

## A Proposed Formal Verification Model for Card-controlled Doors Using PROMELA with SPIN Model Checker

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### Abstract:

One of the problems with the security building system is the use of card-controlled doors. When users are classified, card-controlled models provide them different access rights depending on their classification, allowing them to use just certain doors and not always in both directions. A formal verification of this system is needed in order to determine its validity. This is the process of demonstrating or disproving the correctness of a model in terms of a particular formal specification or feature. On the basis of this assumption, this study used the Protocol or Process Meta Language (PROMELA) in combination with SPIN to verify the features of the card-controlled model. Following an introduction to the model's requirements, this article provides a basic explanation of the model's assumptions as well as the definition of global variables. Following that, the variables are set to their original values. It is then explained in detail, along with a SPIN simulation, how case study 1 of the model is carried out, which includes the building of an underground structure fitted with a card-operated access system. Finally, job 2 is defined as a description and validation of the model's accuracy features, with the latter being the primary focus. Since the suggested model fulfils the requirements and can be applied to a wide range of building topologies, it has been deemed to be an optimal, generic, and parametric model for the management of building access.

**Keywords:** Card-controlled doors, Formal verification, System verification, PROMELA, SPIN model checker.

### المخلص:

إحدى مشاكل نظام الأمن للمباني هي استخدام الأبواب التي يتم التحكم فيها بالبطاقة الذكية عندما يتم تصنيف المستخدمين فإن نماذج بطاقة التحكم توفر لهم طرق وصول مختلفة اعتمادا على تصنيفهم مما يسمح لهم باستخدام أبواب معينة فقط وليس دائما في كلا الاتجاهين حيث هناك حاجة إلى التحقق الرسمي من هذا النظام من أجل تحديد صلاحيته. على أساس هذا الافتراض استخدمت هذه الدراسة البروتوكول أو عملية لغة (Meta) بالأشترار مع (SPIN) للتحقق من ميزات نموذج التحكم بالبطاقة. بعد مقدمة لمتطلبات النموذج تقدم هذه المقالة شرحا أساسيا لإفتراضات النموذج بالإضافة إلى تعريف المتغيرات العالمية، بعد ذلك يتم تحديد



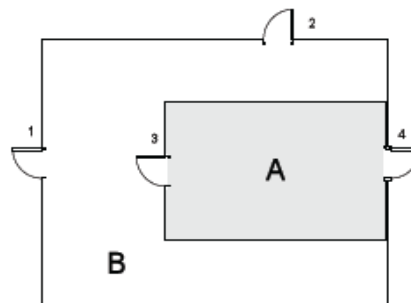
## 2. Problem Statement

Card-controlled doors model includes two case studies. The first case study is to construct a PROMELA model [2] to represent a building fitted with a card operated access system and simulate it using SPIN simulation. The second case study is to construct an appropriate description of four properties, and then use SPIN's verification facilities to establish whether the model satisfies each of them.

## 3. Model Description

This section is about a general and introductory description of the model that includes the model assumptions and defining the global variables.

1. This model can be applied on every topology after changing the global variables. For the sake of ease, this model and its report focus on the below building topology.



**Figure 1:** building topology sample

2. For the current building topology, User locations can be classified into three types that they are defined as global variables in this model as follows:

**Table 1: Zones of model**

Location	Identifier
Outside	0
ZoneA	1
ZoneB	2

In this model, these locations are defined by global variables named Outside, ZoneA, and ZoneB.

3. There are four doors for the current building topology. For this model, they are classified and identified follows:

**Table 2: doors classification**

Door number	Identifier
Door 1	0
Door 2	1
Door 3	2
Door 4	3

The number of doors is identified by a defined global constant named *NofDoors* that holds values from 0 to 3. Likewise, *CoomonDoor* is initialised to 2 as a common door between *ZoneA* and *ZoneB*.

4. Based on the model requirements, there are four groups of users and these groups are classified and identified for this model as follows:

**Table 3: classification of users**

User type	Identifier
UsersAB	0
UsersA	1
UsersB	2
Others	3

5. Doors, their locations (rooms), and their direction (inside and outside) are connected via a *typedef* user-defined data structure called named *DoorTopology* as shown below. Because there are four doors, an array of size four is declared based on this *DoorTopology* called *doorTop*.

```

12  typedef DoorTopology {
14  short  doorLoc;
15  byte  doorInside;
16  byte  doorOutside
17  };

```

6. The four types of users and their authentication level to access the doors for both entering and exiting directions are defined by using *typedef* user-defined data type as global, which is named *AccessTopology*. By using this user-defined datatype, *access* as an array of size four is declared.

```

6    typedef AccessTopology {
8    byte  userLocation;
9    bit  doorIn [4];
10   bit  doorOut [4]
11   };

```

7. To communicate between the users and doors, a synchronous channel is defined to communicate between the users and doors, which is called *swipe* [3]. This channel has three values for user, door, and user location.

```

12  chan swipe = [0] of {byte , byte, byte};

```

8. In this model, it is assumed that each user can enter or exit through a door in a different time.

9. It is assumed that when a user presents their card to a reader by a door, if the door opens, the user passes through and the door is locked behind them; people do not swipe their cards and walk away, not do they open for others, and “tailgating” does not happen.

