CSE535: Distributed Systems

Phase 4 - Twins: BFT Systems Made Robust

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USER MANUAL

Extension of DiemBFT Manual of Team: Loyal Byzantine Generals

- DistAlgo Installation :
 - Follow https://github.com/DistAlgo/distalgo/ to see the steps to install DistAlgo in the system.
- Known system-specific issues :
 - For macOS, If the message size exceeds the threshold specified by the system for UDP, the system will throw an error "OSError(40, 'Message too long')".
 - Execute sudo sysctl -w net.inet.udp.maxdgram=65535 to increase the limit.
- Configuration and output for diem bft simulation :
 - Ledger File: For each configuration at index '\$c' mentioned in the configuration file, each validator with index '\$v' running scenario with index '\$s' creates its own ledger file under 'ledgers/config\$c/scenario\$s/validator_\$v.ledger'
 - Log File: For each configuration at index '\$c' mentioned in the configuration file, each validator with index '\$v' running scenario with index '\$s' creates its own log file under 'logs/config\$c/scenario\$s/validator_\$v.log'.
- Commands to execute in sequence :
 - o cd <path_of_project_folder>/src
 - python3 scenarios generator.py
 - o python3 -m da --message-buffer-size 65535 run_diembft.da

To run a specific testcase:

- 1. Run the scenario generator.
- 2. Check the scenarios folder in src to see the config_id.json files which are the testcases corresponding to each configuration.

- 3. Choose the json file containing the testcase of your choice. Json file is a list of testcases, so if we want to see the result of a single case, we can isolate that testcase in config_1.json and run run_diembft.da as specified in the third command above.
- 4. We planned to provide arguments which take parameters in and run the test cases, but because of time constraints, we had to resort to 3.