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A Survey of Inducing Fault Tolerance in Software Systems with Stochastic Modelling Approach

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Abstract: As fashionable society depends on the fault-free operation of complicated computing systems, system fault-tolerance has become an important demand. Therefore, we want mechanisms that guarantee correct service in cases wherever system parts fail, be they code or hardware parts. Redundancy patterns are usually used, for either redundancy in area or redundancy in time. Wolters book details strategies of redundancy in time that require to be issued at the correct moment. specially, she addresses the alleged "timeout choice problem", i.e., some various fault-tolerance mechanisms like restart, rejuvenation and checkpointing are the question of selecting the correct time. Restart indicates the pure system restart, rejuvenation denotes the restart of the operative atmosphere of a task, and stoping includes saving the system state sporadically. Her presentation includes a quick introduction to the strategies, their elaborated random description, and conjointly aspects of their economical implementation in real-world systems. The book is aimed at researchers and in system plausibleness, random modeling and code dependableness. Readers can realize here an up-to-date summary of the key theoretical results, creating this the sole comprehensive text on random models for restart-related issues.

Keywords: Rejuvenation, restart, stochastic, repair, randomised

I. INTRODUCTION

The Internet might appear as if simply the other network, like the telecom network of recent, cable TV network, satellite communication networks or bank transfer networks. However, once considering the particular usage patterns of the net, Associate with in exciting Nursing world of mathematical interest and curiosity unveil, to that that of networks pale as compared. Caused by the sheer variety of users and net services, still because the elegant elaborateness of the packet-based network technology, measurements of the net have discovered extremely intriguing patterns. These patterns exhibit such phenomena because the little world result, scale free networks and self-similarity, every of that one will realize mentioned extensively in widespread alike. The work rumoured during this book passed off thanks to another attention-grabbing net development, particularly that of the 'heavy tail'. It says that top transfer times are comparatively common, rather more common than with the skinny exponential tail that characterizes completion times in ancient communication networks. This includes a fascinating consequence, that underneath sure assumptions typically tested mathematically: it's often quicker to abort and rehear a transfer try than to attend for it to finish. After all, one might be caught within the serious tail, from that one will solely escape by clicking the reload button. This fascinating reality seduced United States of America into conducting analysis into the optimum temporal order of those retries (or restarts as they're going to be known as during this book). Our analysis result is in a very variety of attention-grabbing theoretical results, amid in depth experimental work (mostly dispensed by Philipp Reinecke). These classes of techniques have in common the matter of timing: however frequent ought to one perform the preventive or pre-emptive activity. Mathematically, this results in a collection of connected issues and solutions, and these type of books provides the reader with a careful data of the assorted mathematical results in they inter-relations.

II. APPLICATIONS

A. Applications of Restart

The term restart applies to job, or task process systems similarly on dealing process systems. all told those employment or dealing is issued and typically completes when a precise time. Completion are often outlined in numerous ways that. just in case of a computation it are often determined by a result being came. just in case of an online service or knowledge base request it are often a message being came. If employment or dealing doesn't complete inside a precise time, it's re-issued. In some certain situations the previous instance are often aborted, in others it cannot. what is more, in some restart situations a task is restarted in mere the

identical configuration in alternative situations the restarted task might have a replacement set of parameters maybe even a replacement work demand.

B. Randomised Algorithms

The term irregular algorithms is employed for algorithms that don't seem to be settled in their execution, either with relation to runtime, or with relation to the obtained result. This is often some parameters of the algorithmic program area unit chosen every which way. Samples of irregular algorithms units and theorem proving algorithms that search the state house and do therefore in an exceedingly random method. If the algorithmic program doesn't terminate at intervals an outlined variety of steps it starts once more from the initial state, once more every which way selecting a path. Another well-known example is that the algorithmic program Quicksort, that hurries up sorting an inventory by initial permuting the entries every which way. For a irregular algorithmic program that searches a tree to prove a theorem a method defines the sequence of numbers of steps it takes in every trial. 2 vital forms of irregular algorithms exist. town algorithms offer the right lead to most cases, however even have a little likelihood of computing a wrong result. A town algorithmic program typically completes quick, even once resolution a tough, multi-dimensional drawback however the result are going to be wrong with tiny likelihood. town algorithms units accustomed solve issues in quantum computing, complicated models in physics or risk models wherever not solely the result however additionally the input has some uncertainty.

