

Checked with
Pcs = {1, 2, 3, 4}
N = 5

EXTENDS *Integers*
 CONSTANTS *Pcs*, *N*
 ASSUME $N \in \text{Nat} \wedge N \geq 1$

State space

VARIABLES *counter*, *state*, *ret*
vars $\triangleq \langle \textit{ret}, \textit{counter}, \textit{state} \rangle$
Blocking $\triangleq \{ \text{"blocking"}, \text{"timed"}, \text{"non-blocking"} \}$
PcsState $\triangleq \{ \text{"idle"}, \text{"exception"}, \text{"timeout"} \} \cup \textit{Blocking}$
Result $\triangleq \{ \text{"success"}, \text{"failure"} \}$
TypeInv $\triangleq \wedge \textit{counter} \in \text{Nat}$
 $\wedge \textit{counter} \leq N$
 $\wedge \textit{state} \in [\textit{Pcs} \rightarrow \textit{PcsState}]$
 $\wedge \textit{ret} \in \textit{Result}$

Next-state relation

Requesting the semaphore can be done in one of three ways

- * blocking – wait until *counter* > 0 then /succeed/
- * non-blocking – if *counter* > 0 then succeed else /fail/
- * timed – wait until *counter* > 0 or *t* secs elapse
 - if *counter* > 0 then /succeed/
 - else (*t* secs have elapsed) /timeout/

For the meaning of /success/, /failure/ and /timeout/, see
 Return statement below.

Request(*b*, *p*) $\triangleq \wedge b \in \textit{Blocking}$
 $\wedge \textit{state}[p] = \text{"idle"}$
 $\wedge \textit{state}' = [\textit{state} \text{ EXCEPT } ![p] = b]$
 $\wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle \textit{counter}, \textit{ret} \rangle$

ReturnSuccess(*p*) $\triangleq \wedge \textit{state}[p] \in \textit{Blocking}$
 $\wedge \textit{counter} > 0$
 $\wedge \textit{counter}' = \textit{counter} - 1$
 $\wedge \textit{ret}' = \text{"success"}$

ReturnTimeout(*p*) $\triangleq \wedge \textit{state}[p] = \text{"timeout"}$
 $\wedge \textit{state}' = [\textit{state} \text{ EXCEPT } ![p] = \text{"exception"}]$
 $\wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle \textit{counter}, \textit{ret} \rangle$

ReturnFail(*p*) $\triangleq \wedge \textit{state}[p] = \text{"non-blocking"}$
 $\wedge \textit{counter} = 0$
 $\wedge \textit{ret}' = \text{"failure"}$
 $\wedge \textit{state}' = [\textit{state} \text{ EXCEPT } ![p] = \text{"idle"}]$
 $\wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \textit{counter}$

Return statement: they can result in one of three

* Success – counter is decreased

* Failure – counter is unchanged

* *Timeout* – An exception is thrown, counter is unchanged

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Return}(p) &\triangleq \vee \text{ReturnSuccess}(p) \\
 &\quad \vee \text{ReturnFail}(p) \\
 &\quad \vee \text{ReturnTimeout}(p) \\
 \text{Release}(p) &\triangleq \wedge \text{state}[p] = \text{"idle"} \\
 &\quad \wedge \text{counter} < N \\
 &\quad \wedge \text{counter}' = \text{counter} + 1 \\
 &\quad \wedge \text{UNCHANGED} \langle \text{state}, \text{ret} \rangle \\
 \text{Timeout}(p) &\triangleq \wedge \text{state}[p] = \text{"timed"} \\
 &\quad \wedge \text{state}' = [\text{state} \text{ EXCEPT } ![p] = \text{"timeout"}] \\
 &\quad \wedge \text{UNCHANGED} \langle \text{counter}, \text{ret} \rangle
 \end{aligned}$$

Process specification

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{OneProc}(p) &\triangleq \vee (\exists b \in \text{Blocking} : \text{Request}(b, p)) \\
 &\quad \vee \text{Return}(p) \\
 &\quad \vee \text{Release}(p) \\
 &\quad \vee \text{Timeout}(p)
 \end{aligned}$$

System Specification

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Waiting}(p) &\triangleq \text{state}[p] \in \text{Blocking} \\
 \text{DeadLock} &\triangleq \vee \wedge (\forall p \in \text{Pcs} : \text{Waiting}(p) \vee \text{state}[p] = \text{"exception"}) \\
 &\quad \wedge \text{counter} = 0 \\
 &\quad \wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \text{vars} \\
 &\quad \vee \wedge (\forall p \in \text{Pcs} : \text{state}[p] = \text{"exception"}) \\
 &\quad \wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \text{vars}
 \end{aligned}$$

The *DeadLock* event states the only conditions under which the semaphore can cause a deadlock among a set of processes.

The model-checker looks for deadlocks and adding this event tells it that this is a known issue and the model checker won't treat it as a fault.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Init} &\triangleq \wedge \text{counter} = 1 \\
 &\quad \wedge \text{ret} = \text{"success"} \\
 &\quad \wedge \text{state} = [p \in \text{Pcs} \mapsto \text{"idle"}] \\
 \text{Next} &\triangleq \vee (\exists p \in \text{Pcs} : \text{OneProc}(p)) \\
 &\quad \vee \text{DeadLock} \\
 \text{Live} &\triangleq \wedge (\forall p \in \text{Pcs} : \text{SF}_{\text{vars}}(\text{Return}(p))) \\
 &\quad \wedge (\forall p \in \text{Pcs} : \text{WF}_{\text{vars}}(\text{Timeout}(p))) \\
 \text{Spec} &\triangleq \text{Init} \wedge \square[\text{Next}]_{\text{vars}} \wedge \text{Live}
 \end{aligned}$$

Properties

$$\text{BoundedWait} \triangleq \square \diamond (\text{counter} > 0) \Rightarrow (\forall p \in \text{Pcs} : \square \diamond (\neg \text{Waiting}(p)))$$

As long as processes keep releasing the semaphore, no process waits forever

$NonBlocking \triangleq (\forall p \in Pcs : \Box \Diamond (state[p] \neq \text{"non-blocking"} \wedge state[p] \neq \text{"timed"}))$

No matter the circumstances, no process stays blocked
in non-blocking mode or in timed mode

$Disj(p) \triangleq \wedge \neg(\text{ENABLED } ReturnSuccess(p) \wedge \text{ENABLED } ReturnTimeout(p))$
 $\wedge \neg(\text{ENABLED } ReturnSuccess(p) \wedge \text{ENABLED } ReturnFail(p))$
 $\wedge \neg(\text{ENABLED } ReturnFail(p) \wedge \text{ENABLED } ReturnTimeout(p))$

$Disjoint \triangleq (\forall p \in Pcs : Disj(p))$

The outcome of *Return* is uniquely specified by the *Next*
state relation

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Request(b, p)
// with b ∈ {"blocking", "non-blocking", "timed"}
// in the python code, b would also specify a timeout
// but we abstract away from time durations
"waiting"
r ← Return(p)
// r ∈ {"success", "failure"}
// state ∈ {"idle", "exception"}
Release(p)
*****
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