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Algorithms Visualiser – A Website

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We hope you have a great time while reading the project!

INTRODUCTION

Deadlock is a situation where a set of processes are blocked because each process is holding a resource and waiting for another resource acquired by some other process.

Concurrency is the execution of the multiple instruction sequences at the same time. It happens in the operating system when there are several process threads running in parallel.

Our website consists of various deadlock and concurrency algorithms:

- Strict Alteration
- Counting Semaphore
- Producer Consumer Algorithm
- Lock variable
- Binary Semaphore
- Peterson's Algorithm
- Test and Lock Set
- Banker's Algorithm

These are all implemented using **html**, **css** and **javascript** on visual code studio. The code files and simulation/visualization is included in the zip file.

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This zip file of the project contains:

/Plagirism Check for .js – this includes plagiarism check for one of the .jss codes

/Plagirism Check for .css – this includes plagiarism check for one of the .css codes

/PPT_project – ppt file used for presentation

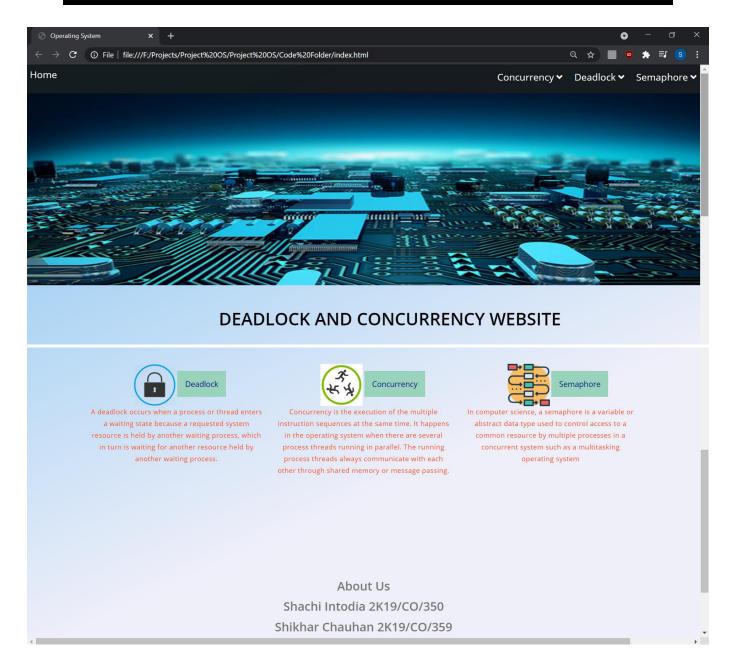
/Report.pdf - This file

/Code Folder - Contains all the .html, .css and .js files along with used images and fonts file. It also includes snapshots of execution.

HOW TO ACCESS THEM?

- ➤ **Unzip the code folder**, you will find the **'index.html**' file, right click on that file and open with VS Code.
- > To view other algorithms, open the other files by right clicking on them.
- > To directly open in browser, double click on .html files.
- ➤ To open .css files or .js files, right click on them and open with VS Code.

HOME PAGE OF WEBSITE



Few features of the website:

• If you hover on any icon/button you'll see the data it consists and its brief information.

- The website is user-friendly and easy to operate, since all the algorithms theory and simulation both are available along with the steps on how to simulate/visualize.
- We can also save a pdf version of output if we want after simulation of any algorithm.

STRICT ALTERATION

Strict Alternation Approach is the software mechanism implemented at user mode. It is a busy waiting solution which can be implemented only for two processes. In this approach, A turn variable is used which is actually a lock. This approach can only be used for only two processes. In general, let the two processes be P0 and P1. They share a variable called turn variable.

Analysis of Strict Alternation approach

Let's analyze Strict Alternation approach on the basis of four requirements.

Mutual Exclusion

The strict alternation approach provides mutual exclusion in every case. This procedure works only for two processes. The pseudo code is different for both of the processes. The process will only enter when it sees that the turn variable is equal to its Process ID otherwise not Hence No process can enter in the critical section regardless of its turn.

