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Chapter 16: Recovery System

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- Failure Classification
- Storage Structure
- Recovery and Atomicity
- Log-Based Recovery
- Remote Backup Systems



Failure Classification

- Transaction failure :
 - Logical errors: transaction cannot complete due to some internal error condition
 - System errors: the database system must terminate an active transaction due to an error condition (e.g., deadlock)
- System crash: a power failure or other hardware or software failure causes the system to crash.
 - Fail-stop assumption: non-volatile storage contents are assumed to not be corrupted by system crash
 - Database systems have numerous integrity checks to prevent corruption of disk data
- Disk failure: a head crash or similar disk failure destroys all or part of disk storage
 - Destruction is assumed to be detectable: disk drives use checksums to detect failures



Recovery Algorithms

- Consider transaction T_i that transfers \$50 from account A to account B
 - Two updates: subtract 50 from A and add 50 to B
- Transaction T_i requires updates to A and B to be output to the database.
 - A failure may occur after one of these modifications have been made but before both of them are made.
 - Modifying the database without ensuring that the transaction will commit may leave the database in an inconsistent state
 - Not modifying the database may result in lost updates if failure occurs just after transaction commits
- Recovery algorithms have two parts
 - Actions taken during normal transaction processing to ensure enough information exists to recover from failures
 - Actions taken after a failure to recover the database contents to a state that ensures atomicity, consistency and durability



Storage Structure

Volatile storage:

- does not survive system crashes
- examples: main memory, cache memory

Nonvolatile storage:

- survives system crashes
- examples: disk, tape, flash memory, non-volatile (battery backed up) RAM
- but may still fail, losing data

Stable storage:

- a mythical form of storage that survives all failures
- approximated by maintaining multiple copies on distinct nonvolatile media
- See book for more details on how to implement stable storage



Stable-Storage Implementation

- Maintain multiple copies of each block on separate disks
 - copies can be at remote sites to protect against disasters such as fire or flooding.
- Failure during data transfer can still result in inconsistent copies: Block transfer can result in
 - Successful completion
 - Partial failure: destination block has incorrect information.
 - Total failure: destination block was never updated
- Protecting storage media from failure during data transfer (one solution):
 - Execute output operation as follows (assuming two copies of each block):
 - 1. Write the information onto the first physical block.
 - 2. When the first write successfully completes, write the same information onto the second physical block.
 - 3. The output is completed only after the second write successfully completes.



Stable-Storage Implementation (Cont.)

- Protecting storage media from failure during data transfer (cont.):
- Copies of a block may differ due to failure during output operation. To recover from failure:
 - First find inconsistent blocks:
 - 1. Expensive solution: Compare the two copies of every disk block.
 - Better solution:
 - Record in-progress disk writes on non-volatile storage (Non-volatile RAM or special area of disk).
 - Use this information during recovery to find blocks that may be inconsistent, and only compare copies of these.
 - Used in hardware RAID systems
 - 2. If either copy of an inconsistent block is detected to have an error (bad checksum), overwrite it by the other copy. If both have no error, but are different, overwrite the second block by the first block.

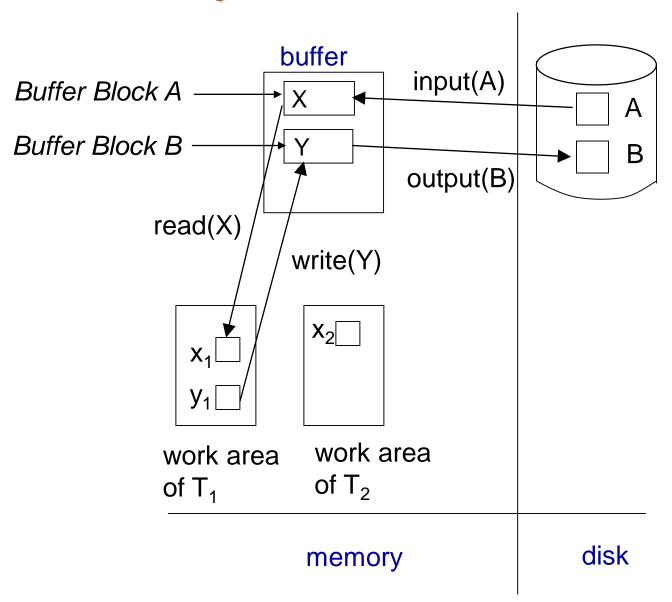


Data Access

- Physical blocks are those blocks residing on the disk.
- Buffer blocks are the blocks residing temporarily in main memory.
- Block movements between disk and main memory are initiated through the following two operations:
 - input(B) transfers the physical block B to main memory.
 - output(B) transfers the buffer block B to the disk, and replaces the appropriate physical block there.
- We assume, for simplicity, that each data item fits in, and is stored inside, a single block.



Example of Data Access





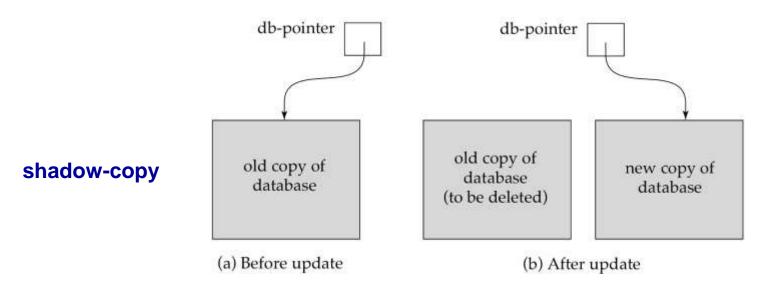
Data Access (Cont.)

