

# BAKERY PROTOCOL

## Mutual Exclusion Protocols

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# Introduction

- The **Bakery algorithm** is one of the simplest known solutions to the mutual exclusion problem for the general case of N process
- Devised by [Leslie Lamport](#)
- Based on token system in bakery and banks. Preserves the first come first serve property
- Before the bakery algorithm, people believed that the mutual exclusion problem was unsolvable—that you could implement mutual exclusion only by using lower-level mutual exclusion constructs
- A New Solution of Dijkstra's Concurrent Programming Problem Leslie Lamport  
Massachusetts Computer Associates, Inc. Communications of the ACM August  
1974 Volume 17 Number 8 <http://lamport.azurewebsites.net/pubs/bakery.pdf>
- Proving the Correctness of Multiprocess Programs  
IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON SOFTWARE ENGINEERING, VOL. SE-3, NO. 2, MARCH 1977  
<http://www.cis.umassd.edu/~hxu/courses/cis481/references/Lamport-1977.pdf>

# Algorithm

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choosing[i] = 1;
number[i] = 1 + maximum(number[1], ..., number[N]);
choosing[i] = 0;
for (j = 1 : N)
{
    while (choosing[j]) {}
    while (number[j] != 0 && (number[j], j) < (number[i], i)) {}
}
CRITICAL SECTION
number[i] = 0;
```

Demo

# Correctness Proof

- **Assertion 1.** If processors  $i$  and  $k$  are in the bakery and  $i$  entered the bakery before  $k$  entered the doorway, then  $\text{number}[i] < \text{number}[k]$ .
- **Proof.**
  - *By hypothesis, number  $[i]$  had its current value while  $k$  was choosing the current value of number  $[k]$ .*
  - *Hence,  $k$  must have chosen number  $[k] \geq 1 + \text{number}[i]$*

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- **Assertion 2.** If processor  $i$  is in its critical section, processor  $k$  is in the bakery, and  $k \neq i$ , then  $(\text{number}[i], i) < (\text{number}[k], k)$ .
- **Proof:**
  - $k$  is done choosing before  $i$  starts its check,  $\text{number}[k]$  will have clear a value  $>$ ,  $<$  or  $=$   $\text{number}[i]$  and  $i$  will proceed accordingly
