The Algorithm for the Dynamic Dining Philosophers Problem

1 The Dynamic Dining Philosophers

Problem Statement. We need to develop and implement a protocol that allows nodes to join or leave a running dining philosophers network at runtime in an orderly fashion while maintaining an acyclic priority graph, ensuring safety, and preventing deadlock.

Our solution is based on a hiegenic solution discussed in class. To avoid deadlocks, we maintain a priority graphs, in which the person with a higher priority gets to eat first when two of adjacent philosophers are hungry. We use a fork mechanism to represent the priority graph in a distributed fashion. There is exactly one fork per each edge between two nodes, where nodes represent philosophers. Each fork can be either DIRTY or CLEAN. A CLEAN fork implies that the person holding it has a higher priority than the person at the other end of an edge. Conversely, a DIRTY fork implies that the person holding it has a lower priority. In this assignment, we extend this algorithm to allow philosphers to join and leave the table, while still maintain the acyclic priority graph, ensuring safey, and preventing deadlock.

2 The Algorithm

2.1 A set of states

Each of the philosophers must be in one of the following 6 states:

- (a) joining
- (b) thinking
- (c) hungry
- (d) eating
- (e) leaving
- (f) gone

2.2 Information Stored by Each Process

In the Erlang syntax, the philosophize function's header represents the information stored by each process:

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1 philosophize(<state>, Node, Neighbors, ForksList)
```

In other words, a process *p* contains the following information:

(a) $p.state(\langle state \rangle)$: one of the six states outlined above.

- (b) *p.node* its process node (Node), represented as a lowercase ASCII string with a machine name, separated by an @ symbol. (For example, pl@ash) We can always find out our nodename with node(), so it is not passed around.
- (c) *p.neighbors* (Neighbors): a list of its neighboring processes $[n_1, n_2, ..., n_k]$.
- (d) $p.fork_states$ (ForkList): a list $[f_{p,n_1}, f_{p,n_2}, f_{p,n_3}, \ldots, f_{p,n_k}]$ of fork states for each its neighbors, in the same order as the neighboring list. The fork is a 2-tuple {holding, hygiene}, where holding can be either 0 or 1, where 1 means the fork belongs to p, where as 0 means the fork belongs to its corresponding neigbor. The second element in the tuple is holding, which can be either CLEAN, DIRTY, or SPAGHETTI to establish the priority. A CLEAN fork implies that the person holding it has a higher priority than the person at the other end of an edge. Conversely, a DIRTY fork implies that the person holding it has a lower priority. A SPAGHETTI (or sometimes SPAGHETTI SAUCE) or something else indicates a placeholder. For example, if a holding is 0 (not holding fork), hygiene is not meaningful anymore. That is, hygiene has a meaning only when the philosopher is holding a fork.

The corresponding global priority graph can be defined as follows. The nodes of the graph is the processes in the system graph, and there is a directed edge (p,q) from p to q if and only if p is a neighbor of q in the system graph and p has a higher priority than q.

For example, if $p.neighbors = [n_1, n_2, n_3]$ and $p.fork_states = [\{0, _\}, \{1, CLEAN\}, \{0, _\}]$, then the fork f_{p,n_1} belongs to p; f_{p,n_2} belongs to n_2 ; and f_{p,n_3} belongs to n_3 . This means p has a higher priority than n_2 but lower than n_1 and n_3 .

2.3 Message Types in the System

We categorize messages by its sender and its receiver:

2.3.1 From Philosophers to Philosophers

- M1 a fork $f_{i,j}$: exactly one fork per one pair of neighboring processes i and j. A fork can be dirty (the process holding it has lower priority) or clean (the process holding it has higher priority).
- M2 a fork request. The sender philosopher should only send this when it is in the *hungry* state and it does not hold a fork.
- M3 a joining request. The sender philosopher, who should be in the *joining* state, once assigned by the external controller who to join, sends a joining request to each of its intended neighbors. When the receiver philosopher receives this message, it adds the sender to its neighbors list.
- M4 a joining message acknowledgement. Once a joining philosopher receives an acknowledgement from a neighbor that it sent a joining request to, it knows that the sender philosopher are aware of its joining. Once it knows that all intended neighbors are aware of its joining, it can transition to the *thinking* state.
