

Types of Schedules based Recoverability in DBMS

1. Recoverable
2. Cascadeless
3. Strict

Recoverable Schedule:

A schedule is said to be recoverable if it is recoverable as name suggest. Only reads are allowed before write operation on same data. Only reads ($T_i \rightarrow T_j$) is permissible.

Example –

S1: $R1(x), w1(x), R2(x), R1(y), R2(y)$

W2(x), w1(y), C1, C2;

Given schedule follows order of $T_i \rightarrow T_j \Rightarrow C1 \rightarrow C2$. Transaction T1 is executed before T2 hence there is no chances of conflict occur. $R1(x)$ appears before $W1(x)$ and transaction T1 is committed before T2 i.e. completion of first transaction performed first update on data item x, hence given schedule is recoverable.

Lets see example of **unrecoverable schedule** to clear the concept more:

S1: $R1(x), R2(x), R1(z), R3(x), R3(y), w1(x),$
W3(y), R2(y), W2(z), w2(y), C1, C2, c3;

$T_i \rightarrow T_j \Rightarrow C2 \rightarrow C3$ but $W3(y)$ executed before $W2(y)$ which leads to conflicts thus it must be committed before T2 transaction. So given schedule is unrecoverable.

if $T_i \rightarrow T_j \Rightarrow C3 \rightarrow C2$ is given in schedule then it will become recoverable schedule.

Note: A committed transaction should never be rollback. It means that reading value from uncommitted transaction and commit it will enter the current transaction into inconsistent or unrecoverable state this is called *Dirty Read problem*.

Example:

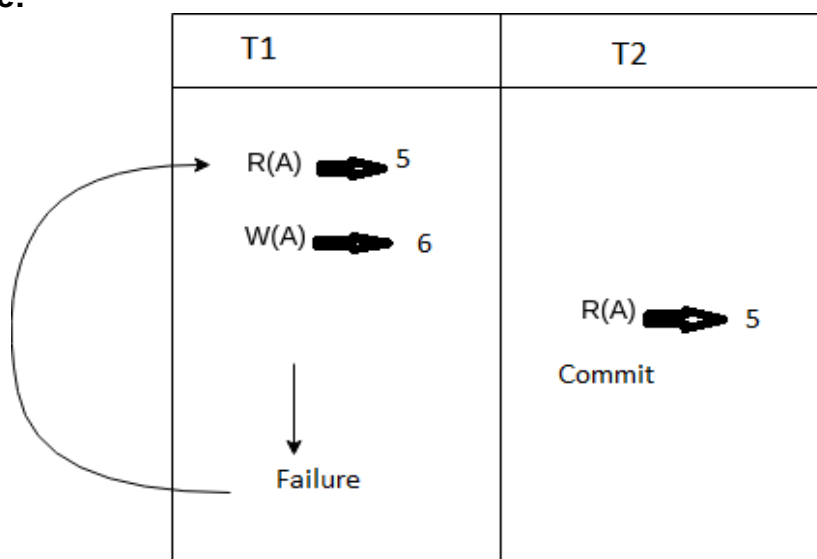


Figure - Dirty Read Problem

2. Cascadeless Schedule –

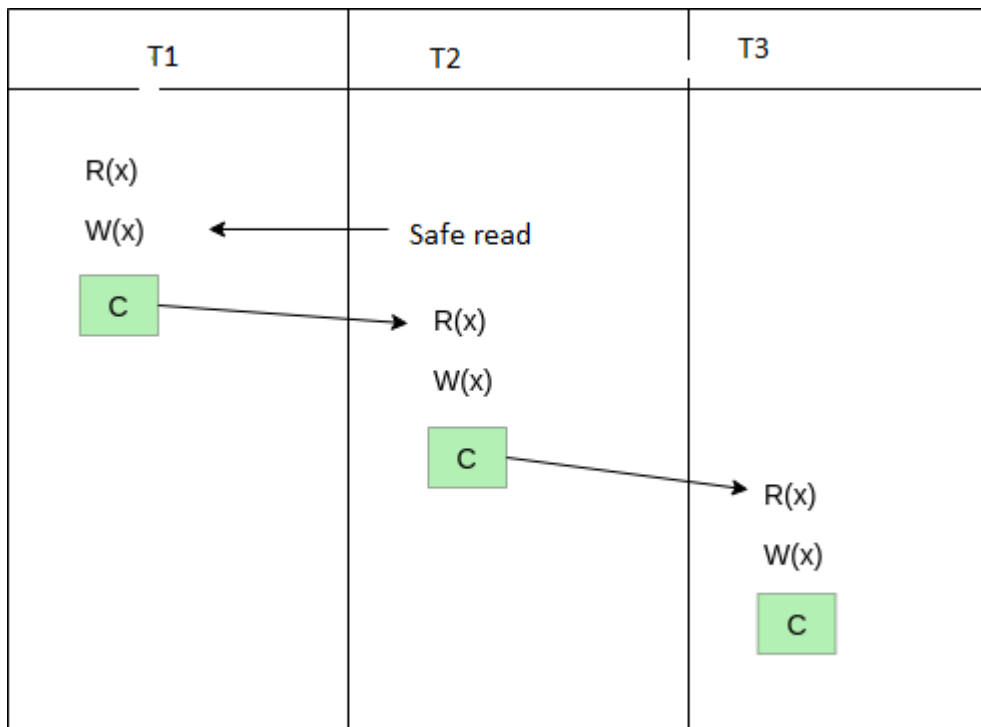
When no **read** or **write-write** occurs before execution of transaction then corresponding schedule is called cascadeless schedule.

Example –

S3: R1(x), R2(z), R3(x), R1(z), R2(y), R3(y), W1(x), C1, W2(z), **W3(y), W2(y), C3, C2;**

In this schedule **W3(y)** and **W2(y)** overwrite conflicts and there is no read, therefore given schedule is cascadeless schedule.

