IMPLEMENTATION AND VERIFICATION OF RING TERMINATION DETECTION PROTOCOLS USING STRUCTURED RV-PROGRAMS

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Abstract

A model (consisting of rv-systems), a core programming language (for developing rv-programs), several specification and analysis techniques appropriate for modeling, programming and reasoning about interactive computing systems have been introduced by Stefanescu in 2004 using register machines and space-time duality, see [8]. In a couple of papers [3, 4] the authors have introduced structured programming techniques for rv-systems and have developed a Hoare-like verification logic.

The dual-pass ring termination detection protocol is used to detect the termination of a pool of processes, logically organized into a ring. In this paper we develop an implementation for the core activity of the processes and for their interactions using structured rv-programs. Then, we present a formal proof of the correctness of the protocol using our Hoare-like logic for structured rv-programs. A brief study of variations of the protocol is included, as well.

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