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## ComS 363 Fall 2022 Class Participation for Week 9

## Learning objective:

• Gain a deeper understanding about concurrency control and protection against failure provided by Transaction Manager in DBMS.

**Instruction:** Answer all questions to receive full credits for this class participation.

See Program 1 and Program 2 below. This program updates the Food database instance (Fig. 1) that is stored in a DBMS that supports ACID properties. A database transaction is an execution of a user program in a DBMS. Each run of a program is considered one transaction.

The Connection.TRANSACTION\_SERIALIZABLE isolation level provides the maximum protection against interference by other concurrently running programs as if all these concurrently running programs run in a serial order.

```
try {
       // conn is a valid connection
       // fname is a String and has the food name provided by the user.
       //
       String fname=JOptionPane.showInputDialog("Enter food name:");
       conn.setAutoCommit(false);
       conn.setTransactionIsolation(Connection.TRANSACTION SERIALIZABLE);
       Statement stmt = conn.createStatement();
       ResultSet rs;
       int id=0;
       rs = stmt.executeQuery("select max(fid) from food");
       while (rs.next()) {
              id = rs.getInt(1);
       rs.close(); stmt.close();
       // ? indicating that it is a parameterized SQL query
      PreparedStatement inststmt =
      conn.prepareStatement("insert into food (fid, fname) values(?,?) ");
       inststmt.setInt(1, id+1);
       inststmt.setString(2, fname);
       inststmt.executeUpdate();
      inststmt.close();
       conn.commit();
} catch (SQLException e) {
      // when setautocommit is false, if commit() is not called, the
      // all SQL statements between the point of failure to the prior commit
      // are undone
```

Program 1

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```
try {
   conn.setAutoCommit(false);
   conn.setTransactionIsolation(Connection.TRANSACTION SERIALIZABLE);
   // Static SQL statement uses Statement object
    Statement stmt = conn.createStatement();
   ResultSet rs;
   String tfname;
   int id=0;
   String sqlstr="select fid, fname from food where fid = (select max(fid) from food)";
   // this query has a problem that fname may not correspond to the
    // maximum fid value; however, we do not use tfname for anything
   rs = stmt.executeQuery(sqlstr);
   while (rs.next()) {
        id = rs.getInt(1);
        tffname = rs.getString(2);
   rs.close();
    stmt.close();
    // use of a parameterized SQL statement which is a statement with
    // the question mark whose value is to be replaced by the
    // parameter values given by a user
   PreparedStatement inststmt =
   conn.prepareStatement("update food set fname=? where fid=?");
   String fname=JOptionPane.showInputDialog("Enter food name:");
   inststmt.setString(1, fname.toUpperCase());
   inststmt.setInt(2, id);
   inststmt.executeUpdate();
   inststmt.close();
   conn.commit();
} catch (SQLException e) {}
```

Program 2

## Questions:

- 1. What does Program 1 do?
- 2. What does Program 2 do?
- 3. Suppose there are three users: A, B, and C, running the two programs simultaneously. Users A and B run Program 1. User A adds the food name "Hawaiian Pizza" while user B adds the food name "Hummus". User C runs Program 2 with the food name of "Pad Thai". There are no other transactions this DBMS is running except these three transactions. What is the content of the Food table if the three transactions complete successfully?
- 4. Starting with the instances of the database in Figure 1, what is the content of the Food table if only User A (running Program 1 adding Hawaiian Pizza) and User C (running Program 2 with "Pad Thai") completed the transactions successfully, i.e., the programs have passed the commit statement before the system crashed but User B's program (running Program 1 adding Hummus) was still running and has not reached the commit statement when the system crashed? Once the DBMS restarts, what is the content of the Food table?

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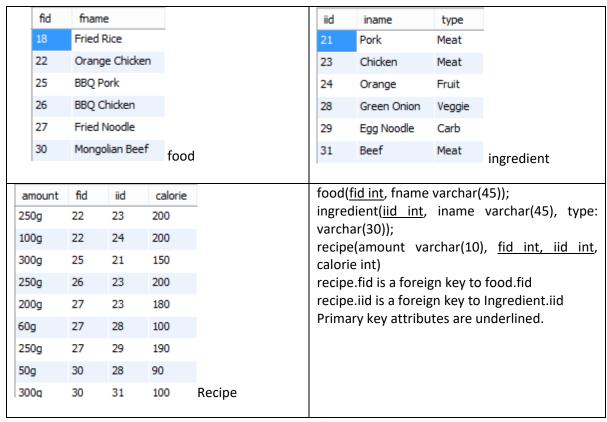


Fig. 1. Current instances of the three tables