As given below all the transactions are reading committed data hence it's cascadeless schedule.



3. Strict Schedule –

if schedule contains no **read** or **write** before commit then it is known as strict schedule. Strict schedule is strict in nature.

Example –

S4: R1(x), R2(x), R1(z), R3(x), R3(y),
(x), **C1**, **W3(y)**, **C3**, R2(y), **W2(z)**, **W2(y)**, **C2**;

In this schedule no read-write or write-write conflict arises before commit hence its strict schedule:

T1	T2	T3
R1(x) R1(z) W1(x) C1 ;	R2(x) R2(y) W2(z) W2(y) C2 ;	R3(x) R3(y) W3(y) C3 ;

Figure - Strict Schedule

4. Cascading Abort –

Cascading Abort can also be rollback. If transaction T1 abort as T2 read data that written by T1 which is not committed. Hence it's cascading rollback.

Example:

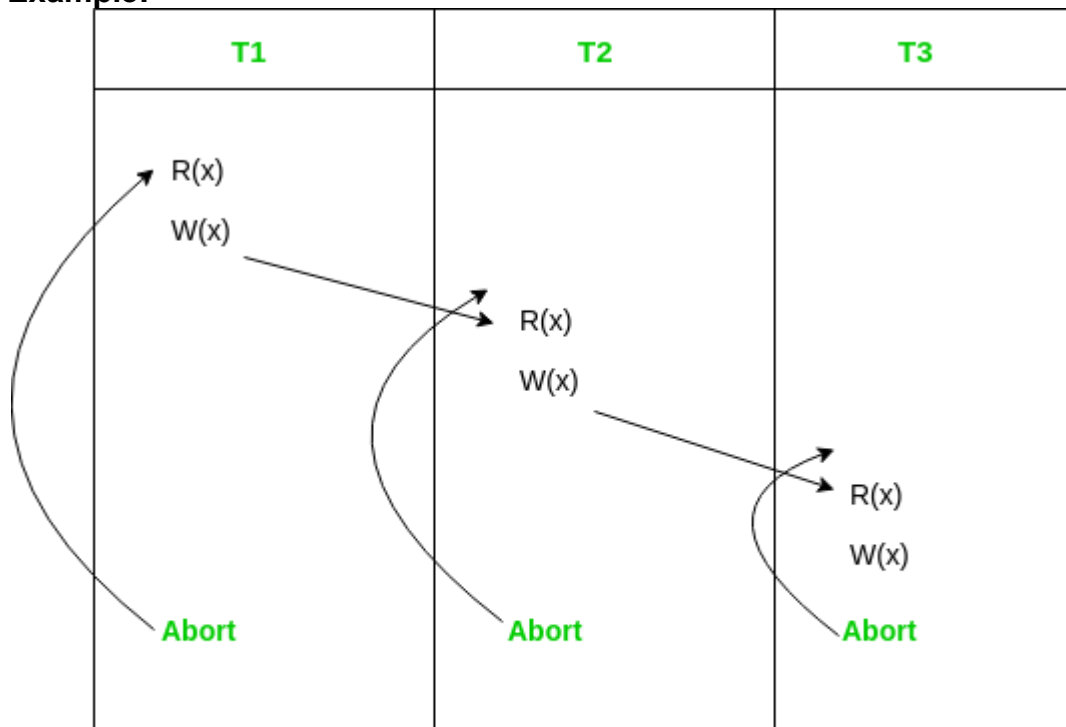


Figure - Cascading Abort

Corelation between Strict, Cascadeless and Recoverable schedule:

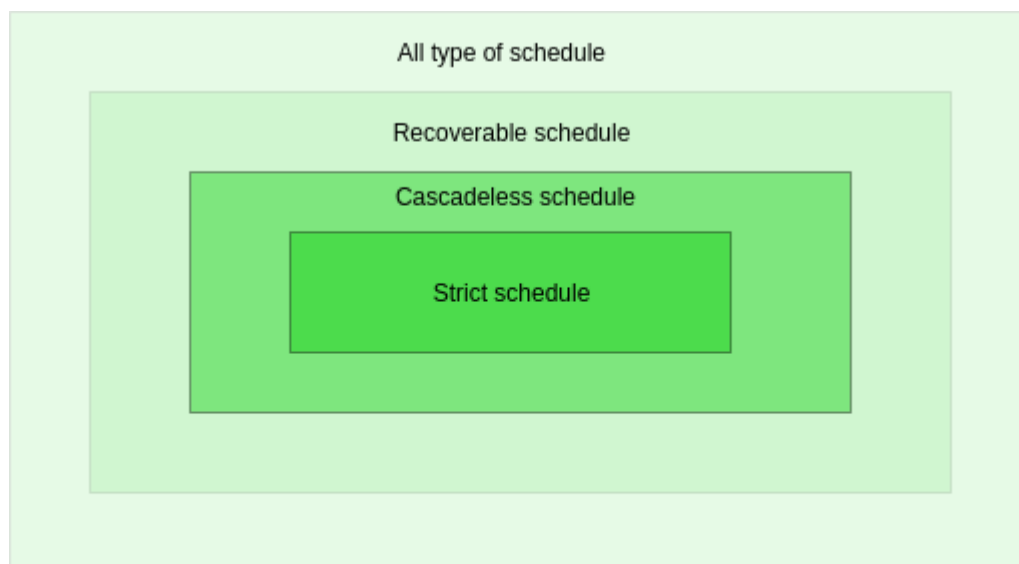


Figure - Venn diagram of these schedules

From above figure:

1. Strict schedules are all recoverable and cascadeless schedules
2. All cascadeless schedules are recoverable