



Database Systems 09 Transaction Processing

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Announcements/Org

#1 Video Recording

- Since lecture 03, video/audio recording
- Link in TeachCenter & TUbe



- Exercise 1 graded, feedback in TC in next days
- Exercise 2 still open until May 14 11.50pm (incl. 7 late days, no submission is a mistake)
- Exercise 3 published and introduced today
- #3 CS Talks x4 (Jun 17 2019, 5pm, Aula Alte Technik)
 - Claudia Wagner (University Koblenz-Landau, Leibnitz Institute for the Social Sciences)
 - Title: Minorities in Social and Information Networks
 - Dinner opportunity for interested female students!



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Announcements/Org, cont.

#4 Infineon Summer School 2019Sensor Systems

- Where: Infineon Technologies Austria,
 Villach Carinthia, Austria
- Who: BSc, MSc, PhD students from different fields including business informatics, computer science, and electrical engineering
- When: Aug 26 through 30, 2019
- Application deadline: Jun 16, 2019

#5 Poll: Date of Final Exam

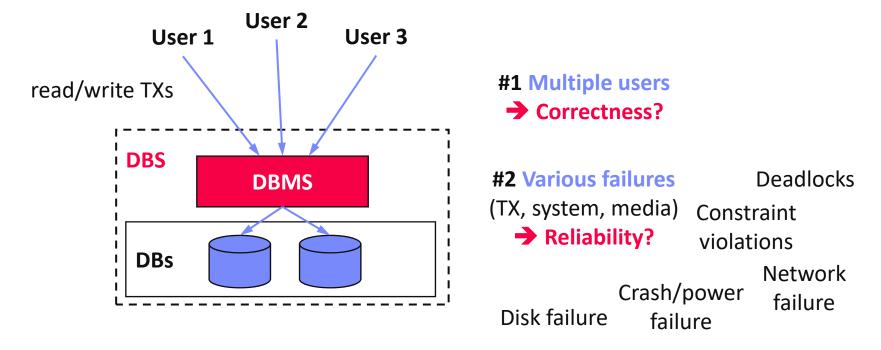
- We'll move Exercise 4 to Jun 25
- Current date: Jun 24, 6pm
- Alternatives: Jun 27, 4pm / 7.30pm, or week starting Jul 8 (Erasmus?)







Transaction (TX) Processing



- Goal: Basic Understanding of Transaction Processing
 - Transaction processing from user perspective
 - Locking and concurrency control to ensure #1 correctness
 - Logging and recovery to ensure #2 reliability





Agenda

- Overview Transaction Processing
- Locking and Concurrency Control
- Logging and Recovery
- Exercise 3: Tuning and Transactions

Additional Literature:

[Jim Gray, Andreas Reuter: Transaction Processing: Concepts and Techniques. Morgan Kaufmann 1993]

[Gerhard Weikum, Gottfried Vossen: Transactional Information Systems: Theory, Algorithms, and the Practice of Concurrency Control and Recovery. **Morgan Kaufmann 2002**]





Overview Transaction Processing





Terminology of Transactions

- Database Transaction
 - A transaction (TX) is a series of steps that brings a database from a consistent state into another (not necessarily different) consistent state
 - ACID properties (atomicity, consistency, isolation, durability)

```
#1 Isolation level (defined
 Terminology
                       #2 Start/begin of TX (BOT)
                                                        by addressed anomalies)
   by Example
                          START TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL SERIALIZABLE;
                              UPDATE Account SET Balance=Balance-100
#3 Reads and writes of
                                 WHERE AID = 107;
                              UPDATE Account SET Balance=Balance+100
     data objects
                                 WHERE AID = 999;
                                                                    #6 Savepoints
                                                                    (checkpoint for
                              SELECT Balance INTO lbalance
                                 FROM Account WHERE AID=107;
                                                                    partial rollback)
#4 Abort/rollback TX
                              IF lbalance < 0 THEN</pre>
 (unsuccessful end of
                                 ROLLBACK TRANSACTION;
                                                           #5 Commit TX
                              END IF
  transaction, EOT)
                                                          (successful end of
                          COMMIT TRANSACTION;
                                                          transaction, EOT)
```