#### 4. The proposed Model Installation

All of the global variables are initialised in the initialisation process as the initial system state [4]. To run the processes for all the users, the user () process is run four times for each group of the users and process door () runs one.

```
125 atomic { run user(0); run user(1); run user(2); run user(3); run door(); }
```

#### 5. Case Study 1

In this case study, a PROMELA model is presented to construct a building fitted with a card operated access system. In order for the model to be more generic and parametric in the building topology and the user right access[5], all information, such as the connection between rooms and doors and the rights to access specific doors[6] depending on the user type is defined as global variables[7].

##### 5.1 Model Description

The case study 1 of this model is done by defining two processes, which are *user (byte u)* and *door ()*. Both processes can communicate on each other via a synchronous channel[8]. The former process presents the way of swiping the users' card into the doors via the *swipe* channel. The parameter *byte u* in *user (byte u)* process represents user. Doors are generated by random from 0 to 3. Users can swipe their card into the doors that are in their own zone. For instance, usersAB can swipe their card into door 1, 2, or 4 if their location is Outside. Similarly, users in ZoneA and ZoneB can swipe their cards into the surrounded doors and the common door between ZoneA and ZoneB can be swiped by users in either location. Thus, they can swipe their cards to the authorised doors[9], [10], and then enter from a location into another. The latter process describes the receiving requests from the users to access their permitted doors. After receiving a request from the users to enter or exit from the doors, the *door ()* process checks for authentication for both directions of the doors whether the user can access the door or not. *access[u].doorIn[d]* is used to check the inside direction of the doors' authentication and *access[u].doorOut[d]* is used to check the outside direction of the doors' authentication. In coincident with doors' authentication, the process checks each user's current location to be able to change and represent user's location after entering or exiting a door.

##### 5.2 Simulation Output

In this section, a SPIN simulation[11] of this model presents to gain early feedback on it.

1. Before simulating the model, the display mode parameters can be set up. Message Sequence Chart (MSC) Panel, Time Sequence Panel, Data Values Panel are presented by default on main windows SPIN simulator. Figure 2 depicts this display mode.

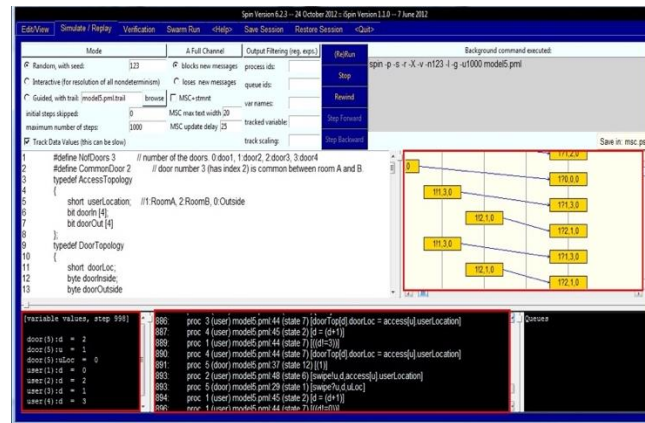


Figure 2: SPIN's display mode parameter

Style parameters can be set up to Random (default)[12], Guided, and Interactive. Moreover, on setting the parameters, the number of initial steps to skip as well as the maximum number of steps can be specified in SPIN[13]. As it is shown in Figure 3.

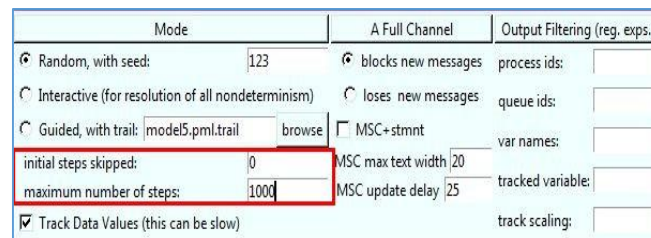


Figure 3: setting Initial Steps Skipped and Maximum Number of Steps

The Initial Steps Skipped is set to zero and the Maximum Number of Steps is set to 1000 in this simulation. Table 4 illustrated the most important parameters in the SPIN simulation mode with their default values.

Table 4: SPIN simulation mode – setting parameters

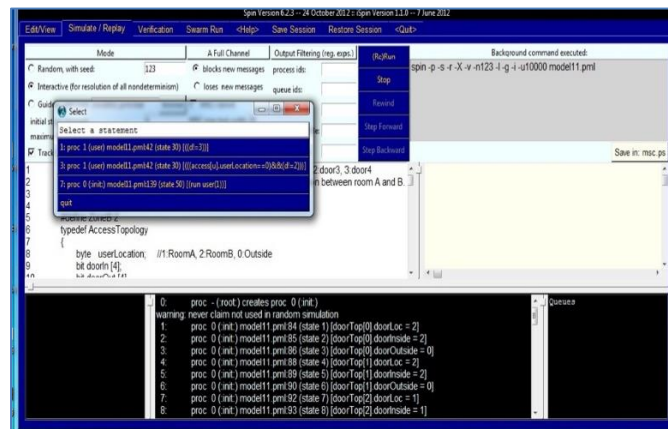
Parameter	Value
Mode	Random, with seed (default); interactive; guided, with trail
A full channel	Blocks new messages (default); loses new messages
Initial steps skipped	Default value is 0
Maximum number of steps	Default value is 10000
MSC max text width	Default value is 20
MSC update delay	Default value is 25

Figure 4 presents the SPIN's setting parameters in simulation mode and also Figure 5 gives a screenshot of interactive parameter mode.



