

Solutions for Tutorial Session N°4: Deadlock

Objective: To understand the concept of deadlock in operating systems, identify the conditions under which it occurs, and explore the main techniques used for deadlock prevention, avoidance, detection, and recovery.

Exercise 1

Consider a system with 5 processes (P0, P1, P2, P3, P4) and 3 resource types (R0, R1, R2). The state of the system is:

MAX				ALLOCATION				AVAILABLE		
	R0	R1	R2		R0	R1	R2	R0	R1	R2
P0	7	5	3	P0	0	1	0	3	3	2
P1	3	2	2	P1	2	0	0			
P2	9	0	2	P2	3	0	2			
P3	2	2	2	P3	2	1	1			
P4	4	3	3	P4	0	0	2			

- How many instances are there for each resource in this system?
- Calculate the **NEED** matrix.
- Determine if the system is in a safe state using the **Banker's algorithm**.
- Assuming the system receives the following requests sequentially, determine at each moment whether the request can be granted or not (**Banker's algorithm**):
 - At time t1, P1 makes the following request: (1, 0, 2).
 - At time t2, P4 makes the following request: (3, 3, 0).
 - At time t3, P0 makes the following request: (0, 2, 0).

SOLUTION

1)

Resource	Number of instances (AVAILABLE + ALLOCATION)	
R0	3+2+3+2 =	10
R1	3+1+1=	5
R2	2+2+1+2=	7

2) NEED = MAX – ALLOCATION:

	R0	R1	R2
P0	7	4	3
P1	1	2	2
P2	6	0	0
P3	0	1	1
P4	4	3	1

3) Banker's Safety algorithm:

Work				Finish				
Steps	R0	R1	R2	P0	P1	P2	P3	P4
Step 0	3	3	2	F	F	F	F	F
Step 1	5	3	2	F	T	F	F	F
Step 2	7	4	3	F	T	F	T	F
Step 3	7	4	5	F	T	F	T	T
Step 4	7	5	5	T	T	F	T	T
Step 5	10	5	7	T	T	T	T	T

The system is in a safe state: the sequence P1, P3, P4, P0, P2 is safe.

4)

P1 makes the following request: (1, 0, 2)

$(1, 0, 2) \leq \text{NEED}[1]$ and $(1, 0, 2) \leq \text{AVAILABLE}$

We assume that the request is granted and update the data:

- **Available = Available – Request[i]**
- **Allocation[i] = Allocation[i] + Request[i]**
- **Need[i] = Need[i] – Request[i]**

NEED				ALLOCATION				AVAILABLE		
	R0	R1	R2		R0	R1	R2	R0	R1	R2
P0	7	4	3	P0	0	1	0	2	3	0
P1	0	2	0	P1	3	0	2			
P2	6	0	0	P2	3	0	2			
P3	0	1	1	P3	2	1	1			
P4	4	3	1	P4	0	0	2			

Afterwards, we apply the **safety algorithm**:

Work				Finish				
Steps	R0	R1	R2	P0	P1	P2	P3	P4
Step 0	2	3	0	F	F	F	F	F
Step 1	5	3	2	F	T	F	F	F
Step 2	7	4	3	F	T	F	T	F
Step 3	7	4	5	F	T	F	T	T
Step 4	7	5	5	T	T	F	T	T
Step 5	10	5	7	T	T	T	T	T

- We find that the sequence P1, P3, P4, P0, P2 is safe, so P1's request can be granted.
- The OS confirms the changes made to the **ALLOCATION** and **NEED** matrices, and the **AVAILABLE** vector.

P4 makes the following request: (3, 3, 0)

$(3, 3, 0) \leq \text{NEED}[4]$
but $(3, 3, 0) > \text{AVAILABLE}$

Therefore, this request cannot be granted, and P4 remains waiting (blocked).

P0 makes the following request: (0, 2, 0)

$(0, 2, 0) \leq \text{NEED}[0]$ and $(0, 2, 0) \leq \text{AVAILABLE}$

We assume that the request is granted and update the data:

- Available = Available – Request[i]**
- Allocation[i] = Allocation[i] + Request[i]**
- Need[i] = Need[i] – Request[i]**

NEED				ALLOCATION				AVAILABLE		
	R0	R1	R2		R0	R1	R2	R0	R1	R2
P0	7	2	3	P0	0	3	0	2	1	0
P1	0	2	0	P1	3	0	2			
P2	6	0	0	P2	3	0	2			
P3	0	1	1	P3	2	1	1			
P4	4	3	1	P4	0	0	2			

Now, we apply the **safety algorithm**:

Work				Finish				
Steps	R0	R1	R2	P0	P1	P2	P3	P4
Step 0	2	1	0	F	F	F	F	F

- There is no i such that **Finish[i] == false** and **Need[i] ≤ Work**, so the system is not in a safe state; all 5 processes are in deadlock. Therefore, the request cannot be granted.
- The OS keeps (restores) the previous values of the **ALLOCATION** and **NEED** matrices, and the **AVAILABLE** vector.

Exercise 2

Consider the following systems. Use the **deadlock detection algorithm** to determine whether the processes in each system are in deadlock or not:

1) System A :

ALLOCATION					REQUEST					AVAILABLE			
	R0	R1	R2	R3		R0	R1	R2	R3	R0	R1	R2	R4
P0	1	0	1	0	P0	2	3	0	1	5	2	3	1
P1	2	0	0	1	P1	2	0	1	0				
P2	0	1	2	0	P2	2	1	4	0				

SOLUTION

The execution of the **deadlock detection algorithm** will reveal the following contents:

For $i = 0..n-1$, if **Allocation[i] ≠ 0**, then **Finish[i] = false**; otherwise **Finish[i] = true**
 ➔ so here **Finish = (F, F, F)**

Work					Finish		
Steps	R0	R1	R2	R3	P0	P1	P2
Step 0	5	2	3	1	F	F	F
Step 1	7	2	3	2	F	T	F

The algorithm execution ends with the **Finish** vector containing two false values: **P0 and P2 are in deadlock**.

Note: The OS must apply one of the recovery techniques to resolve this deadlock situation.

2) System B :

ALLOCATION				REQUEST				AVAILABLE		
	R0	R1	R2		R0	R1	R2	R0	R1	R2
P0	0	1	0	P0	0	0	0	0	0	0
P1	2	0	0	P1	2	0	2			
P2	3	0	2	P2	0	0	0			
P3	2	1	1	P3	1	0	0			
P4	0	0	2	P4	0	0	2			

SOLUTION

The execution of the algorithm gives us the following steps:

Work				Finish				
Steps	R0	R1	R2	P0	P1	P2	P3	P4
Step 0	0	0	0	F	F	F	F	F
Step 1	0	1	0	T	F	F	F	F
Step 2	3	1	2	T	F	T	F	F
Step 3	5	2	3	T	F	T	T	F
Step 4	5	2	5	T	F	T	T	T
Step 5	7	2	5	T	T	T	T	T

The sequence P0, P2, P3, P4, P1 will set **Finish[i]** to true for all i, so the system is not in deadlock.