

Distributed Systems

Focus on: Collaborative Platforms, Shared Memory Distributed Algorithms

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- I. Computer Supported Collaborative Work
- II. Shared Memory Theory
- III. Distributed Algorithms for Shared Memory Management
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Collaboration

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Collaboration Domain

- Internet → a new powerful communication vector
- Improvement of performance
 - ❖ Processors level (compression treatments...)
 - ❖ Networks levels (flow rates, Quality of Services, ...)
- Different domains
 - ❖ Remote teaching: teleteaching
 - ❖ Tele-Medicine
 - ❖ Collaborative editing
 - ❖ videoconferencing...

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What are the specificities of this kind of applications

- Are images the only one medium?
- Is the text used? Discrete Media
- Does this application use audio?
- And video? Continuous Media

Two types (groups) of media are distinguished

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Collaborative Work is a part of CSCW

- Before the emergence of the concept of CSCW, we, computer scientist, thought that our developments must manage collaborative work transparently for users.
- But, during a collaboration phase (face-to-face or using computer) we need to see what the other users are doing. Or, at least, we need to feel what the other users are doing.
 - It is the awareness
- For example: during this talk, I can see on your faces if you are interested. If my talk was broadcasted using remote teaching platform, I would not be able to know that.
 - New awareness tools are needed

CSCW: a pluridisciplinary domain

Psychology, Linguistic, Sociology, Ethnology...

Network, Artificial intelligence, Distributed systems...

Other point of view

AWARENESS
In our team we think that awareness is needed
Are we wrong ? or not ?

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Collaborative Architecture Models

Centralized

Hybrid

Replicated

Centralized Architecture

Only one process manages the consistency of data and actions in the globality of the system.

functional core interface

Centralized

Advantages: simplicity of implementation for the synchronization and concurrency problems.

Disadvantages: the response time is increased, and fault tolerance can not be processed.

Replicated Architecture

One process is associated to each user. Data are replicated on each site (processor) and the consistency will be maintained using communications between sites.

Advantages: speed due to local accesses, and fault tolerance due to the data redundancy involved by replications.

Disadvantages: difficulty of implementation including data consistency and scheduling of actions.

Hybrid Architecture

A centralized process is in charge of data consistency, and one process per user manages users actions on interface.

Advantages: The simplicity and the partial resolution of problems begotten by the centralized management.

Disadvantages: difficulty to implement the fault tolerance.

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Groupware Interfaces

Collaborative spaces model From 3-leaf clover to 4-leaf and finally 5-leaf clover.

GENIE GENeric Interface

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Memory Space Sharing

- ❖ A collaborative work
 - ↳ Shared context between collaborative members
- ❖ Message-passing : very heavy to manage, very costly.
- ❖ Distributed shared memory: transparent data sharing

?? Replicated Space or Distributed Space ??

Distributed Space Vs Replicated Space

Distributed Space
an aggregate shared address space

Replicated Space
Various occurrences of the same space

Proc 1 Proc 2 Proc 3

Proc 1 Proc 2 Proc 3

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Distributed Space Vs Replicated Space

- ❖ Or an object is stored on one processor only,
- ❖ Or an object is stored on each processor which uses it.

Problems of replications consistency appear.

❖ Sharing → a set of data, a set of objects

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Data consistency

- ❖ Several copies of a same shared memory object (several occurrences of a same shared memory object) are present in the system, but:

What is the most recent?

What is the most consistent?

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Consistency problem example

Collaborative work (Teledagnostic)

Practitioner 1: Thresholding + Edge Detection

Practitioner 2: Thresholding + Edge Detection

Data consistency

Consensus (Thresholding + Edge Detection)

consistency

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Formalism

- ❖ $R_{p_i}(o)v$: Reading by a processor P_i of an object o which return v value.
- ❖ $W_{p_i}(o)v$: Writing by a processor P_i of v value on an object o .

Execution History

Time Axis on P_i

$R_{p_i}(x)1$
 $W_{p_i}(x)2$
 $R_{p_i}(x)2$

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Consistency: a problem of writing order

On Processor 1: 1. Edge Detection

On the remote Processor 2: 1. Thresholding

Edge Detection + Thresholding

Thresholding + Edge Detection

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Now, your Job: to write this execution history

- $R_p(o)v$: Reading by a processor p of an object o which return v value.
- $W_p(o)v$: Writing by a processor p of v value on an object o .
- Writing sequences in our example :
 - ❖ $W_{p1}(\text{WorkSpace})\text{Picture}$ noted $W_{p1}(\text{WS})P$,
 - ❖ $W_{p1}(\text{WorkSpace})\text{Gray Levels Transformation}$ noted $W_{p1}(\text{WS})G$,
 - ❖ $W_{p1}(\text{WorkSpace})\text{Edge Detection}$ noted $W_{p1}(\text{WS})ED$,
 - ❖ $W_{p2}(\text{WorkSpace})\text{Thresholding}$ noted $W_{p2}(\text{WS})T$.

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Correction Execution History: Scheduling Problem

Consistency Problem

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Consistency types

- Non-synchronized
 - ❖ 5 types,
 - ❖ 3 types really in used in applications,
 - ❖ 2 theoretical types.
- Synchronized

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Definition using constraints

- Some shared memory need less constraints, to have a management more flexible.
- Weaken the consistency allows better performance in execution .
- The different types of consistency are classified following to the constraints: time, order...

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The Constraints

- C1: The operations are observable simultaneously on all processors.
- C2: The global observed order of the operations is the same on each processor. All processors observe the same sequence but not on the same time.
- C3: The only one execution order, which is respected, is the causality (read / write).
- C4: The execution order is only respected for operations made on the same processor.
- C5: The execution order is only respected for operations made on the same processor and on the same object.

In these models all operations can be observed on all processors

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The 5 non-synchronized models

Atomic
Sequential
Causal
PRAM
Slow memory } Theoretical models

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Atomic Consistency

This history respects the atomic consistency

Atomic consistency is respected within δt

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Atomic Consistency

This history does not respect The atomic consistency

In this model it is not possible to observe this sequence:
 $R_{p2}(x)1$ after $W_{p1}(x)3$

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Now, your Job: identify and justify histories that respect (or not) the atomic consistency

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Sequential Consistency

The C1 constraint is no more respected:

- C1: The operations are observable simultaneously on all processors.
- The global observed order of the operations is the same on each processor. All processors observe the same sequence but not on the same time.