C. Practical Aspects of Preventive Maintenance and Software Rejuvenation

In the style and development method of advanced systems random modelling and simulation area unit a part of an unvaried procedure. Often, before implementation the planning of a replacement product is evaluated by suggests that of formal and random modelling. Later within the development method prototypes area unit modelled, evaluated and improved. Therefore, random modelling should follow or accompany the system development method. As random modelling operates on a special level of abstraction than system development, the latter should not be determined all told technical detail. Technical system development problems for preventive maintenance and software system rejuvenation specifically area unit a minimum of as numerous as area unit the bestowed random models. AN thoroughgoing study of the history of the system development method is so way on the far side the scope of this work. we'll solely in short introduce main systems aspects of preventive maintenance on ease later discussion of the connected random models.

D. Preventive Maintenance

Historically abundant earlier, however in structure terribly just like package rejuvenation is that the theory of preventive maintenance. Preventive maintenance actions aim at extending a systems period of time, as against repair, that may restore system operation when AN outage. the majority of labour on preventive maintenance was printed within the Sixties through Nineteen Eighties and that we won't come back those models very well as they generally address fault-tolerance of production systems or producing systems, whereas recent papers are involved with computing systems, as is that this book. To offer the interested reader a purpose from wherever to check models for preventive maintenance generally we have a tendency to point to a few survey articles that collect a large quantity of labour during this field printed before 1990. the primary one covers publications before 1965, the other till 1975 and therefore the third one categorises the references between 1975 and 1989, its year of look. Preventive maintenance models are often classified in several ways in which and to create matters a lot of taciturn we'll prohibit ourselves to single-unit systems, since all random models for package rejuvenation are developed for monolithic systems. Multi-unit systems just like the n cold drink machines mentioned in need a rather reformulated criterion of optimality. The classification of random models for preventing maintenance utilized in and suits the purpose of read taken during this work as follows

- 1) Block replacement models postulate complete periodic replacement of the complete unit in intervals of constant length T . additionally, failing elements area unit removed in emergency repair (ER).
- 2) Inspection models assume that the state of a system that deteriorates or ages is unknown and might be learnt through examination of the system. the aim of those models is twofold: the specified maintenance or repair action must be determined moreover because the length of consecutive examination amount. a lot of focus is on ways that to search out dead set what degree a system has aged or within which state of degradation it presently is. The models use completely different assumptions on the character of the aging and associate price with examination. They assume completely different degree of data regarding the system.

3) Minimal repair models are able assume that a single-unit system still consists of many parts. If one of the parts fails then it's usually replaced by leaving the aging process of the whole system unchanged. As the system deteriorates more it becomes less useful to repeatedly do minimal repair. One type of minimal repair model assumes complete periodic renewal after time intervals of length $T, 2T, 3T$, etc. which resets the failure rate. The other type of minimal repair model uses partial repair which does not reset the failure rate.

Instead, in each interval $I_k = [T(k-1), Tk]$ the system failure rate $h_k(t) = h_{k-1}(t) \cdot e^{\alpha}$, where $\alpha > 0$ is a known degradation factor. Then