  - If  $k$  is choosing while  $i$  needs to decide if it can go ahead of  $k$ , it should wait till choosing is done, so that  $i$  is sure about its decision
  - If  $k$  didn't start choosing, when  $i$  is deciding if it can go ahead of  $k$ , even if  $k$  decides to start choosing now its  $\text{number}[k] < \text{number}[i]$ . From Assertion 1
  - If both  $k$  and  $i$  get the same number while choosing, then  $\min(i, j)$  will proceed.
  - Thus, no two process can enter CS at same time

# Correctness Proof

- **Assertion 3.** Assume that only a bounded number of processor failures may occur. If no processor is in its critical section and there is a processor in the bakery which does not fail, then some processor must eventually enter its critical section.
- **Proof.**
  - *Assume that no processor ever enters its critical section.*
  - *Then there will be some time after which no more processors enter or leave the bakery.*
  - *At this time, assume that processor  $i$  has the minimum value of (number  $[i]$ ,  $i$ ) among all processors in the bakery.*
  - *Then processor  $i$  must eventually complete the for loop and enter its critical section.*
  - *This is the required contradiction*

Two processes cannot be in [4] at the same time

$$\bigwedge \{ E_{kj} : j = 1, \dots, N \}$$

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$D_k$  attached to all arcs of subroutine 8 and  $E_{kj}$  to all arcs of subroutine 4

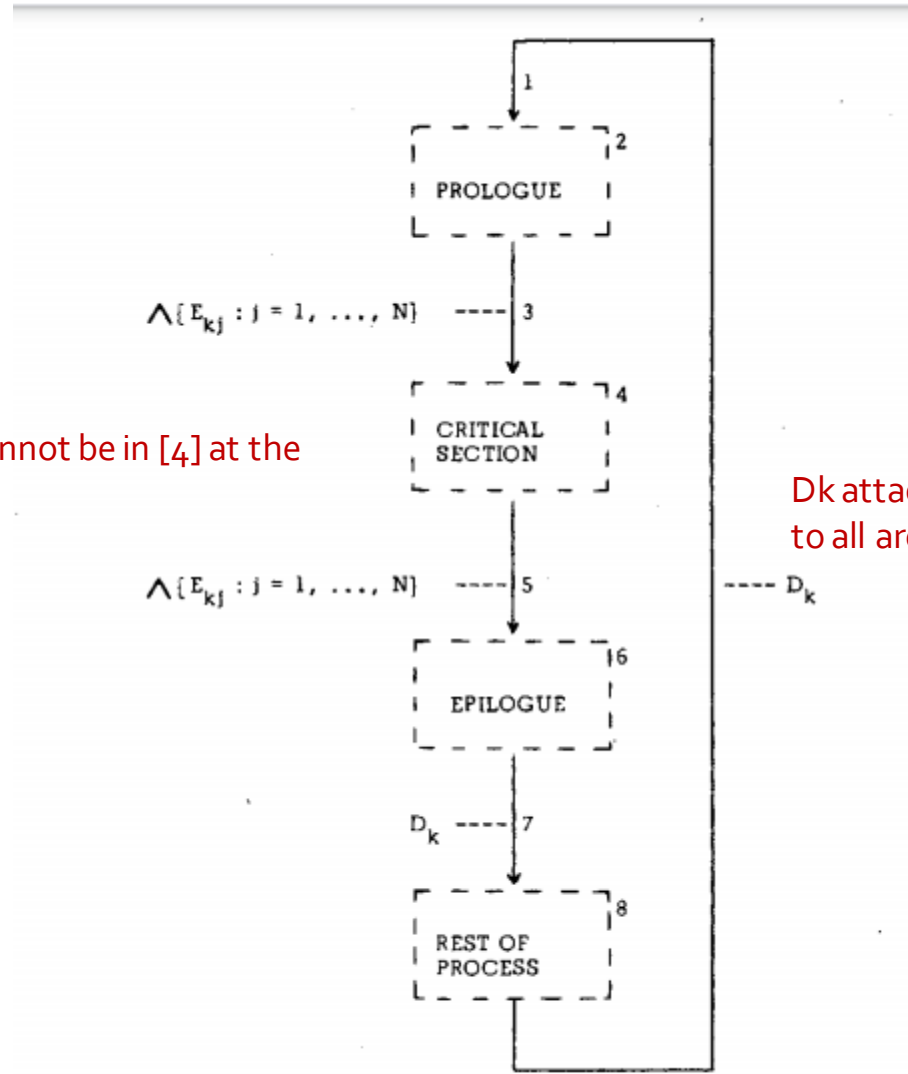


Fig. 4. Stage 1 decomposition of  $\Pi_k$ .

Define  $E_{kj}$  such that if  $j \neq k$  then  $E_{kj} \wedge E_{jk} \wedge \pi_k \in 4 \wedge \pi_j \in 4 = \text{False}$

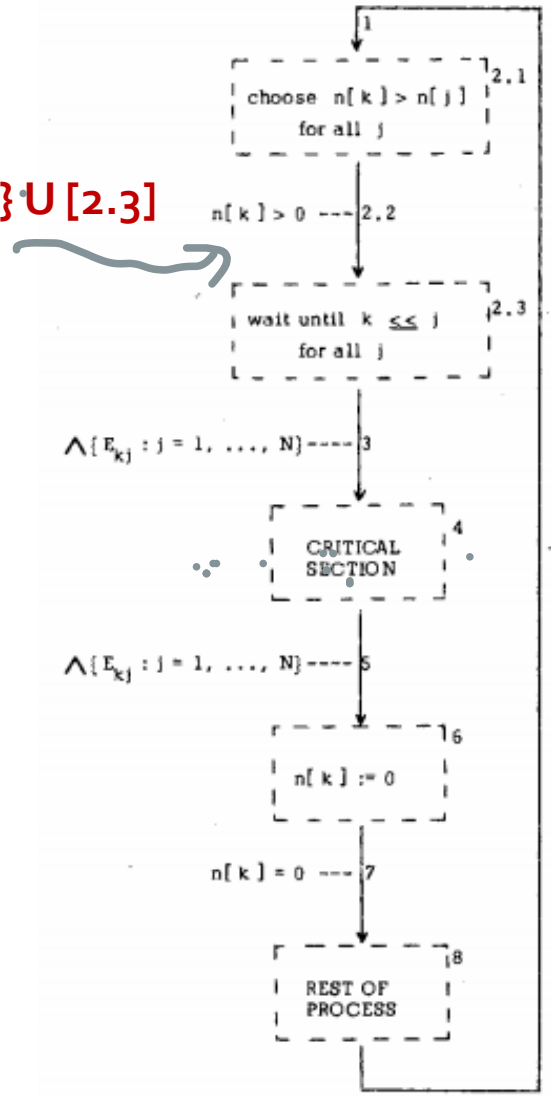
The invariance of the interpretation containing the indicated assertions will imply that  $\pi_k$  and  $\pi_j$  cannot both be in their CS



Define  $k \leq j : (0 < n[k] < n[j]) \vee (0 = n[j] < n[k]) \vee (n[k] = n[j] \wedge k < j)$

$\pi_k$  can enter CS if  $k \leq j$

$[2] = [2.1] \cup \{2.2\} \cup [2.3]$



Now we have defined  $D_k : n[k] = 0$

Can  $E_{kj} = (n[k] > 0) \wedge k < j$ ?

