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UNIT - 2.

1] MESSAGE ORDERING PARADIGMS:

- * The message ordering means the order of delivering the messages to the intended recipients.
- * The common message order schemes are FIFO, NON FIFO, causal order.

Notations:-

msg - m_i

send event - S_i^o

receive event - R_i^o

$a \sim b \Rightarrow a, b$ @ same process

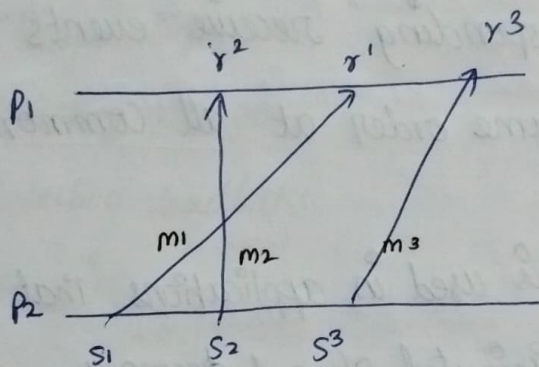
$T \Rightarrow$ all send-rec pairs.

$S_i^o \& S_j^o \Rightarrow S_j^o$ causally dependent on S_i^o

1. NON-FIFO EXECUTIONS:-

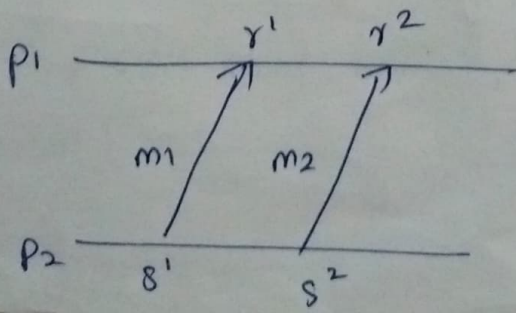
- * It is also called as Asynchronous execution.
- * Asynchronous execution is an execution for which the causality relation is a partial order.
- * There cannot be any causal relationship between events in asynchronous execution.

- * The messages can be delivered in any order.
- * Multiple paths may exist between the two end points of the logical link.
- * All physical links obey FIFO rule.



2. FIFO EXECUTIONS: -

- * A FIFO execution is an A-execution in which, for all (s, r) and $(s', r') \in T$, $(s \sim s' \text{ and } r \sim r' \text{ and } s \leq s') \Rightarrow r \leq r'$
- * To implement FIFO over non-FIFO link, use sequence number and connection id for each message.
- * Receiver uses buffer to order messages as per the sender's sequence numbers.

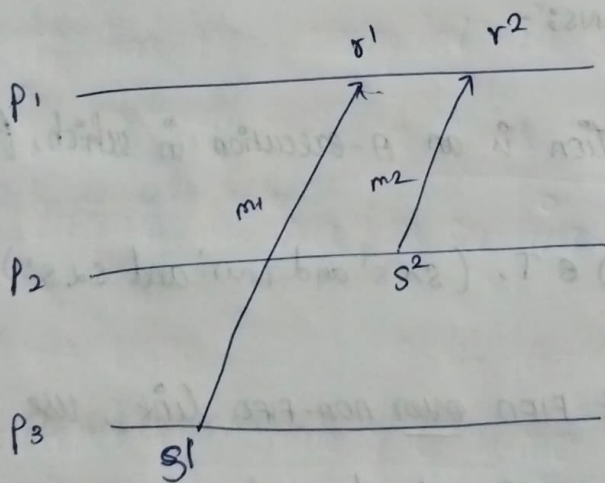


3. CASUAL ORDER :-

* CO execution is an A-execution in which, for all (s, r) and $(s', r') \in T$, $(r \sim r' \text{ and } s \leq s') \Rightarrow r \leq r'$

* Two send events s and s' are related by Causality ordering, then a Causality ordered execution requires that their corresponding receive events r and r' occur in the same order at all common destinations.