Example OLTP Benchmarks

- Online Transaction Processing (OLTP)
 - Write-heavy database workloads, primarily with point lookups/accesses
 - Applications: financial, commercial, travel, medical, and governmental ops
 - Benchmarks: e.g., TPC-C, TPC-E, AuctionMark, SEATS (Airline), Voter

Example TPC-C

- 45% New-Order
- 43% Payment
- 4% Order Status
- 4% Delivery
- 4% Stock Level



[http://www.tpc.org/tpc_do
cuments_current_versions/
pdf/tpc-c_v5.11.0.pdf]

New Order Transaction:

- Get records describing a warehouse (tax), customer, district
- 2) Update the district to increment next available order number
- 3) Insert record into Order and NewOrder
- 4) For All Items
 - a) Get item record (and price)
 - b) Get/update stock record
 - c) Insert OrderLine record
- 5) Update total amount of order





ACID Properties

Atomicity

- A transaction is executed atomically (completely or not at all)
- If the transaction fails/aborts no changes are made to the database (UNDO)

Consistency

 A successful transaction ensures that all consistency constraints are met (referential integrity, semantic/domain constraints)

Isolation

- Concurrent transactions are executed in isolation of each other
- Appearance of serial transaction execution

Durability

- Guaranteed persistence of all changes made by a successful transaction
- In case of system failures, the database is recoverable (REDO)





Anomalies – Lost Update

TA1 updates points for Exercise 1

```
SELECT Pts INTO :points
   FROM Students WHERE Sid=789;
points += 23.5;

UPDATE Students SET Pts=:points
   WHERE Sid=789;
COMMIT TRANSACTION;
```

TA2 updates points for Exercise 2

```
SELECT Pts INTO :points
   FROM Students WHERE Sid=789;
points += 24.0;

UPDATE Students SET Pts=:points
   WHERE Sid=789;
COMMIT TRANSACTION;
```

Time

- Problem: Write-write dependency
- Solution: Exclusive lock on write



(lost update 23.5)





Anomalies – Dirty Read

TA1 updates points for Exercise 1

UPDATE Students SET Pts=100
WHERE Sid=789;

ROLLBACK TRANSACTION;

TA2 updates points for Exercise 2

SELECT Pts INTO :points
FROM Students WHERE Sid=789;

points += 24.0;

UPDATE Students SET Pts=:points
 WHERE Sid=789;
COMMIT TRANSACTION;

Time



Student received 124 instead of 24 points

- Problem: Write-read dependency
- Solution: Read only committed changes; otherwise, cascading abort





Anomalies – Unrepeatable Read

TA1 updates points for Exercise 1	TA2 runs statistics for Exercise 1
	<pre>SELECT Pts INTO :p1 FROM Students WHERE Sid=789;</pre>
START TRANSACTION; UPDATE Students SET Pts=Pts+23.5 WHERE Sid=789; COMMIT TRANSACTION;	•••
modified value	SELECT Pts INTO :p2 FROM Students WHERE Sid=789; COMMIT TRANSACTION;
Tir Problem: Read-write dependency	TA2 sees only committed data but analysis corrupted as p1!=p2
Solution: TA works on consistent	snapshot of touched records





Anomalies – Phantom

TA1 inserts missing student	TA2 runs statistics for Exercise 1
	<pre>SELECT Avg(Pts) INTO :p1 FROM Students WHERE Sid<1000;</pre>
START TRANSACTION; INSERT INTO Students VALUES (999,, 0); COMMIT TRANSACTION;	•••
added row (harder to track because new database object)	SELECT Avg(Pts) INTO :p2 FROM Students WHERE Sid<1000; COMMIT TRANSACTION;
Ti	TA2 sees only committed data but analysis corrupted as p1!=p2

 Similar to non-repeatable read but at set level (snapshot of accessed data objects not sufficient)





