

SSY191 Individual Assignment 2

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1 Problem 1

1.1 a

According to the given C code structure and the Petri Net figure, there is a risk of being in deadlock.

This situation can happen if Task A and Task B try to acquire the resources in a different order. For example, if Task B acquires resource A first and Task A acquires resource B first, a deadlock will occur because each task is waiting for the other task to release the resource it needs:

1. Task A: $p_0 \rightarrow (\text{take } r_A) p1 \rightarrow (\text{take } r_B) p2 \rightarrow p3 \rightarrow (\text{give } r_A) p4$

Task A waits r_A to continue, r_B is taken by Task A

2. Task B: $p_0 \rightarrow (\text{take } r_A) p1$

Task B waits r_B to continue, r_A is taken by Task B

3. Task A and B wait for each other, deadlock happens.

1.2 b

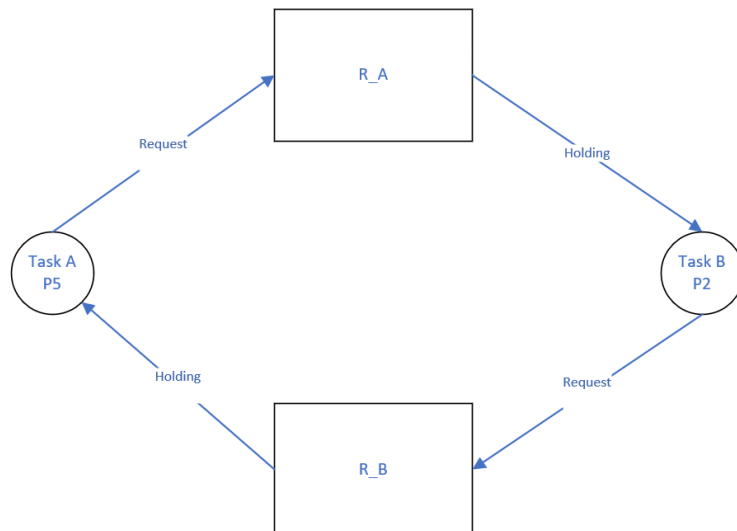


Figure 1: RAG graph

From figure 1, there is a loop. And from tutorial, if there is a cycle in the Resource Allocation Graph and each resource in the cycle provides only one instance, then the processes will be in deadlock.

(Tutorial:<https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/resource-allocation-graph-rag-in-operating-system/>)

1.3 c

From previous analysis, the key problem is to avoid the process $p_0 \rightarrow p_1$ take away the r_A that process $p_4 \rightarrow p_5$ need, then the deadlock can be solved.

To achieve this, using the knowledge from discrete event system, I add a new resource to the Petri Net figure, that p_4 requests it to happen the same time p_1 requests it to happen.

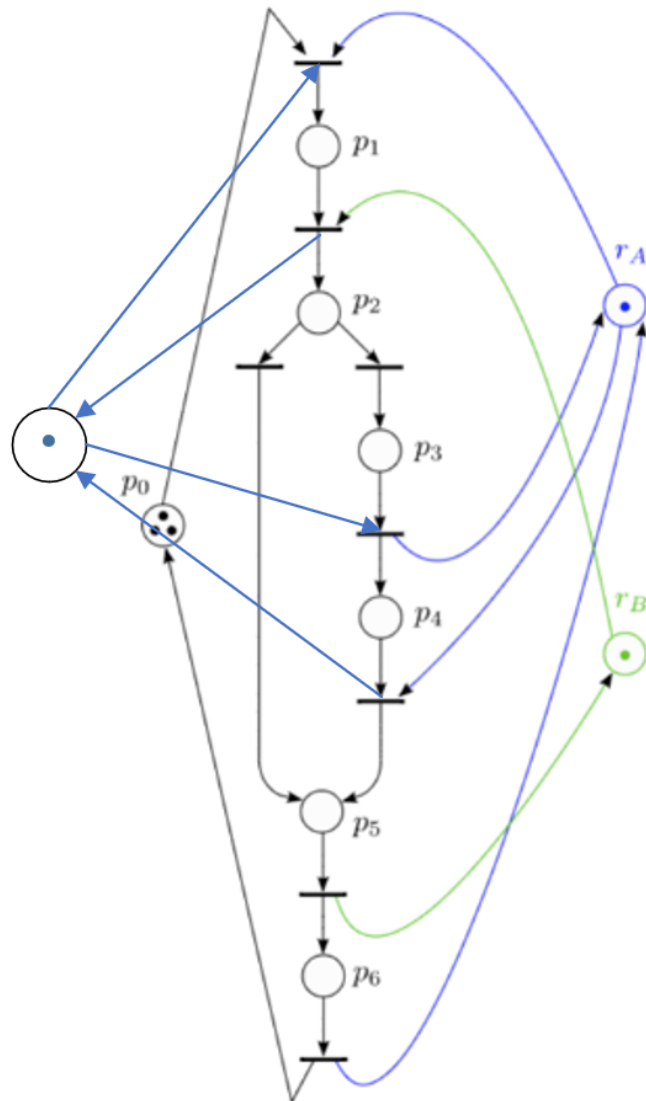


Figure 2: Modified Petri Net

The Modified code is listed below:

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1  #include <stdio.h>
2  #include <stdlib.h>
3
4  #include "FreeRTOS.h"
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5      #include "task.h"
6      #include "semphr.h"
7
8      xTaskHandle task_a_handle;
9      xTaskHandle task_b_handle;
10     xTaskHandle task_c_handle;
11
12     SemaphoreHandle_t resource_a;
13     SemaphoreHandle_t resource_b;
14     SemaphoreHandle_t resource_c;
15
16     void the_task(void *pvParameters)
17     {
18         while (1)
19         {
20             xSemaphoreTake(resource_c, portMAX_DELAY); //Take
21                 resource c to go into p1
22             xSemaphoreTake(resource_a, portMAX_DELAY);
23             ...
24             xSemaphoreTake(resource_b, portMAX_DELAY);
25             xSemaphoreGive(resource_c, portMAX_DELAY); //Only
26                 protect p1, after p1 give it out
27             ...
28             if (...)
29             {
30                 ...
31                 xSemaphoreTake(resource_c, portMAX_DELAY); //Take
32                     resouce c to go into p4
33                 xSemaphoreGive(resource_a);
34                 ...
35                 xSemaphoreTake(resource_a, portMAX_DELAY);
36                 xSemaphoreGive(resource_c, portMAX_DELAY); //
37                     After p4 give it
38                     out
39                 ...
40             }
41             xSemaphoreGive(resource_b);
42             ...
43             xSemaphoreGive(resource_a);
44             ...
45         }
46     }

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41     }
42
43     int main(int argc, char **argv)
44     {
45         resource_a = xSemaphoreCreateMutex();
46         resource_b = xSemaphoreCreateMutex();
47         resource_c = xSemaphoreCreateMutex();
48         xTaskCreate(the_task, "Task 1",
49                     configMINIMAL_STACK_SIZE, NULL, 1, &task_a_handle);
50         xTaskCreate(the_task, "Task 2",
51                     configMINIMAL_STACK_SIZE, NULL, 1, &task_b_handle);
52         xTaskCreate(the_task, "Task 3",
53                     configMINIMAL_STACK_SIZE, NULL, 1, &task_c_handle);
54
55         vTaskStartScheduler();
56         for( ;; );
57     }

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