* Casual order is used in applications that update shared data, distributed shared memory.



2] SNAPSHOT ALGORITHMS FOR FIFO CHANNELS :

* A Snapshot captures the local states of each process along with the state of each communication channel.

Snapshots are required to:-

- * Checkpointing
- * Collecting garbage
- * Detecting deadlocks.
- * Debugging.

Chandy - Lamport algorithm :

- * The algorithm will record a global snapshot for each process channel.
- * The Chandy - Lamport algorithm uses a control message, called a marker.
- * After a site has recorded its snapshot, it sends a marker along all of its outgoing channels before sending out any more messages.
- * Any process may initiate the snapshot (send 'Marker').

Algorithm :-

Marker Sending rule for process P_i .

1. Process P_i records its state.
2. For each outgoing channel c on which a marker has not been sent, P_i sends a marker along c before P_i sends further messages along c .

Marker receiving rule for process P_j .

→ On receiving a marker along channel c .

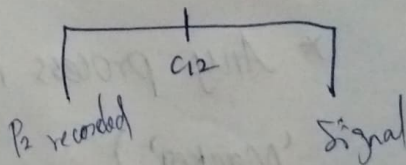
if P_j has not recorded its state then

Record the state of c as empty set

Execute the "marker sending rule".

else

Record the state of c as the set of messages
received along c after P_j 's state was
recorded and before P_j received the
marker along c .



Correctness :-

$m_1 m_2 \textcircled{x} m_3$
msg \textcircled{x}

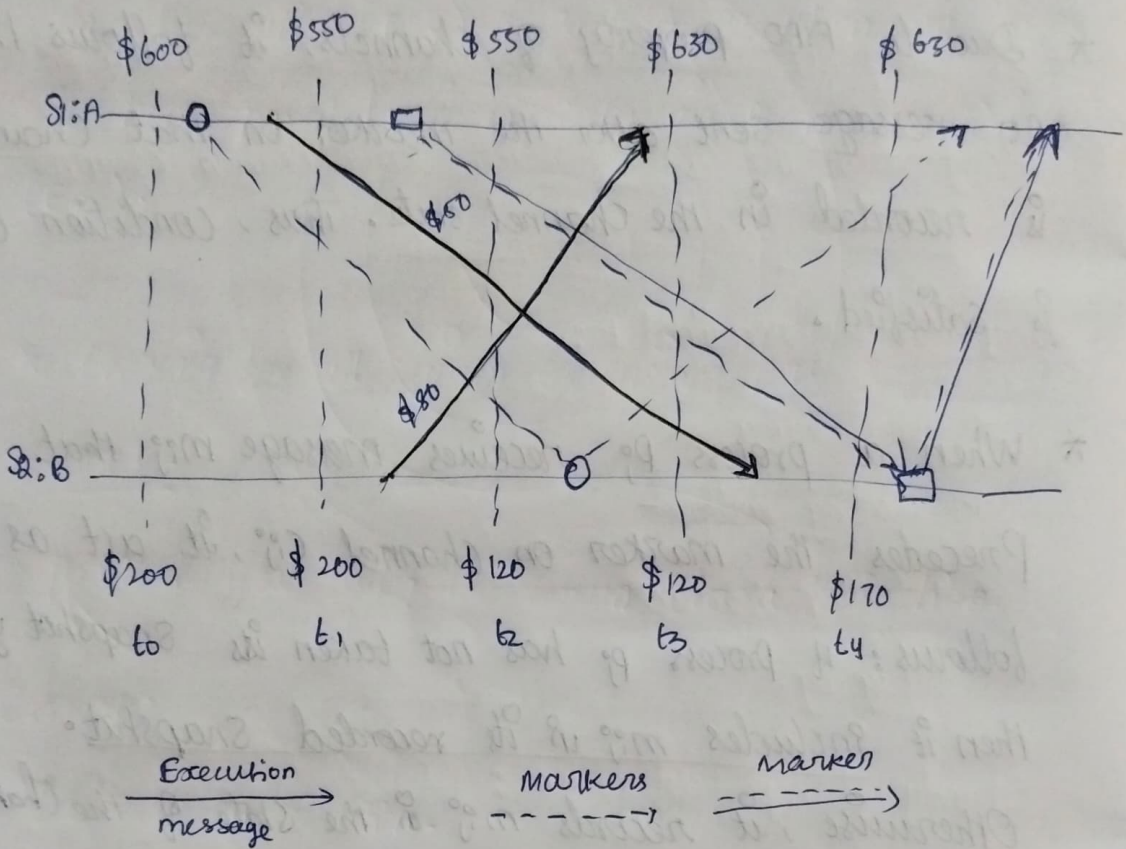
* Due to FIFO property of channels, it follows that no message sent after the marker on that channel is recorded in the channel state. Thus, condition C_2 is satisfied.

