HW 4

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Resources. (All people, books, articles, web pages, etc. that have been consulted when producing your answers to this homework)

Textbook and instructor's slides

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Problem 1. Exercise 16.4

Solution.

The balance of Z should be 20 in the end.

Transactions of T and U is not a serially equivalent example. The conflicting operations in T and U are NOT executed in the same order for all the data they both access. If U is executed first then execute T, the update of all U's operations will be lost, since we can not deposit money to an account that does not exist; if T is executed first, then the final deposit should be 30. In that case T and U are not serially equivalent.

Problem 2. Exercise 16.9

Solution.

(a) serially equivalent but not with two-phase locking

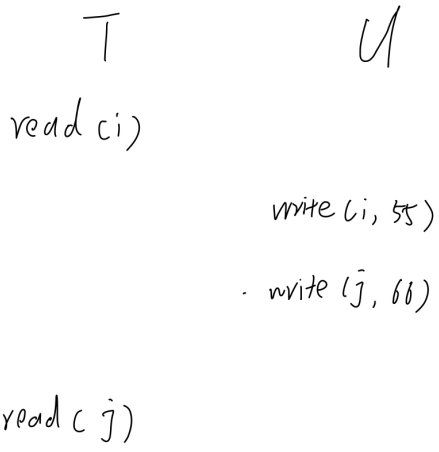
(b) serially equivalent and with two-phase locking

(c) serially equivalent and with two-phase locking

(d) serially equivalent but not with two-phase locking

Problem 3. Exercise 16.10

Solution.



A read only transaction can have inconsistent retrievals. Take the scenario above as an example. When read(i) release the read-only lock, U calls write-only lock and release it only after changing the number of j. After that T is able to read the value of j. Since the pairs of conflict operation in T and U are different so these transactions have inconsistent retrievals. They are NOT serially equivalent.

Problem 4. Exercise 16.16

Solution.

Scenario i)

T	U
X := read (i); write (j, 44);	write (i, 55); write (j, 66);

i) In this scenario, because it's backward validation we only check rule 2. Since U has not committed when T perform read(i), rule 2 is satisfied.

Scenario ii)

T	U
X := read (i) Abort	write (i, 55); write (j, 66);

ii) In this scenario, U commits first. And since it's backward validation as well ,we only need check rule 2. Rule 2 forbids T form reading object written by U. Obviously, this rule is violated because T commits later and performs read(i), which was written by U before. In this case T should abort after performing read(i). The backward validation fails.

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Scenario iii)

T	U
X := read(i); write(j, 44);	write(i, 55); write(j, 66);

iii) In this scenario we only need to check rule 1 since it's forward validation. Rule 1 forbids U from reading objects written by T. Since U does NOT perform any reading action, this rule is automatically satisfied.

Scenario iv)

T	U
X := read(i) write(j, 44)	Abort

iv) In this scenario, this case satisfy Rule 1 which forbids U form reading objects written by T. However, T commits later and performs read(i), which was written by U before. This action violates the Rule 2, so U has to abort. The forward validation fails.

Problem 5. Exercise 16.19

Solution.

(a) Initially:
$a_i = 10$, write timestamp = max read timestamp = t_0
$a_j = 20$, write timestamp = max read timestamp = t_0
First, T: read(i); T timestamp = t_1;

According to the read rule, t_1 > write timestamp on committed version, which is t_0 and $D_{selected}$ is committed. In this case, allow T to read x = 10 and set max read timestamp(a_i) as t_1.

Next, U: write(i, 55); U timestamp = t_2;

According to write rule, t_2 >= max read timestamp, which is t_1, and t_2 >write timestamp committed version(t_0). In this case, allow U to write a_i's value as 55 and set write timestamp as t_2.

Next, T: write(j, 44); T timestamp = t_1;

According to write rule, t_1 >= max read timestamp, which is t_0, and t_1 >write timestamp committed version(t_0). In this case, allow T to write a_j's value as 44 and set write timestamp as t_1.

Finally, U: write(j, 66); U timestamp = t_2;

According to write rule, t_2 >= max read timestamp, which is t_0, and t_2 >write timestamp committed version(t_0). In this case, allow U to write a_j's value as 66 and set write timestamp as t_2.

