

## **Goals of the lecture**

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- Direct dependency clocks
- Pred and Succ functions
- Matrix clocks
- Properties of matrix clocks

## Overhead of the vector clock algorithm

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$m = \#$  of messages sent/recd by any process

$n = \#$  of processes

- Space overhead :  $n \log m$
- Time overhead :  $O(n)$
- Communication overhead :  $n \log m$

## Direct Dependency Clocks

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- Main drawback of the vector clock algorithm
  - $O(N)$  integers with every message
- Direct Dependency Clocks require only one integer to be appended to each message
- Used in Lamport's algorithm for mutual exclusion

# Algorithm

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For any initial state  $s$ :

$$(\forall i : i \neq s.p : s.v[i] = 0) \wedge (s.v[s.p] = 1)$$

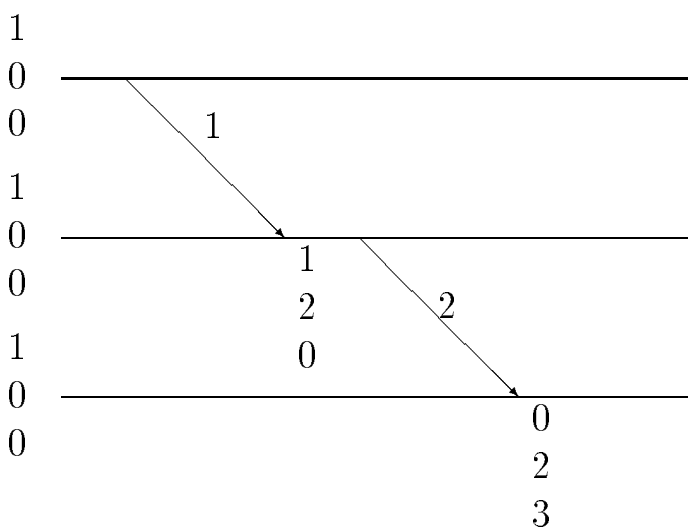
Rule for a send event  $(s, snd, t)$  or an internal  $(s, int, t)$ :

$$t.v[t.p] := s.v[t.p] + 1;$$

Rule for a receive event  $(s, rcv(u), t)$ :

$$t.v[t.p] := \max(s.v[t.p], u.v[u.p]) + 1;$$

$$t.v[u.p] := \max(u.v[u.p], s.v[u.p]);$$



## Properties of Direct Dependency Clocks

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- projection on  $i$ th component results in the logical clock algorithm.

**Lemma 1**  $s \rightarrow t \Rightarrow s.v[s.p] < t.v[t.p]$

Converse ?

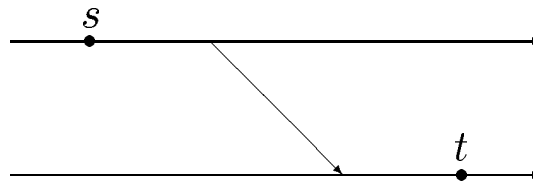
**Lemma 2**  $(\forall s, t :: s \not\rightarrow t \Rightarrow \neg(s.v[s.p] \leq t.v[s.p]))$

Converse ?

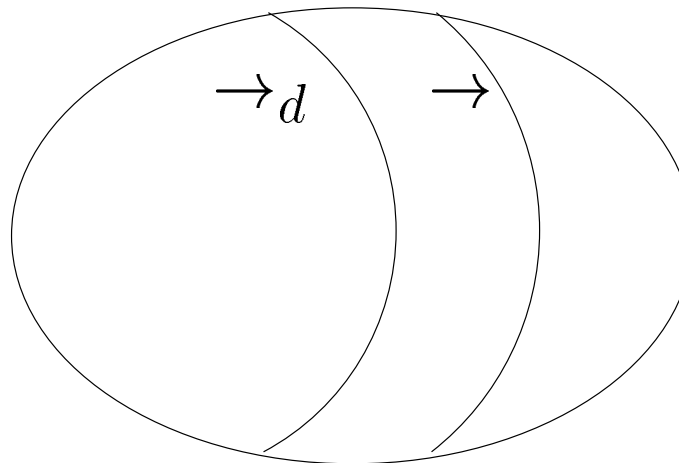
## Direct Dependency

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$$s \rightarrow_d t \equiv (s \prec t) \vee (\exists q, r : s \preceq q \wedge q \rightsquigarrow r \wedge r \preceq t)$$



**Lemma 3**  $\forall s, t : s.p \neq t.p : \neg(s \rightarrow_d t) \Rightarrow \neg(s.v[s.p] \leq t.v[s.p])$



## Higher Dimensional Clocks

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We describe a matrix clock and its properties below.

