Solution

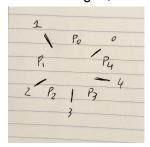
We approached all the problems by coding SMV files (Symbolic Model Verification file) (using test driven development testing our solution against NuSMV). The zip contains:

- phil.smv
- phil.extended.smv

Please check the README.md file on how to run all these files.

Approach (phil.smv)

Before diving in, we first drew a diagram of the problem to better visualize. Here is the diagram:



We utilized test driven development to solve phil.smv

- 1. We first moved the SPECS from the phil module to the main module
- 2. We then developed the SPEC for chopsticks setting that each chopstick can be used by one philosopher at a time.
- 3. We then tested the solution against the NuSMV
- 4. We then developed the SPC for each philosopher can eat eventually
- 5. We then tested the solution against the NuSMV
- 6. We then traced the failure path outputted by NuSMV to develop the fairness constraints.
- 7. We then iteratively achieved our final solution using NuSMV

Approach (phil.extended.smv)

We utilized test driven development to solve phil.extended.smv

- 1. We first developed the SPEC for non-blocking first creating that philosopher0 can always request to eat.
- 2. We tested the solution against NuSMV creating the rest of the non-blocking SPEC for the rest of the philosophers.
- 3. We then implemented the no strict sequencing for philosopher0 against the rest of the philosophers.
- 4. We tested the solution against NuSMV creating the rest of the no strict sequencing SPEC for the rest of the philosophers.