

Experiment No. 07

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Title: Token-Based Mutual Exclusion Using Raymond's Tree Algorithm

1. Introduction

Mutual exclusion is a fundamental problem in distributed systems, ensuring that only one process accesses a critical section (CS) at a time. Raymond's Tree Algorithm is a **token-based mutual exclusion algorithm** that organizes processes in a logical tree structure, reducing the number of messages required to request and pass the token.

2. Objective

The objective of this lab is to implement Raymond's Tree Algorithm in Java and demonstrate how processes request and receive the token in a **distributed system**.

3. Theory

Raymond's Tree Algorithm is an **optimized version** of the token-based mutual exclusion approach. It minimizes message complexity by using a **logical tree structure** where:

- Each process (node) maintains a **request queue**.
- There is only **one token** in the system.

- The process **holding the token** can enter the critical section.
- If a process **does not have the token**, it forwards the request **toward the token holder** via its parent in the tree.

Key Features:

1. **Logical Tree Structure:**
 - Each node maintains a **parent pointer**, pointing toward the token holder.
2. **Request Handling:**
 - A process requesting the token forwards its request **upward** until it reaches the **token holder**.
 - The token then moves **downward** through the queue.
3. **Token Passing:**
 - Once a process **finishes using the token**, it **passes it** to the next requestor in its queue.

Advantages of Raymond's Algorithm:

- **Lower message complexity ($O(\log N)$)** in a balanced tree.
 - **Efficient token forwarding**, reducing redundant requests.
 - **Prevents starvation** by processing requests in FIFO order.
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4. Working of the Algorithm

Step 1: Initial Setup

- A **logical tree structure** is created, with a single token present at one node.
- Each node maintains:
 - **Parent ID** (the process to forward requests).
 - **Queue** (FIFO order of requests).

Step 2: Token Request Process

1. A process that needs access to the **critical section (CS)** checks if it **already has the token**:

- If **yes**, it enters the CS.
 - If **no**, it adds itself to the **request queue** and forwards the request **to its parent**.
2. The request **propagates up** the tree until it reaches the **token holder**.

Step 3: Token Forwarding

1. The **token holder** sends the token **downward** to the first process in its request queue.
2. The token moves **process by process** until it reaches the requester.

Step 4: Releasing the Token

1. When a process **finishes using the token**, it:
 - Checks its request queue.
 - If the queue is **not empty**, it **sends the token** to the first requestor.
 - If the queue is **empty**, it keeps the token.
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5. Implementation Details

- **Data Structures Used:**

- **Queue**: To manage token requests.
- **Map (HashMap in Java)**: To store process nodes and their states.

- **Functions Implemented:**

- `requestToken()`: A process requests the token.
- `receiveRequest()`: Handles incoming token requests.
- `sendToken()`: Passes the token to the next process.
- `receiveToken()`: Processes token reception and forwards it if needed.

Conclusion

Raymond's Tree Algorithm efficiently solves mutual exclusion in distributed systems using a logical tree structure. It significantly reduces message overhead compared to traditional token-based algorithms by limiting requests to logically related nodes. The experiment successfully demonstrated how a process requests, receives, and passes the token, ensuring mutual exclusion in a distributed environment.

Code:

```
import java.util.*;  
  
class Node {  
    int id;  
    boolean hasToken;  
    int parentId;  
    Queue<Integer> requestQueue;  
  
    public Node(int id, boolean hasToken, int parentId) {  
        this.id = id;  
        this.hasToken = hasToken;  
        this.parentId = parentId;  
        this.requestQueue = new LinkedList<>();  
    }  
  
    public void requestToken(DistributedSystem system) {  
        if (!hasToken) {  
            if (requestQueue.isEmpty()) {  
                requestQueue.add(id);  
                system.sendRequest(parentId, id);  
            }  
        }  
    }  
  
    public void receiveRequest(int requesterId, DistributedSystem system) {  
        requestQueue.add(requesterId);  
        if (hasToken) {  
            sendToken(system); //  Fixed: Pass system  
        } else if (requestQueue.size() == 1) {  
            system.sendRequest(parentId, id);  
        }  
    }  
  
    public void sendToken(DistributedSystem system) {  
        if (!requestQueue.isEmpty()) {  
            int nextProcess = requestQueue.poll();  
            if (nextProcess == id) {  
                hasToken = true;  
            } else {  
                system.sendRequest(nextProcess, id);  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

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        System.out.println("Process " + id + " sends token to Process " +
nextProcess);
        system.sendToken(nextProcess);
        hasToken = false;
    }
}

public void receiveToken(DistributedSystem system) { //  Fixed: Pass system
    hasToken = true;
    System.out.println("Process " + id + " received the token.");
    sendToken(system); //  Pass system reference
}
}

class DistributedSystem {
    Map<Integer, Node> nodes;

    public DistributedSystem() {
        nodes = new HashMap<>();
    }

    public void addNode(int id, boolean hasToken, int parentId) {
        nodes.put(id, new Node(id, hasToken, parentId));
    }

    public void sendRequest(int to, int from) {
        System.out.println("Process " + from + " requests token from " + to);
        nodes.get(to).receiveRequest(from, this);
    }

    public void sendToken(int to) {
        nodes.get(to).receiveToken(this); //  Pass 'this' to keep system reference
    }

    public void startRequest(int id) {
        nodes.get(id).requestToken(this);
    }
}

public class RaymondTree {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        DistributedSystem system = new DistributedSystem();

        system.addNode(0, true, -1);
        system.addNode(1, false, 0);
        system.addNode(2, false, 1);
        system.addNode(3, false, 1);
        system.addNode(4, false, 2);
    }
}

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        System.out.println("\nProcess 4 initiates token request...\n");
        system.startRequest(4);
    }
}
```

Output:

```
PS C:\Users\Deep Salunkhe> cd "e:\GIt\Sem-8\DC\Lab8\" ; if ($?) { javac RaymondTree.java } ; if ($?) { java RaymondTree }

Process 4 initiates token request...

Process 4 requests token from 2
Process 2 requests token from 1
Process 1 requests token from 0
Process 0 sends token to Process 1
Process 1 received the token.
Process 1 sends token to Process 2
Process 2 received the token.
Process 2 sends token to Process 4
Process 4 received the token.
Process 4 sends token to Process 4
Process 4 received the token.
PS E:\GIt\Sem-8\DC\Lab8>
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