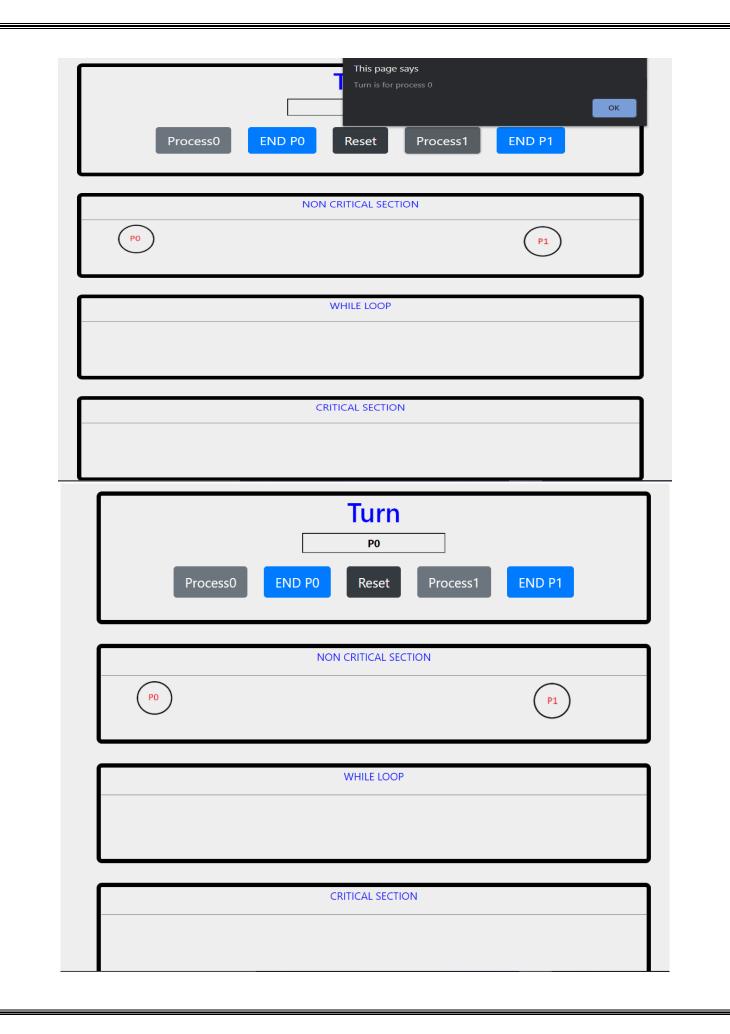
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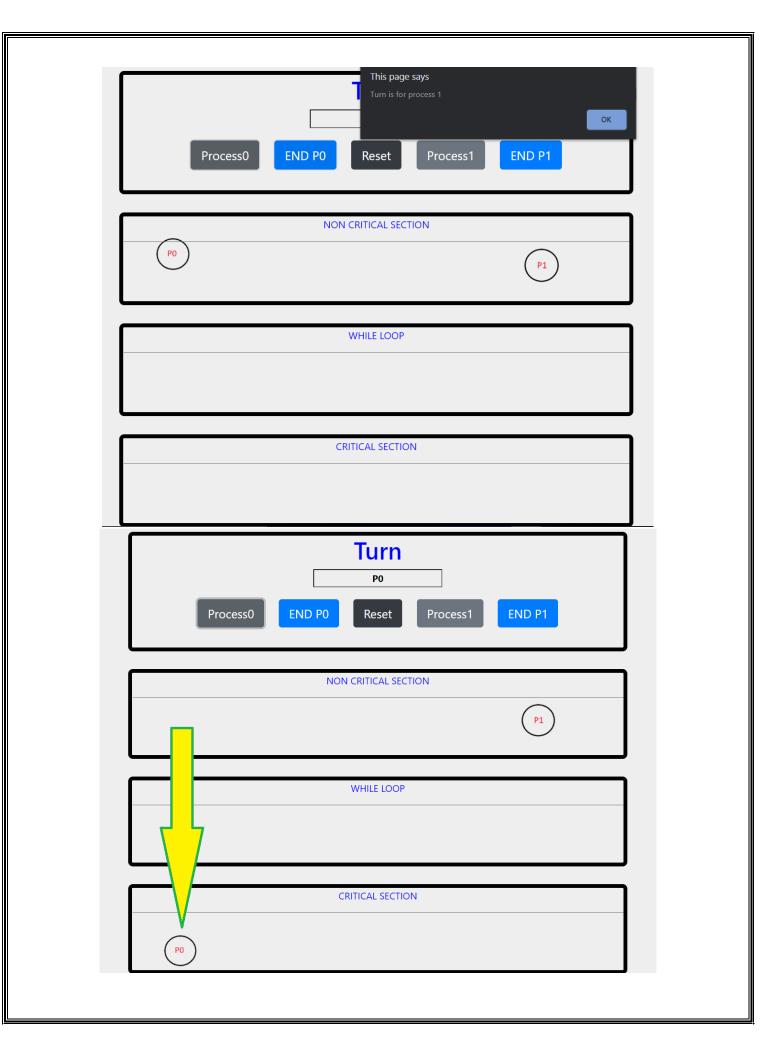
Progress is not guaranteed in this mechanism. If Pi doesn't want to get enter into the critical section on its turn then Pj got blocked for infinite time. Pj has to wait for so long for its turn since the turn variable will remain 0 until Pi assigns it to j.

