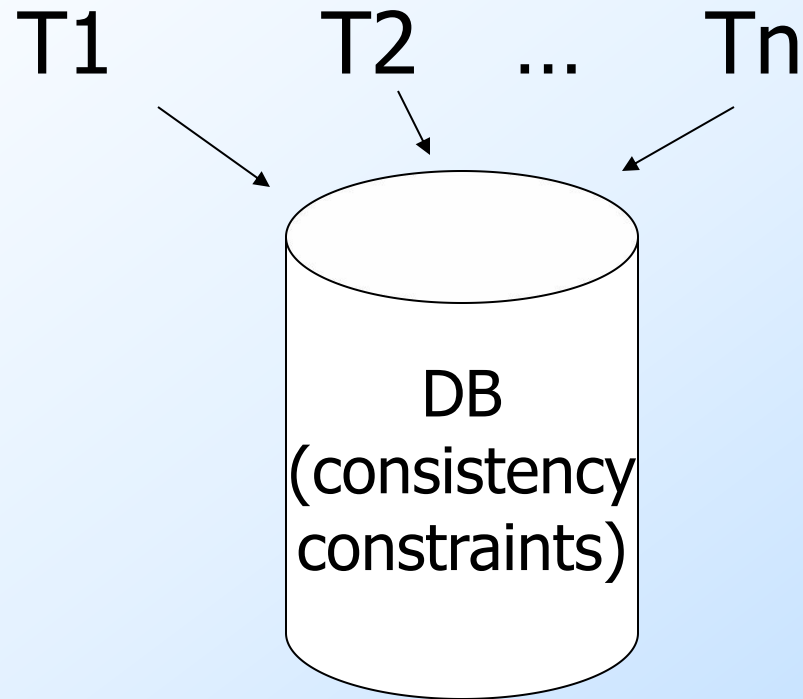


# **Chapter 13: Concurrency Control**

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# Concurrency Control



## Example:

T1: Read(A)  
A  $\leftarrow$  A+100  
Write(A)  
Read(B)  
B  $\leftarrow$  B+100  
Write(B)

T2: Read(A)  
A  $\leftarrow$  A $\times$ 2  
Write(A)  
Read(B)  
B  $\leftarrow$  B $\times$ 2  
Write(B)

Constraint: A=B

# Schedule A

A	B
25	25
125	
	125
250	
	250
250	250

T1

Read(A);  $A \leftarrow A+100$

Write(A);

Read(B);  $B \leftarrow B+100$ ;

Write(B);

T2

Read(A);  $A \leftarrow A \times 2$ ; 250

Write(A);

Read(B);  $B \leftarrow B \times 2$ ;

Write(B);

# Schedule B

		A	B
		25	25
T1	T2		
	Read(A); $A \leftarrow A \times 2$ ;	50	
	Write(A);		50
	Read(B); $B \leftarrow B \times 2$ ;		
	Write(B);	150	
Read(A); $A \leftarrow A + 100$			150
Write(A);			
Read(B); $B \leftarrow B + 100$ ;			
Write(B);		150	150

# Schedule C

		A	B
		25	25
T1	T2		
Read(A); $A \leftarrow A+100$		125	
Write(A);			
	Read(A); $A \leftarrow A \times 2$ ;	250	
	Write(A);		
Read(B); $B \leftarrow B+100$ ;			125
Write(B);			
	Read(B); $B \leftarrow B \times 2$ ;		250
	Write(B);	250	250

# Schedule D

		A	B
		25	25
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T1	T2		
Read(A); $A \leftarrow A+100$		125	
Write(A);			
	Read(A); $A \leftarrow A \times 2$ ;	250	
	Write(A);		
	Read(B); $B \leftarrow B \times 2$ ;		50
	Write(B);		
Read(B); $B \leftarrow B+100$ ;			150
Write(B);		250	150

Same as Schedule D  
but with new T2'

# Schedule E

A	B
25	25
125	
125	
	25
	125
125	125

T1

Read(A);  $A \leftarrow A+100$

Write(A);

Read(B);  $B \leftarrow B+100$ ;

Write(B);

T2'

Read(A);  $A \leftarrow A \times 1$ ; 125

Write(A);

Read(B);  $B \leftarrow B \times 1$ ;

Write(B);



- ◆ Want schedules that are “good”, regardless of
  - ◆ initial state and
  - ◆ transaction semantics
- ◆ Only look at order of read and writes

Example:

$Sc = r_1(A)w_1(A)r_2(A)w_2(A)r_1(B)w_1(B)r_2(B)w_2(B)$

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$$Sc = r_1(A)w_1(A)r_2(A)w_2(A)r_1(B)w_1(B)r_2(B)w_2(B)$$

$$Sc' = r_1(A)w_1(A) \underbrace{r_2(A)w_2(A)r_1(B)w_1(B)}_{\text{crossed out}} r_2(B)w_2(B)$$

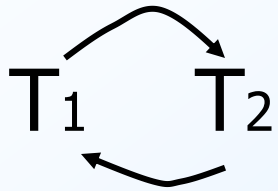
$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{T_1} \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{T_2}$$

However, for  $S_d$ :

$S_d = r_1(A)w_1(A)r_2(A)w_2(A) \quad r_2(B)w_2(B)r_1(B)w_1(B)$

- as a matter of fact,  
 $T_2$  must precede  $T_1$   
in any equivalent schedule,  
i.e.,  $T_2 \rightarrow T_1$

- $T_2 \rightarrow T_1$
- Also,  $T_1 \rightarrow T_2$



Sd cannot be rearranged  
into a serial schedule

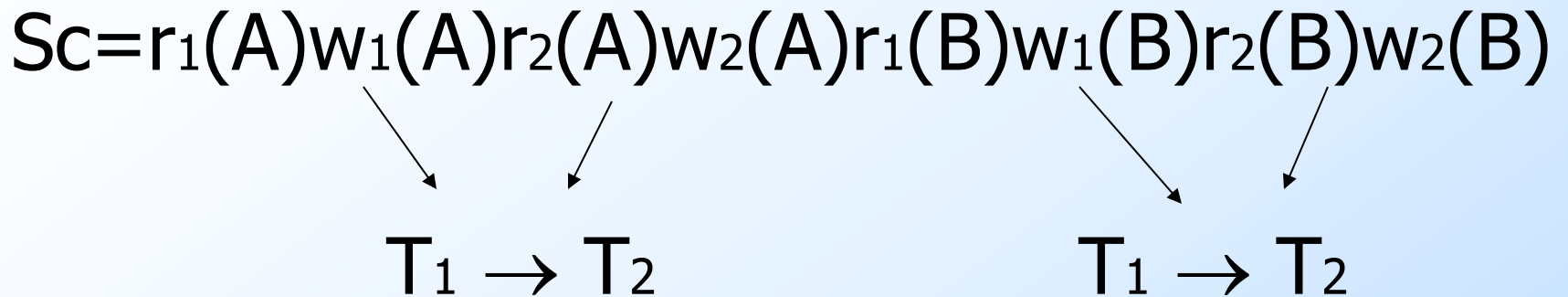


Sd is not “equivalent” to  
any serial schedule



Sd is “bad”

## Returning to Sc



☛ no cycles  $\Rightarrow$  Sc is “equivalent” to a serial schedule  
(in this case  $T_1, T_2$ )

# Concepts

*Transaction:* sequence of  $r_i(x)$ ,  $w_i(x)$  actions

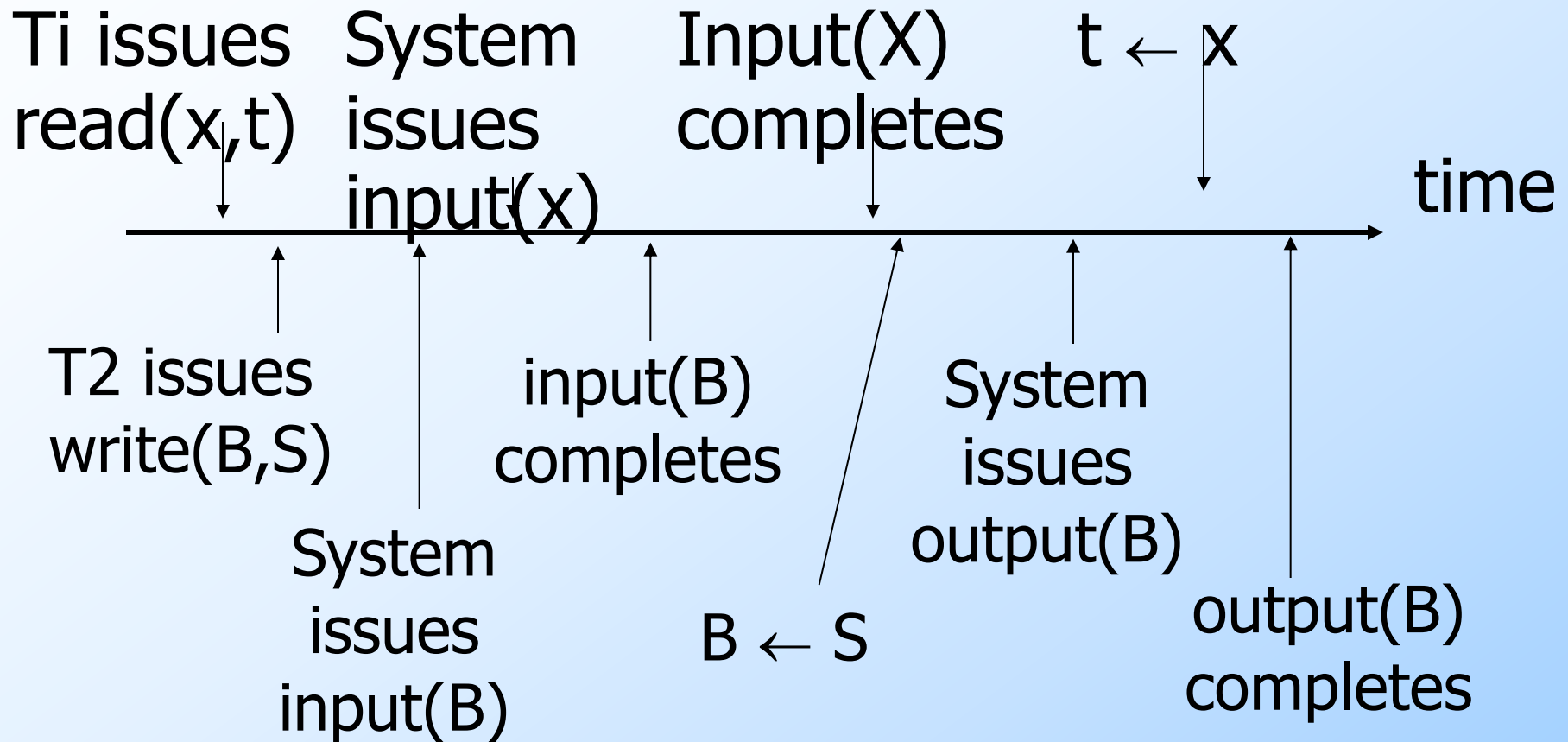
*Conflicting actions:*

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graph LR; T1_r1(r1(A)) --- T1_w2(w2(A)); T2_w2(w2(A)) --- T2_r1(r1(A)); T1_r1 --- T2_w2; T1_w2 --- T2_r1;
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*Schedule:* represents chronological order  
in which actions are executed

*Serial schedule:* no interleaving of actions  
or transactions

# What about concurrent actions?



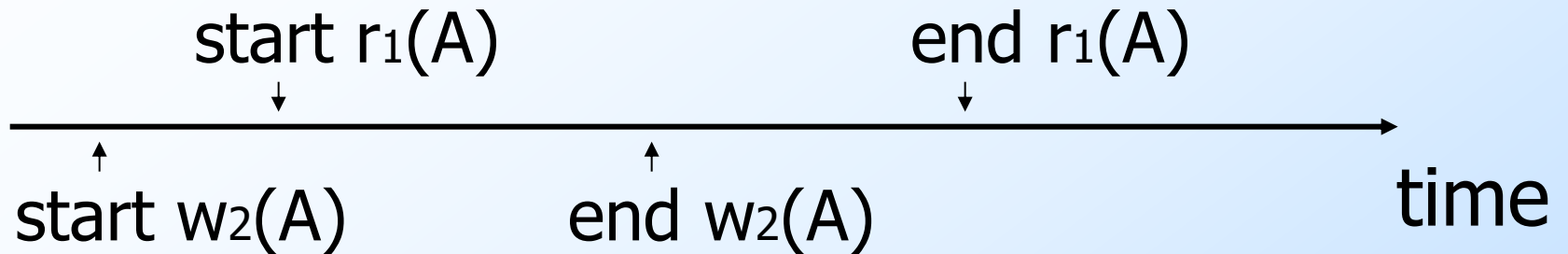
So net effect is either

◆  $S = \dots r_1(x) \dots w_2(b) \dots$  or

◆  $S = \dots w_2(B) \dots r_1(x) \dots$



What about conflicting, concurrent actions on same object?



- Assume equivalent to either  $r_1(A) w_2(A)$   
or  $w_2(A) r_1(A)$
- $\Rightarrow$  low level synchronization mechanism
- Assumption called “atomic actions”

## Definition

$S_1, S_2$  are conflict equivalent schedules if  $S_1$  can be transformed into  $S_2$  by a series of swaps on non-conflicting actions.

## Definition

A schedule is conflict serializable if it is conflict equivalent to some serial schedule.

## Precedence graph $P(S)$ ( $S$ is schedule)

Nodes: transactions in  $S$

Arcs:  $T_i \rightarrow T_j$  whenever

- $p_i(A), q_j(A)$  are actions in  $S$
- $p_i(A) <_S q_j(A)$
- at least one of  $p_i, q_j$  is a write

## Exercise:

◆ What is  $P(S)$  for  
 $S = w_3(A) \ w_2(C) \ r_1(A) \ w_1(B) \ r_1(C) \ w_2(A) \ r_4(A) \ w_4(D)$

◆ Is  $S$  serializable?

