CS186 Week 10 - Discussion Notes

Compare locking and optimistic concurrency control (OCC). List two advantages of locking and two advantages of OCC.

Thinking about race conditions: What can query results can transaction 2 return if the two transactions below are executed concurrently and we didn't make isolation guarantees?

Transaction 1

INSERT INTO ratings VALUES('larry', 9.5);

INSERT INTO ratings VALUES('kevin',2.5);

INSERT INTO ratings VALUES('george', 2.3);

Transaction 2

SELECT MIN(rating) FROM ratings;

SELECT MAX(rating) FROM ratings;

SELECT COUNT(*) FROM ratings WHERE rating=9.5;

Ratings

Name	Rating
'John'	9.4
'Foo'	4.3
'Bar'	2.8
'Eric'	9.4
'Jack'	7.7

What's one case where snapshot isolation would not guarantee serializability?

What values can the program below print? How can we modify the code to make it deterministic?

```
public class TestConcurrent {
 public static void main(String[] args) {
    Incrementer incr = new Incrementer();
    Thread t1 = new Thread(incr);
    Thread t2 = new Thread(incr);
    t1.start();
   t2.start();
   try {
      t1.join();
      t2.join();
   } catch (InterruptedException e) {
      System.err.println("Oops something wrong");
   }
    System.out.println(incr.count);
 private static class Incrementer implements Runnable {
    int count = 0;
    public void run() {
      for (int i = 0; i < 3; i++) {
         increment();
      }
   }
    public void increment() {
      count = count + 1;
   }
}
```