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Aim:

Implementation of Election Algorithms

Theory:

- Distributed computing involves the coordination and management of multiple processes running on various processors in a networked environment. In many distributed systems, it is essential to have a single process act as a coordinator or leader to ensure organized and efficient operations.
- The challenge lies in determining which process should assume this role, and this is where election algorithms come into play.
- Election algorithms are designed to elect a coordinator process from the currently running processes in a way that ensures there is always a single coordinator at any given time.

The primary goal of an election algorithm is to guarantee that when an election is initiated, it concludes with all the processes reaching a consensus on which process should be the coordinator. This theory section explores the

concept of election algorithms and focuses on two specific algorithms: the Bully Algorithm and the Ring Algorithm.

Election Algorithms

Coordinator Election Problem

The coordinator election problem is defined as the task of selecting one process from a set of processes running on various processors in a distributed system to serve as the central coordinator. The fundamental requirement is that this process should be elected in a distributed and coordinated manner. In this context, the following assumptions are made:

- Multiple processes are running on distinct machines within the distributed system.
- Peer-to-peer communication: Each process has the capability to communicate with all other processes.
- Each process has a unique ID, with the highest ID being associated with the highest priority.
- A process Pi is denoted with priority i.

Bully Algorithm

The Bully Algorithm is one of the approaches designed to solve the coordinator election problem. It operates as follows:

Election Process:

- 1. When a process Pi initiates communication with the current coordinator, it attempts to elect itself as the new leader if it receives no response from the current coordinator within a specified time (T units).
- 2. If Pi perceives that the coordinator is absent (no response is received), Pi notifies all processes with higher priorities of an "Election."

- 3. If no other process responds to the election message, Pi initiates the coordinator code and notifies all processes with lower priorities that "Elected Pi" has occurred.
- 4. If another process does respond, Pi gracefully steps down, allowing the higher-priority process to take on the role of coordinator. The coordinator change is communicated to all processes with lower priorities.
- 5. If Pi is not elected as the coordinator, and it receives a message from another process Pj indicating that it has been elected, Pi updates its internal state to acknowledge Pj as the new coordinator.
- 6. If Pi receives an "election" message from Pj (where i < j), Pi responds to Pj to confirm that it is still alive. Pi then initiates a vote and waits for the new coordinator.

The Bully Algorithm ensures that the process with the highest priority, among those aware of the election, assumes the coordinator role. If a higher-priority process comes into play, it will take over as the coordinator, ensuring the highest priority process is always the coordinator in the system.

Ring Algorithm

The Ring Algorithm is another approach for solving the coordinator election problem and operates in a fundamentally different manner. In the Ring Algorithm, processes are arranged in a logical ring, and the coordinator role is passed sequentially from one process to the next in the ring. The process with the highest priority is initially the coordinator.

The election process in the Ring Algorithm proceeds as follows:

1. When an election is initiated, a message is sent along the ring, and each process checks its own priority against the incoming message. If a

process with higher priority than the sender exists, it takes over as the new coordinator.

2. If no process with higher priority is found, the message circulates the ring until it reaches the sender again, and that process assumes the coordinator role.

In the Ring Algorithm, the coordinator changes in a cyclic manner, ensuring that the highest-priority process becomes the coordinator and maintains this role until another higher-priority process enters the system.