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Sequential Consistency

The operations sequence is:
 $R_{p1}(x)1 \succ R_{p1}(x)2 \succ R_{p1}(x)3$

Sequential Consistency

Because operations sequences are different on P₁ and on P₂:
 $R_{p2}(x)1 \succ R_{p2}(x)2 \succ R_{p2}(x)3$
 $R_{p3}(x)1 \succ R_{p3}(x)3 \succ R_{p3}(x)2$

Now, your Job: identify and justify histories that respect (or not) the sequential consistency

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Causal Consistency

The C2 constraint is no more respected:

- C2: The global observed order of the operations is the same on each processor. All processors observe the same sequence but not on the same time.
- The only one execution order, which is respected, is the causality (read / write).

Causal Consistency

These constraints have to be respected:
 $R_{p1}(x)1 \succ R_{p1}(x)2 \succ R_{p1}(x)3$

Now, your Job: to draw all dependencies

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Non-exhaustive list of dependencies

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Causal Consistency (Theoretical models)

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PRAM Consistency (Theoretical models)

The C3 constraint is no more respected:

- C3: The only one execution order, which is respected, is the causality (read / write).
- The execution order is only respected for operations made on the same processor.

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Slow Memory (Theoretical models)

The C4 constraint is no more respected:

- ❑ C4: The execution order is only respected for operations made on the same processor.
- ❑ The execution order is only respected for operations made on the same processor and on the same object.

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Slow Memory Consistency

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Slow Memory Consistency

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Synchronized Consistency Models

In these first five models, all writing operations have to be observable by all processors.

- ❑ In these last two models, all operations are not necessary observable. Only operations, which are synchronized, are observable.
- ❑ Two models are exposed:
 - ❖ The weak ordering,
 - ❖ The release consistency.

Session 2

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Weak Ordering

- ❑ A new operator is defined S, used with $R_{p_i}(o)v$ et $W_{p_i}(o)v$.
- ❑ Remark: it is possible to defined S for each object: S_x, S_y

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Weak Ordering

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Weak Ordering

This history does not respect The weak ordering consistency

On P₂ after S, the returned value on an x reading cannot be 1.

Release consistency

- It is a refinement of the weak ordering model.
- Indeed in the weak ordering model, during a synchronization phase it is not possible to determined if a processor is writing or is reading.
- Acq (Acquire) operation reports the critical section entry.
- Rel (Release) operation reports the critical section exit.

Release consistency

This history respects the Release consistency

On P₂ after Acq, the returned value on an x reading can only be 3.

On P₃ there is no synchronization, so there is no constraint on readings for P₃.

Now, your Job: identify and justify histories that respect (or not) the release consistency

Correction

2 simultaneous critical access sections

These models are theoretical ones, but what are the algorithms that really implement these models

- Until now, the course has defined only the theory of consistency.
- Now, we need to study the real protocols that allows to respect these models.

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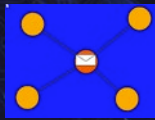
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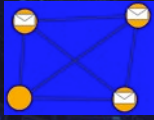
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Broadcast of Information

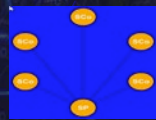
- To guarantee that messages arrive ordered, without loss and duplication
- To facilitate the management of shared data consistency
- 3 types of protocols exist:



Asymmetric Protocol



Symmetric Protocol



Turning Coordinator Protocol

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Invalidation Protocol Specifications

- Replicated memory: an object is stored on each processor which uses it.
- The grain of the application is the object.
- This protocol uses the technics of invalidation on writing.
- From an object point of view, this protocol is a simpleWriter/multipleReaders one.
- From the memory point of view, this protocol is a multipleWriters/multipleReaders one.
- The owner of an object is the only one which can write on this object

After each writing an invalidation must be broadcast → For each object

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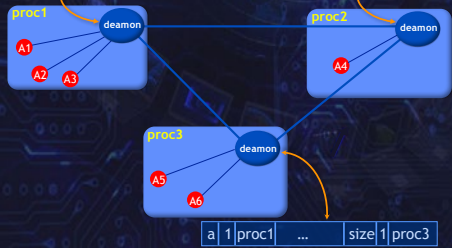
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Invalidation Protocol

□ This implementation was made using a message passing platform. On each server a daemon is running.

a 1 proc1 ... size 1 proc3

a 1 proc1 ... size 0 proc3



a 1 proc1 ... size 1 proc3

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Invalidation Protocol

Writer

- ❖ The owner
 - writing,
 - Then, invalidation broadcasting.
- ❖ The non-owners
 - request to recover the ownership,
 - Then, ownership change
 - Writing
 - Then, invalidation broadcasting.

Reader

- ❖ The owner
 - Local reading.
- ❖ The non-owners
 - Local reading if valid, if not recover remote value (in the same time the local flag value becomes 1)

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Invalidation protocol: writing

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If the application A1 (on processor proc1) want to write on object a, his daemon is the owner, so it can directly write and it sends the invalidation to the other daemons.

a 1 proc1 ... size 1 proc3 a 0 proc1 ... size 1 proc3

proc1 proc2 proc3

A1 A4 A5

A2 A3 A6

a 0 proc1 ... size 1 proc3

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Invalidation Protocol

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If the application A1 (on processor proc1) wants to read the value of the object a, as the daemon of its processor is the owner, it always reads the local value which is always valid.

If the application A4 (on processor proc2) wants to read the value of the object a, as the daemon of its processor as a invalid value of the object a (flag at 0), and then the flag becomes 1er the last 1 and a local read is possible.

a 1 proc1 ... size 1 proc3 a 1 proc1 ... size 1 proc3

proc1 proc2 proc3

A1 A4 A5

A2 A3 A6

a 1 proc1 ... size 1 proc3

If the application A5 wants to read the value of the object a, as the daemon of its processor as a valid value of the object a (flag at 1), it can read the local value of a.

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Pilgrim Protocol Specifications

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- Replicated memory: an object is stored on each processor which uses it.
- The grain of the application is the object.
- This protocol uses the technics of token ring.
- From an object point of view, this protocol is a simpleWriter/multipleReaders one.
- From the memory point of view, this protocol is a multipleWriters/multipleReaders one.
- The owner of an object is the only one which can write on this object

only one message which allows token circulation is sent → **The Pilgrim**

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The Token or Pilgrim

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O₁₁ O₁₂ O₁₃ O₂₁ O₂₂ O₂₃ O₃₁ O₃₂ O₃₃

node1 node2 node3

No object on node 3 objects list and on garbage list

- Objects broadcasts,
- Messages for objects ownership management.

