



Testing concurrent algorithms with *lincheck*

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... testing it is not much easier!

var *i* = 0

i.inc()

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i.inc() // 0
 // 1

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 // 0

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i.inc() // 0 | *i*.inc() // 0

```
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We do not expect this!

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```
q.add(1)
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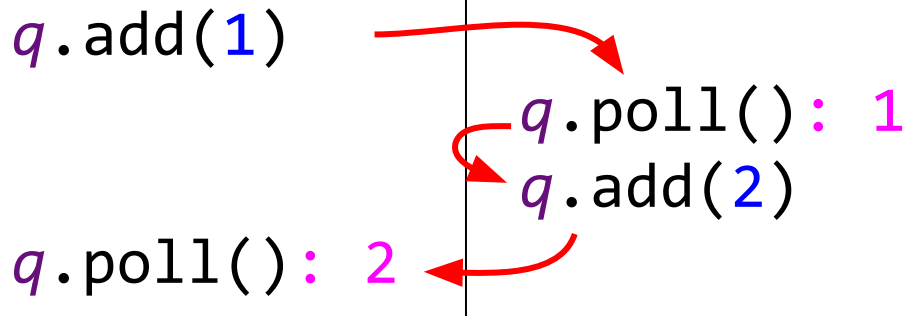
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q.poll(): 2
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```
q.poll(): 1
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```
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i.inc() // 0 | i.inc() // 0
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This counter is not linearizable

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Initial state



```
}
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```
    @Operation fun add(x: Int) = q.add(x)
```

```
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()
```



Operations on
the data structure

```
}
```

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}
```

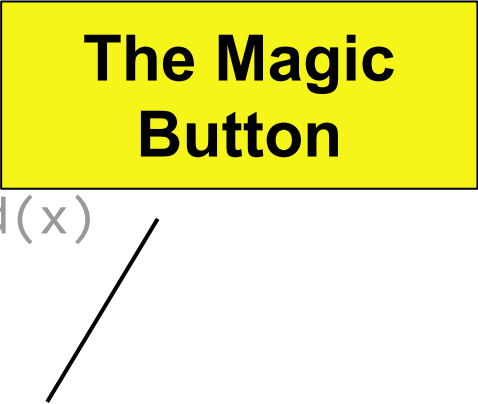
Operation parameters
can be non-fixed!

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class ConcurrentQueueTest {  
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    @Operation fun JUnit add(x: Int) = q.add(x)  
  
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()  
  
    @Test fun runTest() = LinChecker.check(this::class)  
}
```

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The Magic Button

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1. Generates a random scenario
2. Executes it a lot of times
3. Verifies the results

Invalid Execution Example

Init part:

[poll(): null, add(9)]

Parallel part:

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Post part:

[add(1)]

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How to understand
the error cause?

Failed Scenario Minimization

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```

Parallel part:

```
| poll(): null | add(4) |  
| add(3)       | add(6) |  
| poll(): 4    | poll(): 3 |
```



Init part:

```
[add(9)]
```

Parallel part:

```
| poll(): null | add(4) |
```

Post part:

```
[add(1), poll(): 6]
```

Lincheck tries to remove actors iteratively
see `Options.minimizeFailedScenario(..)`

How to generate scenarios?

Scenario Configuration

```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {  
    val q = MySuperFastQueue<Int>()  
  
    @Operation fun add(x: Int) =  
        q.add(x)  
  
    @Operation fun poll() =  
        q.poll()  
}
```

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             threads = 2, actorsPerThread = 3,  
             actorsAfter = 1)  
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}
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    @Operation fun add(x: Int) =  
        q.add(x)  
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()  
  
    @Test fun test() = StressOptions()  
        .actorsBefore(2)  
        .threads(2).actorsPerThread(3)  
        .actorsAfter(1)  
        .check(this::class)  
}
```

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Parallel part:

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poll()	poll()

Post part:

[add(1)]

Parameters Generation

We use parameter generators!

```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {  
    val q = MySuperFastQueue<Int>()  
  
    @Operation fun add(@Param(gen = IntGen::class,  
                            conf = "-10:10") x: Int) = q.add(x)  
  
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()  
  
    @Test fun test() = ...  
}
```

Parameters Generation

Let's add one more
add-like method

```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {  
    val q = MySuperFastQueue<Int>()  
  
    @Operation fun add(@Param(gen = IntGen::class,  
                        conf = "-10:10") x: Int) = q.add(x)  
  
    @Operation fun addIfEmpty(@Param(gen = IntGen::class,  
                                  conf = "-10:10") x: Int) = q.addIfEmpty(x)  
  
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()  
  
    @Test fun test() = ...  
}
```

Parameters Generation

```
@Param(name = "elem", gen = IntGen::class, conf = "-10:10")
```

```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {  
    val q = MySuperFastQueue<Int>()
```

```
    @Operation fun add(@Param(name="elem") x: Int) = q.add(x)
```

```
    @Operation fun addIfEmpty(@Param(name="elem") x: Int) =  
        q.addIfEmpty(x)
```

```
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()
```

```
    @Test fun test() = ...
```

```
}
```

We can share the configuration!

