

COMMAND TO RUN CODE:

python maekawa.py <cs_int> <next_req> <tot_exec_time> <option>

Here cs_int = some integer
 next_req = some integer
 tot_exec_time = some integer
 option = 1 or 0

IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS:

Has 9 different threads/processes which have all their resources to themselves, i.e. none of them are shared.

The design has been laid out like a grid like this:

1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	9

The voting set for any process is the elements in its row and column.

Process No.	Voting set				
1	1	2	3	4	7
2	1	2	3	5	8
3	1	2	3	6	9
4	1	4	5	6	7
5	2	4	5	6	8
6	3	4	5	6	9
7	1	4	7	8	9
8	2	5	7	8	9
9	3	6	7	8	9

HANDLING DEADLOCKS:

Each process has a listening section which queues the incoming packet immediately. This is to prevent packets coming one after another to be dropped. It spawns one thread in the beginning which continuously waits until the first packet arrives. After the first packet arrives, it waits for 100 milliseconds. I assume that packets destined for this particular port would be delivered within these 100 milliseconds. The thread then runs through the list and picks up the packet with the lowest timestamp. Every packet has a timestamp that was generated at the time of sending the packets. As there is only one system, the time can be directly compared. Now this packet is sent a response and popped from list. Thus, in most cases, the process

which tried to send a message before everyone else gets a reply before everyone else. Thus, we prevent any deadlocks from happening in the first place.

There is also another thread called deadlock detection thread which keeps running in the background and keeps checking if there is more than one thread in the HELD state. In case there is, it prints out that a deadlock has been detected and proceeds to clear all the lists and resets all the counters to 0. This way, things start from the beginning. Although this deadlock is not easy to reach and the deadlock thread rarely has to take actions.

SAMPLE OUTPUT AFTER EXECUTING THE PROGRAM

counter6 = 5

Process6CS -> Time:%s, Thread_identifier:node6, node-list: 3 4 5 6 9 2015-04-29
16:19:28.887880

counter5 = 5

Process5CS -> Time:%s, Thread_identifier:node5, node-list: 2 4 5 6 8 2015-04-29
16:19:33.398768

counter7 = 5

Process7CS -> Time:%s, Thread_identifier:node7, node-list: 1 4 7 8 9 2015-04-29
16:19:37.909674

counter9 = 5

Process9CS -> Time:%s, Thread_identifier:node9, node-list: 3 6 7 8 9 2015-04-29
16:19:42.421828

counter3 = 5

Process3CS -> Time:%s, Thread_identifier:node3, node-list: 1 2 3 6 9 2015-04-29 16:19:46.932255

counter2 = 5

Process2CS -> Time:%s, Thread_identifier:node2, node-list: 1 2 3 5 8 2015-04-29
16:19:51.443203

counter8 = 5

Process8CS -> Time:%s, Thread_identifier:node8, node-list: 2 5 7 8 9 2015-04-29
16:19:55.955267

counter1 = 5

Process1CS -> Time:%s, Thread_identifier:node1, node-list: 1 2 3 4 7 2015-04-29
16:20:00.468109

counter4 = 5

Process4CS -> Time:%s, Thread_identifier:node4, node-list: 1 4 5 6 7 2015-04-29
16:20:04.982093