

Lec 17 Two Phase Locking Concurrency Control

We need to ensure correctness as schedule is coming in

Lock Management

Lock manager — like a hash table but for DB objects and their locks

Ex. see slide 4

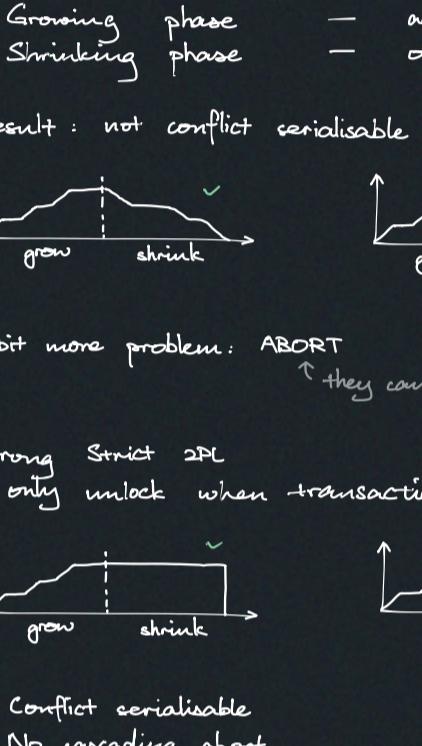
Execution engine decides which part calls the lock manager

Lock Types

- Protects DB content throughout transaction
- Has many modes (shared, exclusive, update, intention, ...)
- Detect & resolve deadlocks

Basic modes : shared, exclusive

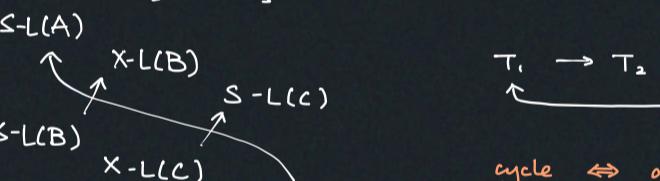
Ex.



Two Phase (2PL)

- Growing phase — acquire / upgrade locks
- Shrinking phase — only release lock

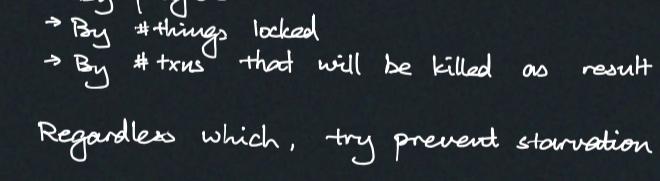
Result: not conflict serialisable if above violated



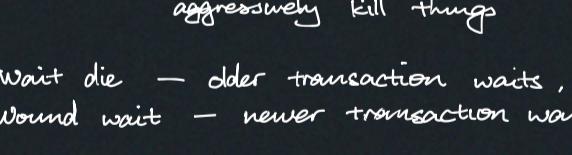
A bit more problem: ABORT Ex. slide 16
↑ they can cascade to many threads

► Strong Strict 2PL

↳ only unlock when transaction is done



- + Conflict serialisable
- + No cascading abort



2PL deadlocks

► Detection — make wait-for graph

T₁ T₂ T₃

S-L(A) X-L(B) S-L(C)

S-L(B) X-L(C) X-L(A)

T₁ → T₂ → T₃

cycle ⇔ deadlock

Cycle detection is hard, but len-2 cycle detection is not
↳ DBs try len-2 detection first

Run detection periodically or when something seems stuck

* Victim Selection

- By age
- By progress
- By #things locked
- By #txns that will be killed as result

Regardless which, try prevent starvation

* Rollback Length

- Complete rollback
- Unroll to some point (specified by application code)

► Prevention — priority based on timestamp aggressively kill things

- Wait die — older transaction waits, kill newer one
- Wound wait — newer transaction waits, kill older one

Observations

Locks are expensive — consider locking granularity
↳ table/col/triple/... level

→ Allowing locking at any level in the DB hierarchy

DB — Table — Page — Tuple — Attribute

common

Intentional Lock

Stating intention to do something
↳ intend to do something to somewhere down below

- Intention Shared (IS)
- Intention Exclusive (IX)
- Shared + IX (SIX)

Compatibility

IS IX S SIX X

IS ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ X

IX ✓ ✓ X X X

S ✓ X ✓ X X

SIX ✓ X X X X

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Lock escalation

When someone needs to change their lock type