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Object structure (in Pilgrim Algorithm)

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command parameter rank data

O_j

Structure of an object:

- **Command:** the command can have one value among the following: N(null), D(delete object), C(change object ownership), Q(question to earn object ownership), A(accept to give up object ownership), R(refuse to give up object ownership).
- **Parameter:** the parameter is optional, for example it indicates the number of the asking site.
- **Rank:** the rank is the identifier of the object o_j.
- **Data:** n octets, Data size depends on the cooperative application developed.

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Illustration of the Pilgrim Execution

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Do you remember *The Pilgrim algorithm*?
Together we will think about the automata of an object ownership (simple writer, multiple readers)

Writer

- ❖ The owner
 - writing
- ❖ The non-owners
 - request to recover the ownership,
 - ownership change
 - Writing

Reader

- ❖ The owner
 - Local reading.
- ❖ The non-owners
 - Local reading

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Your Job: to Find the Consistency Model Allowed by the Use of the Invalidation Protocol

Consistency Model Allowed by the Use of the Invalidation Protocol

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Consistency Model Allowed by the Use of the Pilgrim Protocol

Release consistency model

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Validation with model checking tools (average 40 existing MCTs)
The most famous SPIN

SPIN overview

- open-source software tool (<http://spinroot.com>),
- (freely available since 1991),
- one of the most prominent tools for formal verification of distributed software systems,
- developed by Gerald Holzmann at Bell Labs (beginning in 1980),
- awarded the prestigious System Software Award 2001 by the ACM,
- Primer and Reference Manual [Hol03].

To use SPIN, you need to implement your distributed protocol in ProMeLa Language.

ProMeLa (Process Meta Language)
 → the name SPIN stands for *Simple ProMeLa Interpreter*

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- Channel declarations:**
`chan ChannelName = [capacity] of {mtype, T0, T2, . . . , Tk-1};`
- ChannelName :** name of the channel,
- capacity :** capacity of the FIFO channel (0 in Pilgrim),
- T_i, 0 ≤ i ≤ k-1 :** type of transmittable data (tuples),
 - Example: `{mtype, byte, byte, byte, int, byte, byte, int, byte, byte, int};`
- Mtype is the Label:** example `mtype = {pilgrim, ackn, premier}`

Communication:

- synchronous message passing ← capacity 0,
- asynchronous message passing ← capacity > 1,

Communication actions:

- sending: `ChannelName! expr1, expr2, . . . , exprk;`
 - Example: `token[node 1]!pilgrim(c1, f1, p1, d1, c2, f2, p2, d2, c3, f3, p3, d3);`
- receiving: `ChannelName? x1, x2, . . . , xk;`
 - Example: `ack[node 1]?ackn`

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- Repetitive command/loop:**
`do`
`:: (g) -> statement` ← WHILE (g) DO statement OD
`od`
- Conditional command:**
`if`
`:: (g) -> statement1` ← IF (g) THEN statement₁ ELSE statement₂ FI
`:: (~g) -> statement2`
`fi`
- Non deterministic loop:**
`do`
`::(true) -> statement1,`
`::(true) -> statement2`
`od`

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SPIN: Classic Presented Case

- If several parts are kept activable simultaneously when each of them has an equal probability chance being selected: *non deterministic decisions*. This means that during checking all solutions will be verified.

```

proctype transmitter(){
  byte info = 1
  do
    :: (true) -> support! data, info;
    :: (true) -> support! control, info;
  od
}

proctype receiver(){
  byte info;
  do /* loop => exit with break */
    :: (true) -> support? data, info -> printf("received data message: %d", info)
    :: (true) -> support? control, info -> printf("received control message: %d", info)
  od
}

init {
  atomic { /* execution of an indivisible sequence */
    /* Parallel processes instantiation */
    run transmitter();
    run receiver();
  }
}
    
```

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SPIN: Extracts of Pilgrim ProMeLa Implementation

```

#define N 100
#define R 102
#define A 103
#define Q 104

#define TRUE 1
#define FALSE 0

#define PROCESSEUR 3

mtype = {pilgrim, ackn, premier}

chan token[PROCESSEUR] = [0] of
{mtype, byte, byte, byte, int, byte, byte, int, byte, byte, int};

chan ack[PROCESSEUR] = [0] of {mtype};
    
```

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SPIN: Extracts of Pilgrim ProMeLa Implementation

```

init {
  byte s;
  atomic {
    run premierenvoi();
    /* Creation of SUCC and PRED lists */
    s=0;
    do
      :: (s < PROCESSEUR) -> AnneauSucc[s] = (s+1) % PROCESSEUR ;
      AnneauPred[s] = (PROCESSEUR + s-1) % PROCESSEUR ;
      s=s+1;
    od;
    /* Successive startup of the different nodes*/
    s=0;
    do
      :: (s < PROCESSEUR) -> run Recevoir(s);
      s=s+1;
    od
  }
}
    
```

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SPIN: Extracts of Pilgrim ProMeLa Implementation

```

do
  :: token[s]? msg(c1,f1,p1,d1,c2,f2,p2,d2,c3,f3,p3,d3); /* receiving */
  ...
  if
    ::(msg == pilgrim) -> ack[AnneauPred[s]]lackn; /*sending of Ack */
    ...
    if
      ::(s==p1) -> do
        ::(TRUE) -> ...
        break;
        ::(TRUE) -> ...
        break;
      od;
      ::(s==p2) -> do
        ::(TRUE) -> ...
        break;
        ::(TRUE) -> ...
        break;
      od;
    fi
  fi
  /* pilgrim sending and ack waiting */
  token[AnneauSucc[s]]! pilgrim(c1,f1,p1,d1,c2,f2,p2,d2,c3,f3,p3,d3);
  ack[s]? Ackn;
  ::(msg==premier) -> token[AnneauSucc[s]]! pilgrim(c1,f1,p1,d1,c2,f2,p2,d2,c3,f3,p3,d3);
  ack[s]? ackn;
od
  
```

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XSPIN Visualization (token with 3 nodes)

The slide shows a Message Sequence Chart (MSC) window with three nodes (1, 2, 3) and a diagram below showing a ring of three nodes with a token circulating between them.

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Xspin Visualization (token with 4 nodes)

The slide shows a Message Sequence Chart (MSC) window with four nodes (1, 2, 3, 4) and a diagram below showing a ring of four nodes labeled 'modeled ring'.

