Exercise 1

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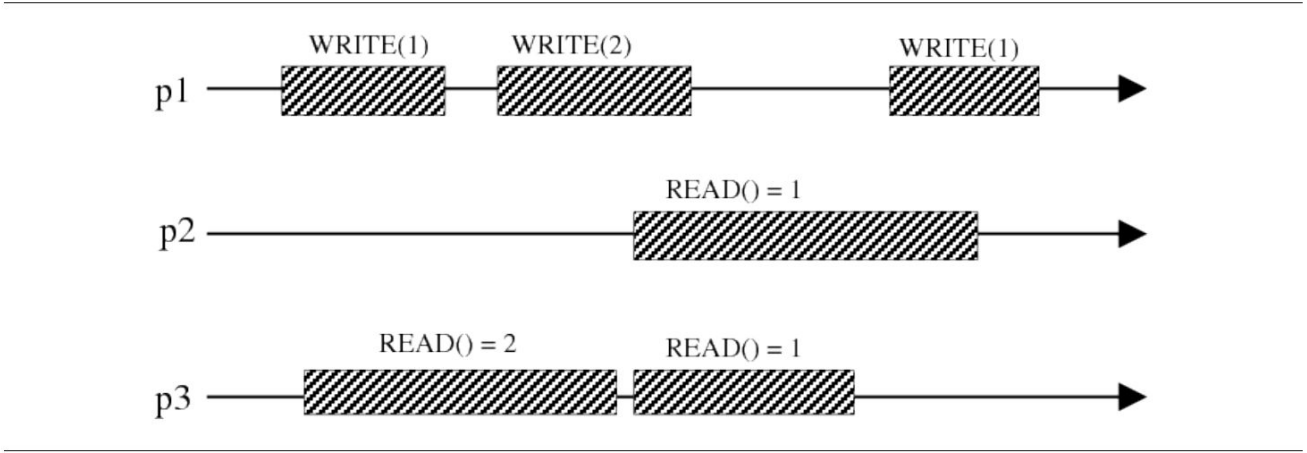
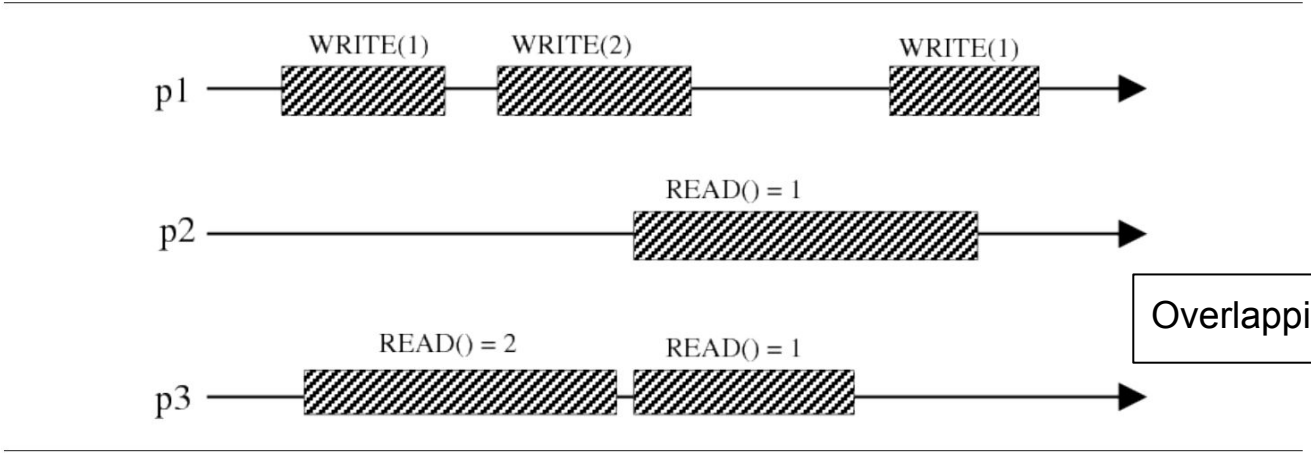
Problem 1.a

Safe: any READ that does not overlap a WRITE returns the most recently written value.



