Viewstamped Replication

10/19/18

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Next Wednesday 10/24 at 7 - 9pm in CS 104

Covers all material up to and including Monday’s lecture

Viewstamped Replication

A way to implement replicated state machines

Goal: strong consistency across replicas

Similar to Paxos and RAFT, but less popular

Viewstamped Replication

Normal operation

2f + 1 = 3 nodes

Can tolerate f = 1 node failing at once

A

status	normal
replica	0
view	0
op	0
commit	-1

<empty>

B

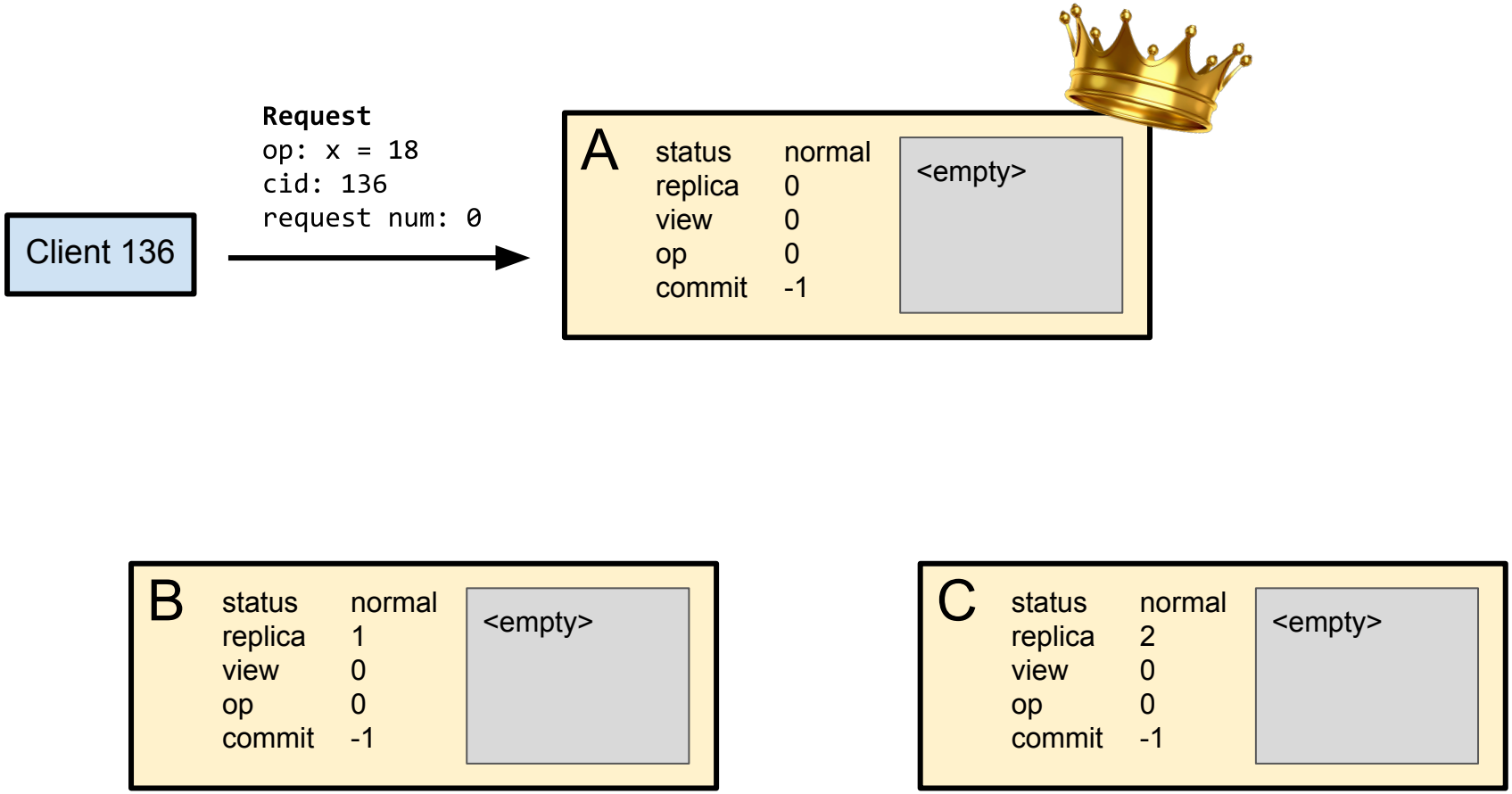
status	normal
replica	1
view	0
op	0
commit	-1

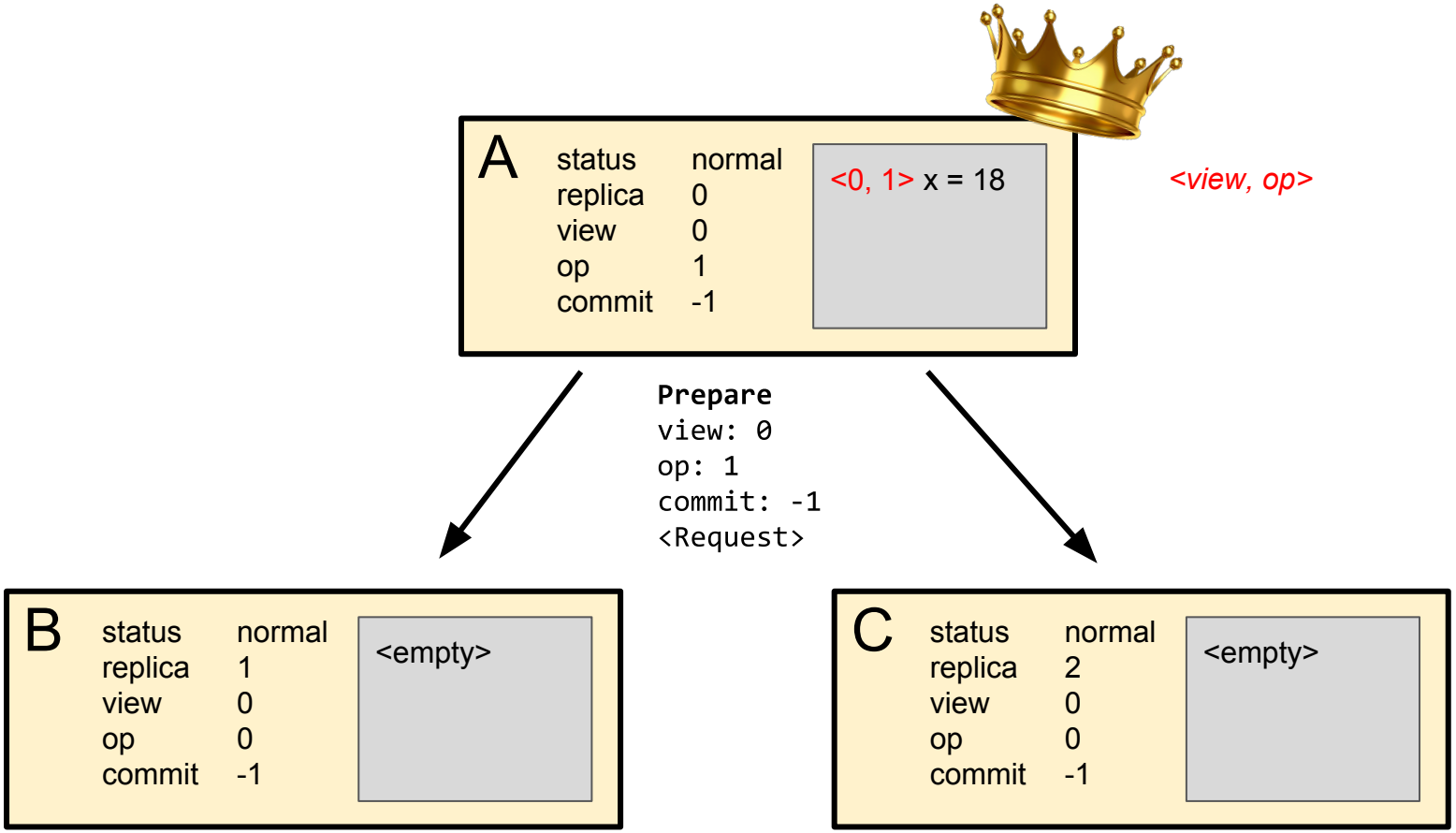
<empty>

C

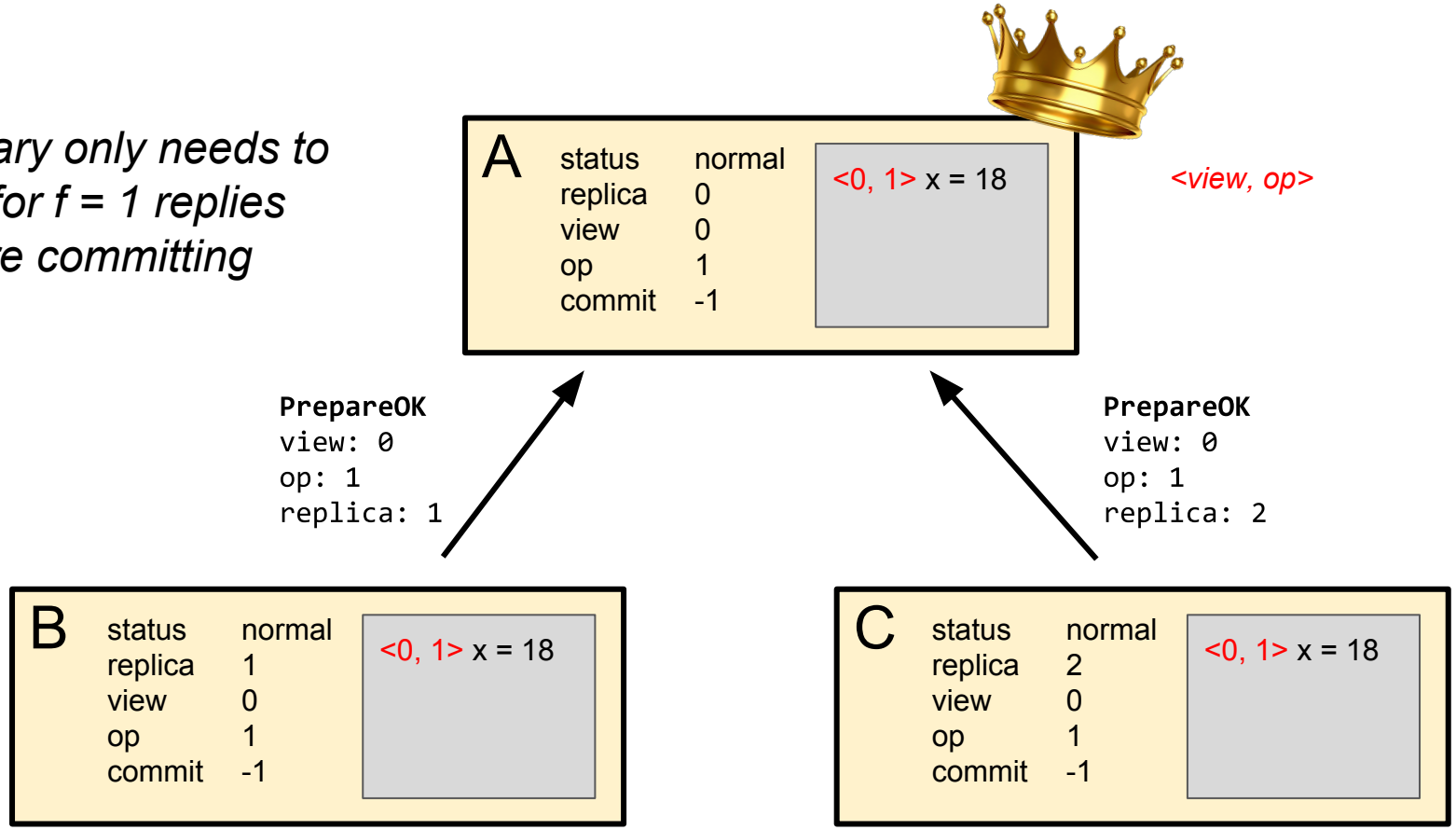
status	normal
replica	2
view	0
op	0
commit	-1

