CS766: Analysis of concurrent programs (first half) 2021

Lecture 7: How to think concurrency

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Memory operation relation

The read write operations create the following relations $\subseteq E \times E$.

- **po**: events in a thread are ordered.
- rf: every read reads from exactly one write
- ws: all writes on a global are totally ordered
- **fr**: no other write comes between the read write pairs in rf

Analyzing alice and bob flag

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Assume threads reached critical
                                                           section at the same time.
pre: aF := bF := 0
                             thread Bob:
                             b1: bF := 1
                                                         WaF = 1
                             b2: while( aF == 1) {
thread Alice:
                                   bF := 0
a1: aF = 1
                             b3:
                                                         RbF = 1
a2: while(bF == 1):
                             b4: while(aF == 1);
a3: .... // critical
                             b5: bF := 1
                                                                               WbF = 1
a4: aF := 0
                             b6: }
                             b7: ... //critical
                                                         RbF = 0
                                                                              RaF = 0
                             b8: bF := 0
                                                         critical
                                                                               critical
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Violating execution:

End of Lecture 7

