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Aim: To Implement Election Algorithm

Objective: Develop a program to implement Implement Election Algorithm

Theory:

Election Algorithms:

- The coordinator election problem is to choose a process from among a group of processes on different processors in a distributed system to act as the central coordinator.
- An election algorithm is an algorithm for solving the coordinator election problem. By the nature of the coordinator election problem, any election algorithm must be a distributed algorithm.

(a) Bully Algorithm

Background: any process P_i sends a message to the current coordinator; if no response in T time units, P_i tries to elect itself as leader. Details follow:

Algorithm for process P_i that detected the lack of coordinator

1. Process P_i sends an "Election" message to every process with higher priority.
2. If no other process responds, process P_i starts the coordinator code running and sends a message to all processes with lower priorities saying "Elected P_i "
3. Else, P_i waits for T' time units to hear from the new coordinator, and if there is no response to start from step (1) again.

Algorithm for other processes (also called P_i)

If P_i is not the coordinator then P_i may receive either of these messages from P_j

if P_i sends "Elected P_j "; [this message is only received if $i < j$]

P_i updates its records to say that P_j is the coordinator.

Else if P_j sends "election" message ($i > j$)

P_i sends a response to P_j saying it is alive

P_i starts an election.

(b) Election In A Ring Ring Algorithm.

-assume that processes form a ring: each process only sends messages to the next process in the ring

- Active list: its info on all other active processes



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- assumption: message continues around the ring even if a process along the way has crashed.
Background: any process P_i sends a message to the current coordinator; if no response in T time units, P_i initiates an election

1. initialize active list to empty.
2. Send an "Elect(i)" message to the right. + add it to the active list.

If a process receives an "Elect(j)" message

- (a) this is the first message sent or seen initialize its active list to $[i, j]$; send "Elect(i)" + send "Elect(j)"
- (b) if $i \neq j$, add i to active list + forward "Elect(j)" message to active list
- (c) otherwise ($i = j$), so process i has a complete set of active processes in its active list.
=> choose highest process ID + send "Elected (x)" message to neighbor

If a process receives "Elected(x)" message,
set coordinator to x

Example:

Suppose that we have four processes arranged in a ring: $P_1 \rightarrow P_2 \rightarrow P_3 \rightarrow P_4 \rightarrow P_1 \dots$

P_4 is coordinator

Suppose $P_1 + P_4$ crash

Suppose P_2 detects that coordinator P_4 is not responding

P_2 sets active list to $[]$

P_2 sends "Elect(2)" message to P_3 ; P_2 sets active list to $[2]$

P_3 receives "Elect(2)"

This message is the first message seen, so P_3 sets its active list to $[2, 3]$

P_3 sends "Elect(3)" towards P_4 and then sends "Elect(2)" towards P_4

The messages pass $P_4 + P_1$ and then reach P_2

P_2 adds 3 to active list $[2, 3]$

P_2 forwards "Elect(3)" to P_3

P_2 receives the "Elect(2)" message

P_2 chooses P_3 as the highest process in its list $[2, 3]$ and sends an "Elected(P_3)" message

P_3 receives the "Elect(3)" message

P_3 chooses P_3 as the highest process in its list $[2, 3]$ + sends an "Elected(P_3)" message



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Code and output:

Code :

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class GFG {

    class Pro { int id;

        boolean

        act; Pro(int

        id)

            this.id = id;

            act = true;

    int TotalProcess; Pro[]

    process; public GFG() { }

    public void

    initialiseGFG()

        System.out.println("No of processes 5");

        TotalProcess = 5; process = new

        Pro[TotalProcess]; int i = 0;

        while (i < process.length) {

            process[i] = new Pro(i);

        }

    public void Election()

        System.out.println("Process no '

                                + process [FetchMaximum()].id

                                + " fails");
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process[FetchMaximum()].act = false;

System.out.println("Election Initiated by 2");

int initializedProcess = 2;

int old — initializedProcess;

int newer = old + 1 ;

while (true) { if
    (process[newer].act) {
        System.out.println(
            "Process " + process[old].id + "
            pass Election(" + process[old].id
            + ") to" + process[newer].id);
        old = newer;
        newer = (newer + 1) % TotalProcess;
        if (newer — initializedProcess) {
            break;

System.out.println("Process "
                    +
                    process
[FetchMaximum()].id + " becomes coordinator"); int coord
= process[FetchMaximum()].id;

old — coord; newer — (old + 1)
% TotalProcess;

while (true) {
    if (process[newer].act) {
        System.out.println(
            "Process " + process[old].id
            + " pass Coordinator(" + coord
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```
        + ") message to process '
        ,+ process[newer].id); old —
        newer;

        newer = (newer + 1) % TotalProcess;

        if (newer coord) {

            System.out.println("End Of Election ");

            break;

        }

        public int FetchMaximum()
        {
            int Ind = 0; int maxId = -1; int i = 0; while
            (i < process.length) { if (process[i].act == 1 &&
            process[i].id > maxId) { maxId = process[i].id;

                Ind = i;

            }
            return Ind;
        }

        public static void main(String arg[])
        {
            GFG object = new GFG();

            object.initialiseGFG();

            object.Election();
        }
    }
}
```



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Output :

No of processes 5

Process no 4 fails

Election Initiated by 2

Process 2 pass Election(2) t03

Process 3 pass Election(3) too

Process O pass Election(O) tol

Process 3 becomes coordinator

Process 3 pass Coordinator(3) message to process O

Process O pass Coordinator(3) message to process I

Process 1 pass Coordinator(3) message to process 2

End Of Election

Conclusion:

Implementing an Election Algorithm is crucial for ensuring fault tolerance and leader selection in distributed systems. By employing algorithms like Bully Algorithm or Ring Algorithm, systems can dynamically elect a leader among nodes, facilitating coordination and decision-making. These algorithms prioritize scalability, fault tolerance, and efficiency, making them suitable for various distributed environments. However, careful consideration must be given to factors like network latency, node failures, and message delivery guarantees to ensure the robustness and reliability of the election process. Overall, implementing an Election Algorithm enhances the resilience and performance of distributed systems, contributing to their effectiveness in real-world applications.