- M5 a leaving notification. The sender philosopher, who should be in either the *thinking*, *hungry*, or *eating* state, once signaled by an external controller to leave, it transitions to the leaving state and sends a leaving notification to all its neighbors.

M6 a leaving message acknowledgement. A philosopher, once received a leaving notification message, deletes the sender from its neighbors list, and immediately sends a leaving message acknowledgement to the sender.

2.3.2 From External Controllers to Philosophers

- M7 a become_hungry message. The philosopher should only receive this message while *thinking*; when it does, it transitions to *hungry*.
- M8 a stop_eating message. The philosopher should only receive this message while *eating*; when it does, it transitions to *thinking*. Just before transitioning to thinking, it will immediately handle any previous requests for forks.
- M9 a leave message. The philosopher can receive this message in any state other than *joining*; when it does, it should ask for acknowledgment from all its neighbors that he is leaving, then immediately leave the network.

2.3.3 From Philosophers to External Controllers

- M10 an eating message. The philosopher should send this message, when it becomes *eating*, to the controller that trigger its transition to *hungry* (through the become_hungry message).
- M11 a gone message. When it becomes *gone*, the philosopher should send this message to the controller that sent it the leave message that triggerred its departure.

2.4 Initial Distributions of Forks

- (a) All forks are dirty.
- (b) Initially, the first philosopher has no fork. When another philosopher requests to be his neighbor, he sends a request. The receiving philosopher will create a dirty fork. This prevents cycles since there is a possibility that if the fork was clean, he would never give it up.

2.5 Actions before and after Transitions

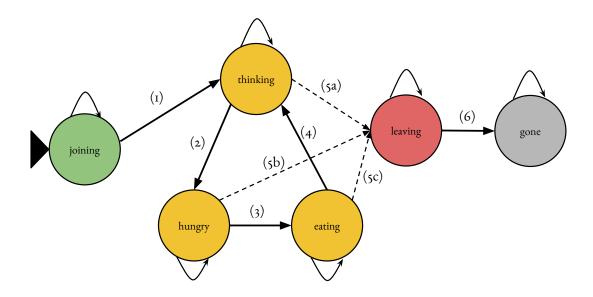


Figure 1: A diagram showing possible state transitions.

We will describe what would happen when a philosopher receives a fork.

- (1) $p.joining \rightarrow p.thinking$: sends a joining request to all of its neighbors. Once it receives all joining message acknowledgments from all its neighbors, transitions to the *thinking* state.
- (2) *p.thinking* → *p.hungry*: check to see if has already received a become_hungry message from an external controller. If so, stores the identification of the external controller that triggerred it to become hungry, then transitions to the *hungry* state. Once it becomes hungry, it sends a fork request to all neighbors that hold that forks that it needs.
- (3) p.hungry → p.eating: checks to see if it holds all forks. If so, performs the transition and sends an eating message to the external controller that triggerred it to become hungry and make all forks dirty, thereby making its priority lowest among all its neighbors. If not, it waits until it receives another fork and checks if he has them all again, until it actually has them all and transitions to eating, then sends an eating message to the external controller that triggerred it to become hungry and make all forks dirty.
- (4) p.eating → p.thinking: checks to see if it has already received a stop_eating message from an external controller. If so, performs the transition and sends any forks for which it received requests while eating.
- **(5)** $(p.thinking \lor p.hungry \lor p.eating) \rightarrow p.leaving: checks to see if it has already received a leave message from an external controller. If so, the philosopher transitions to the$ *leaving*state and sends leaving notifications to all of its neighbors.
- **(6)** *p.leaving* → *p.gone*: Once it receives leaving notification acknowledgements from all of its neighbors to whom it sent leaving notifications, it transitions to the *gone* state. At this stage, it knows that all of its neighbors are aware of its leaving and already deleted it from

their neigbors list. With this knowledge, it then deletes all its neighbors from its neighbors list.

Now we need to define what should happen when a philosopher p receives an incoming message dependending on what state it currently is in.

2.6 Actions for Incoming Fork Messages (M1)

When a fork message is received, the philosopher marks the fork as clean.

Received in the joining state: not possible.

Received in the thinking state: not possible.

Received in the *hungry* state: TODO.

Received in the *eating* **state:** not possible, already had a fork.

Received in the *leaving* state: TODO.

Received in the *gone* **state:** not possible.