Mode	A Full Channel	Output Filtering (reg. exps.)
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Random, with seed: 123	<input checked="" type="radio"/> blocks new messages	process ids:
<input type="radio"/> Interactive (for resolution of all nondeterminism)	<input type="radio"/> loses new messages	queue ids:
<input type="radio"/> Guided, with trail: model5.pml.trail <input type="button" value="browse"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> MSC+stmnt	var names:
initial steps skipped: 0	MSC max text width: 20	tracked variable:
maximum number of steps: 1	MSC update delay: 25	track scaling:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Track Data Values (this can be slow)		

**Figure 4:** SPIN's display mode parameter



**Figure 5:** SPIN's interactive mode for resolution of all non-determinism

2. Data Values Panel presents data values across time that includes buffered channels, and global and local variables. The values of all variables as shown in Figure 6 are initialised on the Data Values Panel in the first step of simulation. This Figure is the first screenshot of this panel that shown the values of buffered channel, global and local variables in the initial step. Similarly, Figure 7 is an example of capturing variable values of step 579 in the execution steps.

```
[variable values, step 1]
access[0].doorIn[0] = 0
access[0].doorIn[1] = 0
access[0].doorIn[2] = 0
access[0].doorIn[3] = 0
access[0].doorOut[0] = 0
access[0].doorOut[1] = 0
access[0].doorOut[2] = 0
access[0].doorOut[3] = 0
access[0].userLocation = 0
access[1].doorIn[0] = 0
access[1].doorIn[1] = 0
access[1].doorIn[2] = 0
access[1].doorIn[3] = 0
access[1].doorOut[0] = 0
access[1].doorOut[1] = 0
access[1].doorOut[2] = 0
access[1].doorOut[3] = 0
access[1].userLocation = 0
access[2].doorIn[0] = 0
access[2].doorIn[1] = 0
access[2].doorIn[2] = 0
access[2].doorIn[3] = 0
access[2].doorOut[0] = 0
access[2].doorOut[1] = 0
access[2].doorOut[2] = 0
access[2].doorOut[3] = 0
access[2].userLocation = 0
access[3].doorIn[0] = 0
```

**Figure 6:** initial step of data value panel

```
[variable values, step 579]
door(5):d = 3
door(5):u = 1
door(5):uLoc = 1
user(1):d = 3
user(2):d = 3
user(3):d = 2
user(4):d = 3
```

**Figure 7:** values of variable for a step

3. By looking at the Time Sequence Panel that provides a graphical presentation of the process's execution over time, it can be seen that multiple perspectives are supported, such as execution steps interleaved, one window per process, and one execution trace per process. Figure 8 shows a screenshot of this panel. By pointing out a process in this panel, the execution line can be seen by red font.

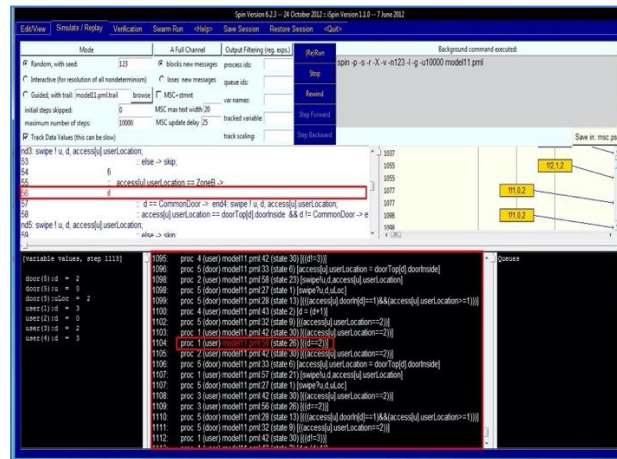


Figure 8: Time Sequence Panel

4. By looking at Message Sequence Chart (MSC), each of the four users swipes its card to their accessed doors randomly through the channel. Users send requests and the doors receive them. If a group of users is authenticated to pass through a door, the door will open directly in order to the user pass through it. In addition, each group of users has its own communication line to the doors. For example, Figure 9 depicts the movement of usersAB. The red lines show the movement of usersAB through the rooms, and paying particular attention to how the location of this user is updated and represented in the chart.

