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It is restricted to two processes that alternates the execution between their critical and remainder sections.

Consider that the LOAD and STORE instructions are atomic; that is, cannot be interrupted.

The two processes share two variables:

- * int turn;

- * Boolean flag[2]

The variable turn indicates whose turn it is to enter the critical section.

The flag array is used to indicate if a process is ready to enter the critical section.

flag[i] = true implies that process P_i is ready!

Note:- Peterson's Solution is a software based solution.

Algorithm for Process P_i

```
while (true)
{
    flag[i] = TRUE;
    turn = j;
    while ( flag[j] && turn == j);
    CRITICAL SECTION flag[i] = FALSE;
    REMAINDER SECTION
}

do
{
    acquire lock
        Critical Section
    release lock
        Remainder Section
}
```

```
}
while (True);
```

Note:-Race Conditions are prevented by protecting the critical region by the locks.

Two Process Working Concurrently

Process 1

```
do
{
    flag1 = TRUE;
    turn = 2;
    while (flag2 && turn == 2);
    critical section.....
    flag1 = FALSE;
    remainder section.....
} while (1)
```

Process 2

```
do
{
    flag2 = TRUE;
    turn = 1;
    while (flag1 && turn == 1);
    critical section.....
    flag2 = FALSE;
    remainder section.....
} while (1)
```

Shared Variables }--- flag1, flag2, turn

Example

Process 0:

```
flag[0] := TRUE
turn := 1
check (flag[1] = TRUE and turn = 1)
*Condition is false because flag[1] = FALSE
* Since condition is false, no waiting in while loop
* Enters the critical section
```

Phase-1

Process 1:

```
flag[1] := TRUE
turn := 0
check (flag[0] = TRUE and turn = 0)
*Since condition is true, it keeps busy waiting until it loses the processor
*Process 0 resumes and continues until it finishes in the critical section
```

Phase-2

Process 0:

- *Leaves critical section
- Sets flag[0] := FALSE
- * Start executing the remainder (anything else a process does besides using the critical section)
- * Process 0 happens to lose the processor

Phase-3**Process 1:**

- check (flag[0] = TRUE and turn = 0)
- * This condition fails because flag[0] = FALSE
- * No more busy waiting
- *Enter the critical section

Phase-4**Implementation**

```
public class cSection {
    int turn;
    boolean flag[] = new boolean[2]; int i = 0, j = 1;
    // CSC variables
    int counter = 0; // counter for giving processes an upper bound
    int cscVar = 13;

    private class Process1 extends Thread { // process thread for i
        @Override
        public void run() {
            try {
                do {
                    flag[i] = true; turn = j;
                    while (flag[j] && turn == j)
                        ; // wait for j to finish
                    // critical section
                    System.out.println("I is in critical section"); cscVar++;
                    System.out.println(cscVar); counter++;
                    System.out.println("counter is " + counter + "n    ");
                    //
                    flag[i] = false;
                    // remainder section
                } while (true);
            } catch (Exception e) {
                e.printStackTrace();
            }
        }
    }
}
```

```
} while (counter < 100); // 100 is upper bound, to remove
// infinite looping
}
catch (Exception ex) { ex.printStackTrace();
}
}
}

private class ProcessJ extends Thread { // process thread for j
@Override
public void run() {
try {
do {
flag[j] = true; turn = i;
while (flag[i] && turn == i)
// wait for i to finish
// critical section
System.out.println("J is in critical section"); cscVar--;
System.out.println(cscVar); counter++;
System.out.println("counter is " + counter + "n    ");
//
flag[j] = false;
// remainder section
} while (counter < 100); // 100 is upper bound, to remove
// infinite looping
}
catch (Exception ex) { ex.printStackTrace();
}
}
}

public cSection() {
System.out.println("Starting Threads/Processes"); Thread I = new ProcessI();
Thread J = new ProcessJ(); I.start(); // start process i J.start(); // start process j
}

public static void main(String[] args) { cSection cSec = new cSection();
}
}
```
