Tutorial 9: Transaction

CS3402 Database Systems

Question 1

- ➤ Which of the following schedules is (conflict) serializable? For each serializable schedule, determine the equivalent serial schedules.
 - a) $r_1(X)$; $r_3(X)$; $w_1(X)$; $r_2(X)$; $w_3(X)$;
 - b) $r_1(X)$; $r_3(X)$; $w_3(X)$; $w_1(X)$; $r_2(X)$;
 - c) $r_3(X)$; $r_2(X)$; $w_3(X)$; $r_1(X)$; $w_1(X)$;

Question 2

Consider the following concurrent schedule. Draw the serialization graph for the schedule. Is it conflict serializable?

T _a	T _b	T _c
	Read(x)	
Write(y)		
		Read(y)
	Write(y)	
Write(x)		
	Commit	
		Write(z)
Commit		
		Commit

Question 3

➤ Consider schedules S₁, S₂ and S₃ below. Determine whether each schedule is strict, cascadeless, recoverable, or nonrecoverable. Determine the strictest recoverability condition that each schedule satisfies.

- a) $r_1(X)$; $w_1(X)$; $r_2(X)$; $r_1(Y)$; $w_2(X)$; c_2 ; c_1 ;
- b) $r_1(X)$; $w_1(X)$; $r_2(X)$; $r_1(Y)$; $w_2(X)$; $w_1(Y)$; c_1 ; c_2 ;
- c) $r_1(X)$; $w_1(X)$; $w_2(X)$; $w_1(Y)$; c_1 ; c_2 ;

Can you change c) into a strict schedule?

Types of Schedules (1/2)

- > A unrecoverable schedule is one where, a dirty read takes place.
- ➤ A recoverable schedule is one where, if some transaction T_j is reading value updated or written by some other transaction T_j, then the commit operation of T_j must appear after the commit operation of T_j.
- A cascadeless schedule is one where, for each pair of transactions T_i and T_j such that T_j reads data items previously written by T_i, the commit operation of T_i appears before the read operation of T_j. Cascadeless schedules are desirable because the failure of a transaction does not lead to the aborting of any other transaction.

Types of Schedules (2/2)

A strict schedule is one where for any two transactions T_i and T_j , if a write operation of T_i appears before a conflicting operation of T_j (either read or write), then the commit or abort operation of T_i also appears before that conflicting operation of T_i .