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Execution Results on XSPIN

After one night of calculation... 🤪

- With a depth of 9999 in the execution tree
- No error were found

Verification Output window showing: "Full state-space search for: ... State-vector: 172 bytes, depth reached: 999, errors: 0"

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Execution Results on XSPIN

SMV from Carnegie Mellon University... Model Checking @CMU

Cadence SMV is a symbolic model checking tool that allows you to formally verify temporal logic properties of finite state systems, such as computer hardware designs

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A Petri Net Specification

- PN consists of three types of components: *places* (circles), *transitions* (rectangles) and *arcs* (arrows):
 - Places represent possible states of the system;
 - Transitions are events or actions which cause the change of state;
 - Every arc simply connects a place with a transition or a transition with a place;
 - Tokens are dots (or integers) associated with places; a place containing tokens indicates that the corresponding condition holds.

input place, token, input arc, transition, output place, output arc

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A Change of State in Petri Net: the Firing of a transition

- From a place one way or another
- From transition: duplication of the token

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A Change of State in Petri Net: the Firing of a transition

- is denoted by a movement of *token(s)* (yellow dots) from place(s) to place(s); and is caused by the *firing* of a transition.
- The firing represents an occurrence of the event or an action taken.
- The firing is subject to the input conditions, denoted by token availability.

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Extension with on input arcs

- It is possible to defined a weight on input arcs: it is the number of token which are consumed

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Several Distributed Algorithms Phases Modelized by Petri Net.

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Concurrency

Independent inputs permit "concurrent" firing of transitions

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Conflict
Overlapping (sharing) inputs put transitions in conflict

Only one of a or b may fire

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The two subnets are forced to synchronize

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Mutual Exclusion
Your job: The two subnets are forced to synchronize with equity

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Mutual Exclusion
Another solution: student's one

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Mutual Exclusion
Another solution: a second student's one

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Your Job: to Create the Petri Net (PN) for the Following Execution
Fork one place to 3 places, work parallel, and then Join 3 places to one.

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Your Job: to Create the Petri Net (PN) for the Following Execution
A Cycle of Producer with Buffer (also called WaitingPlace: Place with 3 possible tokens) and a Cycle of Consumer

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Possibility of Label Attachment:

- Label on transitions: actions for example -*treat*-, -*realize task*-, -*open*-...
- Label on places: present participle or adjective for example -*beginning the job*-, -*exiting the job*-, -*active*-, -*inactive*-...

Parallelization of matrix treatments

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Your Job: to Create the Petri Net (PN) for the Following Execution
A token ring with 3 nodes, on each node a task to realize on each round

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Animation
A token ring with 3 nodes, on each node a task to realize on each round

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Possible Declinaisons of Petri Net

- Inhibitor arcs:**
 - Inhibitor arcs are represented with a circle-headed arc.
 - The transition can fire iff the inhibitor place does not contain tokens.
- Weight & Capacity:** It is possible to define every place has a capacity and every arc has a weight.
- Timed Petri Net:**
 - Time delays associated with transitions and/or places.
 - Fixed delays or interval delays.
 - Stochastic Petri nets: exponentially distributed random variables as delays.
- Coloured Petri Net:** Tokens or places have "colours", holding complex information.

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A Token Ring with 3 Nodes
With Inhibition Arcs and One Inactive Node

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A Token Ring with 3 Nodes With Inhibition Arcs and Only One Active Node

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Behavioural Properties: a Way to Prove the Protocols

- Reachability (atteignabilité)
 - ❖ "Can we reach one particular state from another?"
- Boundedness (est-il borné)
 - ❖ "Will a storage place overflow?"
- Liveness (vivacité)
 - ❖ "Will the system die in a particular state?"

□ Softwares and tools: TINA (INRIA), PEP, HiQPN, Design/CPN

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Your Job to conclude this Part on Petri Net: The five Philosophers Wellknown Problem

In 1965, Dijkstra posed and solved a synchronization problem called the dining philosophers problem. The problem can be stated as follows:

- Five philosophers are sitting around a circular table. Each philosopher has a plate.
- A philosopher can eat only if he has two chopsticks, one between each plate.
- The life of a philosopher alternates between thinking and eating.
- When a philosopher finishes eating, he puts down his chopsticks, one at a time.
- If a philosopher successfully acquires two chopsticks, he eats for a while, then puts down the chopsticks and continues to think.

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First Classical Solution

eat_i: state eating
cp_i: state chopstick present
Think_i: state thinking

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Your Job: to Add Equity Between Philosophers ? A Philosopher Can Eat for the Second Time Only if his Other Colleagues Have Already Ate

- The first modelization allows to one philosopher to eat many times, and his neighbors cannot eat
- It should be interesting to propose a mecanism to allows to share fairly the possibility to eat.

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Solution with Equity

One philosopher eats alone
two philosophers simultaneously eat

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Other Possible Modelization of Distributed Protocols

- Finite state automata are classically used to modelize distributed protocols.
- These automata are used to prove these protocols.
- A finite state automaton is composed of states and transitions.

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First Example to Understand the Construction of an Automaton

- Remote Teaching Scenario
 - ❖ This is a collaborative example.
 - It is not a lecture course
 - This is a tutorial session: students can communicate with students and they can communicate with the teacher.

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Behaviors Modelization

- To establish study a system, it is first necessary to define the behavior of the actors:
 - ❖ First Automata: the behavior of the students,
 - ❖ Second Automata: the behavior of the teacher.

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Student Behavior

State1: Initial state
 State2: Student requesting a dialog with the teacher
 State3: Student in a dialog with teacher
 State4: Student subject to a student's request for a dialog
 State5: Student in a dialog with another student
 State6: Student requesting a dialog with another student

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Teacher Behavior

State1: Initial state
 State2: Teacher subject to a student's request for a dialog
 State3: Teacher in a dialog with a student

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Do you remember *The five Philosophers* ?
Your job, this time: to design the automata of a philosopher behavior

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Philosopher Behavior (one first simple solution)

State1: Initial state philosopher thinking
 State2: Philosopher eating

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Philosopher Behavior (a solution with separate chopsticks)

State1: Initial state philosopher thinking
 State2: Philosopher with one chopstick
 State3: Philosopher eating

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negative aspect of this solution: this solution will require a subsequent management of neighbors locked in state 2

A farmer is travelling with a wolf, a goat, and a cabbage. The four come to a river that they must cross.

Your Job: to propose a finite state automaton of this behavior

- There is a boat available for crossing the river, but it can carry only the man and at most one other object.
 - The wolf may eat the goat when the man is not around, and,
 - The goat may eat the cabbage when unattended.
- Can the man bring everyone across the river without endangering the goat or the cabbage? And if so, how?

