



Week 10 Lab

Transactions Control

[S23] Databases Course



Transaction Control - Recap

The following commands are used to control transactions:

1. **COMMIT** – to save the changes
2. **ROLLBACK** – to roll back the changes
3. **SAVEPOINT** – creates points within the groups of transactions in which to ROLLBACK
4. **SET TRANSACTION** – sets the characteristics of the current transaction

Anonymous Block and Exception Handling

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do
-- variable declaration section
begin
    set transaction ISOLATION LEVEL [configuration];
    -- some code
    commit;
exception
    when [exception_type] then
        -- code to be executed when the exception occurs
    when [exception_type] then
        -- code to be executed when the exception occurs
end$$;
```

Exercise 1: Banking Transactions

- **Part A**
- Create a table of accounts
- Each account should have:
 - A unique ID
 - Name
 - Credit
 - Currency
- Generate and insert 3 accounts into the table, each account has 1000 Rub
- Create Transactions:
 - T1: Account 1 send 500 RUB to Account 3
 - T2: Account 2 send 700 RUB to Account 1
 - T3: Account 2 send to 100 RUB to Account 3
 - Return Credit for all Account
- Create Rollback for T1, T2, T3

Exercise 1: Banking Transactions

- **Part B**
- Add this field:
 - BankName
- Account 1 & 3 is SberBank, Account 2 is Tinkoff
- Define the following conditions for each transaction
 - Internal transaction's fee is 0 RUB
 - External transaction's fee is 30 RUB
- Fees should be saved in new Record (Account 4)
- Create Transactions:
 - T1: Account 1 send 500 RUB to Account 3
 - T2: Account 2 send 700 RUB to Account 1
 - T3: Account 2 send to 100 RUB to Account 3
 - Return the amount Credit for all Account
- Create Rollback for T1, T2, T3

Exercise 1: Banking Transactions

- **Part C**
- Create new table called *Ledger* to show all transactions:
 - ID (unique)
 - From (ID)
 - To (ID)
 - Fee (RUB)
 - Amount (RUB)
 - TransactionDateTime (DateTime)
- Modify Exercise 1 & 2 to save all transactions inside this table
- This is How Bitcoin Blockchain Works....

Exercise 2: Isolation Level

- Create a table account as the following example:

username	fullname	balance	Group_id
jones	Alice Jones	82	1
bitdiddl	Ben Bitdiddle	65	1
mike	Michael Dole	73	2
alyssa	Alyssa P. Hacker	79	3
bbrown	Bob Brown	100	3

Exercise 2: Isolation Level

- Test with **Read committed, Repeatable read** isolation levels
- Connect to your database using postgres CLI from 2 different sessions to:

Step No.	Terminal 1	Step No.	Terminal 2
1	Start a transaction and display the accounts information.	2	Start a transaction and update the username for "Alice Jones" as "ajones"
3	Display again the accounts table	4	Display again the accounts table
Do both terminals show the same information? Explain the reason			
		5	Commit the changes and compare again both sessions.
		6	Start a new transaction
7	Update the balance for the Alice's account by +10.	8	Update the balance for the Alice's account by +20
Explain the output form the second terminal			
9	Commit the changes.	10	Rollback

Hint: set transaction isolation level **read uncommitted**;

Exercise 2: Isolation Level

- Test with **Read committed, Repeatable read** isolation levels:
 - Start a transaction (T1 & T2)
 - Read accounts with group_id=2 (T1)
 - Move Bob to group 2 (T2)
 - Read accounts with group_id=2 (T1)
 - Update selected accounts balances by +15 (T1)
 - Commit transaction (T1 & T2)
- Explain the result for both isolation levels

Note: make sure that Bob is assigned to the group 3 at the beginning of each experiment and no other transaction is in progress at each session.

Exercise 3 (Optional)

- Test with **Repeatable read**, **Serializable** isolation levels:
 - Start a transaction in both terminals
 - Set the same transaction isolation level (T1 & T2)
 - Read the sum of accounts balances with group_id=2 (T1)
 - Move Bob to group 2 (T2)
 - Read accounts with group_id=2 (T1)
 - Update selected accounts' balances by +sum (T1)
 - Read accounts with group_id=2 (T1 & T2)
 - Commit (T1)
 - Commit (T2)
- Explain the result for both isolation levels.

Note: make sure that Bob is assigned to the group 3 at the beginning of each experiment and no other transaction is in progress at each session.

References

1. <https://habr.com/en/company/postgrespro/blog/467437/>
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Thank you for attention

See you next week
