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Module 7 Quiz

1) Concurrency Control.

- a) A park rents rowboats online. Part of the online rental process requires each renter to reserve two oars, the number of lifejackets that the renter will need, and a boat before placing the reservation. Write a single pseudo-code algorithm that enables people to run their own software clients to rent and return boats. Use the two-phase locking protocol and make sure to avoid deadlocks! Explain why your algorithm avoids deadlocks.

Assume that the locking command is *lock(resource, number)* where *resource* is the item that the customer wishes to lock and *number* is the amount of items to be locked. Assume the results of a call to the *lock* command are either SUCCESS or FAIL. Assume that the unlocking command is *unlock(resource, number)*, the command to reserve a boat is *reserveBoat()*, and the command to ride a boat is *rideBoat()*.

```
Class renter{
Timestamp = gettime()
Oarnum = num1
Lifenum = num2
Boatnum = num3

While(IsTimeStampMax(Timestamp)){wait()}

If(lock(oars,Oarnum)) {
    If(lock(lifejackets,Lifenum) ){
        If(lock(boat,Boatnum)){
            reserveBoat()
            TimestampReset()
            rideBoat()
        } else soldout() } else soldout() } else soldout()

        unlock(oars,Oarnum)
        unlock(lifejackets,LifeNum)
        unlock(boat,Boatnum)
    }
}
```

This pseudo-code algorithm will avoid deadlocks, because for each renter, I'll give him a timestamp, and I only give him a lock when his timestamp is the oldest. And after they finished the reservation, we will reset the timestamp allowing the second largest to process.

- b) Write a pseudo-code algorithm for both the *lock(resource, number)* and *unlock(resource, number)* methods.

```
Lock(resource, number){
  If( resource == "oar" && number >=2) {
    If(global.oarcount - number >=0){
      global.oarcount = global.oarcount - number
    }
    Else return false

  If( resource == "lifejackets") {
    If(global.lifejacketcount - number >=0){
      global.lieftjacketount = global.lifejacketcount - number
    }
    Else { //reset oarcount if lifejacket not enough
      global.oarcount = global.oarcount + local.Oarnum
      return false}

  If( resource == "Boat" && number >=1) {
    If(global.Boatcount - number >=0){
      global.Boatcount = global.Boatcount - number
    }
    Else{ //reset oarcount and lifejacketcount if Boat not enough
      global.oarcount = global.oarcount + local.Oarnum
      global.lifejacketcount = global.lifejacketcount + local.lifejacketnum
    } return false

  Return true
}

unlock(resource, number){
  If( resource == "oar") {
    global.oarcount = global.oarcount + number

  If( resource == "lifejackets") {
    global.lieftjacketount = global.lifejacketcount + number

  If( resource == "Boat") {
    global.Boatcount = global.Boatcount + number

}
```

- 2) In the following transactions, assume that a timestamp-based concurrency control algorithm is used to manage writing values to a database. Determine the value of x in the database and its read and write timestamps (rts and wts) at each stage of processing. Fill in the values of x , $rts(x)$, and $wts(x)$ in the arrays below. Indicate any special situation such as an Abort or the use of the Thomas Write Rule.

- a) T1 has a timestamp of 40 and T2 has a timestamp of 39.

T1: TS=40	T2: TS=39	x	rts(x)	wts(x)	special situation
		10	38	38	
read(x)		10	40	38	
	$x = 50$	10,50	40	38	
$x = x*2$		20,50	40	38	
	write(x)	20,50	40	38	Abort
write(x)		20	40	40	

- b) T1 has a timestamp of 39 and T2 has a timestamp of 40.

T1: TS=39	T2: TS=40	x	rts(x)	wts(x)	special situation
		10	38	38	
read(x)		10	39	38	
	$x = 50$	10,50	39	38	
$x = x*2$		20,50	39	38	
	write(x)	20,50	39	40	
write(x)		50	39	40	Thoma's Write