2.7 Actions for Incoming Fork Request Messages (M2)

Received in the *joining* **state:** Since all the joining nodes has all dirty forks, it will give the requested forks to the requesting philosophe.

Received in the *thinking* **state:** sends the requested fork to the requesting philosopher.

Received in the *hungry* **state:** if it now holds all its forks, it transitions to *eating* state..

Received in the *eating* **state:** saves the request until it transitions to the thinking state. TODO: think about when it leaves

Received in the *leaving* state: ignores.

Received in the *gone* **state:** not possible.

2.8 Actions for Incoming Joining Request Messages (M3)

Received in the *joining* state: TODO.

Received in the *thinking* state: TODO.

Received in the *hungry* state: TODO.

Received in the eating state: TODO.

Received in the *leaving* state: TODO.

Received in the *gone* state: TODO.

2.9 Actions for Incoming Joining Message Acknowledgement Messages (M4)

Received in the joining state: TODO.

Received in the thinking state: TODO.

Received in the hungry state: TODO.

Received in the eating state: TODO.

Received in the *leaving* state: TODO.

Received in the *gone* state: TODO.

2.10 Actions for Incoming Fork Acknowledgement Messages (M4)

Received in the *joining* state: TODO.

Received in the thinking state: TODO.

Received in the hungry state: TODO.

Received in the *eating* state: TODO.

Received in the leaving state: TODO.

Received in the *gone* state: TODO.

2.11 Actions for Incoming Leaving Notification Messages (M5)

Received in the *joining* state: TODO.

Received in the *thinking* state: TODO.

Received in the *hungry* state: TODO.

Received in the *eating* state: TODO.

Received in the *leaving* state: TODO.

Received in the *gone* state: TODO.

2.12 Actions for Incoming Leaving Message Acknowledgement Messages (M6)

Received in the *joining* state: TODO.

Received in the *thinking* state: TODO.

Received in the *hungry* state: TODO.

Received in the *eating* state: TODO.

Received in the *leaving* state: TODO.

Received in the *gone* state: TODO.

2.13 Actions for Incoming become hungry Messages (M7)

Received in the joining state: TODO.

Received in the thinking state: TODO.

Received in the *hungry* state: TODO.

Received in the eating state: TODO.

Received in the *leaving* state: TODO.

Received in the *gone* state: TODO.

2.14 Actions for Incoming stop_eating Messages (M8)

Received in the *joining* state: TODO.

Received in the thinking state: TODO.

Received in the hungry state: TODO.

Received in the *eating* state: TODO.

Received in the leaving state: TODO.

Received in the *gone* state: TODO.

2.15 Actions for Incoming leave Messages (M9)

Received in the *joining* **state:** not possible.

Received in the *thinking* state: TODO.

Received in the *hungry* state: TODO.

Received in the *eating* state: TODO.

Received in the *leaving* state: TODO.

Received in the *gone* **state:** not possible.

2.16 How a new philosopher informs its neighbors that it has joined the network

Sends joining requests to all of their neighbors

2.17 How a new philosopher knows that its neighbors are aware that it has joined the network

Waits for joining request acknowledgement messages from all of its neighbors.

2.18 How a philosopher informs its neighbors that it is leaving the network

Sends leaving notifications to all of their neighbors

2.19 How a philosopher knows that its neighbors are aware that it is leaving the network

Waits for leaving notification acknowledgements from all of its neighbors.

3 Allowed Assumptions

3.1 External Controllers

- E1 If a philosopher *p* informs an external controller that it is *eating*, the external controller will direct *p* to become either *thinking* or *leaving* within a bounded time.
- E2 External controllers will not send duplicate or invalid control signals.
- E3 If a process p_1 receives a joining request from another process p_2 , external controllers will not send signals to ask p_1 to leave until p_2 successfully joins the network.

3.2 Misc.

E4 Messages are never lost; sufficient time is allowed for a philosopher to bootstrap itself before other philosophers send it messages.

4 Proof of Correctness

4.1 Proof of Acyclic Priority Graph Invariance

The priority graph changes only in three possible cases.

- **Case 1: A new process joins the network.** In this case, the new process has the lowest priority. Thus, all its neighbors will have arrow point to it. Thus, if there were a cycle, such cycle could not possibly pass this new process. Since the original graph was acyclic, there could not be cycles elsewhere as well. Thus, the resulting priority graph is still acyclic.
