



# ADVANCE DATABASE SYSTEMS DEVELOPMEN T [CC6001] WEEK - 06

Database Concurrency

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There are three sides of ACID.  
ENHANCED LONG TERM MEMORY  
DECREASED SHORT TERM MEMORY  
AND I FORGOT THE THIRD

- TIMOTHY LARY

# Requirement

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**MOST OF THE  
CASES, DATABASE IS  
ACCESSED BY  
MULTIPLE USERS AT  
A TIME**

# Concurrency Control

ENSURES THAT CONCURRENT  
OPERATIONS ARE CARRIED OUT

- CORRECTLY
- EFFICIENTLY



# Example

- Begin Transaction T1
- Read Balance1
- $\text{Balance1} = \text{Balance1} - 100$
- If Balance < 0
  - Print insufficient fund
  - Abort T1
- End
- Write Balance1
- Read Balance2
- $\text{Balance2} = \text{Balance2} + 100$
- Write Balance2
- Commit T1




# Points to Remember

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Effect of ABORT is to ROLLBACK the TRANSACTION and UNDO changes it has made on the DATABASE

In this example, TRANSACTION was NOT written to the DATABASE prior to ABORT hence, NO UNDO is necessary

# Yet Another Scenario



Transactions  $T_A$  and  $T_B$  performs a series of processing (sub-tasks)  $T_{A1}$ ,  $T_{A2}$ ,  $T_{A3}$  and  $T_{B1}$ ,  $T_{B2}$ ,  $T_{B3}$  respectively.

CPU is shared by  $T_A$  and  $T_B$  and other transactions in the system

# Yet Another Scenario

Single  
Transaction  
Environment

Multi  
Transaction  
Environment

$T_{A1} \longrightarrow T_{B1} \longrightarrow T_{A2} \longrightarrow T_{B2} \longrightarrow T_{A3} \longrightarrow T_{B3}$

$T_{A1} \longrightarrow T_{A2} \longrightarrow T_{A3}$



# Interleaved Transactions

The operations of the two transactions  $T_A$  and  $T_B$  are said to be **interleaved** to achieve concurrent execution.

$$T_{A1} \longrightarrow T_{B1} \longrightarrow T_{A2} \longrightarrow T_{B2} \longrightarrow T_{A3} \longrightarrow T_{B3}$$

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Various concurrency problems may occur if proper control is not enforced!!!

# Concurrency Problems

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Lost Update

Violation of Integrity  
Constraints

Inconsistent Retrieval

# Lost Update

two concurrent transactions, say  $T_A$  and  $T_B$ , are allowed to update an uncommitted change on the same data item, say  $x$ .

The earlier update of  $x$  by Transaction  $T_A$  is overwritten by a subsequent update of  $x$  by

transaction  $T_B$ .

Consequently, the update value of  $x$  by  $T_A$  is lost

after the update by  $T_B$ .

# Lost Update - Example

| Time | T <sub>A</sub>      | T <sub>B</sub>      | Balance |
|------|---------------------|---------------------|---------|
|      |                     |                     | 500     |
| t1   | begin               |                     | 500     |
| t2   | read (balance)      | begin               | 500     |
| t3   | balance=balance+200 | read (balance)      | 500     |
| t4   | write (balance)     | balance=balance-300 | 700     |
| t5   | commit              | write (balance)     | 200     |
| t6   |                     | commit              | 200     |

# Lost Update - Question

What should be the  
correct balance after  $T_A$

and  $T_B$ ?

# Lost Update - Answer

400

# Violation of Integrity Constraints

| Time | T <sub>A</sub>      | T <sub>B</sub>      | Balance |
|------|---------------------|---------------------|---------|
|      |                     |                     | 500     |
| t1   | begin               |                     | 500     |
| t2   | read (balance)      |                     | 500     |
| t3   | balance=balance+200 |                     | 500     |
| t4   | write (balance)     | begin               | 700     |
| t5   | .....               | read (balance)      | 700     |
| t6   | rollback            | balance=balance-300 | 500     |
| t7   |                     | write (balance)     | 400     |
| t8   |                     | commit              | 400     |

# Integrity Constraint - Question

What should be the  
correct balance after  $T_A$

and  $T_B$ ?