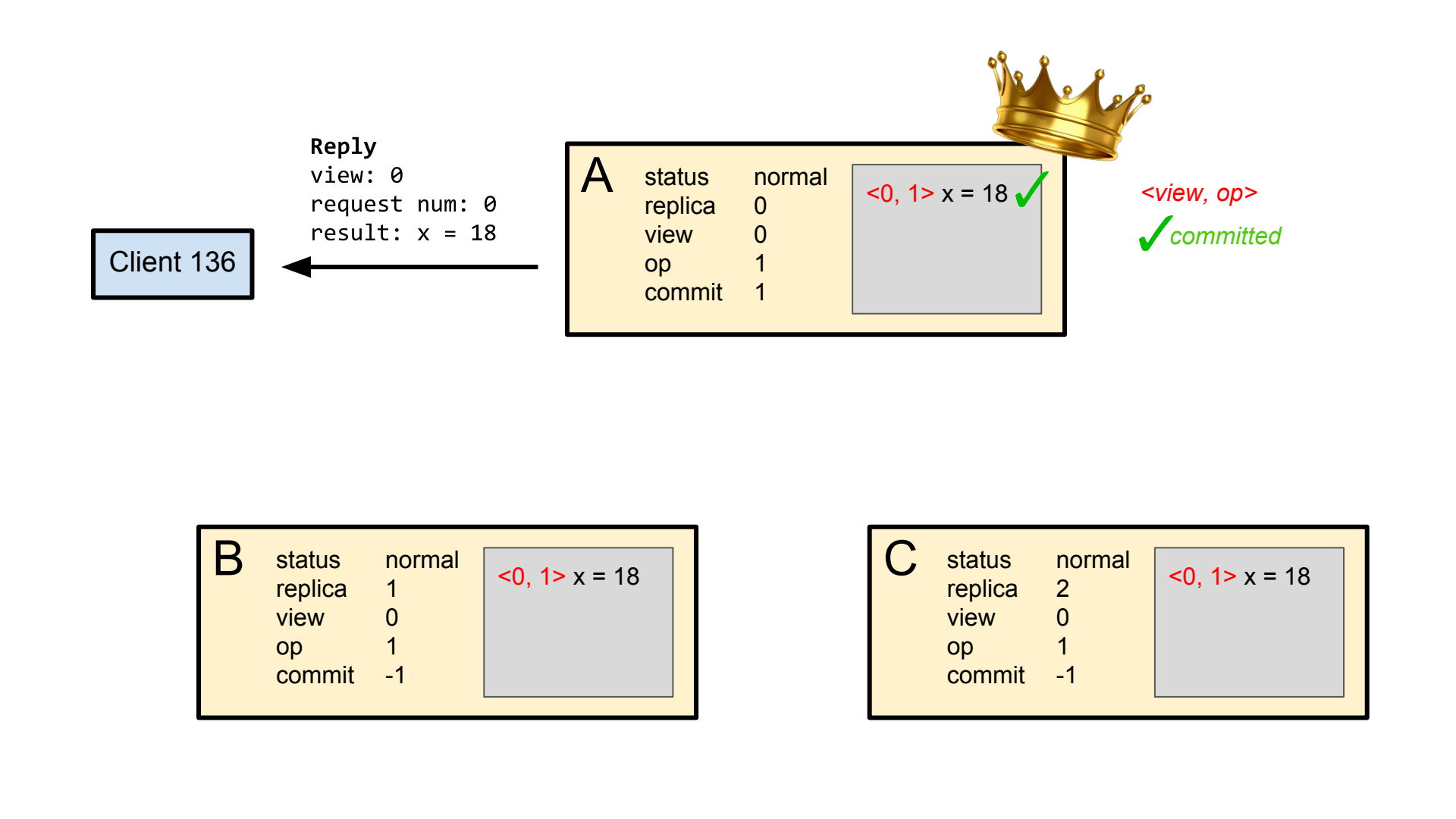
<empty>


Request
op: x = 18
cid: 136
request num: 0
Client 136
A
status normal
replica 0
view 0
op 0
commit -1
<empty>
B
status normal
replica 1
view 0
op 0
commit -1
<empty>
C
status normal
replica 2
view 0
op 0
commit -1
<empty>


A
status normal
replica 0
view 0
op 1
commit -1
<0, 1> x = 18
<view, op>
Prepare
view: 0
op: 1
commit: -1
<Request>
B
status normal
replica 1
view 0
op 0
commit -1
<empty>
C
status normal
replica 2
view 0
op 0
commit -1
<empty>

Primary only needs to wait for f = 1 replies before committing




Reply
view: 0
request num: 0
result: x = 18
Client 136
A
status normal
replica 0
view 0
op 1
commit 1
<0, 1> x = 18
<view, op>
committed
B
status normal
replica 1
view 0
op 1
commit -1
<0, 1> x = 18
C
status normal
replica 2
view 0
op 1
commit -1
<0, 1> x = 18

Primary informs backups that op 1 is committed during the next `Prepare`

A

status	normal
replica	0
view	0
op	1
commit	1

<0, 1> x = 18 ✓

<view, op>

✓ *committed*

B

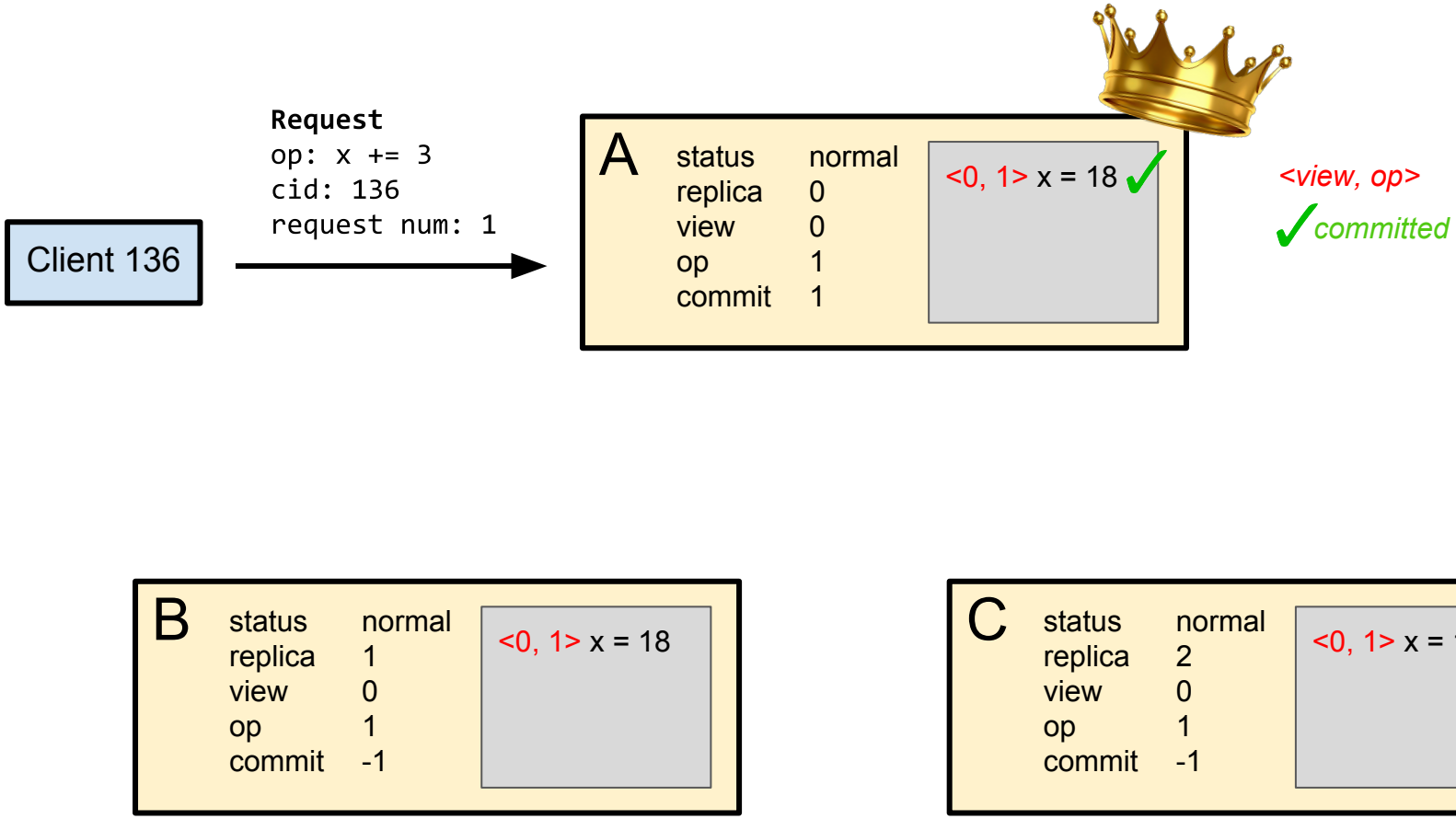
status	normal
replica	1
view	0
op	1
commit	-1

