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1  |----- MODULE CASPaxos -----|
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   | This is a high-level specification of the CASPaxos algorithm from the paper “CASPaxos: Repli-
   | cated State Machines without Logs” by Denis Rystsov.
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   | Please go to https://arxiv.org/abs/1802.07000 for the paper.
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   | This spec is adapted from that of Paxos consensus algorithm by Leslie Lamport, which can be
   | found at https://github.com/tlaplus/Examples/blob/master/specifications/PaxosHowToWinATuringAward/Paxos.tla.
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   | TODO: It refines the spec in module Voting.
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13 | EXTENDS Integers
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15 | CONSTANTS
16 |     Value,           the set of values to be proposed and chosen from
17 |     Acceptor,        the set acceptors
18 |     Quorum           the quorum system on acceptors
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20 | None  $\triangleq$  CHOOSE  $v : v \notin \text{Value}$ 
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22 | ASSUME  $\wedge \forall Q \in \text{Quorum} : Q \subseteq \text{Acceptor}$ 
23 |         $\wedge \forall Q1, Q2 \in \text{Quorum} : Q1 \cap Q2 \neq \{\}$ 
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25 | Ballot  $\triangleq$  Nat
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   | Added for CASPaxos.
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   | The set of all possible CAS operations. The CAS operations with cmpVal = None are initializa-
   | tion operations. We do not allow the new value (swapVal) to be None.
34 | CASOperation  $\triangleq$  [cmpVal : Value  $\cup$  {None}, swapVal : Value]
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36 | Message  $\triangleq$  the set of all possible messages that can be sent in the algorithm
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37 |     [type : {“1a”}, bal : Ballot]
38 |      $\cup$  [type : {“1b”}, acc : Acceptor, bal : Ballot,
39 |         mbal : Ballot  $\cup$  { $-1$ }, mval : Value  $\cup$  {None}]
40 |      $\cup$  [type : {“2a”}, bal : Ballot, val : Value]
41 |      $\cup$  [type : {“2b”}, acc : Acceptor, bal : Ballot, val : Value]
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   | maxBal – Is the same as the variable of that name in the Voting algorithm.
   | maxVVal – As in the Voting algorithm, a vote is a  $\langle \text{ballot}, \text{value} \rangle$  pair. The pair
   |  $\langle \text{maxVVal}[a], \text{maxVVal}[a] \rangle$  is the vote with the largest ballot number cast by acceptor
   | a. It equals  $\langle -1, \text{None} \rangle$  if a has not cast any vote.
52 | VARIABLES
53 |     maxBal,
54 |     maxVVal,
55 |     maxVVal,
56 |     msgs,           the set of all messages that have been sent
57 |     ops             ops[b  $\in$  Ballot]: the CAS operation to be proposed at ballot b
58 |     added for CASPaxos

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60  vars  $\triangleq \langle maxBal, maxVVal, maxVVal, msgs, ops \rangle$ 
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62  TypeOK  $\triangleq \wedge maxBal \in [Acceptor \rightarrow Ballot \cup \{-1\}]$ 
63       $\wedge maxVVal \in [Acceptor \rightarrow Ballot \cup \{-1\}]$ 
64       $\wedge maxVVal \in [Acceptor \rightarrow Value \cup \{None\}]$ 
65       $\wedge msgs \subseteq Message$ 
66       $\wedge ops \in [Ballot \rightarrow CASOperation]$ 
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68  Init  $\triangleq \wedge maxBal = [a \in Acceptor \mapsto -1]$ 
69       $\wedge maxVVal = [a \in Acceptor \mapsto -1]$ 
70       $\wedge maxVVal = [a \in Acceptor \mapsto None]$ 
71       $\wedge msgs = \{\}$ 
72      ops remains unchanged; we utilize TLC to explore all possible CAS operations.
73       $\wedge ops \in [Ballot \rightarrow CASOperation]$ 
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75  Send(m)  $\triangleq msgs' = msgs \cup \{m\}$ 
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  TODO: define the CAS(cmpVal, swapVal) interface

  The leader of ballot  $b \in Ballot$  sends a Phase1a message.
84  Phase1a(b)  $\triangleq$ 
85       $\wedge Send([type \mapsto "1a", bal \mapsto b])$ 
86       $\wedge UNCHANGED \langle maxBal, maxVVal, maxVVal, ops \rangle$ 