# Integrity Constraint - Answer

200

# Inconsistent Retrieval

$T_A$  is summing up the total number of vacant teaching rooms in 3 building (Tower, Moorgate and Eden), whilst  $T_B$  is moving 2 classes (2 rooms) from Tower to Eden.



|                           |    |
|---------------------------|----|
| Initial numbers of vacant |    |
| rooms: Tower:             | 10 |
| Moorgate:                 | 15 |
| Eden                      | 5  |
| Total number              | 30 |

# Inconsistent Retrieval

Tower 10      Moorgate 15      Eden 5

| Time | T <sub>A</sub>          | T <sub>B</sub>         |
|------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| t1   | ....                    |                        |
| t2   | read (Tower)            |                        |
| t3   | sum = 10                |                        |
| t4   | read (Moorgate)         |                        |
| t5   | sum = 25 (sum+15)       |                        |
| t6   |                         | .....                  |
| t7   |                         | read (Tower)           |
| t8   |                         | write Tower = 8 (10-2) |
| t9   |                         | read (Eden)            |
| t10  |                         | Write Eden = 7 (5+2)   |
| t11  | read (Eden)             | commit                 |
| t12  | <u>sum = 32</u> (sum+7) |                        |
| t13  | .....                   |                        |

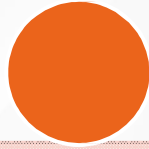
# Inconsistent Retrieval

- Initial numbers of vacant rooms:
  - Tower: 10
  - Moorgate 15
- Correct numbers of vacant rooms after moving should be:
  - Eden
  - Tower: 8 ( $10 - 2$ )
  - Moorgate: 15
  - Eden 7 ( $5 + 2$ )
- But we seem to have got 32 vacant rooms now!!

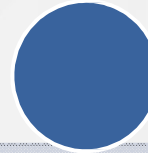
**WRONG TOTAL!**



# Concurrency Control - Principles



Schedule multiple transactions in such a way as to avoid any interference between them, while at the same time



Maximize the degree of concurrency or parallelism in the system

# Solutions to Concurrency Problems

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Serialization

Concurrency Control

Transaction Scheduling

# Serialization

## Process

- Permits SERIAL EXECUTION of TRANSACTIONS

## Disadvantage

- Inefficient for MULTI-USER environment

ONE  
TRANSACTION MUST  
COMMIT  
BEFORE  
ANOTHER  
CAN START.



# Concurrency Control

## Process

- Allows CONCURRENT EXECUTION of transactions in a CONTROLLED way.

## Mechanisms

- Locking
- Optimistic Scheduling
- Time Stamping

# Locking

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Locking method is the most commonly used approach to ensure the serializability of concurrent transactions.



Locking synchronizes interleaved transactions so that it is **equivalent** to some serial execution of those transactions.

# Locking - Idea

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When a transaction requires the **assurance** that some data will not change during the course of processing (read/write) it, this transaction must request and acquire a lock, in order to prevent other transactions updating the data.

# Lock Types

## Exclusive

- X (Write)
- Grant read/write access to a data item to the transaction which holds the lock
- Prevent any other transactions reading or writing the same data item.

## Shared

- S (Read)
- Grant read-only access to a data item in the transaction which holds the lock
- Prevent any transaction writing data item.
- Several transactions may hold an S lock on the same data item.

# Locking Protocol

- ❑ A transaction must get an S lock on a data item before it wishes to READ it
- ❑ A transaction must get an X lock on a data item before it wishes to WRITE it
- ❑ A TRANSACTION already holding an S lock on a data item can promote itself to an X lock in order to WRITE it, provided there is no other transaction also holding an S lock on it already.
- ❑ If a lock request is denied, the transaction goes into a WAIT state
- ❑ A transaction in a WAIT state resumes operations only when the requested lock is released by another transaction
- ❑ X locks are held until COMMIT/ROLLBACK. S locks are normally the same.

# Lock Compatibility Matrix

|   | S     | X     |
|---|-------|-------|
| S | true  | false |
| X | false | false |

- A transaction may be granted a lock on an item if the requested lock is compatible with locks already held on the item by other transactions

# Lock Compatibility Matrix

|   | S     | X     |
|---|-------|-------|
| S | true  | false |
| X | false | false |

- Any number of transactions can hold shared locks on an item
  - But if any transaction holds an exclusive on the item no other transaction may hold any lock on the item.

# Lock Compatibility Matrix

|   | S     | X     |
|---|-------|-------|
| S | true  | false |
| X | false | false |

- If a lock cannot be granted, the requesting transaction is made to wait till all incompatible locks held by other transactions have been released. The lock is then granted.



