

Early Stopping Consensus Algorithm

Algorithm 1 Early Stopping Consensus - Short Version. Actions of Process p_i

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1: procedure EARLY-SHORT
2:   integer:  $xCurr \leftarrow$  initial-value;
3:   integer:  $xPrev \leftarrow \infty$  // Large value
4:   set:  $fail\_prev_i \leftarrow nil$ ; // Previous fail-set maintained by  $p_i$ 
5:   set:  $fail\_curr_i \leftarrow nil$ ; // Current fail-set maintained by  $p_i$ 
6:   boolean:  $shldTerm_i \leftarrow false$  // Used by  $p_i$  to keep track if it should terminate
7:   for ( $r \leftarrow 1$  to  $f$ ) do
8:      $fail\_prev_i \leftarrow fail\_curr_i$ ; // Store the current set in previous set
9:      $xPrev = xCurr$ ; // Store the current value in previous value
10:    Broadcast( $\langle xCurr \rangle$ );
11:     $\langle y_j \rangle \leftarrow$  value (if any) received from  $p_j$  in this round;
12:    for all ( $\langle y_j \rangle$ ) do
13:      if ( $\langle y_j \rangle = nil$ ) then
14:        Add  $p_j$  to  $fail\_curr_i$ ; // Add  $p_j$  to local failed set of  $p_i$ 
15:      else
16:         $xCurr \leftarrow \min(xCurr, y_j)$ ; // Take the minimum of the received values
17:      end if
18:    end for
19:    if ( $shldTerm_i = true$ ) then
20:      break; // We break as we have to terminate
21:    end if
22:    if ( $fail\_prev_i = fail\_curr_i$ ) then
23:      if ( $xCurr = xPrev$ ) then
24:        break; // Early stopping condition
25:      end if
26:       $shldTerm_i = true$ ; // We must terminate in the next round
27:    end if
28:  end for
29:  output  $xCurr$  as the consensus value.
30: end procedure
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Runtime Analysis: The above algorithm will run terminate in $\min(f' + 2, f + 1)$ rounds where f' is the total number of crashes while f is the upper limit on the number of crashes.

Algorithm 2 Early Stopping Consensus - Long Version. Actions of Process p_i

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1: procedure EARLY-LONG
2:   integer:  $x \leftarrow$  initial-value;
3:   set:  $gfs_i \leftarrow nil$ ; // global fail set maintained by  $p_i$ 
4:   set:  $lfs_i \leftarrow nil$ ; // local fail set maintained by  $p_i$  for the current round
5:   //  $annTerm$  a boolean value which decides if  $p_i$  should announce termination or not
6:   boolean:  $annTerm \leftarrow false$ ;
7:   //  $shldTerm$  a boolean value which decides if  $p_i$  should terminate or not
8:   boolean:  $shldTerm \leftarrow false$ ;
9:   for ( $r \leftarrow 1$  to  $f$ ) do
10:    Broadcast( $\langle x, gfs_i, annTerm \rangle$ );
11:    if ( $annTerm = true$ ) then
12:      break; // Announce and then terminate
13:    end if
14:     $\langle y_j, fs_j, termFlag_j \rangle \leftarrow$  value (if any) received from  $p_j$  in this round;
15:    for all ( $\langle y_j, fs_j, termFlag_j \rangle$ ) do
16:      if ( $\langle y_j, fs_j, termFlag_j \rangle = nil$ ) then
17:        Add  $p_j$  to  $lfs_i$ ; // Add  $p_j$  to local failed set of  $p_i$ 
18:      else
19:         $gfs_i \leftarrow gfs_i \cup fs_j$ ; // Combine the failed set of  $p_j$  with  $p_i$ 
20:         $x \leftarrow \min(x, y_j)$ ; // Take the minimum of the received values
21:         $shldTerm \leftarrow (shldTerm \vee termFlag_j)$ ; // Check if  $p_j$  requires us to terminate
22:      end if
23:    end for
24:    if ( $shldTerm = true$ ) then
25:      break; // We break if some other processes asks us to terminate
26:    end if
27:    if ( $lfs_i \subseteq gfs_i$ ) then
28:       $annTerm = true$ ; // We must announce termination to other processes
29:    end if
30:     $gfs_i \leftarrow gfs_i \cup lfs_i$ ; // Collect all the failed processes identified in this round
31:     $lfs_i \leftarrow nil$ ; // Next, reset  $lfs_i$  before going into next round
32:  end for
33:  output  $x$  as the consensus value.
34: end procedure
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