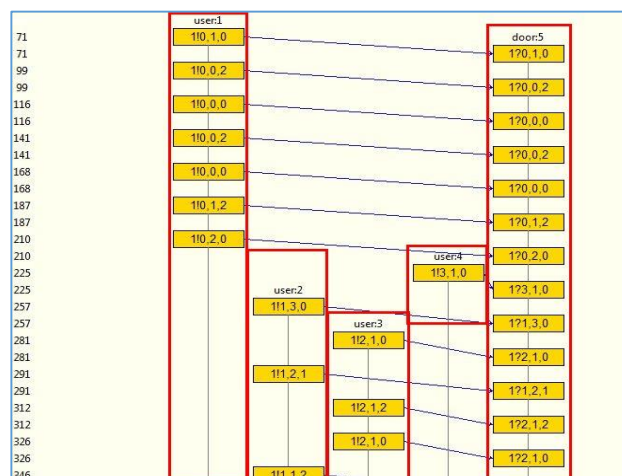


Figure 9: Message Sequence Chart

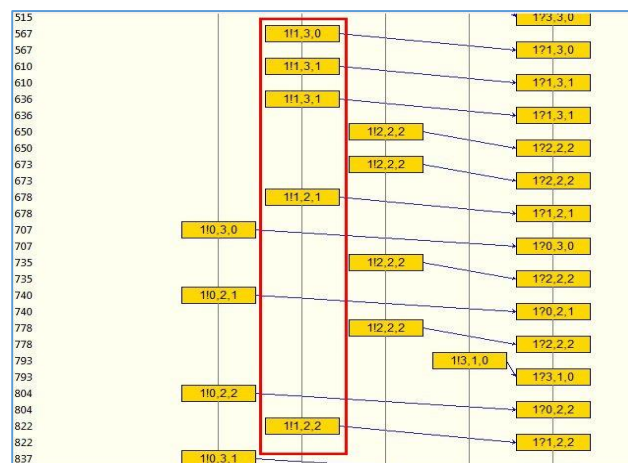
Similarly, the movement of the other users can be traced as it is shown on Table 5 based upon the Message Sequence Chart.



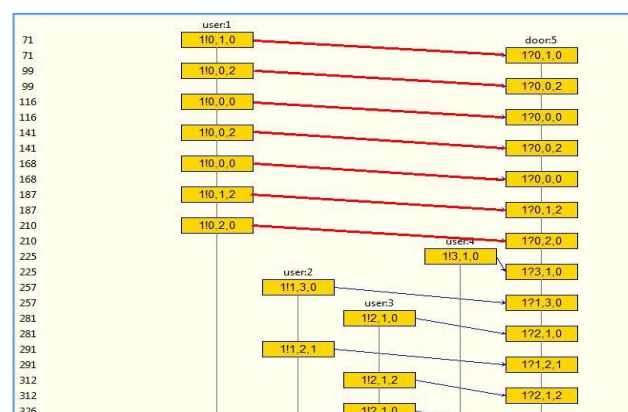
**Table 5: MSC simulation tracing**

UsersA (user:2)	Doors (door:5)	Location	Comment
1!1,3,0	1?1,3,0	Outside	Swiping and entering to ZoneA via door 4
1!1,3,1	1?1,3,1	ZoneA	Swiping via door 4, but has not authorised to exit
1!1,3,1	1?1,3,1	ZoneA	Swiping via door 4, but has not authorised to exit
1!1,2,1	1?1,2,1	ZoneA	Swiping and exiting from ZoneA via door 3
1!1,2,2	1?1,2,2	ZoneB	Swiping and exiting ZoneA via door 3

In regard with the communication between the users and doors, Figure 10 presents the way of swiping the users' cards to their authorised doors. This communication is done by the *swipe* channel between the doors and users. Via clicking each of the communication channels between the users and doors on MSC, the fragment of code(s) in relation with this communication can be spotted by red line on the model. In relation with the MSC and the executed code, Figure 11 presents the executed line of code when each communication between users and doors is spotted.



**Figure 10: tracing movement of usersAB**



**Figure 11: channel communication between users and doors (send and receive values)**

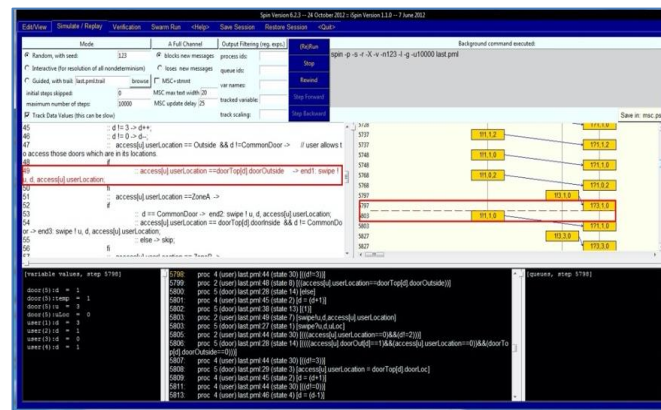


Figure 12: spotting communication channel with executed code

## 6. Case Study 2

In case study 2, a description and verification of the model's correctness properties are identified.

### 6.1 Verification Description

In this section, an appropriate description of each of the following properties is constructed.

