# 3. Transaction Logging (REDO/UNDO)

## 3.1 Write-Ahead Log (WAL) Structure

```
CREATE TABLE transaction_log (
    Isn BIGINT PRIMARY KEY, -- Log Sequence Number
    transaction_id VARCHAR(10), -- Transaction identifier
    operation_type VARCHAR(20), -- BEGIN, UPDATE, INSERT, DELETE,

COMMIT, ROLLBACK
    table_name VARCHAR(50), -- Affected table
    before_image TEXT, -- Data before change
    after_image TEXT, -- Data after change
    timestamp TIMESTAMP DEFAULT NOW() -- When operation occurred
);
```

# 3.2 Sample WAL Entries

LSN	Transactio n ID	Operatio n	Table	Before Image	After Image	Timestamp
1001	T1	BEGIN	-	-	-	10:30:15
1002	T1	UPDATE	account s	{id:1, balance:100 0}	{id:1, balance:900}	10:30:16
1003	T2	BEGIN	-	-	-	10:30:17
1004	T2	INSERT	account s	NULL	{id:4, name:"David ", balance:500}	10:30:18
1005	T1	UPDATE	account s	{id:2, balance:500}	{id:2, balance:600}	10:30:19
1006	T1	COMMIT	-	-	-	10:30:20
1007	T2	ROLLBA CK	-	-	-	10:30:21

### 3.3 UNDO Operations

- -- UNDO Process for Transaction T2 (from LSN 1007 backwards)
- -- LSN 1004: UNDO INSERT

DELETE FROM accounts WHERE id = 4;

-- Result: T2's changes are completely reversed

#### **UNDO Algorithm:**

```
def undo transaction(transaction id, wal log):
  Undo all operations of a transaction in reverse order
  # Get all log entries for transaction in reverse order
  entries = get log entries(transaction id, reverse=True)
  for entry in entries:
    if entry.operation type == 'UPDATE':
       # Restore before image
       restore data(entry.table name, entry.before image)
    elif entry.operation_type == 'INSERT':
       # Delete the inserted record
       delete record(entry.table name, entry.after image)
    elif entry.operation type == 'DELETE':
       # Re-insert the deleted record
       insert_record(entry.table_name, entry.before_image)
```

### 3.4 REDO Operations

```
-- REDO Process for Transaction T1 (from LSN 1002 forwards)
-- LSN 1002: REDO UPDATE
```

UPDATE accounts SET balance = 900 WHERE id = 1;

```
-- LSN 1005: REDO UPDATE
UPDATE accounts SET balance = 600 WHERE id = 2;
```

-- Result: T1's committed changes are reapplied

#### **REDO Algorithm:**

```
def redo transaction(transaction id, wal log):
  Redo all operations of a committed transaction in forward order
  entries = get log entries(transaction id, reverse=False)
  for entry in entries:
    if entry.operation type in ['UPDATE', 'INSERT', 'DELETE']:
       # Reapply the operation using after image
       apply operation(entry.table name, entry.operation type, entry.after image)
```

### 3.5 Recovery Using Logs

```
-- Complete Recovery Process
-- Phase 1: Analysis
WITH uncommitted_transactions AS (
  SELECT DISTINCT transaction_id
  FROM transaction_log
  WHERE transaction_id NOT IN (
    SELECT transaction id
    FROM transaction_log
    WHERE operation_type = 'COMMIT'
  )
),
committed transactions AS (
  SELECT DISTINCT transaction_id
  FROM transaction log
  WHERE transaction id IN (
    SELECT transaction_id
    FROM transaction_log
    WHERE operation_type = 'COMMIT'
  )
)
-- Phase 2: REDO committed transactions
```

-- Phase 3: UNDO uncommitted transactions