Custom Parameter Generators

```
class RandomIntParameterGenerator(ignoredConf: String)
    : ParameterGenerator<Int>
{
    override fun generate() = Random.nextInt()
}
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Constraints

```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {  
    val q = TaskQueue<Int>()  
  
    @Operation fun add(x: Int) = q.addIfNotClosed(x)  
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()  
    @Operation fun close() = q.close()  
  
    @Test fun test() = ...  
}
```

Constraints

What if we can invoke “close” only once by the queue contract?

```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {  
    val q = TaskQueue<Int>()  
  
    @Operation fun add(x: Int) = q.addIfNotClosed(x)  
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()  
    @Operation fun close() = q.close()  
  
    @Test fun test() = ...  
}
```


Constraints

```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {  
    val q = TaskQueue<Int>()
```

```
    @Operation fun add(x: Int) = q.addIfNotClosed(x)  
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()  
    @Operation(runOnce = true) fun close() = q.close()
```

```
    @Test fun test() = ...
```

```
}
```

What if we can invoke “close” only once by the queue contract?

Constraints

```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {  
    val q = SingleConsumerTaskQueue<Int>()  
  
    @Operation fun add(x: Int) = q.add(x)  
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()  
  
    @Test fun test() = ...  
}
```

Constraints

SC queue with two concurrent consumers is incorrect, what a surprise!

```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {  
    val q = SingleConsumerTaskQueue<Int>()  
  
    @Operation fun add(x: Int) = q.add(x)  
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()  
  
    @Test fun test() = ...  
}
```

Parallel part:

add(2)	add(4)	
poll(): 2	poll(): null	

Constraints

```
@OpGroupConfig(name = "consumers", nonParallel = true)
class MySuperFastQueueTest {
    val q = SingleConsumerTaskQueue<Int>()

    @Operation fun add(x: Int) = q.add(x)
    @Operation(group = "consumers") fun poll() = q.poll()

    @Test fun test() = ...
}
```

Constraints

```
@OpGroupConfig(name = "consumers", nonParallel = true)
class MySuperFastQueueTest {
    val q = SingleConsumerTaskQueue<Int>()

    @Operation fun add(x: Int) = q.add(x)

    @Operation(group = "consumers") fun poll() = q.poll()
    @Operation(group = "consumers") fun poll(timeout: Long) = ...

    @Test fun test() = ...
}
```

Number of Scenarios to Generate

```
@StressCTest(iterations = 100500)
class MySuperFastQueueTest {
    ...
    @Test fun test() =
        LinChecker.check(this::class)
}
```

```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {
    ...
    @Test fun test() = StressOptions()
        .iterations(100500)
        .check(this::class)
}
```

Custom Scenarios

```
val s = scenario {  
  initial {  
    actor(MyQueueTest::add, 1)  
  }  
  parallel {  
    thread {  
      actor(MyQueueTest::add, 2)  
      actor(MyQueueTest::add, 3)  
    }  
    thread {  
      actor(MyQueueTest::poll)  
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    }  
  }  
}
```

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            actor(MyQueueTest::poll)  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
class MyQueueTest {  
    ...  
    @Test fun test() = StressOptions()  
        .addCustomScenario(s)  
        .check(this::class)  
}
```