- Each transaction T_i has its private work-area in which local copies of all data items accessed and updated by it are kept.
 - T_i's local copy of a data item X is called x_i.
- Transferring data items between system buffer blocks and its private work-area done by:
 - read(X) assigns the value of data item X to the local variable x_i.
 - write(X) assigns the value of local variable x_i to data item {X} in the buffer block.
 - Note: output(B_X) need not immediately follow write(X). System can perform the output operation when it deems fit.
- Transactions
 - Must perform read(X) before accessing X for the first time (subsequent reads can be from local copy)
 - write(X) can be executed at any time before the transaction commits



Recovery and Atomicity

- To ensure atomicity despite failures, we first output information describing the modifications to stable storage without modifying the database itself.
- We study log-based recovery mechanisms in detail
 - We first present key concepts
 - And then present the actual recovery algorithm
- Less used alternative: shadow-copy and shadow-paging (brief details in book)





Log-Based Recovery

- A log is kept on stable storage.
 - The log is a sequence of log records, and maintains a record of update activities on the database.
- When transaction T_i starts, it registers itself by writing a $< T_i$ start>log record
- Before T_i executes **write**(X), a log record $< T_i$, X, V_1 , $V_2 >$ is written, where V_1 is the value of X before the write (the **old value**), and V_2 is the value to be written to X (the **new value**).
- When T_i finishes it last statement, the log record $< T_i$ commit> is written.
- Two approaches using logs
 - Deferred database modification
 - Immediate database modification



Immediate Database Modification

- The immediate-modification scheme allows uncommitted transaction to be made to the buffer, or the disk itself, before the transaction commits
- Update log record must be written before database item is written
 - We assume that the log record is output directly to stable storage
 - (Will see later that how to postpone log record output to some extent)
- Output of updated blocks to stable storage can take place at any time before or after transaction commit
- Order in which blocks are output can be different from the order in which they are written.
- The deferred-modification scheme performs updates to buffer/disk only at the time of transaction commit
 - Simplifies some aspects of recovery
 - But has overhead of storing local copy



Transaction Commit

- A transaction is said to have committed when its commit log record is output to stable storage
 - all previous log records of the transaction must have been output already
- Writes performed by a transaction may still be in the buffer when the transaction commits, and may be output later



Immediate Database Modification Example

| Log | Write | Output |
|---|---------------------|--|
| <t<sub>0 start></t<sub> | | |
| < <i>T</i> ₀ , A, 1000, 950> < <i>T</i> ₀ , B, 2000, 2050 | | |
| ū | A = 950 B = 2050 | |
| < <i>T</i> ₀ commit> | | |
| < <i>T</i> ₁ start > < <i>T</i> ₁ , C, 700, 600> | C = 600 | $B_{\rm C}$ output before T_1 commits |
| <t<sub>1 commit></t<sub> | | B_A |
| ■ Note: B _x denotes block containing X. | | B _A output after T ₀ commits |



Concurrency Control and Recovery

- With concurrent transactions, all transactions share a single disk buffer and a single log
 - A buffer block can have data items updated by one or more transactions
- We assume that if a transaction T_i has modified an item, no other transaction can modify the same item until T_i has committed or aborted
 - i.e. the updates of uncommitted transactions should not be visible to other transactions
 - Otherwise how to perform undo if T1 updates A, then T2 updates A and commits, and finally T1 has to abort?
 - Can be ensured by obtaining exclusive locks on updated items and holding the locks till end of transaction (strict two-phase locking)
- Log records of different transactions may be interspersed in the log.



Undo and Redo Operations

- Undo of a log record $\langle T_i, X, V_1, V_2 \rangle$ writes the old value V_1 to X
- **Redo** of a log record $\langle T_i, X, V_1, V_2 \rangle$ writes the **new** value V_2 to X
- Undo and Redo of Transactions
 - **undo**(T_i) restores the value of all data items updated by T_i to their old values, going backwards from the last log record for T_i
 - each time a data item X is restored to its old value V a special log record $\langle T_i, X, V \rangle$ is written out
 - when undo of a transaction is complete, a log record <T_i abort> is written out.
 - $redo(T_i)$ sets the value of all data items updated by T_i to the new values, going forward from the first log record for T_i
 - No logging is done in this case



Undo and Redo on Recovering from Failure

- When recovering after failure:
 - Transaction T_i needs to be undone if the log
 - contains the record <T_i start>,
 - but does not contain either the record $< T_i$ commit> $or < T_i$ abort>.
 - Transaction T_i needs to be redone if the log
 - contains the records <T_i start>
 - and contains the record $< T_i$ commit $> or < T_i$ abort >
- Note that If transaction T_i was undone earlier and the $< T_i$ abort > record written to the log, and then a failure occurs, on recovery from failure T_i is redone
 - such a redo redoes all the original actions including the steps that restored old values
 - Known as repeating history
 - Seems wasteful, but simplifies recovery greatly



Immediate DB Modification Recovery Example

Below we show the log as it appears at three instances of time.

Recovery actions in each case above are:

- (a) undo (T_0): B is restored to 2000 and A to 1000, and log records $< T_0$, B, 2000>, $< T_0$, A, 1000>, $< T_0$, abort> are written out
- (b) redo (T_0) and undo (T_1): A and B are set to 950 and 2050 and C is restored to 700. Log records $< T_1$, C, 700>, $< T_1$, abort> are written out.
- (c) redo (T_0) and redo (T_1): A and B are set to 950 and 2050 respectively. Then C is set to 600



Checkpoints

- Redoing/undoing all transactions recorded in the log can be very slow
 - processing the entire log is time-consuming if the system has run for a long time
 - we might unnecessarily redo transactions which have already output their updates to the database.
- Streamline recovery procedure by periodically performing checkpointing
 - Output all log records currently residing in main memory onto stable storage.
 - Output all modified buffer blocks to the disk.
 - Write a log record < checkpoint L> onto stable storage where L
 is a list of all transactions active at the time of checkpoint.
 - All updates are stopped while doing checkpointing

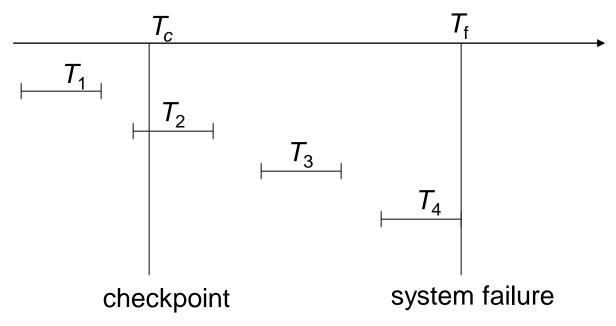


Checkpoints (Cont.)