Problem 1.a

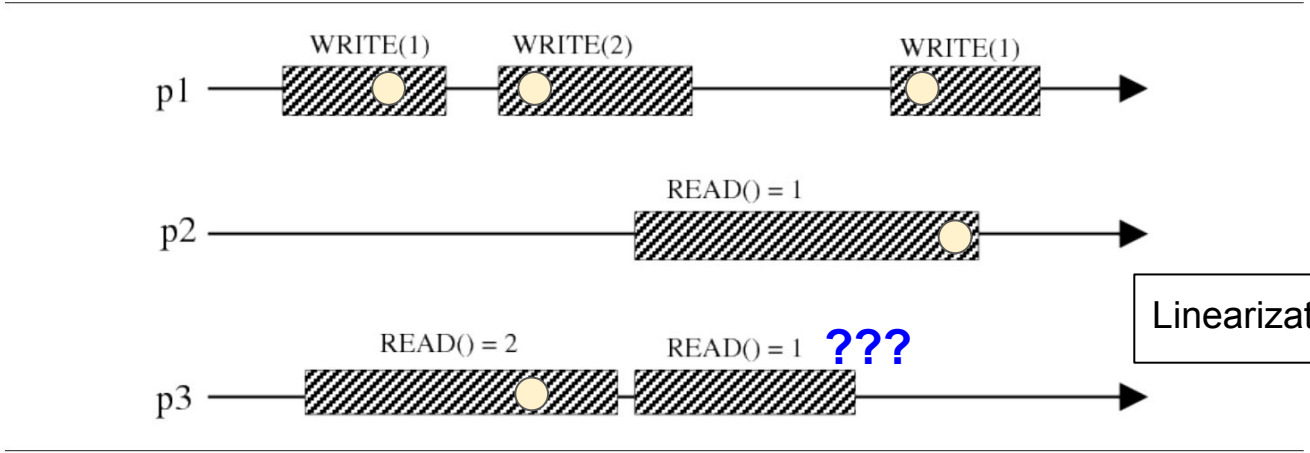
Regular: any READ that overlaps a WRITE returns the value written by the last preceding WRITE, or any of the values written by overlapping WRITEs.



Problem 1.a

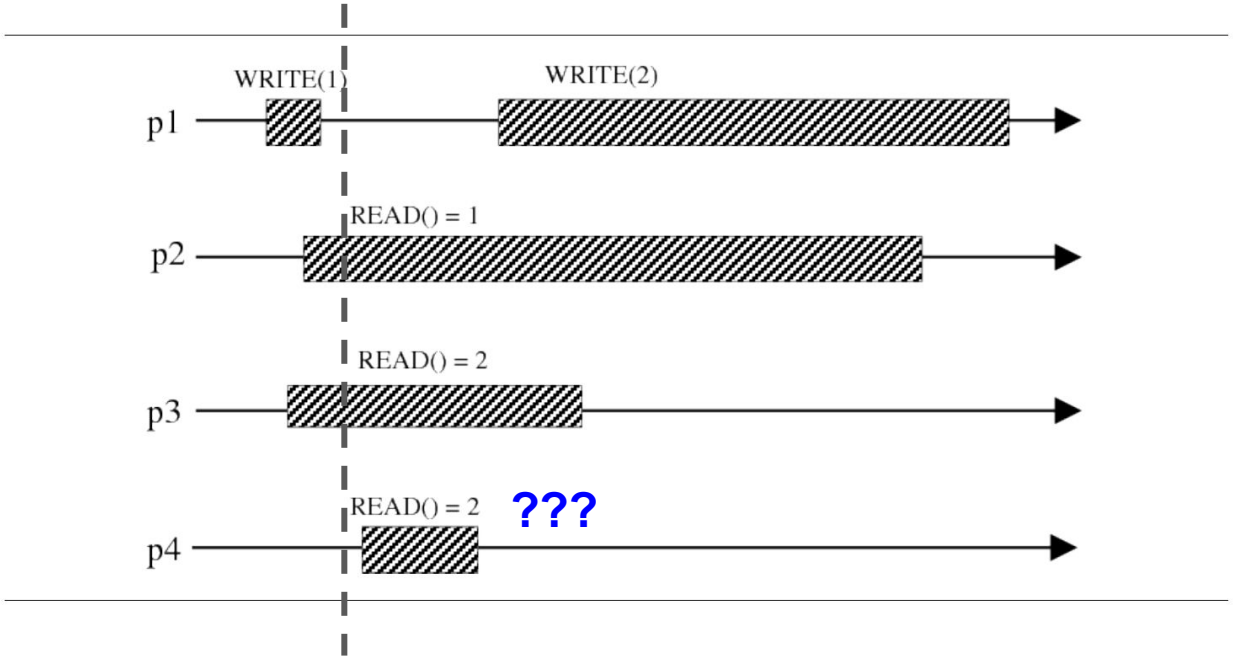
Atomic: READs and WRITEs have a linearization order.