  The acceptor  $a \in Acceptor$  receives a Phase1a message and sends back a Phase1b message.
  For refinement: This action implements the IncreaseMaxBal( $a, b$ ) action of the Voting algorithm
  for  $b = m.bal$ .
94  Phase1b(a)  $\triangleq$ 
95       $\wedge \exists m \in msgs :$ 
96           $\wedge m.type = "1a"$ 
97           $\wedge m.bal > maxBal[a]$ 
98           $\wedge maxBal' = [maxBal \text{ EXCEPT } ![a] = m.bal]$ 
99           $\wedge Send([type \mapsto "1b", acc \mapsto a, bal \mapsto m.bal,$ 
100               $mbal \mapsto maxVVal[a], mval \mapsto maxVVal[a]])$ 
101       $\wedge UNCHANGED \langle maxVVal, maxVVal, ops \rangle$ 

  In the Phase2a( $b, v$ ) action, the ballot  $b$  leader sends a type "2a" message asking the acceptors
  to vote for some value computed based on  $v$  in ballot number  $b$ .
  For refinement: the enabling conditions of the action—its first two conjuncts—ensure that the
  second through fourth conjuncts of the four enabling conditions of action VoteFor( $a, b, v$ ) in
  module Voting will be true when acceptor  $a$  receives that message.
111  Phase2a(b, v)  $\triangleq$ 
112       $\wedge \neg \exists m \in msgs : m.type = "2a" \wedge m.bal = b$ 
113       $\wedge \exists Q \in Quorum :$ 
114          LET  $Q1b \triangleq \{m \in msgs : \wedge m.type = "1b"$ 
115               $\wedge m.acc \in Q$ 

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116 $\wedge m.bal = b\}$
 117 $Q1bv \triangleq \{m \in Q1b : m.mbal \geq 0\}$
 118 IN $\wedge \forall a \in Q : \exists m \in Q1b : m.acc = a$
 119 $\wedge \vee \wedge Q1bv = \{\}$ *CAS(None, v) as an initialization operation*
 120 $\wedge ops[b].cmpVal = None$ *added for CASPaxos*
 121 $\vee \exists m \in Q1bv : CAS(v, ops[b].swapVal)$ *as an atomic compare-and-swap operation*
 122 $\wedge m.mval = v$
 123 $\wedge \forall mm \in Q1bv : m.mbal \geq mm.mbal$
 124 $\wedge ops[b].cmpVal = v$ *added for CASPaxos*
 125 $\wedge Send([type \mapsto "2a", bal \mapsto b, val \mapsto ops[b].swapVal])$ *modified for CASPaxos: val \mapsto ops[b].swapVal*
 126 $\wedge UNCHANGED \langle maxBal, maxVVal, maxVVal, ops \rangle$

The *Phase2b(a)* action describes what $a \in \text{Acceptor}$ does when it receives a phase 2a message $m \in msgs$, which is sent by the leader of ballot $m.bal$ asking acceptors to vote for $m.val$ in that ballot.

For refinement: The enabling condition of the *Phase2b(a)* action together with the receipt of the phase 2a message m implies that the *VoteFor(a, m.bal, m.val)* action of module Voting is enabled and can be executed.

138 $Phase2b(a) \triangleq$
 139 $\wedge \exists m \in msgs :$
 140 $\wedge m.type = "2a"$
 141 $\wedge m.bal \geq maxBal[a]$
 142 $\wedge maxBal' = [maxBal \text{ EXCEPT } ![a] = m.bal]$
 143 $\wedge maxVVal' = [maxVVal \text{ EXCEPT } ![a] = m.bal]$
 144 $\wedge maxVVal' = [maxVVal \text{ EXCEPT } ![a] = m.val]$
 145 $\wedge Send([type \mapsto "2b", acc \mapsto a, bal \mapsto m.bal, val \mapsto m.val])$
 146 $\wedge UNCHANGED \langle ops \rangle$

The leader of ballot $b \in \text{Ballot}$ responds to the user.

TODO: to finish it

152 $Respond(b) \triangleq \text{FALSE}$
 153 \vdash
 154 $Next \triangleq \vee \exists b \in \text{Ballot} : \vee Phase1a(b)$
 155 $\vee \exists v \in \text{Value} : Phase2a(b, v)$
 156 $\vee Respond(b)$
 157 $\vee \exists a \in \text{Acceptor} : \vee Phase1b(a)$
 158 $\vee Phase2b(a)$

160 $Spec \triangleq Init \wedge \square[Next]_{vars}$

161 \vdash