## Another Exercise:

◆ What is  $P(S)$  for  
 $S = w_1(A) \ r_2(A) \ r_3(A) \ w_4(A) \ ?$

## Lemma

$S_1, S_2$  conflict equivalent  $\Rightarrow P(S_1) = P(S_2)$

Proof:

Assume  $P(S_1) \neq P(S_2)$

$\Rightarrow \exists T_i: T_i \rightarrow T_j$  in  $S_1$  and not in  $S_2$

$\Rightarrow S_1 = \dots p_i(A) \dots q_j(A) \dots$	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} p_i, q_j \\ \text{conflict} \end{array} \right.$
$S_2 = \dots q_j(A) \dots p_i(A) \dots$	

$\Rightarrow S_1, S_2$  not conflict equivalent

Note:  $P(S_1)=P(S_2) \not\Rightarrow S_1, S_2$  conflict equivalent

Counter example:

$S_1 = w_1(A) \ r_2(A) \quad w_2(B) \ r_1(B)$

$S_2 = r_2(A) \ w_1(A) \quad r_1(B) \ w_2(B)$



# Theorem

$P(S_1)$  acyclic  $\iff S_1$  conflict serializable

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Assume  $S_1$  is conflict serializable

$\Rightarrow \exists S_s: S_s, S_1$  conflict equivalent

$\Rightarrow P(S_s) = P(S_1)$

$\Rightarrow P(S_1)$  acyclic since  $P(S_s)$  is acyclic

# Theorem

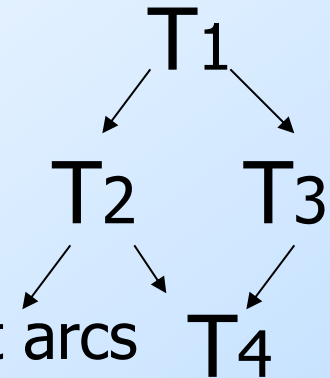
$P(S_1)$  acyclic  $\iff S_1$  conflict serializable

$(\implies)$  Assume  $P(S_1)$  is acyclic

Transform  $S_1$  as follows:

- (1) Take  $T_1$  to be transaction with no incident arcs
- (2) Move all  $T_1$  actions to the front

$S_1 = \dots\dots q_j(A)\dots\dots p_1(A)\dots\dots$



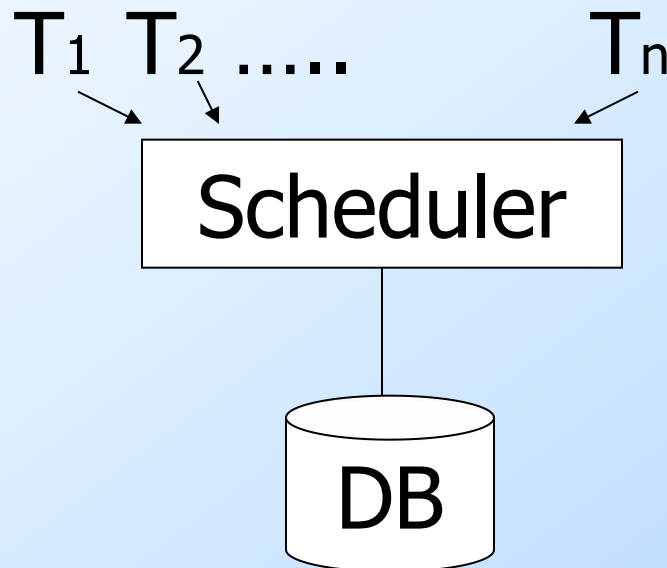
- (3) we now have  $S_1 = \langle T_1 \text{ actions} \rangle \langle \dots \text{rest} \dots \rangle$
- (4) repeat above steps to serialize rest!

# How to enforce serializable schedules?

*Option 1:* run system, recording  $P(S)$ ;  
at end of day, check for  $P(S)$   
cycles and declare if execution  
was good

# How to enforce serializable schedules?

*Option 2:* prevent P(S) cycles from occurring

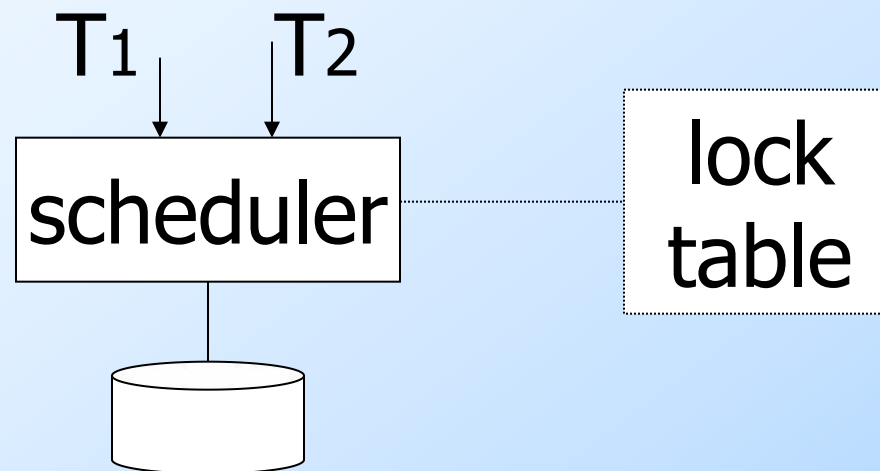


# A locking protocol

Two new actions:

lock (exclusive):  $li(A)$

unlock:  $ui(A)$



# Rule #1: Well-formed transactions

$T_i: \dots l_i(A) \dots p_i(A) \dots u_i(A) \dots$

## Rule #2    Legal scheduler

$S = \dots\dots li(A) \dots\dots ui(A) \dots\dots$

$\longleftrightarrow$   
no  $lj(A)$

# Exercise:

◆ What schedules are legal?

What transactions are well-formed?

$S1 = l_1(A)l_1(B)r_1(A)w_1(B)l_2(B)u_1(A)u_1(B)$   
 $r_2(B)w_2(B)u_2(B)l_3(B)r_3(B)u_3(B)$

$S2 = l_1(A)r_1(A)w_1(B)u_1(A)u_1(B)$   
 $l_2(B)r_2(B)w_2(B)l_3(B)r_3(B)u_3(B)$

$S3 = l_1(A)r_1(A)u_1(A)l_1(B)w_1(B)u_1(B)$   
 $l_2(B)r_2(B)w_2(B)u_2(B)l_3(B)r_3(B)u_3(B)$



## Exercise:

◆ What schedules are legal?

What transactions are well-formed?

$S1 = l_1(A)l_1(B)r_1(A)w_1(B)l_2(B)u_1(A)u_1(B)$   
 $r_2(B)w_2(B)u_2(B)l_3(B)r_3(B)u_3(B)$

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# Schedule F

T1

$l_1(A); \text{Read}(A)$

$A \leftarrow A + 100; \text{Write}(A); u_1(A)$

$l_1(B); \text{Read}(B)$

$B \leftarrow B + 100; \text{Write}(B); u_1(B)$

T2

$l_2(A); \text{Read}(A)$

$A \leftarrow A \times 2; \text{Write}(A); u_2(A)$

$l_2(B); \text{Read}(B)$

$B \leftarrow B \times 2; \text{Write}(B); u_2(B)$

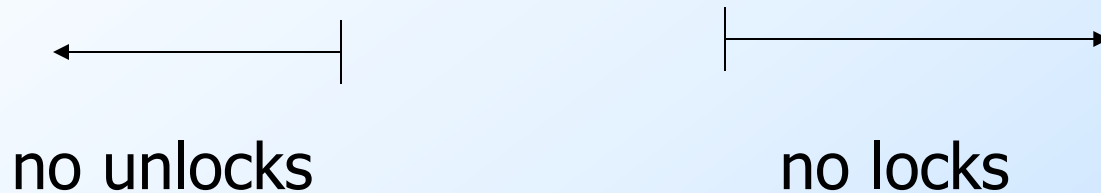
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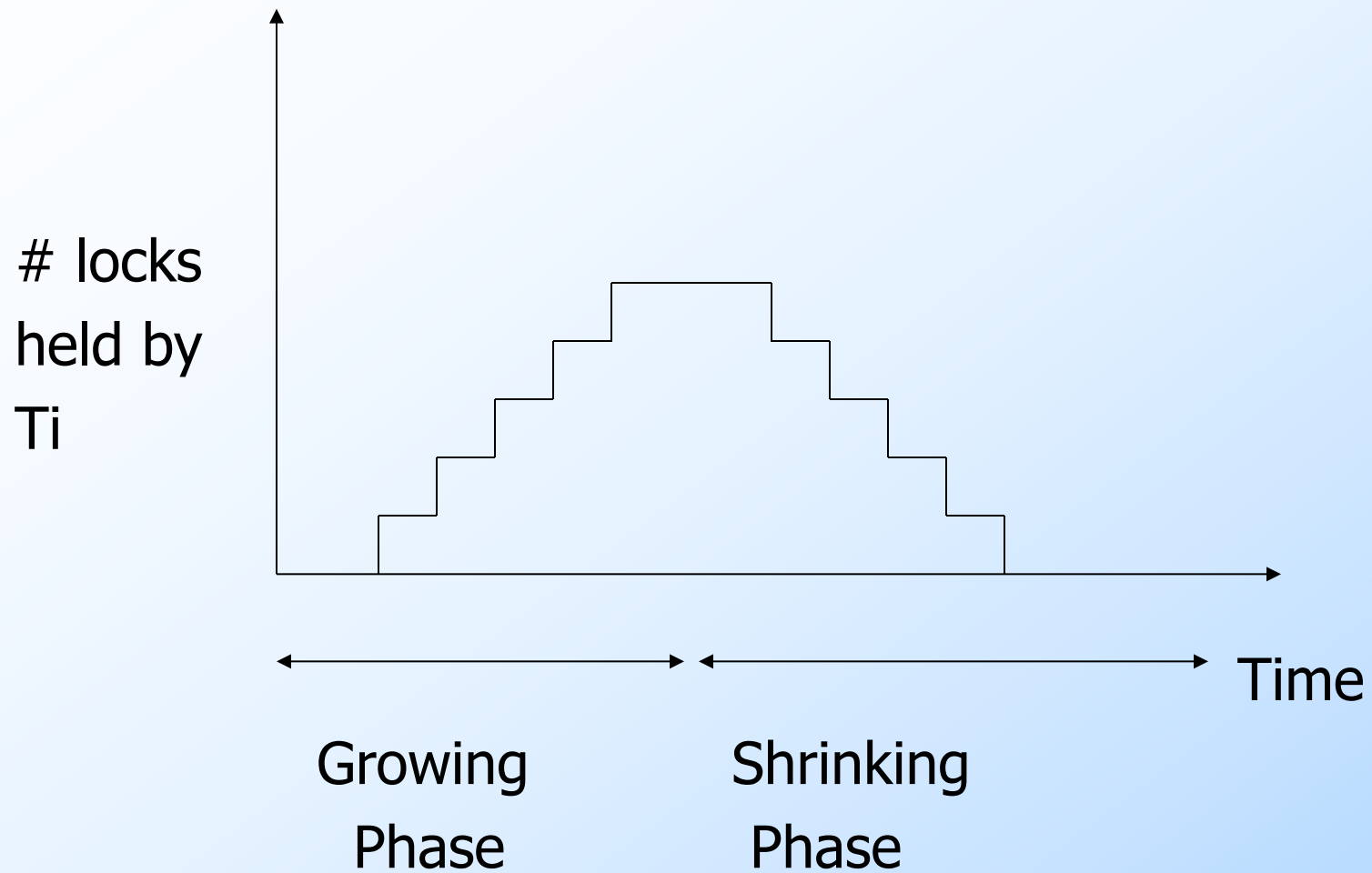
T1	T2
$l_1(A); \text{Read}(A)$	
$A \leftarrow A + 100; \text{Write}(A); u_1(A)$	
	$l_2(A); \text{Read}(A)$
	$A \leftarrow A \times 2; \text{Write}(A); u_2(A)$
	$l_2(B); \text{Read}(B)$
	$B \leftarrow B \times 2; \text{Write}(B); u_2(B)$
$l_1(B); \text{Read}(B)$	
$B \leftarrow B + 100; \text{Write}(B); u_1(B)$	

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# Rule #3 Two phase locking (2PL) for transactions

$T_i = \dots \dots \text{li}(A) \dots \dots \text{ui}(A) \dots \dots$

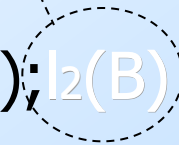




# Schedule G

T1	T2
$l_1(A); \text{Read}(A)$	
$A \leftarrow A + 100; \text{Write}(A)$	
$l_1(B); u_1(A)$	
	$l_2(A); \text{Read}(A)$
	$A \leftarrow A \times 2; \text{Write}(A); l_2(B)$

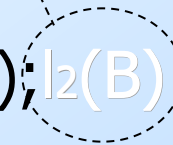
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# Schedule G

T1	T2
$l_1(A); \text{Read}(A)$	
$A \leftarrow A + 100; \text{Write}(A)$	
$l_1(B); u_1(A)$	
	$l_2(A); \text{Read}(A)$
	$A \leftarrow A \times 2; \text{Write}(A); l_2(B)$
$\text{Read}(B); B \leftarrow B + 100$	
$\text{Write}(B); u_1(B)$	

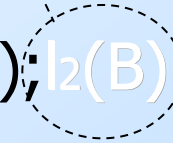
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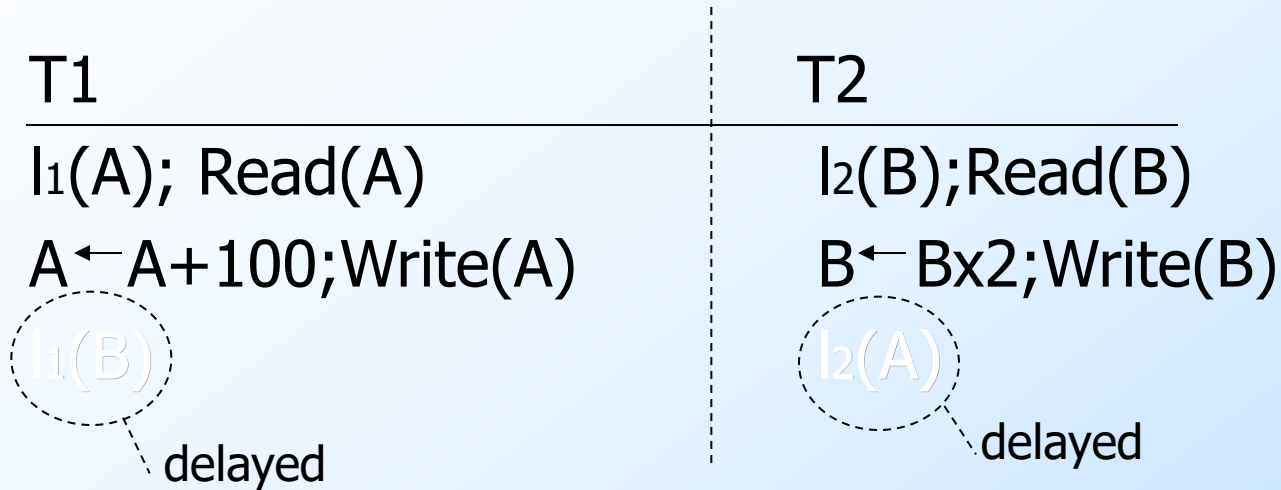
T1	T2
$l_1(A); \text{Read}(A)$	
$A \leftarrow A + 100; \text{Write}(A)$	
$l_1(B); u_1(A)$	
	$l_2(A); \text{Read}(A)$
	$A \leftarrow A \times 2; \text{Write}(A); l_2(B)$
$\text{Read}(B); B \leftarrow B + 100$	
$\text{Write}(B); u_1(B)$	
	$l_2(B); u_2(A); \text{Read}(B)$
	$B \leftarrow B \times 2; \text{Write}(B); u_2(B);$

delayed






# Schedule H (T<sub>2</sub> reversed)



- ◆ Assume deadlocked transactions are rolled back
  - ◆ They have no effect
  - ◆ They do not appear in schedule

E.g., Schedule H =   
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left blank!

