



# Transactions

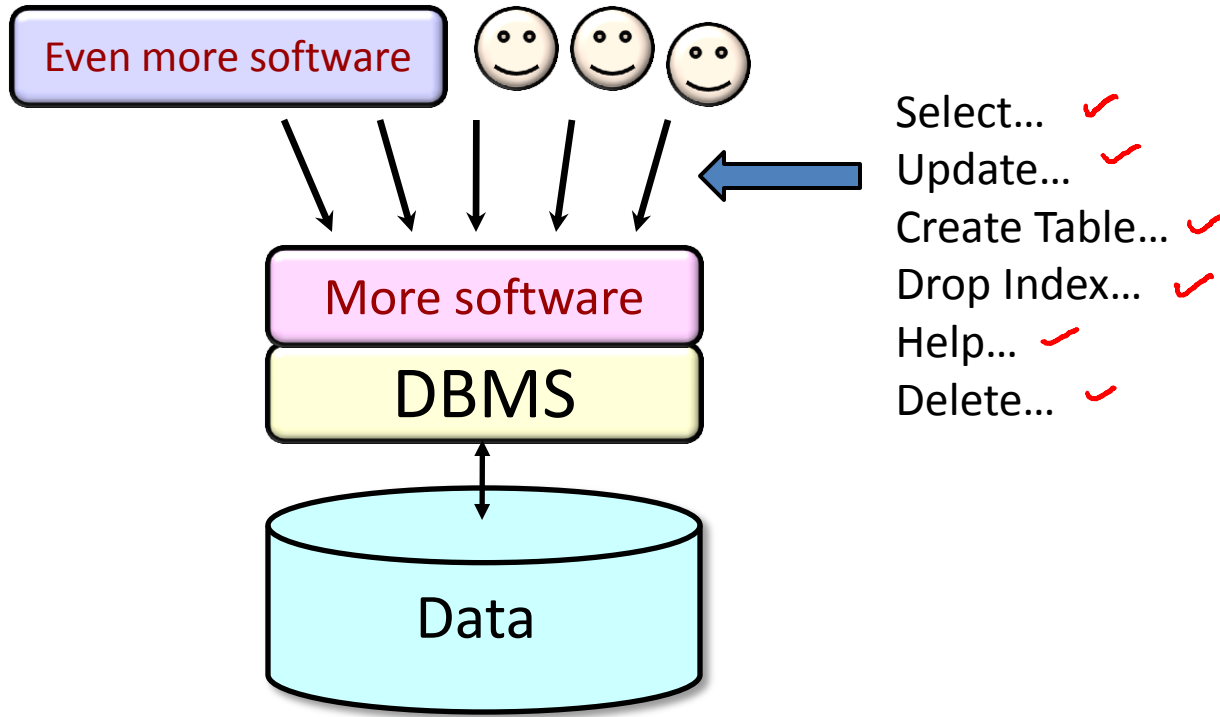
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## Introduction

## Motivated by two independent requirements

- Concurrent database access
- Resilience to system failures

# Concurrent Database Access

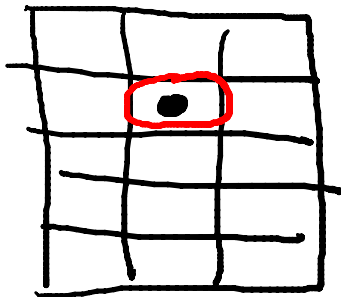


# Concurrent Access: Attribute-level Inconsistency

S1 Update college Set enrollment = enrollment + 1000  
where cName = 'Stanford'

concurrent with ...

S2 Update college Set enrollment = enrollment + 1500  
where cName = 'Stanford'



get ; modify ; put ✓

$$15,000 + 2500 = 17,500 \\ + 1000 \\ + 1500$$

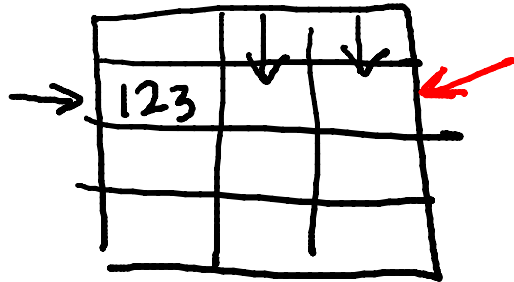


# Concurrent Access: Tuple-level Inconsistency

51 Update Apply Set major = 'CS' where SID=123

concurrent with ...