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    }
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    }
  }
}
```

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How to run scenarios?

Init part:

[poll(), add(9)]

Parallel part:

poll()	add(4)
add(3)	add(6)
poll()	poll()

Post part:

[add(1)]

Sequential
parts

Init part:

[poll(), add(9)]

Parallel part:

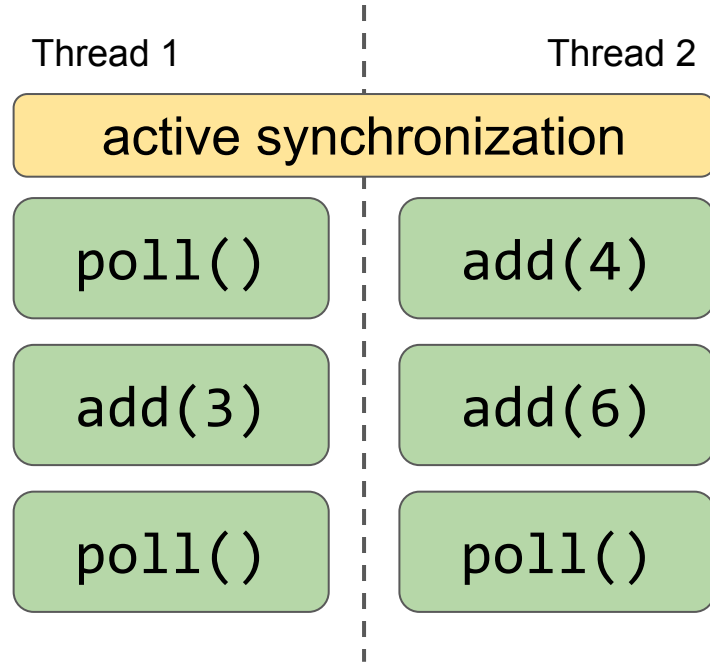
poll()	add(4)
add(3)	add(6)
poll()	poll()

Post part:

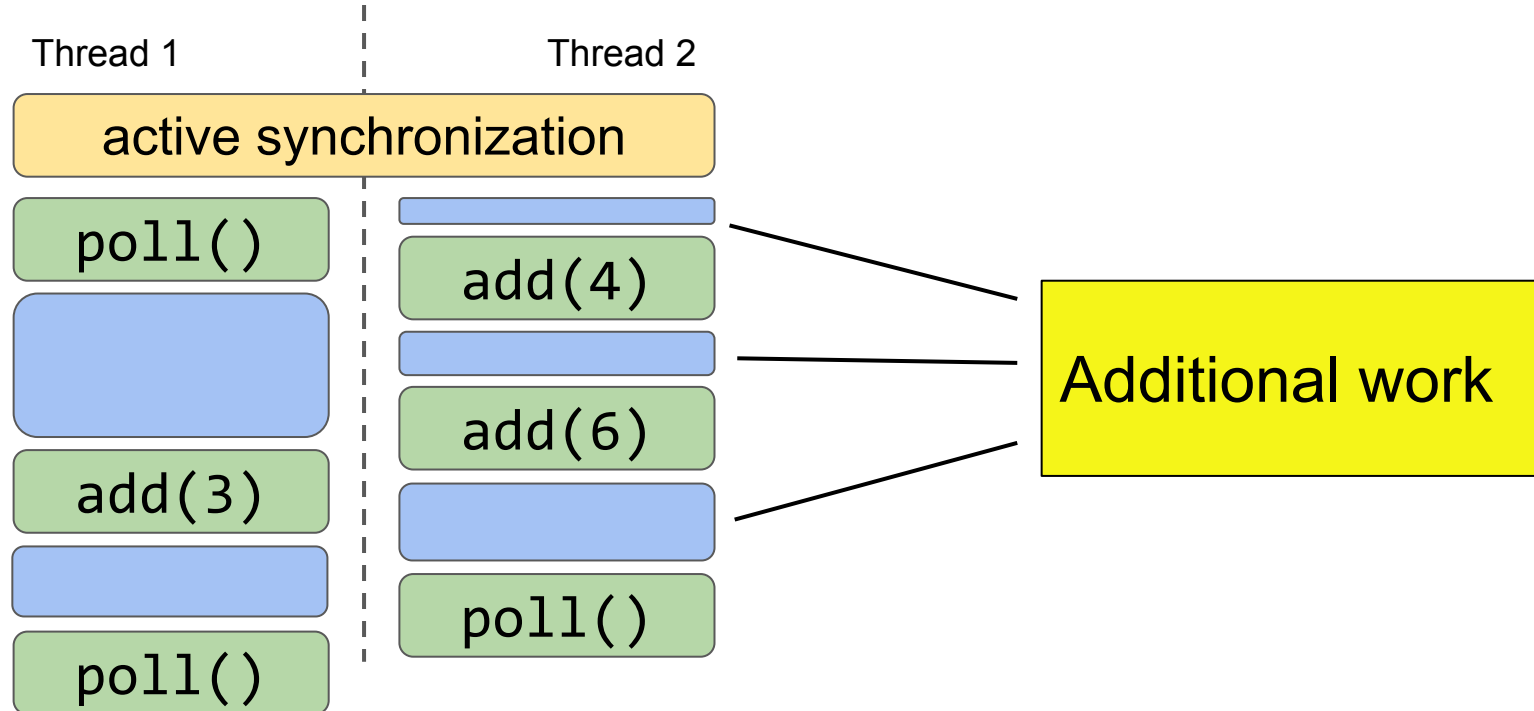
[add(1)]

How to run the
parallel part?

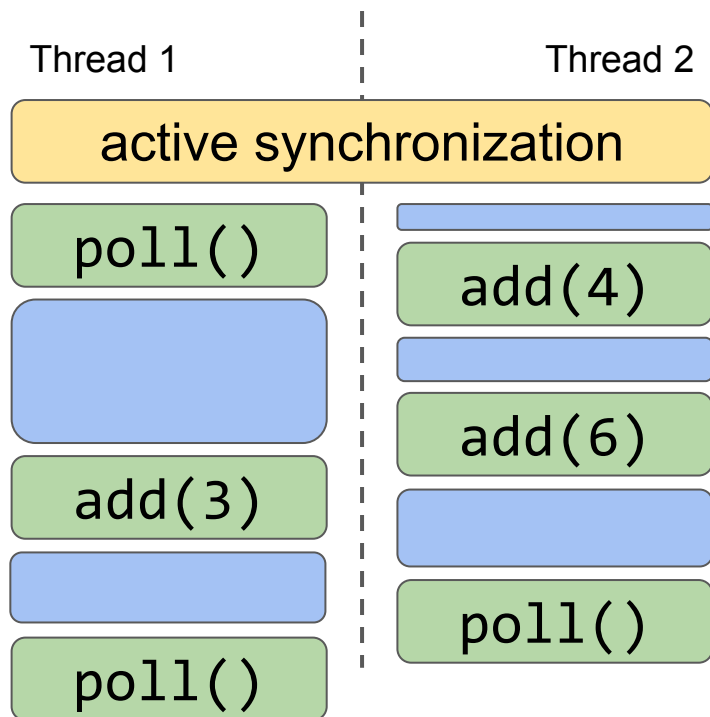
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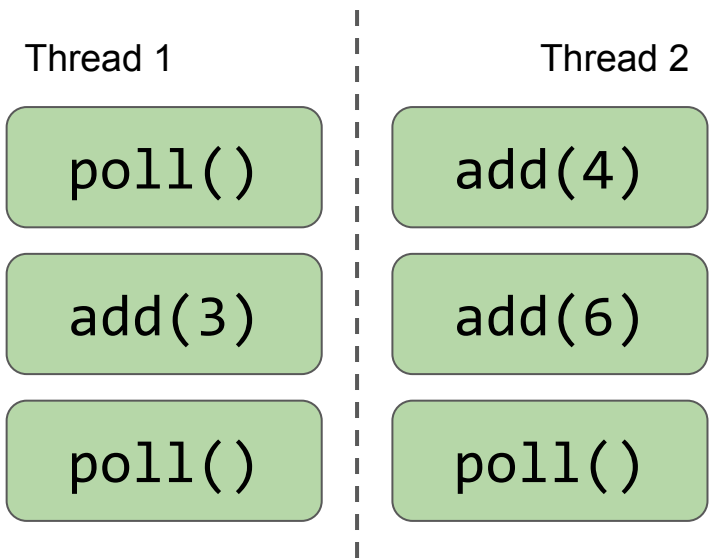


Stress Testing