- Case 2: A process leaves the network. A new priority graph is a subgraph of the original graph, and so the new graph cannot have cycles. If it were to have any cycles, these cycles would have presented in the original graph as well, which is not the case. Thus, the resulting priority network is acyclic.
- Case 3: A process eats. In this case, based on our hiegenic algorithm, such process will then have the lowest priority among all its neighbors. Thus, all the arrow points to it. If there were a cycle, such cycle could not possibly pass this process. Since the original graph was acyclic, there could not be cycles elsewhere as well. Thus, the resulting priority graph is still acyclic.

4.2 Proof of Safety Properties

S1 **initially** *p.joining*

p is given the state of *joining* in which the philosopher *p* is requesting to join the group and cannot possibly gain any other state until granted acceptance.

S2 p.joining **next** $(p.joining \lor p.thinking)$

This requirement is satisfied because p can be constantly trying to join the party but may be waiting infinitely or it can be granted the state of thinking (which is the only initial state in the party).

S3 p.thinking **next** $(p.thinking \lor p.hungry \lor p.leaving)$

When thinking, the philosopher p can continue thinking, the external controller can issue the order to become hungry, or the controller may tell the philosopher to leave. No other "state" transitions are available to the philosopher at the *thinking* state.

S4 p.hungry **next** (p.hungry \lor p.eating \lor p.leaving)

If a philosopher *p* is told by the external controller to become *hungry*, then it may be told to leave, it may become *eating* due to its hungry nature, or *p* may remain *hungry*.

S5 p.eating **next** $(p.eating \lor p.thinking \lor p.leaving)$

If a philosopher p is eating, then only three cases are possible to the philosopher. First, nothing may happen and the philosopher will continue eating. Second, the external controller can tell the philosopher to $stop_eating$, in which p would become thinking. Third, the external controller can also tell the philosopher to leave, in which p would become leaving. No other transitions are available at this stage.

S6 p.leaving **next** $(p.leaving \lor p.gone)$

When a philosopher *p* has been told to leave by the external controller, it is destined to leave thus may continue its cleanup and remain in the *leaving* stage or the philosopher could complete the *leaving* state and leave, successfully terminating and entering the *gone* state.

S7 p.gone next (p.gone)

When a philosopher *p* is *gone*, the philosopher may not join again (implying it may not reach anymore states) and thus is in the fixed state of *gone*.

S8 $p.eating \Rightarrow \langle \forall q | q \in p.neighbors \rhd \neg q.eating \rangle$ (when a philosopher p is eating, none of its neighbors is eating)

When a philosopher *p* is *eating*, then it holds all of its forks that it shares with its neighbors and since a philosopher needs all of the forks it shares with its neighbors, that philosopher with the forks will be the only one eating.

S9 (*p.thinking* \lor *p.hungry* \lor *p.eating*) $\Rightarrow \langle \forall q | q \in p.neighbors \triangleright p \in q.neighbors \rangle$ (when a philosopher *p* is *thinking*, *hungry*, or *eating*, each of *p*'s neighbors knows that *p* is one of its neighbors)

After joining, a leaving philosopher *q* knows its neighbors and in each state *thinking*, *hungry*, or *eating*, the neighbors list is updated if a neighbor leaves. Thus, each state has a real-time copy of the neighboring philosophers.

Before the philosopher q can leave or remove a neighbor p who is either *thinking*, *hungry*, or *eating* from q. neighbors, we guarantee that p remove q first.

S10 $p.gone \Rightarrow \langle \forall q \triangleright p \notin q.neighbors \rangle$ (when a philosopher p is gone, it is not in any other philosopher's set of neighbors)

From the property S9, we know that if *q* is *thinking*, *hungry*, or *eating*, it must

5 Proof of Progress Properties

PG1 *p.joining* \leadsto^* *p.thinking* (* if its neighbors remain in the network long enough)

After philosopher p has started up, it has given itself the *joining* state. Assuming that the neighbors in which p knows about are running correctly and the network runs as expected and Assumption E3, all other philosophers are bound to hear p's request to join eventually and thus p is guaranteed to be given the state *thinking*.