No, because  $\pi_j$  might be choosing a value which will make  $j < k$  but not yet set, and once its set  $k < j$  will be false.

So good  $E_{kj} = (n[k] > 0) \wedge (k < j \vee \pi_j \text{ is choosing } n[j] \text{ which will make } k < j)$

Fig. 5. Stage 2 decomposition of  $\Pi_k$ .

## 2.3 decomposed further

$R_{kj} = n[k] > 0$  and  
if  $\pi_j$  is not changing value of  $n[j]$ ,  
then  $k \ll j$

$S_{kj} = n[k] > 0$  and  
if  $\pi_j$  is choosing value of  $n[j]$ ,  
then it will choose value  $> n[k]$

$E_{kj} = R_{kj} \wedge S_{kj}$

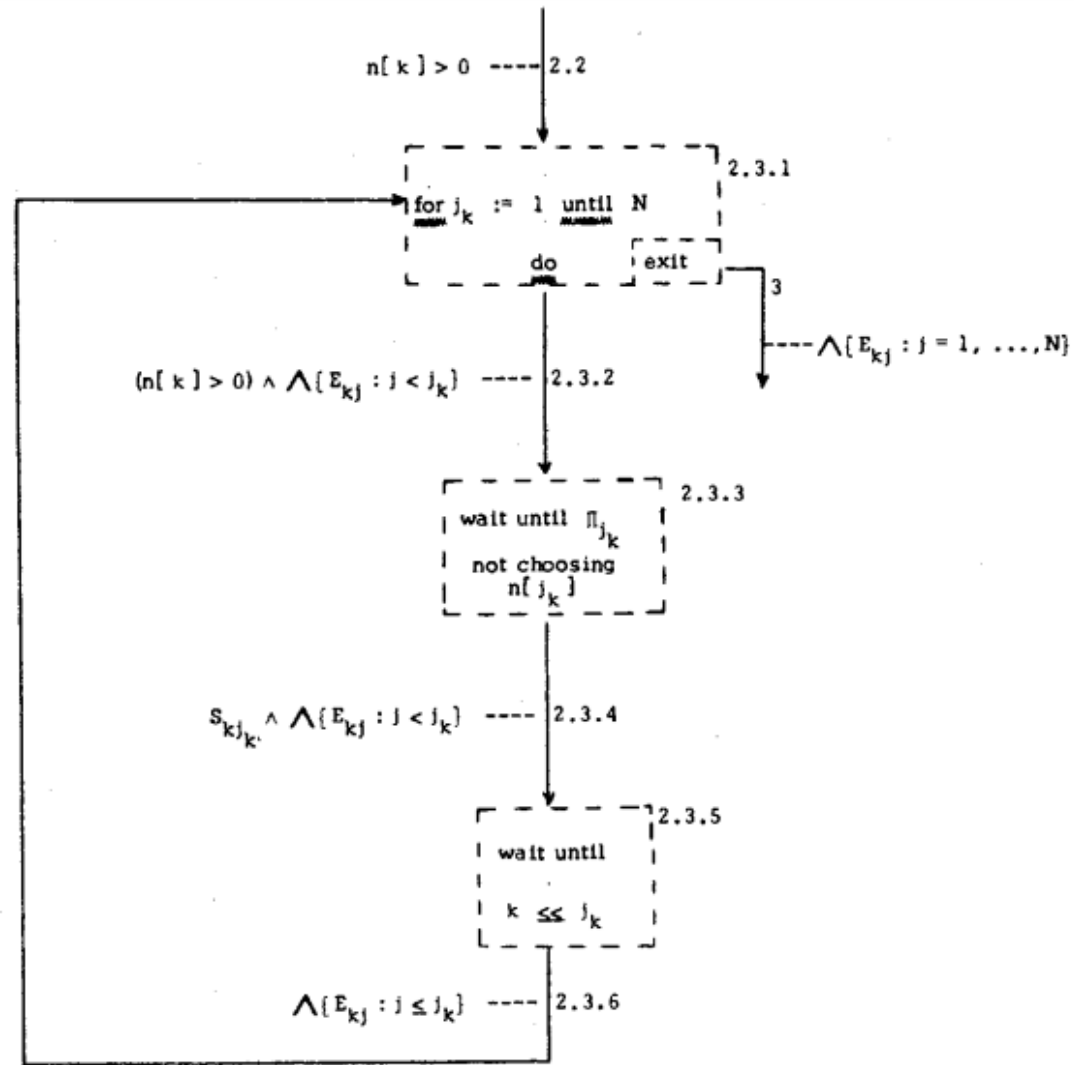


Fig. 6. Stage 3 decomposition of subroutine 2.3.

## 2.1 decomposed further, introducing cf array

- cf is initially false
- Modified only in 2.1.1 and 2.1.5

$R_{kj} = (n[k] > 0) \wedge [(\pi_j \text{ not in } [2.1.3] \text{ or } [6]) \Rightarrow k \ll j]$