```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {  
    ...  
    @Test fun test() = StressOptions()  
        .invocationsPerIteration(100500)  
        .check(this::class)  
}
```

Model Checking



- Sequential Consistency (no races)
- Bounded by number of interleavings
- Increases the number of context switches
- Brute forces interleavings evenly

Model Checking

```
class Counter {  
    @Volatile  
    private var value = 0  
  
    fun getAndInc(): Int {  
        val cur = value // line 28  
        value = cur + 1 // line 29  
        return cur  
    }  
  
    fun get() = value  
}
```

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    }  
  
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```

```
class CounterTest : VerifierState() {  
    private val c = Counter()  
  
    @Operation fun getAndInc() = c.getAndInc()  
    @Operation fun get() = c.get()  
  
    @Test  
    fun test() = ModelCheckingOptions()  
                .check(this::class)  
}
```

Model Checking

```
java.lang.AssertionError: Invalid interleaving found:  
= Invalid execution results: =
```

```
Parallel part:
```

```
| getAndInc(): 0 | getAndInc(): 0 |
```

```
Parallel part execution trace:
```

```
|           | getAndInc(): 0 |  
|           | Counter.getAndInc(CounterTest.kt:28) |  
|           | SWITCH |  
| getAndInc(): 0 | |  
| SWITCH | |  
|           | Counter.getAndInc(CounterTest.kt:29) |  
|           | RESULT: 0 |  