Portability

The solution provides portability. It is a pure software mechanism implemented at user mode and doesn't need any special instruction from the Operating System.

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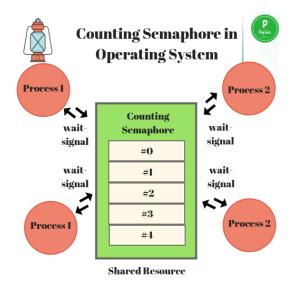


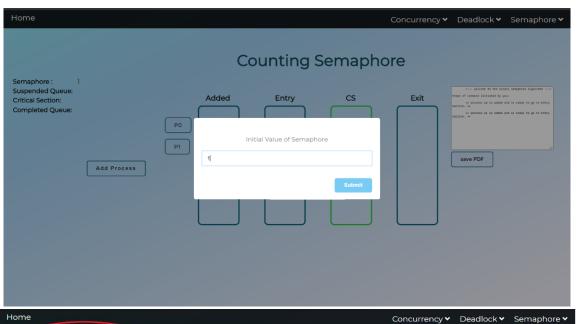
COUNTING SEMAPHORES

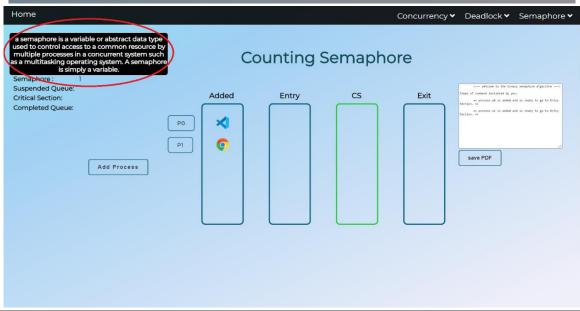
Semaphore is an integer variable S, that is initialized with the number of resources present in the system and is used for process synchronization. It uses two functions to change the value of S i.e. wait() and signal(). Both these functions are used to modify the value of semaphore but the functions allow only one process to change the value at a particular time i.e. no two processes can change the value of semaphore simultaneously. There are two categories of semaphores i.e. Counting semaphores and Binary semaphores.

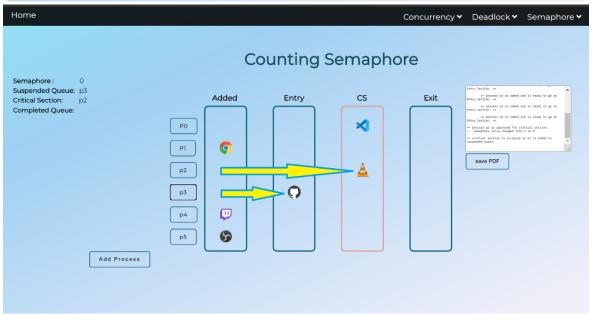
In **Counting semaphores**, firstly, the semaphore variable is initialized with the number of resources available. After that, whenever a process needs some resource, then the wait() function is called and the value of the semaphore variable is decreased by one. The process then uses the resource and after using the resource, the signal() function is called and the value of the semaphore variable is increased by one. So, when the value of the semaphore variable goes to 0 i.e. all the resources are taken by the process and there is no resource left to be used, then if some other process wants to use resources, then that process has to wait for its turn. In this way, we achieve the process synchronization.