# Example

- Locking as above is not sufficient to guarantee serializability If A and B get updated in-between the read of A and B, the displayed sum would be wrong.
- A locking protocol is a set of rules

Followed by all transactions while  
requesting and releasing locks.  
Locking protocols restrict the set of  
possible schedules.

```
 $T_2$ : lock-S(A);  
read (A);  
unlock(A);  
lock-S(B);  
read (B);  
unlock(B);  
display(A+B)
```

# Two Phased Locking

## Protocol

**Before operating on any object (a tuple), a transaction must acquire a lock on that object**

**After releasing a lock a transaction must never go on to acquire any more locks.**

## Theorem

**If all transactions obey the “two-phased locking protocol”, then all possible interleaved schedules are serializable**

# Lost Update – Example Revisited

| Time | T <sub>A</sub>                     | T <sub>B</sub>                     | Balance |
|------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|
|      |                                    |                                    | 500     |
| t1   | begin                              |                                    | 500     |
|      | <i>acquire S lock on balance</i>   |                                    |         |
| t2   | read (balance)                     | begin                              | 500     |
|      |                                    | <i>acquire S lock on balance</i>   |         |
| t3   | balance=balance+200                | read (balance)                     | 500     |
|      | <i>X lock requested but denied</i> |                                    |         |
| t4   | <i>wait</i>                        | balance=balance-300                | 500     |
|      | .....                              | <i>X lock requested but denied</i> |         |
|      | .....                              | <i>wait</i>                        |         |
|      | .....                              | .....                              |         |

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| Time | T <sub>A</sub>                     | T <sub>B</sub>                     | Balance |
|------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|
|      |                                    |                                    | 500     |
| t1   | begin                              |                                    | 500     |
|      | <i>acquire S lock on balance</i>   |                                    |         |
| t2   | read (balance)                     | begin                              | 500     |
|      |                                    | <i>acquire S lock on balance</i>   |         |
| t3   | balance=balance+200                | read (balance)                     | 500     |
|      | <i>X lock requested but denied</i> |                                    |         |
| t4   | <i>wait</i>                        | balance=balance-300                | 500     |
|      | .....                              | <i>X lock requested but denied</i> |         |
|      | .....                              | <i>wait</i>                        |         |
|      | .....                              | .....                              |         |

- neither transaction can update balance as both are waiting for other to release the lock on balance

# Relational Integrity – Example Revisited

| Time | T <sub>A</sub>                      | T <sub>B</sub>                      | Balance    |
|------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
|      |                                     |                                     | 500        |
| t1   | begin                               |                                     | 500        |
|      | <i>acquire S lock on balance</i>    |                                     |            |
| t2   | read (balance)                      |                                     | 500        |
| t3   | balance=balance+200                 |                                     | 500        |
|      | <i>promote to X lock on balance</i> |                                     |            |
| t4   | write (balance)                     | begin                               | 700        |
|      | .....                               | <i>S lock requested but denied</i>  |            |
|      |                                     | <i>wait</i>                         |            |
|      |                                     | .....                               |            |
| t5   | rollback                            | .....                               | <u>500</u> |
|      | <i>release X lock on balance</i>    | .....                               |            |
|      |                                     | <i>acquire S lock on balance</i>    |            |
| t6   |                                     | read (balance)                      | 500        |
| t7   |                                     | balance=balance-300                 | 500        |
|      |                                     | <i>promote to X lock on balance</i> |            |
| t8   |                                     | write (balance)                     | 200        |
| t9   |                                     | commit                              | <u>200</u> |
|      |                                     | <i>release X lock on balance</i>    |            |

# Relational Integrity – Example Revisited

| Time | T <sub>A</sub>                      | T <sub>B</sub>                      | Balance    |
|------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| t1   | begin                               |                                     | 500        |
|      | <i>acquire S lock on balance</i>    |                                     | 500        |
| t2   | read (balance)                      |                                     | 500        |
| t3   | balance=balance+200                 |                                     | 500        |
|      | <i>promote to X lock on balance</i> |                                     |            |
| t4   | write (balance)                     | begin                               | 700        |
|      | .....                               | <i>S lock requested but denied</i>  |            |
|      |                                     | <i>wait</i>                         |            |
| t5   | rollback                            | .....                               | <u>500</u> |
|      | <i>release X lock on balance</i>    | .....                               |            |
| t6   |                                     | <i>acquire S lock on balance</i>    | 500        |
| t7   |                                     | read (balance)                      | 500        |
|      |                                     | balance=balance-300                 |            |
|      |                                     | <i>promote to X lock on balance</i> |            |
| t8   |                                     | write (balance)                     | 200        |
| t9   |                                     | commit                              | <u>200</u> |
|      |                                     | <i>release X lock on balance</i>    |            |

CORRECT ANSWER

# Thank You

