
EXTENDS *Util, TLC*

CONSTANTS Values:

Rep, replicas
Val,

****HOLES:**

Types:
Object, object IDs or addresses
DataType, data type
WriteType, write structure (the one that gets written to the data)
ErrorTypes, different errors returned by the secondaries

Abstract methods ("holes") :

StoreUpdate(-, -, -), (*r, o, w*) perform write *w* ($\in WriteType$)
on local data of object *o* of replica *r*

StoreRead(-, -), *read*(*r, o*) perform local read at replica *r*
of object *o*. Returns the value

PrepareWr(-, -, -), *prepareWr*(*r, o, w*) prepares write *w* to send out
to secondaries. This preparation is done by the primary.

ReplyFinishedWrite(-, -, -), (*r, o, w*) replica *r* replies to a finished write on object *o*

GetWriteResponse(-, -, -, -, -), (*r, o, version, sender*) returns the response that should be sent out
In case of some error (e.g., wrong vers), should return [*type* \mapsto "noResp"],
in which case nothing will be committed to disk or sent out

Reply(-, -, -), (*r, type, reply*) reply to client

NoReply, no reply is sent yet, so just keep the aux variables unchanged

InitDataVal, initial data value for the disks

InitPrim(-), *InitPrim*(*o*) = value of the initial primary of object *o*

InitSec(-), initial secondaries for object *o*

NoRep,

Client,

NoWrite

VARIABLES *master*, reliable master state

data, data at each replica

cache, cache of the master state at each replica

stat, state of each replica + object locks of each replica

channel, in-channel of each replica

resps write acknowledgements for each replica from the others

vars \triangleq $\langle master, cache, data, channel, resps, stat \rangle$

$NoRep \triangleq \text{CHOOSE } v : v \notin Rep$
 $Client \triangleq \text{CHOOSE } v : v \notin Rep \wedge v \neq NoRep$
 $NoWrite \triangleq \text{CHOOSE } v : v \notin WriteTypes$

$WrReqMsg \triangleq \text{Write requests}$
 $[type : \{\text{"wrReq"}\}, sender : Rep \cup \{Client\}, object : Object,$
 $w : WriteType, version : Nat]$
 $WrRespMsg \triangleq \text{Write responses}$
 $[type : \{\text{"wrResp"}\}, sender : Rep, object : Object, ack : (\{\text{"ok"}\} \cup ErrorTypes),$
 $w : WriteType, version : Nat]$
 $Messages \triangleq \text{Message types}$
 $WrReqMsg \cup WrRespMsg$

 $TypeInvariant \triangleq$
 $\wedge Print(\text{"1"}, \text{TRUE})$
 $\wedge master \in$
 $[objects : [Object \rightarrow [version : Nat, prim : Rep \cup \{NoRep\}, sec : SUBSET(Rep)]],$
 $health : [Rep \rightarrow \{\text{"dead"}, \text{"alive"}\}]]$

 $\wedge Print(\text{"2"}, \text{TRUE})$
 $\wedge data \in [Rep \rightarrow [Object \rightarrow DataType]]$
 $\wedge Print(\text{"3"}, \text{TRUE})$
 $\wedge cache \in [Rep \rightarrow [Object \rightarrow [version : Nat, prim : Rep \cup \{NoRep\}, sec : SUBSET(Rep)]]]$
 $\wedge Print(\text{"5"}, \text{TRUE})$
 $\wedge channel \in [Rep \rightarrow Seq(Messages)]$

 $\wedge Print(\text{"7"}, \text{TRUE})$
 $\wedge stat \in [Rep \rightarrow [phase : \{\text{"alive"}, \text{"dead"}\}, lock : [Object \rightarrow \{\text{"rdy"}, \text{"busy"}\}],$
 $in_progress : [Object \rightarrow [val : WriteType, version : Nat]]]$

 $\wedge Print(\text{"8"}, \text{TRUE})$
 $\wedge resps \in [Rep \rightarrow [Object \rightarrow [Rep \rightarrow \{\text{"ok"}, \text{"waiting"}, \text{"timeout"}, \text{"n/a"}\} \cup ErrorTypes]]]$
 $\text{separate set of responses per object}$
 $\wedge Print(\text{"9"}, \text{TRUE})$
 $Init \triangleq$
 $\wedge master =$
 $[objects \mapsto [o \in Object \mapsto$
 $[version \mapsto 0, prim \mapsto InitPrim(o), sec \mapsto InitSec(o)],$
 $health \mapsto [r \in Rep \mapsto \text{"alive"}]] \text{ but all replicas are alive}$