In the **implementation**, whenever the process waits it is added to a waiting queue of processes associated with that semaphore. This is done through system call block() on that process. When a process is completed it calls the signal function and one process in the queue is resumed. It uses wakeup() system call.









PRODUCER AND CONSUMER

The Producer-Consumer problem is a classic problem this is used for multiprocess synchronization i.e. synchronization between more than one processes.

In the producer-consumer problem, there is one Producer that is producing something and there is one Consumer that is consuming the products produced by the Producer. The producers and consumers share the same memory buffer that is of fixed-size.

The job of the Producer is to generate the data, put it into the buffer, and again start generating data. While the job of the Consumer is to consume the data from the buffer.

What's the problem here?

The following are the problems that might occur in the Producer-Consumer:

- The producer should produce data only when the buffer is not full. If the buffer is full, then the producer shouldn't be allowed to put any data into the buffer.
- The consumer should consume data only when the buffer is not empty. If the buffer is empty, then the consumer shouldn't be allowed to take any data from the buffer.
- The producer and consumer should not access the buffer at the same time.

What's the solution?

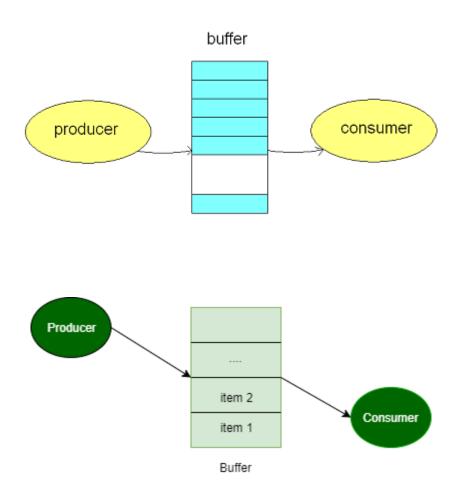
The above three problems can be solved with the help of semaphores.

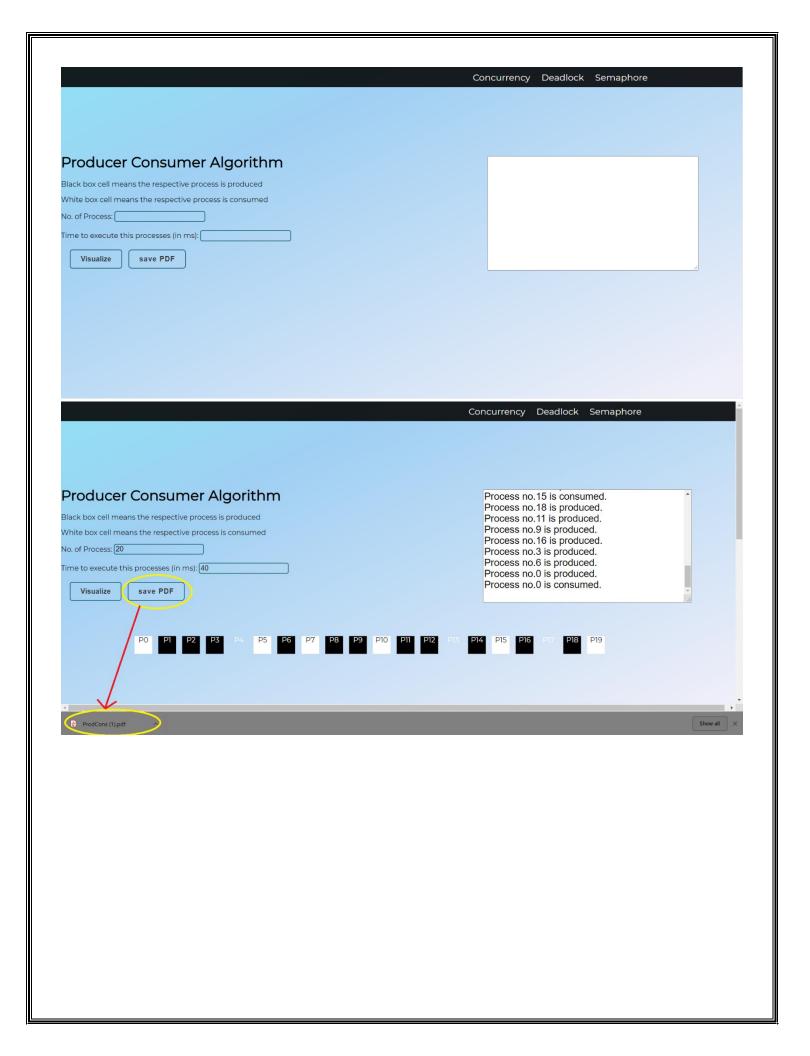
In the producer-consumer problem, we use three semaphore variables:

• Semaphore S: This semaphore variable is used to achieve mutual exclusion between processes. By using this variable, either Producer or Consumer will be

- allowed to use or access the shared buffer at a particular time. This variable is set to 1 initially.
- Semaphore E: This semaphore variable is used to define the empty space in the buffer. Initially, it is set to the whole space of the buffer i.e. "n" because the buffer is initially empty.
- Semaphore F: This semaphore variable is used to define the space that is filled by the producer. Initially, it is set to "0" because there is no space filled by the producer initially.

By using the above three semaphore variables and by using the wait() and signal() function, we can solve our problem(the wait() function decreases the semaphore variable by 1 and the signal() function increases the semaphore variable by 1).





LOCK VARIABLE

This is the simplest synchronization mechanism. This is a Software Mechanism implemented in User mode. This is a busy waiting solution which can be used for more than two processes.

In this mechanism, a Lock variable lockis used. Two values of lock can be possible, either 0 or 1. Lock value 0 means that the critical section is vacant while the lock value 1 means that it is occupied.

A process which wants to get into the critical section first checks the value of the lock variable. If it is 0 then it sets the value of lock as 1 and enters into the critical section, otherwise it waits.

The pseudo code of the mechanism looks like following.

- 1. Entry Section →
- 2. While (lock! = 0);
- 3. Lock = 1;
- 4. //Critical Section
- 5. Exit Section →
- 6. Lock = 0;

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Progress	\bigcirc
Bounded Waiting	\bigcirc

If we look at the Pseudo Code, we find that there are three sections in the code. Entry Section, Critical Section and the exit section.

Initially the value of **lock variable** is **0**. The process which needs to get into the **critical section**, enters into the entry section and checks the condition provided in the while loop.

The process will wait infinitely until the value of **lock** is **1** (that is implied by while loop). Since, at the very first time critical section is vacant hence the process will enter the critical section by setting the lock variable as **1**.

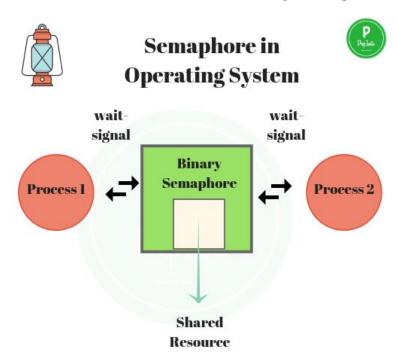
When the process exits from the critical section, then in the exit section, it reassigns the value of **lock** as **0**.