- During recovery we need to consider only the most recent transaction T_i that started before the checkpoint, and transactions that started after T_i.
 - Scan backwards from end of log to find the most recent < checkpoint L> record
 - Only transactions that are in L or started after the checkpoint need to be redone or undone
 - Transactions that committed or aborted before the checkpoint already have all their updates output to stable storage.
- Some earlier part of the log may be needed for undo operations
 - Continue scanning backwards till a record <T_i start> is found for every transaction T_i in L.
 - Parts of log prior to earliest $< T_i$ start> record above are not needed for recovery, and can be erased whenever desired.



Example of Checkpoints



- \blacksquare T_1 can be ignored (updates already output to disk due to checkpoint)
- \blacksquare T_2 and T_3 redone.
- \blacksquare T_4 undone



Recovery Algorithm

- So far: we covered key concepts
- Now: we present the components of the basic recovery algorithm
- Later: we present extensions to allow more concurrency



Recovery Algorithm

- Logging (during normal operation):
 - <T_i start> at transaction start
 - $\langle T_i, X_i, V_1, V_2 \rangle$ for each update, and
 - <T_i commit> at transaction end
- Transaction rollback (during normal operation)
 - Let T_i be the transaction to be rolled back
 - Scan log backwards from the end, and for each log record of T_i of the form $< T_i, X_i, V_1, V_2 >$
 - perform the undo by writing V_1 to X_j ,
 - write a log record $< T_i$, X_i , $V_1 >$
 - such log records are called compensation log records
 - Once the record <T_i start> is found stop the scan and write the log record <T_i abort>



Recovery Algorithm (Cont.)

- Recovery from failure: Two phases
 - Redo phase: replay updates of all transactions, whether they committed, aborted, or are incomplete
 - Undo phase: undo all incomplete transactions

Redo phase:

- 1. Find last **<checkpoint** *L*> record, and set undo-list to *L*.
- 2. Scan forward from above < checkpoint L> record
 - 1. Whenever a record $\langle T_i, X_j, V_1, V_2 \rangle$ or $\langle T_i, X_j, V_2 \rangle$ is found, redo it by writing V_2 to X_j
 - 2. Whenever a log record $< T_i$ start > is found, add T_i to undo-list
 - 3. Whenever a log record $< T_i$ **commit**> $or < T_i$ **abort**> is found, remove T_i from undo-list



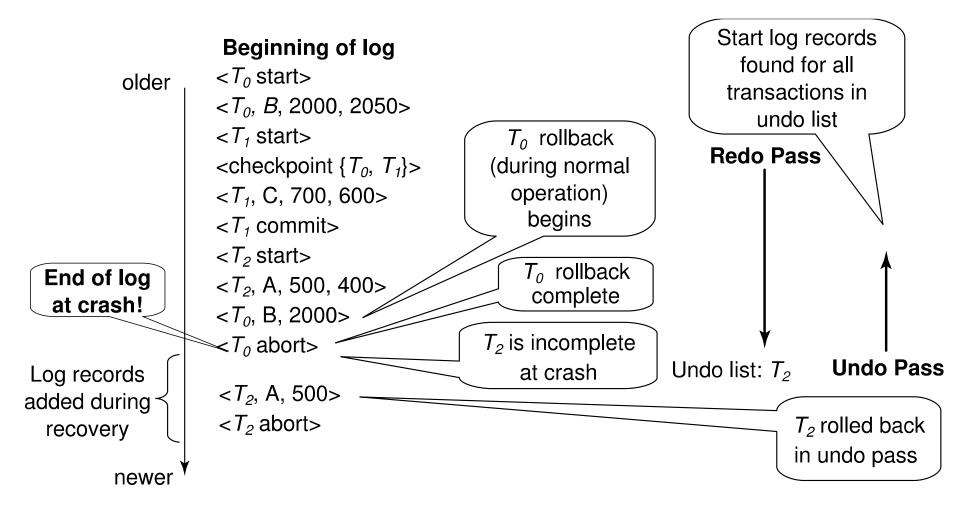
Recovery Algorithm (Cont.)

Undo phase:

- Scan log backwards from end
 - 1. Whenever a log record $\langle T_i, X_j, V_1, V_2 \rangle$ is found where T_i is in undo-list perform same actions as for transaction rollback:
 - 1. perform undo by writing V_1 to X_i .
 - 2. write a log record $\langle T_i, X_i, V_1 \rangle$
 - 2. Whenever a log record $< T_i$ start> is found where T_i is in undolist,
 - 1. Write a log record $< T_i$ abort>
 - 2. Remove T_i from undo-list
 - 3. Stop when undo-list is empty
 - i.e. <T_i start> has been found for every transaction in undo-list
- After undo phase completes, normal transaction processing can commence



Example of Recovery





Log Record Buffering

- Log record buffering: log records are buffered in main memory, instead of of being output directly to stable storage.
 - Log records are output to stable storage when a block of log records in the buffer is full, or a log force operation is executed.
- Log force is performed to commit a transaction by forcing all its log records (including the commit record) to stable storage.
- Several log records can thus be output using a single output operation, reducing the I/O cost.



Log Record Buffering (Cont.)

- The rules below must be followed if log records are buffered:
 - Log records are output to stable storage in the order in which they are created.
 - Transaction T_i enters the commit state only when the log record $< T_i$ commit> has been output to stable storage.
 - Before a block of data in main memory is output to the database, all log records pertaining to data in that block must have been output to stable storage.
 - This rule is called the write-ahead logging or WAL rule
 - Strictly speaking WAL only requires undo information to be output



Database Buffering

- Database maintains an in-memory buffer of data blocks
 - When a new block is needed, if buffer is full an existing block needs to be removed from buffer
 - If the block chosen for removal has been updated, it must be output to disk
- The recovery algorithm supports the no-force policy: i.e., updated blocks need not be written to disk when transaction commits
 - force policy: requires updated blocks to be written at commit
 - More expensive commit
- The recovery algorithm supports the **steal policy**:i.e., blocks containing updates of uncommitted transactions can be written to disk, even before the transaction commits



Database Buffering (Cont.)