$S_{kj} = (n[k] > 0) \wedge [(\pi_j \text{ is in } [2.1.3]) \Rightarrow T_{kj}]$

$T_{kj}$  = function of  $\pi_j$ 's local variables

$T_{kj}$  = true  $\Rightarrow$  either  $n[k]$  has not been read by [2.1.3] of  $\pi_j$  or its current value was read

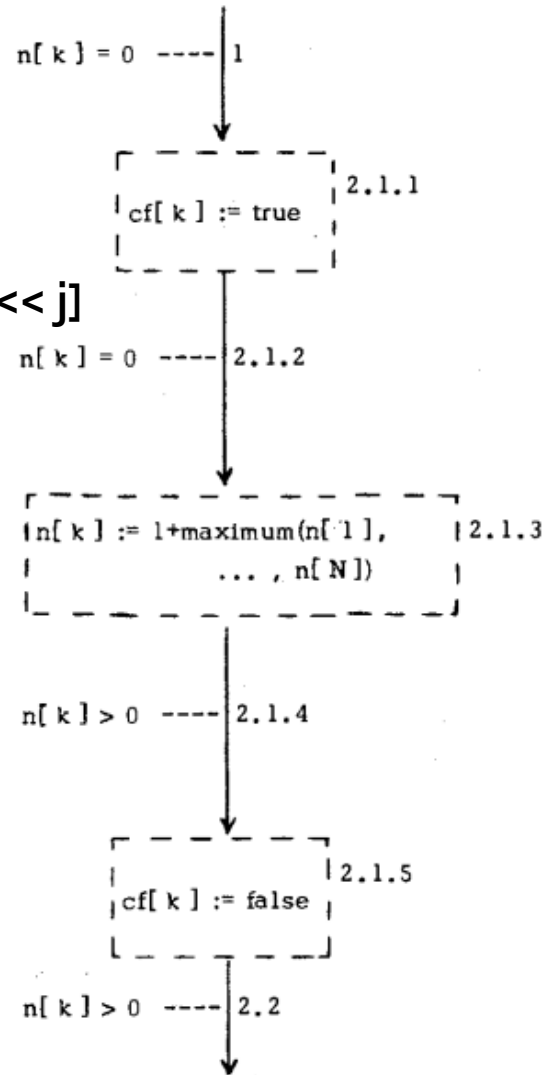
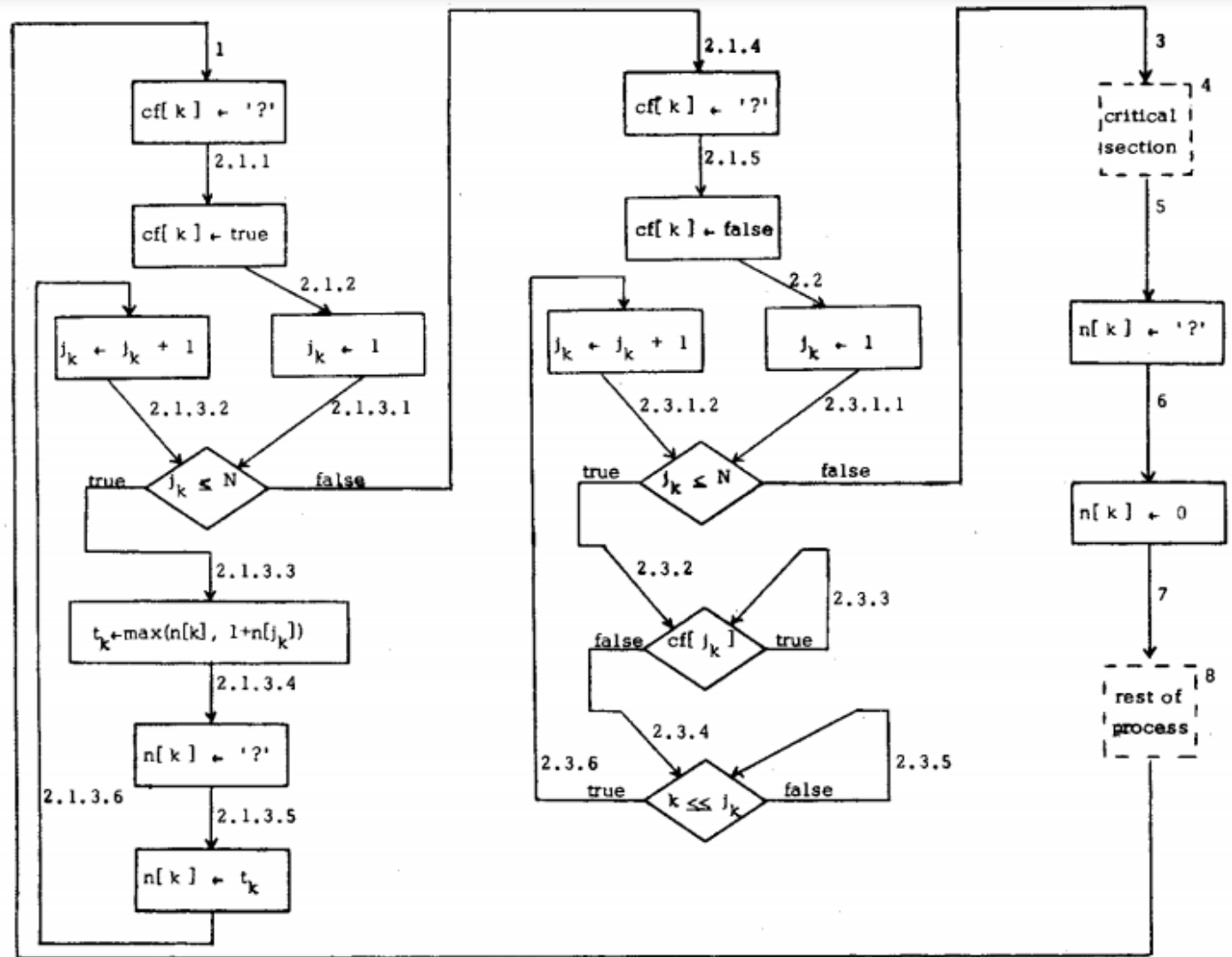


Fig. 7. Stage 4 decomposition of subroutine 2.1.

