Laboratory 6

Title of the Laboratory Exercise: Transactions

1. Introduction and Purpose of Experiment

    Aim and Objectives

      Aim

- To develop a program to perform concurrent transactions

2. Experimental Procedure

       i. Analyse the problem statement

      ii. Design an algorithm for the given problem statement and develop a flowchart/pseudo-code

     iii. Implement the algorithm in Java language

      iv. Compile the Java program

       v. Test the implemented program

      vi. Document the Results

     vii. Analyse and discuss the outcomes of your experiment

3. Question

    Create a Multithreaded Java program with two threads handling Transactions, U and T. Transactions T and U have at-least one common object and at-least two operations. The program should ensure that the execution of the transactions is serializable (free from conflicts). Proper Concurrency control mechanism needs to be used wherever necessary.

Initially a=100, b=200,c=300

Transaction *T*:		Transaction *U* :	
balance = b.getBalance(); *b.setBalance(balance*1.1);* *a.withdraw(balance/10)*		*balance = b.getBalance();* *b.setBalance(balance*1.1);* *c.withdraw(balance/10)*	
balance = b.getBalance();	$200		
		balance = b.getBalance();	$200
		b.setBalance(balance*1.1);	$220
b.setBalance(balance*1.1);	$220		
a.withdraw(balance/10)	$80		
		c.withdraw(balance/10)	$280

Its expected result is b=242 instead of 220

4. Computations/Algorithms

- **Step 1:** Start

- **Step 2:** Create a main class Lab6_ds to declare thread objects and invoke each thread where, each thread denotes a Transaction

- **Step 3:** Create a generic class Account that wraps an Integer as the underlying data type

- **Step 4:** Create an object of Integer type and a Lock object of ReentrantReadWriteLock in the generic class

- **Step 5:** Declare the following methods in class Account: -

  getBalance() – Read operation to return current balance before or after another operation

  setBalance() – Write operation to update balance after another operation

  deposit() – Write operation to deposit amount

  withdraw() – Write operation to check balance and withdraw amount

- **Step 6:** Use the read lock function of the ReentrantReadWriteLock object Lock to safeguard concurrent access to all the read operations in a given transaction i.e. getBalance()

- **Step 7:** Use the exclusive write lock function of the ReentrantReadWriteLock object Lock to safeguard concurrent access to all the write operations in a given transaction i.e. setBalance(), deposit() and withdraw()

- **Step 8:** Create a class Transaction_T that extends thread class

- **Step 9:** Class Transaction_T takes three objects of class Account named a, b and c and the transaction ID as input parameters from the newly created thread object (of class Transaction_T) invoked in main class i.e., any thread invocation of class Transaction_T is a transaction to perform any of the four operations defined in Step 5

- **Step 10:** Using the class Account objects passed during thread invocation, read or write operations are performed inside class Transaction_T in any order

- **Step 11:** Create a class Transaction_U that extends thread class

- **Step 12:** Class Transaction_U takes three objects of class Account named a, b and c and the transaction ID as input parameters from the newly created thread object (of class Transaction_U) invoked in main class i.e., any thread invocation of class Transaction_U is a transaction to perform any of the four operations defined in Step 5

- **Step 13:** Using the class Account objects passed during thread invocation, read or write operations are performed inside class Transaction_U in any order

- **Step 14:** Declare and initialize three objects a, b and c of class Account and pass the objects as parameters of the threads created for classes Transaction_T and Transaction_U **Step 15:** Each thread that is created, represents a transaction. Once all threads are invoked, wait for the processes to terminate before main thread terminates

- **Step 16:** Stop

5. Presentation of Results

Java Code

```java
package lab6_ds;
import java.util.concurrent.locks.*;
class Account<A> {
    private A obj;
    private ReadWriteLock Lock = new ReentrantReadWriteLock();
    Account(A obj) {
        this.obj = obj;
    }
    public A getBalance(String acc_name)  {
        Lock readLock = Lock.readLock();
        readLock.lock();
        try {
            System.out.println("Fetching balance of "+acc_name+" ...");
        }
        finally {
            System.out.println("Balance = $"+obj+"\n");
            readLock.unlock();
        }
        return obj;
    }
}
```

Figure 1 Java Program for the given problem statement

```java
public void setBalance(A value, String t_id, String acc_name) {
    Lock writeLock = Lock.writeLock();
    writeLock.lock();
    System.out.println("Transaction "+t_id+" has acquired the lock ...");
    try {
        obj = value;
        System.out.println("Balance of "+acc_name+" was updated ...!");
    } finally {
        System.out.println("Transaction "+t_id+" has released the lock ...\n");
        writeLock.unlock();
    }
}
```

Figure 2 Java Program for the given problem statement (Continued)

```java
    public void deposit(A value, String t_id, String acc_name) {
        String balance;
        int bal, amount;
        Lock writeLock = Lock.writeLock();
        writeLock.lock();
        System.out.println("Transaction "+t_id+" has acquired the lock ...");
        try {
            bal = Integer.parseInt(obj.toString());
            amount = Integer.parseInt(value.toString());
            bal += amount;
            balance = String.valueOf(bal);
            obj = (A) balance; // Balance updated after depositing
            System.out.println("$"+value+" was deposited to "+acc_name+"...!");
        } finally {
            System.out.println("Transaction "+t_id+" has released the lock ...\n");
            writeLock.unlock();
        }
    }
}
```