1. To verify the model whether it does or does not deadlock[14], end-state can be used to judge whether a process is in a deadlock state or an acceptable waiting state in a non-terminating model. End labels as one of the types of meta-labels can be used to verify for absence of reachable deadlock states in this model. End labels have names that begin with end. The only valid end states are where every PROMELA process has reached the end of its code, whereas any invalid end state is a deadlock state. By using a valid end-state, every instantiated process has either terminated or is blocked at a statement that is labelled as an end-state. The below fragment code is about using the end-state in the model.

```

::      access[u].userLocation == Outside && d != CommonDoor ->
46      if
47      :: access[u].userLocation == doorTop[d].doorOutside    ->
48      end1: swipe ! u, d, access[u].userLocation;
49      fi

```

2. To verify a user classed as "Others" is never able to open any door, never claim can be deployed because it is typically used to specify a behaviour that never happens. To do so, a never-claim is defined in this model to check the location of "Others" user as it should never be changed as indication that unable to open any door and enter. The below fragment code is the never claim process to verify this property.

```

56      never{
57      do
58      :: (access[3].userLocation != 0) -> break
59      :: else -> skip
60      od
61      }

```

Never claim checks for invariance of this property ( $access[3].userLocation \neq 0$ ). This property is a boolean expression. While the boolean expression remains true, the claim process remains in its initial state. As soon as the property is found to be false, the never-claim process ends and indicates an error. Furthermore, the  $else \rightarrow skip$  statement can be replaced with  $else$ , but this replacement might miss some violations of the invariant.

3. To verify UsersA are able to enter zoneA through door 3 and able to leave the same way via door 4, LTL formula for verification can be used to specify that this property must hold at certain points in execution. To do so, a formula is defined in this model, which is labelled as  $p1$ . This claim evaluates the condition as a side-effect free, if it will be false, an error is reported. This claim can be run by setting its name. If the claim is false, execution will be stopped with an error message.

$22 \text{ ltl } p1 \{ (access[1].userLocation == ZoneB \rightarrow access[1].userLocation == ZoneA) \}$

4. To verify if there is any circumstance where one of the several authorised users may be unable to pass through a door, LTL formulas can be used. Users can pass those doors who are allowed to do so, whereas they cannot pass through any unauthorised doors. For example, users labelled as “Others” cannot access any door and users labelled as “UsersA” can pass through all of the doors. However, there might be a circumstance that a user may not be enabled infinity often to pass through a door and it may be scheduled to be enabled eventually. This situation is called weak fairness. SPIN only supports weak fairness assumptions, but strong fairness can be enforced by using LTL formulas. For example, usersA can be enforced to enter from ZoneB to RoomA by using the below LTL formula:

$23 \text{ ltl } p2 \{ (access[2].userLocation == ZoneB \rightarrow access[2].userLocation == Outside) \}$

## 6.2 Verification Output

In this section, the usage of SPIN’s verification facilitates to establish whether the model satisfies each of following correctness properties. To start with verifying the four correctness properties in SPIN, the following SPIN verification parameters in Table 6 should be set up based on the needs of case study 2 to represent. Figure 14 and Figure 13 depict the SPIN’s basic verification parameters and advanced verification parameters.

Safety	Storage Mode	Search Mode
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + invalid endstates (deadlock) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + assertion violations <input type="checkbox"/> + xch assertions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> exhaustive <input type="checkbox"/> + minimized automata (slow) <input type="checkbox"/> + collapse compression <input type="checkbox"/> hash-compact <input type="checkbox"/> bitstate/supertace	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> depth-first search <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + partial order reduction <input type="checkbox"/> + bounded context switching with bound (5) <input type="checkbox"/> + iterative search for short trail
<input type="checkbox"/> Liveness <input type="checkbox"/> non-progress cycles <input type="checkbox"/> acceptance cycles <input type="checkbox"/> enforce weak fairness constraint	<input type="checkbox"/> Never Claims <input type="checkbox"/> do not use a never claim or tl property <input type="checkbox"/> use claim <input type="text"/> claim name (opt)	<input type="checkbox"/> breadth-first search <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + partial order reduction <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> report unreachable code
<input type="button" value="Run"/> <input type="button" value="Stop"/>		<input type="button" value="Save Results"/> <input type="button" value="Open Out"/>

Figure 13: SPIN verification parameters

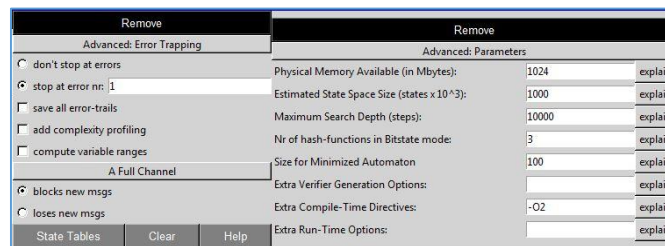


Figure 14: advanced SPIN verification parameters

Table 6: SPIN verification parameters

Parameter	Value
Safety	Deadlocks; assertion; violations
Liveness	Non-progress cycles; acceptance cycles; enforce weak fairness
Never claims	Do not use never claim or ltl property; use claim or claim name (opt)
Storage mode	Exhaustive; hash-compact; bitstate search
Search mode	Depth-first - partial order reduction; iterative search (shortest trail); breadth first; report unreachable code

1. The model does not deadlock due to the use of meta-label in the model. Figure 13 and Figure 15 present setting the deadlock verification parameter and a deadlock result of the model. Based on the verification result on the latter Figure, the model does not deadlock.

