

Some Properties of Federated Byzantine Agreement Systems

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1 Definition of a Federated Byzantine Agreement System

theory *FBA*
imports *Main*
begin

definition *project* **where**
project slices $S\ n \equiv \{Sl \cap S \mid Sl . Sl \in slices\ n\}$

locale *FBAS* =
 fixes *slices* :: 'node \Rightarrow 'node set set — the quorum slices
 and *W* :: 'node set — the well-behaved nodes
 assumes *slices-ne*: $\bigwedge p . p \in W \implies slices\ p \neq \{\}$
begin

definition *quorum* **where**
quorum $Q \equiv \forall p \in Q \cap W . (\exists Sl \in slices\ p . Sl \subseteq Q)$

end

2 The Cascade Theorem

locale *intact* = — Here we fix an intact set *I* and prove the cascade theorem.
 orig:FBAS slices W
 + *proj:FBAS project slices I W* — We consider the projection of the system on *I*

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for slices  $W \ I \ +$ 
assumes  $I \subseteq W$ 
  and  $q\text{-avail}:\text{orig.quorum } I$ 
  and  $q\text{-inter}:\bigwedge Q \ Q' . \llbracket \text{proj.quorum } Q; \text{proj.quorum } Q'; Q \cap I \neq \{\}; Q' \cap I \neq \{\} \rrbracket \implies Q \cap Q' \cap I \neq \{\}$ 
begin

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theorem *cascade*:

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  fixes  $U \ S$ 
  assumes  $\text{orig.quorum } U$  and  $U \cap I \neq \{\}$  and  $U \subseteq S$ 
  obtains  $I \subseteq S \mid \exists n \in I - S . \forall Sl \in \text{slices } n . Sl \cap S \cap I \neq \{\}$ 
proof  $-$ 
  have False if  $\forall n \in I - S . \exists Sl \in \text{slices } n . Sl \cap S \cap I = \{\}$  and  $\neg I \subseteq S$ 
proof  $-$ 

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First we show that $I - S$ is a quorum in the projected system:

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  have  $\text{proj.quorum } (I - S)$  using that(1)
  unfolding  $\text{proj.quorum-def project-def}$ 
  by (auto; smt DiffI Diff-Compl Diff-Int-distrib Diff-eq Diff-eq-empty-iff Int-commute)

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Then we show that U is also a quorum in the projected system:

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  moreover have  $\text{proj.quorum } U$  using  $\langle \text{orig.quorum } U \rangle$ 
  unfolding  $\text{proj.quorum-def orig.quorum-def project-def}$ 
  by (simp; meson Int-commute inf.coboundedI2)

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Since quorums of I must intersect, we get a contradiction:

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  ultimately show False using  $\langle U \subseteq S \rangle \langle U \cap I \neq \{\} \rangle \langle \neg I \subseteq S \rangle$   $q\text{-inter}$  by auto
qed
  thus ?thesis using that by blast
qed
end

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3 The Union Theorem

Here we prove that the union of two intact sets that intersect is intact. This implies that maximal intact sets are disjoint.

locale *intersecting-intact* =

i1:intact slices $W \ I_1 \ +$ *i2:intact slices* $W \ I_2$ — We fix two intersecting intact sets I_1 and I_2 .

$+ \text{proj:FBAS project slices } (I_1 \cup I_2) \ W$ — We consider the projection of the system on $I_1 \cup I_2$.

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  for slices  $W \ I_1 \ I_2 \ +$ 
assumes  $\text{inter}:I_1 \cap I_2 \neq \{\}$ 
begin

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theorem *union-quorum*: $i1.\text{orig.quorum } (I_1 \cup I_2)$

using $i1.intact-axioms$ $i2.intact-axioms$
unfolding $intact-def$ $FBAS-def$ $intact-axioms-def$ $i1.orig.quorum-def$
by ($metis$ $Int-iff$ $Un-iff$ $le-supI1$ $le-supI2$)

theorem $union-quorum-intersection$:

assumes $proj.quorum$ Q_1 **and** $proj.quorum$ Q_2 **and** $Q_1 \cap (I_1 \cup I_2) \neq \{\}$ **and**
 $Q_2 \cap (I_1 \cup I_2) \neq \{\}$
shows $Q_1 \cap Q_2 \cap (I_1 \cup I_2) \neq \{\}$
proof –

First we show that Q_1 and Q_2 are quorums in the projections on I_1 and I_2 .