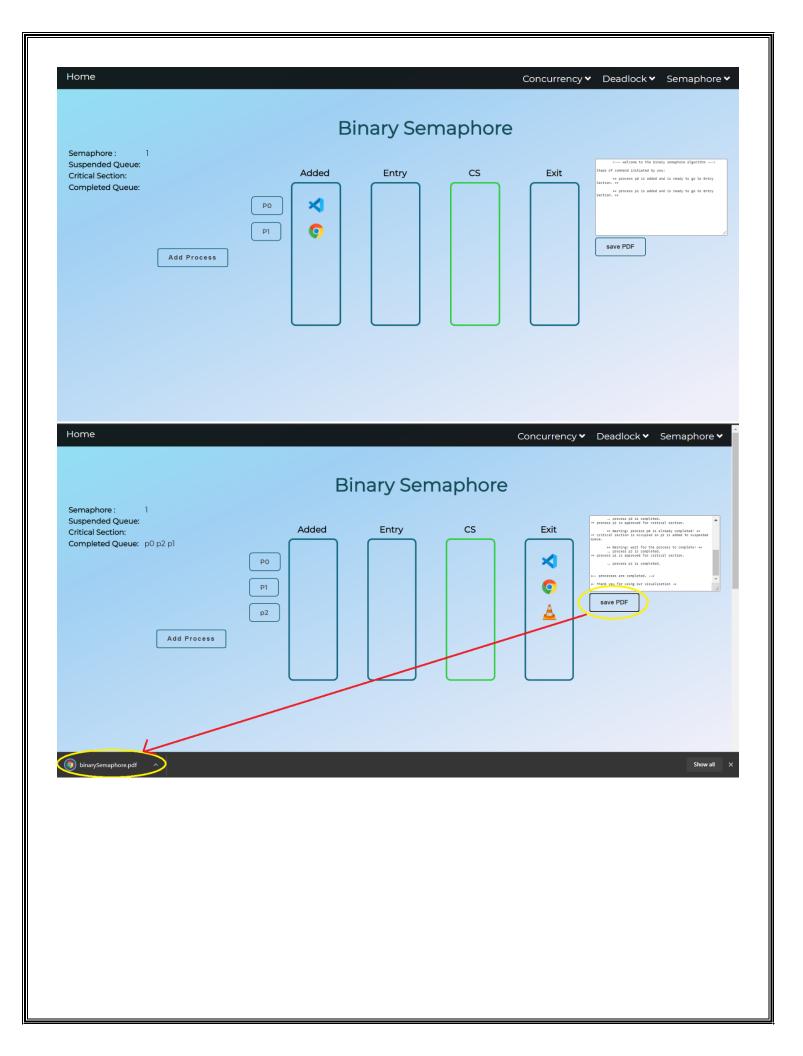


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In **Binary semaphores**, the value of the semaphore variable will be 0 or 1. Initially, the value of semaphore variable is set to 1 and if some process wants to use some resource then the wait() function is called and the value of the semaphore is changed to 0 from 1. The process then uses the resource and when it releases the resource then the signal() function is called and the value of the semaphore variable is increased to 1. If at a particular instant of time, the value of the semaphore variable is 0 and some other process wants to use the same resource then it has to wait for the release of the resource by the previous process. In this way, process synchronization can be achieved. It is similar to mutex but here locking is not performed.