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Your Job: to propose a finite state automaton of this behavior

- Proposed notations:
 - Initial State FWGC // \emptyset , that means the farmer, the wolf, the goat and the cabbage on the left bank, and nobody on the other bank.
 - Final State \emptyset // FWGC.
 - The transitions:
 - Farmer alone on the boat f,
 - Farmer crosses with the wolf fw,
 - Farmer crosses with the goat fg,
 - Farmer crosses with the cabbage fc.
- Rules:
 - The farmer can cross alone or at most one other object.
 - The wolf may eat the goat when the man is not around
 - the goat may eat the cabbage when unattended.

So the following states are inaccessible : GC//FW, FW//GC, FC//WG, WG//FC, F // WGC, WGC // F

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Your Job: to propose a finite state automaton of this behavior

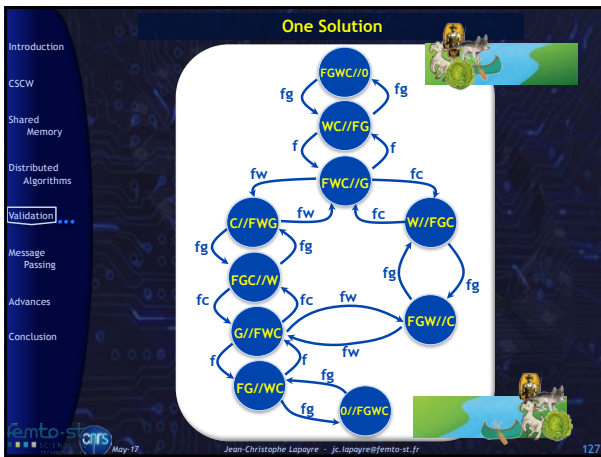
- States examples:
 - FG/WC
 - G//WC
 - FGC//W
- Transitions examples:
 - FG
 - FW
 - FC

These representations are the same state:

CGF//W ↔ GFC//W ↔ FGC//W ↔ FCG//W ↔ CGF//W ↔ CFG//W

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Do you remember *The Pilgrim algorithm*? Together we will think about the automata of an object ownership (simple writer, multiple readers)

Let a whiteboard:

- It is shared by 4 nodes (4 processors),
- and it contains one object: a circle,

The owner of this object is the node2.

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Do you remember *The Pilgrim algorithm*? Together we will think about the automata of an object ownership (simple writer, multiple readers)

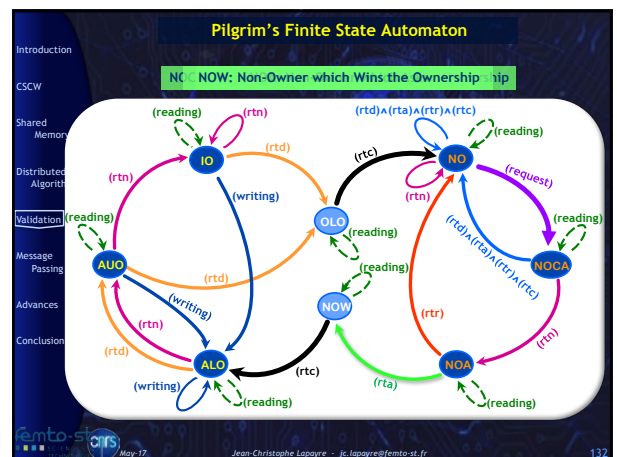
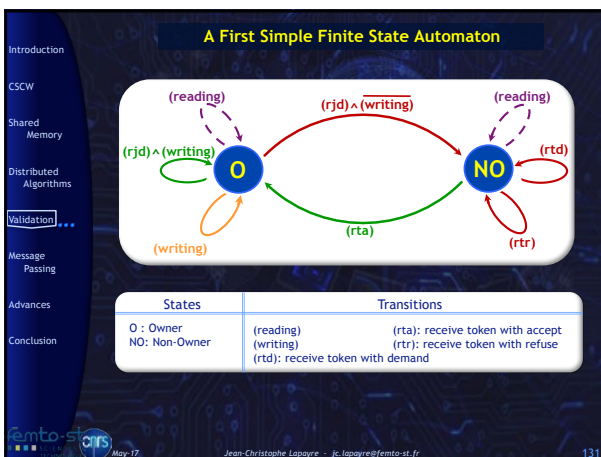
Writer

- ❖ The owner
 - writing
- ❖ The non-owners
 - request to recover the ownership,
 - ownership change
 - Writing

Reader

- ❖ The owner
 - Local reading.
- ❖ The non-owners
 - Local reading

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This Automaton Was Used to Prove these Theorems

- **Mutual Exclusion Theorem:**
The Pilgrim protocol guarantees mutual exclusion for writing on a shared object.
- **Liveliness Theorem:**
An object always has an owner or has one after finite time t.

Pilgrim's Proof

- Let E be the set of states containing $\#$ elements and T the set of transitions(events) containing $\#$ elements,
- The automaton edges represent an application from $E \times T \rightarrow E$
- The structure created is a graph with $\# \cdot \#$ edges.
- $\# = 0$ et $\# = 0$, so the mathematic definition imposes **64**. But some of them are impossible.
- If we strictly abide by this definition, we have to create a trash state which would receive all *impossible edges*. To simplify our model we have not created this state.
- For each state we also state **10** rules defining the automaton, and especially the *impossible events*.

Pilgrim's Proof: 10 rules
For each state we also state **10** rules defining the automaton, and especially the *impossible events*.

- Rule 1:
The (reading) event does not change the state of a site.
- Rule 2:
A site can write on an object only if it is in one of the following states: ALO (Active Locked Owner), ALO (Active Unlocked Owner) or IO (Inactive Owner).
- Rule 3:
A site can send an ownership request for an object only if it is in the NO (Non-Owner) state.
- Rule 4:
At time t one site at the most can be in the NOA (Non-Owner which Asks for the ownership) state.
- Rule 5:
A site in the NOA state cannot receive a message with an accept or refuse command (one of the two events (rt) or (rtr)).
- Rule 6:
A site in the NOW (Non-Owner which Wins the ownership) state or in the OLO (Owner which Loses the Ownership) state cannot receive a token with a request, an accept command or a refuse command (one of the following events (rt), (rt) or (rtr)).

Pilgrim's Proof: 10 rules

- Rule 7:
A site in the NOW (Non-Owner which Wins the ownership) state or in the OLO (Owner which Loses the Ownership) state cannot receive a token with no command (event (rtn)).
- Rule 8:
A site in the NOW (Non-Owner which Wins the ownership) state or in the OLO (Owner which Loses the Ownership) state cannot write on the object.
- Rule 9:
A site in one of the owner states (ALO, ALO, IO or OLO) cannot receive a token with an answer to a request (event (rt) or (rtr)).
- Rule 10:
A site in one of these three owner states (ALO, ALO, IO) cannot receive a token with an owner change command (event (rt)).

