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MODULE TCommit
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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 rm.

$TCTypeOK \triangleq$

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.

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

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

 $notCommitted \triangleq \forall r \in RM : rmState[r] \neq "committed"$

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.

$$Prepare(r) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \land rmState[r] = \text{"working"}$$

 $\land rmState' = [rmState \text{ EXCEPT } ![r] = \text{"prepared"}]$

$$\begin{aligned} Decide(r) & \stackrel{\triangle}{=} & \vee \wedge rmState[r] = \text{"prepared"} \\ & \wedge canCommit \\ & \wedge rmState' = [rmState \text{ EXCEPT }![r] = \text{"committed"}] \\ & \vee \wedge rmState[r] \in \{\text{"working"}, \text{"prepared"}\} \\ & \wedge notCommitted \\ & \wedge rmState' = [rmState \text{ EXCEPT }![r] = \text{"aborted"}] \end{aligned}$$

 $\mathit{TCNext} \ \triangleq \ \exists \ r \in \mathit{RM} : \mathit{Prepare}(r) \lor \mathit{Decide}(r)$

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.

$$\forall r1, r2 \in RM : \neg \land rmState[r1] = "aborted" \land rmState[r2] = "committed"$$

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

 $TCSpec \stackrel{\Delta}{=} TCInit \wedge \Box [TCNext]_{rmState}$

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 $\mathit{TCTypeOK}$ and $\mathit{TCConsistent}$.