$$h_1(t) = h(t), h(0) \leq h(t) \leq h(T)$$

$$h_2(t) = e^{\alpha} \cdot h(t)$$

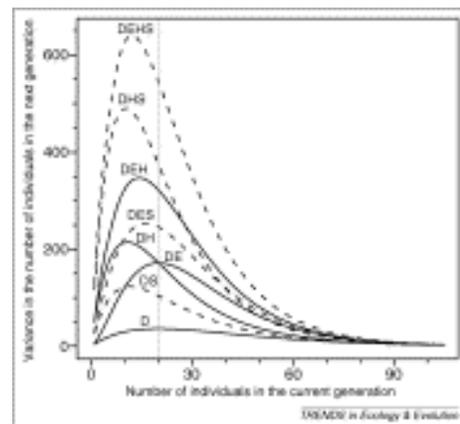
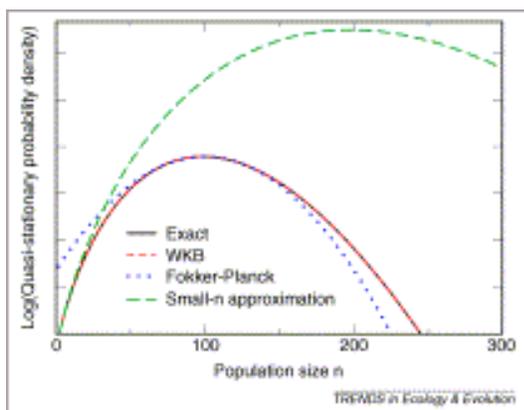
$$h_n(t) = e^{(n-1)\alpha} \cdot h(t)$$

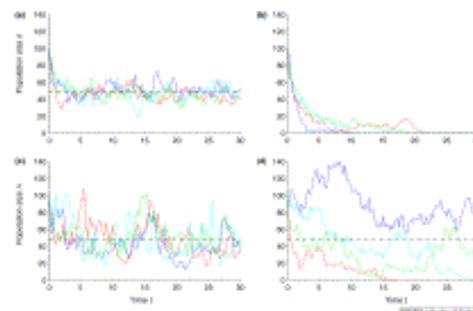
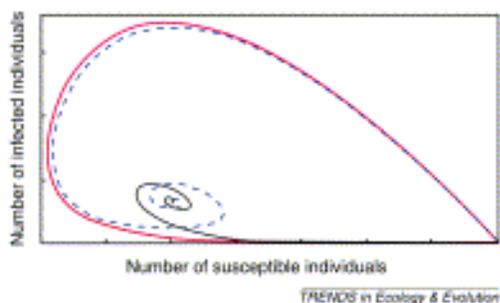
III. STOCHASTIC MODELS FOR PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AND SOFTWARE REJUVENATION

A number of random models for preventive maintenance and specifically for package rejuvenation area unit bestowed and mentioned during this chapter. Preventive maintenance may be a technique to reinforce system dependability and convenience. Even before a failure happens measures area unit taken to forestall system failure. package rejuvenation is one such preventive action. package rejuvenation restarts the method surroundings to counteract package aging. whereas the taken action is actually constant as within the restart model the thought of metrics area unit basically totally different. In consequence, the developed models conjointly dissent from the restart model. While restart is solely distributed for the aim of minimising task completion time and therefore the system state isn't thought of, package rejuvenation models area unit in each aspects the other. package rejuvenation models don't expressly model the task completion time however instead target the operative surroundings process the task. The restart model minimises task completion time whereas not expressly considering attainable system breakage. In general, random models will serve totally different functions. They'll be accustomed compare the performance or dependability of various system configurations, to judge the impact of Associate in Nursing improvement at intervals one system, or they'll be accustomed formulate Associate in Nursing improvement downside that then helps to seek out Associate in Nursing optimum parameter set. once exploitation package rejuvenation a crucial question is once to rejuvenate, such there's Associate in Nursing overall positive result on system performance and dependableness. The optimum rejuvenation interval abundantly depends on characteristics of the system and therefore the failure distribution. The models studied during this chapter aim at standardisation preventive maintenance Associate in Nursing package rejuvenation in an optimum method, however dissent in their level of detail for the system description and in assumptions on chance distributions.

IV. CURRENT TRENDS

Theoretical ecologists have long wanted to grasp however the persistence of populations depends on organic phenomenon and abiotic factors. Classical work showed the irregularity which causes the unit of time to extinction to increase exponentially with population size, whereas variation in environmental conditions can cause a power-law scaling. Recent work has targeted significantly on the influence of the autocorrelation structure of environmental noise. In theoretical physics, there's a burst of analysis activity in analysing massive fluctuations in random population dynamics. This analysis provides powerful tools for crucial extinction times and characterizing the pathway to extinction.





