

Solution for Exercise 4

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The Splitter Object

- Only one operation: *splitter*
- Returns: *stop*, *left* or *right*
- If a **single** process executes *splitter*, then this process gets *stop*.
- If **two or more** processes invoke *splitter*, then not all get the same output.
- At most one process gets *stop*.

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- P (multi-valued), and
- S (binary, initialized to *false*)

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if S then return "right"

$S \leftarrow \text{true}$

if $P = i$ then return "stop"

return "left"

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Non-adaptive Snapshot

upon $scan_i$

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while true **do**

$t_3 \leftarrow collect()$

if $t_3 = t_2$ **then return** $\langle t_3[1].val, \dots, t_3[N].val \rangle$

for $k \leftarrow 1$ **to** N **do**

if $t_3[k].ts \geq t_1[k].ts + 2$ **then return** $t_3[k].snapshot$

$t_2 \leftarrow t_3$

procedure $collect()$

for $k \leftarrow 1$ **to** N **do**

$x[k] \leftarrow R[k]$

return x

Non-adaptive Snapshot (2)

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procedure updatei(v)
  ts ← ts + 1
  snapshot ← scan()
  R[i] ← ⟨ts, v, snapshot⟩
```

Adaptive Update

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procedure update( $v$ )
  if  $myreg = \perp$  then
     $myreg \leftarrow obtain()$ 
   $ts \leftarrow ts + 1$ 
   $snapshot \leftarrow scan()$ 
   $R[myreg] \leftarrow \langle ts, v, snapshot \rangle$ 
```

Adaptive Scan

upon $scan_i$

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while $true$ **do**

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for $k \leftarrow 1$ **to** $t_3.length$ **do**

if $t_3[k].ts \geq t_1[k].ts + 2$ **then return** $t_3[k].snapshot$

$t_2 \leftarrow t_3$

A Disallowed Solution

```
procedure obtain()
└ myreg ← C.fetch&inc()
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```
procedure collect()
  for k ← 1 to C.read() do
    └ x[k] ← R[k]
  return x
```

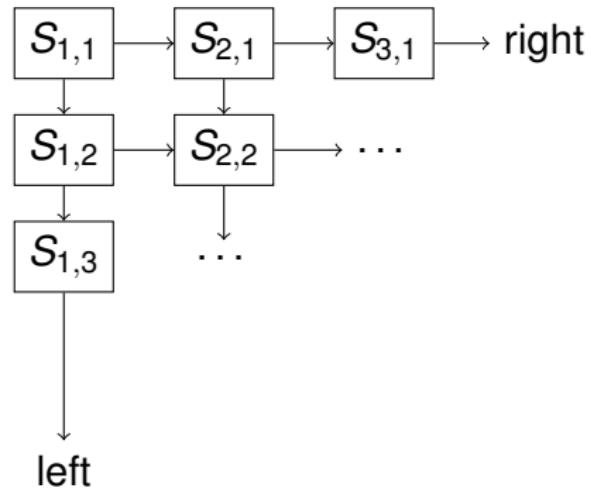
But we can use **only registers!**

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Main Idea of Adaptive Snapshot

- Matrix of **registers** and **splitters**
- To obtain a register, a process must find a splitter that returns *stop*.
- Process starts from left top corner and follows the output of splitters.



The Obtain Operation

```
procedure obtain()
   $x \leftarrow 1, y \leftarrow 1$ 
  while true do
     $s \leftarrow S[x, y].splitter()$ 
    if  $s = "stop"$  then  $myreg \leftarrow \langle x, y \rangle$ 
    else if  $s = "left"$  then  $y \leftarrow y + 1$ 
    else  $x \leftarrow x + 1$ 
```

The Collect Operation

procedure *collect*

$C \leftarrow \langle \rangle$

$d \leftarrow 1$

while *diagonal d has a splitter
that has been traversed* **do**

$C \leftarrow C \cdot \langle$ values of all
non- \perp registers on
diagonal d \rangle

$d \leftarrow d + 1$

return C