52 Update Apply Set decision = 'Y' where SID=123



get; modify; put

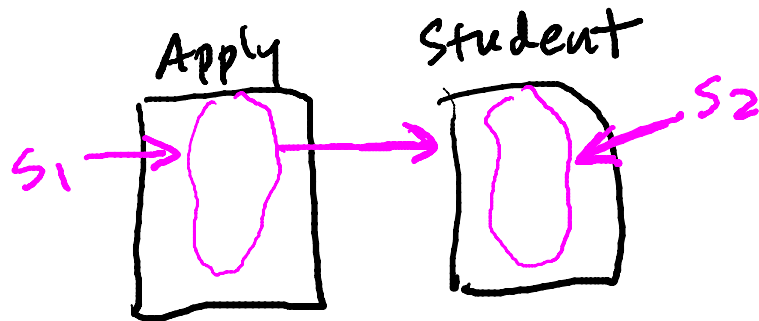
both changes  
one of the two changes

# Concurrent Access: Table-level Inconsistency

S<sub>1</sub> Update Apply Set decision = 'Y'  
where SID In (Select SID From Student where GPA > 3.9)

concurrent with ...

S<sub>2</sub> Update Student Set GPA = (1.1) \* GPA where sizeHS > 2500



# Concurrent Access: Multi-statement inconsistency

Insert Into Archive ←

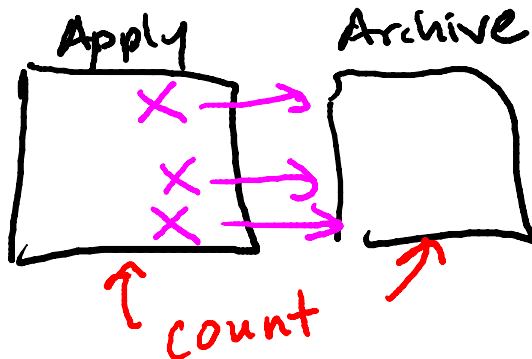
C1 Select \* From Apply where decision='N';

Delete From Apply where decision='N'; ←

concurrent with ...

C2 Select Count(\*) From Apply;

Select Count(\*) From Archive;



## Concurrency Goal

Execute sequence of SQL statements so they appear to be running in isolation

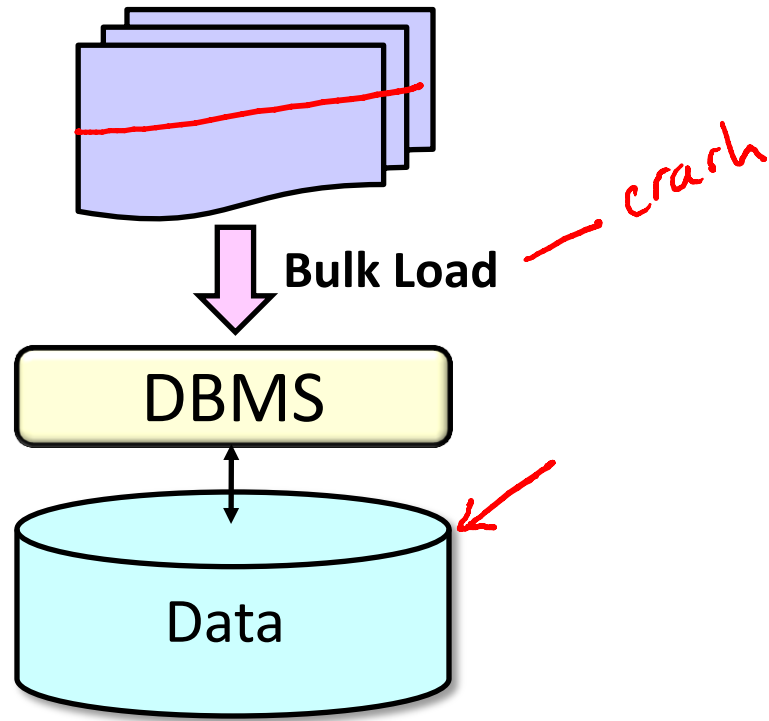
\* Simple solution: execute them in isolation