Isolation Levels

Different Isolation Levels

SET TRANSACTION

ISOLATION LEVEL

READ COMMITTED

- Tradeoff Isolation vs performance per session/TX
- SQL standard requires guarantee against lost updates for all

SQL Standard Isolation Levels

Isolation Level	Lost Update	Dirty Read	Unrepeatable Read	Phantom Read
READ UNCOMMITTED	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
READ COMMITTED	No	No	Yes	Yes
REPEATABLE READ	No	No	No	Yes
[SERIALIZABLE]	No	No	No	No

Serializable w/ highest guarantees (pseudo-serial execution)

How can we enforce these isolation levels?

- User: set default/transaction isolation level (mixed TX workloads possible)
- System: dedicated concurrency control strategies + scheduler



Excursus: A Critique of SQL Isolation Levels

Summary

 Critique: SQL standard isolation levels are ambiguous (strict/broad interpretations) [Hal Berenson, Philip A. Bernstein, Jim Gray, Jim Melton, Elizabeth J. O'Neil, Patrick E. O'Neil: A Critique of ANSI SQL Isolation Levels. SIGMOD 1995]



- Additional anomalies: dirty write, cursor lost update, fuzzy read, read skew, write skew
- Additional isolation levels: cursor stability and snapshot isolation

Snapshot Isolation (< Serializable)

- Type of optimistic concurrency control via multi-version concurrency control
- TXs reads data from a snapshot of committed data when TX started
- TXs never blocked on reads, other TXs data invisible
- TX T1 only commits if no other TX wrote the same data items in the time interval of T1





Excursus: Isolation Levels in Practice

 Default and Maximum Isolation Levels for "ACID" and "NewSQL" DBs

[as of 2013]

- 3/18 SERIALIZABLE by default
- 8/18 did not provide
 SERIALIZABLE at all



[Peter Bailis, Alan Fekete, Ali Ghodsi, Joseph M. Hellerstein, Ion Stoica: HAT, Not CAP: Towards Highly Available Transactions. HotOS 2013]

Beware of defaults, even though the SQL standard says SERIALIZABLE is the default

Database	Default	Maximum
Actian Ingres 10.0/10S [1]	S	S
Aerospike [2]	RC	RC
Akiban Persistit [3]	SI	SI
Clustrix CLX 4100 [4]	RR	RR
Greenplum 4.1 [8]	RC	S
IBM DB2 10 for z/OS [5]	CS	S
IBM Informix 11.50 [9]	Depends	S
MySQL 5.6 [12]	RR	S
MemSQL 1b [10]	RC	RC
MS SQL Server 2012 [11]	RC	S
NuoDB [13]	CR	CR
Oracle 11g [14]	RC	SI
Oracle Berkeley DB [7]	S	S
Oracle Berkeley DB JE [6]	RR	S
Postgres 9.2.2 [15]	RC	S
SAP HANA [16]	RC	SI
ScaleDB 1.02 [17]	RC	RC
VoltDB [18]	S	S

RC: read committed, RR: repeatable read, SI: snapshot isolation, S: serializability, CS: cursor stability, CR: consistent read





Locking and Concurrency Control

(Consistency and Isolation)





Overview Concurrency Control

Terminology

- Lock: logical synchronization of TXs access to database objects (row, table, etc)
- Latch: physical synchronization of access to shared data structures

#1 Pessimistic Concurrency Control

- Locking schemes (lock-based database scheduler)
- Full serialization of transactions

#2 Optimistic Concurrency Control (OCC)

- Optimistic execution of operations, check of conflicts (validation)
- Optimistic and timestamp-based database schedulers

#3 Mixed Concurrency Control (e.g., PostgreSQL)

due to concurrent update

• Might return synchronization errors
ERROR: deadlock detected





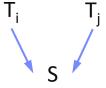
Serializability Theory

Operations of Transaction T_i

- Read and write operations of A by T_j: r_j(A) w_j(A)
- Abort of transaction T_i: a_i (unsuccessful termination of T_j)
- Commit of transaction T_i: c_i (successful termination of T_i)