* When a process P_i receives message m_{ij} that precedes the marker on channel C_{ij} , it act as follows: if process P_i has not taken its snapshot yet, then it includes m_{ij} in its recorded snapshot. Otherwise, it records m_{ij} in the state of the channel C_{ij} . Thus, condition C_1 is satisfied.

Complexity :-

* The recording part of a single instance of the algorithm requires $O(e)$ messages and $O(d)$ time, where e is the number of ~~edges~~ edges and d is the diameter of the network.

Properties of the recorded global state:-



→ Timing diagram of two possible executions of the banking examples.

$$\square, 1. \quad A = \$500$$

$$B = \$170$$

$$C12 = \$0$$

$$C21 = \$80$$

$$\underline{\$800}$$

$$\circ, 2. \quad A = \$600$$

$$B = \$120$$

$$C12 = \$0$$

$$C21 = \$80$$

$$\underline{\$800}$$

3] ASYNCHRONOUS EXECUTION WITH SYNCHRONOUS COMMUNICATION:

* A distributed algorithm designed to run correctly on asynchronous systems may not run correctly on synchronous systems.

* An algorithm that runs on an asynchronous system may deadlock on a synchronous system.

Process A

Process B

Send (B)

Send (A)

Receive (B)

Receive (A)

Realizable ^{With} Synchronous Communication (RSC).

* A - execution can be realized under Synchronous communication is called Realizable with Synchronous Communication (RSC).

RSC EXECUTIONS :-

Non-Separated Linear Extension of (E, α)

: A Linear Extension of (E, α) such that for each pair (s, r) , the interval $\{x \in E / s < x < r\}$ is empty.

RSC execution

An A-Execution (E, α) is an RSC execution iff there exist non-separated linear extension of the partial order (E, α) .

* Checking for all linear extensions has exponential cost!

* Practical test using the Crown Characterization.

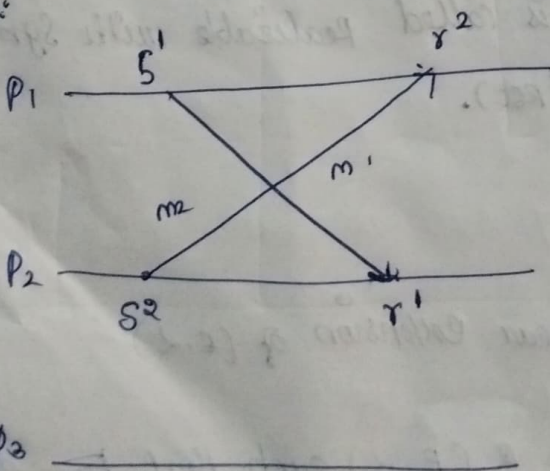
CROWN:

Let E be an execution.

A Crown of Size K in E $((s^i, r^i), i \in \{0, \dots, K-1\})$ of pairs of corresponding send and receive events such that:

$$s^0 < r^1, s^1 < r^2, \dots, s^{K-2} < r^{K-1}, s^{K-1} < r^0$$

Example:



(a)

* Fig (a) : The crown is $\{(s^1, r^1), (s^2, r^2)\}$ as we have $s^1 \prec r^2$ and $s^2 \prec r^1$. This execution represents the program execution

* Cyclic dependencies may exist in a crown.