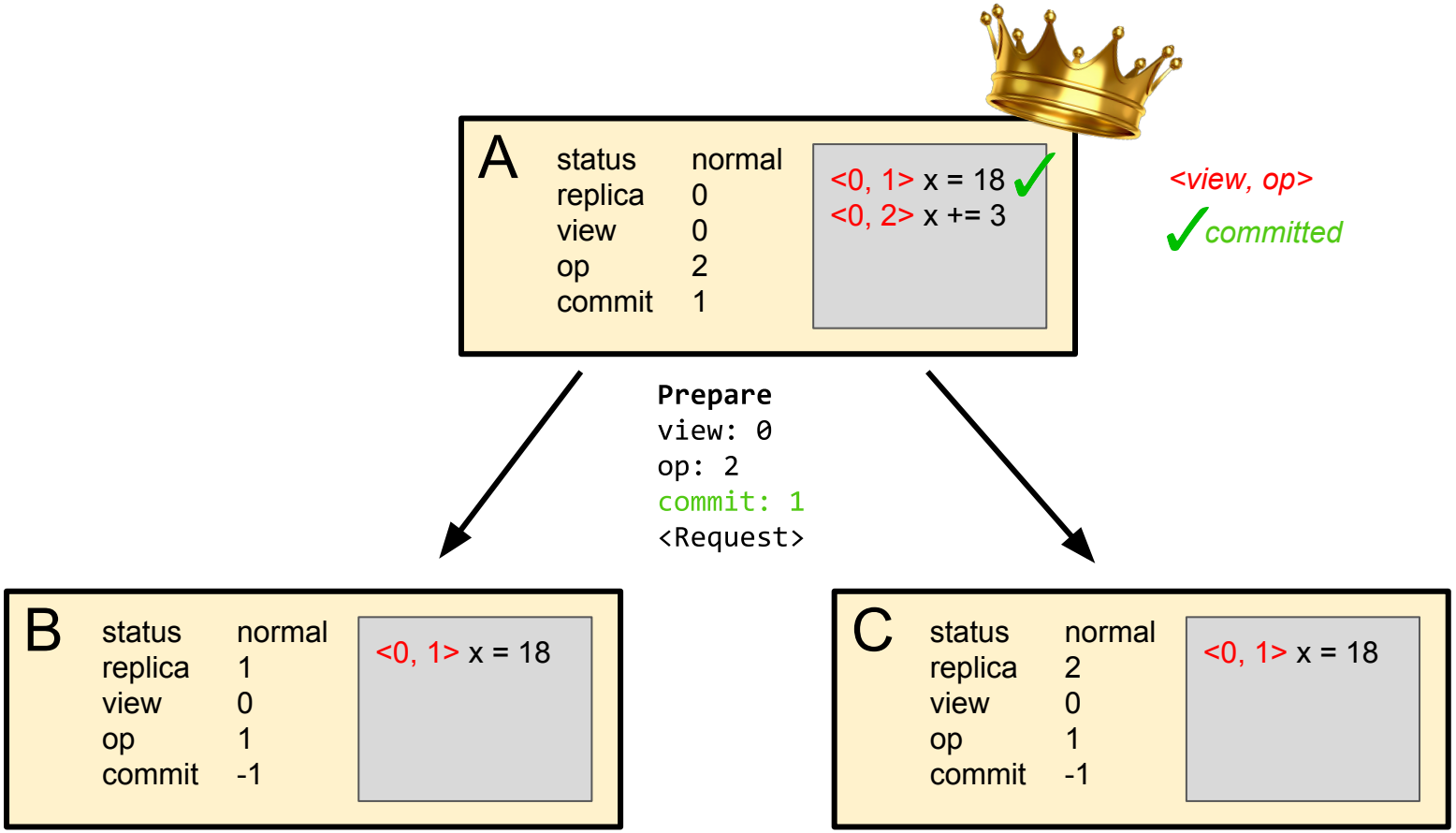
<0, 1> x = 18

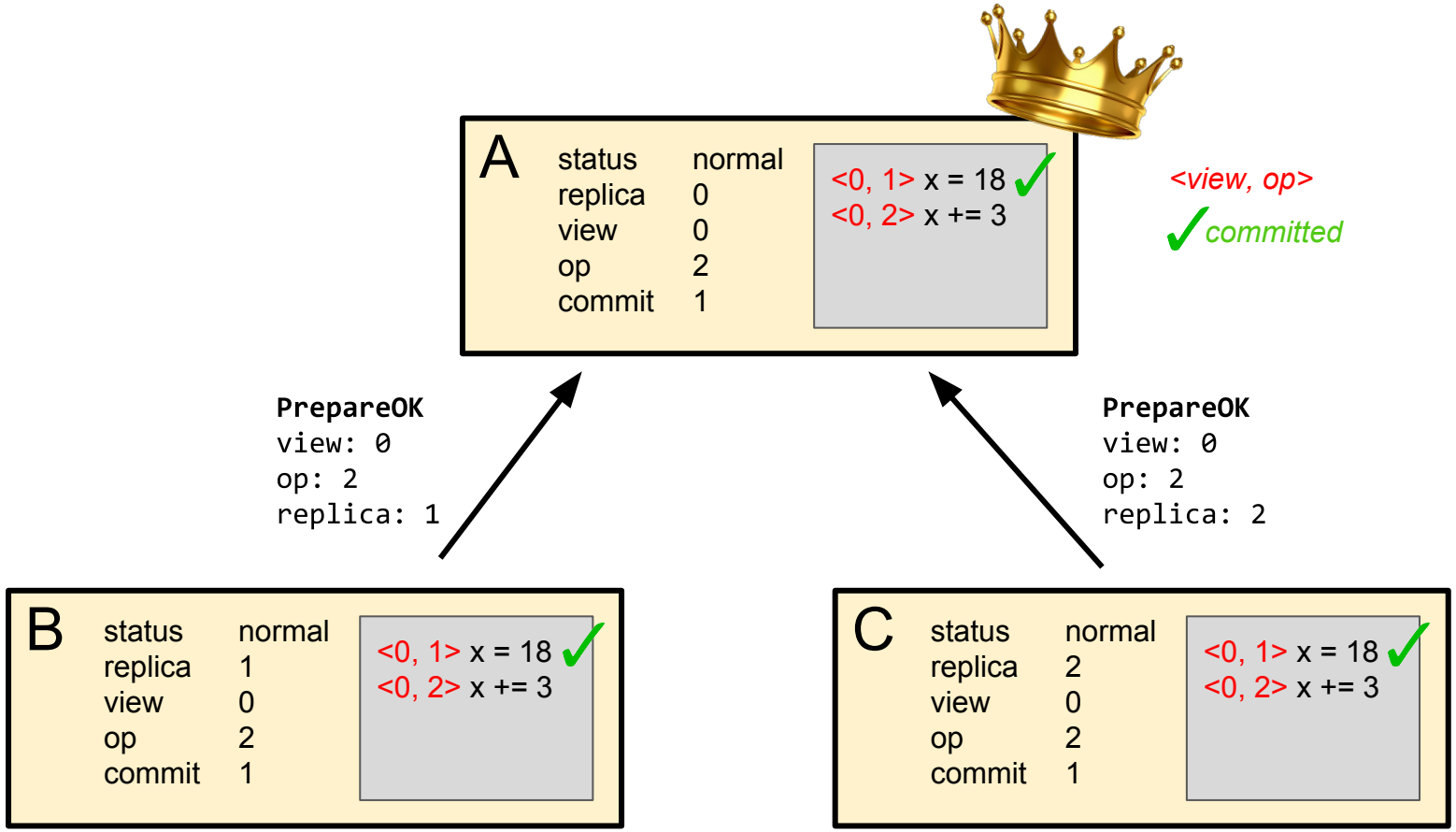
C

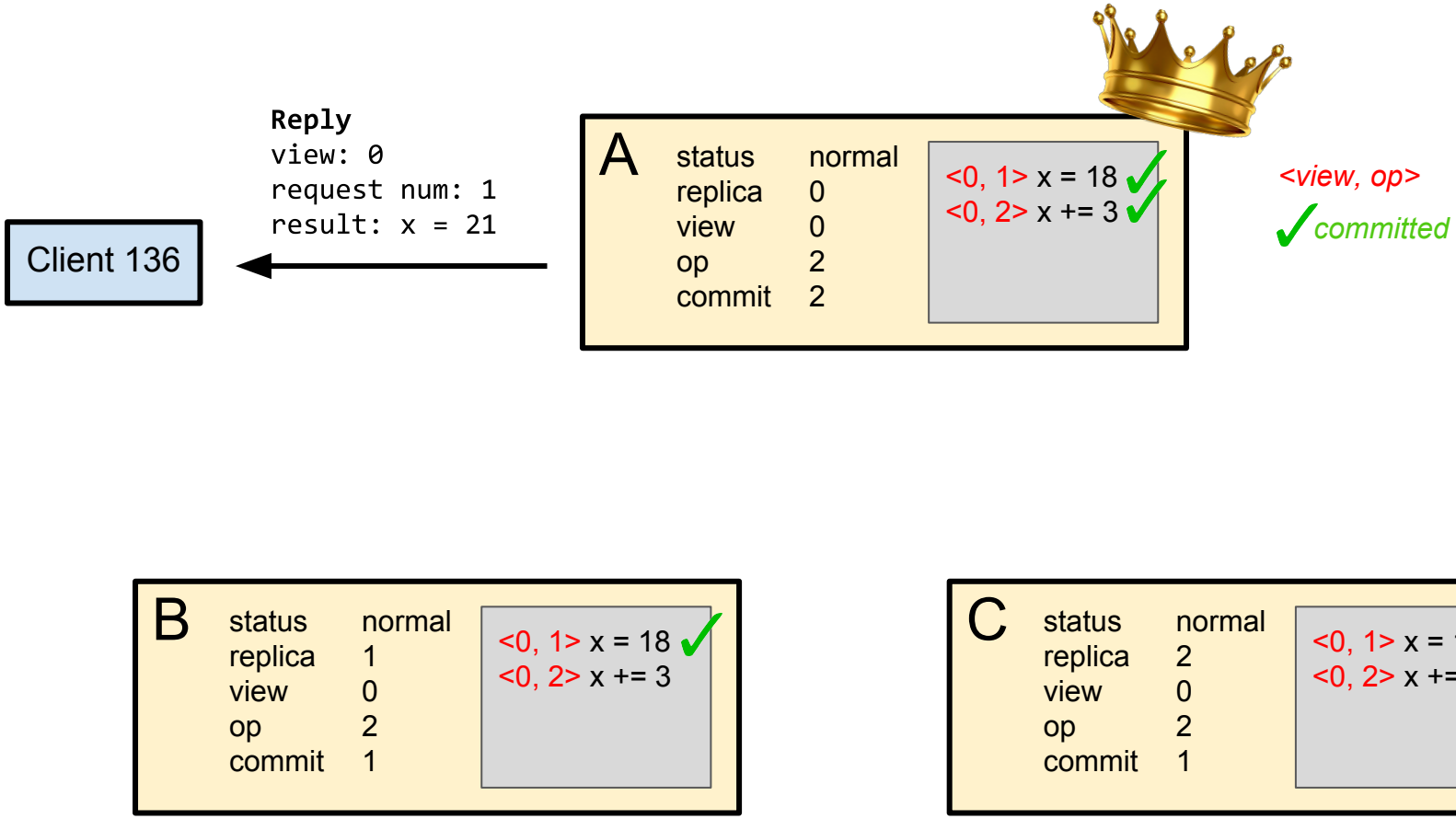
status	normal
replica	2
view	0
op	1
commit	-1

<0, 1> x = 18


Request
op: x += 3
cid: 136
request num: 1
Client 136
A
status normal
replica 0
view 0
op 1
commit 1
<0, 1> x = 18
<view, op>
committed
B
status normal
replica 1
view 0
op 1
commit -1
<0, 1> x = 18
C
status normal
replica 2
view 0
op 1
commit -1
<0, 1> x = 18