 $\wedge cache = [r \in Rep \mapsto [o \in Object \mapsto$
 $[version \mapsto 0, prim \mapsto InitPrim(o), sec \mapsto InitSec(o)]]]$

 $\wedge data = [r \in Rep \mapsto [o \in Object \mapsto InitDataVal]]$
 $\wedge channel = [r \in Rep \mapsto \langle \rangle] \text{ no message yet}$
 $\wedge resps = [r \in Rep \mapsto [o \in Object \mapsto [r1 \in Rep \mapsto \text{"waiting"}]]]$

$$\wedge stat = [r \in Rep \mapsto [phase \mapsto \text{"alive"}, lock \mapsto [o \in Object \mapsto \text{"rdy"}], \\ in_progress \mapsto [o \in Object \mapsto [val \mapsto NoWrite, version \mapsto 0]]]] \\ \text{all reps alive and ready to accept updates}$$

MASTER functioning

In the most general case, the master does not participate actively. It's only for mitigation and for a reliable source of accurate information. In master-monitored replicated systems (like *GFS*), the master is active and monitors replicas, releases primary leases, removes replicas, adds replicas, etc. In self-monitoring replica sys, (like *Blue*), master is not active in the spec.

$MasterActions \triangleq FALSE$

TIME AND CHANNELS: (sources of timeouts and losses)

The channel to replica r loses one of the messages that should have arrived there.

$$\begin{aligned} _TransLoss(r) &\triangleq \\ &\wedge channel[r] \neq \langle \rangle \quad \text{the channel is not empty} \\ &\wedge channel' = [channel \text{ EXCEPT } ![r] = Tail(@)] \\ &\wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle master, cache, data, stat, resps \rangle \\ TransLoss &\triangleq \exists r \in Rep : _TransLoss(r) \end{aligned}$$

(Ex-)Primary r times out waiting for response from replica s .

$$\begin{aligned} _Timeout(r, o, s) &\triangleq \\ \text{LET } updateMsgIsLost(chan, update) &\triangleq \\ \quad \forall i \in 1 \dots Len(chan) : chan[i].w \neq update.val \\ \text{IN} \\ &\wedge stat[r].phase = \text{"alive"} \quad r \text{ is alive} \\ &\wedge stat[r].lock[o] = \text{"busy"} \quad r \text{ is indeed waiting for responses to a write request} \\ &\wedge resps[r][o][s] = \text{"waiting"} \quad r \text{ is still waiting for response from } s \\ &\wedge updateMsgIsLost(channel[s], stat[r].in_progress[o]) \setminus * \text{ REDUCE SPACE: the update message sent to } s \text{ was lost} - TODO \\ &\wedge resps' = [resps \text{ EXCEPT } ![r][o][s] = \text{"timeout"}] \quad \text{response of } s \text{ timed out} \\ &\wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle master, cache, data, stat, channel \rangle \\ Timeout &\triangleq \\ \exists r \in Rep, o \in Object, s \in Rep : \\ &\quad \wedge r \neq s \\ &\quad \wedge _Timeout(r, o, s) \\ TimeActions &\triangleq \\ &\quad \vee TransLoss \quad \vee Timeout \end{aligned}$$

REPLICA actions.

Replica r suddenly dies.

$_ReplicaDeath(r) \triangleq$
 $\wedge stat[r].phase = \text{"alive"}$ replica used to be alive
 $\wedge stat' = [stat \text{ EXCEPT } ![r].phase = \text{"dead"}]$ declares itself dead
 $\wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle master, cache, data, channel, resps \rangle$
 $ReplicaDeath \triangleq \exists r \in Rep : _ReplicaDeath(r)$

Replica r updates its cache $w/$ the accurate version from master. One could imagine multiple times when this could be triggered in the actual implem of, *e.g.*, *GFS* (*e.g.*, during *HeartBeat* protocol, after a client comes $w/$ a higher *version* \neq , etc.). Since I don't know what happens in the real protocol exactly, I will assume it can happen anytime.

$_ReadVersion(r, o) \triangleq$
 $\wedge stat[r].phase \neq \text{"dead"}$ replica is not dead yet
 $\wedge cache[r][o].version \neq master.objects[o].version$ r 's cache is out-of-date
 $\wedge cache' = [cache \text{ EXCEPT } ![r][o] = master.objects[o]]$ cache new version
 $\wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle master, data, channel, resps, stat \rangle$
 $ReadVersion \triangleq$
 $\wedge \exists r \in Rep, o \in Object : _ReadVersion(r, o)$

Replica r drops a write req w . The reasons might be various. (*E.g.*, in *GFS*, one reason can be that prim cannot find the data associated $w/$ this request in its *LRU*).