Pilgrim's Proof: examples of States Justifications

- **NOA (Non-Owner which Asks the ownership) State:**
Rule 5 recall:
A site in the NOA state cannot receive a message with an accept or refuse command (one of the two events (rt) or (rtr)).

Justification: In this state a site is waiting for an answer to its ownership earn request: accept command or refuse command. if a NOA site received a token with no command or a token with an ownership change command or an ownership earn request (one of the following events (rt), (rt) or (rtd)), this would indicate a dysfunctioning of the system like a fault of the owner that cannot send an answer.

Rules 2 and 3 show that in NOA the events (writing) and (request) are impossible. A (reading) event does not change the state of the site(rule 1).

If the ownership earn request is accepted, the site changes to NOW (Non-Owner which Wins the ownership), and will have to manage the owner change. Otherwise it will return to NO and make another request.

Pilgrim's Proof: examples of States Justifications

- **AUO (Active Unlocked Owner) State:**

Rule 3 shows that in AUO, the event (request) is impossible. A (reading) event does not change the state of the site (rule 1). Rules 9 and 10 show that the following events are impossible: (rt),(rtr) and (rt). If a site in AUO writes on the object, it changes to ALO, because it becomes active again.

We called this state Active Unlocked Owner, because if it receives a token with a request (event (rt)), it has to accept the request. Then, it changes to OLO when receiving a token with no command, it changes to IO (Inactive Owner).

Pilgrim: Proof of Mutual Exclusion Theorem

The Pilgrim protocol guarantees mutual exclusion for writing on a shared object.

- Rule 11: A non-ownership site cannot answer an ownership earn request.
- Lemme 1 : When a site in the NOW (Non-Owner which Wins the ownership) state changes to the ALO (Active Locked Owner) state, the site which was the owner changes to the NO state.
- Lemme 2 : When a site changes from the OLO (Owner which Loses the Ownership) state to the NO (Non-Owner) state, one and only one site becomes the owner of the object. As soon as the winner receives the token, it changes to ALO (Active Locked Owner).

Using Lemme1, and Lemme2, we prove:
 □ Mutual Exclusion Theorem: The Pilgrim protocol guarantees mutual exclusion for writing on a shared object.

At time t_0 , consider a site in ALO (Active Locked Owner) and $\#-1$ sites in NO. The theorem is true at time t_0 , because the ALO site is the only one which can write on the object. We have to prove that this theorem still remains true (for each event that modifies the system).

Conclusion: The mutual exclusion theorem is true at time t_0 and remains true following events which modify the system. Therefore the Pilgrim protocol guarantees mutual exclusion for writing on a shared object.

Pilgrim: Proof of Liveliness Theorem

An object always has an owner or has one after finite time t .

Using the same approach, we have to show that the liveliness theorem is true at time t_0 and that it remains true following various events which modify the system.

At time t_0 , consider a site in ALO (Active Locked Owner) and $\#-1$ sites in NO. The theorem is initially true, because the ALO site is the owner of the object.

Working with Rule1, Rule 2, Lemme2 and Rule 4 the proof is written.

Conclusion: The liveliness theorem is true at time t_0 and remains true following events which modify the system. Therefore with the Pilgrim protocol an object always has an owner or has one after finite time t .

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 - MPI.

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PVM: Parallel Virtual Machine


- Version 1: 1989-90 Oak Ridge National Laboratory (first a research project),
- Version 2: 1991 ; more simple ; more robust,
- Version 3: 1993 ; is more suitable for parallel architectures,
- Version 3.4: Major extensions (Introduction of communicative contexts and static process groups).

- PVM provides a unified framework for developing parallel programs with the existing infrastructure,
- PVM enables a collection of heterogeneous computer systems as a single parallel virtual machine,
- Transparent to the user,

- All tasks on PVM cooperate by sending and receiving messages from one another,
- PVM supports functional and data parallelism,
- A well defined library of PVM interface routines are used for programming.

PVM allows to consider a set of machines as an only one virtual machine with many processors (virtual or not)

The first solution for GRID COMPUTING



Many processors virtual or not

- PVM is used for the development of parallel programs or parallel algorithms:
 - ❖ Several virtual processors can be simulated on only one physical processor,
 - ❖ Or for real parallelism: each virtual processor is associated to a physical processor,
 - ❖ Mixed solutions with more or less physical and logical processors processors

PVM: Parallel Matrix Algebra Parallel Matrix Multiplication

Example
On Node A

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? \end{bmatrix}$$

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PVM: Parallel Matrix Algebra Parallel Matrix Multiplication

Node A

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Node B

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Node C

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix} * \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? \\ ? & ? & ? \end{bmatrix}$$

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PVM's Specifications

- ❑ Simple (hiding technical issues from the users),
- ❑ Portability : under Linux, FreeBSD, SunOS, Mips, SG IRIS...,
- ❑ Heterogeneity : machines, architectures, OS, network
➔ with the use of eXternal Data Representation
- ❑ Users oriented,
- ❑ Use the available power of a set of machines: a cluster,
- ❑ Collaboration of a set of machines.
- ❑ PVM is composed of:
 - ❖ A daemon (pvm3 or pvm3) that resides on all computers making the virtual machine;
 - ❖ A console: once configured, tasks can be started (spawned), killed, signaled from a console;
 - ❖ a library of PVM interface routines: libpvm3.a (and libpvm3.a, and libgpvm3.a)

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Deamons: PVMd

- ❑ A PVMd daemon resides on all computers making the virtual machine,
- ❑ A PVMd is owned by one user and has no interaction with daemons from another user,
- ❑ A PVMd routes et controls messages,
- ❑ The first running is the « master » and the other are « slaves »
- ❑ A PVMd owns a table of hosts and tasks under his control,
- ❑ A PVMd owns also queue of packets and a queue of messages,
- ❑ When a daemon PVMd is running, the file « /tmp/pvm3.<uid> » is created.

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Virtual Machine Creation

- ❑ A PVMd daemon resides on all computers making the virtual machine

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Daemon 1

Daemon 2

Daemon 3

It has to be registered to participate to the Virtual Machine

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Tasks Connections

- ❑ Each task is connected to the daemon running on the processor where it has been launched .