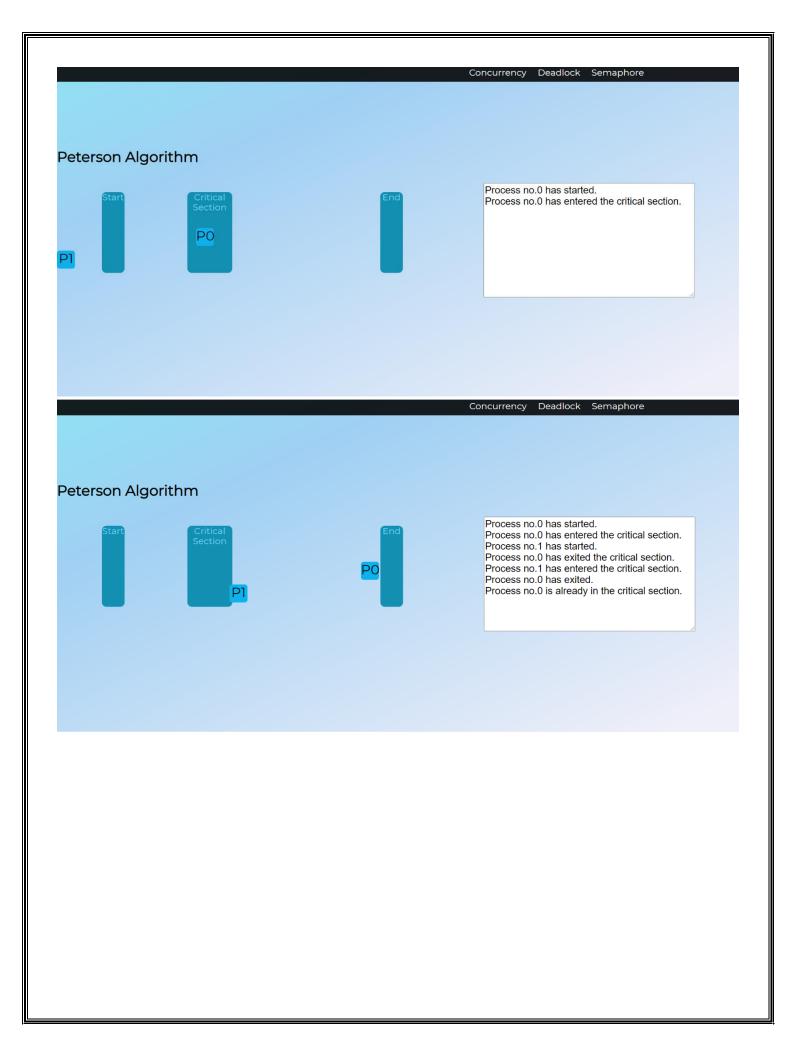
PETERSON'S ALGORITHM

Peterson's Algorithm is used to synchronize two processes. It uses two variables, a **bool array flag of size 2** and an int variable turn to accomplish it.

In the solution i represents the Consumer and j represents the Producer. Initially the flags are false. When a process wants to execute it's critical section, it sets it's flag to true and turn as the index of the other process. This means that the process wants to execute but it will allow the other process to run first. The process performs busy waiting until the other process has finished it's own critical section.

After this the current process enters it's critical section and adds or removes a random number from the shared buffer. After completing the critical section, it sets it's own flag to false, indication it does not wish to execute anymore.

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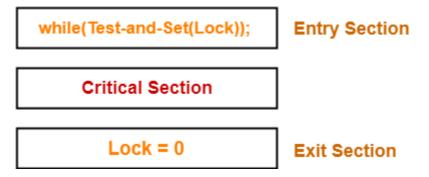
TEST AND SET

Test and Set Lock (TSL) is a synchronization mechanism. It uses a test and set instruction to provide the synchronization among the processes executing concurrently.

Test-and-Set Instruction

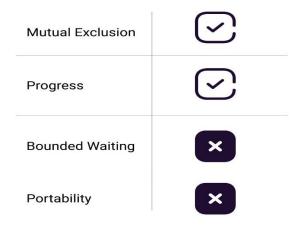
- It is an instruction that returns the old value of a memory location and sets the memory location value to 1 as a single atomic operation.
- If one process is currently executing a test-and-set, no other process is allowed to begin another test-and-set until the first process test-and-set is finished.

It is implemented as-

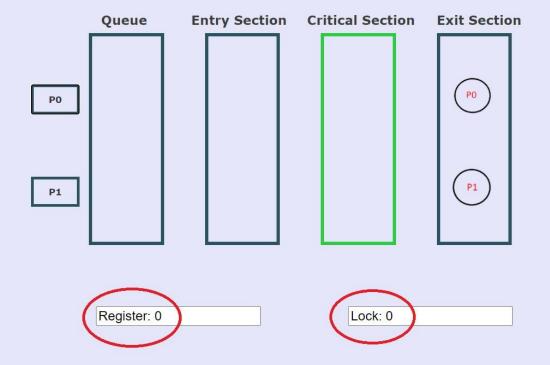


Initially, lock value is set to 0.

- Lock value = 0 means the critical section is currently vacant and no process is present inside it.
- Lock value = 1 means the critical section is currently occupied and a process is present inside it.