PG2 p.hungry → p.eating

When *hungry*, a philosopher *p* must be passed the forks once all neighbor philosophers are not eating. TODO [Articulate this...but this is the idea]: Based on the acyclic graph property and our algorithm to make just-finished-eating processes have the lowest priority among their neighbors, we guarantee that the a hungry philosopher will eventually eat.

PG3 p.leaving → p.gone

6 Appendix: Relevant Code

```
1 | % CSCI182E - Distributed Systems
2 % Harvey Mudd College
3 % Dynamic Dining Philosophers
4 % @author Tum Chaturapruek, Patrick Lu, Cory Pruce
5 \ @doc Think, hungry, and eat.
6 -module(philosopher).
7
Public API
11 - export([main/1]).
12
14 %%
               Constants
16
18 %%
               Main Function
20 % The main/1 function.
21 main (Params) ->
   % try
22
23
      % The first parameter is destination node name
24
      % It is a lowercase ASCII string with no periods or @ signs in it.
25
      NodeName = hd(Params),
26
27
      % 0 or more additional parameters, each of which is the Erlang node
      % name of a neighbor of the philosopher.
28
29
      NeighborsList = tl (Params),
30
      Neighbors = lists:map(fun(Node) -> list_to_atom(Node) end,
31
       NeighborsList),
32
      %% IMPORTANT: Start the empd daemon!
33
      os:cmd("epmd -daemon"),
34
      % format microseconds of timestamp to get an
35
      % effectively -unique node name
36
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37
           net_kernel:start([list_to_atom(NodeName), shortnames]),
38
39
           register(philosopher, self()),
40
41
           %joining
42
           philosophize(joining, Neighbors, dict:new()),
43
44
       halt().
45
46
47 % This is a helper function to that sends forks to all
48 % processes in a list.
49 sendForks([], ForksList) -> ForksList;
50 sendForks(Requests, ForksList) ->
51
       print("Sending the fork to ~p~n", [hd(Requests)]),
52
       ForkList = dict:erase(hd(Requests), ForksList),
53
      NewForkList = dict:append(hd(Requests), {0, "SPAGHETTI"}, ForkList),
54
       {philosopher, hd(Requests)} ! {node(), fork},
55
      sendForks(tl(Requests), NewForkList).
56
57 % Check to see if a process has all the forks
58 % it needs to eat
59 haveAllForks([], -) -> true;
60 have All Forks (Neighbors, Forks List) ->
           case (dict:find(hd(Neighbors), ForksList)) of
61
62
               %Request the fork
               \{ok, [\{0, \}]\} \rightarrow print("Don't have all forks^n"),
63
64
                              false;
65
               {ok, [{1,_}]} -> haveAllForks(tl(Neighbors), ForksList)
66
           end.
67
68 % Constantly query neighbor philosophers to make sure that they are still
69 % there. If one is gone, delete fork to that philosopher and remove from
70 % neighbors list, sufficiently removing the edge. Otherwise, keep
71 % philosophizing.
72
73 check_neighbors([], _{-})-> ok;
  check_neighbors([X|XS], ParentPid) ->
75
      spawn(fun() -> monitor_neighbor(X, ParentPid) end),
76
       check_neighbors(XS, ParentPid).
77
  monitor_neighbor(Philosopher, ParentPid) ->
79
       erlang:monitor(process, {philosopher, Philosopher}), %{RegName, Node}
80
          receive
81
           \{ DOWN', \_Ref, process, \_Pid, normal \} \rightarrow
82
               ParentPid ! {self(), check, Philosopher};
83
           \{ \ \ DOWN', \ \ \_Ref, \ process, \ \ \_Pid, \ \ \ \_Reason \} \ ->
               ParentPid ! {self(), missing, Philosopher}
84
85
          end.
86
87 | % requests each neighbor to join the network, one at a time,
88 when joining there shouldn't be any other requests for forks or leaving going on
89 %If another process requests to join during the joining phase, hold onto it until
90 \%successfully joined and then handle it using the erlang mailbox.
91 requestJoin([], ForksList)-> ForksList;
92 requestJoin (Neighbors, ForksList)->
           print("Process ~p at node ~p sending request to ~s~n",
93
94
               [self(), node(), hd(Neighbors)]),
95
           {philosopher, hd(Neighbors)} ! {node(), requestJoin},
```

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96
            receive
 97
                \{Node, ok\} \rightarrow
 98
                    print("!Got reply (from ~p): ok!~n", [Node]),
                    ForkList = dict:append(Node, {0, "SPAGHETTI SAUCE"}, ForksList),
 99
100
                    requestJoin(tl(Neighbors), ForkList)
101
            end.