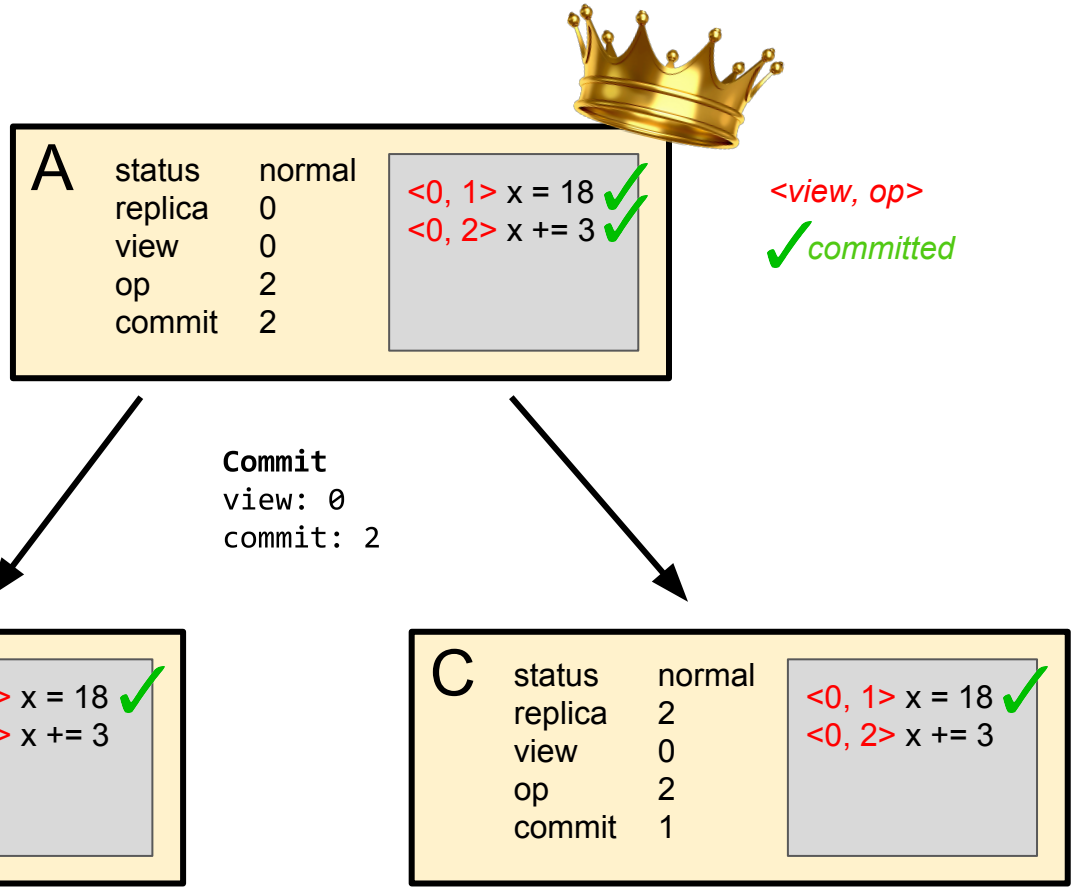

A
status normal
replica 0
view 0
op 2
commit 1
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<view, op>
committed
Prepare
view: 0
op: 2
commit: 1
<Request>
B
status normal
replica 1
view 0
op 1
commit -1
<0, 1> x = 18
C
status normal
replica 2
view 0
op 1
commit -1
<0, 1> x = 18


A
status normal
replica 0
view 0
op 2
commit 1
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<view, op>
committed
PrepareOK
view: 0
op: 2
replica: 1
PrepareOK
view: 0
op: 2
replica: 2
B
status normal
replica 1
view 0
op 2
commit 1
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
C
status normal
replica 2
view 0
op 2
commit 1
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3


Reply
view: 0
request num: 1
result: x = 21
Client 136
A
status normal
replica 0
view 0
op 2
commit 2
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<view, op>
committed
B
status normal
replica 1
view 0
op 2
commit 1
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
C
status normal
replica 2
view 0
op 2
commit 1
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3

What if the next `Prepare` *never comes?*

Primary times out and sends a `Commit` *message to each backup*



A

status	normal
replica	0
view	0
op	2
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓

<view, op>
✓ *committed*

B

status	normal
replica	1
view	0
op	2
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓

C

status	normal
replica	2
view	0
op	2
commit	2

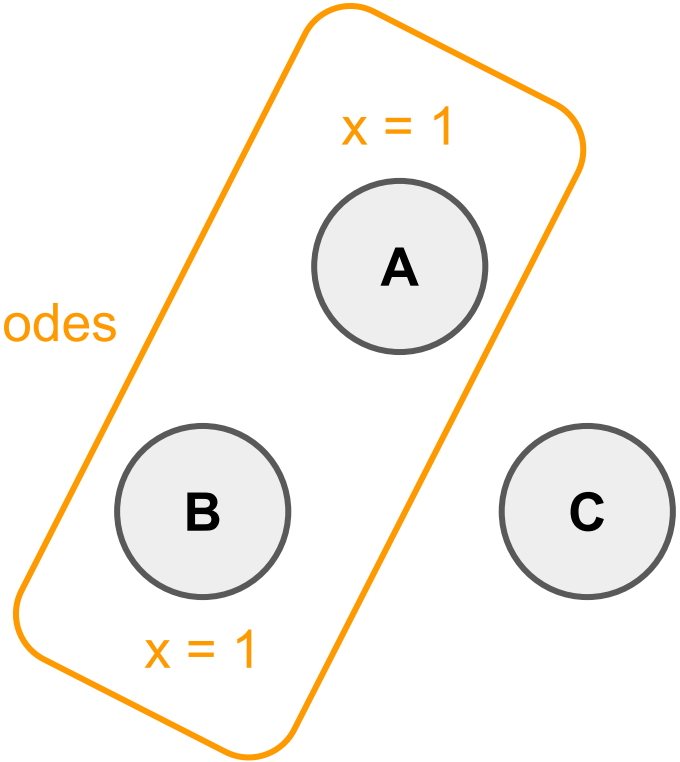
<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓

Why is waiting for *f* nodes enough?

Op is guaranteed to have been executed on *f* + *1* nodes (majority)