Next step:

Show that rules #1,2,3  $\Rightarrow$  conflict-  
serializable  
schedules

## Conflict rules for $l_i(A)$ , $u_i(A)$ :

- ◆  $l_i(A)$ ,  $l_j(A)$  conflict
- ◆  $l_i(A)$ ,  $u_j(A)$  conflict

Note: no conflict  $\langle u_i(A), u_j(A) \rangle$ ,  $\langle l_i(A), r_j(A) \rangle$ , ...

Theorem Rules #1,2,3  $\Rightarrow$  conflict  
(2PL) serializable  
schedule

To help in proof:

Definition  $\text{Shrink}(T_i) = \text{SH}(T_i) =$   
first unlock action of  $T_i$

## Lemma

$$Ti \rightarrow Tj \text{ in } S \Rightarrow SH(Ti) <_S SH(Tj)$$

### Proof of lemma:

$Ti \rightarrow Tj$  means that

$$S = \dots p_i(A) \dots q_j(A) \dots; \quad p, q \text{ conflict}$$

By rules 1,2:

$$S = \dots p_i(A) \dots u_i(A) \dots l_j(A) \dots q_j(A) \dots$$

By rule 3:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \xleftarrow{\hspace{1.5cm}} & | & | \xrightarrow{\hspace{1.5cm}} \\ SH(Ti) & & SH(Tj) \end{array}$$

$$\text{So, } SH(Ti) <_S SH(Tj)$$

Theorem Rules #1,2,3  $\Rightarrow$  conflict  
(2PL) serializable  
schedule

Proof:

(1) Assume  $P(S)$  has cycle

$$T_1 \rightarrow T_2 \rightarrow \dots T_n \rightarrow T_1$$

(2) By lemma:  $SH(T_1) < SH(T_2) < \dots < SH(T_1)$

(3) Impossible, so  $P(S)$  acyclic

(4)  $\Rightarrow S$  is conflict serializable

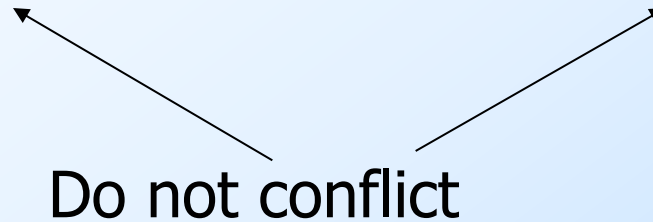
- ◆ Beyond this simple 2PL protocol, it is all a matter of improving performance and allowing more concurrency....
  - ◆ Shared locks
  - ◆ Multiple granularity
  - ◆ Inserts, deletes and phantoms
  - ◆ Other types of C.C. mechanisms



# Shared locks

So far:

$S = \dots l_1(A) \ r_1(A) \ u_1(A) \ \dots \ l_2(A) \ r_2(A) \ u_2(A) \ \dots$



Do not conflict

Instead:

$S = \dots l_{s1}(A) \ r_1(A) \ l_{s2}(A) \ r_2(A) \ \dots \ u_{s1}(A) \ u_{s2}(A)$

## Lock actions

$l-t_i(A)$ : lock  $A$  in  $t$  mode ( $t$  is  $S$  or  $X$ )

$u-t_i(A)$ : unlock  $t$  mode ( $t$  is  $S$  or  $X$ )

## Shorthand:

$u_i(A)$ : unlock whatever modes

$T_i$  has locked  $A$

## Rule #1 Well formed transactions

$T_i = \dots I-S_1(A) \dots r_1(A) \dots u_1(A) \dots$

$T_i = \dots I-X_1(A) \dots w_1(A) \dots u_1(A) \dots$

◆ What about transactions that read and write same object?

Option 1: Request exclusive lock

$T_i = \dots l-X_1(A) \dots r_1(A) \dots w_1(A) \dots u(A) \dots$

## Option 2: Upgrade

- What about transactions that read and write same object?

(E.g., need to read, but don't know if will write...)

$T_i = \dots I-S_1(A) \dots r_1(A) \dots I-X_1(A) \dots w_1(A) \dots u(A) \dots$



Think of

- Get 2nd lock on A, or
- Drop S, get X lock

## Rule #2 Legal scheduler

$$S = \dots l-S_i(A) \leftarrow \dots \rightarrow u_i(A) \dots$$

no  $l-X_j(A)$

$$S = \dots l-X_i(A) \leftarrow \dots \rightarrow u_i(A) \dots$$

no  $l-X_j(A)$

no  $l-S_j(A)$

# A way to summarize Rule #2

Compatibility matrix

Comp

	S	X
S	true	false
X	false	false

## Rule # 3      2PL transactions

No change except for upgrades:

- (I) If upgrade gets more locks  
(e.g.,  $S \rightarrow \{S, X\}$ ) then no change!
- (II) If upgrade releases read (shared) lock (e.g.,  $S \rightarrow X$ )
  - can be allowed in growing phase



Theorem Rules 1,2,3  $\Rightarrow$  Conf.serializable  
for S/X locks schedules

Proof: similar to X locks case

Detail:

$l-t_i(A), l-r_j(A)$  do not conflict if  $\text{comp}(t,r)$

$l-t_i(A), u-r_j(A)$  do not conflict if  $\text{comp}(t,r)$

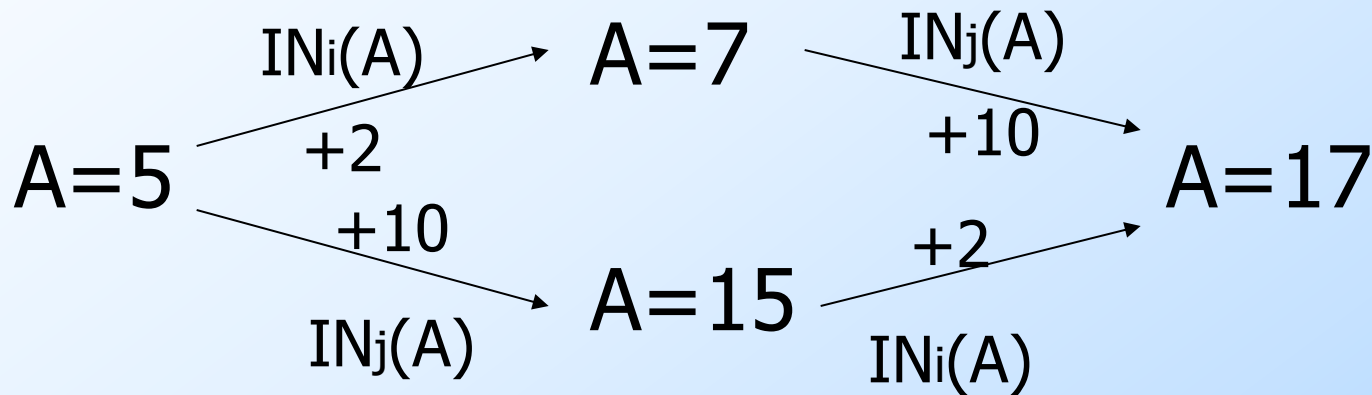
# Lock types beyond S/X

Examples:

- (1) increment lock
- (2) update lock

# Example (1): increment lock

- ◆ Atomic increment action:  $\text{INi}(A)$   
 $\{\text{Read}(A); A \leftarrow A+k; \text{Write}(A)\}$
- ◆  $\text{INi}(A), \text{INj}(A)$  do not conflict!



# Comp

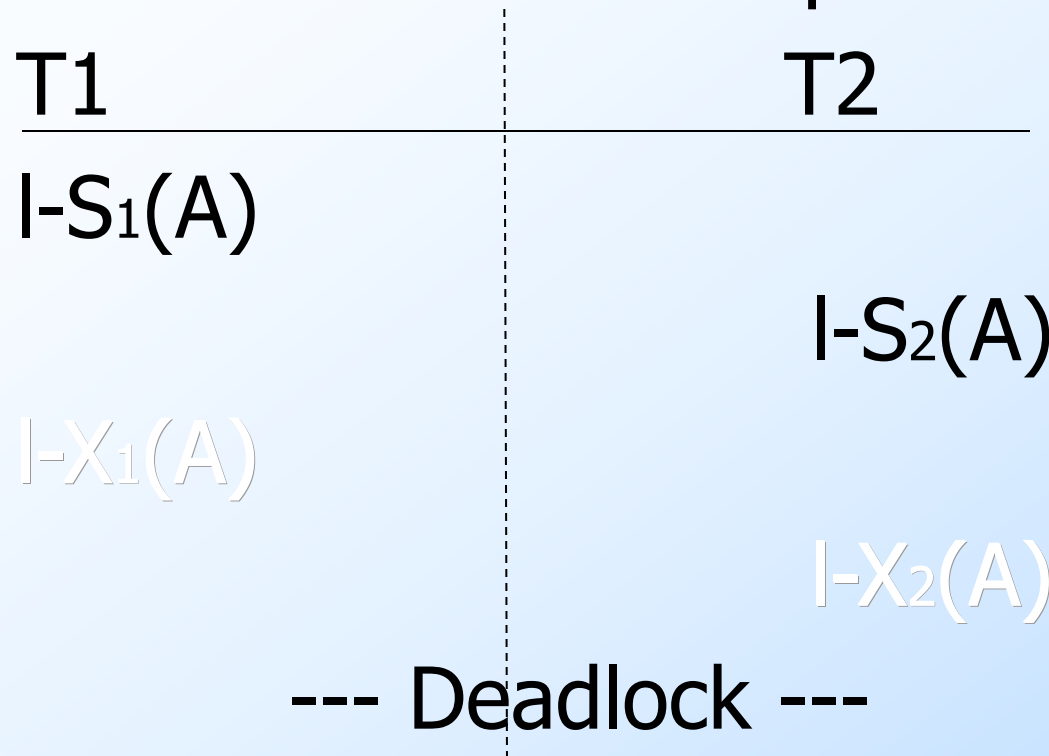
	S	X	I
S			
X			
I			

# Comp

	S	X	I
S	T	F	F
X	F	F	F
I	F	F	T

# Update locks

A common deadlock problem with upgrades:



## Solution

If  $T_i$  wants to read  $A$  and knows it may later want to write  $A$ , it requests update lock (not shared)

## New request

Comp

Lock  
already  
held in

	S	X	U
S			
X			
U			



## New request

Comp

Lock  
already  
held in

	S	X	U
S	T	F	T
X	F	F	F
U	TorF	F	F

-> symmetric table?

Note: object A may be locked in different modes at the same time...

$$S_1 = \dots I-S_1(A) \dots I-S_2(A) \dots I-U_3(A) \dots \begin{cases} I-S_4(A) \dots ? \\ I-U_4(A) \dots ? \end{cases}$$

- To grant a lock in mode t, mode t must be compatible with all currently held locks on object

# How does locking work in practice?

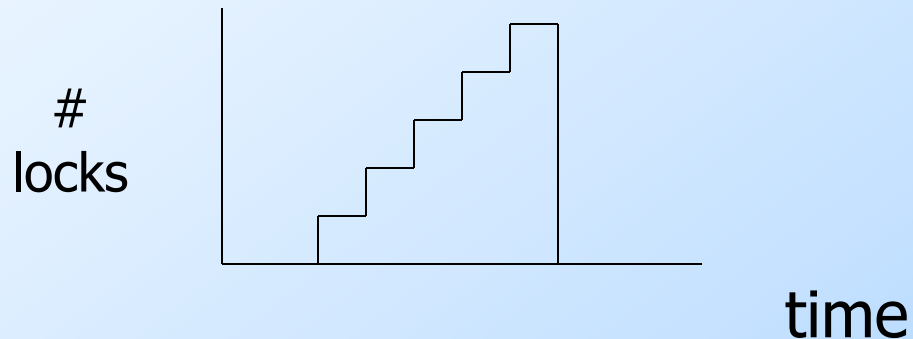
- ◆ Every system is different

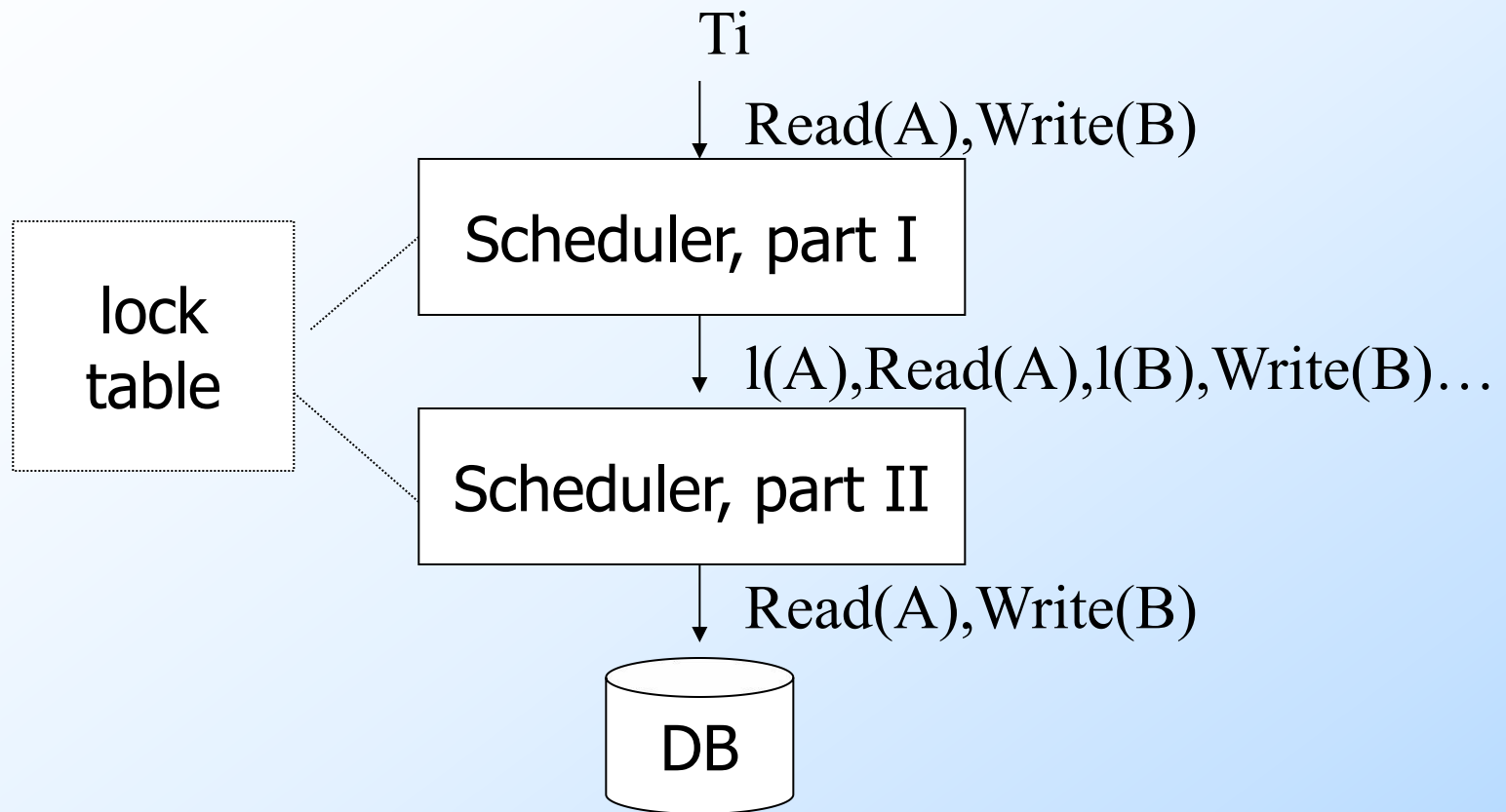
  - (E.g., may not even provide  
CONFLICT-SERIALIZABLE schedules)

- ◆ But here is one (simplified) way ...

