

Task 2

```
//thread place_order(data)
{
while (true)
{
order = OrderFactory.produceOrder(data);
if (self.queue.length() == MAX_QUEUE_SIZE)
{
// queue is full. Do nothing until somebody wakes us up
sleep();
}
self.queue.insert(order);
if (self.queue.size > 0)
{
// we have at least 1 element to process, notify the other compo
wakeup(process_order);
}
}
}

//thread process_order()
{
while (true)
{
if (self.queue.length() == 0)
{
// queue is empty, block until there is at least 1 element
sleep();
}
// if the queue was full, and we just made room, notify the prod
if (self.queue.length() == MAX_QUEUE_SIZE - 1)
{
wakeup(place_order);
}
```

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}
order = self.queue.pop();
do_actual_processing(order);
}
}

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a. Assume that there are automated tests that take a string describing the operation sequence of the two components: "place_order(data1), place_order(data2), process_order(), process_order(),.. " (or in its abbreviated version: "P, P, C, C, ...")

Describe the most relevant situations (test cases) to be tested. For these test cases, mention the input that generates them (assuming MAX_QUEUE_SIZE=4)

P (place_order)

C (process_order)

Threads typical TCs

Aa TC	≡ Input	≡ Expected Result
<u>1. Sanity test: place and process 4 orders</u>	"P, P,P,P,C,C,C,C"	* orders placed into a queue * orders processed without issues and queue blocking
<u>2. Queue with max capacity</u>	"P, P,P,P,P"	* P is sleeping and stopped placing new orders as the queue is full
<u>3. Queue =0</u>	"C"	* C is sleeping
<u>4. Checking sleeping /waking up and vise versa</u>	"P, P,P,C,C,P,C,P,P,C,C"	* check that threads waking up/sleeping without deadlocks



b. Analyze the previous pseudocode, and identify errors (if any). In case no error is detected, but if you would like to suggest improvements, mention them.

Potentially these `if` and `insert` operations can be interrupted by other threads. As an example, during insert operation `self.queue.length` can be changed to max size by another thread and this could result in inconsistent queue states, with more elements than allowed, leading to unpredictable behavior (a bug).

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if (self.queue.length() == MAX_QUEUE_SIZE)
{
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    sleep();
}
self.queue.insert(order);
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the same for

```
if (self.queue.length() == MAX_QUEUE_SIZE - 1)
{
    wakeup(place_order);
}
order = self.queue.pop();
```



c. If there are N and N instead of 1 order generator and 1 order processing, sharing the same queue, what new situations that prior tests do not cover should be considered? Detail how you would implement tests and describe a typical error.

In a system with multiple producers and consumers sharing a queue some orders can be missed:

- Producer 1 (P1) and Producer 2 (P2) both try to add orders to the queue at the same time.
- **P1 and P2 check the queue** and see that there's space available.
- **P1 and P2 both attempt to insert orders at the same time**, but because they are both using the same shared resource one of the orders might get lost or overwritten.

Same for removing orders (C1, C1,Cn)