|           | FINISH |
```

How to check results?

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2 threads x 15 operations \Rightarrow OutOfMemoryError

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Smarter solution: State Machine (LTS)

LTS-Based Verification



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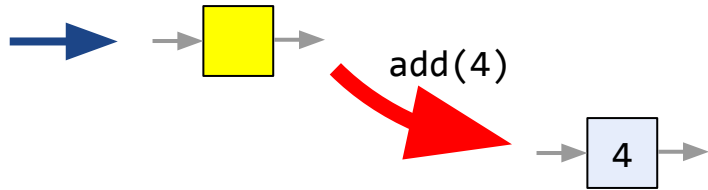
```
q.add(4)
```

```
q.poll(): 9
```

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LTS-Based Verification



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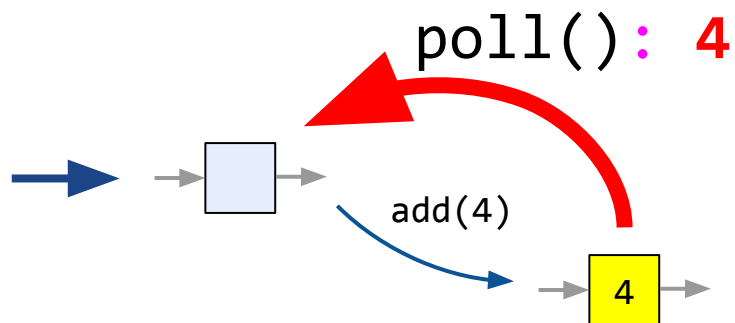
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LTS-Based Verification



Result is different

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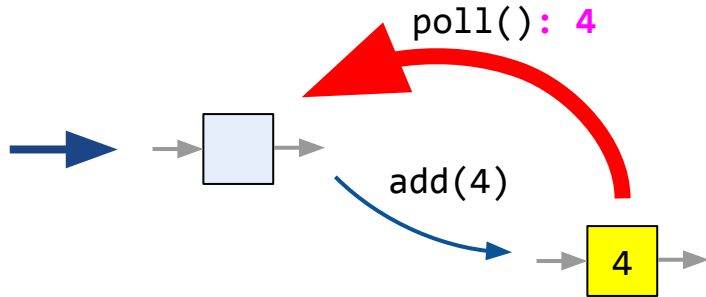
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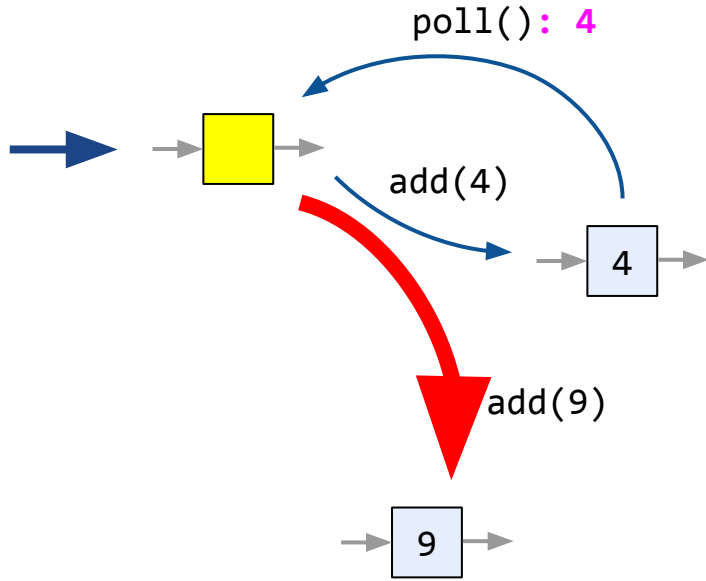
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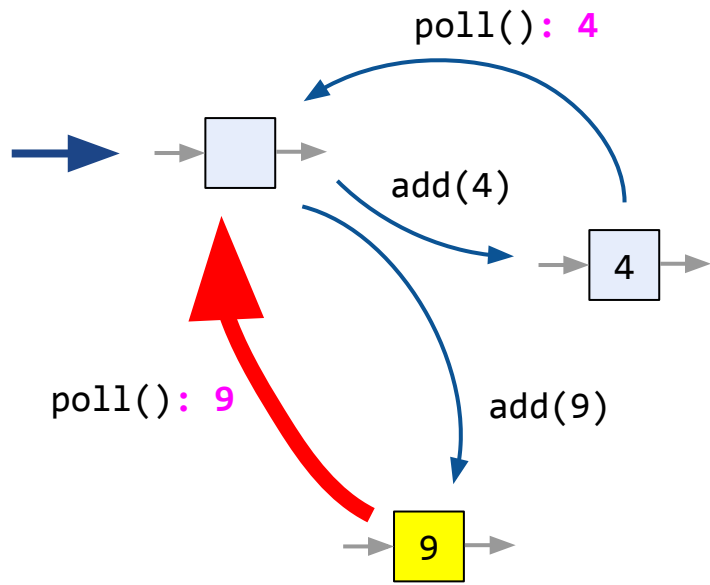
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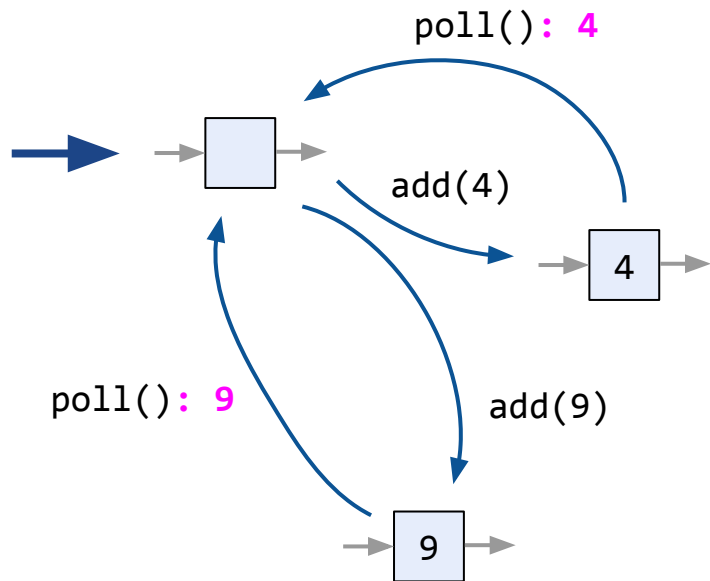
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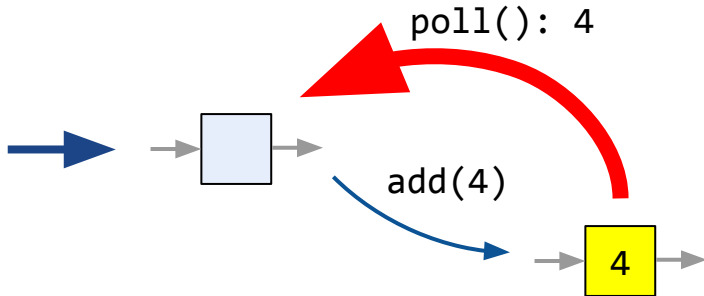
A path is found \Rightarrow correct

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- We use sequential implementation

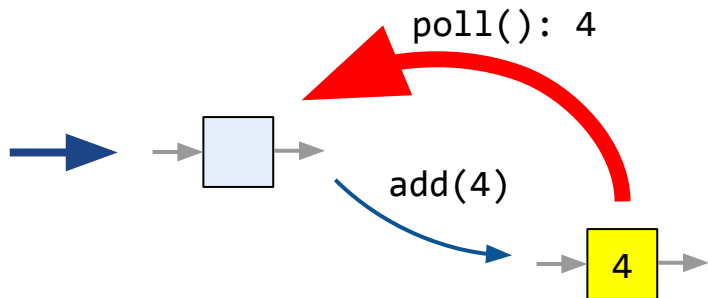
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- We use sequential implementation
- Equivalence via equals/hashcode implementations