have $i1.proj.quorum$ Q_1 **using** $\langle proj.quorum$ $Q_1 \rangle$
unfolding $i1.proj.quorum-def$ $proj.quorum-def$ $project-def$
by $auto$ ($metis$ $Int-Un-distrib$ $Int-iff$ $Un-subset-iff$)
moreover have $i2.proj.quorum$ Q_2 **using** $\langle proj.quorum$ $Q_2 \rangle$
unfolding $i2.proj.quorum-def$ $proj.quorum-def$ $project-def$
by $auto$ ($metis$ $Int-Un-distrib$ $Int-iff$ $Un-subset-iff$)
moreover have $i2.proj.quorum$ Q_1 **using** $\langle proj.quorum$ $Q_1 \rangle$
unfolding $proj.quorum-def$ $i2.proj.quorum-def$ $project-def$
by $auto$ ($metis$ $Int-Un-distrib$ $Int-iff$ $Un-subset-iff$)
moreover have $i1.proj.quorum$ Q_2 **using** $\langle proj.quorum$ $Q_2 \rangle$
unfolding $proj.quorum-def$ $i1.proj.quorum-def$ $project-def$
by $auto$ ($metis$ $Int-Un-distrib$ $Int-iff$ $Un-subset-iff$)

Next we show that Q_1 and Q_2 intersect if they are quorums of, respectively, I_1 and I_2 . This is the only interesting part of the proof.

moreover have $Q_1 \cap Q_2 \cap (I_1 \cup I_2) \neq \{\}$
if $i1.proj.quorum$ Q_1 **and** $i2.proj.quorum$ Q_2 **and** $i2.proj.quorum$ Q_1
and $Q_1 \cap I_1 \neq \{\}$ **and** $Q_2 \cap I_2 \neq \{\}$
for Q_1 Q_2
proof –
obtain n **where** $n \in I_1 \cap I_2$ **using** $inter$ **by** $blast$
have $i1.proj.quorum$ I_2
proof –
have $i1.orig.quorum$ I_2 **by** ($simp$ add : $i2.q-avail$)
thus $?thesis$ **unfolding** $i1.orig.quorum-def$ $i1.proj.quorum-def$ $project-def$
by $auto$ ($meson$ $Int-commute$ $Int-iff$ $inf-le2$ $subset-trans$)
qed
moreover note $\langle i1.proj.quorum$ $Q_1 \rangle$
ultimately have $Q_1 \cap I_2 \cap I_1 \neq \{\}$ **using** $i1.q-inter$ $inter$ $\langle Q_1 \cap I_1 \neq \{\} \rangle$
by $blast$
moreover note $\langle i2.proj.quorum$ $Q_2 \rangle$
moreover note $\langle i2.proj.quorum$ $Q_1 \rangle$
ultimately have $Q_1 \cap Q_2 \cap I_2 \neq \{\}$ **using** $i2.q-inter$ $\langle Q_2 \cap I_2 \neq \{\} \rangle$ **by**
 $blast$
thus $?thesis$ **by** ($simp$ add : $inf-sup-distrib1$)
qed

Next we show that Q_1 and Q_2 intersect if they are quorums of the same

intact set. This is obvious.

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moreover
  have  $Q_1 \cap Q_2 \cap (I_1 \cup I_2) \neq \{\}$ 
    if  $i1.proj.quorum\ Q_1$  and  $i1.proj.quorum\ Q_2$  and  $Q_1 \cap I_1 \neq \{\}$  and  $Q_2 \cap$ 
 $I_1 \neq \{\}$ 
    for  $Q_1\ Q_2$ 
    by (simp add: Int-Un-distrib i1.q-inter that(1) that(2) that(3) that(4))
  moreover
  have  $Q_1 \cap Q_2 \cap (I_1 \cup I_2) \neq \{\}$ 
    if  $i2.proj.quorum\ Q_1$  and  $i2.proj.quorum\ Q_2$  and  $Q_1 \cap I_2 \neq \{\}$  and  $Q_2 \cap$ 
 $I_2 \neq \{\}$ 
    for  $Q_1\ Q_2$ 
    by (simp add: Int-Un-distrib i2.q-inter that)

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Finally we have covered all the cases and get the final result:

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ultimately
show ?thesis
  by (smt Int-Un-distrib Int-commute assms(3,4) sup-bot.right-neutral)
qed

end

end

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