

Assignment - 1

1) Suzuki-kasami's broadcast algorithm in IOT network.

Suzuki-kasami's algorithm is a token-based distributed mutual exclusion algorithm designed to ensure that only one process enters the Critical Section (CS) at a time in a distributed system such as an IOT network. It uses a unique token and a broadcast mechanism for requesting access to the CS.

Basic Idea

- A unique token circulates among all sites.
- A site can enter the critical section only if it holds the token.
- If a site wants to enter the CS and does not have the token, it broadcasts a request to all other sites.
- The site holding the token sends it to the requester. This ensures mutual exclusion because only one token exists.

System Model Assumptions

- System consists of N sites (S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n)
- Each site has one process.
- Communication is via message passing.
- Channels are reliable and processes do not fail.

Data Structures Used

Each site maintains:

1. Request Number Array (RNN [1...N])
 - $RNN[i][j]$ = largest sequence number received so far from site S_j .

- Used to identify latest requests and discard outdated.
- Token structure, which contains:
 - $LN[1\dots N]$: $LN[j]$ = sequence number of the request from S_j that was last served.
 - Queue Q : Holds IDs of sites waiting for the token.

Working of the algorithm

1. Requesting the critical section.

- When site s_i wants to enter CS and does not have the token:

It increments its request number
 $RN[i][i] = RN[i][i] + 1$

→ Broadcasts REQUEST($i, RN[i][i]$) to all other sites.

2. Receiving a REQUEST Message

When site S_j receives REQUEST(i, n):

- It updates:

$$RN[j][i] = \max(RN[j][i], n)$$

- If S_j has the token and is not in CS, it checks:

• If $RN[j][i] = LN[i] + 1$, then s_i has a pending request.
 S_j sends the token to s_i .

3. Executing the critical section

- Site enters CS only when it receives the token.

- After finishing CS.

- It updates:

$$LN[i] = RN[i][i] \text{ (marks its request as served)}$$

4. Token Passing Rule

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- After existing CS, site checks for other pending requests.
- for each site S_j , if $RN[i][j] = LN[i] + 1$, then S_j is waiting.
- Add S_j to Queue Q if not already present.
- If Q is not empty:
 - Remove the site ID at the head of Q .
 - Send the token to that site.

- Handling key Design Issues:

1. Distinguishing outdated and current requests.

- Sequence numbers in REQUEST messages ensure old request are ignored.
- If received number is less than stored RN value \rightarrow request is outdated.

2. Identifying sites with pending requests

- Done using condition

$$RN[j] = LN[j] + 1$$

- Ensures only sites with unanswered requests are queued.

Advantages

- Simple and efficient for moderate sized systems.
- No need for timestamps or global clock.

Disadvantages

- Broadcast causes high message overhead in large networks.
- Token loss can halt the system.