After U commits:

a_i: committed version: value = 55; write timestamp = t_2; max read timestamp = t_1

a_j: committed version: value = 66; write timestamp = t_2; max read timestamp = t_0

(b)Initially as (a);

First, T: read(i); T timestamp = t_1;

According to the read rule, t_1 > write timestamp on committed version, which is t_0 and $D_{selected}$ is committed. In this case, allow T to read x = 10 and set max read timestamp(a_i) as t_1.

Next, T: write(j, 44); T timestamp = t_1;

According to write rule, t_1 >= max read timestamp, which is t_0, and t_1 >write timestamp committed version(t_0). In this case, allow T to write a_j's value as 44 and set write timestamp as t_1.

Next, U: write(i, 55); U timestamp = t_2;

According to write rule, t_2 >= max read timestamp, which is t_1, and t_2 >write timestamp committed version(t_0). In this case, allow U to write a_i's value as 55 and set write timestamp as t_2.

Finally, U: write(j, 66); U timestamp = t_2;

According to write rule, t_2 >= max read timestamp, which is t_0, and t_2 >write timestamp committed version(t_0). In this case, allow U to write a_j's value as 66 and set write timestamp as t_2.

After U commits:

a_i: committed version: value = 55; write timestamp = t_2; max read timestamp = t_1

a_j: committed version: value = 66; write timestamp = t_2; max read timestamp = t_0

(c) Initially as (a)

First, U: write(i, 55); U timestamp = t_1;

According to write rule, t_1 >= max read timestamp, which is t_0, and t_1 >write timestamp committed version(t_0). In this case, allow U to write a_i's value as 55 and set write timestamp as t_1.

Next, U: write(j, 66); U timestamp = t_1;

According to write rule, t_1 >= max read timestamp, which is t_0, and t_1 >write timestamp committed version(t_0). In this case, allow U to write a_j's value as 66 and set write timestamp as t_1.

Next, T: read(i); T timestamp = t_2;

According to the read rule, t_2 > write timestamp on committed version, which is t_0, but $D_{selected} = t_1$ is NOT committed yet. In this case, WAIT U to commit or abort.

U commits:

a_i: committed version: value = 55; write timestamp = t_1; max read timestamp = t_0

a_j: committed version: value = 66; write timestamp = t_1; max read timestamp = t_0

Finally, T: write(j, 44); T timestamp = t_2;

According to write rule, t_2 >= max read timestamp, which is t_0, and t_2 >write timestamp committed version(t_1). In this case, allow T to write a_j's value as 44 and set write timestamp as t_2.

After T commits:

a_i: committed version: value = 55; write timestamp = t_1; max read timestamp = t_2

a_j: committed version: value = 44; write timestamp = t_2; max read timestamp = t_0

(d) Initially as (a)

First, U: write(i, 55); U timestamp = t_1;

According to write rule, t_1 >= max read timestamp, which is t_0, and t_1 >write timestamp committed version(t_0). In this case, allow U to write a_i's value as 55 and set write timestamp as t_1.

Next, T: read(i); T timestamp = t_2;

According to the read rule, t_2 > write timestamp on committed version, which is t_0, but $D_{selected} = t_1$ is NOT committed yet. In this case, WAIT U to commit or abort.

Next, U: write(j, 66); U timestamp = t_1;

According to write rule, t_1 >= max read timestamp, which is t_0, and t_1 >write timestamp committed version(t_0). In this case, allow U to write a_j's value as 66 and set write timestamp as t_1.

U commits:

a_i: committed version: value = 55; write timestamp = t_1; max read timestamp = t_0

a_j: committed version: value = 66; write timestamp = t_1; max read timestamp = t_0

Finally, T: write(j, 44); T timestamp = t_2;

According to write rule, t_2 >= max read timestamp, which is t_0, and t_2 >write timestamp committed version(t_1). In this case, allow T to write a_j's value as 44 and set write timestamp as t_2.

After T commits:

a_i: committed version: value = 55; write timestamp = t_1; max read timestamp = t_2

a_j: committed version: value = 44; write timestamp = t_2; max read timestamp = t_0