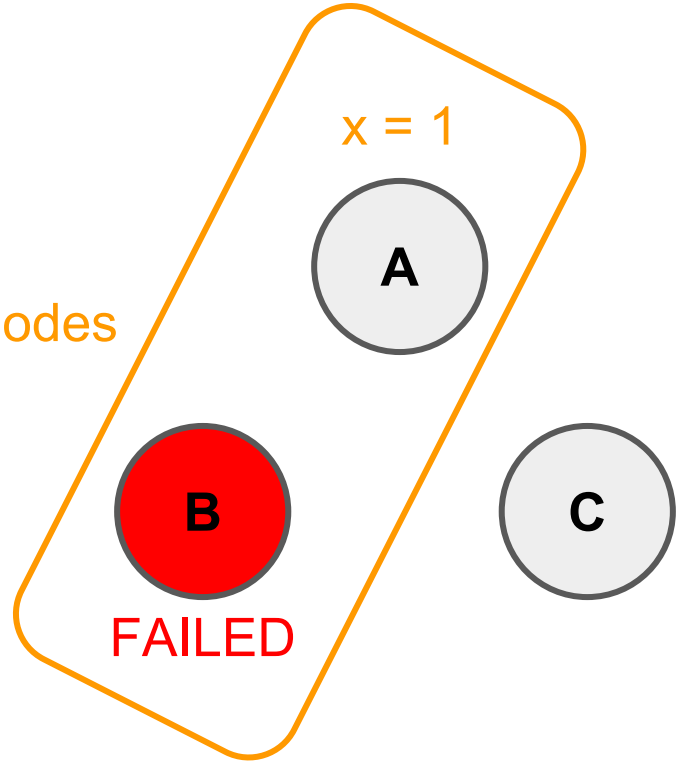
Overlapping quorums

Write quorum
contains *f* + *1* nodes



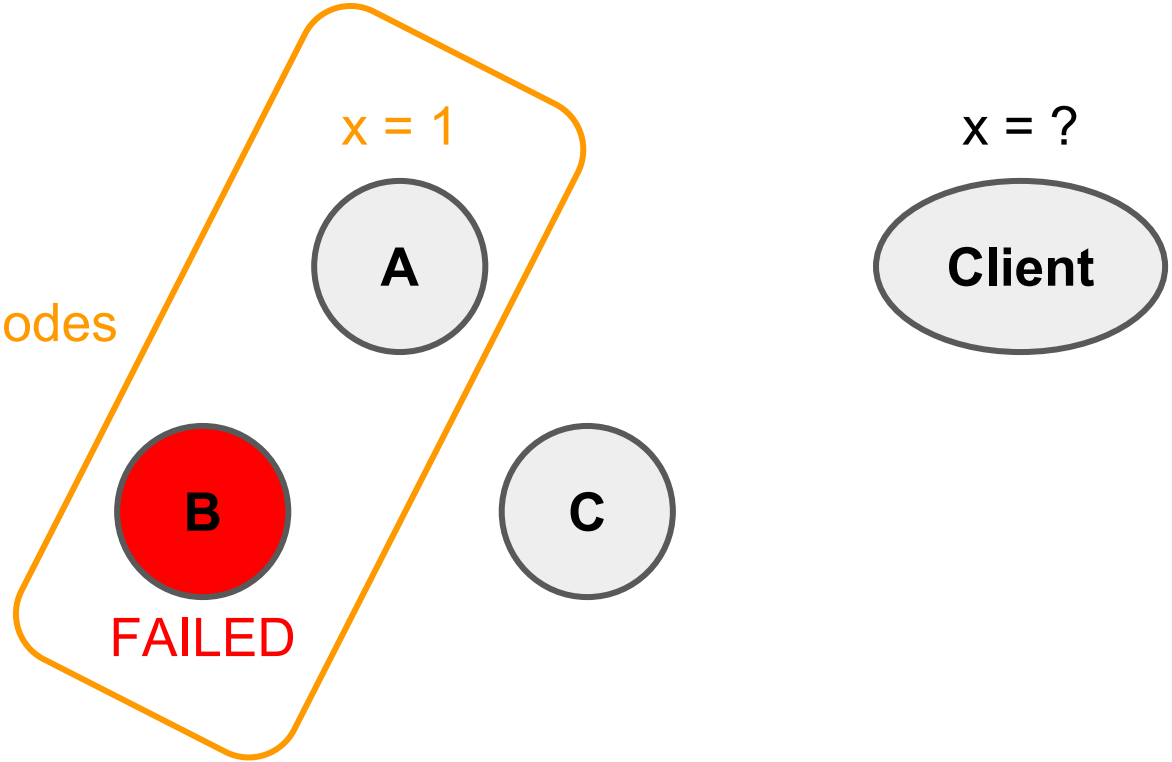
Overlapping quorums

Write quorum
contains *f* + *1* nodes

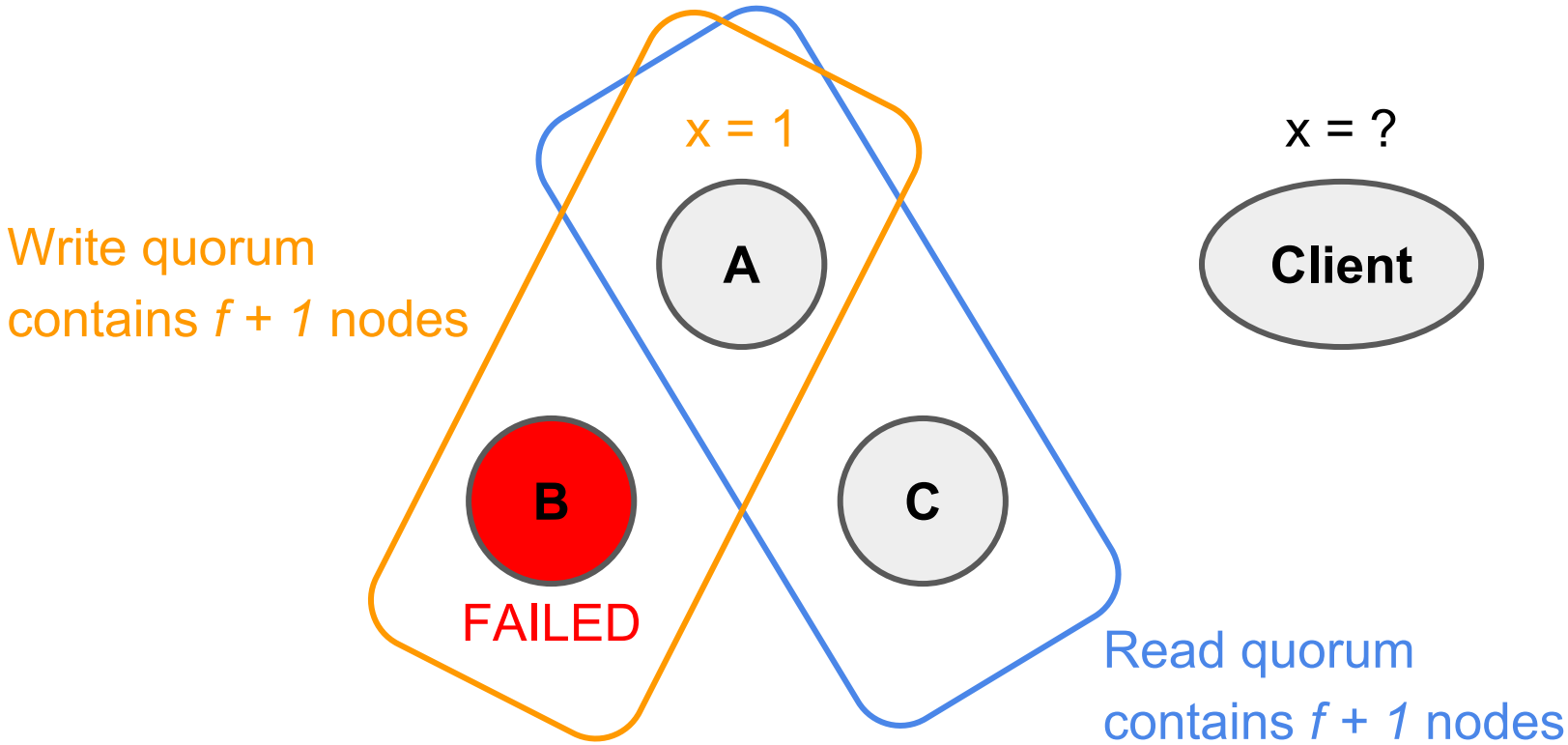


Overlapping quorums

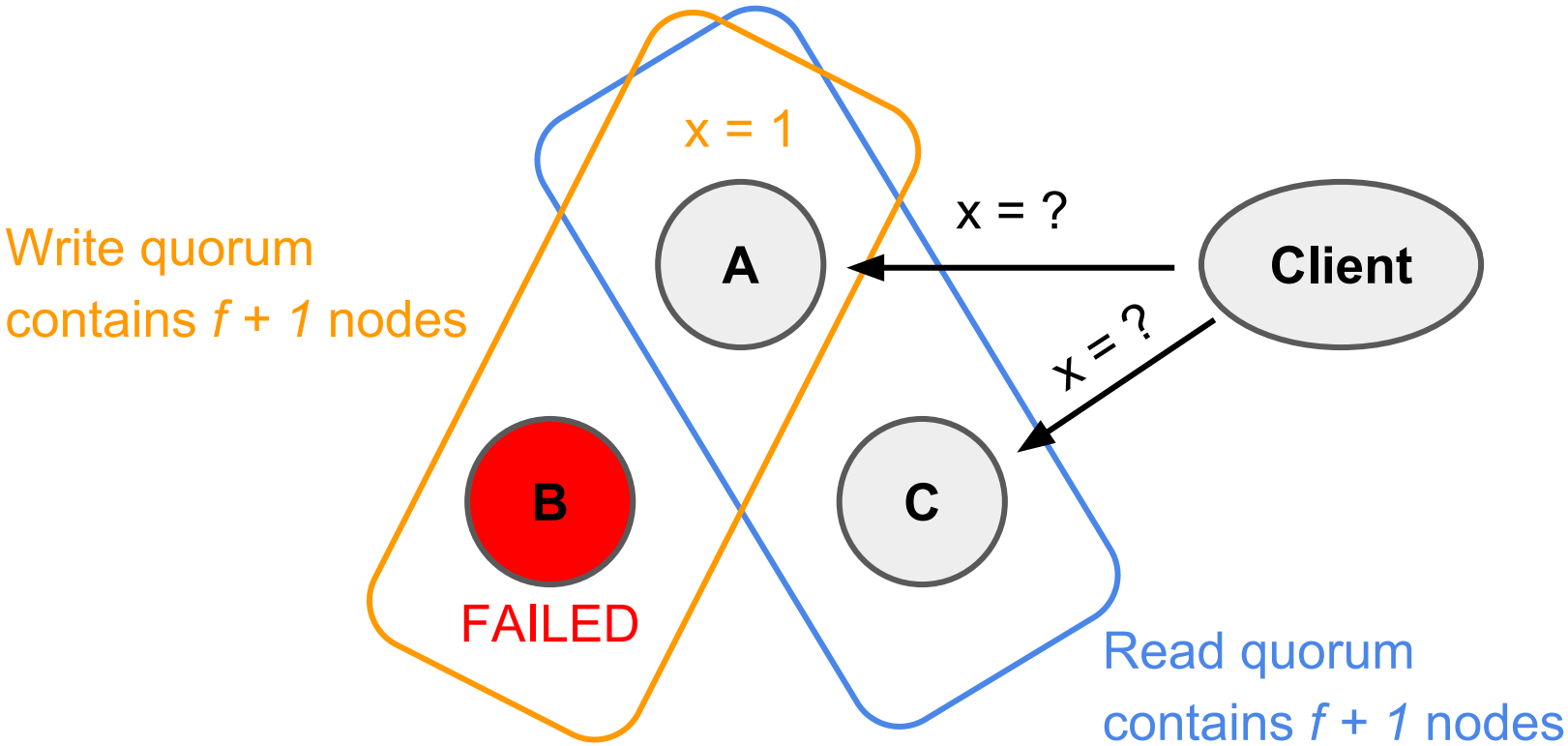
Write quorum
contains *f* + *1* nodes



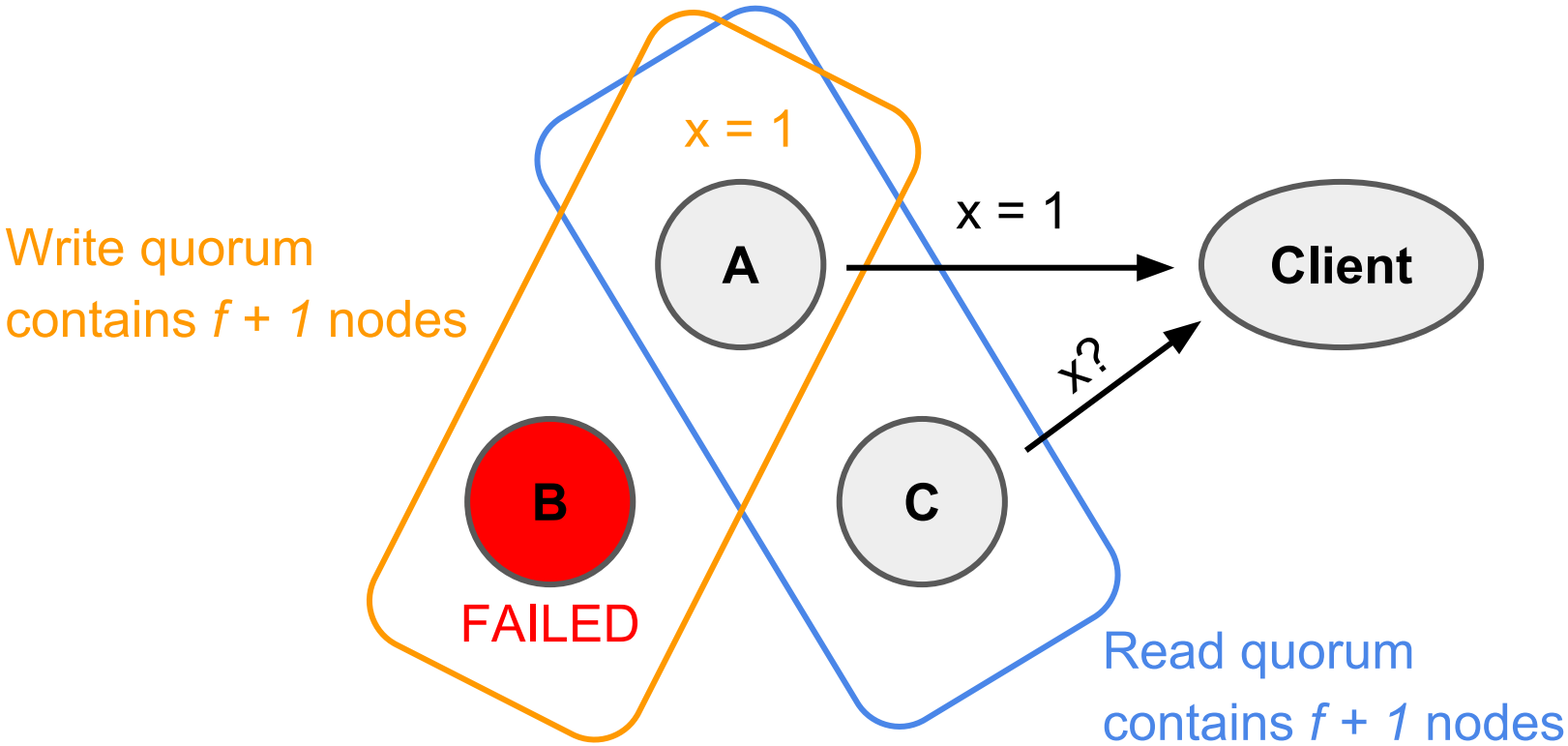
Overlapping quorums



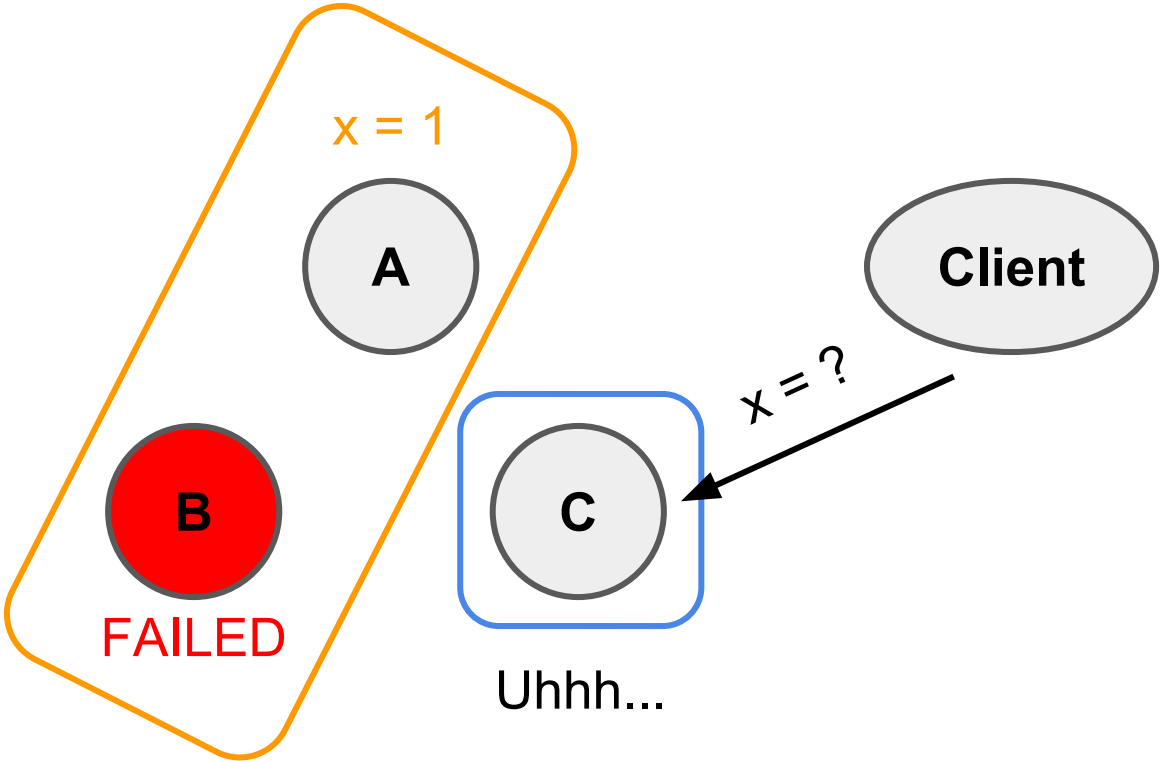
Overlapping quorums



Overlapping quorums

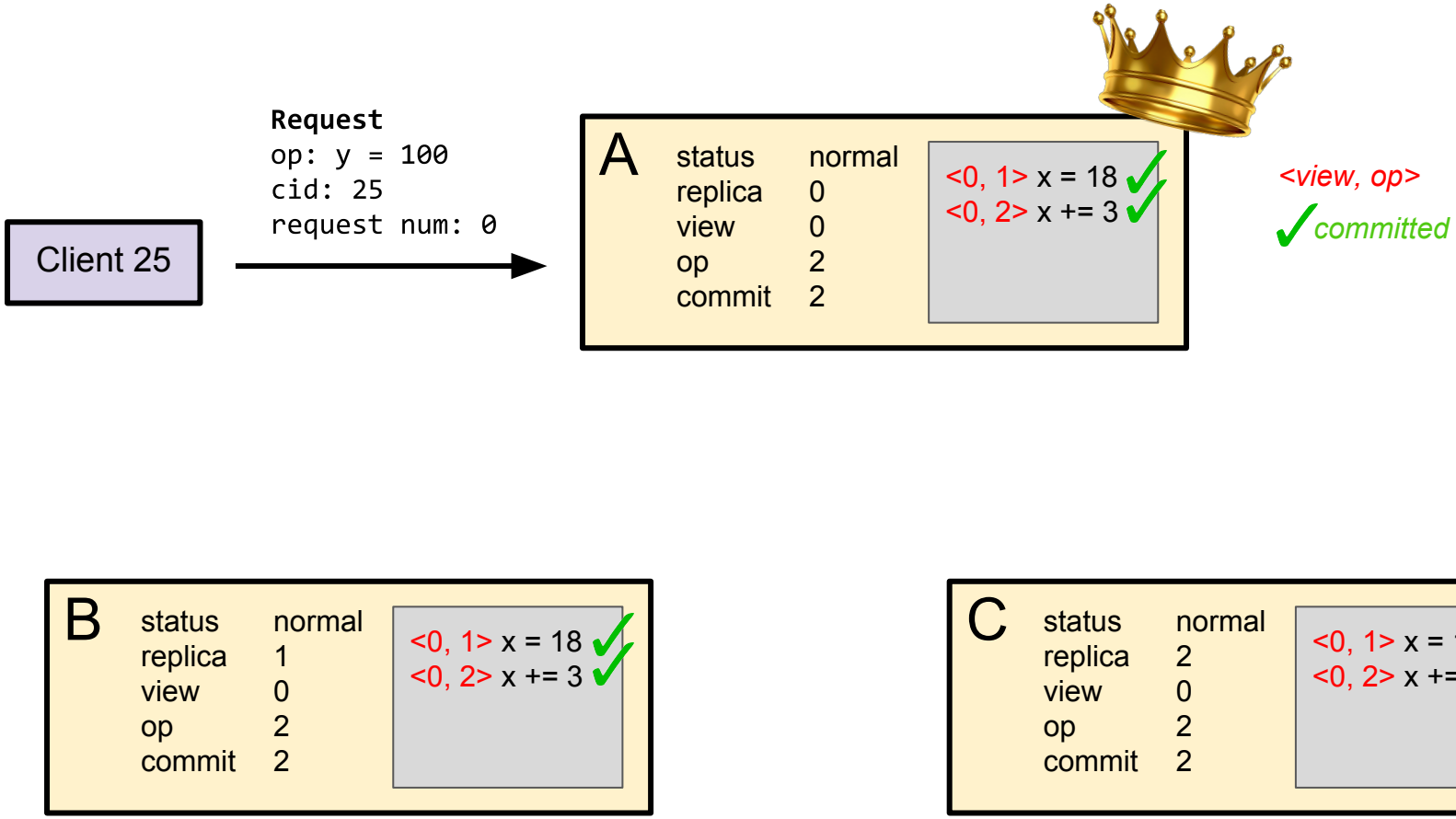


Non-overlapping quorums?



Viewstamped replication

View change


Request
op: y = 100
cid: 25
request num: 0
Client 25
A
status normal
replica 0
view 0
op 2