But want to enable concurrency whenever safe to do so

Multiprocessor  
Multithreaded  
Asynchronous I/O



# Resilience to System Failures

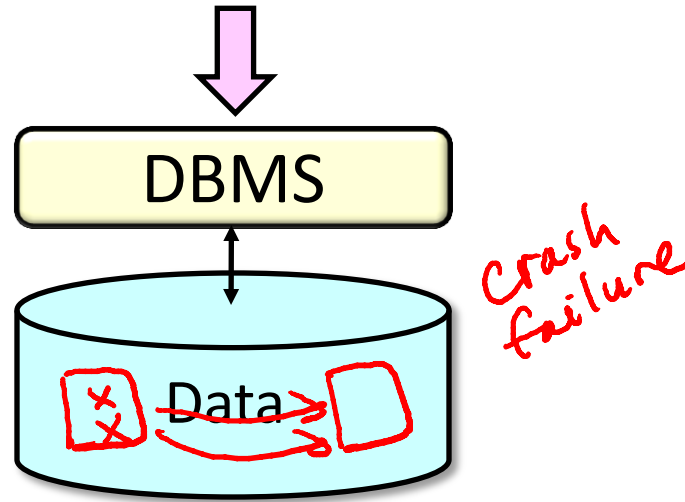


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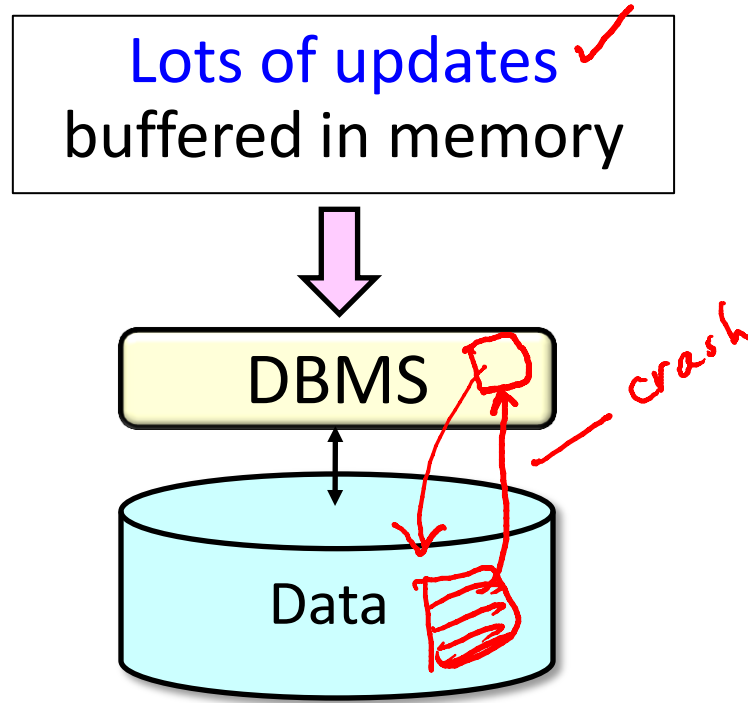
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Select \* From Apply where decision = 'N';

Delete From Apply where decision = 'N';

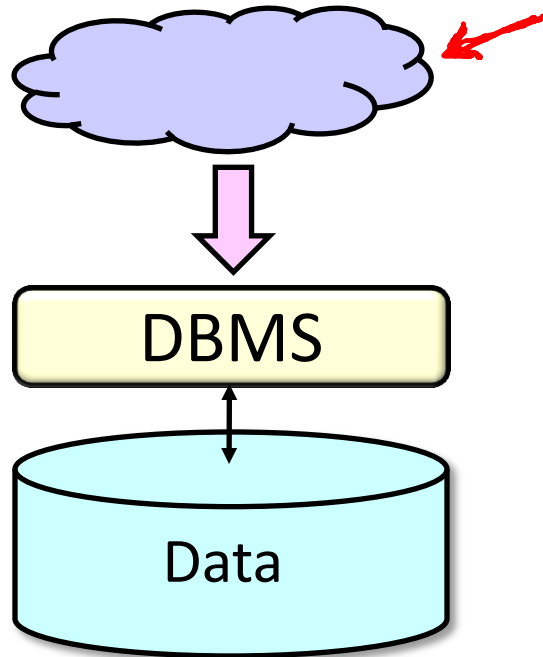


# Resilience to System Failures



## System-Failure Goal

Guarantee all-or-nothing execution, regardless of failures



## Solution for both concurrency and failures

# Transactions

**A transaction is a sequence of one or more SQL operations treated as a unit**

- Transactions appear to run in isolation
- If the system fails, each transaction's changes are reflected either entirely or not at all

## Solution for both concurrency and failures

# Transactions

A transaction is a sequence of one or more SQL operations treated as a unit. **SQL standard:**

- Transaction begins automatically on first SQL statement
- On “**commit**” transaction ends and new one begins
- Current transaction ends on session termination
- “**Autocommit**” turns each statement into transaction

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