## Sample Locking System:

- (1) Don't trust transactions to request/release locks
- (2) Hold all locks until transaction commits

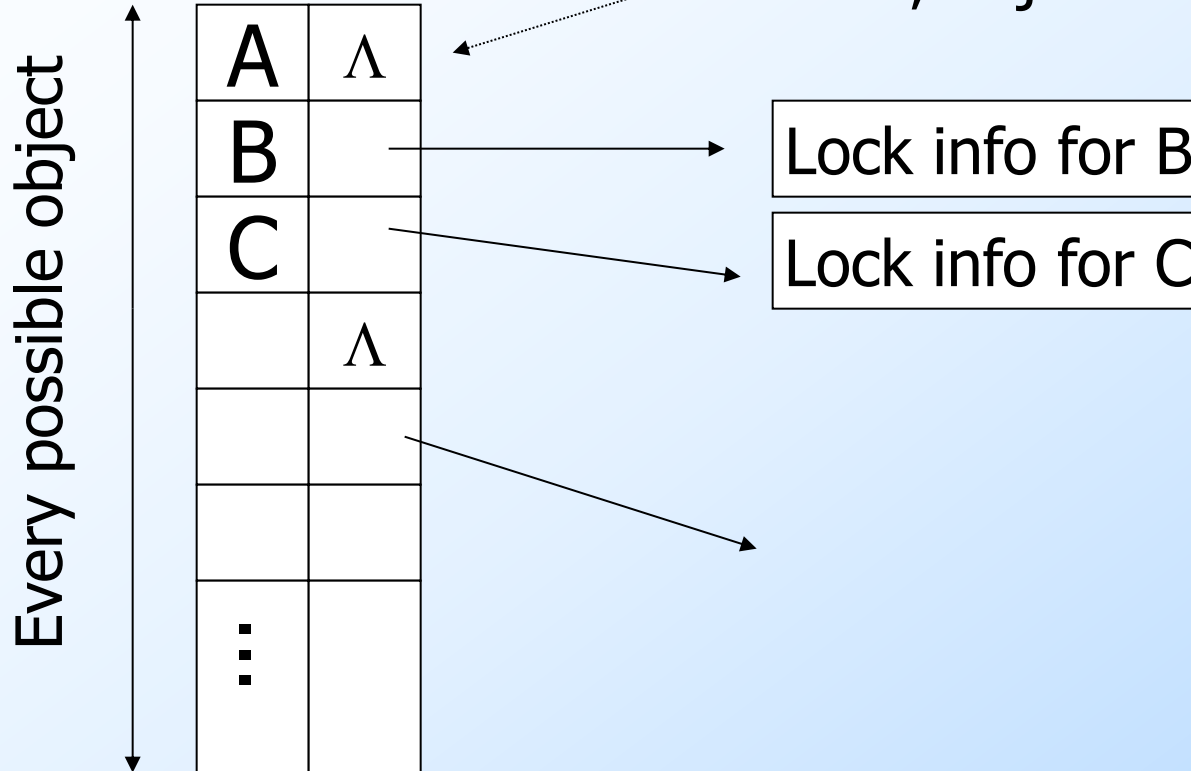




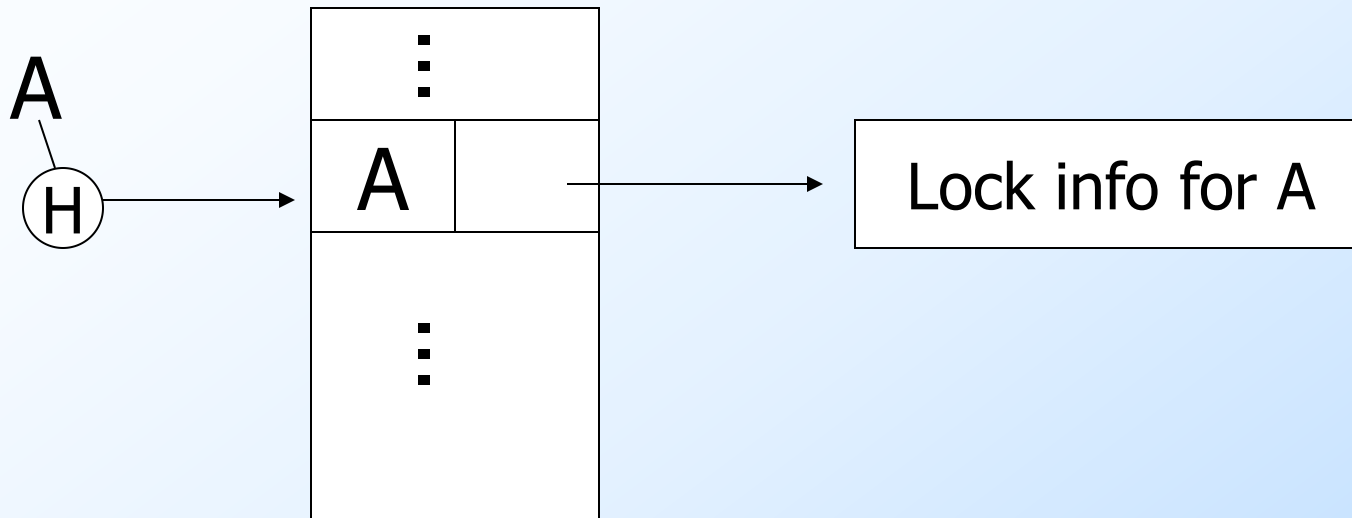
# Lock table

## Conceptually

If null, object is unlocked

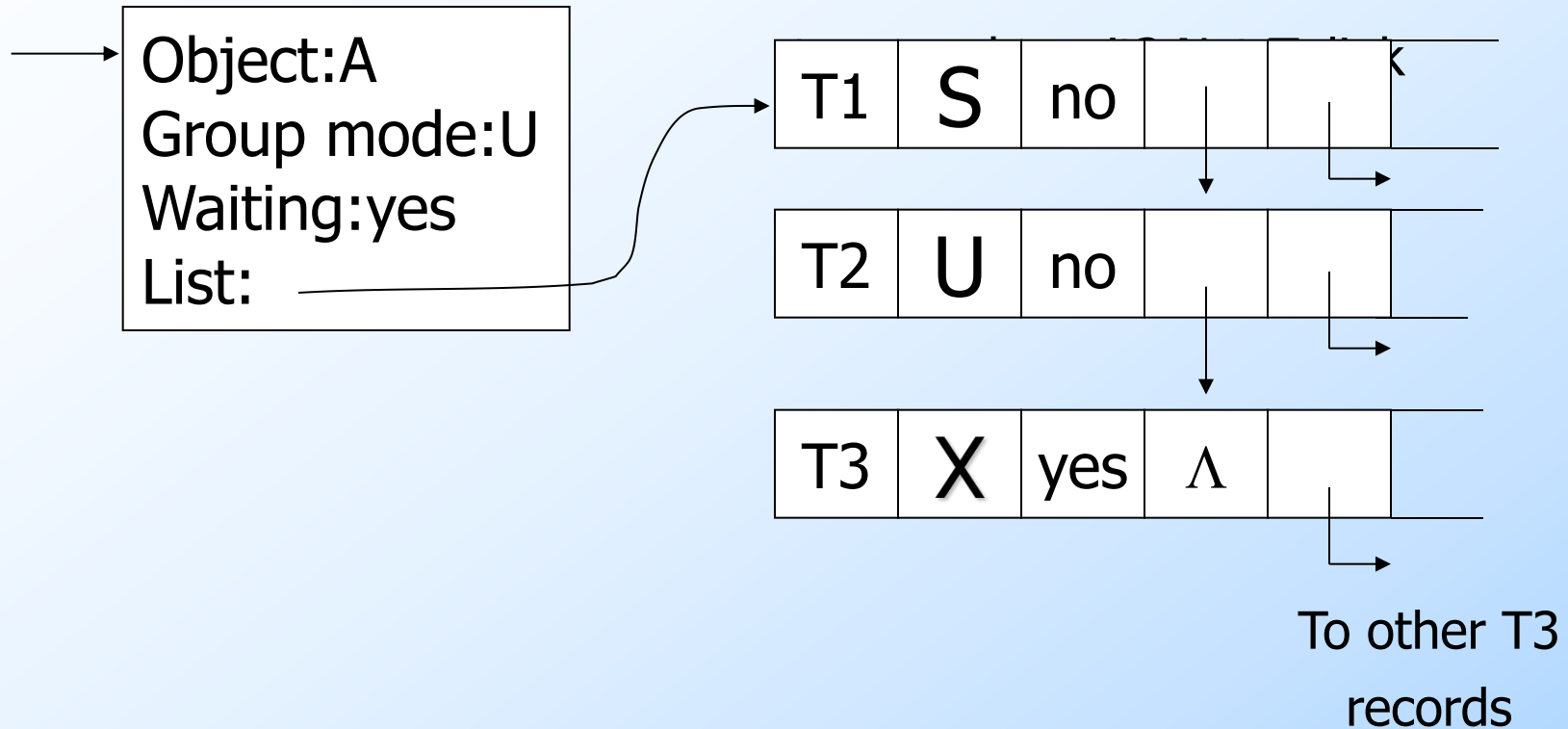


## But use hash table:



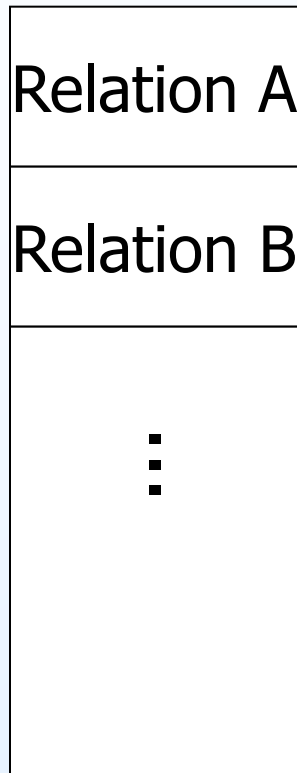
If object not found in hash table, it is unlocked

# Lock info for A - example

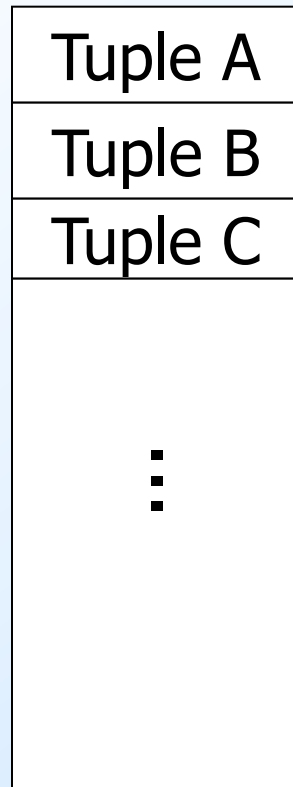




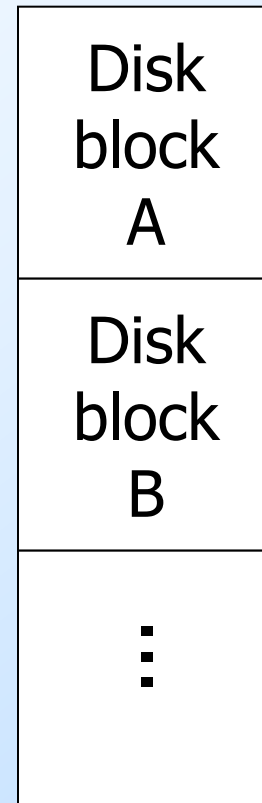
# What are the objects we lock?