102
103 \%% im pretty sure that the message passing should be the other way around since
104 \%we are only writing the philosophers' code and not the external controller's.
105 \%\Was the infinite_loop intended to be a test controller? Also, should we keep using
       NewRef or just use NewRef for eating?
106 requestForks([],_) -> print("No more neighbors to request ~n");
107 requestForks (Neighbors, ForksList)->
           %See if we have the fork from this edge
108
            case (dict:find(hd(Neighbors), ForksList)) of
109
                %Request the fork if 0
110
                \{ok, [\{0, \_\}]\} \rightarrow print("Requesting fork^n"),
111
112
                               {philosopher, hd(Neighbors)} ! {node(), requestFork};
113
                \{ok, [\{1, ..\}]\} \rightarrow ok
114
            end,
            requestForks(tl(Neighbors), ForksList).
115
116
117 % This is the joining state, initially the process will try to join
118 % by getting acknowledgement from all its neighors. Only when it has
119 % acknowledgement can it transition to thinking
120 philosophize (joining, Neighbors, ForkList)->
     print("Joining n"),
121
122
     %philosophize(Ref, thinking, Neighbors);
123
        ForksList = requestJoin(Neighbors, ForkList),
124
        print("Requested to join everybody~n"),
125
       % spawn processes to monitor neighbors once joined
126
       check_neighbors(Neighbors, self()),
127
       %now we start thinking
128
        philosophize(thinking, Neighbors, ForksList);
129
130
131 When thinking, we can be told to leave, to become hungry,
132 % or get request for a fork
133 philosophize (thinking, Neighbors, ForksList)->
134
      print("Thinking n"),
135
      receive
136
          % Told by exteranl controller to leave
137
         {NewNode, leaving} ->
                print("~p left, removing him from lists", [NewNode]),
138
                NewNeighbors = lists:delete(NewNode, Neighbors),
139
140
                NewForkList = dict:erase(NewNode, ForksList),
                philosophize(thinking, NewNeighbors, NewForkList);
141
142
         % Told by another philosopher that he's leaving
143
         {Pid, NewRef, leave} ->
144
               print("Leaving~n"),
145
               philosophize (leaving, Neighbors, ForksList, Pid, NewRef);
146
147
        % Told to become hungry
         {Pid, NewRef, become_hungry} ->
148
149
               print("becoming hungry n"),
150
               %Send fork requests to everyone
151
               requestForks(Neighbors, ForksList),
152
               print("Sent requests for forks n"),
153
               case (haveAllForks(Neighbors, ForksList)) of
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true -> Pid ! {NewRef, eating},
154
155
                         print("Have all forks! n"),
156
                         philosophize (eating, Neighbors, ForksList, []);
157
                  false -> print("Don't have all forks :(~n"),
158
                         philosophize(hungry, Neighbors, ForksList, [], Pid, NewRef)
159
               end;
160
        % Another process requests to join
161
        {NewNode, requestJoin} ->
162
               print("~p requested to Join, accepting~n", [NewNode]),
163
164
               NewNeighbors = lists:append(Neighbors, [NewNode]),
               ForkList = dict:append(NewNode, {1, "DIRTY"}, ForksList),
165
166
               {philosopher, NewNode} ! {node(), ok},
               philosophize(thinking, NewNeighbors, ForkList);
167
       % Another philosopher is checking if this philosopher is still running
168
        {_Pid , missing , Who} -> print("~p has gone missing!~n",[Who]),
169
170
               NewNeighbors = Neighbors — [Who],
171
         ForkList = dict:erase(Who, ForksList),
172
173
         philosophize(thinking, NewNeighbors, ForkList);
174
       % monitor alerting that a leaving philosopher has left
175
       \{ Pid, check, Who \} \rightarrow
176
         print("~p has left for sure, more SPAGHETTI for me!~n", [Who]),
177
         NewNeighbors = Neighbors — [Who],
178
         ForkList = dict:erase(Who, ForksList),
         philosophize(thinking, NewNeighbors, ForkList);
179
        % We get a request for a fork, which we send since we don't need it
180
           {NewNode, requestFork} ->
181
182
               print("sending fork to ~p~n",[NewNode]),
183
               %delete the fork from the list send message
               ForkList = dict: erase (NewNode, ForksList),
184
               NewForkList = dict:append(NewNode, {0, "DIRTY"}, ForkList),
185
186
               {philosopher, NewNode} ! {node(), fork},
187
               philosophize (thinking, Neighbors, NewForkList)
188
      end.
