

B.E. 7th Semester Examination, 2011

Distributed Computing

Paper code: IT 702

Branch: IT

Time: 3 hours

Full Marks: 70

Answer ANY FIVE questions. Each question carries equal marks. (14 × 5)

1. Define Byzantine agreement problem. Show with example that no agreement can be reached for the 3-general problem whereas agreement can be reached for 4-general problem with at most one traitor.
2. What do you mean by AND model and OR model for deadlock detection in distributed system? Describe.
3. Describe the Raymond's algorithm for distributed mutual exclusion problem. Find its message complexity.
4. Describe one of the quorum based mutual exclusion algorithms. Show the execution of the algorithm with a suitable example.
5. Describe an algorithm for electing a leader in a distributed system.
6. Write notes on consistency models.
7. How can you balance load in a distributed system. Describe method(s).
8. Write an algorithm to find the global state of a distributed system.