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Daemon 1

Daemon 2

Daemon 3

task1

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Tasks Connections

□ A connected task can create other task (with `pvm_spawn`)

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Hostfile, and console

□ The configuration of the virtual Machine is defined in the hostfile:

- `pvm3` hostfile &
- `> pvm` to run the console
- `pvm> conf` give the configuration of the Virtual Machine

□ Console commands

```

pvm help
help - Print helpful information about a command
Syntax: help [ command ]
Commands are:
add - Add hosts to virtual machine
delete - Delete hosts from virtual machine
quit - Stop pvm3
ps - Display list of running jobs
kill - Terminate tasks
mstat - Show status of hosts
l - List tasks
pstat - Show status of tasks
quit - Exit console
rm - Kill all tasks
spawn - Spawn task
version - Show libpvm version
    
```

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PVM program - Example

It Contains both parent and child code.

```

/* find out my task id number */
mytid = pvm_mytid();
    
```

This function must be called before any other call. This call must be positive number.

```

pvm_perror(argv[0]);
    
```

This call tells what goes wrong with the last call.

```

/* find my parent's task id number */
myparent = pvm_parent();
    
```

Retuns the Parent ID or else will retrn Error code
 "PvmNoParent" says that the process is spawned by user and not by any other process.

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PVM program - Example

Following code differentiate the parent of all childs.

```

/* if i don't have a parent then i am the parent */
if (myparent == PvmNoParent) {
    
```

So by this you can differentiate the code of top process and child code.

```

/* spawn the child tasks */
info = pvm_spawn(argv[0], (char**)0, PvmTaskDefault, (char*)0, ntask, child);
    
```

This is the code which spawns childs.

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PVM program - Example

```

/* spawn the child tasks */
info = pvm_spawn(argv[0], (char**)0, PvmTaskDefault, (char*)0, ntask, child);
    
```

Parameters

- First parameter gives the name of the program that the child should run.
- Second parameter is the arguments that can be passed to child
- Third parameter - this says that where the child should spawn. We can give specific architecture or host name where the child can spawn
- Fourth parameter will have the values of the third parameter
- Fifth parameter specifies the number of the childs to be spawned.
- Last parameter is the array name which holds the child ids.

This Function is returning the no of child successfully spawned which should be equal to the sent number n the 5th parameter other wise something gone wrong.

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PVM program - Example

Following code is the waiting blocking call of parent.

```

/* recv a message from any child process */
buf = pvm_recv(-1, JOINTAG);
    
```

So by this parent is waiting for all the childs to send the join message.

Parent gets the data from the child via the message and the following code gets the data from the buffer.

```

info = pvm_bufinfo(buf, &len, &tag, &tid);
    
```

After getting the join messages from all the childs parent also exits pvm.

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PVM program - Example

Following code is run by child.

```

info = pvm_initsend(PvmDataDefault);
info = pvm_pkint(&mytid, 1, 1);
info = pvm_send(myParent, JOINTAG);
pvm_exit();
    
```

- First line - For message to be sent first we need to create the buffer to send the data.
- Second line - We are adding the child's Id to the message.
- Third line sending the join call to the parent with the message attached.
- Fourth line calls off the child from pvm and destroy its memory references.

Distributions of PVM

- PVM debuggers**
 - TotalView - commercial parallel debugger from Etnus (formerly Dolphincics) - well done!
 - Xmdb - parallel programming and debugging trainer for beginners
 - p2d2 - a portable parallel distributed debugger from NASA.
 - AIMS - nice tool developed by NASA
- Noteable PVM related Software**
 - LPVM LPVM is PVM3 bindings for Common Lisp,
 - SCALAPACK - a library of optimized, parallel linear algebra routines using PVM,
 - pyvm-0.92 Python-PVM into a single release.,
 - IDL to PVM interface. lets you perform parallel processing with IDL through PVM call,
 - EasyPVM is a C++ wrapper for the PVM libraries,
 - PVM Toolbox for Matlab a toolkit for calling PVM from Matlab,
 - HP-PVM - PVM clone: Supports PVM 3.3 on Windows and Unix as well as shared memory,
 - Fortran 90 PVM interface - to take advantage of Fortran 90 facilities,
 - tkpvm - this package combines the power of tcl/tk and PVM,
 - WPVM 2.0 - a PVM version for Microsoft Windows,
 - JPVM - with PVM 3.4, a native methods interface to PVM for the Java (tm) platform,
 - JPVM - is a PVM-like class library implemented in and for use with Java,
 - Perl-PVM - Perl extension for PVM,
 - Pyvm is a Python interface to PVM,
 - CPPvm (C Plus Plus PVM) - a C++ interface to PVM 3.4,
 - ...

Communications

- Communications are based on TCP and UDP/IP: UDP mode between daemons, possibility of TCP mode between tasks.
- Several communication modes are allowed:
 - Pvmd-pvmd
 - pvmd-task
 - task-task

Messages Exchanges

All connected tasks can communicate

Communications

- Communications are asynchronous and keep the order of messages:
 - send: non-blocking
 - blocking receive
 - non-blocking receive
 - direct routing
 - multicasting and broadcasting

Blocking Receipt

pvm_rcv: when this function is called the task is blocked until the reception of the message.

Non-Blocking Receipt

- `pvm_nrecv` : This function is non-blocking, you just make sure that the message is not used before the final reception.

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Multicasting and Broadcasting

- `pvm_bcast`: sends to all nodes in a group, whether that group is predefined.
- `Pvm_mcast`: sends to all nodes with node numbers that appear in a predefined array.

These functions are more efficient than successive sendings

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XPVM: a graphical interface for PVM

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MPI

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❑ You will work on MPI during practical exercises with Violeta Felea

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PVM Versus MPI

PVM

- ❑ The development of PVM started in summer 1989 at Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL).
- ❑ PVM was effort of a single research group, allowing it great flexibility in design of this system

MPI

- ❑ The development of MPI started in April 1992.
- ❑ MPI was designed by the MPI Forum (a diverse collection of implementors, library writers, and end users) quite independently of any specific implementation.

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PVM Versus MPI

PVM	MPI
A distributed operating system	A library for writing application program, not a distributed operating system
Portability	Portability
Heterogeneity	High Performance
Handling communication failures	Heterogeneity
	Well-defined behavior

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What is MPI ?

MPI - Message Passing Interface

- ❑ A fixed set of processes is created at program initialization, one process is created per processor :
`mpirun -np 5 program`
- ❑ Each process knows its personal number (rank)
- ❑ Each process knows number of all processes
- ❑ Each process can communicate with other processes
- ❑ Process cannot create new processes (in MPI-1)

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What is PVM ?

PVM - Parallel Virtual Machine

- ❑ Is a software package that allows an heterogeneous collection of workstations (host pool) to run as a single high performance parallel machine (virtual).
- ❑ PVM, through its virtual machine provides a simple yet useful distributed operating system,
- ❑ It has daemons running on all computers making up the virtual machine.