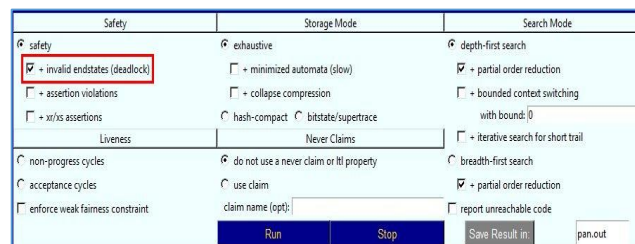


Figure 15: deadlock verification parameter

```
Full statespace search for:
never claim      - (not selected)
assertion violations - (disabled by -A flag)
cycle checks     - (disabled by -DSAFETY)
invalid end states +

State-vector 116 byte, depth reached 9999, errors: 0
715600 states, stored
4332333 states, matched
5047833 transitions (= stored+matched)
0 atomic steps
hash conflicts: 31326 (resolved)

Stats on memory usage (in Megabytes):
87.341 equivalent memory usage for states (stored*(State-vector + overhead))
65.854 actual memory usage for states (compression: 75.40%)
state-vector as stored = 85 byte + 12 byte overhead
64.000 memory used for hash table (-w24)
0.343 memory used for DFS stack (-m10000)
130.066 total actual memory usage
```

Figure 16: deadlock verification result

2. The verification result of the never claim has shown that if a user classed as “Others”, it never be able to enter any door. Figure 17 and Figure 18 depict the details of setting never claim parameter and its verification result.

Safety	Storage Mode	Search Mode
<input checked="" type="radio"/> safety <input type="checkbox"/> + invalid endstates (deadlock) <input type="checkbox"/> + assertion violations <input type="checkbox"/> + x/xs assertions	<input checked="" type="radio"/> exhaustive <input type="checkbox"/> + minimized automata (slow) <input type="checkbox"/> + collapse compression <input type="checkbox"/> hash-compact <input type="checkbox"/> bitstate/supertrace	<input checked="" type="radio"/> depth-first search <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + partial order reduction <input type="checkbox"/> + bounded context switching with bound: 0 <input type="checkbox"/> + iterative search for short trail
<input type="checkbox"/> Liveness <input type="checkbox"/> non-progress cycles <input checked="" type="radio"/> acceptance cycles <input type="checkbox"/> enforce weak fairness constraint	<input type="checkbox"/> Never Claims <input type="checkbox"/> do not use a never claim or ltl property <input checked="" type="radio"/> use claim <input type="text"/> claim name (opt):	<input type="checkbox"/> breadth-first search <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + partial order reduction <input type="checkbox"/> report unreachable code
<input type="button" value="Run"/> <input type="button" value="Stop"/>		<input type="button" value="Save Result in: pan.out"/>

Figure 17: never claim parameter

```

Full statespace search for:
never claim + (never 0)
assertion violations - (disabled by -A flag)
acceptance cycles + (fairness disabled)
invalid end states - (disabled by -E flag)

State-vector 128 byte, depth reached 9999, errors: 0
692146 states, stored
3320486 states, matched
4012832 transitions (= stored+matched)
0 atomic steps
hash conflicts: 23867 (resolved)

Stats on memory usage (in Megabytes):
95.052 equivalent memory usage for states (stored*(State-vector + overhead))
71.586 actual memory usage for states (compression: 75.31%)
state-vector as stored = 92 byte + 16 byte overhead
64.000 memory used for hash table (-w24)
0.343 memory used for DFS stack (-m10000)
135.828 total actual memory usage
  
```

Figure 18: never claim verification result

3. To verify the third property, the claim has given the result that UsersA are able to enter ZoneA through door 3 and able to leave the same way or via door 4. Both Figure 19 and Figure 20 present the *p1* claim parameter setting and its verification result.

Safety	Storage Mode	Search Mode
<input checked="" type="radio"/> safety <input type="checkbox"/> + invalid endstates (deadlock) <input type="checkbox"/> + assertion violations <input type="checkbox"/> + x/xs assertions	<input checked="" type="radio"/> exhaustive <input type="checkbox"/> + minimized automata (slow) <input type="checkbox"/> + collapse compression <input type="checkbox"/> hash-compact <input type="checkbox"/> bitstate/supertrace	<input checked="" type="radio"/> depth-first search <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + partial order reduction <input type="checkbox"/> + bounded context switching with bound: 0 <input type="checkbox"/> + iterative search for short trail
<input type="checkbox"/> Liveness <input type="checkbox"/> non-progress cycles <input checked="" type="radio"/> acceptance cycles <input type="checkbox"/> enforce weak fairness constraint	<input type="checkbox"/> Never Claims <input type="checkbox"/> do not use a never claim or ltl property <input checked="" type="radio"/> use claim <input type="text"/> claim name (opt): p1	<input type="checkbox"/> breadth-first search <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + partial order reduction <input type="checkbox"/> report unreachable code
<input type="button" value="Run"/> <input type="button" value="Stop"/>		<input type="button" value="Save Result in: pan.out"/>