DB



DB



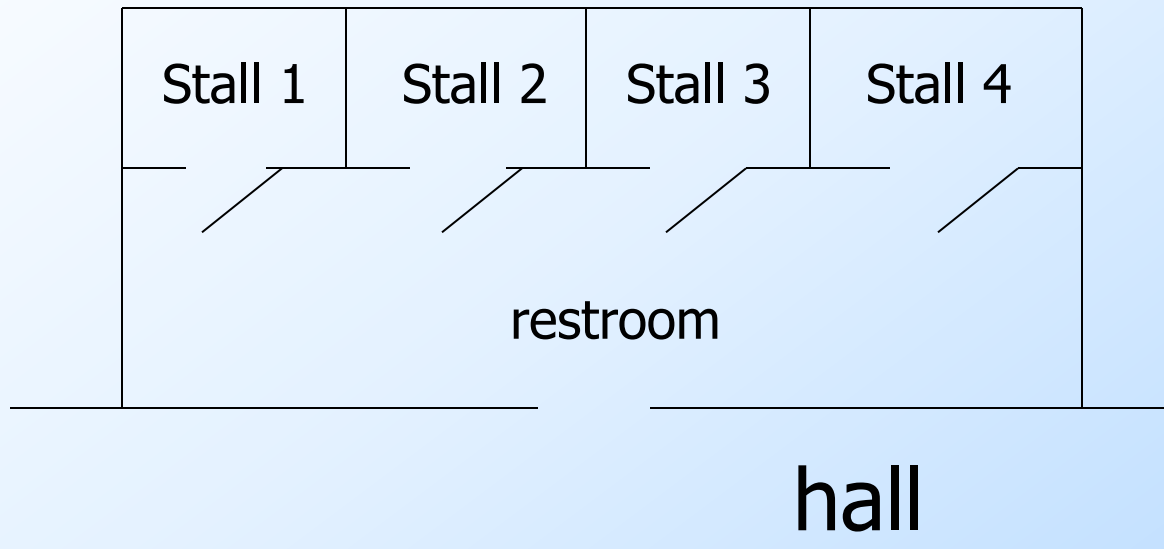
DB

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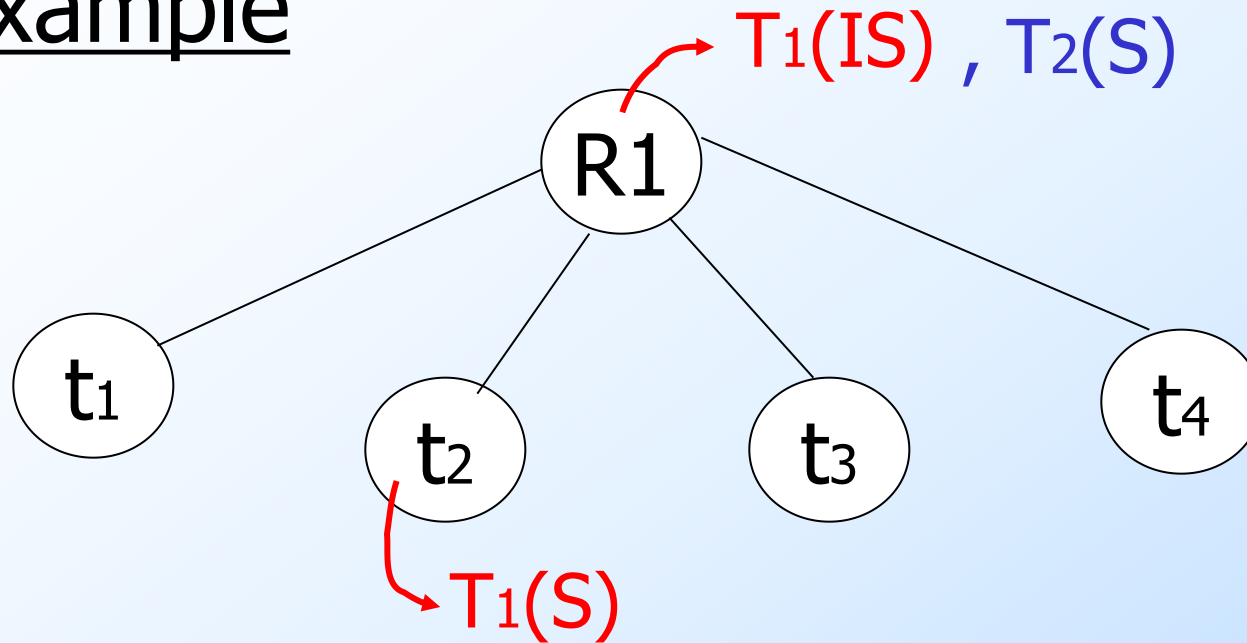
- ◆ Locking works in any case, but should we choose small or large objects?
- If we lock large objects (e.g., Relations)
  - Need few locks
  - Low concurrency
- If we lock small objects (e.g., tuples, fields)
  - Need more locks
  - More concurrency

We can have it both ways!!

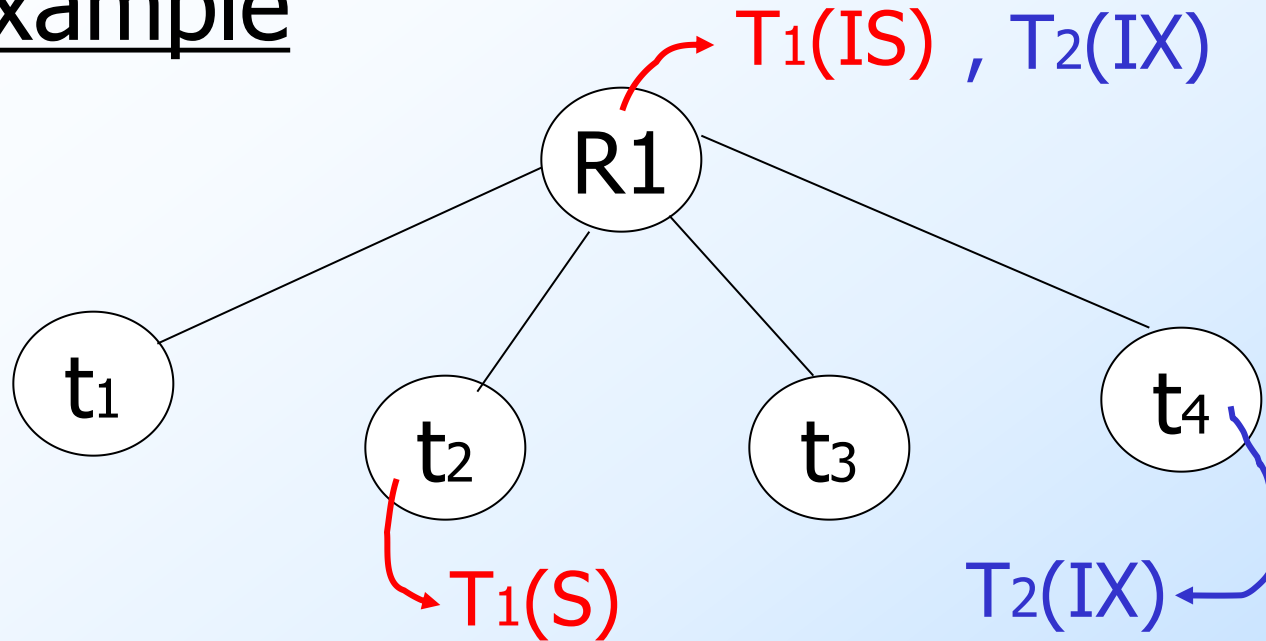
Ask any janitor to give you the solution...



# Example



# Example



# Multiple granularity

Comp

Requestor

Holder

IS				
IX				
S				
SIX				
X				

# Multiple granularity

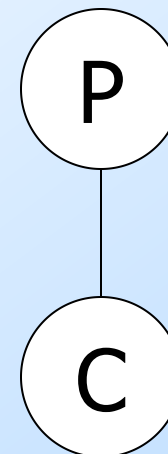
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Requestor

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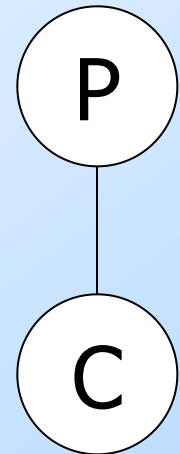
		T	T	T	T	F
IS		T	T	F	F	F
IX		T	F	T	F	F
S		T	F	F	F	F
SIX		F	F	F	F	F
X						

Parent locked in	Child can be locked in
IS	
IX	
S	
SIX	
X	





Parent locked in	Child can be locked by same transaction in
IS	IS, S
IX	IS, S, IX, X, SIX
S	[S, IS] not necessary
SIX	X, IX, [SIX]
X	none

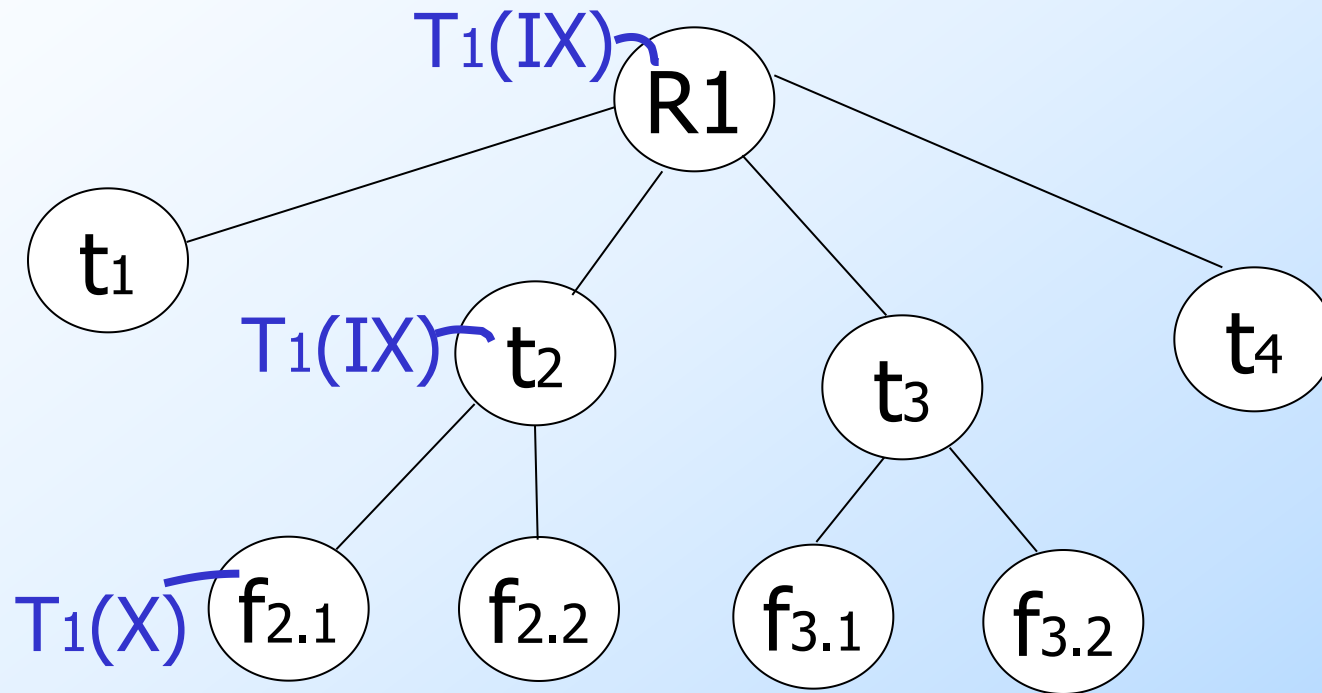


# Rules

- (1) Follow multiple granularity comp function
- (2) Lock root of tree first, any mode
- (3) Node Q can be locked by Ti in S or IS only if  
parent(Q) locked by Ti in IX or IS
- (4) Node Q can be locked by Ti in X,SIX,IX only  
if parent(Q) locked by Ti in IX,SIX
- (5) Ti is two-phase
- (6) Ti can unlock node Q only if none of Q's  
children are locked by Ti

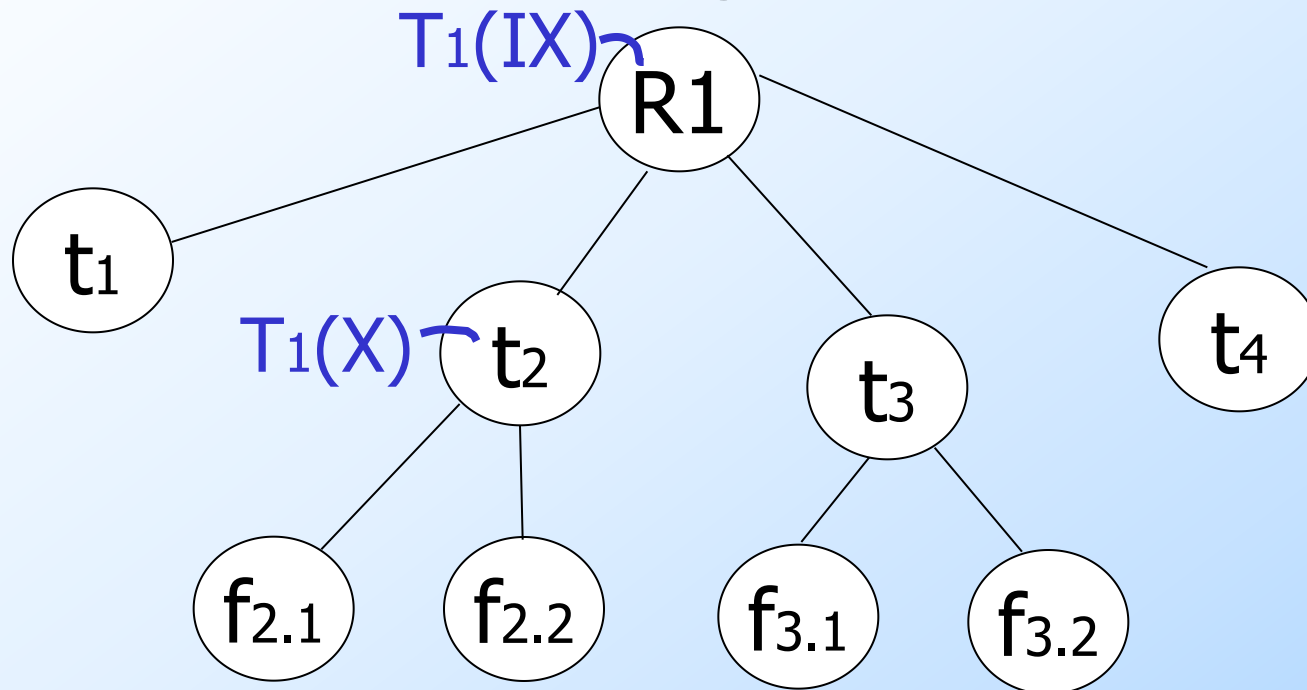
## Exercise:

- ◆ Can T2 access object f2.2 in X mode?  
What locks will T2 get?