A. Checkpointing Systems

Checkpointing applies to giant software system systems subject to failures. within the absence of failures the software unendingly serves requests, performs transactions, or executes long-running batch processes. If the execution time of that task and also the time at that process starts is understood, then the instant of completion of the task is known additionally. If failures will happen the completion of a task severely depend son the assistant fault model. the everyday fault model used in checkpointing consists within the assumption that faults ar detected forthwith as they happen. This implies that solely crash-faults are thought of and no transient or Byzantine faults thatwould need fault-detection mechanisms. Some of the checkpointing models which identify the faults at the tip of the software system module.

B. Checkpointing Single-Unit Systems

In this section different techniques are outlined for checkpointing monolithic systems.

- 1) *Sequential Checkpointing.* Sequential checkpointing is that the basic style of checkpointing. It is involved with uni-process systems. Without checkpointing upon failure of the system generally all work performed up to now is lost and also the computation has to start afresh. Checkpointing aims at reducing the quantity of labor that's lost upon failure of the system by intermediately saving the complete state of the system. Savingthe system state typically comes with some price, or overhead. typically this is often not clearly such that. The checkpointing price are often the time required for checkpointing. It can even be some price incurred by system operation. The stop latency is that the time required to ascertain a stop. A stop is additionally known as recovery purpose. In sequential stopping the latency is up to the checkpoint overhead. During the stop save operation the system cannot perform any helpful work. Therefore, work is delayed attributable to checkpointing. If no failure happens checkpointing is seen strictly as retarding system operation. If a failure happens throughout computation, on the opposite hand, then the system doesn't need to roll back to the initial state, instead it will roll back to the most recent stop. Checkpointing will then significantly cut back the quantity of labor that's lost upon failure of the system.
- 2) *Cooperative Checkpointing* Cooperative checkpointing is also called compilerassisted checkpointing in the literature. There exist 3 kinds of implementations of checkpointing. Checkpointing are often integrated into applications by the applying coder. Checkpointing can also be implemented as a perform of the code. Usually this can be} often called system-initiated checkpointing. Cooperative checkpointing combines every application-initiated moreover as system initiated checkpointing. At runtime the code uses heuristics classifying the system state to see whether or not or not a stop, that's implemented inside the applying code, have to be compelled to be dead. Most applications use equal checkpoints, which, as we are going to see later during this chapter, is in several cases the most effective selection. Cooperative checkpointing then seems to be irregular, since the system will either grant or deny a stop requested by the applying. For realistic distributions of the time between failures cooperative checkpointing can perform up to fourfold above periodic checkpointing. an honest heuristic of the system state is vital for the performance of cooperative checkpointing. In 2 ways for checkpointing ar investigated. Work-based cooperative stopping trades the value of death penalty a checkpoint against the chance once skipping it.

V. CONCLUSION

The first methodology was restart, wherever repeatedly a task is stopped and so restarted from its starting. This methodology will be wont to cut back task completion time however conjointly to improve the likelihood of task completion before a point in time. random models have been wont to verify the optimum restart time when that a task is aborted and restarted. The second methodology was package rejuvenation, a technique of preventive maintenance, which isn't involved with individual tasks, however rather with an entire system. Software rejuvenation needs all tasks on the system to be stopped specified the underlying system

package will be rebooted so resolution all memory leak, buffer overflow and connected issues. random models are wont the rejuvenation intervals specified a system crash is avoided, or delayed as way as potential. The target operate that's optimised could be a value operate that expresses the trade-off between rejuvenation prices and prices thanks to system failure. The third methodology was checkpointing, that is that the most advanced reliability mechanism out of the 3. For checkpointing the system state is saved at intermediate points in time and once a failure happens the affected tasks don't ought to restart from starting, however will roll back to the foremost recent stop. The system reloads the most recent stop and continues operation from there. The tasks that have been processed since the foremost recent stop till the system failure are logged in Associate in Nursing audit path, that should be reprocessed at system recovery. Checkpointing aims at reducing the quantity of labor lost with a system failure. stop intervals optimise completely different criteria: usually system convenience is taken into account because the metric of interest, however oftentimes conjointly dealing latency is that the chosen metric. One can, furthermore, use a value operate that formulates the trade-off between the value of checkpointing and rollback recovery and also the value of failure and restoration when a failure occurs.

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