

Database Questions and Answers – Transaction Concept

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This set of Database Multiple Choice Questions & Answers (MCQs) focuses on “Transaction Concept”.

1. Consider money is transferred from (1)account-A to account-B and (2) account-B to account-A. Which of the following form a transaction?
- a) Only 1
 - b) Only 2
 - c) Both 1 and 2 individually
 - d) Either 1 or 2

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Answer: c

Explanation: The term transaction refers to a collection of operations that form a single logical unit of work.

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2. A transaction is delimited by statements (or function calls) of the form _____

- a) Begin transaction and end transaction
- b) Start transaction and stop transaction
- c) Get transaction and post transaction
- d) Read transaction and write transaction

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Answer: a

Explanation: The transaction consists of all operations executed between the begin transaction and end transaction.

3. Identify the characteristics of transactions

- a) Atomicity
- b) Durability
- c) Isolation
- d) All of the mentioned

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Answer: d

Explanation: Because of the above three properties, transactions are an ideal way of structuring interaction with a database.

4. Which of the following has “all-or-none” property?

- a) Atomicity
- b) Durability
- c) Isolation



d) All of the mentioned

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Answer: a

Explanation: Either all operations of the transaction are reflected properly in the database, or none are.

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5. The database system must take special actions to ensure that transactions operate properly without interference from concurrently executing database statements. This property is referred to as

- a) Atomicity
- b) Durability
- c) Isolation
- d) All of the mentioned

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Answer: c

Explanation: Even though multiple transactions may execute concurrently, the system guarantees that, for every pair of transactions T_i and T_j , it appears to T_i that either T_j finished execution before T_i started or T_j started execution after T_i finished.

6. The property of a transaction that persists all the crashes is

- a) Atomicity
- b) Durability
- c) Isolation
- d) All of the mentioned

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Answer: b

Explanation: After a transaction completes successfully, the changes it has made to the database persist, even if there are system failures.

7. _____ states that only valid data will be written to the database.

- a) Consistency
- b) Atomicity
- c) Durability
- d) Isolation

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Answer: a

Explanation: If for some reason, a transaction is executed that violates the database's consistency rules, the entire transaction will be rolled back and the database will be restored to a state consistent with those rules.

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8. Transaction processing is associated with everything below except

- a) Producing detail summary or exception reports
- b) Recording a business activity
- c) Confirming an action or triggering a response
- d) Maintaining a data

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Answer: c

Explanation: Collections of operations that form a single logical unit of work are called

transactions.

9. The Oracle RDBMS uses the ____ statement to declare a new transaction start and its properties.

- a) BEGIN
- b) SET TRANSACTION
- c) BEGIN TRANSACTION
- d) COMMIT

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Answer: b

Explanation: Commit is used to store all the transactions.

10. ____ means that the data used during the execution of a transaction cannot be used by a second transaction until the first one is completed.

- a) Consistency
- b) Atomicity
- c) Durability
- d) Isolation

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Answer: d

Explanation: Even though multiple transactions may execute concurrently, the system guarantees that, for every pair of transactions T_i and T_j , it appears to T_i that either T_j finished execution before T_i started or T_j started execution after T_i finished.

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