

Distributed Systems

Winter Term 2024/25

Roland Wismüller Universität Siegen roland.wismueller@uni-siegen.de Tel.: 0271/740-4050, Büro: H-B 8404

Stand: January 9, 2025



Distributed Systems

Winter Term 2024/25

12 Summary, Important Topics



1. Introduction

- Definition of a distributed system
- Features / challenges of distributed systems
- Architecture models: client/server, n-tier

2. Middleware

- Tasks of the middleware
- Communication-oriented and application-oriented middleware
- Implementation of remote calls (proxy pattern)

3. Distributed Programming with Java RMI

- Approach to create an RMI application
- Programming of server and client



4. Name Services

5. Process Management

Graph partitioning, list scheduling, code migration

6. Time and Global State

- Synchronization of physical clocks
- Lamport's happended-before relation (causality relation)
- Lamport and vector clocks
- Consistent cuts, Chandy/Lamport algorithm



7. Coordination

- Election algorithms
- Mutual exclusion (centralized, Ricart/Agrawala, ring)
- Multicast (reliability, order)
- Transactions

8. Replication and Consistency

- Sequential consistency, release consistency
- Distribution protocols
- Consistency protocols (primary-based, quorum-based)



- 9. Distributed File Systems
- 10. Distributed Shared Memory
- 11. Fault Tolerance
 - Failure models
 - Physical redundancy, agreement
 - Recovery