- If a block with uncommitted updates is output to disk, log records with undo information for the updates are output to the log on stable storage first
 - (Write ahead logging)
- No updates should be in progress on a block when it is output to disk. Can be ensured as follows.
 - Before writing a data item, transaction acquires exclusive lock on block containing the data item
 - Lock can be released once the write is completed.
 - Such locks held for short duration are called latches.

To output a block to disk

- 1. First acquire an exclusive latch on the block
 - 1. Ensures no update can be in progress on the block
- 2. Then perform a log flush
- 3. Then output the block to disk
- 4. Finally release the latch on the block



Buffer Management (Cont.)

- Database buffer can be implemented either
 - in an area of real main-memory reserved for the database, or
 - in virtual memory
- Implementing buffer in reserved main-memory has drawbacks:
 - Memory is partitioned before-hand between database buffer and applications, limiting flexibility.
 - Needs may change, and although operating system knows best how memory should be divided up at any time, it cannot change the partitioning of memory.



Buffer Management (Cont.)

- Database buffers are generally implemented in virtual memory in spite of some drawbacks:
 - When operating system needs to evict a page that has been modified, the page is written to swap space on disk.
 - When database decides to write buffer page to disk, buffer page may be in swap space, and may have to be read from swap space on disk and output to the database on disk, resulting in extra I/O!
 - Known as dual paging problem.
 - Ideally when OS needs to evict a page from the buffer, it should pass control to database, which in turn should
 - Output the page to database instead of to swap space (making sure to output log records first), if it is modified
 - 2. Release the page from the buffer, for the OS to use

Dual paging can thus be avoided, but common operating systems do not support such functionality.



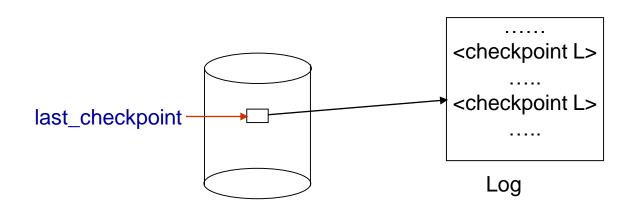
Fuzzy Checkpointing

- To avoid long interruption of normal processing during checkpointing, allow updates to happen during checkpointing
- **Fuzzy checkpointing** is done as follows:
 - Temporarily stop all updates by transactions
 - Write a <checkpoint L> log record and force log to stable storage
 - 3. Note list *M* of modified buffer blocks
 - 4. Now permit transactions to proceed with their actions
 - Output to disk all modified buffer blocks in list M
 - blocks should not be updated while being output
 - Follow WAL: all log records pertaining to a block must be output before the block is output
 - Store a pointer to the checkpoint record in a fixed position last_checkpoint on disk



Fuzzy Checkpointing (Cont.)

- When recovering using a fuzzy checkpoint, start scan from the checkpoint record pointed to by last_checkpoint
 - Log records before last_checkpoint have their updates reflected in database on disk, and need not be redone.
 - Incomplete checkpoints, where system had crashed while performing checkpoint, are handled safely





Failure with Loss of Nonvolatile Storage

- So far we assumed no loss of non-volatile storage
- Technique similar to checkpointing used to deal with loss of nonvolatile storage
 - Periodically dump the entire content of the database to stable storage
 - No transaction may be active during the dump procedure; a procedure similar to checkpointing must take place
 - Output all log records currently residing in main memory onto stable storage.
 - Output all buffer blocks onto the disk.
 - Copy the contents of the database to stable storage.
 - Output a record <dump> to log on stable storage.



Recovering from Failure of Non-Volatile Storage

- To recover from disk failure
 - restore database from most recent dump.
 - Consult the log and redo all transactions that committed after the dump
- Can be extended to allow transactions to be active during dump; known as fuzzy dump or online dump
 - Similar to fuzzy checkpointing



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Recovery with Early Lock Release and Logical Undo Operations

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Recovery with Early Lock Release

- Support for high-concurrency locking techniques, such as those used for B+-tree concurrency control, which release locks early
 - Supports "logical undo"
- Recovery based on "repeating history", whereby recovery executes exactly the same actions as normal processing



Logical Undo Logging

- Operations like B+-tree insertions and deletions release locks early.
 - They cannot be undone by restoring old values (physical undo), since once a lock is released, other transactions may have updated the B+-tree.
 - Instead, insertions (resp. deletions) are undone by executing a deletion (resp. insertion) operation (known as logical undo).
- For such operations, undo log records should contain the undo operation to be executed
 - Such logging is called logical undo logging, in contrast to physical undo logging
 - Operations are called logical operations
 - Other examples:
 - delete of tuple, to undo insert of tuple
 - allows early lock release on space allocation information
 - subtract amount deposited, to undo deposit
 - allows early lock release on bank balance



Physical Redo

- Redo information is logged physically (that is, new value for each write) even for operations with logical undo
 - Logical redo is very complicated since database state on disk may not be "operation consistent" when recovery starts
 - Physical redo logging does not conflict with early lock release



Operation Logging

- Operation logging is done as follows:
 - 1. When operation starts, $\log \langle T_i, O_j, \text{ operation-begin} \rangle$. Here O_j is a unique identifier of the operation instance.
 - 2. While operation is executing, normal log records with physical redo and physical undo information are logged.
 - 3. When operation completes, $\langle T_i, O_j, O_j \rangle$ operation-end, U > is logged, where <math>U contains information needed to perform a logical undo information.