189
190
191 % Eating phase, the philosopher has all the forks it needs from its neighbors,
192 % eventually exits back to thinking or leaving, requests are handled once told
193 % to stop eating
194 philosophize (eating, Neighbors, ForksList, Requests) ->
195
        print("eating!~n"),
196
        receive
197
          % Told by exteranl controller to leave
198
            {NewNode, leaving} ->
199
                print("~p left, removing him from lists~n", [NewNode]),
200
                NewNeighbors = lists:delete(NewNode, Neighbors),
201
                NewForkList = dict:erase(NewNode, ForksList),
                philosophize(eating, NewNeighbors, NewForkList, Requests);
202
203
           % Told by another philosopher that he's leaving
204
           {Pid, NewRef, leave} ->
               print("leaving n"),
205
206
               philosophize (leaving, Neighbors, ForksList, Pid, NewRef);
207
           % Told by external controller to stop eating
208
           {Pid, NewRef, stop_eating} ->
209
               print("stopped_eating~n"),
210
               %send the forks to the processes that wanted them
211
               ForkList = sendForks(Requests, ForksList),
212
               Pid ! {NewRef, fork},
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philosophize(thinking, Neighbors, ForkList);
213
214
          % Another philosopher is checking if this philosopher is still running
215
        \{ \_Pid , missing , Who \} \longrightarrow
               print("~p has gone missing!~n",[Who]),
216
217
               NewNeighbors = Neighbors — [Who],
         ForkList = dict:erase(Who, ForksList),
218
         philosophize(thinking, NewNeighbors, ForkList);
219
220
       % monitor alerting that a leaving philosopher has left
221
       \{-Pid, check, Who\} \rightarrow
222
         print("~p has left for sure, more SPAGHETTI for me!~n", [Who]),
223
         NewNeighbors = Neighbors — [Who],
224
         ForkList = dict: erase (Who, ForksList),
225
         philosophize(thinking, NewNeighbors, ForkList);
226
       %Another process requests to join
227
           % Handle when another process wants to join us
228
           {NewNode, requestJoin} ->
229
                print("~p requested to join~n",[NewNode]),
230
                % if we get a join request, just create the fork and give acknowledgement
231
                NewRequests = lists:append(Neighbors, [NewNode]),
                ForkList = dict:append(NewNode, {1, "DIRTY"}, ForksList),
232
233
                {philosopher, NewNode} ! {node(), ok},
234
                philosophize(eating, Neighbors, ForkList, NewRequests)
235
       end.
236 % Is hungry, already requested all the forks
237 philosophize (hungry, Neighbors, ForksList, RequestList, Pid, Ref)->
238
        print("Hungry, waiting for forks n"),
239
       receive
240
       %Get the fork from the other process
241
            {NewPid, NewRef, leave} ->
242
               print("Leaving n"),
243
               philosophize (leaving, Neighbors, ForksList, NewPid, NewRef);
244
            {NewNode, leaving} ->
245
                print("~p left, removing him from lists~n", [NewNode]),
                NewNeighbors = lists:delete(NewNode, Neighbors),
246
247
                NewForkList = dict:erase(NewNode, ForksList),
248
                case (haveAllForks(NewNeighbors, NewForkList)) of
249
                  true -> Pid ! {Ref, eating},
                         philosophize(eating, NewNeighbors, NewForkList, RequestList);
250
251
                  false -> philosophize(hungry, NewNeighbors, NewForkList, RequestList,
                      Pid, Ref)
252
253
            % Get a fork from a process, add it to the list and see if we have
254
           % all of them to eat
255
            \{NewNode, fork\} \rightarrow
256
                print("Got fork from ~p~n",[NewNode]),
257
                ForkList = dict: erase (NewNode, ForksList),
                NewForkList = dict:append(NewNode, {1, "CLEAN"}, ForkList),
258
259
                case (haveAllForks(Neighbors, NewForkList)) of
260
                  true -> Pid ! {Ref, eating},
                         philosophize(eating, Neighbors, NewForkList, RequestList);
261
262
                  false -> philosophize(hungry, Neighbors, NewForkList, RequestList, Pid,
263
                end;
264
           % Another process joins, create the fork and give acknowledgement