Figure 3 Java Program for the given problem statement (Continued)

```java
    public void withdraw(A value, String t_id, String acc_name) {
        String balance;
        int bal, amount;
        Lock writeLock = Lock.writeLock();
        writeLock.lock();
        System.out.println("Transaction "+t_id+" has acquired the lock ...");
        try {
            bal = Integer.parseInt(obj.toString());
            amount = Integer.parseInt(value.toString());
            if(bal > amount) {
                bal -= amount;
                balance = String.valueOf(bal);
                obj = (A) balance; // Balance updated after withdrawal
            }
            else {
                System.out.println("\nSorry ...! Insufficient funds");
            }
            System.out.println("$"+value+" was withdrawn from "+acc_name+" ...!");
        } finally {
            System.out.println("Transaction "+t_id+" has released the lock ...\n");
            writeLock.unlock();
        }
    }
}
```

Figure 4 Java Program for the given problem statement (Continued)

```java
class Transaction_T extends Thread {
    private Account<Integer> a;
    private Account<Integer> b;
    private Account<Integer> c;
    String t_id;
    public Transaction_T(Account<Integer> a, Account<Integer> b, Account<Integer> c,
            String t_id) {
        this.a = a;
        this.b = b;
        this.c = c;
        this.t_id = t_id;
    }
    @Override
    public void run() {
        System.out.println("Transaction T opened ...!\n");
        int balance;
        balance = b.getBalance("B"); // Read operation by T
        b.setBalance(balance*2, t_id,"B"); // Write operation by T
        b.getBalance("B"); // Read operation by T
        a.withdraw(balance/10, t_id,"A"); // Write operation by T
        a.getBalance("A"); // Read operation by T
        try {
            System.out.println("Transaction T committed ...!\n");
            Thread.sleep(100);
        }
        catch (InterruptedException e) {
            System.out.println("\nTransaction T was aborted ...!");
        }
    }
}
```

Figure 5 Java Program for the given problem statement (Continued)

```java
class Transaction_U extends Thread {
    private Account<Integer> a;
    private Account<Integer> b;
    private Account<Integer> c;
    String t_id;
    public Transaction_U(Account<Integer> a, Account<Integer> b, Account<Integer> c,
            String t_id) {
        this.a = a;
        this.b = b;
        this.c = c;
        this.t_id = t_id;
    }
    @Override
    public void run() {
        System.out.println("Transaction U opened ...!\n");
        int balance;
        balance = b.getBalance("B"); // Read operation by U
        b.setBalance(balance*2, t_id,"B"); // Write operation by U
        b.getBalance("B"); // Read operation by U
        c.withdraw(balance/10, t_id,"C"); // Write operation by U
        c.getBalance("C"); // Read operation by U
        try {
            System.out.println("Transaction U committed ...!\n");
            Thread.sleep(100);
        }
        catch (InterruptedException e) {
            System.out.println("\nTransaction U was aborted ...!");
        }
    }
}
```

Figure 6 Java Program for the given problem statement (Continued)

Java Output

```
run:
Transaction T opened ...!

Fetching balance of B ...
Balance = $200

Transaction T has acquired the lock ...
Balance of B was updated ...!
Transaction T has released the lock ...

Fetching balance of B ...
Balance = $400

Transaction T has acquired the lock ...
$20 was withdrawn from A ...!
Transaction T has released the lock ...

Fetching balance of A ...
Balance = $80

Transaction T committed ...!
```

Figure 7 Java Program Output for the given problem statement

```
Transaction U opened ...!

Fetching balance of B ...
Balance = $400

Transaction U has acquired the lock ...
Balance of B was updated ...!
Transaction U has released the lock ...

Fetching balance of B ...
Balance = $800

Transaction U has acquired the lock ...
$40 was withdrawn from C ...!
Transaction U has released the lock ...

Fetching balance of C ...
Balance = $260

Transaction U committed ...!

BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 0 seconds)
```

Figure 8 Java Program Output for the given problem statement (Continued)

6. Analysis and Discussions

- The variable "*a*", "*b*" and "*c*" are the shared variables accessed by the two threads (transactions) concurrently and it must be synchronized by using exclusive locks to achieve serially equivalent operations.

- In any transaction-based system, thread contention is common where one thread is waiting for a lock/object that is currently being held by another thread. The waiting thread, thus cannot use that object until the other thread has unlocked that particular object.

- A server can achieve serial equivalence of transactions by serializing access to objects

- A simple example of serializing mechanism is the use of exclusive locks.

- In this locking scheme the server attempts to lock any object that is about to be used by any operation of a client's transaction.

- If a client requests access to an object that is already locked due to another client's transaction, the request is suspended and the client must wait until the object is unblocked.

- If a transaction T has already performed a read operation on a particular object, then a concurrent transaction U must not write that object until T commits or aborts.

- To enforce this, a request for a write lock on an object is delayed by the presence of a read lock belonging to another transaction.

- If a transaction T has already performed a write operation on a particular object, then a concurrent transaction U must not read or write that object until T commits or aborts.

- To enforce this, a request for either a read lock or a write lock on an object is delayed by the presence of a write lock belonging to another transaction.