Example: insert of (key, record-id) pair (K5, RID7) into index I9

```
<T1, O1, operation-begin>
....

<T1, X, 10, K5>
Physical redo of steps in insert

<T1, Y, 45, RID7>

<T1, O1, operation-end, (delete I9, K5, RID7)>
```



Operation Logging (Cont.)

- If crash/rollback occurs before operation completes:
 - the operation-end log record is not found, and
 - the physical undo information is used to undo operation.
- If crash/rollback occurs after the operation completes:
 - the operation-end log record is found, and in this case
 - logical undo is performed using U; the physical undo information for the operation is ignored.
- Redo of operation (after crash) still uses physical redo information.



Transaction Rollback with Logical Undo

Rollback of transaction T_i is done as follows:

- Scan the log backwards
 - 1. If a log record $\langle T_i, X, V_1, V_2 \rangle$ is found, perform the undo and log a al $\langle T_i, X, V_1 \rangle$.
 - 2. If a $< T_i$, O_i , operation-end, U> record is found
 - Rollback the operation logically using the undo information *U*.
 - Updates performed during roll back are logged just like during normal operation execution.
 - At the end of the operation rollback, instead of logging an operation-end record, generate a record
 - $< T_i$, O_j , operation-abort>.
 - Skip all preceding log records for T_i until the record $< T_i$, O_j operation-begin> is found



(Cont.)

- Transaction rollback, scanning the log backwards (cont.):
 - 3. If a redo-only record is found ignore it
 - 4. If a $< T_i$, O_i , operation-abort> record is found:
 - skip all preceding log records for T_i until the record $< T_i$, O_i , operation-begin> is found.
 - 5. Stop the scan when the record $\langle T_i \rangle$ start is found
 - 6. Add a $< T_i$, abort> record to the log

Some points to note:

- Cases 3 and 4 above can occur only if the database crashes while a transaction is being rolled back.
- Skipping of log records as in case 4 is important to prevent multiple rollback of the same operation.



Transaction Rollback with Logical Undo

Transaction rollback during normal operation

If T_0 aborts before operation O_1 ends, undo of update to C will be physical

Beginning of log

 $< T_0$ start>

<*T*₀, B, 2000, 2050>

 $< T_0$, O₁, operation-begin>

 $< T_0$, C, 700, 600>

 $< T_0$, O₁, operation-end, (C, +100)>

 $< T_1 \text{ start}>$

 $< T_1$, O₂, operation-begin>

 $< T_1$, C, 600, 400>

 $< T_1$, O₂, operation-end, (C, +200)>

T₀ has completed operation O₁
 on C, releases lower-level
 lock; physical undo cannot be
 done anymore, logical undo
 will add 100 to C