Figure 19: assertion verification parameter

```

Full statespace search for:
never claim + (p1)
assertion violations - (disabled by -A flag)
acceptance cycles + (fairness disabled)
invalid end states - (disabled by -E flag)

State-vector 84 byte, depth reached 0, errors: 0
1 states, stored
0 states, matched
1 transitions (= stored+matched)
0 atomic steps
hash conflicts: 0 (resolved)

Stats on memory usage (in Megabytes):
0.000 equivalent memory usage for states (stored*(State-vector + overhead))
0.286 actual memory usage for states
64.000 memory used for hash table (-w24)
0.343 memory used for DFS stack (-m10000)
64.539 total actual memory usage
  
```

Figure 20: assertion verification result

4. It has verified an instance of weak verification that can be enforced by using LTL. Figure 21 and Figure 22 give the screenshots of setting the LTL parameter and their verification result.



Safety	Storage Mode	Search Mode
<input checked="" type="radio"/> safety <input type="checkbox"/> + invalid endstates (deadlock) <input type="checkbox"/> + assertion violations <input type="checkbox"/> + xi/xs assertions	<input checked="" type="radio"/> exhaustive <input type="checkbox"/> + minimized automata (slow) <input type="checkbox"/> + collapse compression <input type="checkbox"/> hash-compact <input type="checkbox"/> bitstate/supertrace <input type="checkbox"/> Never Claims	<input checked="" type="radio"/> depth-first search <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + partial order reduction <input type="checkbox"/> + bounded context switching <input type="checkbox"/> with bound: 0 <input type="checkbox"/> + iterative search for short trail
<input type="checkbox"/> Liveness <input type="checkbox"/> non-progress cycles <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> acceptance cycles <input type="checkbox"/> enforce weak fairness constraint	<input type="checkbox"/> do not use a never claim or ltl property <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> use claim <input type="text"/> claim name (opt): p2	<input type="checkbox"/> breadth-first search <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + partial order reduction <input type="checkbox"/> report unreachable code
<input type="button" value="Run"/> <input type="button" value="Stop"/> <input type="button" value="Save Result in: pan.out"/>		

Figure 21: LTL verification parameter

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Full statespace search for:
  never claim + (p2)
  assertion violations - (disabled by -A flag)
  acceptance cycles + (fairness disabled)
  invalid end states - (disabled by -E flag)

State-vector 84 byte, depth reached 0, errors: 0
  1 states, stored
  0 states, matched
  1 transitions (= stored+matched)
  0 atomic steps
hash conflicts: 0 (resolved)

Stats on memory usage (in Megabytes):
  0.000 equivalent memory usage for states (stored*(State-vector + overhead))
  0.283 actual memory usage for states
  64.000 memory used for hash table (-w24)
  0.343 memory used for DFS stack (-m10000)
  64.539 total actual memory usage
  
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Figure 22: LTL verification result

## 7. Conclusion

In this article, a model of the card-controlled doors has presented by using PROMELA to build the model and SPIN to verify some of its properties. Firstly, the requirements of the model with an outline description have presented. Secondly, an initialisation of the variables has been shown. Thirdly, a description of case study 1 of the model with its SPIN simulation has presented. Finally, case study 2 as a description and verification of the model's correctness properties has indicated. Therefore, the suggested model is a relatively optimal, generic, and parametric model for building access control because it meets the requirements and it could be applied for different building topologies.