```
class MyQueueTest: VerifierState() {  
    val q = MSQueue<Int>()  
  
    // Operations here  
  
    override fun generateState()  
        = elements(q)  
}
```

Sequential Specification

```
class MySuperFastQueueTest {  
    val q = MySuperFastQueue<Int>()  
  
    @Operation fun add(x: Int) = q.add(x)  
    @Operation fun poll() = q.poll()  
  
    @Test fun test() = StressOptions()  
        .sequentialSpecification(SequentialQueue::class.java)  
        .check(this::class)  
}
```

```
class SequentialQueue : VerifierState() {  
    val q = ArrayDeque<Int>()  
  
    fun add(x: Int) { q.add(x) }  
    fun poll() = q.poll()  
  
    @Override fun generateState() = q  
}
```

What if my data structure is
blocking by design?

Rendezvous Channels

```
val c = Channel<Int>()  
-----  
c.send(4) | c.receive() // S + 4
```

send waits for receive and vice versa

Rendezvous Channels

Client 1

```
val task = Task(...)
tasks.send(task)
```

Client 2

```
val task = Task(...)
tasks.send(task)
```

Worker

```
while(true) {
    val task = tasks.receive()
    processTask(task)
}
```

```
val tasks = Channel<Task>()
```

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Have to wait for send



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```


Rendezvous Channels

Client 1

```
val task = Task(...)
```

```
2 tasks.send(task)
```

Client 2

```
val task = Task(...)
```

```
tasks.send(task)
```

Rendezvous!

Worker

```
while(true) {
```

```
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```

```
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```

```
}
```

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```

```
2 tasks.send(task)
```

Client 2

```
val task = Task(...)
```

```
tasks.send(task)
```

Worker

```
while(true) {
```

```
1 val task = tasks.receive()
```

```
3 processTask(task)
```

```
}
```

```
val tasks = Channel<Task>()
```

Rendezvous Channels

Client 1

```
val task = Task(...)
```

2 `tasks.send(task)`

Client 2

```
val task = Task(...)
```

4 `tasks.send(task)`

Worker

```
while(true) {
```

1 `val task = tasks.receive()`

3 `processTask(task)`

```
}
```

Have to wait for receive

```
val tasks = Channel<Task>()
```


Rendezvous Channels

Client 1

```
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```

2 `tasks.send(task)`

Client 2

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Rendezvous!

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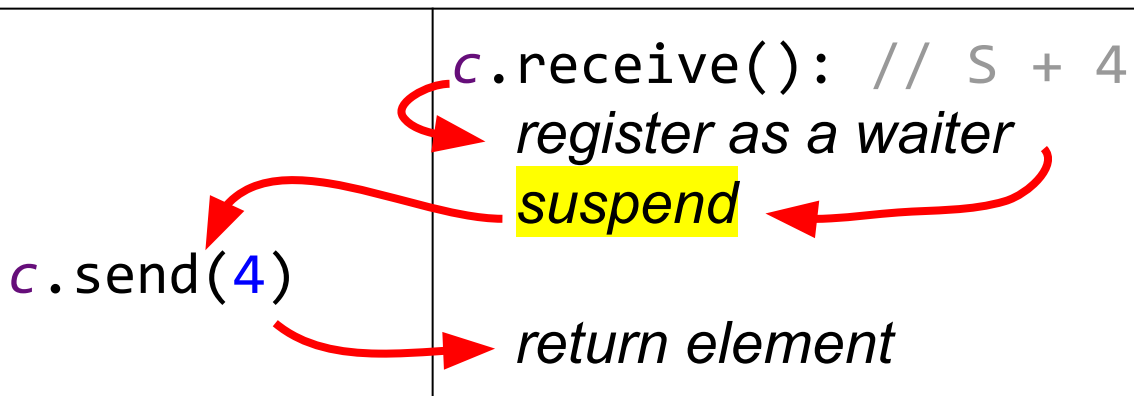
```
val c = Channel<Int>()
```

```
c.send(4)
```

```
c.receive() // S + 4
```

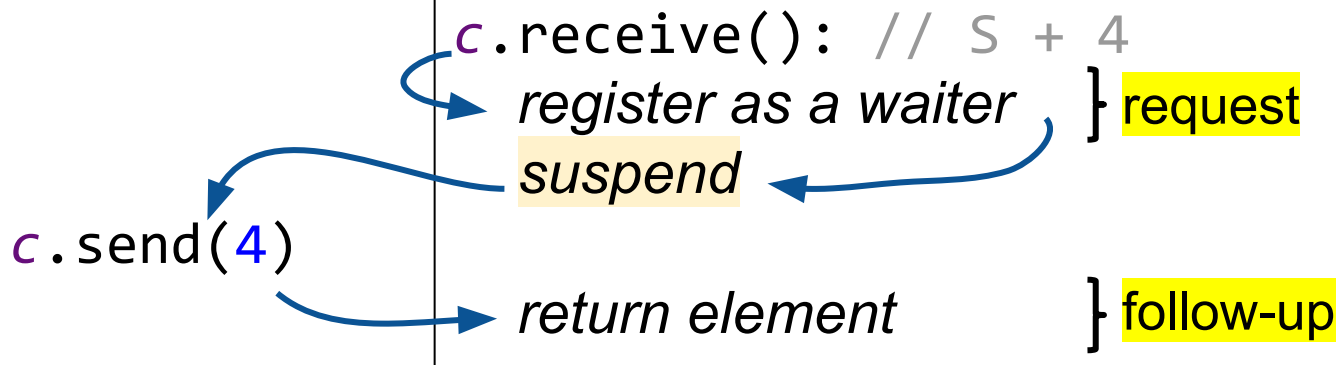
Non-linearizable
because of suspension

```
val c = Channel<Int>()
```



Dual Data Structures*

```
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```



Rendezvous Channel Test Example

```
class RendezvousChannelTest: LinCheckState() {  
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Why "Unit"?