 T_1 can update C since T_0 has released lower-level lock on C

 T_1 releases lower-level lock on C

Logical undo of O₁ adds 100 to C

O₁ undo complete

T0 decides to abort

 $< T_0$, C, 400, 500>

 $< T_0$, O₁, operation-abort>

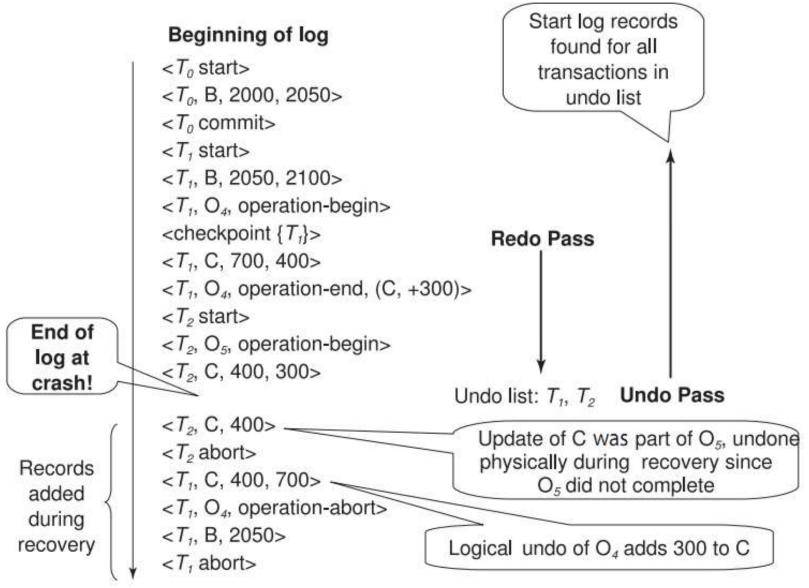
 $< T_0$, B, 2000>

 $< T_0$, abort>

 $< T_1$, commit>



Failure Recovery with Logical Undo





Transaction Rollback: Another Example

Example with a complete and an incomplete operation

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<T1, start>
<T1, O1, operation-begin>
<T1. X. 10. K5>
<T1, Y, 45, RID7>
<T1, O1, operation-end, (delete I9, K5, RID7)>
<T1, O2, operation-begin>
<T1, Z, 45, 70>
              ← T1 Rollback begins here
<T1, Z, 45> ← redo-only log record during physical undo (of incomplete O2)
<T1, Y, ..., ...> ← Normal redo records for logical undo of O1
<T1, O1, operation-abort> ← What if crash occurred immediately after this?
<T1, abort>
```



Recovery Algorithm with Logical Undo

Basically same as earlier algorithm, except for changes described earlier for transaction rollback

- (Redo phase): Scan log forward from last < checkpoint L> record till end of log
 - Repeat history by physically redoing all updates of all transactions,
 - 2. Create an undo-list during the scan as follows
 - undo-list is set to L initially
 - Whenever $\langle T_i \text{ start} \rangle$ is found T_i is added to *undo-list*
 - Whenever $< T_i$ commit> or $< T_i$ abort> is found, T_i is deleted from *undo-list*

This brings database to state as of crash, with committed as well as uncommitted transactions having been redone.

Now *undo-list* contains transactions that are **incomplete**, that is, have neither committed nor been fully rolled back.



Recovery with Logical Undo (Cont.)

Recovery from system crash (cont.)

- 2. (**Undo phase**): Scan log backwards, performing undo on log records of transactions found in *undo-list*.
 - Log records of transactions being rolled back are processed as described earlier, as they are found
 - Single shared scan for all transactions being undone
 - When $< T_i$ start> is found for a transaction T_i in *undo-list*, write a $< T_i$ abort> log record.
 - Stop scan when < T_i start> records have been found for all T_i in undo-list
- This undoes the effects of incomplete transactions (those with neither commit nor abort log records). Recovery is now complete.



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Remote Backup Systems

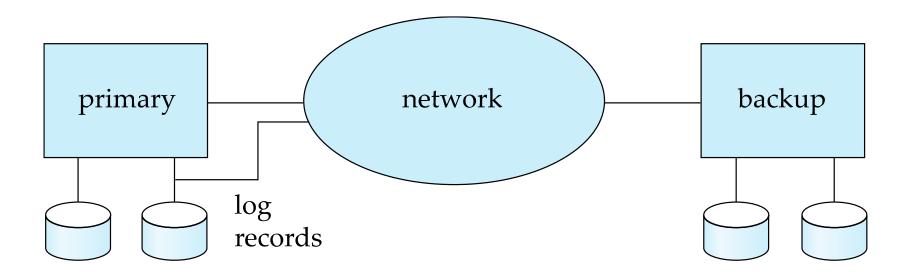
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Remote Backup Systems

Remote backup systems provide high availability by allowing transaction processing to continue even if the primary site is destroyed.





Remote Backup Systems (Cont.)

- Detection of failure: Backup site must detect when primary site has failed
 - to distinguish primary site failure from link failure maintain several communication links between the primary and the remote backup.
 - Heart-beat messages

Transfer of control:

- To take over control backup site first perform recovery using its copy of the database and all the long records it has received from the primary.
 - Thus, completed transactions are redone and incomplete transactions are rolled back.
- When the backup site takes over processing it becomes the new primary
- To transfer control back to old primary when it recovers, old primary must receive redo logs from the old backup and apply all updates locally.



Remote Backup Systems (Cont.)

