Object implementations out of faulty base objects

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Failure modes

- Responsive: once ⊥, forever ⊥
- Non-responsive: no reply

NB. In the asynchronous model, it is impossible to distinguish a non-responsive failed object from a slow object

Register implementations

- Algorithm 1: implements a SWMR register out of t+1 SWMR base responsive failureprone registers
- Algorithm 2: implements a SWSR register out of 2t+1 SWSR base non-responsive failure-prone registers
- Algorithm 3: implements a C&S object out of t+1 base responsive failure-prone C&S

Responsive model

- Write(v)
 For j = 1 to (t+1) do
 Reg[j].write(v);
 return(ok)
 - r Read()
 - ✓ For j = t+1 to 1 do
 - v := Reg[j].read();
 - *r* if $v \neq \bot$ then return(v)

Non-responsive model r Init: seq := 1 Write(v) " w_seq := w_seq + 1; *r* For j = 1 to (2t+1) do **1**: Reg[j].write(w_seq, v); wait until a majority of oks are returned »
 return(ok)

Non-responsive model ✓ Init: (sn,val) := (-1,⊥);

Read()
 For j = 1 to (2t+1) do II:
 (s,v) := Reg[j].read();
 (sn,val) := (s,v) with the highest s from majority, including (sn,val)
 return (val)

Responsive model (single-shot compare&swap)

C&S(v)

 \checkmark for j = 1 to t+1 do

$$r$$
 if r' $\neq \perp$ then r := r';

return(r)

Exercises

- (1) Is it possible to build a C&S with base C&S objects among which one can be nonresponsive?
- (2) Is it possible to build a SWMR *register* that tolerates non-responsive base SWMR *registers?*