

Safe to Unsafe Transition

Current safe state doesn't imply future states are safe:

	Current Loan	Max Need
User1	1	4
User2	4	6
User3	5	8

Available 2

Suppose User3 requests and gets one more resource:

	Current Loan	Max Need
User1	1	4
User2	4	6
User3	6	8

Available 1

Essence of Banker's Algorithm

Find schedule to complete jobs:

schedule exists iff safe

Method:

"Pretend" you are the CPU.

1. Scan table row by row and find a job that can finish.
2. Add finished job's resources to number available.

Repeat 1 and 2 until:

- no more jobs can finish (unsafe), or
- all jobs finish (safe).

Banker's Algorithm

Constants: N (number of processes)

Total_Units

Max_Demand [i]

Variables: i (denotes a process)

Unused_units

Allocated [i]

Claim [i]

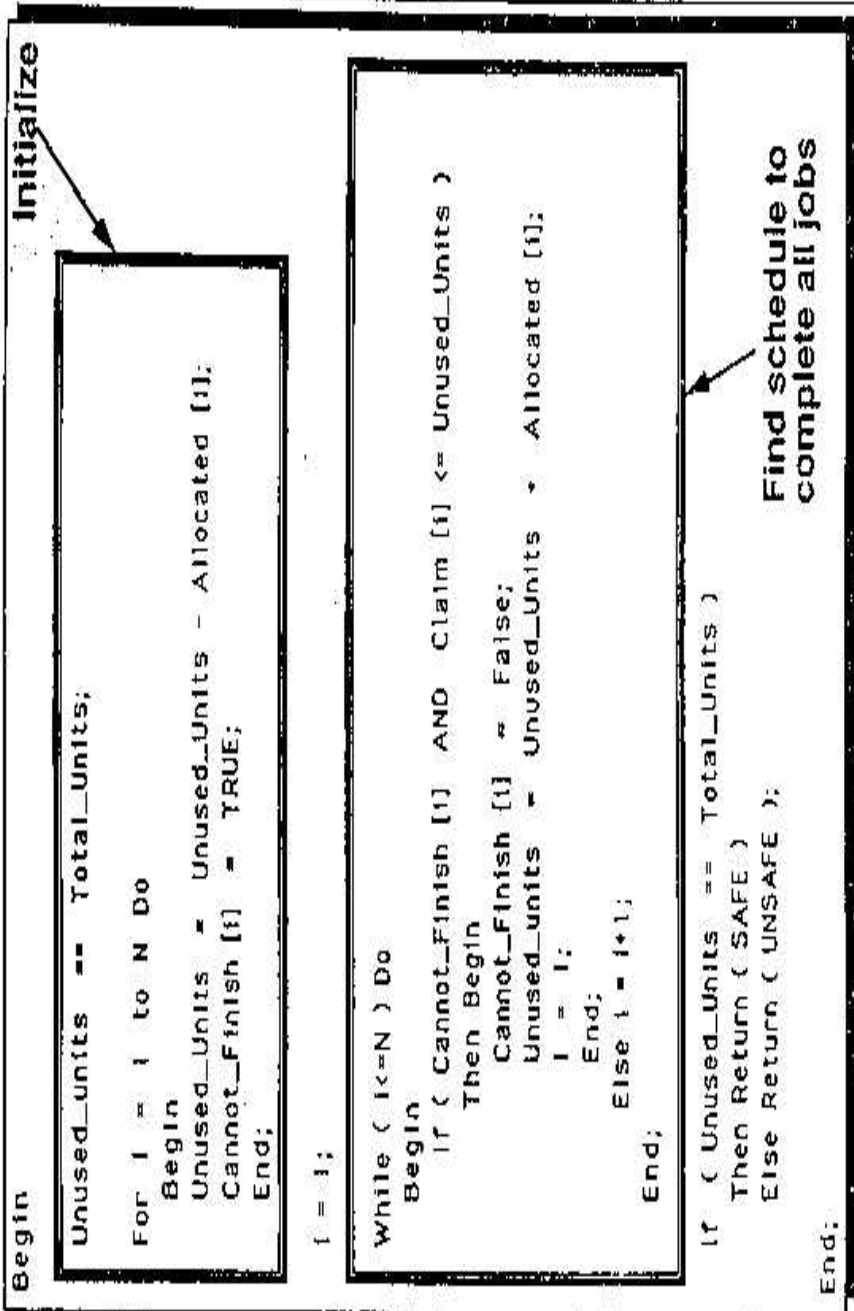
Cannot_Finish [i]

Function:

Claim [i] =

Max_Demand[i] - Allocated[i]

Banker's Algorithm



Find schedule to complete all jobs

Banker's Example #1

Total_Units = 10 units
N = 3 processes

Process: 1 2 3 1

Request: 2 3 4 1

Can the fourth request be satisfied?

Process	MaxDemand	Allocated	Claim	MNF
1	4			
2	4			
3	8			

Unused_Units =
t =

Banker's Example #2

Total_Units = 10 units

N = 3 processes

Process: 1 2 3 1

Request: 4 1 1 2

Can the fourth request be satisfied?

Process	MaxDemand	Allocated	Claim	MNF
1	10			
2	6			
3	3			

Unused_Units =
i =

Banker's Algorithm: Summary

(+) PRO'S:

- + Deadlock never occurs.
- + More flexible, efficient than deadlock prevention. (Why?)

(-) CON'S:

- Must know max use of each resource when job starts.
 - => No truly dynamic allocation
- Process could block even though deadlock would never occur.