=> NOT atomic !



Problem 1.b

None of the above (not safe).



Problem 1.c

Atomic

Problem 2.a

The transformation works for multi-valued registers and regular registers.

- We use an array of SRSW ***registers***
  Reg[1,..,N]
- **Read()**
  - return (Reg[i].read());
- **Write(v)**
  - for j = 1 to N
    - Reg[j].write(v);

- Use an array of SRSW multi-valued registers
- Use an array of SRSW regular registers

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For regular registers:

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- Either Reg[i].read is concurrent with Reg[i].write
- Or Reg[i].read is not concurrent with Reg[i].write

If concurrent
- Reg[i].read returns as a regular register

If not
- Either Reg[i] has been written by WRITE
- Or not
- ...

Problem 2.b

The transformation does **NOT** work for atomic registers.

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- Use an array of SRSW atomic registers

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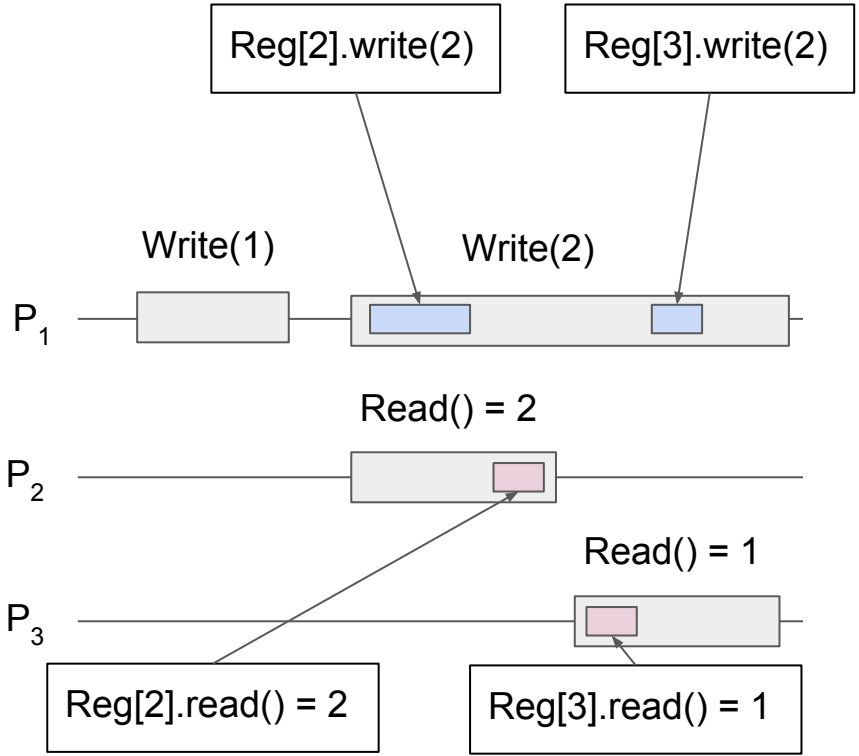

Problem 3.a

The transformation does **NOT** work for multi-valued registers.

- We use one MRSW safe register
- **Read()**
  - return(Reg.read());

- Use one MRSW safe multi-valued register
- Reg.read may return arbitrarily when being concurrent with Reg.write

- **Write(v)**
  - if old ≠ v then
    - Reg.write(v);
    - old := v;

Problem 3.b

The resulting register is **NOT** (binary MRSW) atomic.

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  - return(Reg.read());

- **Write(v)**
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