = K_{\{\text{Color}\}},$$

which implies

$$N + |\{\text{Color}\}.S_{BO}| + |\{\text{Color}\}.S_B| + |\{\text{Color}\}.S_{IB}| + |\{\text{Color}\}.S_I| = |\{\text{Color}\}.I[0, N)| = N,$$

therefore

$$|\{\text{Color}\}.S_{BO}| = |\{\text{Color}\}.S_B| = |\{\text{Color}\}.S_{IB}| = |\{\text{Color}\}.S_I| = 0,$$

thus

$$\{\text{Color}\}.O[0, N) = \{\text{Color}\}.I[0, N).$$