265
            {NewNode, requestJoin} ->
266
                print("~p requested to join~n",[NewNode]),
267
                %if we get a join request, just create the fork and give acknowledgement
                dict:append(NewNode, [1, "DIRTY"], ForksList),
268
269
                {philosopher, NewNode} ! {node(), ok};
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270
                % if someone requests a fork
271
            % Another philosopher is checking if this philosopher is still running
272
          {Pid, missing, Who} ->
               print("~p has gone missing!~n",[Who]),
273
274
               NewNeighbors = Neighbors — [Who],
275
         ForkList = dict:erase(Who, ForksList),
276
         philosophize(thinking, NewNeighbors, ForkList);
277
       % monitor alerting that a leaving philosopher has left
278
         {Pid, check, Who} ->
279
         print("~p has left for sure, more SPAGHETTI for me!~n", [Who]),
280
         NewNeighbors = Neighbors — [Who],
281
         ForkList = dict: erase (Who, ForksList),
282
         philosophize(thinking, NewNeighbors, ForkList);
283
    % Check the priority and give the fork only if they have
284
           % higher priority
285
            {NewNode, requestFork} ->
                print("~p requested the fork~n",[NewNode]),
286
287
                case (dict:find(NewNode, ForksList)) of
288
                %Check status
289
                {ok, [{1, "CLEAN"}]} -> print("My fork!, but I'll remember you wanted it"
                    n"),
290
                                     RequestsList = lists:append(RequestList, [NewNode]),
                                     philosophize (hungry, Neighbors, ForksList,
291
                                         RequestsList, Pid, Ref);
292
                {ok, [{1, "DIRTY"}]} -> print("~p Fine, I give it up~n",[NewNode]),
293
                               ForkList = dict: erase (NewNode, ForksList),
294
                               NewForkList = dict:append(NewNode, [0, "SPAGHETTI SAUCE"],
                                   ForkList),
295
                               {philosopher, NewNode} ! {node(), fork},
296
                               philosophize (hungry, Neighbors, NewForkList, RequestList,
                                   Pid, Ref)
297
                end
298
         end,
299
        philosophize (hungry, Neighbors, ForksList, RequestList, Pid, Ref).
300
301
302 % Before leaving, the philosopher sends messages to all its neighbors
303 % telling them he's leaving and then leaves. Gone is not really a state,
304 % just alerts controller that he successfully left
305 philosophize (leaving, [], _, Pid, Ref) -> Pid! {Ref, gone},
306
        print("I'm gone forever!~n"),
307
        halt();
308
   philosophize (leaving, Neighbors, ForksList, Pid, Ref) ->
        {philosopher, hd(Neighbors)} ! {node(), leaving},
309
310
        philosophize (leaving, tl (Neighbors), ForksList, Pid, Ref).
311
312
313 | W Helper functions for timestamp handling.
314 get_two_digit_list(Number) ->
315
      if Number < 10 \rightarrow
316
           ["0"] ++ integer_to_list(Number);
317
         true ->
318
           integer_to_list(Number)
319
      end.
320
321
   get_three_digit_list(Number) ->
322
      if Number < 10 ->
323
           ["00"] ++ integer_to_list(Number);
324
        Number < 100 ->
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325
             ["0"] ++ integer_to_list(Number);
326
         true ->
327
           integer_to_list(Number)
328
329
330
   get_formatted_time() ->
      {MegaSecs, Secs, MicroSecs} = now(),
331
332
      {{Year, Month, Date},{Hour, Minute, Second}} =
333
        calendar:now_to_local_time({MegaSecs, Secs, MicroSecs}),
334
      integer_to_list(Year) ++ ["-"] ++
     get_two_digit_list(Month) ++ ["-"] ++
335
      get_two_digit_list(Date) ++ [" "] ++
336
337
      get_two_digit_list(Hour) ++ [":"] ++
338
     get_two_digit_list(Minute) ++ [":"] ++
339
      get_two_digit_list(Second) ++ ["."] ++
340
      get_three_digit_list (MicroSecs div 1000).
341
342 | % print / 1
343 % includes system time.
344 print (To_Print) ->
345
     io:format(get_formatted_time() ++ ": " ++ To_Print).
346
347 % print /2
348 | print(To_Print, Options) ->
      io:format(get_formatted_time() ++ ": " ++ To_Print, Options).
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