commit 2
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<view, op>
committed
B
status normal
replica 1
view 0
op 2
commit 2
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
C
status normal
replica 2
view 0
op 2
commit 2
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3

A

status	normal
replica	0
view	0
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓
<0, 3> y = 100

<view, op>
✓ *committed*

B

status	normal
replica	1
view	0
op	2
commit	2

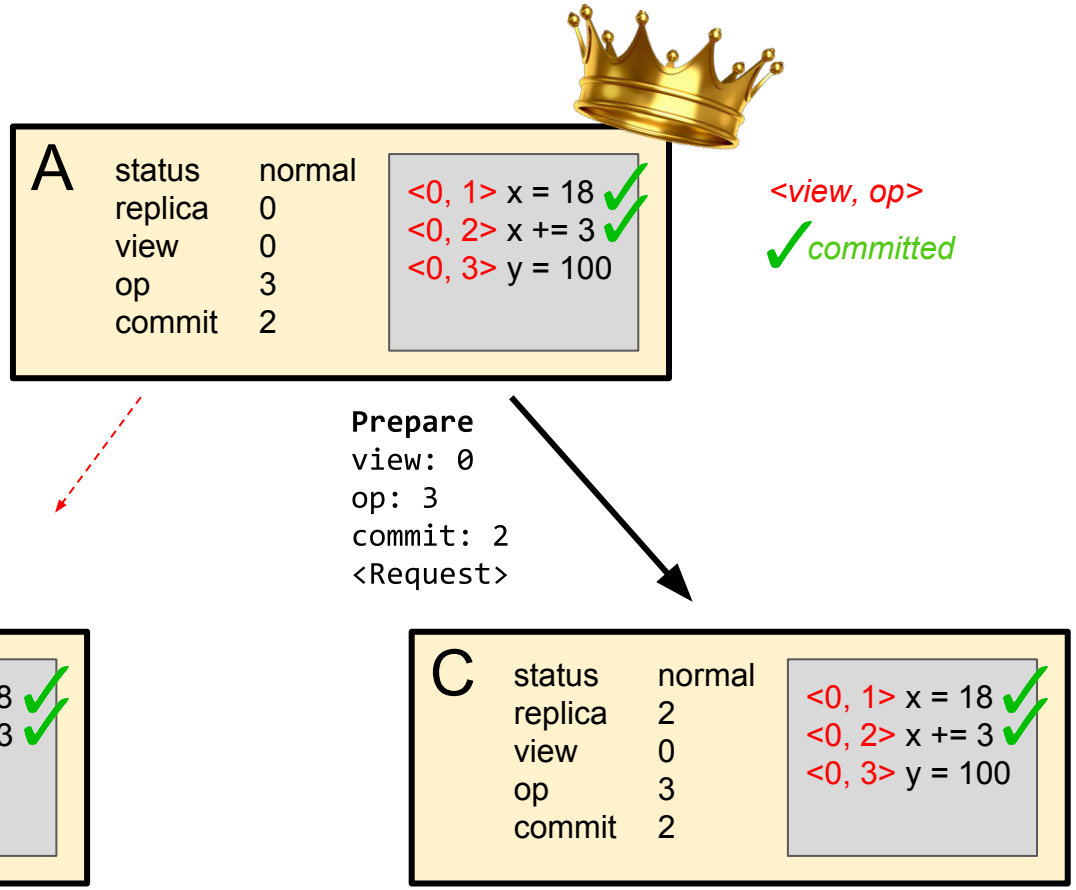
<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓

C

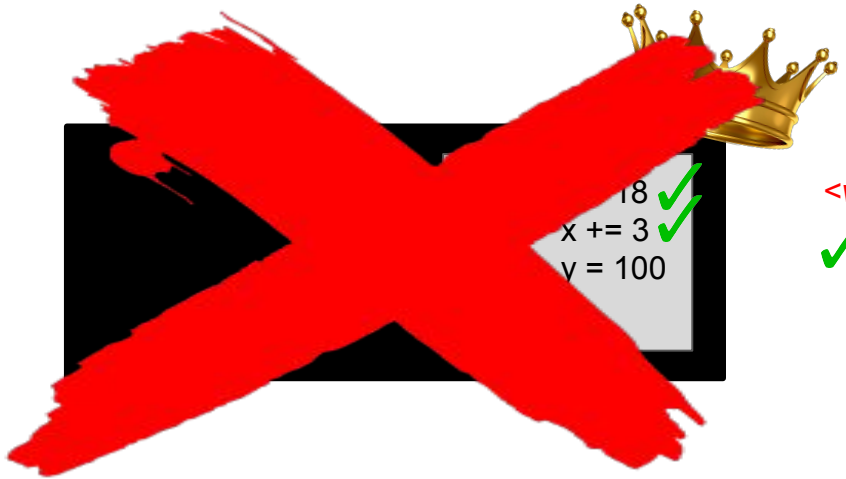
status	normal
replica	2
view	0
op	2
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓

Primary fails before sending `Prepare` *to B*



Logs are out of sync



<view, op>
committed

B

status	normal
replica	1
view	0
op	2
commit	2

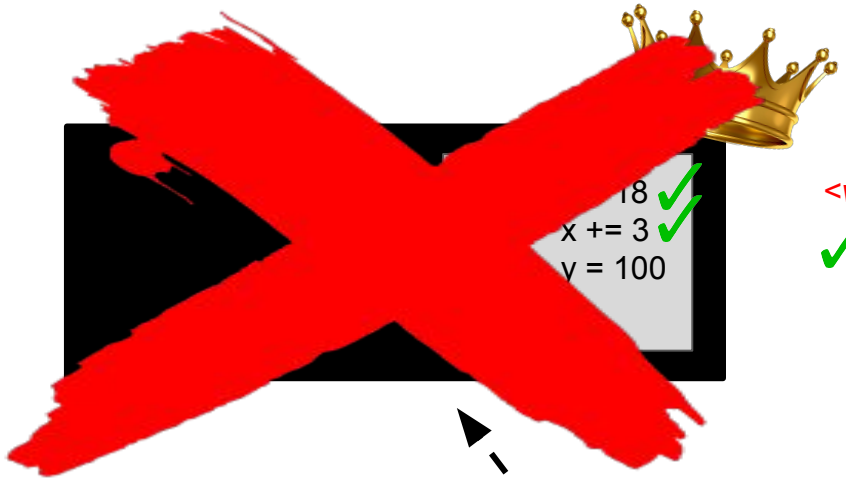
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3

C

status	normal
replica	2
view	0
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<0, 3> y = 100

C times out on hearing from the primary and starts view change



<view, op>
committed

B		
	status	normal
	replica	1
	view	0
	op	2
	commit	2

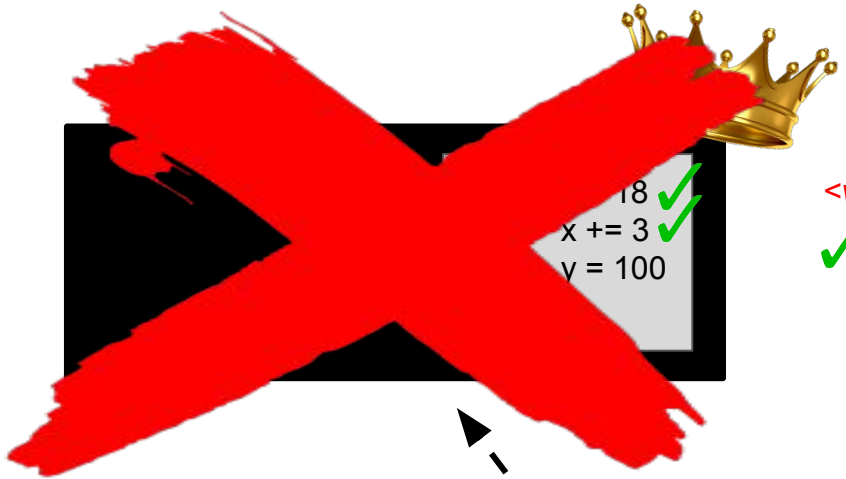
<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3

C		
	status	normal
	replica	2
	view	0
	op	3
	commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<0, 3> y = 100

Who is the new primary?

Go through the list of sorted IP addresses and find the next one (i.e. B)



<view, op>

✓ *committed*

B

status	normal
replica	1
view	0
op	2
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓

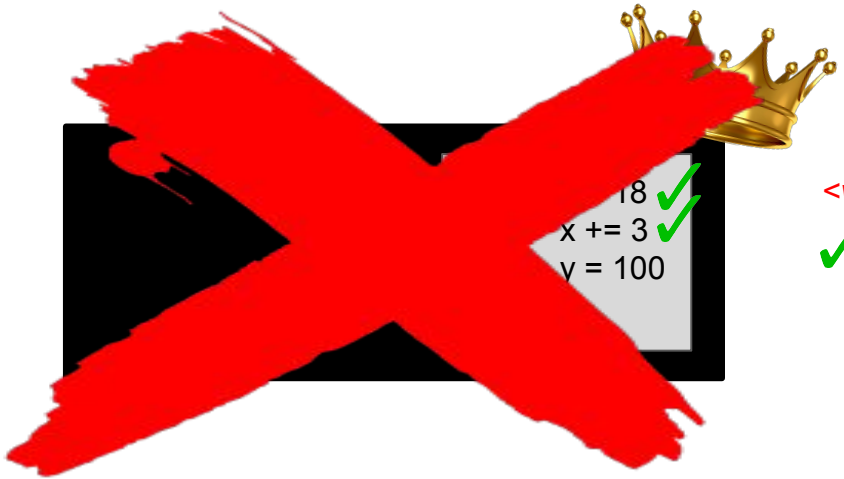
C

status	normal
replica	2
view	0
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓
<0, 3> y = 100

Start view change:

Status = change
Increment local view
Send SVC *to all nodes*



<view, op>
committed

B

status	normal
replica	1
view	0
op	2
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3

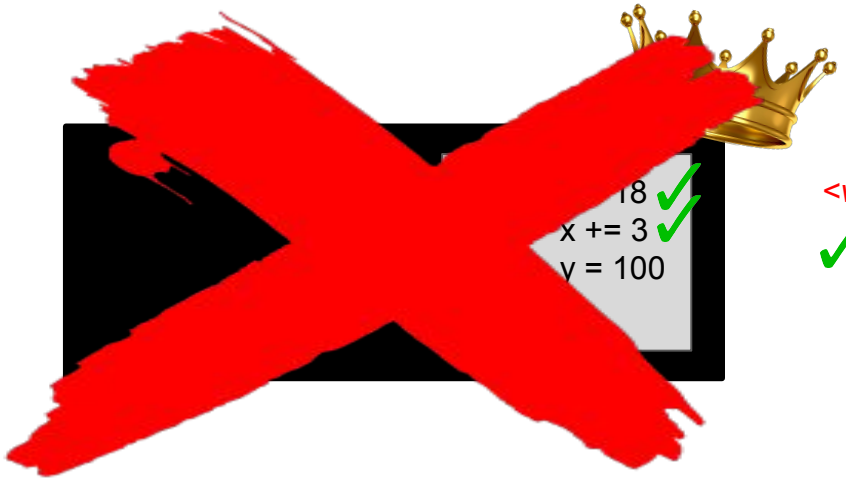
C

status	normal
replica	2
view	0
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<0, 3> y = 100

Start view change:

Status = change
Increment local view
Send SVC *to all nodes*



<view, op>
committed

B

status	normal
replica	1
view	0
op	2
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3

StartViewChange
view: 1
replica: 2

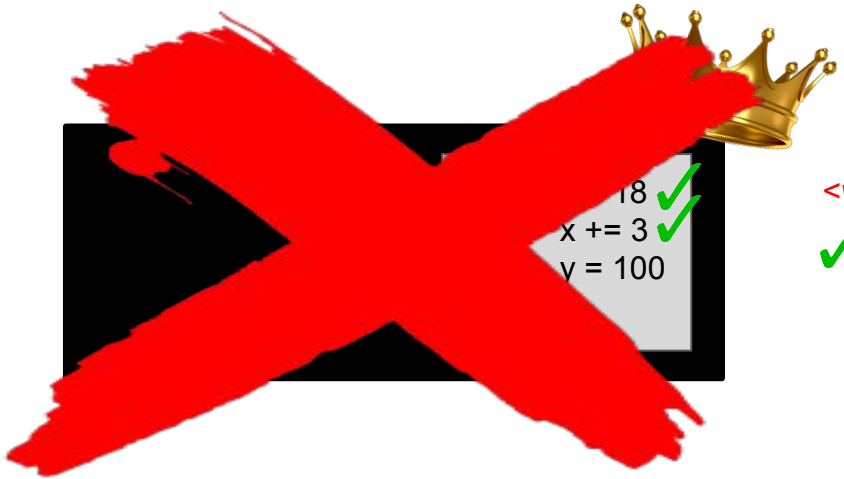
C

status	change
replica	2
view	1
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<0, 3> y = 100

Receive SVC where:

SVC.view > local view {
Status = `view change`
Advance local view
Send SVC *to other nodes*
}



<view, op>
committed

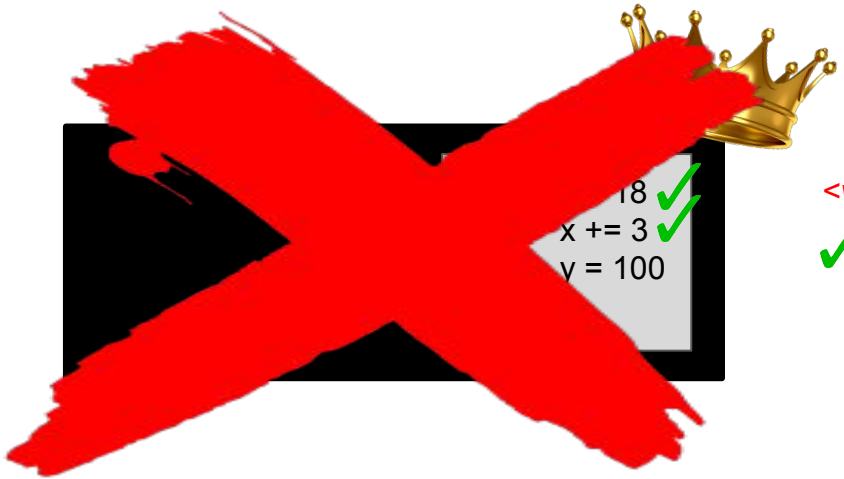
B		
status	normal	<0, 1> x = 18
replica	1	<0, 2> x += 3
view	0	
op	2	
commit	2	