* The crown criterion states that an A -computation is RSC, i.e., it can be realized on a system with synchronous communication if and only if it contains no crown.

Hierarchy of ordering paradigms: ^(msg)

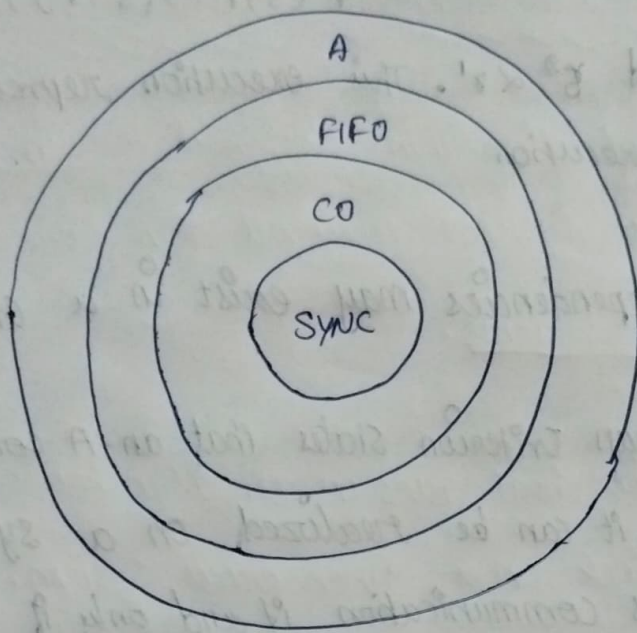
* For an A -execution, A is RSC if and only if A is an S -execution.

* $RSC \subset CO \subset FIFO \subset A$.

* The degree of concurrency is most in A and least in sync.

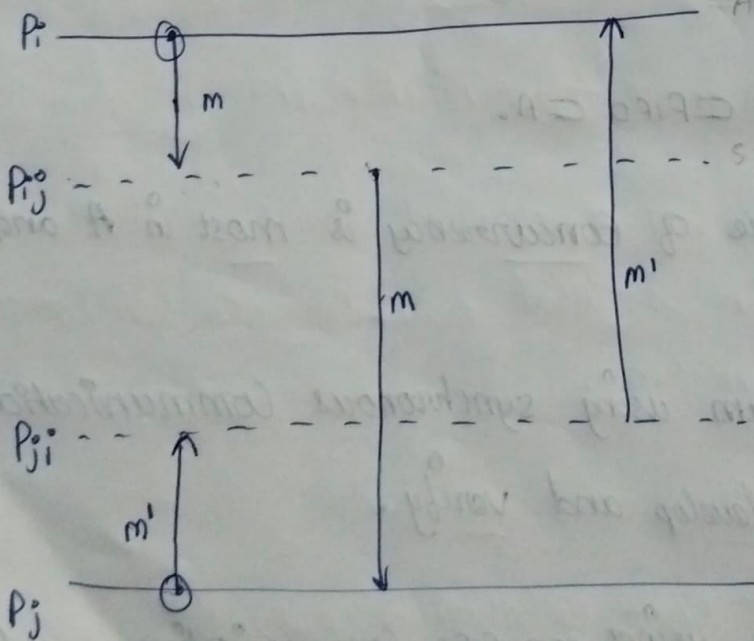
* A program using synchronous communication is easiest to develop and verify.

* A program using non-fifo communication, resulting in an A execution, is hardest to design and verify.



Hierarchy of the communication model.

Simulation - Asynchronous program On Synchronous Systems. (How to make non Rse to Rse).



* Each channel G_{ij}^o is modeled by a Control process p_{ij}^o that simulates the channel buffer.

* An asynchronous communication from i to j becomes a synchronous communication from i to p_{ij}^o followed by synchronous communication from p_{ij}^o to j .