$DropWrite(r, o, w) \triangleq$ changes $\langle data, channel, stat, resps \rangle$
 $\wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle data, channel, stat, resps \rangle$

Primary continues $w/$ a client request. It pushes the data to its local store (always considered to succeed from this at this point, b/c anyway I provide for general request dropping). The primary then sends update messages to all secondaries. The write needs preparation before it's given out to secondaries. In *GFS* (*e.g.*), the preparation means deciding on an address to write at and setting this adr in the msg.

$PrimaryContinuesWrite(r, o, w, allreplicas, version) \triangleq$ changes $\langle data, channel, stat, resps \rangle$, sends *Reply*
 $\wedge \text{LET}$
 $prepared_wr \triangleq PrepareWr(r, o, w)$
 $wr_req \triangleq [type \mapsto \text{"wrReq"}, sender \mapsto r, object \mapsto o,$
 $version \mapsto version, w \mapsto prepared_wr]$
the write needs to be prepared for the secondaries
 IN
 $\wedge \text{IF } prepared_wr \neq NoWrite \text{ THEN}$ No error while preparing
 $\wedge StoreUpdate(r, o, prepared_wr)$ perform the update locally
 $\wedge channel' = [r1 \in Rep \mapsto$ send the update req to secondaries
 $\text{IF } r1 \in allreplicas \setminus \{r\} \text{ THEN}$
 $channel[r1] \circ \langle wr_req \rangle$
 $\text{ELSE } channel[r1]]$ not a secondary
 $\wedge stat' = [stat \text{ EXCEPT } ![r].lock[o] = \text{"busy"},$ the replica becomes busy
and will not accept further updates on object o
until this write finishes.

! $[r].in_progress[o] = [val \mapsto prepared_wr, version \mapsto version]$

maintain the write, for future reference

$\wedge resps' = [resps \text{ EXCEPT } ![r][o] = [r1 \in Rep \mapsto$
 IF $r = r1$ THEN “ok” this replica has already answered
 ELSE IF $r1 \in allreplicas$
 THEN “waiting” wait for *ack* from secondaries
 ELSE “n/a”]] don’t wait for *ack* from non-secondaries

$\wedge NoReply$ don’t return yet the response

$\wedge UNCHANGED data$

ELSE Preparing the message resulted in error, indicating
 that this write shouldn’t go ahead.
 Skip it and announce the client of error
 $\wedge UNCHANGED \langle data, channel, stat, resps \rangle$
 $\wedge Reply(r, \text{“NoWrite”}, prepared_wr)$

Primary r handles a write request. Note that the writes are blocking and processed by one primary one at a time. Only after a write finishes, does the primary start another one.

$PrimaryWrite(r, o, w, ver) \triangleq$ changes $\langle data, channel, stat, resps \rangle$, sends *Reply*
 $\wedge cache[r][o].prim = r$ r believes itself to be the primary
 $\wedge stat[r].lock[o] = \text{“rdy”}$ the primary doesn’t have other writes in progress on object o

$\wedge \vee \wedge PrimaryContinuesWrite(r, o, w, \{cache[r][o].prim\} \cup cache[r][o].sec, cache[r][o].version)$
 EITHER: perform the write

$\vee \wedge DropWrite(r, o, w) \setminus * \text{ OR: drop the request altogether}$
 $\wedge Reply(r, \text{“wrFinished”}, [ack \mapsto \text{“error”}, object \mapsto o, w \mapsto w])$

$VersionBased_GetWriteResponse(r, o, w, version, sender) \triangleq$
 IF $(cache[r][o].version \leq version)$ THEN good version
 $[type \mapsto \text{“wrResp”}, sender \mapsto r, object \mapsto o,$
 $w \mapsto w, ack \mapsto \text{“ok”}, version \mapsto cache[r][o].version]$
 ELSE bad version
 $[type \mapsto \text{“wrResp”}, sender \mapsto r, object \mapsto o,$
 $w \mapsto w, ack \mapsto \text{“badver”}, version \mapsto cache[r][o].version]$

Secondary continues the write request from prim. It pushes the data to its local store (always considered to succeed from this at this point, b/c anyway I provide for general request dropping & version has been or doesn’t need to be checked.

