EXPERIMENT-12 ADVANCED DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Aim:

To demonstrate deadlock scenarios, how they occur, and how MVCC allows concurrent reads and writes without blocking, ensuring data consistency in high-concurrency environments.

Theory:

- 1. **Deadlock:** Occurs when two or more transactions hold locks on resources and wait for each other indefinitely.
- **2. Deadlock Detection:** Modern databases detect deadlocks and abort one transaction automatically.
- **3.** MVCC (Multiversion Concurrency Control): Each transaction sees a snapshot of data at the start, allowing readers and writers to operate concurrently without blocking.
- **4. Isolation Levels:** Repeatable Read or Snapshot Isolation ensures consistent views for readers while writers update.
- **5. Concurrency Behavior Comparison:** Traditional locking blocks readers until writers finish, while MVCC allows non-blocking reads.

CODE:

Part A: Simulating a Deadlock Between Two Transactions

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-- Create table
CREATE TABLE StudentEnrollments (
    student_id INT PRIMARY KEY,
    student_name VARCHAR(100),
    course_id VARCHAR(10),
    enrollment_date DATE
);

-- Insert sample data
INSERT INTO StudentEnrollments VALUES
(1, 'Ashish', 'CSE101', '2024-06-01'),
(2, 'Smaran', 'CSE102', '2024-06-01'),
(3, 'Vaibhav', 'CSE103', '2024-06-01');

-- User A Transaction
-- Session 1
START TRANSACTION;
```

UPDATE StudentEnrollments SET enrollment_date = '2024-07-01' WHERE student_id = 1;

- -- Wait/hold
- -- User B Transaction
- -- Session 2

START TRANSACTION;

UPDATE StudentEnrollments SET enrollment_date = '2024-07-02' WHERE student id = 2:

- -- Now both try to update the other user's row in reverse order UPDATE StudentEnrollments SET enrollment_date = '2024-07-03' WHERE student_id = 1; -- This triggers deadlock
- -- Database detects deadlock and aborts one transaction automatically COMMIT; -- Only the surviving transaction will commit

Part B: Applying MVCC to Prevent Conflicts During Concurrent Reads/Writes

- -- Assuming InnoDB or PostgreSQL with MVCC enabled
- -- User A reads the row in a transaction
- -- Session 1

START TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL REPEATABLE READ; SELECT * FROM StudentEnrollments WHERE student id = 1;

- -- User B updates the same row concurrently
- -- Session 2

START TRANSACTION:

UPDATE StudentEnrollments SET enrollment_date = '2024-07-10' WHERE
student_id = 1;
COMMIT:

COMMITT,

-- User A still sees old value in transaction

SELECT * FROM StudentEnrollments WHERE student id = 1;

-- Output: enrollment_date = '2024-06-01'

COMMIT; -- User A ends transaction

Part C: Comparing Behavior With and Without MVCC in High-Concurrency

- -- Scenario 1: Traditional Locking (SELECT FOR UPDATE)
- -- Session 1 (Writer)

START TRANSACTION:

SELECT * FROM StudentEnrollments WHERE student_id = 1 FOR UPDATE;

UPDATE StudentEnrollments SET enrollment_date = '2024-07-15' WHERE
student_id = 1;

Session 2 (Reader)
 START TRANSACTION;
 SELECT * FROM StudentEnrollments WHERE student_id = 1;
 This will be blocked until Session 1 commits

- -- Scenario 2: MVCC-enabled reads (no locking)
- -- Session 3 (Reader)

START TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL REPEATABLE READ;

SELECT * FROM StudentEnrollments WHERE student_id = 1;

- -- Sees enrollment_date = '2024-06-01' even while writer updates
- -- Session 4 (Writer)

START TRANSACTION;

UPDATE StudentEnrollments SET enrollment_date = '2024-07-20' WHERE student_id = 1;

COMMIT;

COMMIT;

-- Session 3 continues to see old value until commit COMMIT;

OUTPUT:

```
student id | student name | course id | enrollment date
 1
            Ashish
                           | CSE101
                                       2024-06-01
 Query OK, 1 row affected
student id | student name | course id |
           Ashish
1
                          | CSE101
                                      2024-06-01
student id | student name | course id | enrollment date
                         | CSE101
           Ashish
                                     2024-07-10
Session 1 sees snapshot: enrollment date = 2024-07-10
Session 2 updates: enrollment_date = 2024-09-01 (immediately)
Session 1 continues to see old value until commit
```

Learning Outcomes:

- 1. Understand **deadlock scenarios** and how databases handle them.
- 2. Learn how **transaction ordering** can prevent deadlocks.
- 3. Learn **MVCC** and how it provides **consistent snapshots** for readers.
- 4. Compare **traditional locking vs MVCC** behavior in concurrent environments.
- 5. Understand how to **design transactions** to maximize concurrency without data inconsistency.