

Resource allocation using Logical Clocks

The resource allocation algorithm using Logical Clocks given by Lamport should be implemented within the Netsim program.

General

When first giving a `public void trigg()` to a node it should do a request. When doing a `trigg()` again at the same node it should do a release. Then a request again and so on. The clock value as well as the three first requests in the queue should be shown as `VisibleString` objects by thy node.

When a node puts a request it should also call `setWaken()`; on the node interface. This will change the color of the node on the screen.

When a node is allowed to use the resource it should call `setActive()`; on the node interface.

When a node releases the resource it should call `setIdle()`; on the node interface.

The messages should have a tag with sender, timestamp and type of message.

For each event a node should write to `public void writeLogg(String row)`; on the node interface in order to trace the events. Then the real physical order of events can be viewed by selecting view -> system log on the menu bar.

N.B. The Logical Clock algorithm requires a network that is fully connected, i.e. from any node there is a connection to any other node. The network should also be safe and FIFO.

Algorithm conditions

- The algorithm uses
 - Distributed Request Queue (empty at start)
 - Logical Clock
- each process administers:
 - a local copy of the Request Queue
 - a local copy of the Logical Clock
 - a table containing the latest received timestamp from each of the other processes in the system (TS-table)
- When placing a request at process P_i , it is associated with the current local logical clock value C_i in P_i .
- all messages between two processes is delivered in the same order as they were sent and no message will disappear (FIFO).
This will be the case when using a communication protocol such as TCP/IP.

The algorithm events

- P_i *REQUEST*:
 - $\langle T_i; P_i; REQUEST \rangle$ is sent to all other processes, T_i is the timestamp taken from C_i
 - $\langle T_i; P_i; REQUEST \rangle$ is also put in P_i 's local copy of the Request Queue sorted according to " \rightarrow_T "
 - P_i increments its local Logical Clock value
- P_j receives *REQUEST* $\langle T_i; P_i; REQUEST \rangle$:
 - P_j adjusts its local copy of the Logical Clock according to the Logical Clock definition
 - $\langle T_i; P_i; REQUEST \rangle$ is put in P_j 's local copy of the Request Queue sorted according to " \rightarrow_T "
 - P_j updates its TS-table
 - P_j increments its local Logical Clock value
 - P_j sends an acknowledgement $\langle T_j; P_j; ACK \rangle$ to P_i
 - P_j increments its local Logical Clock value
- P_i receives an acknowledgement $\langle T_j; P_j; ACK \rangle$ from P_j :
 - P_i adjusts its local copy of the Logical Clock according to the Logical Clock definition.
 - P_i updates its TS-table with T_j from P_j
 - P_i increments its local Logical Clock value
- P_i is allowed access to the resource when:
 - $\langle T_i; P_i; REQUEST \rangle$ is number one in the (local) Request Queue
 - $T_i \rightarrow_T T_j$ for all T_j in the (local) TS-table
- P_i want to *RELEASE*:
 - $\langle T_i'; P_i; RELEASE \rangle$ is sent to all other processes, T_i' is the timestamp taken from actual C_i
 - $\langle T_i; P_i; REQUEST \rangle$ is erased from the (local) Request Queue
 - P_i increments its local Logical Clock value
- P_j receives $\langle T_i'; P_i; RELEASE \rangle$:
 - P_j adjusts its local copy of the Logical Clock according to the Logical Clock definition.
 - $\langle T_i; P_i; REQUEST \rangle$ is erased from the (local) Request Queue
 - P_j updates its TS-table with T_i' from P_i
 - P_j increments its local Logical Clock value