### 2.3.3 "wait until cf[i] = false" operation

Initial assertion:

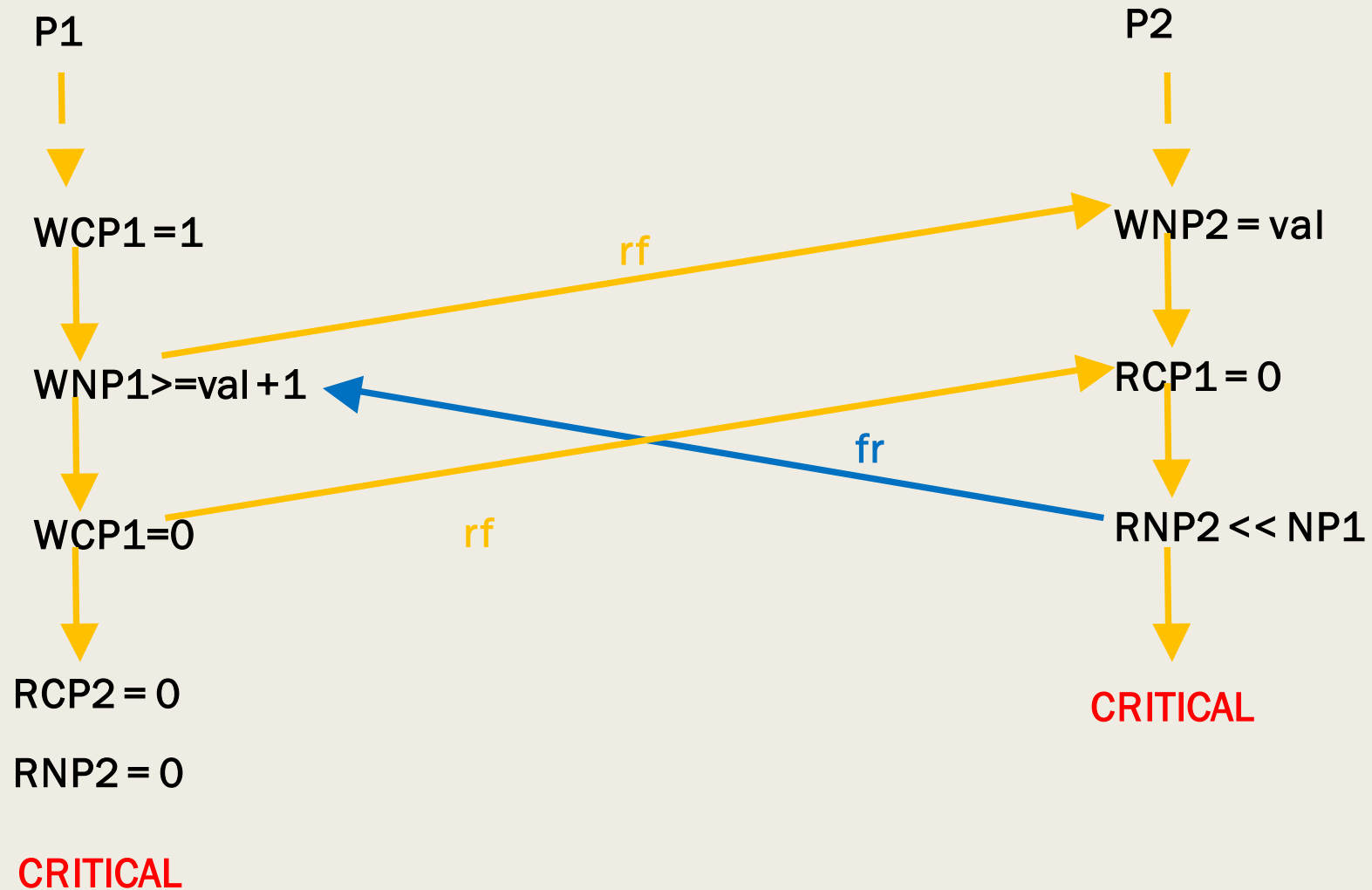
$\wedge \{ \pi_k \text{ is in } [8] \wedge n[k] = 0 \wedge (cf[k]=0 : 1 \leq k \leq N) \}$



$T_{kj} = ([(\pi_k \text{ is in } \{2.1.3.2, 2.1.3.3\}) \wedge (j_j > k)] \Rightarrow [n[j_j] > n[k]]) \wedge$   
 $([(\pi_j \text{ is in } \{2.1.3.4, 2.1.3.5\}) \wedge (j_j \geq k)] \Rightarrow [t_j > n[k]]) \wedge$   
 $([(\pi_j \text{ is in } \{2.1.3.6\}) \wedge (j_j \geq k)] \Rightarrow [n[j_j] > n[k]])$

Fig. 8. The final program.

# Event Graph



# Deadlock Freedom

**Deadlock** situation on a resource can arise if and only if all of the following conditions hold simultaneously in a system:

- Mutual exclusion: Processes are using ME resources
- Hold and Wait
- No preemption
- Circular wait

In Bakery, concurrent reads are non interfering and concurrent writes are impossible

Thank You