

# **Banker's Algorithm**

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# File Documentation

## bank.h File Reference

Bank header file. Contains data structures to keep track of the resources.

### Macros

- `#define NUMBER_OF_CUSTOMERS 5`  
*Number of customers.*
- `#define NUMBER_OF_RESOURCES 3`  
*Number of resources.*
- `#define MAX_SLEEP_TIME 5`  
*Maximum time (in seconds) to sleep.*

### Variables

- `pthread_mutex_t mutex_lock`  
*Mutex lock.*
- `int available [NUMBER_OF_RESOURCES]`  
*The available amount of each resource.*
- `int maximum [NUMBER_OF_CUSTOMERS][NUMBER_OF_RESOURCES]`  
*The maximum demand of each customer.*
- `int allocation [NUMBER_OF_CUSTOMERS][NUMBER_OF_RESOURCES]`  
*The amount currently allocated to each customer.*
- `int need [NUMBER_OF_CUSTOMERS][NUMBER_OF_RESOURCES]`  
*The remaining need of each customer.*
- `int customer_id [NUMBER_OF_CUSTOMERS]`  
*Numeric id of each customer.*

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## Detailed Description

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## Macro Definition Documentation

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Number of customers.

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## **Variable Documentation**

**int allocation[NUMBER\_OF\_CUSTOMERS][NUMBER\_OF\_RESOURCES]**

The amount currently allocated to each customer.

**int available[NUMBER\_OF\_RESOURCES]**

The available amount of each resource.

**int customer\_id[NUMBER\_OF\_CUSTOMERS]**

Numeric id of each customer.

**int maximum[NUMBER\_OF\_CUSTOMERS][NUMBER\_OF\_RESOURCES]**

The maximum demand of each customer.

**pthread\_mutex\_t mutex\_lock**

Mutex lock.

**int need[NUMBER\_OF\_CUSTOMERS][NUMBER\_OF\_RESOURCES]**

The remaining need of each customer.

## bankers.c File Reference

Main file for the Banker's Algorithm.

```
#include <pthread.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <time.h>
#include <errno.h>
#include "bank.h"
#include "customer.h"
```

### Functions

- void **init** (char \*argv[])
- void **create\_customers** ()
- int **main** (int argc, char \*argv[])

### Variables

- pthread\_t **customers** [NUMBER\_OF\_CUSTOMERS]  
*Threads representing customers.*

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### Detailed Description

Main file for the Banker's Algorithm.

The program begins by initializing the required synchronization objects and data structures. Then, it creates a number of threads, each representing a customer. These threads run the **customer\_loop()** which contains the main logic behind the Banker's Algorithm simulation.

Compilation Instructions: make

Run: ./bankers [num\_resource1, num\_resource2, ..., num\_resourceN]

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### Function Documentation

#### void create\_customers ()

Creates a thread for each customer to execute **customer\_loop()**. Passes in the array of customer ids to give an identity to each customer thread.

Loop through defined number of customers, creating customer threads

#### void init (char \* argv[])

Initializes matrices that keep track of the resource utilization. Also initializes the mutex.

**Parameters:**

in	<i>argv</i>	Vector of the command-line arguments
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Initialize mutex

Initialize available array with values passed in via command-line

Initialize allocation matrix (0 initially)

Initialize maximum matrix using available array as a bound

Initialize need matrix. (need = maximum) initially since allocation = 0

Initialize customer id array

**int main (int *argc*, char \* *argv*[])**

Makes function call to initialize data structures, and a call to the display function to print this initial state to the console. It then makes a function call to create customer threads and execute the threaded function **customer\_loop()**, followed by the joining of these threads.

**Parameters:**

in	<i>argc</i>	Integer count of the command-line arguments
in	<i>argv</i>	Vector of the command-line arguments

**Returns:**

0 Indicates normal termination of main.

Seed random generator

Call function to initialize resource arrays and the mutex lock

Call function to display initial state

Call function to create customer threads to execute **customer\_loop()**

Join customer threads

**Variable Documentation****pthread\_t customers[NUMBER\_OF\_CUSTOMERS]**

Threads representing customers.

## customer.c File Reference

Defines the behavior of the customer threads.

```
#include <pthread.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <time.h>
#include <unistd.h>
#include "bank.h"
```

### Functions

- void **display** ()  
*Displays state of the system.*
  - int **safety\_test** ()  
*Checks for safe state.*
  - int **request\_resources** (int customer\_num, int request[])  
*Check whether request for resources can be granted.*
  - int **release\_resources** (int customer\_num, int release[])  
*Returns resources to available pool.*
  - void \* **customer\_loop** (void \*param)  
*Customer function loops continually, requesting and releasing resources.*
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### Detailed Description

Defines the behavior of the customer threads.

The customer threads spin in a continuous loop, requesting and releasing random numbers of resources. The banker evaluates the request and makes sure that the resulting system is not unsafe. A display function helps keep track of the changes that happen at each step.

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### Function Documentation

**void\* customer\_loop (void \* *param*)**

Customer function loops continually, requesting and releasing resources.

This function simulates the behavior of each customer. The customers request some amount of resources, wait and release some amount of resources. This happens in a continuous loop

#### Parameters:

in	<i>param</i>	Pointer to an int pointer to the student id
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Declare local helper variables

Seed random generator  
 Loop continuously  
 Create random request array (% need[customer\_id][])  
 Request resources  
 Sleep for random amount of time  
 Create random release array (% alloc[customer\_id][])  
 Release resources  
 Sleep for random amount of time  
 Reset local variables

### **void display ()**

Displays state of the system.  
 Function to print the state of the system out to the console in a tabular format.  
 Declare array for resource type  
 Print header  
 Print resource type header  
 Print data structures keeping track of resources

### **int release\_resources (int customer\_num, int release[])**

Returns resources to available pool.  
 This function releases a random number of resources bounded by values in the allocation array. Since this function modifies shared resources, we make sure that we acquire the mutex lock before making changes, and release it once we are done.

#### **Parameters:**

in	<i>customer_num</i>	Holds the customer id
in	<i>release</i>	The random release array generated

#### **Returns:**

0 if successful  
 Acquire mutex lock  
 Print release array  
 Update resource arrays  
 Display current state  
 Release mutex lock before returning

### **int request\_resources (int customer\_num, int request[])**

Check whether request for resources can be granted.  
 This function requests for a random number of resources bounded by values in the need array. Since this function modifies shared resources, we make sure that we acquire the mutex lock before making



changes, and release it once we are done. The request for resources can fail if there aren't enough resources available or if granting the resources causes the system to be placed into an unsafe state. Appropriate messages are provided in each case.

**Parameters:**

in	<i>customer_num</i>	Holds the customer id
in	<i>request</i>	The random request array generated

**Returns:**

0 if granted, -1 if not

Acquire mutex lock

Print request statement and array

Check if request is less than available resources

Display message if resources unavailable and return -1

Make changes to available, allocation and need

Call safety test

If request granted, print message.

If unsafe, rollback changes

Release mutex lock before returning

**int safety\_test ()**

Checks for safe state.

Contains the algorithm that determines whether the system is in a safe state or not. (Reference: 7.5.3.1 - Operating System Concepts - Silberschatz)

**Returns:**

0 if safe, -1 if not

Declare work and finish arrays (along with helper variables)

Initialize work and finish arrays

For each 'false' finish element, check if need  $\leq$  work

Once the algorithm is finished, look for false values in the finish array which indicates whether the state is unsafe

## customer.h File Reference

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