PO PO PO PI PI Register: N Critical Section Critical Section Exit Section Exit Section Exit Section Lock: 0 Test and Set Lock



BANKERS ALGORITHM

The banker's algorithm is a resource allocation and deadlock avoidance algorithm that tests for safety by simulating the allocation for predetermined maximum possible amounts of all resources, then makes an "s-state" check to test for possible activities, before deciding whether allocation should be allowed to continue.

Why Banker's algorithm is named so?

Banker's algorithm is named so because it is used in banking system to check whether loan can be sanctioned to a person or not. Suppose there are n number of account holders in a bank and the total sum of their money is S. If a person applies for a loan then the bank first subtracts the loan amount from the total money that bank has and if the remaining amount is greater than S then only the loan is sanctioned. It is done because if all the account holders comes to withdraw their money then the bank can easily do it.

In other words, the bank would never allocate its money in such a way that it can no longer satisfy the needs of all its customers. The bank would try to be in safe state always.

Characteristics of Banker's Algorithm

- 1. Keep many resources that satisfy the requirement of at least one client
- 2. Whenever a process gets all its resources, it needs to return them in a restricted period.
- 3. When a process requests a resource, it needs to wait
- 4. The system has a limited number of resources
- 5. Advance feature for max resource allocation

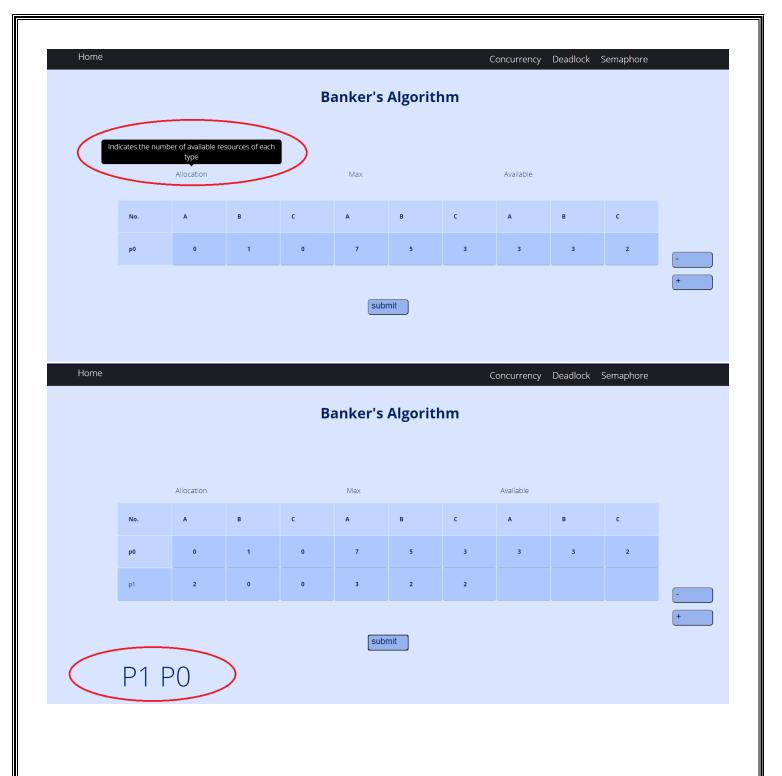
❖ Disadvantage of Banker's algorithm

- 1. Does not allow the process to change its Maximum need while processing
- 2. It allows all requests to be granted in restricted time, but one year is a fixed period for that.
- 3. All processes must know and state their maximum resource needs in advance.

Summary:

- 1. Banker's algorithm is used majorly in the banking system to avoid deadlock. It helps you to identify whether a loan will be given or not.
- 2. Notations used in banker's algorithms are 1) Available 2) Max 3) Allocation 4) Need
- 3. Resource request algorithm enables you to represent the system behavior when a specific process makes a resource request.
- 4. Banker's algorithm keeps many resources that satisfy the requirement of at least one client
- 5. The biggest drawback of banker's algorithm this that it does not allow the process to change its Maximum need while processing.





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