$SecondaryContinuesWrite(r, o, w, ver, sender) \triangleq$ changes $\langle data, channel \rangle$
 LET
 $wr_resp \triangleq GetWriteResponse(r, o, w, ver, sender)$
 IN
 IF $wr_resp.type = \text{“wrResp”}$ THEN
 $\wedge wr_resp.ack = \text{“ok”} \Rightarrow StoreUpdate(r, o, w)$ store the update persistently locally
 $\wedge wr_resp.ack \neq \text{“ok”} \Rightarrow UNCHANGED data$ don’t store, there’s an error

$$\begin{aligned}
& \wedge channel' = [channel \text{ EXCEPT} \\
& \quad \quad \quad ![sender] = @ \circ \langle wr_resp \rangle, \quad \text{send response} \\
& \quad \quad \quad ![r] = Tail(@)] \text{ remove from channel} \\
& \text{ELSE } \wedge channel' = [channel \text{ EXCEPT } ![r] = Tail(@)] \text{ no response should be sent back} \\
& \wedge \text{UNCHANGED } data
\end{aligned}$$

A secondary replica processes a write request from primary. The secondary fully executes it and sends a reply back to sender. We don't simulate dropping of the request by *sec*. because there's no need to, given the general *TransLoss*.

$$\begin{aligned}
& SecondaryWrite(r, o, w, ver, sender) \triangleq \text{changes } \langle data, channel, stat, resps \rangle \\
& \wedge \vee SecondaryContinuesWrite(r, o, w, ver, sender)
\end{aligned}$$

No need to drop the write at the secondaries. This drop will happen due to *TransLoss*().

$\vee DropWrite(r, o, w) \setminus *$ OR: drop the request altogether

$$\wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle stat, resps \rangle$$

A(n *ex* -)primary processes a response to a write request from replica sender. The response might already be too late (it has already timed out), or it might be in-time.

$$\begin{aligned}
& ProcessWriteResp(r, o, w, sender, ack) \triangleq \text{changes } \langle data, channel, stat, resps \rangle \\
& \wedge resps' = [resps \text{ EXCEPT } ![r][o][sender] = \\
& \quad \text{IF } @ = \text{"timeout"} \vee @ = \text{"n/a"} \text{ THEN } @ \text{ resp came too late, it's already expired} \\
& \quad \text{ELSE } ack] \text{ either } ok \text{ or some system-specific error}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\wedge channel' = [channel \text{ EXCEPT } ![r] = Tail(@)]$$

$$\wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle data, stat \rangle$$

A replica processes a message in its incoming channel. Depending on the type of message (update req, update resp), replica acts according to the three functions above.

$$\begin{aligned}
& _ProcessMessage(r) \triangleq \\
& \quad \wedge channel[r] \neq \langle \rangle \text{ I have a message to process} \\
& \quad \wedge \text{LET } m \triangleq Head(channel[r]) \text{IN} \\
& \quad \quad \wedge \text{IF } m.type = \text{"wrReq"} \text{ THEN} \\
& \quad \quad \quad \text{IF } m.sender = Client \text{ THEN } \text{update request from client to a prim} \\
& \quad \quad \quad \quad \text{Enters here only when } Client \text{ writes are not a 0-stage action} \\
& \quad \quad \quad \quad PrimaryWrite(r, m.object, m.w, m.version) \\
& \quad \quad \quad \quad \text{TODO: NB: This function sends a } Reply, \text{ while the others don't - BUG} \\
& \quad \quad \quad \text{ELSE } \text{It's a } wrReq \text{ from a primary to a secondary} \\
& \quad \quad \quad \quad SecondaryWrite(r, m.object, m.w, m.version, m.sender) \\
& \quad \quad \text{ELSE IF } m.type = \text{"wrResp"} \text{ THEN} \\
& \quad \quad \quad \quad ProcessWriteResp(r, m.object, m.w, m.sender, m.ack) \\
& \quad \quad \text{ELSE} \\
& \quad \quad \quad \quad \wedge Print(\text{"BUGGGG!!!! Wrong message type!"}, m) \neq \langle \rangle \\
& \quad \wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle master, cache \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

$ProcessMessage \triangleq$

$\exists r \in Rep :$

$\wedge stat[r].phase = \text{"alive"}$ r must be alive to process a message
 $\wedge _ProcessMessage(r)$

A replica (either a current primary or not) finishes a write that it started some time ago (when it considered itself to be a primary).

$_FinishWrite(r, o) \triangleq$

LET

$NotFinishedWrReqs(m) \triangleq m.object \neq o \vee m.sender \neq r$

this message does not refer to a write on object o
initiated by replica r . So, I don't declare it finished

$NotFinishedWrResps(m) \triangleq m.object \neq o$

IN

$\wedge stat[r].phase = \text{"alive"}$ allow writes to finish even for those started by dead replicas

TODO: Shouldn't do this for Blue?????

