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Database Isolation Levels



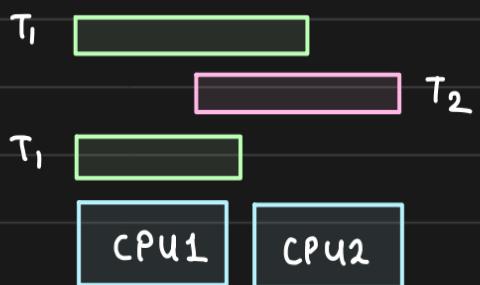
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Isolation levels

Relational databases provides ACID guarantees
and I in ACID is Isolation and Isolation levels helps us tune them.

Isolation levels dictate how much
one transaction knows about the other
We look at each one of them and
understand with examples



Repeatable Reads

Consistent reads within same transaction

even if other transaction committed 1st transaction
would not see the changes (if value already read)

Read Committed

Reads within the same transaction always reads fresh value

con: Multiple reads within same transaction are inconsistent

Read Uncommitted

Reads even uncommitted values from other txns

"dirty read"

Serializable

depends on engine

Every read is a locking read

and while one txn reads, others will have to wait.

- * Storage engines can alter the implementation
so read documentation before you alter