1. Bully Algorithm:

Code:

```
import time
   def init (self):
       self.inventory = {}
   def add product(self, id, product, quantity):
       if id in self.inventory:
           self.inventory[id]['quantity'] += quantity
           self.inventory[id] = {'product': product, 'quantity':
quantity}
       print(f"\nAdded {quantity} {product} to the inventory.")
   def subtract product(self, id, quantity):
       if id in self.inventory and self.inventory[id]['quantity'] >=
quantity:
           self.inventory[id]['quantity'] -= quantity
           print(f"\nSubtracted {quantity}
{self.inventory[id]['product']} from the inventory.")
           print(f"Unable to subtract {quantity} {id} from the
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def view products(self):
        if not self.inventory:
            print("The inventory is empty.")
            print("ID\tName\tQuantity")
            for id in self.inventory:
print(f"{id}\t{self.inventory[id]['product']}\t{self.inventory[id]['quanti
   def init (self, process id, all processes):
        self.process id = process id
       self.coordinator = max(all processes)
       self.all processes = all processes
       self.election in progress = False
    def send election message(self, target process id):
        print(f"Process {self.process id} sends election message to
Process {target process id}")
    def send coordinator message(self, target process id):
        print(f"Process {self.process id} sends coordinator message to
Process {target process id}")
    def initiate election(self):
        if not self.election in progress:
            self.election in progress = True
            for process in self.all processes:
                if process > self.process id:
                    self.send election message(process)
    def handle election message (self, sender process id):
        if sender process id > self.process id:
            print(f"Process {self.process id} acknowledges Process
{sender process id}")
            self.initiate election()
            self.send coordinator message(sender process id)
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self.coordinator = sender process id
          print(f"Process {self.process id} becomes the coordinator.")
          self.election in progress = False
   def election result(self):
      return self.coordinator
   all processes = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
   default coordinator = max(all processes)
   print("\n----\n")
   print("Process 1 started")
   print("Process 2 started")
   print("Process 3 started")
   print("Process 4 started")
   print("Process 5 started")
   print("\n----\n")
   print(f"Process {default coordinator} chosen as Coordinator")
   election algorithm = BullyElectionAlgorithm(default coordinator,
all processes)
   inventory management = InventoryManagement()
while True:
   print("\n-----\n")
   print("1. Get Election Result")
   print("2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election")
   print("3. Add Product")
   print("4. Subtract Product")
   print("5. View All Products")
   print("6. Quit\n")
   choice = int(input("Enter your choice: "))
   print("-----")
   if choice == 1:
      current coordinator = election algorithm.election result()
      print(f"Current Coordinator: Process {current coordinator}")
   elif choice == 2:
      current coordinator = election algorithm.election result()
      print(f"Current Coordinator: Process {current coordinator}")
      leader failure = int(input("Enter the process ID to simulate
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print(f"Process {current coordinator} has failed.")
        for i in range(leader failure+1, current coordinator+1):
           print(f"Process {leader failure} sends election message to
       newProcessList = []
       for i in range(leader failure+1, current coordinator):
           print(f"Process {i} acknowledges Process {leader failure}")
           newProcessList.append(i)
       new coordinator = max(newProcessList)
            if i != new coordinator:
               print(f"Process {new coordinator} sends co-ordinator
message to Process {i}")
                election algorithm.coordinator = new coordinator
               print("New leader elected")
       id = input("Enter the product id: ")
       product = input("Enter the product name: ")
       quantity = int(input("Enter the quantity: "))
       inventory management.add product(id, product, quantity)
   elif choice == 4:
       id = input("Enter the product id: ")
       quantity = int(input("Enter the quantity: "))
       inventory management.subtract product(id, quantity)
       inventory management.view products()
       print("Invalid choice. Please select a valid option.")
```

Output

```
Process 1 started
Process 2 started
Process 3 started
Process 4 started
Process 5 started
Process 5 chosen as Coordinator
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 3
Enter the product id: 1
Enter the product name: Pen
Enter the quantity: 20
Added 20 Pen to the inventory.
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 3
Enter the product id: 2
Enter the product name: Cake
Enter the quantity: 10
Added 10 Cake to the inventory.
```

```
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 4
Enter the product id: 1
Enter the quantity: 5
Subtracted 5 Pen from the inventory.
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 5
ID
      Name Quantity
       Pen
1
              15
2 Cake 10
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 1
Current Coordinator: Process 5
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1. Get Election Result 2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election 3. Add Product 4. Subtract Product 5. View All Products 6. Quit Enter your choice: 2 Current Coordinator: Process 5 Enter the process ID to simulate leader failure:3 Process 5 has failed. Process 3 sends election message to Process 4 Process 3 sends election message to Process 5 Process 4 acknowledges Process 3 Process 4 sends co-ordinator message to Process 0 New leader elected Process 4 sends co-ordinator message to Process 1 New leader elected Process 4 sends co-ordinator message to Process 2 New leader elected Process 4 sends co-ordinator message to Process 3 New leader elected Process 4 sends co-ordinator message to Process 5 New leader elected 1. Get Election Result 2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election 3. Add Product 4. Subtract Product 5. View All Products 6. Quit Enter your choice: 1 Current Coordinator: Process 4 1. Get Election Result 2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election 3. Add Product 4. Subtract Product 5. View All Products 6. Quit Enter your choice: 6

2. Ring Algorithm:

Code:

```
class InventoryManagement:
        self.inventory = {}
   def add product(self, id, product, quantity):
        if id in self.inventory:
            self.inventory[id]['quantity'] += quantity
            self.inventory[id] = {'product': product, 'quantity':
quantity}
        print(f"\nAdded {quantity} {product} to the inventory.")
   def subtract product(self, id, quantity):
        if id in self.inventory and self.inventory[id]['quantity'] >=
quantity:
            self.inventory[id]['quantity'] -= quantity
            print(f"\nSubtracted {quantity}
{self.inventory[id]['product']} from the inventory.")
            print(f"Unable to subtract {quantity} {id} from the
inventory.")
   def view products(self):
        if not self.inventory:
            print("The inventory is empty.")
            print("ID\tName\tQuantity")
            for id in self.inventory:
print(f"{id}\t{self.inventory[id]['product']}\t{self.inventory[id]['quanti
   def init (self, process id, all processes):
       self.process id = process id
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self.coordinator = max(all processes)
       self.all processes = all processes
       self.election in progress = False
       self.next process id = (process id + 1) % len(all_processes)
   def send election message(self):
       print(f"Process {self.process id} sends election message to
Process {self.next process id}")
   def receive election message(self, sender process id):
       if sender process id > self.process id:
           print(f"Process {self.process id} acknowledges Process
{sender process id}")
           self.coordinator = sender process id
           self.election_in_progress = False
           print(f"Process {self.process id} becomes the coordinator.")
           print(f"Process {self.process id} forwards election message to
Process {self.next process id}")
           self.send election message()
           self.election in progress = True
   def initiate election(self):
       if not self.election in progress:
           self.election in progress = True
           self.send election message()
   def election result(self):
       return self.coordinator
   all processes = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
   default coordinator = max(all processes)
   print("\n-----
   print("Process 1 started")
   print("Process 2 started")
   print("Process 3 started")
   print("Process 4 started")
   print("Process 5 started")
   print("\n-----
```