Schedule S

- Operations of a transaction T_i are executed in order
- Multiple transactions may be executed concurrently
- → Schedule describes the total ordering of operations



Equivalence of Schedules S1 and S2

Read-write, write-read, and write-write dependencies on data object A executed in same order:
(4)

$$r_i(A) <_{S1} w_j(A) \Leftrightarrow r_i(A) <_{S2} w_j(A)$$

$$w_i(A) <_{S1} r_i(A) \Leftrightarrow w_i(A) <_{S2} r_i(A)$$

$$w_i(A) <_{S1} w_j(A) \Leftrightarrow w_i(A) <_{S2} w_j(A)$$





Serializability Theory, cont.

Example Serializable Schedules

Input TXs T1: BOT $r_1(A)$ $w_1(A)$ $r_1(B)$ $w_1(B)$ c_1 T2: BOT $r_2(C)$ $w_2(C)$ $r_2(A)$ $w_2(A)$ c_2

- Serial execution $r_1(A)$ $w_1(A)$ $r_1(B)$ $w_1(B)$ c_1 $r_2(C)$ $w_2(C)$ $r_2(A)$ $w_2(A)$ c_2

Serializability Graph (conflict graph)

- Operation dependencies (read-write, write-read, write-write) aggregated
- Nodes: transactions; edges: transaction dependencies
- Transactions are serializable (via topological sort) if the graph is acyclic
- Beware: In < SERIALIZABLE, many equivalent schedules that give different results than true serial execution (dirty read, unrepeatable read, phantom)





Locking Schemes

Compatibility of Locks

- X-Lock (exclusive/write lock)
- S-Lock (shared/read lock)

Requested Lock

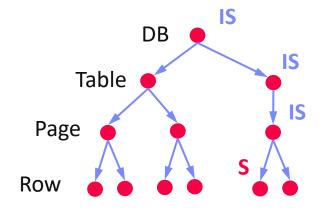
Existing Lock

	None	S	X
S	Yes	Yes	No
X	Yes	No	No

Multi-Granularity Locking

- Hierarchy of DB objects
- Additional intentional IX and IS locks

	None	S	Х	IS	IX
S	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
X	Yes	No	No	No	No
IS	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
IX	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes



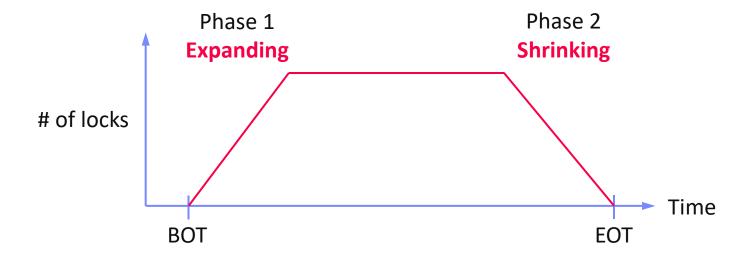




Two-Phase Locking (2PL)

Overview

- 2PL is a concurrency protocol that guarantees SERIALIZABLE
- Expanding phase: acquire locks needed by the TX
- Shrinking phase: release locks acquired by the TX (can only start if all needed locks acquired)

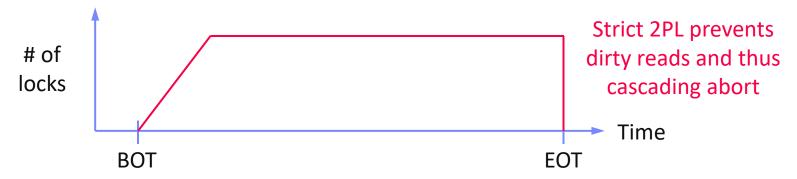




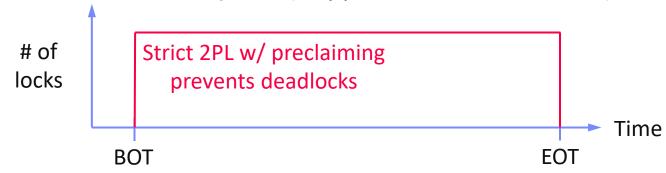


Two-Phase Locking, cont.

