

CvP - Werkcollege 13

Exercise 1 Consider an application that consists of the following four processes, where `...` represents some sequential computation, and `bexp1`, `bexp2`, and `bexp3` represent Boolean expressions. The `lock()` and `unlock()` calls, respectively, lock and unlock their binary semaphore arguments. The variables `S1`, `S2`, and `S3` are globally declared, shared binary semaphores.

Process A:

```
...
lock(S1)
lock(S2)
lock(S3)
...
unlock(S1)
unlock(S2)
unlock(S3)
...
```

Process B:

```
...
lock(S3)
if (bexp1) then {
    lock(S1)
    ...
    unlock(S1)
}
unlock(S3)
...
```

Process C:

```
...
lock(S2)
if (bexp2) then {
    ...
    lock(S3)
    ...
    if (bexp3) then {
        ...
    }
}
```

```

        lock (S1)
        ...
        unlock (S1)
        ...
    }
    ...
    unlock (S3)
    ...
}
unlock (S2)
...

```

- (a) For each process $X \in \{A, B, C\}$ and lock $S \in \{S1, S2, S3\}$, draw the request/allocation graph where process X requests lock S and all other processes are in their initial state.
- (b) Complete the following table:

| A | B | C | acyclic? |
|----|----------|----|----------|
| S1 | S3 | S2 | yes |
| S1 | S3 | S3 | yes |
| | \vdots | | |
| S3 | S1 | S1 | no |

Each row corresponds to a possible configuration of the application. For example, the first row corresponds to the configuration where process A request lock S1, process B request lock S3, and process C requests lock S2. The last column states whether the associated RAG is acyclic.

- (c) Find every possible deadlock in this application, and draw the associated request/allocation graph.
- (d) Modify the code of these processes such that the application runs without any problem, while it still runs with the maximal degree of concurrency.

Exercise 2 Consider a concurrent application with $n \geq 2$ processes P_1, \dots, P_n , and $k \geq 2$ resources R_1, \dots, R_k . Each process requires a subset of resources during their execution. We say that P *request its resources in order* iff the following property holds: if P requires resources R_i and R_j , with $1 \leq i < j \leq k$, then P requests R_i before R_j .

Show that resource acquisition does not introduce a deadlock, if all processes request their resources in order.