

Writer writes  
and halts

	0	1	2	3	$i$
0	$t+1$	$t$	$t$	$t$	
1	$t$	$t+1$	$t$	$t$	
2	$t$	$t$	$t$	$t$	
3	$t$	$t$	$t$	$t$	
$j$					

Thread 1  
reads

	0	1	2	3	$i$
0	$t+1$	$t$	$t$	$t$	
1	$t+1$	$t+1$	$t+1$	$t+1$	
2	$t$	$t$	$t$	$t$	
3	$t$	$t$	$t$	$t$	
$j$					

Thread 1  
writes

Thread 0  
reads

Thread 3  
reads

**FIGURE 4.13** An execution of the atomic MRSW register. Each reader thread has an index between 0 and 3, and we refer to each thread by its index. Here, the writer writes a new value with timestamp  $t + 1$  to locations  $a\_table[0][0]$  and  $a\_table[1][1]$  and then halts. Then, thread 1 reads its corresponding column  $a\_table[i][1]$  for all  $i$ , and writes its corresponding row  $a\_table[1][i]$  for all  $i$ , returning the new value with timestamp  $t + 1$ . Threads 0 and 3 both read completely after thread 1's read. Thread 0 reads  $a\_table[0][0]$  with value  $t + 1$ . Thread 3 cannot read the new value with timestamp  $t + 1$  because the writer has yet to write  $a\_table[3][3]$ . Nevertheless, it reads  $a\_table[1][3]$  and returns the correct value with timestamp  $t + 1$  that was read by the earlier thread 1.