- Strict 2PL (S2PL) and Strong Strict 2PL (SS2PL)
 - Problem: Transaction rollback can cause (Dirty Read)
 - Release all X-locks (S2PL) or X/S-locks (SSPL) at end of transaction (EOT)



- Strict 2PL w/ pre-claiming (aka conservative 2PL)
 - Problem: incremental expanding can cause deadlocks for interleaved TXs
 - Pre-claim all necessary locks (only possible if entire TX known)





Deadlocks

Deadlock Scenario

- Deadlocks of concurrent transactions
- Deadlocks happen due to cyclic dependencies without pre-claiming (wait for exclusive locks)

#1 Deadlock Prevention

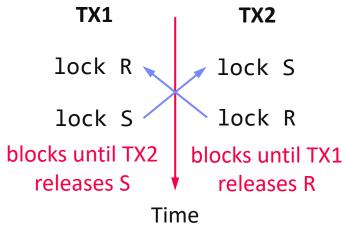
- Guarantee that deadlocks can't happen
- E.g., via pre-claiming (but overhead and not always possible)

#2 Deadlock Avoidance

- Attempts to avoid deadlocks before acquiring locks via timestamps per TX
- Wound-wait (T1 locks something hold by T2 → if T1<T2, restart T2)</p>
- Wait-die (T1 locks something hold by T2 → if T1>T2, abort T1 but keep TS)

#3 Deadlock Detection

- Maintain a wait-for graph of blocked TX (similar to serializability graph)
- Detection of cycles in graph (on timeout) → abort one or many TXs









Timestamp Ordering

Great, low overhead scheme if conflicts are rare (no hot spots)

Synchronization Scheme

- Transactions get timestamp (or version number) TS(T_i) at BOT
- Each data object A has readTS(A) and writeTS(A)
- Use timestamp comparison to validate access, otherwise abort
- No locks but latches (physical synchronization)

Read Protocol T_i(A)

- If TS(T_i) >= writeTS(A): allow read, set readTS(A) = max(TS(T_i), readTS(A))
- If TS(T_i) < writeTS(A): abort T_i (older than last modifying TX)

Write Protocol T_i(A)

- If TS(T_j) >= readTS(A) AND TS(T_j) >= writeTS(A): allow write, set writeTS(A)=TS(T_i)
- If TS(T_i) < readTS(A): abort T_i (older than last reading TX)
- If TS(T_i) < writeTS(A): abort T_i (older than last modifying TX)





Optimistic Concurrency Control (OCC)

Read Phase

- Initial reads from DB, repeated reads and writes into TX-local buffer
- Maintain ReadSet(T_i) and WriteSet(T_i) per transaction T_i
- TX seen as read-only transaction on database

Validation Phase

- Check read/write and write/write conflicts, abort on conflicts
- BOCC (Backward-oriented concurrency control) check all older TXs Ti
 - Serializable: if $EOT(T_i) < BOT(T_j)$ or $WSet(T_i) \cap RSet(T_j) = \emptyset$
 - Snapshot isolation: $EOT(T_i) < BOT(T_j)$ or $WSet(T_i) \cap WSet(T_j) = \emptyset$
- FOCC (Forward-oriented concurrency control) check running TXs

Write Phase

 Successful TXs with write operations propagate their local buffer into the database and log





Logging and Recovery

(Atomicity and Durability)





Failure Types and Recovery

- Transaction Failures
 - E.g., Violated integrity constraints, abort
 - → R1-Recovery: partial UNDO of this uncommitted TX
- System Failures (soft crash)
 - E.g., HW or operating system crash, power outage
 - Kills all in-flight transactions, but does not lose persistent data
 - → R2-Reovery: partial REDO of all committed TXs
 - → R3-Recovery: global UNDO of all uncommitted TXs
- Media Failures (hard crash)
 - E.g., disk hard errors (non-restorable)
 - Loses persistent data → need backup data (checkpoint)
 - → R4-Recovery: global REDO of all committed TXs