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### The PROMELA Model

The complete source code of the model for both task 1 and task 2 is attached as a separate file and alternatively is shown below.

```
1 #define NofDoors 3 // number of the doors. 0:door1, 1:door2, 2:door3, 3:door4
2 #define CommonDoor 2 // door number 3 (has index 2) is common between
   room A and B.
3 #define Outside 0
4 #define ZoneA 1
5 #define ZoneB 2
6 // To define the four types of users and their authentication level to access the doors for both
   entering and exiting directions.
7 typedef AccessTopology
8 {
9   byte userLocation; //1:RoomA, 2:RoomB, 0:Outside
10  bit doorIn [4];
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11  bit doorOut [4]
12  };
13  // To connect doors, their locations (rooms), and their direction (inside and outside) together.
14  typedef DoorTopology
15  {
16  short    doorLoc;
17  byte doorInside;
18  byte doorOutside
19  };
20  AccessTopology access [4];
21  DoorTopology doorTop[4];
22  chan swipe = [0] of {byte , byte, byte}; //to communicate between the users and doors
23
24  ltl p1 { (access[1].userLocation == ZoneB -> access[1].userLocation == ZoneA) }
    //verification 3
25  ltl p2 { ( access[2].userLocation == ZoneB ->  access[2].userLocation == Outside ) }
    //verification 4
26  proctype door(){
27  byte u, d, uLoc;
28  do
29  :: swipe ? u,d, uLoc ->    // If the doors recieve a swiping card request to access.
30  if
31  //Users authorisation check to enter the doors (checking outside directions of the doors).
32  :: access[u].doorOut[d] == 1 && access[u].userLocation == Outside &&
    doorTop[d].doorOutside == 0 ->
33  access[u].userLocation = doorTop[d].doorLoc;
34  //Users authorisation check to exit the doors (checking inside directions of the doors).
35  :: access[u].doorIn[d] ==1 && access[u].userLocation >= ZoneA ->
36  if
37  :: d == CommonDoor ->    //if a user tries to exit via door 3 (common door)
38  byte temp = access[u].userLocation;
39  access[u].userLocation = doorTop[temp].doorInside;
40  //if a user tries to exit via the other doors.
41  :: access[u].userLocation == doorTop[d].doorInside && d != CommonDoor ->
42  access[u].userLocation = Outside;
43  fi
44  :: else -> skip;
45  fi
46  od
47  }
48  proctype user(byte u){
49  byte d = 0;
50  do

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51 // counter for door numbers generator
52 :: d != 3 -> d++;
53 :: d != 0 -> d--;
54 // users allow to access those doors which are in its locations.
55 :: access[u].userLocation == Outside && d != CommonDoor ->
56 if
57 :: access[u].userLocation == doorTop[d].doorOutside -> // if the user tries to access one of
the doors
58 end1: swipe ! u, d, access[u].userLocation;
59 fi
60 :: access[u].userLocation == ZoneA -> // if userlocation is in ZoneA
61 if
62 :: d == CommonDoor -> // if the user tries to exit from ZoneA and enter to ZoneB via door 3.
63 end2: swipe ! u, d, access[u].userLocation;
64 // if the user tries to access the other doors
65 :: access[u].userLocation == doorTop[d].doorInside && d != CommonDoor ->
66 end3: swipe ! u, d, access[u].userLocation;
67 :: else -> skip;
68 fi
69 // if the user tries to exit from ZoneA and enter to ZoneB via door 3.
70 :: access[u].userLocation == ZoneB ->
71 if
72 :: d == CommonDoor -> // if the user tries to exit from ZoneB and enter to ZoneA via door 3.
73 end4: swipe ! u, d, access[u].userLocation;
74 // if the user tries to access the other doors
75 :: access[u].userLocation == doorTop[d].doorInside && d != CommonDoor ->
76 end5: swipe ! u, d, access[u].userLocation;
77 :: else -> skip;
78 fi
79 :: else -> skip;
80 od
81 }
82 never{
83 do
84 :: (access[3].userLocation != Outside) -> break
85 :: else -> skip
86 od
87 }
88 init {
89 // doorTop array inialisation.
90 doorTop[0].doorLoc = ZoneB; //Door 1 in RoomB
91 doorTop[0].doorInside = ZoneB;
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92  doorTop[0].doorOutside = Outside;
93
94  doorTop[1].doorLoc = ZoneB;  //Door2 in RoomB
95  doorTop[1].doorInside = ZoneB;
96  doorTop[1].doorOutside = Outside;
97
98  doorTop[2].doorLoc = ZoneA;  //Door3 in RoomA (and common with RoomB)
99  doorTop[2].doorInside = ZoneA;
100 doorTop[2].doorOutside = ZoneB;
101
102 doorTop[3].doorLoc = ZoneA;  //Door4 in RoomA
103 doorTop[3].doorInside = ZoneA;
104 doorTop[3].doorOutside = Outside;
105
106 //access array initialisation
107 access[0].doorIn[0] = 1;  // access[0] is UsersAB:
108 access[0].doorIn[1] = 1;
109 access[0].doorIn[2] = 1;
110 access[0].doorIn[3] = 1;
111 access[0].doorOut[0] = 1;
112 access[0].doorOut[1] = 1;
113 access[0].doorOut[2] = 1;
114 access[0].doorOut[3] = 1;
115 access[0].userLocation = Outside;
116
117 access[1].doorIn[0] = 1;  //access[1] is UsersA:
118 access[1].doorIn[1] = 1;
119 access[1].doorIn[2] = 1;
120 access[1].doorIn[3] = 0;
121 access[1].doorOut[0] = 1;
122 access[1].doorOut[1] = 1;
123 access[1].doorOut[2] = 1;
124 access[1].doorOut[3] = 1;
125 access[1].userLocation = Outside;
126
127 access[2].doorIn[0] = 1;  //access[2] is UsersB:
128 access[2].doorIn[1] = 1;
129 access[2].doorIn[2] = 0;
130 access[2].doorIn[3] = 0;
131 access[2].doorOut[0] = 1;
132 access[2].doorOut[1] = 1;
133 access[2].doorOut[2] = 0;
134 access[2].doorOut[3] = 0;
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135 access[2].userLocation = Outside;
136
137 access[3].doorIn[0] = 0; //access[3] is Others:
138 access[3].doorIn[1] = 0;
139 access[3].doorIn[2] = 0;
140 access[3].doorIn[3] = 0;
141 access[3].doorOut[0] = 0;
142 access[3].doorOut[1] = 0;
143 access[3].doorOut[2] = 0;
144 access[3].doorOut[3] = 0;
145 access[3].userLocation = Outside;
146
147 // running the processes:
148 atomic { run user(0); run user(1); run user(2); run user(3); run door() };
149 }
```