- **Time to recover**: To reduce delay in takeover, backup site periodically proceses the redo log records (in effect, performing recovery from previous database state), performs a checkpoint, and can then delete earlier parts of the log.
- Hot-Spare configuration permits very fast takeover:
 - Backup continually processes redo log record as they arrive, applying the updates locally.
 - When failure of the primary is detected the backup rolls back incomplete transactions, and is ready to process new transactions.
- Alternative to remote backup: distributed database with replicated data
 - Remote backup is faster and cheaper, but less tolerant to failure
 - more on this in Chapter 19



Remote Backup Systems (Cont.)

- Ensure durability of updates by delaying transaction commit until update is logged at backup; avoid this delay by permitting lower degrees of durability.
- One-safe: commit as soon as transaction's commit log record is written at primary
 - Problem: updates may not arrive at backup before it takes over.
- Two-very-safe: commit when transaction's commit log record is written at primary and backup
 - Reduces availability since transactions cannot commit if either site fails.
- Two-safe: proceed as in two-very-safe if both primary and backup are active. If only the primary is active, the transaction commits as soon as is commit log record is written at the primary.
 - Better availability than two-very-safe; avoids problem of lost transactions in one-safe.



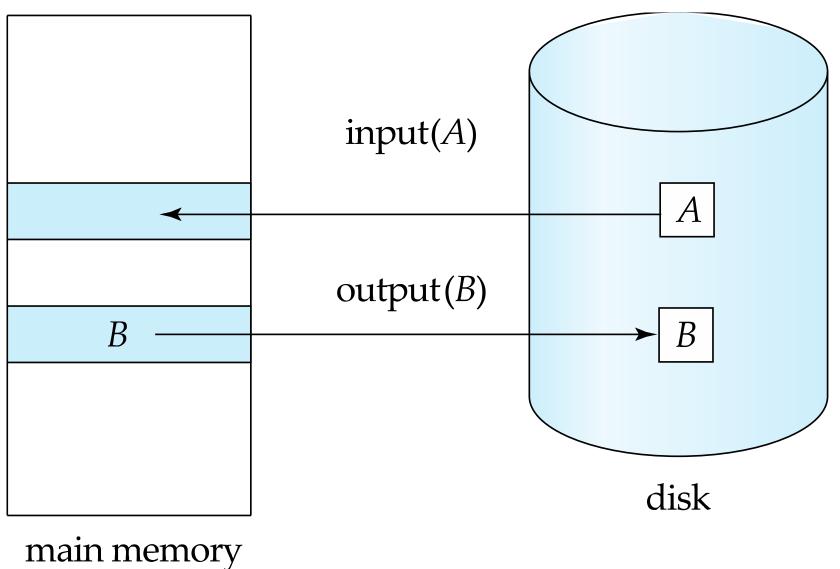
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 start>
 $< T_0$, A , 1000, 950>
 $< T_0$, B , 2000, 2050>
 $< T_0$ commit>
 $< T_1$ start>
 $< T_1$, C , 700, 600>
 $< T_1$ commit>



Log

Database

$$< T_0 \text{ start}>$$

 $< T_0$, A, 1000, 950>
 $< T_0$, B, 2000, 2050>

$$A = 950$$

$$B = 2050$$

$$< T_0$$
 commit>

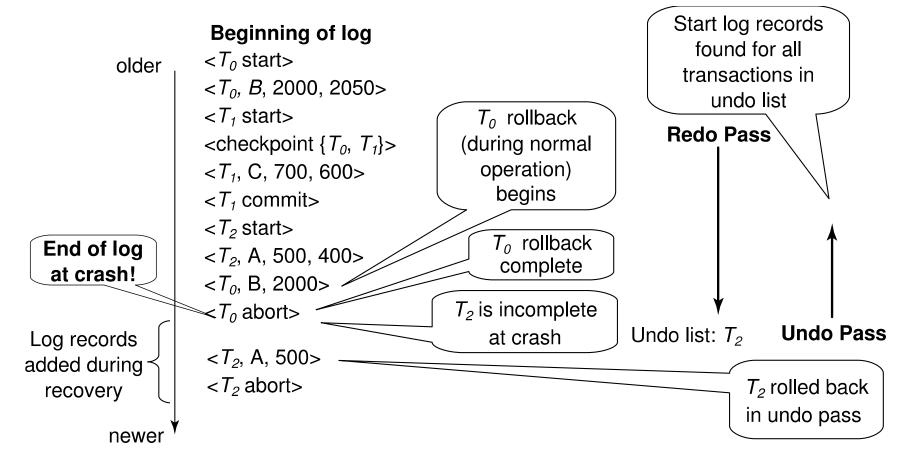
$$< T_1$$
 commit>

$$C = 600$$



| < <i>T</i> ₀ start> | $< T_0$ start> | $< T_0$ start> |
|--|--|--|
| < <i>T</i> ₀ , <i>A</i> , 1000, 950> | < <i>T</i> ₀ , <i>A</i> , 1000, 950> | < <i>T</i> ₀ , <i>A</i> , 1000, 950> |
| < <i>T</i> ₀ , <i>B</i> , 2000, 2050> | < <i>T</i> ₀ , <i>B</i> , 2000, 2050> | < <i>T</i> ₀ , <i>B</i> , 2000, 2050> |
| | $< T_0$ commit> | $< T_0$ commit> |
| | $< T_1$ start> | $< T_1$ start> |
| | < <i>T</i> ₁ , <i>C</i> , 700, 600> | < <i>T</i> ₁ , <i>C</i> , 700, 600> |
| | | $< T_1$ commit> |
| (a) | (b) | (c) |







If T_o aborts before operation O_1 ends, undo of update to C will be physical

Beginning of log

- $< T_o$ start>
- $< T_0$, B, 2000, 2050>
- $< T_0$, O₁, operation-begin>
- $< T_0$, C, 700, 600>
- $< T_0$, O₁, operation-end, (C, +100)>
- $< T_1 \text{ start}>$
- $< T_1$, O₂, operation-begin>
- $< T_1$, C, 600, 400>
- $< T_1$, O₂, operation-end, (C, +200)>

 $< T_0$, C, 400, 500>

- $< T_0$, O₁, operation-abort>
- $< T_0$, B, 2000>
- $< T_0$, abort>
- $< T_1$, commit>

T_o has completed operation O₁
 on C, releases lower-level
 lock; physical undo cannot be
 done anymore, logical undo
 will add 100 to C

 T_1 can update C since T_0 has released lower-level lock on C

T₁ releases lower-level lock on C

Logical undo of O₁ adds 100 to C

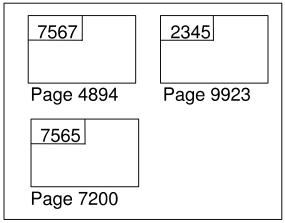
O₁ undo complete

T0

decides

to abort





Database Buffer

| PageID | PageLSN | RecLSN |
|--------|---------|--------|
| 4894 | 7567 | 7564 |
| 7200 | 7565 | 7565 |

Dirty Page Table

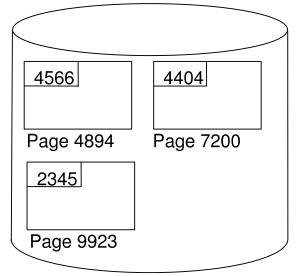
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Log Buffer (