```
print(f"Process {default coordinator} chosen as Coordinator")
   election algorithm = RingElectionAlgorithm(default coordinator,
all processes)
    inventory management = InventoryManagement()
def ring algorithm(election algorithm, leader failure, all processes):
   current coordinator = election algorithm.election result()
   if current coordinator==leader failure:
       print("\n----
       print("\n-----------------------\n")
   print(f"Current Coordinator: Process {current coordinator}")
   print(f"Process {current coordinator} has failed.")
   coordinator list = []
   j=leader failure
       print(f"Message sent from {j} to {i}")
       coordinator list.append(j)
       j=i
   if j<all processes[len(all processes)-1]:</pre>
       for i in range(current coordinator+1,len(all processes)):
           print(f"Message sent from {j} to {i}")
           coordinator list.append(j)
           j=i
   if all processes[0] == leader failure:
       coordinator list.append(j)
       print(f"Message sent from {j} to {leader failure}")
       for i in range(all processes[0],leader failure+1):
           print(f"Message sent from {j} to {i}")
           coordinator list.append(j)
   print(f"Candidates for leader : ", coordinator list)
   new coo = max(coordinator list)
   print("New leader elected")
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print(f"Process {new coo} elected as new leader.")
   for i in range(all processes[0], all processes[len(all processes)-1]):
           print(f"{leader failure} send message to {i}, New leader
elected")
   election algorithm.coordinator = new coo
while True:
   print("\n----\n")
   print("1. Get Election Result")
   print("2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election")
   print("3. Add Product")
   print("4. Subtract Product")
   print("5. View All Products")
   print("6. Quit\n")
   choice = int(input("Enter your choice: "))
   print("----")
   if choice == 1:
       current coordinator = election algorithm.election result()
       print(f"Current Coordinator: Process {current coordinator}")
   elif choice == 2:
       leader failure = int(input("Enter the process ID to simulate
leader failure:"))
       ring algorithm(election algorithm, leader failure, all processes)
   elif choice == 3:
       id = input("Enter the product id: ")
       product = input("Enter the product name: ")
       quantity = int(input("Enter the quantity: "))
       inventory management.add product(id, product, quantity)
   elif choice == 4:
       id = input("Enter the product id: ")
       quantity = int(input("Enter the quantity: "))
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inventory_management.subtract_product(id, quantity)

elif choice == 5:
    inventory_management.view_products()

elif choice == 6:
    break

else:
    print("Invalid choice. Please select a valid option.")
```

Output:

```
Process 1 started
Process 2 started
Process 3 started
Process 4 started
Process 5 started
Process 5 chosen as Coordinator
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 3
Enter the product id: 1
Enter the product name: Biscuit
Enter the quantity: 20
Added 20 Biscuit to the inventory.
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 3
Enter the product id: 2
Enter the product name: Cake
Enter the quantity: 10
Added 10 Cake to the inventory.
```

```
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 4
Enter the product id: 1
Enter the quantity: 5
Subtracted 5 Biscuit from the inventory.
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 5
ID Name Quantity
     Biscuit 15
1
2 Cake 10
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 1
Current Coordinator: Process 5
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```
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 2
Enter the process ID to simulate leader failure:2
Current Coordinator: Process 5
Process 5 has failed.
Message sent from 2 to 3
Message sent from 3 to 4
Message sent from 4 to 1
Message sent from 1 to 2
Candidates for leader : [2, 3, 4, 1]
New leader elected
Process 4 elected as new leader.
2 send message to 1, New leader elected
2 send message to 3, New leader elected
2 send message to 4, New leader elected
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 1
Current Coordinator: Process 4
1. Get Election Result
2. Simulate Leader Failure and Election
3. Add Product
4. Subtract Product
5. View All Products
6. Quit
Enter your choice: 6
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Conclusion:

In summary, our study has provided valuable insights into the significance of election algorithms in the context of distributed systems. Through our examination of the Bully Algorithm and the Ring Algorithm, we've gained an understanding of how these algorithms enable processes to independently select a coordinator in a distributed environment. As demonstrated, these algorithms guarantee the presence of a sole coordinator at all times, ultimately improving the efficiency of operational management in the distributed system.