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MODULE TCommit_lamport
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This specification is explained in "Transaction Commit", Lecture 5 of the TLA+ Video Course.

Constant RM

The set of participating resource managers

Variable rmState

rmState[rm] is the state of resource manager r.

$TCTypeOK \triangleq$

The type-correctness invariant

 $rmState \in [RM \rightarrow \{\text{"working"}, \text{"prepared"}, \text{"committed"}, \text{"aborted"}\}]$

$$TCInit \stackrel{\triangle}{=} rmState = [r \in RM \mapsto "working"]$$

The initial predicate.

$$canCommit \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \forall r \in RM : rmState[r] \in \{ \text{"prepared"}, \text{"committed"} \}$$

True iff all RMs are in the "prepared" or "committed" state.

$$notCommitted \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \forall r \in RM : rmState[r] \neq "committed"$$

True iff no resource manager has decided to commit.

We now define the actions that may be performed by the RMs, and then define the complete next-state action of the specification to be the disjunction of the possible RM actions.

$$\begin{aligned} \textit{Prepare}(r) & \triangleq & \land \textit{rmState}[r] = \text{``working''} \\ & \land \textit{rmState'} = [\textit{rmState} \ \texttt{EXCEPT} \ ![r] = \text{``prepared''}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Decide(r) & \triangleq & \lor \land rmState[r] = \text{``prepared''} \\ & \land canCommit \\ & \land rmState' = [rmState \text{ EXCEPT !}[r] = \text{``committed''}] \\ & \lor \land rmState[r] \in \{\text{``working''}, \text{``prepared''}\} \\ & \land notCommitted \\ & \land rmState' = [rmState \text{ EXCEPT !}[r] = \text{``aborted''}] \end{aligned}$$

$$TCNext \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \exists r \in RM : Prepare(r) \lor Decide(r)$$

The next-state action.

$TCConsistent \triangleq$

A state predicate asserting that two RMs have not arrived at conflicting decisions. It is an invariant of the specification.

$$\forall \, r1, \, r2 \in RM : \neg \wedge \mathit{rmState}[r1] = \text{``aborted''} \\ \wedge \mathit{rmState}[r2] = \text{``committed''}$$

The following part of the spec is not discussed in Video Lecture 5. It will be explained in Video Lecture 8.

$$TCSpec \triangleq TCInit \land \Box [TCNext]_{rmState}$$

The complete specification of the protocol written as a temporal formula.

THEOREM $TCSpec \Rightarrow \Box (TCTypeOK \land TCConsistent)$

This theorem asserts the truth of the temporal formula whose meaning is that the state predicate $TCTypeOK \wedge TCInvariant$ is an invariant of the specification TCSpec. Invariance of this conjunction is equivalent to invariance of both of the formulas TCTypeOK and TCConsistent.