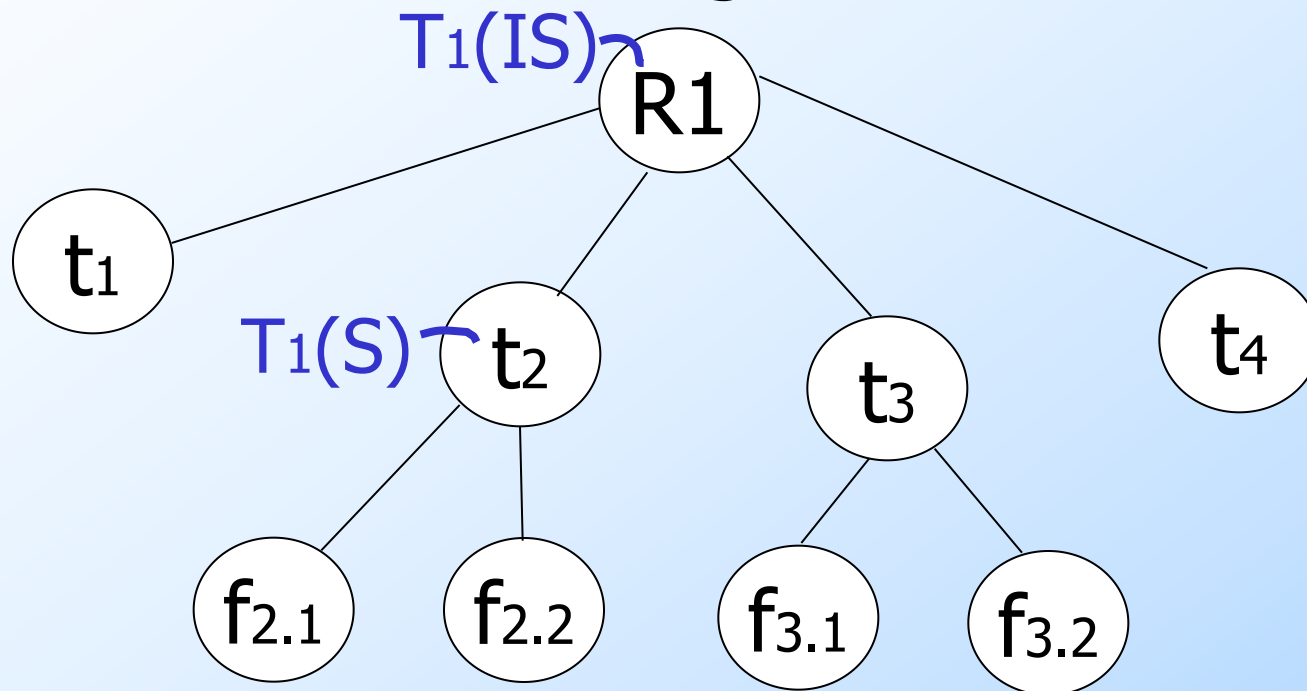
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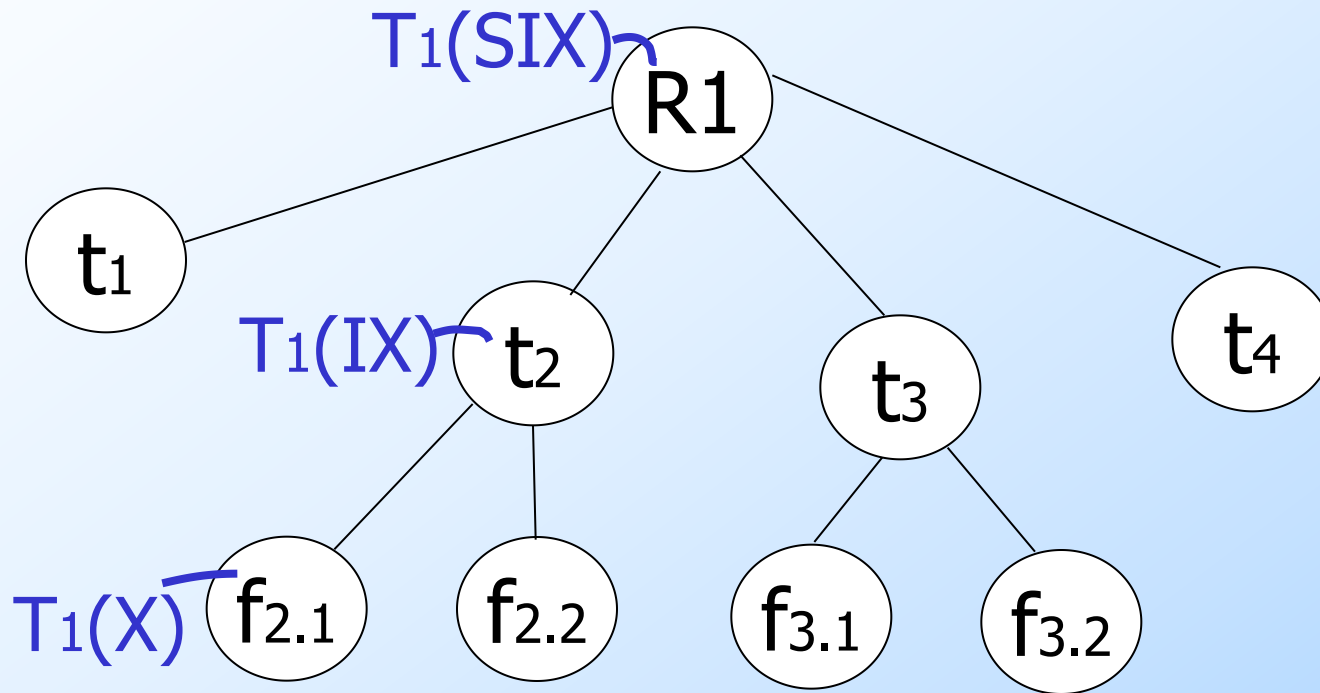
## Exercise:

- ◆ Can T2 access object f3.1 in X mode?  
What locks will T2 get?



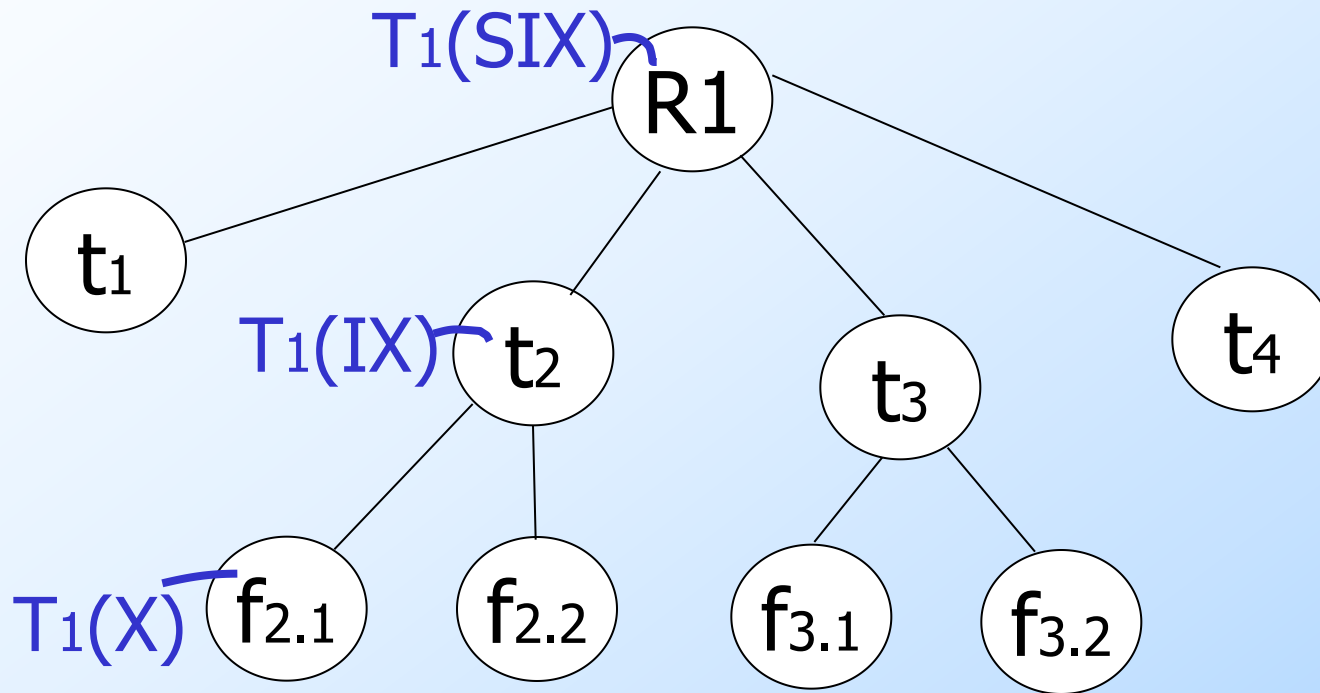
## Exercise:

- ◆ Can T2 access object f2.2 in S mode?  
What locks will T2 get?



## Exercise:

- ◆ Can T2 access object f2.2 in X mode?  
What locks will T2 get?



# Insert + delete operations

A
⋮
Z
$\alpha$



Insert



## Modifications to locking rules:

- (1) Get exclusive lock on A before deleting A
- (2) At insert A operation by  $T_i$ ,  
     $T_i$  is given exclusive lock on A

Still have a problem: **Phantoms**

Example: relation R (E#,name,...)

constraint: E# is key

use tuple locking

R	E#	Name	....
o1	55	Smith	
o2	75	Jones	

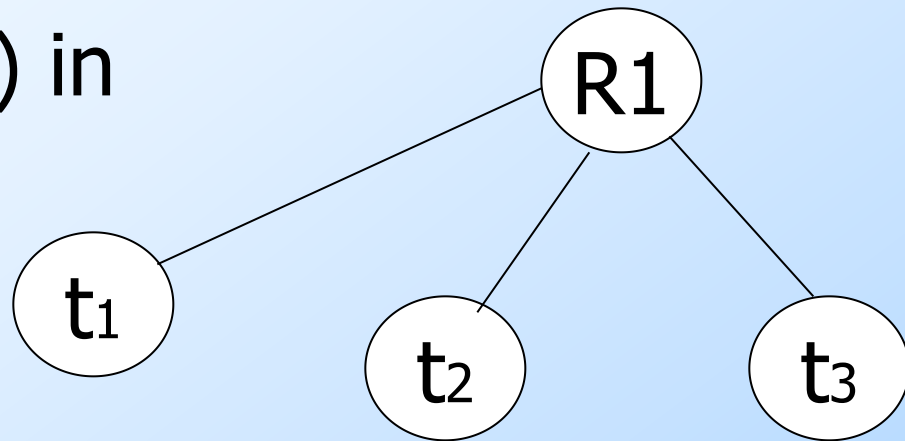
T<sub>1</sub>: Insert <04,Kerry,...> into R

T<sub>2</sub>: Insert <04,Bush,...> into R

T <sub>1</sub>	T <sub>2</sub>
S <sub>1</sub> (o <sub>1</sub> )	S <sub>2</sub> (o <sub>1</sub> )
S <sub>1</sub> (o <sub>2</sub> )	S <sub>2</sub> (o <sub>2</sub> )
Check Constraint	Check Constraint
⋮	⋮
Insert o <sub>3</sub> [04,Kerry,..]	Insert
o <sub>4</sub> [04,Bush,..]	

# Solution

- ◆ Use multiple granularity tree
- ◆ Before insert of node Q,  
lock parent(Q) in  
X mode



# Back to example

T<sub>1</sub>: Insert<04,Kerry>

T<sub>1</sub>

X<sub>1</sub>(R)

Check constraint  
Insert<04,Kerry>

U(R)

T<sub>2</sub>: Insert<04,Bush>

T<sub>2</sub>

X<sub>2</sub>(R) ← *delayed*

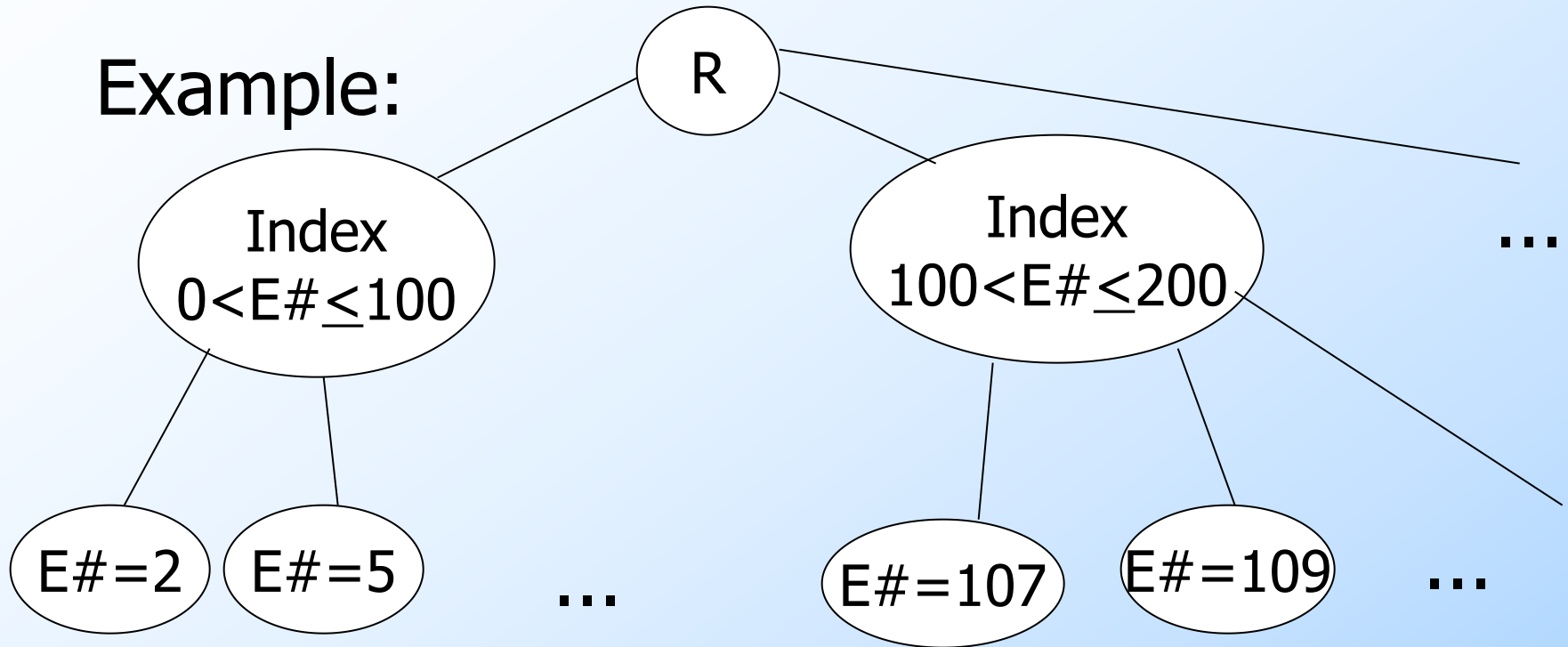
X<sub>2</sub>(R)

Check constraint

Oops! e# = 04 already in R!

# Instead of using R, can use index on R:

Example:



◆ This approach can be generalized to multiple indexes...

