So what is common?

- Let's call each server a "process" (think of the daemon at each server)
- All of these were groups of processes attempting to *coordinate* with each other and reach *agreement* on the value of something
 - The ordering of messages
 - The up/down status of a suspected failed process
 - Who the leader is
 - Who has access to the critical resource
- All of these are related to the *Consensus* problem