



Spezialetti–Kearns algorithm for FIFO Channel

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Chandy-Lamport Algorithm

- Uses special marker messages.
- One process acts as initiator, starts the state collection by following the marker sending rule below.
- Marker sending rule for process P:
 - P records its state and
 - For each outgoing channel C from P on which a marker has not been sent already, P sends a marker along C before any further message is sent on C

Chandy - lamport cont.

- When Q receives a marker along a channel C:
 - If Q has not recorded its state then Q records its state and also records the state of C as empty. Q then follows the marker sending rule
 - If Q has already recorded its state, it records the state of C as the sequence of messages received along C after Q's state was recorded and before Q received the marker along C



Spezialetti-Kearns algorithm

- This is a variation of Chandy-Lamport algorithm.
- It provides two optimizations to the Chandy-Lamport algorithm.
 - combines snap-shots concurrently initiated by multiple processes into a single snapshot.
 - efficient distribution of the global snapshot.



Efficient snapshot recording

Each marker carries an identifier of the initiator of the algorithm.

Each process has a variable master to keep track of the initiator of the algorithm.

Region:

A region encompasses all the processes whose master field contains the identifier of the same initiator.

Efficient snapshot recording cont.

- The state of the channel is recorded just as in the Chandy-Lamport algorithm.
- When the initiator's identifier in a marker received along a channel is different from the value in the master variable, the sender of the marker lies in a different region.
- The identifier of the concurrent initiator is recorded in a local variable **id-border-set** (to know the neighboring regions).

Efficient snapshot recording cont.

- Snapshot recording at a process is complete after it has received a marker along each of its incoming channels.
- After every process has recorded its snapshot, the system is partitioned into many regions.
- No. of regions = No. of concurrent initiations of the algorithm.



Efficient dissemination of the recorded snapshot

In the first phase, while recording a snapshot, a forest of spanning trees is created in the system.

If P_i receives its first marker from P_j then process P_j is the parent of process P_i in the spanning tree.

The initiator of the algorithm is the root of a spanning tree and all processes in its region belong to its spanning tree.

Efficient dissemination cont.

- Each intermediate process forwards its locally recorded state and the locally recorded states of all its descendent processes to its parent.
- Each initiator receives the locally recorded states of all its descendents from its children processes and assembles the snapshot for all the processes and channels in its region.
- The initiator exchanges the snapshot of its region with the initiators in adjacent regions in rounds.



Time Complexity

1. The message complexity of snapshot recording is $O(e)$ irrespective of the number of concurrent initiations of the algorithm.
2. The message complexity of assembling and disseminating the snapshot is $O(rn^2)$ where r is the number of concurrent initiations.



Thank You