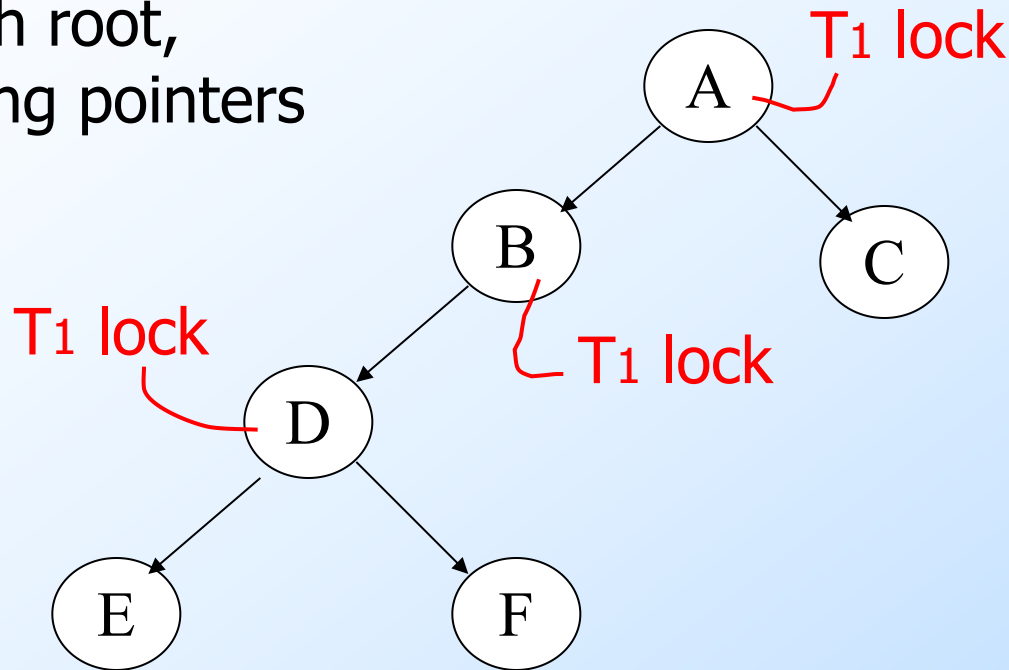
# Next:

- ◆ Tree-based concurrency control
- ◆ Validation concurrency control



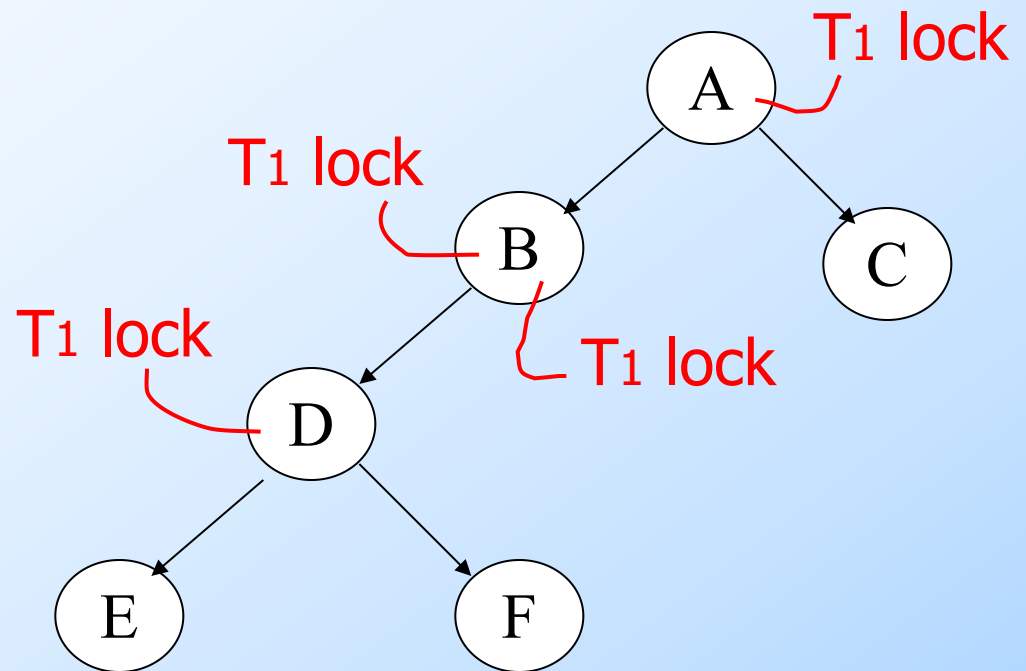
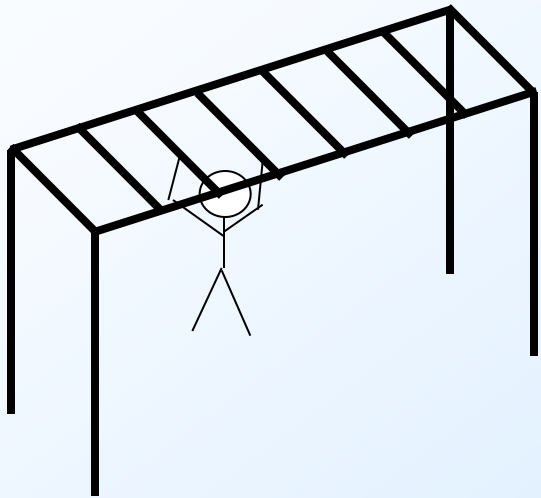
# Example

- all objects accessed through root, following pointers



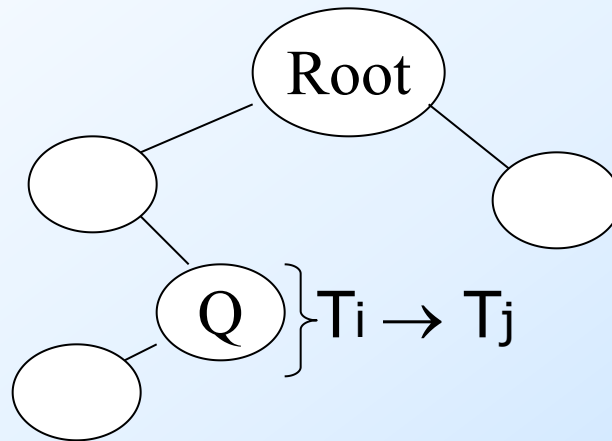
- can we release A lock if we no longer need A??

# Idea: traverse like “Monkey Bars”



# Why does this work?

- ◆ Assume all  $T_i$  start at root; exclusive lock
- ◆  $T_i \rightarrow T_j \Rightarrow T_i$  locks root before  $T_j$

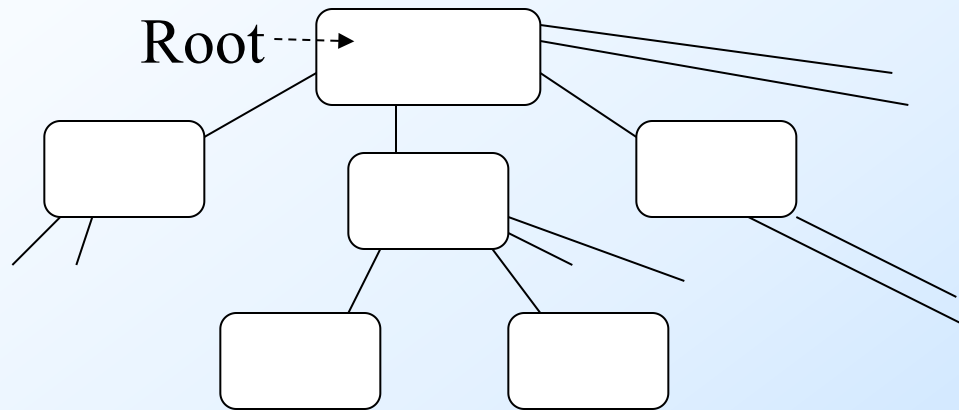


- ◆ Actually works if we don't always start at root

## Rules: tree protocol (exclusive locks)

- (1) First lock by  $T_i$  may be on any item
- (2) After that, item  $Q$  can be locked by  $T_i$  only if  $\text{parent}(Q)$  locked by  $T_i$
- (3) Items may be unlocked at any time
- (4) After  $T_i$  unlocks  $Q$ , it cannot relock  $Q$

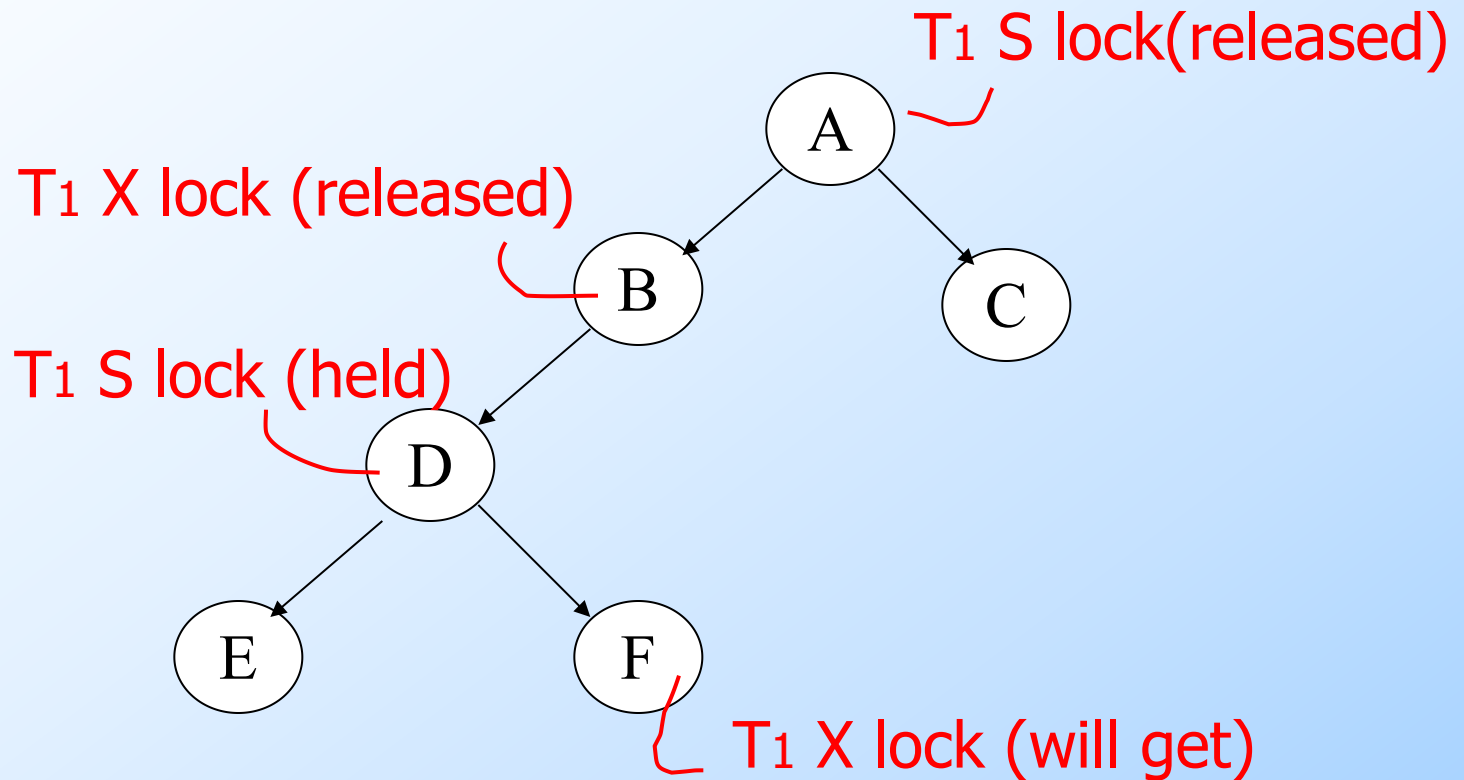
◆ Tree-like protocols are used typically for B-tree concurrency control



E.g., during insert, do not release parent lock, until you are certain child does not have to split

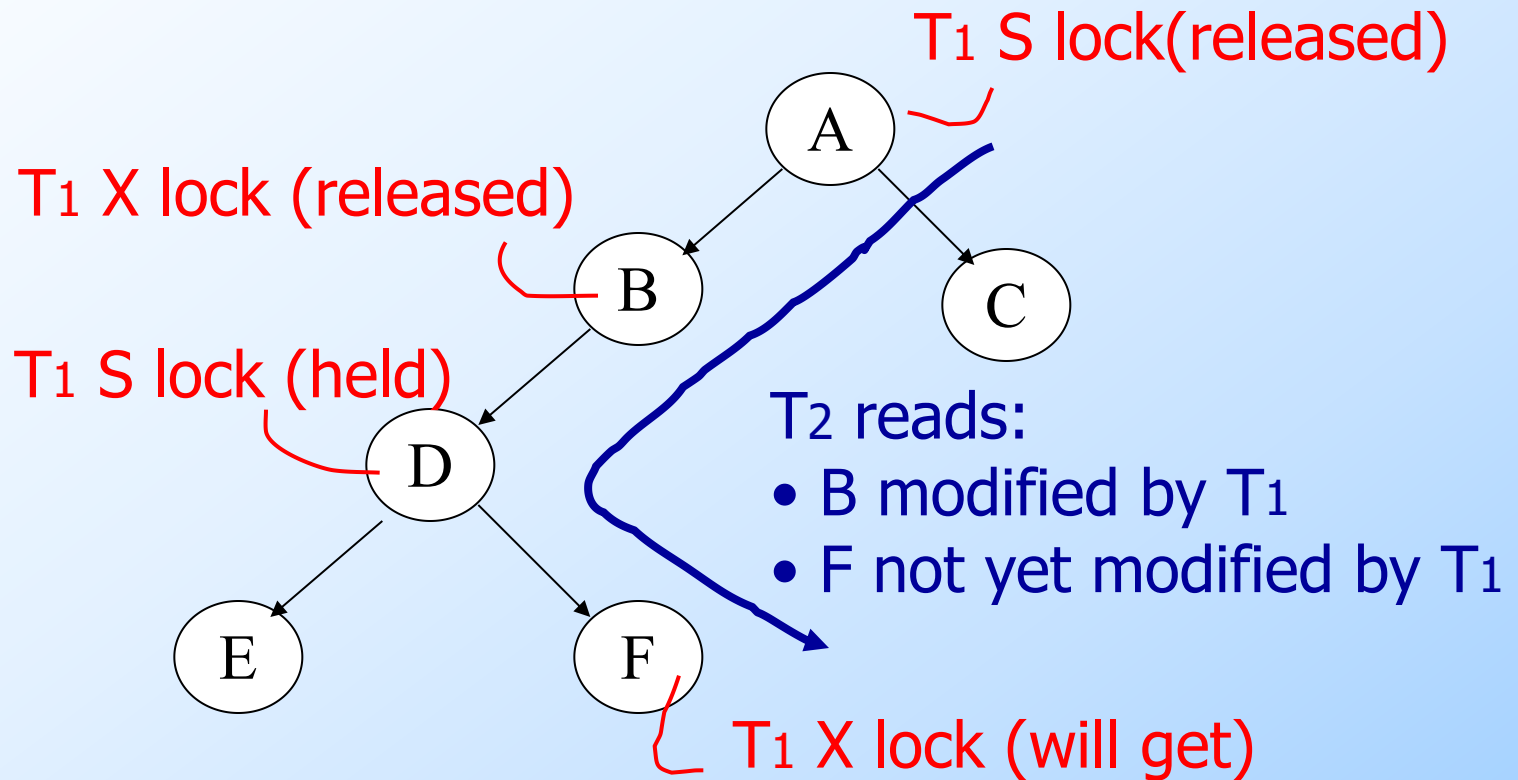
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# Tree Protocol with Shared Locks