To initialize:

$$M_k[\cdot, \cdot] := 0;$$

$$M_k[k, k] := M_k[k, k] + 1;$$

To send a message:

Tag message with  $M_k[\cdot, \cdot]$ ;

$$M_k[k, k] := M_k[k, k] + 1; \quad \textit{increment local clock}$$

Upon receipt of a message tagged with  $W[\cdot, \cdot]$ :

**for**  $i := 1$  **to**  $n$  **do**

**if**  $(M_k[i, i] < W[i, i])$  **then**

$$M_k[i, \cdot] := W[i, \cdot]; \quad \textit{copy vector clock for } (i, W[i, i])$$

$$M_k[k, k] := M_k[k, k] + 1; \quad \textit{increment local clock}$$

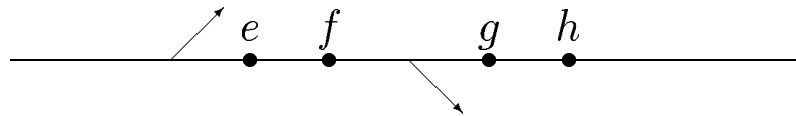
$$M_k[k, \cdot] := \textit{diagonal}(M_k);$$





## Interval

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$e \sim f$  iff there is no communication between the state  $e$  and  $f$ .

$\sim$  is an equivalence relation.

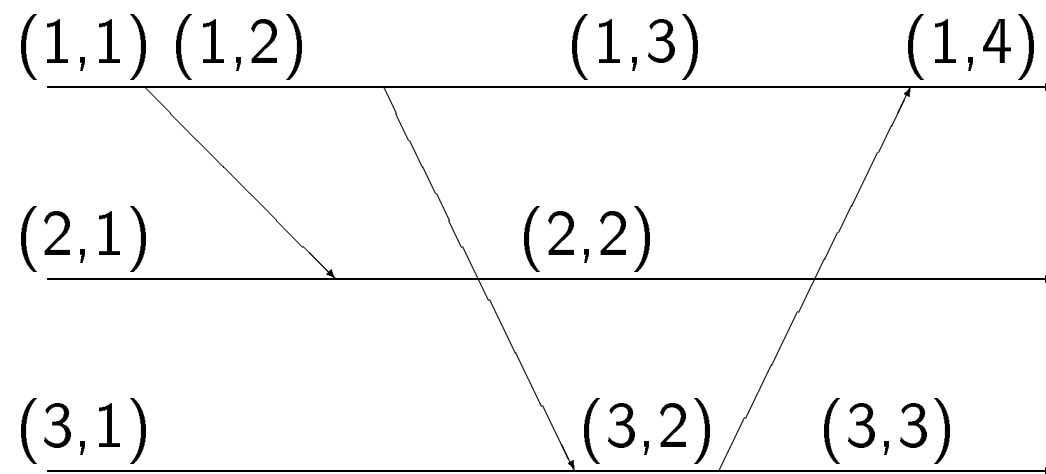
Further,  $\sim$  is a congruence w.r.t.  $\rightarrow$ . That is,

$$s \sim s' \Rightarrow \forall u : u.p \neq s.p : (s \rightarrow u \equiv s' \rightarrow u) \wedge (u \rightarrow s \equiv u \rightarrow s')$$

Congruence exploited by assigning same identifier to all states in the same equivalence class (interval).

## Interval [contd.]

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## Pred and Succ functions

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- $S_i$  = set of local states at  $P_i$
- **Defn of Pred** :  $pred.u.i = \max\{v \mid v \in S_i \wedge v \rightarrow u\}$   
returns  $\perp$  if the above set is empty.

Similar defn for Succ

Because of congruence, can use intervals instead of states.

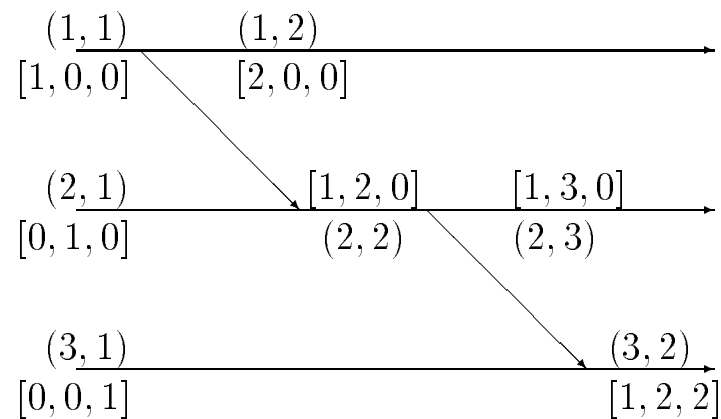
**Lemma 4**  $(p, i) = pred.(q, j).p \Rightarrow (\forall k : k > i : (p, k) \not\rightarrow (q, j))$