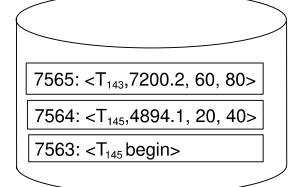
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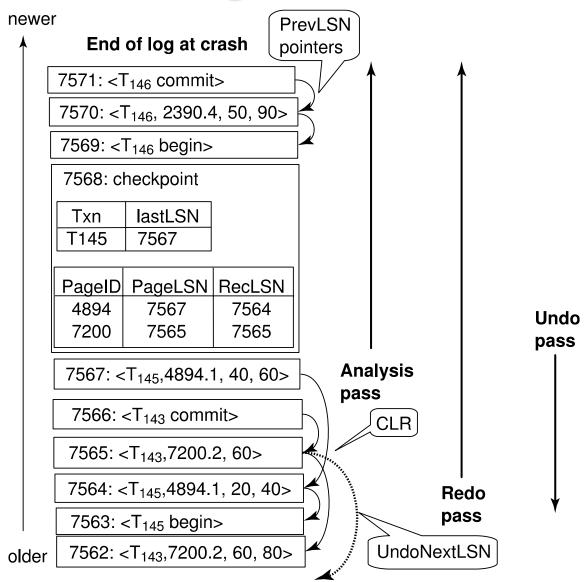
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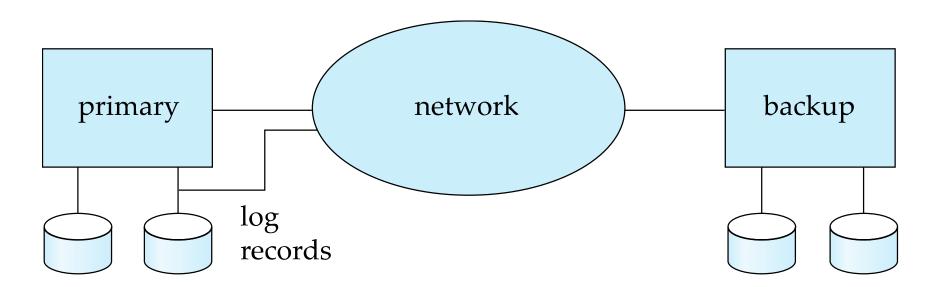
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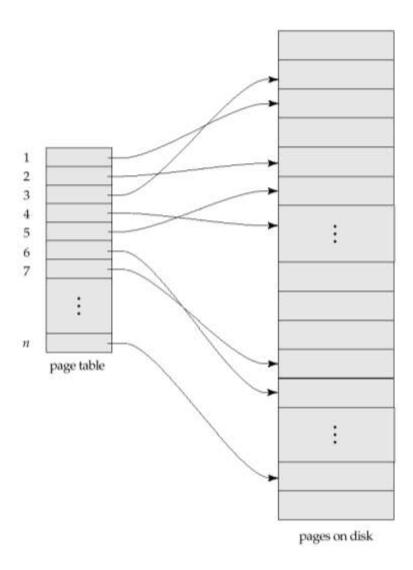


Shadow Paging

- Shadow paging is an alternative to log-based recovery; this scheme is useful if transactions execute serially
- Idea: maintain two page tables during the lifetime of a transaction –the current page table, and the shadow page table
- Store the shadow page table in nonvolatile storage, such that state of the database prior to transaction execution may be recovered.
 - Shadow page table is never modified during execution
- To start with, both the page tables are identical. Only current page table is used for data item accesses during execution of the transaction.
- Whenever any page is about to be written for the first time
 - A copy of this page is made onto an unused page.
 - The current page table is then made to point to the copy
 - The update is performed on the copy



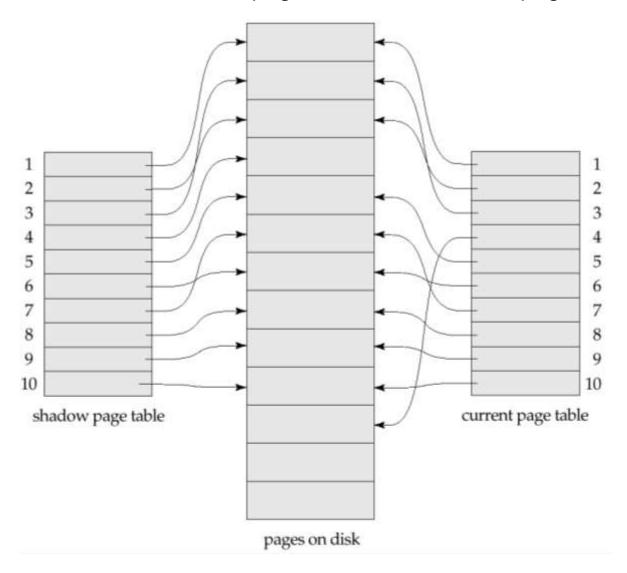
Sample Page Table





Example of Shadow Paging

Shadow and current page tables after write to page 4





Shadow Paging (Cont.)

- To commit a transaction :
 - 1. Flush all modified pages in main memory to disk
- 2. Output current page table to disk
- 3. Make the current page table the new shadow page table, as follows:
 - keep a pointer to the shadow page table at a fixed (known) location on disk.
 - to make the current page table the new shadow page table, simply update the pointer to point to current page table on disk
- Once pointer to shadow page table has been written, transaction is committed.
- No recovery is needed after a crash new transactions can start right away, using the shadow page table.
- Pages not pointed to from current/shadow page table should be freed (garbage collected).

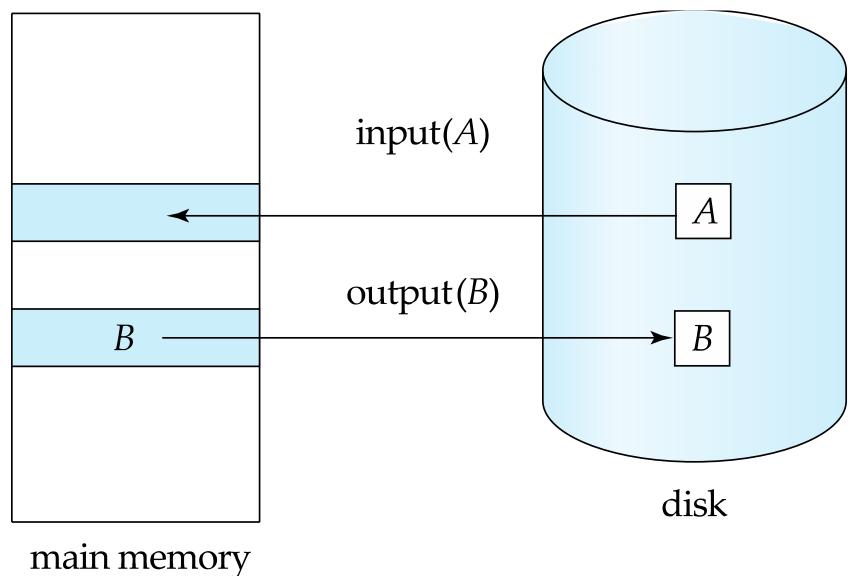


Show Paging (Cont.)

- Advantages of shadow-paging over log-based schemes
 - no overhead of writing log records
 - recovery is trivial
- Disadvantages :
 - Copying the entire page table is very expensive
 - Can be reduced by using a page table structured like a B+-tree
 - No need to copy entire tree, only need to copy paths in the tree that lead to updated leaf nodes
 - Commit overhead is high even with above extension
 - Need to flush every updated page, and page table
 - Data gets fragmented (related pages get separated on disk)
 - After every transaction completion, the database pages containing old versions of modified data need to be garbage collected
 - Hard to extend algorithm to allow transactions to run concurrently
 - Easier to extend log based schemes



Block Storage Operations





Portion of the Database Log Corresponding to T_0 and T_1

$$< T_0$$
 start>
 $< T_0$, A , 950>
 $< T_0$, B , 2050>
 $< T_0$ commit>
 $< T_1$ start>
 $< T_1$, C , 600>
 $< T_1$ commit>

State of the Log and Database Corresponding to T_0 and T_1

| Log | Database |
|---|-----------------|
| $< T_0$ start> | |
| $< T_0$, A, 950> | |
| $< T_0$, B, 2050> | |
| $< T_0$ commit> | |
| | A = 950 |
| | B = 2050 |
| $< T_1$ start> | |
| < <i>T</i> ₁ , <i>C</i> , 600> | |
| $< T_1$ commit> | |
| | C = 600 |



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State of System Log and Database Corresponding to T_0 and T_1

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