- ◆ Need more restrictive protocol
- ◆ Will this work??
  - ◆ Once  $T_1$  locks one object in X mode, all further locks down the tree must be in X mode



# Validation

Transactions have 3 phases:

## (1) Read

- ◆ all DB values read
- ◆ writes to temporary storage
- ◆ no locking

## (2) Validate

- ◆ check if schedule so far is serializable

## (3) Write

- ◆ if validate ok, write to DB

## Key idea

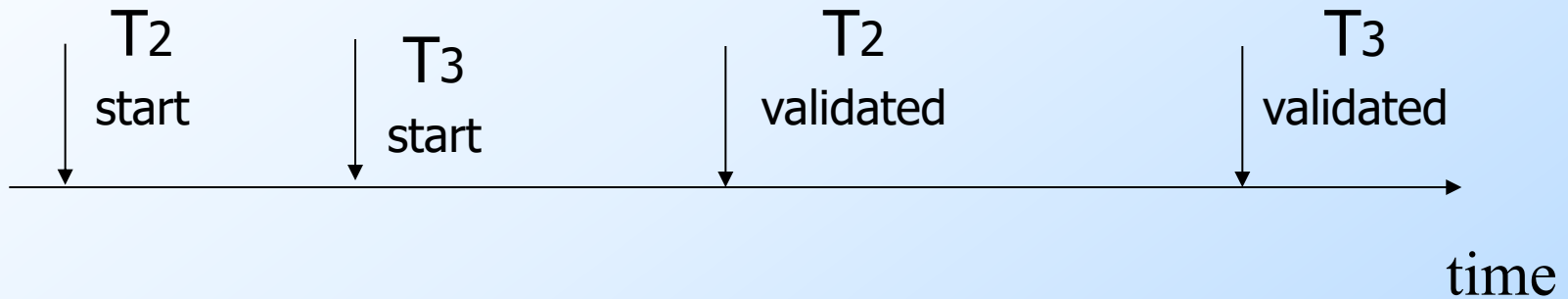
- ◆ Make validation atomic
- ◆ If  $T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots$  is validation order, then resulting schedule will be conflict equivalent to  $S_s = T_1 T_2 T_3 \dots$

To implement validation, system keeps two sets:

- ◆ FIN = transactions that have finished phase 3 (and are all done)
- ◆ VAL = transactions that have successfully finished phase 2 (validation)

## Example of what validation must prevent:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{RS}(T_2) = \{B\} & \text{RS}(T_3) = \{A, B\} \neq \phi \\ \text{WS}(T_2) = \{B, D\} & \text{WS}(T_3) = \{C\} \end{array}$$



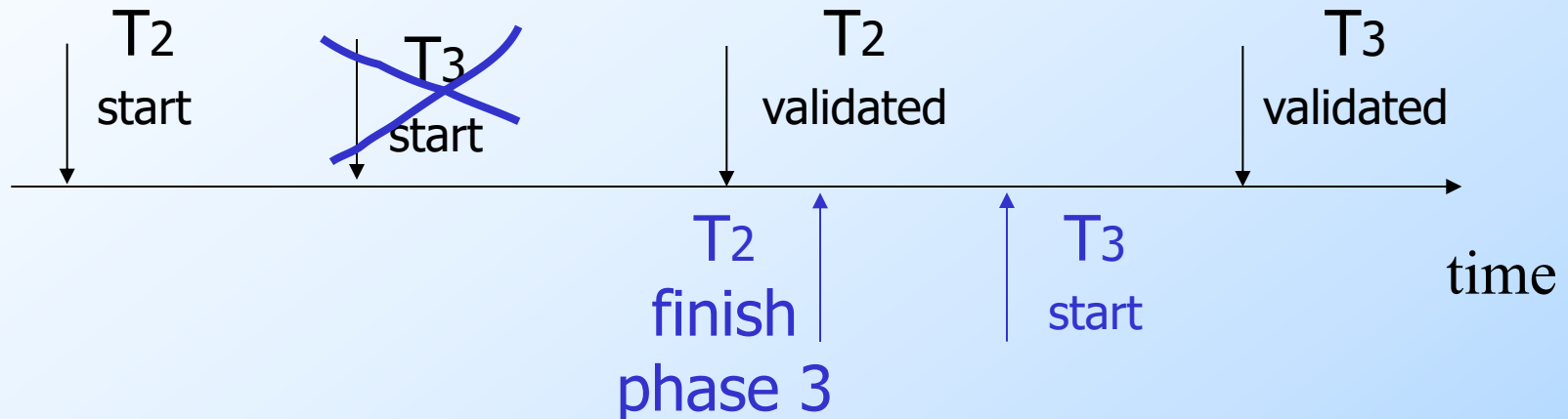
# Example of what validation must <sup>allow</sup> prevent:

$RS(T_2) = \{B\}$

$WS(T_2) = \{B, D\}$

$RS(T_3) = \{A, B\} \neq \phi$

$WS(T_3) = \{C\}$



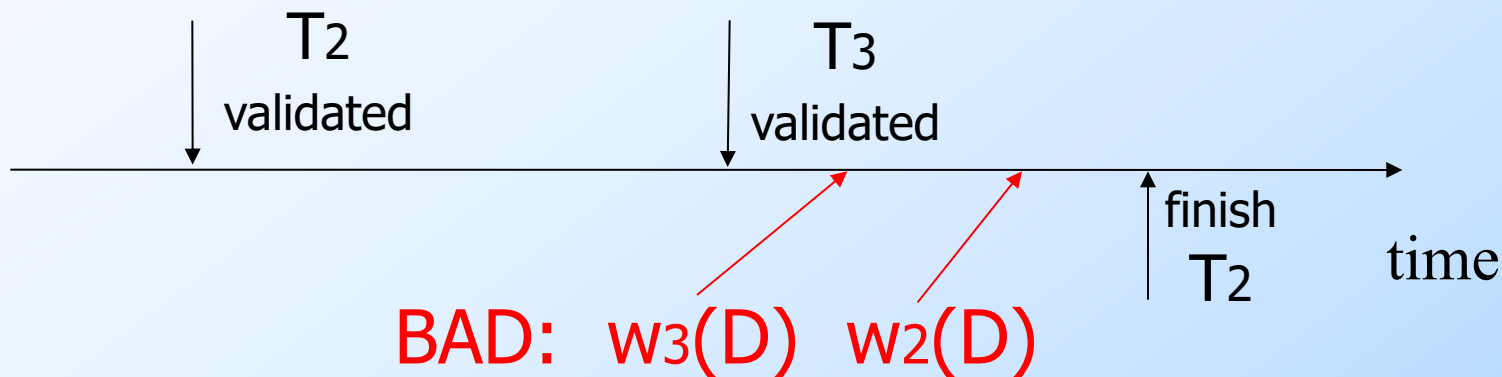
## Another thing validation must prevent:

$RS(T_2) = \{A\}$

$WS(T_2) = \{D, E\}$

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$WS(T_3) = \{C, D\}$



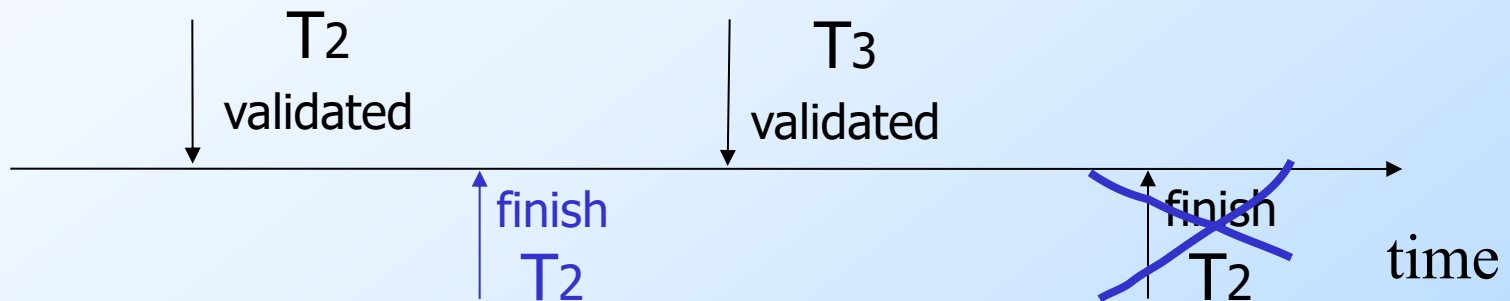
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## Validation rules for $T_j$ :

(1) When  $T_j$  starts phase 1:

$\text{ignore}(T_j) \leftarrow \text{FIN}$

(2) at  $T_j$  Validation:

if check ( $T_j$ ) then

$[ \text{VAL} \leftarrow \text{VAL} \cup \{T_j\};$

do write phase;

$\text{FIN} \leftarrow \text{FIN} \cup \{T_j\} ]$



Check ( $T_j$ ):

For  $T_i \in \text{VAL} - \text{IGNORE}(T_j)$  DO

IF [  $\text{WS}(T_i) \cap \text{RS}(T_j) \neq \emptyset$  OR

$T_i \notin \text{FIN}$  ] THEN RETURN false;

RETURN true;

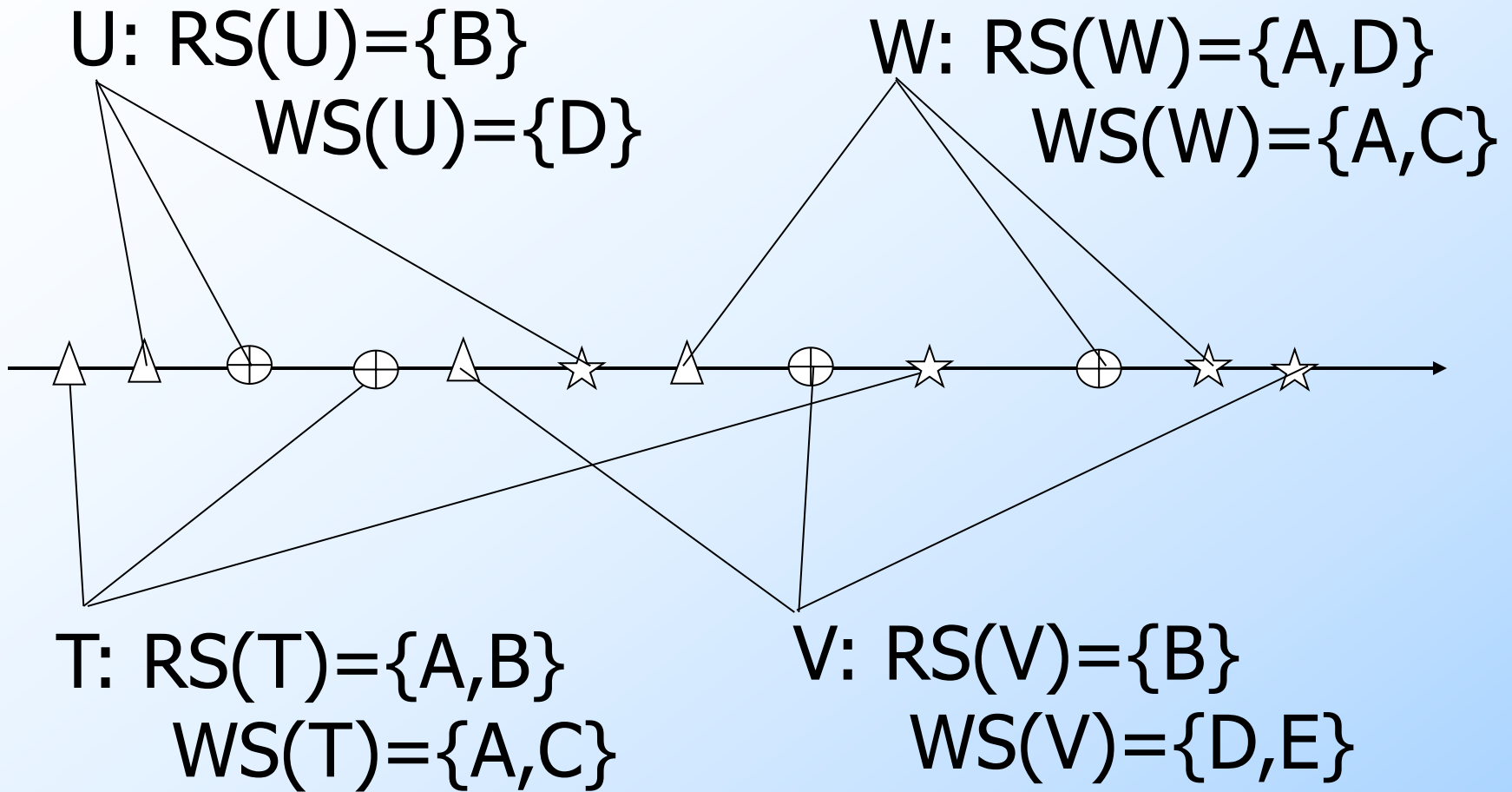
Is this check too restrictive ?

## Improving Check( $T_j$ )

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For  $T_i \in \text{VAL} - \text{IGNORE}(T_j)$  DO  
  IF [  $\text{WS}(T_i) \cap \text{RS}(T_j) \neq \emptyset$  OR  
    ( $T_i \notin \text{FIN}$  AND  $\text{WS}(T_i) \cap \text{WS}(T_j) \neq \emptyset$ ) ]  
    THEN RETURN false;  
RETURN true;
```

# Exercise:

△ start  
⊕ validate  
☆ finish



Validation (also called optimistic concurrency control) is useful in some cases:

- Conflicts rare
- System resources plentiful
- Have real time constraints

# Summary

Have studied C.C. mechanisms used in practice

- 2 PL
- Multiple granularity
- Tree (index) protocols
- Validation