$\wedge stat[r].lock[o] = \text{"busy"}$ r has indeed a write started

$\wedge \forall r1 \in Rep : resps[r][o][r1] \neq \text{"waiting"}$ all the replicas have submitted
their responses, or have timed-out
or weren't supposed to answer

$\wedge ReplyFinishedWrite(r, o, stat[r].in_progress[o])$

should send the appropriate *Reply*, based on state of the *resps*
but not change any of master, data, cache, etc.!

Re-initialize all write-related state, to prepare the replica for the next write

$\wedge stat' = [stat \text{ EXCEPT } ![r].lock[o] = \text{"rdy"}]$, r is ready to accept new updates
(if it's still prim, of course)

$![r].in_progress[o] = [val \mapsto NoWrite, version \mapsto 0]$

re-init the responses, to prepare r for the next write

$\wedge resps' = [resps \text{ EXCEPT } ![r][o] = [r1 \in Rep \mapsto \text{"waiting"}]]$

Remove ALL messages related to this object. Leave the rest intact

$\wedge channel' = [r1 \in Rep \mapsto \text{IF } r1 \neq r \text{ THEN } SelectSeq(channel[r1], NotFinishedWrReqs)$
ELSE $SelectSeq(channel[r], NotFinishedWrResps)$]

I think that the above is not actually cheating, b/c you can imagine
an implementation where replicas would simply identify older
updates (via a sequence number, which is anyway necessary for
keeping the order of updates.)

$\wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle master, data, cache \rangle$

$FinishWrite \triangleq$

$\exists r \in Rep, o \in Object : _FinishWrite(r, o)$

$ReplicaActions \triangleq$

$\vee ReplicaDeath$

$\vee \text{ReadVersion}$
 $\vee \text{ProcessMessage}$
 $\vee \text{FinishWrite}$ a replica finishes a write it has started

CLIENT actions.

Client wants to perform write w on object o . The request is performed in a 0-stage fashion. The method models caching of replica locations in the client – BUT IT'S NOT CORRECT !!! *TODO TODO*.

$_CliWrite(prim, o, w) \triangleq$
 $\quad \wedge \text{PrimaryWrite}(prim, o, w, \text{master.objects}[o].\text{version})$
 $\quad \wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle \text{master}, \text{cache} \rangle$
 $CliWrite(o, w) \triangleq$
 $\quad \exists r \in Rep :$
 $\quad \quad \wedge \text{stat}[r].\text{phase} = \text{"alive"}$
 $\quad \quad \wedge _CliWrite(r, o, w)$

In the most general case, a read is typically performed on the local copy of some replica that stores that object (is either a *sec* or a *primary*). How you choose that replica depends on the protocol. In *GFS*, it's any replica. In *Blue*, it's gotta be *prim*. The semantic of the read is that I read a whole object.

$_CliRead(r, o) \triangleq$
 $\quad \wedge \text{LET } val \triangleq \text{StoreRead}(r, o)$
 $\quad \text{IN } \text{Reply}(r, \text{"rd"}, val)$
 $\quad \wedge \text{UNCHANGED } \langle \text{master}, \text{cache}, \text{data}, \text{stat}, \text{resps}, \text{channel} \rangle$

$CliRead(o) \triangleq$
 $\quad \exists r \in Rep :$
 $\quad \quad \wedge \text{stat}[r].\text{phase} = \text{"alive"}$
 $\quad \quad \wedge \text{master.health}[r] = \text{"alive"}$ ASSUMPTION : *Uncomment* this if you want to test
 $\quad \quad \quad \text{read-last-successful-X (X = write/append).}$
 $\quad \quad \quad \text{This ensures I don't read from a live but stale replica.}$
 $\quad \quad \wedge r \in \text{cache}[r][o].\text{sec} \cup \{ \text{cache}[r][o].\text{prim} \}$
 $\quad \quad \quad r \text{ considers itself either a } \textit{sec} \text{ or } \textit{primary} \text{ of } o$
 $\quad \quad \wedge _CliRead(r, o)$

$ClientActions \triangleq$
 $\quad \exists o \in Object :$
 $\quad \quad \vee \exists w \in WriteType : CliWrite(o, w)$
 $\quad \quad \vee CliRead(o)$

$Next \triangleq$ $\vee \text{MasterActions}$
 $\quad \vee \text{TimeActions}$
 $\quad \vee \text{ReplicaActions}$
 $\quad \vee \text{ClientActions}$

$$Spec \triangleq \wedge Init \wedge \Box[Next]_{vars}$$

Invariants

$$AllInvariants \triangleq \\ \wedge TypeInvariant$$

THEOREM $Spec \Rightarrow \Box AllInvariants$