State Equivalence

1. List of suspended operations
2. Set of resumed operations
3. *Externally observable state*

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Maintained by *lincheck*

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Specified via equals/hashcode

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Why “Unit”?

Suspended and resumed operations
define the channel state

Buffered Channels

Client 1

```
val task = Task(...)  
tasks.send(task)
```

Client 2

```
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tasks.send(task)
```

Worker

```
while(true) {  
    val task = tasks.receive()  
    processTask(task)  
}
```

One element can be sent
without suspension

val tasks = Channel<Task>(capacity = 1)

Buffered Channels

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```

```
1 tasks.send(task)
```

Worker

```
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}
```

Does not suspend!

Client 2

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```

```
tasks.send(task)
```

```
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```

Buffered Channels

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Client 2

 `val task = Task(...)`

2 `tasks.send(task)`

The buffer is full, suspends

```
val tasks = Channel<Task>(capacity = 1)
```


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Worker

```
while(true) {
```

3 `val task = tasks.receive()`

```
  processTask(task)
```

```
  / }
```

Receives the buffered element,
resumes the 2nd client,
and moves its task to the buffer

```
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```

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Retrieves the 2nd task,
no waiters to resume

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Externally observable state = buffered elements +
waiting senders elements (**optionally**)



Nikita Koval
JetBrains & IST Austria

Lin-Check: Testing concurrent
data structures in Java



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hwbpUEGHvvY>

Are all “correct” data structures linearizable?

Sequential consistency

Quiescent consistency

Quasi-linearizability

Quantitative relaxation

Local linearizability

Sequential consistency

Quiescent consistency

Quasi-linearizability

We actually test for it

Quantitative relaxation

Local linearizability

Sequential consistency

Quiescent consistency

Quasi-linearizability

We support this formalism,
and use it in Kotlin Coroutines*

Quantitative relaxation

Local linearizability

* <https://github.com/Kotlin/kotlinx.coroutines/blob/1.3.2/kotlinx-coroutines-core/common/src/internal/LockFreeTaskQueue.kt>

Sequential consistency

Decided to remove these contracts from *lincheck**

Quasi-linearizability

Quantitative relaxation

Local linearizability

* Got best decision award :)

Sequential consistency

Quiescent consistency

Quasi-linearizability

Quantitative w

Not supported
Never have
Never will

Local linearizability

Summary

- It is easy to check concurrent data structures with *lincheck*
- We support various popular contracts
 - single reader/writer, dual data structures
 - serializability, quiescent consistency
- We use *lincheck* in Kotlin Coroutines to test our algorithms and student assignments

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Useful Materials

Hydra Conference

hydraconf.com

Summer Schools in SPb (2017 & 2019)

neerc.ifmo.ru/sptcc

sptdc.ru

Homework Assignments @ITMO (Koval & Elizarov)

github.com/ITMO-MPP

Main Research Conferences

PPoPP. Principles and *Practice* of Parallel Programming

PODC. Symposium on *Principles* of Distributed Computing

SPAA. Symposium on *Parallelism* in Algorithms and Architectures

Others: DISC, OPODIS, Euro-Par, IPDPS, PACT, ...

Questions?

<https://github.com/Kotlin/kotlinx-lincheck>

Sequential model



sequential specification
on operations

Concurrent model



Linearizability
(usually)

Custom Scenario Generators

```
class MyScenarioGenerator(testCfg: CTestConfiguration, testStr: CTestStructure)
  : ExecutionGenerator(testCfg, testStructure)
{
  override fun nextExecution() = ExecutionScenario(
    emptyList(), // init part
    listOf(
      listOf( Actor(method = MyQueueTest::add.javaMethod!!,
                    arguments = listOf(1), handledExceptions = emptyList()) ),
      listOf( Actor(method = MyQueueTest::poll.javaMethod!!,
                    arguments = emptyList(), handledExceptions = emptyList()) )
    ),
    emptyList() // post part
  )
}
```

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    @Test fun test() = StressOptions()
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Be careful, the running code can be loaded by another ClassLoader!

Can suspending operations
be cancellable?

TODO: Cancellation support