StartViewChange
view: 1
replica: 2

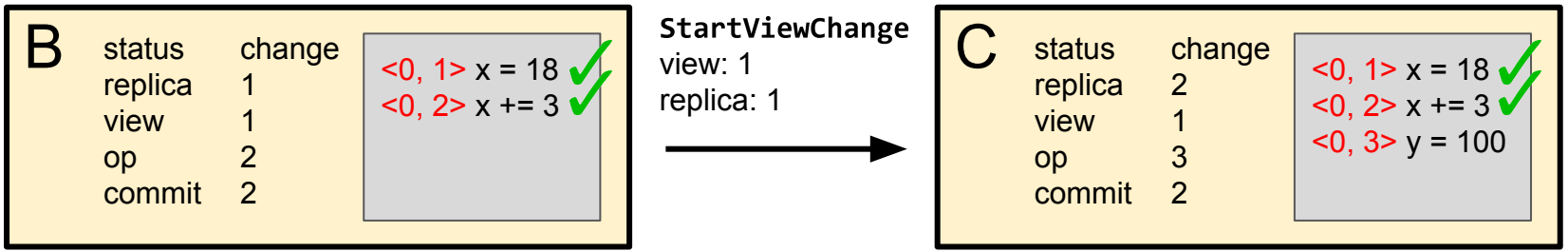
C		
status	change	<0, 1> x = 18
replica	2	<0, 2> x += 3
view	1	<0, 3> y = 100
op	3	
commit	2	

Receive SVC where:

SVC.view > local view {
Status = `view change`
Advance local view
Send SVC *to other nodes*
}

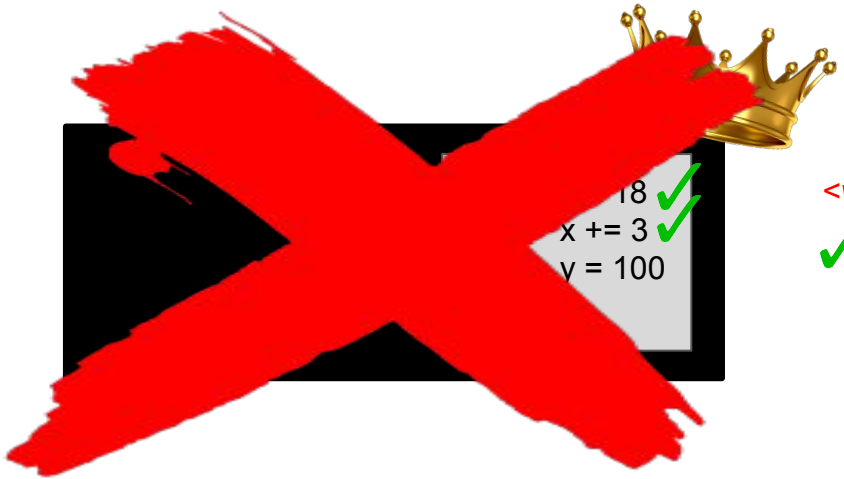


<view, op>
committed



Receive f SVCs where:

SVC.view == local view {
Send DVC to new primary
}



<view, op>
committed

B

status	change
replica	1
view	1
op	2
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3

`StartViewChange`
view: 1
replica: 1

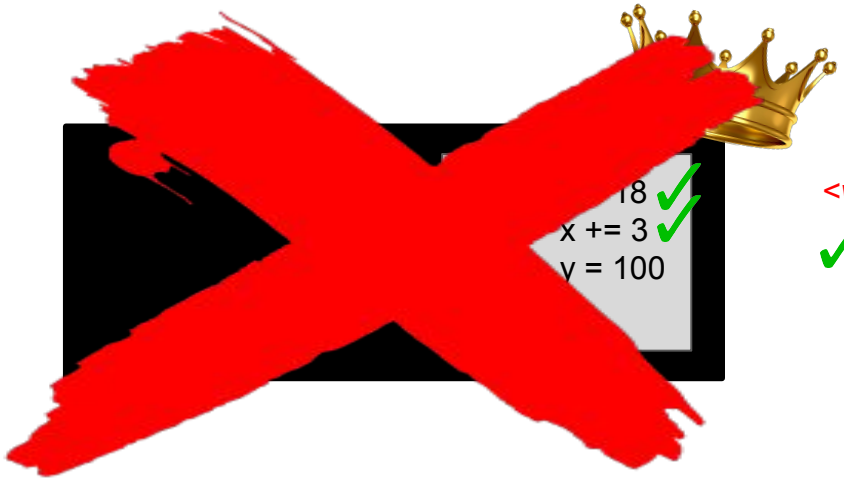
C

status	change
replica	2
view	1
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<0, 3> y = 100

Receive f SVCs where:

SVC.view == local view {
Send DVC to new primary
}



<view, op>
committed

DoViewChange
replica: 2
view: 1
op: 3
commit: 2
<log>

B

status	change
replica	1
view	1
op	2
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3

C

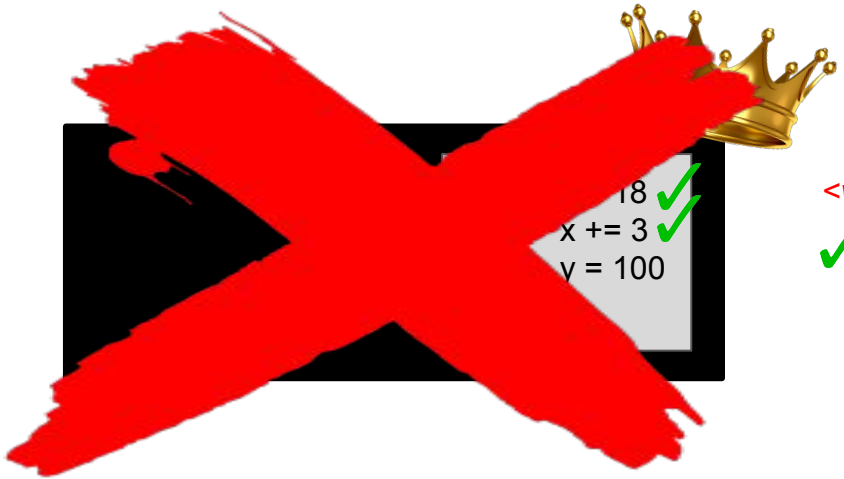
status	change
replica	2
view	1
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<0, 3> y = 100

Logs are no longer out of sync!

With more nodes, we may receive multiple different logs

Pick the one with highest view and op number



<view, op>

✓ *committed*

B

status	change
replica	1
view	1
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓
<0, 3> y = 100

C

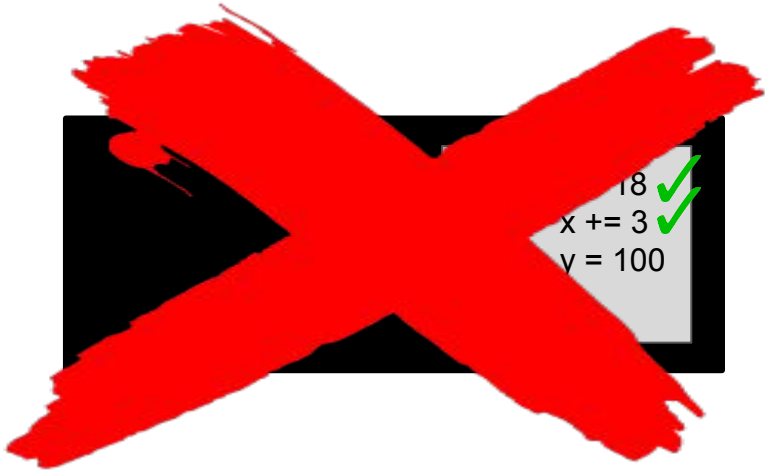
status	change
replica	2
view	1
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓
<0, 3> y = 100

Receive f DVCs:

Become new primary
Send `StartView` *to others*

Why do we send the log here?



<view, op>
committed

B

status	normal
replica	1
view	1
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<0, 3> y = 100

`StartView`
view: 1
replica: 1
op: 3
commit: 2
<log>

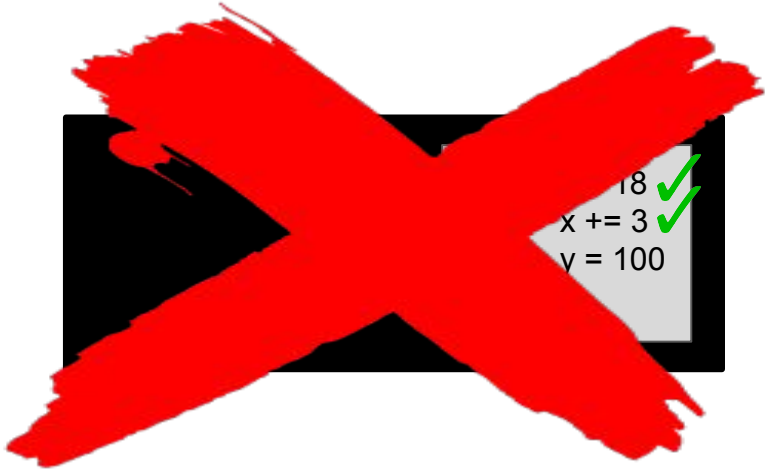
C

status	change
replica	2
view	1
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<0, 3> y = 100

Notice <0, 3> is uncommitted and from an old view...

Do we commit it?



<view, op>
committed

B

status	normal
replica	1
view	1
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<0, 3> y = 100

PrepareOK
view: 0
op: 3
replica: 2

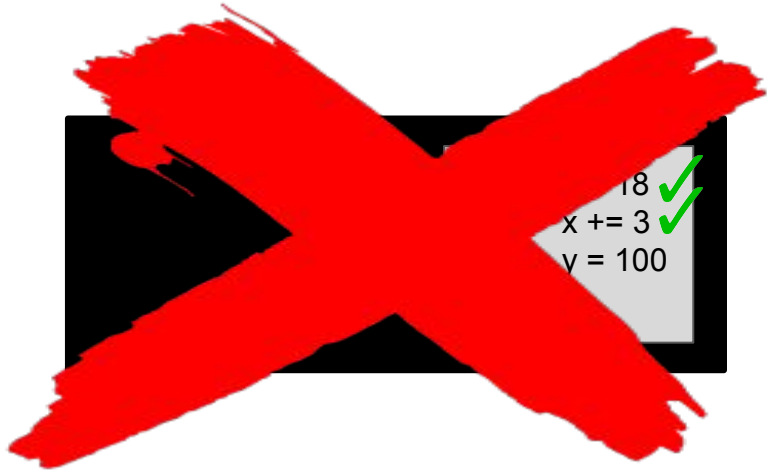
C

status	normal
replica	2
view	1
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18
<0, 2> x += 3
<0, 3> y = 100

Are uncommitted ops like <0, 3> guaranteed to survive into the new view?

What about committed ops? (e.g. <0, 1> and <0, 2>)



<view, op>
✓ committed

B

status	normal
replica	1
view	1
op	3
commit	3

<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓
<0, 3> y = 100 ✓

C

status	normal
replica	2
view	1
op	3
commit	2

<0, 1> x = 18 ✓
<0, 2> x += 3 ✓
<0, 3> y = 100

Summary: view change in VR

New primary is pre-selected based on IP address (round-robin)

View change triggered by timeout, could be any node

Wait for *f* `SVC` that matches our view number before sending `DVC`

Wait for *f* `DVC` to start new view (primary)

- Why *f* in both cases?
- Provided that at most *f* servers fail, is *liveness* guaranteed?

Additional reading for viewstamped replication

http://pmg.csail.mit.edu/papers/vr-revisited.pdf

https://blog.acolyer.org/2015/03/06/viewstamped-replication-revisited/

Q & A