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What is Not Different?

- ❑ **Portability** - source code written for one architecture can be copied to a second architecture, compiled and executed without modification (to some extent),
- ❑ Support **MPMD** (Multiple Program Multiple Data) programs as well as **SPMD** (Simple Program Multiple Data),
- ❑ **Interoperability** - the ability of different implementations of the same specification to exchange messages,
- ❑ **Heterogeneity** (to some extent)
PVM & MPI are systems designed to provide users with libraries for writing portable, heterogeneous, MPMD programs.

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Process control: PVM and MPI

- Ability to start and stop tasks, to find out which tasks are running, and possibly where they are running,
- PVM contains all of these capabilities - it can spawn/kill tasks dynamically,
- MPI -1 has no defined method to start new task.
- But MPI -2 contains functions to start a group of tasks and to send a kill signal to a group of tasks,
- Message Passing operations: MPI Vs PVM:
 - PVM: Simple message passing,
 - MPI: Rich message support.

Conclusion: PVM Versus MPI

Each API Has its Unique Strengths

PVM	MPI
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Virtual machine concept Simple message passing Communication topology unspecified Interoperate across host architecture boundaries Portability over performance Resource and process control Robust fault tolerance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No such abstraction Rich message support Support logical communication topologies Some realizations do not interoperate across architectural boundaries Performance over flexibility Primarily concerned with messaging More susceptible to faults

PVM is better for:
Heterogeneous cluster, resource and process control
The size of cluster and the time of program's execution are great

MPI is better for:
Supercomputers (PVM is not supported)
Max performance
Application needs rich message support

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Consensus: Mutiple Writers Model

- Agree on a common value chosen from a group of proposed values:
 - Termination.
 - Agreement.
 - Validity.
- FLP theorem: [FISCHER, LYNCH and PATERSON 1985]:
Asynchronous system + process failure
→ impossible to solve the consensus problem
- Unreliable failure detectors : CHANDRA-TOEUG 1996.
•S → list of suspected processes.
- Leader oracle Ω → one correct process.
- Work in Crash-Stop model.

Existing consensus algorithms

Coordinator / leader:

Coordinator based, $c = (r \bmod n) + 1$

Leader based, Ω

Communication pattern:

Centralized

Decentralized

Existing consensus algorithms

Classification

		Coordinator / leader	
		Coordinator	Leader
Communication pattern	Centralized	CT (T. Chandra, S. Toeug)	Paxos, MPaxos (L. Lamport)
	Decentralized	MR (A. Mostefaoui, M. Raynal)	MRLeader (A. Mostefaoui, M. Raynal)

- Number of correct processes $\geq \lceil (n+1)/2 \rceil$
→ tolerate $f < n/2$

Example of a the FLC Consensus Protocol

- Principal idea: a phase of leader election
 - Reinforces the choice made by Ω ,
 - Ensures the existence of one leader per round.
- est : The estimation sent of the decision value

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Example of a the FLC Consensus Protocol
Execution with No Crashes, No Wrong Suspicions

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Example of a the FLC Consensus Protocol
Execution with Crash of the Leader, No Wrong Suspicions

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Example of a the FLC Consensus Protocol
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Ergonomic Adaptation of HCI, ... plasticity ?

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Network adaptation: the use of Active Network (intelligent networks)

3 possibilities to adapt the network

- Close to the transmitter (applicative level)
- At proxy level
- Active networks, at the better place

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Development based on components

Example UbiCore : the functional core of the application

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Generic tools

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Development based on components

New components can be plugged following the targeted application

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Ontologies

These terms represent the same pathology
They must be linked by the ontologies
Like that, everybody speaks about the same concept

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Ontologies for Traceability in Telemedicine

- In medical systems, the most important objective is to identify, classify and protect the information using relational databases.
- it allows to track the activities of medical procedures and treatments made by different departments and different professionals.

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Ontologies: COOVADIS Platform (Vascular Diseases)

Our objectives

- Providing information sharing between physicians and improve the diagnosis in DICOM.
- Traceability chain also includes the diagnosis using ontology technology, which is the result of physician interpretation of the initial study and further studies made by collaborative diagnosis community.
- It is crucial that the professionals involved in collaborative diagnosis have total access to medical information and the up-to-date reports in the traceability chain.

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3 Ontologies as Support Tool for Physicians

These ontologies provide the required distributed information to the medical collaborative community for enabling a best patient monitoring and diagnosis support in COOVADIS.

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An Ontology: What Does It Look Like
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COOVADIS Global Architecture

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Ontologies for Tourism in Phuket

The diagram illustrates a network of concepts for a tourism ontology. Central nodes include 'Attractions', 'Events/Festivals', 'Shopping', 'Food', 'Activity', 'Phuket Tourism', 'Duration', 'Ticket & Payment', and 'Contact/Call'. Below these are 'Wards', 'Personal', 'Language', and 'User Profile'. Further down are 'Synonyms', 'Groupings', and 'Datatypes'. Arrows indicate relationships between these concepts.

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Transliterated Words

□ If a stranger hears: « Namtok Kathu »

The diagram shows a tree structure starting from the root 'Namtok Kathu'. It branches into four intermediate forms: 'Namtok Kathu', 'Numtoc Katu', 'Numtok Kratuu', and 'Narmtog Kathu'. Each of these further branches into a final transliterated form: 'Nam-tok-Ka-thu', 'Num-toc-Ka-tu', 'Num-tok-Kra-tuu', and 'Narm-tog-Kat-hu'.

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Ontologies for Tourism in Phuket

The screenshot shows a mobile application interface. On the left, there's a 'A Website for Access' section with a search bar and 'Show Information' and 'Map' buttons. On the right, there's a 'Design Components' section with a search bar and 'Compare', 'Simplify', and 'Pushback' buttons. Below these are 'Ontologies' and 'Language' sections. The bottom part of the screen shows a list of 'Knowledge Algorithms' and 'Trigrams'.

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Conclusion

□ e-Health & Telemedicine is THE WAY of the future for medicine.

□ In this context, in computer science, the main domain for CSCW is the « Distributed algorithm for collaborative work ». It is a very large domain in which you find distributed algorithm, distributed systems, webservices, a touch of network, adaptability, ontologies...

An Open Door for Many Research Applicative Subjects

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Questions ?

The image shows a blue silhouette of a person sitting on a stack of server racks. The person's head is glowing, suggesting deep thought or research. The background is a dark blue with circuit-like patterns.

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