## For Vector Clocks

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$V_k^n$  = vector clock in the interval  $(k, n)$

$\forall i, k, n : k \neq i : pred.(k, n).i = V_k^n[i]$



# Properties of Matrix Clock

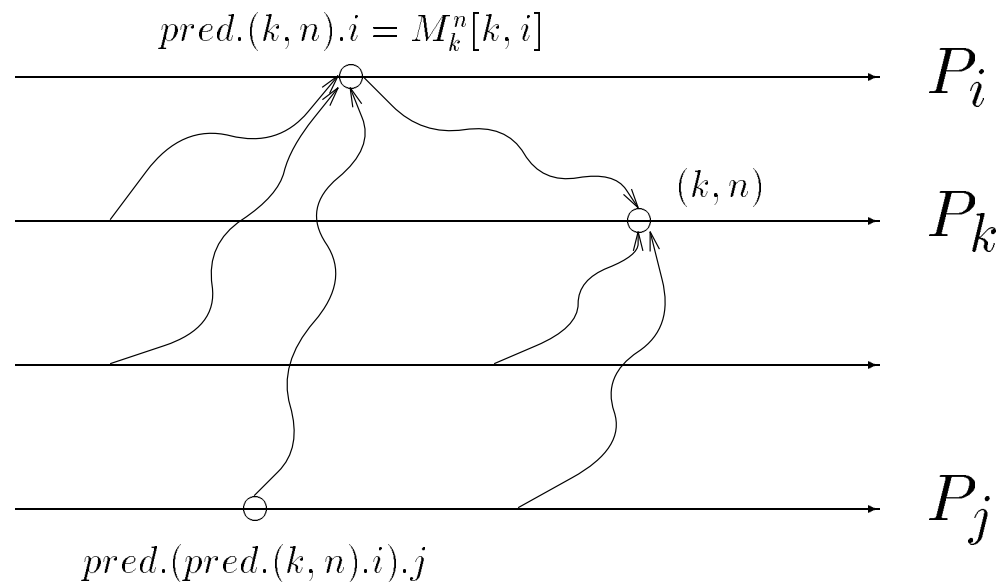
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- For  $P_i$ ,  $i^{th}$  row implements the vector clock
- $M_k^n[k, k] = n$
- Diagonal is same as the  $i^{th}$  row

## Properties of Matrix Clock [Contd.]

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- $i \neq j \Rightarrow (j, M_k^n[i, j]) = \text{pred.}(i, M_k^n[i, i]).j$
- $i \neq j \Rightarrow \text{pred.}(\text{pred.}(k, n).i).j = (j, M_k^n[i, j])$



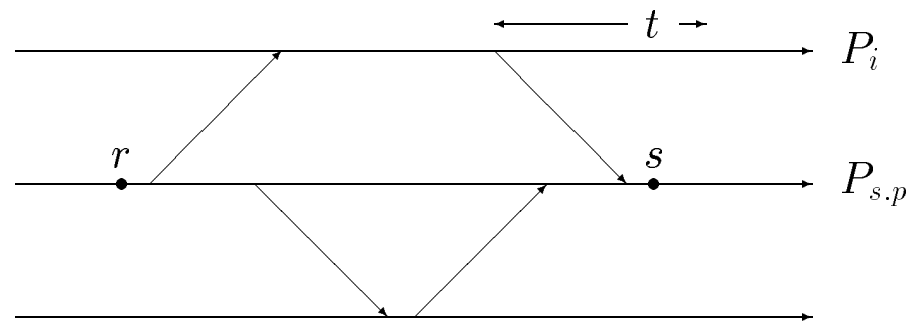
## Discarding Obsolete Information

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If process  $s.p$  finds that its  $s.p$  column is uniformly bigger than  $r.v[s.p, s.p]$  (that is, its local clock in some previous state  $r$ ), then the information at  $r$  has been received by all processes.

**Lemma 5** *Let  $s.p = r.p$ . If  $(\forall i : s.v[i, s.p] \geq r.v[r.p, r.p])$ , then  $\forall t : t \parallel s : r \rightarrow t$ .*

**Proof:**



$$t \parallel s \Rightarrow \text{pred}(s).i \rightarrow t \quad (1)$$

$$(\forall i : s.v[i, s.p] \geq r.v[r.p, r.p]) \Rightarrow r \preceq \text{pred}(\text{pred}(s).i).(s.p) \quad (2)$$

From the above two equations:  $r \rightarrow t$ . ■