

2014

DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM

Paper : IT 712

Full Marks : 100

Time : Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

Answer any five questions out of seven.

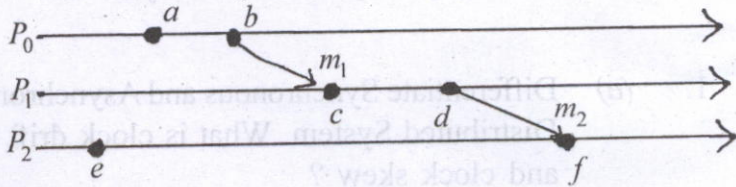
1. (a) Differentiate Synchronous and Asynchronous Distributed System. What is clock drift rate and clock skew? 10
- (b) What is internal synchronization and external synchronization of a physical clock? Explain Berkley algorithm with a suitable example. 10

2. (a) With the help of Corba architecture, discuss the role of middleware in DS. 10

(b) What are the difficulties and threats in distributed systems? 10

3. (a) How is Heterogeneity a challenge in Distributed Systems? How are they handled? 5

(b) Give the happened before relations of Lamport's logical clock, considering the following diagram 5



Give relations between :

(i) b and d

(ii) a and c

(iii) b and f

- (c) Consider the following sequences of events at processes P_0, P_1, P_2 5

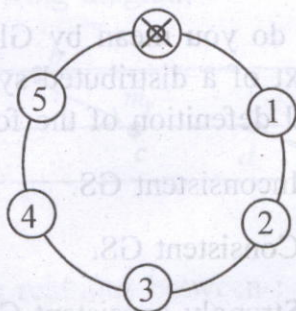
P_0	-	a	s_1	r_3	b
P_1	-	c	r_2	s_3	
P_2	-	r_1	d	s_2	e

S_i and r_i are corresponding send and receive events, for $i=1,2,3$.

Provide the vector clock values for all events.

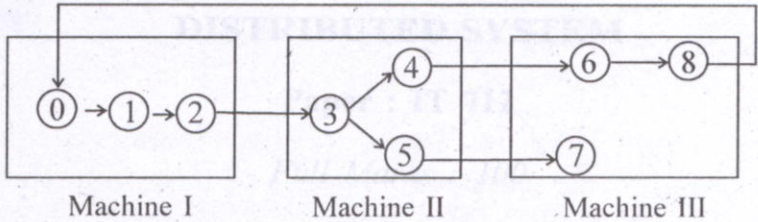
- (d) What do you mean by Global state in the context of a distributed system? Give the formal definition of the following : 5
- (i) Inconsistent GS.
 - (ii) Consistent GS.
 - (iii) Strongly consistent GS.
4. (a) What do you mean by Agreement problem in DS? What are the major agreement problems? Describe *any one* in detail. 10
- (b) Describe various failure models in DS. 10

5. (a) Describe an algorithm to detect the termination of any algorithm. 5
- (b) How can we prevent a Distributed deadlock? Compare wait-die algorithm and wound-wait algorithm. $2+5=7$
- (c) Determine the new leader for the following ring structured network, using Chang and Robert's algorithm, if the process with $P_{id} = 0$ is dead. Also describe the algorithm in detail. $4+4=8$



6. (a) Show that the Ricart and Agarwala's algorithm achieves MEI. 6
- (b) What are the conditions for a deadlock to occur in a DS? 4
- (c) What is Distributed Deadlock detection? 4

- (d) Determine if there is a deadlock in the DS given below using Chandy-Misra-Haas algorithm : 6



7. Write short notes on the following : $5 \times 4 = 20$

- Wave algorithms
- Mobile code and Mobile agent
- Cloud computing
- Client-Server Communication.