Database (Transaction) Log

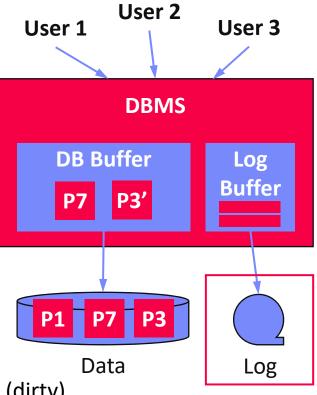
Database Architecture

- Page-oriented storage on disk and in memory (DB buffer)
- Dedicated eviction algorithms
- Modified in-memory pages marked as dirty, flushed by cleaner thread
- Log: append-only TX changes
- Data/log often placed on different devices and periodically archived (backup + truncate)

Write-Ahead Logging (WAL)

- The log records representing changes to some (dirty)
 data page must be on stable storage before the data page (UNDO atomicity)
- Force-log on commit or full buffer (REDO durability)
- Recovery: forward (REDO) and backward (UNDO) processing of the log records

[C. Mohan, Donald J. Haderle, Bruce G. Lindsay, Hamid Pirahesh, Peter M. Schwarz: ARIES: A Transaction Recovery Method Supporting Fine-Granularity Locking and Partial Rollbacks Using Write-Ahead Logging. **TODS 1992**]







Logging Types and Recovery

#1 Logical (Operation) Logging

- REDO: log operation (not data) to construct after state
- UNDO: inverse operations (e.g., increment/decrement), not stored
- Non-determinism cannot be handled, more flexibility on locking

#2 Physical (Value) Logging

■ REDO: log REDO (after) image of record or page

UNDO: log UNDO (before) image of record or page

UPDATE Emp
SET Salary=Salary+100
WHERE Dep='R&D';

Larger space overhead (despite page diff) for set-oriented updates

Restart Recovery (ARIES)

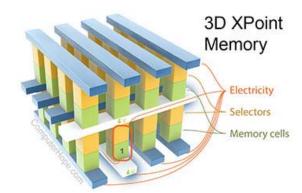
- Conceptually: take database checkpoint and replay log since checkpoint
- Operation and value locking; stores log seq. number (LSN, PageID, PrevLSN)
- Phase 1 Analysis: determine winner and loser transactions
- Phase 2 Redo: replay all TXs in order [repeating history] → state at crash
- Phase 3 Undo: replay uncommitted TXs (losers) in reverse order



Excursus: Recovery on Storage Class Memory

Background: Storage Class Memory (SCM)

- Byte-addressable, persistent memory with higher capacity, but latency close to DRAM
- Examples: Resistive RAM, Magnetic RAM, Phase-Change Memory (e.g., Intel 3D XPoint)



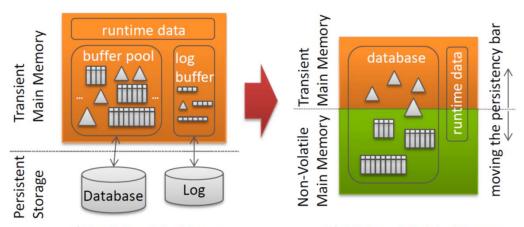
[Credit: https://computerhope.com]

SOFORT: DB Recovery on SCM

- Simulated DBMS prototype on SCM
- Instant recovery by trading TX throughput vs recovery time
- Configured: % of transient data structures on SCM



[Ismail Oukid, Wolfgang Lehner, Thomas Kissinger, Thomas Willhalm, Peter Bumbulis: Instant Recovery for Main Memory Databases. CIDR 2015]



a) Traditional Architecture

b) SCM-enabled Architecture



Exercise 3: Tuning and Transactions

Published: May 13

Deadline: Jun 4





Task 3.1 Indexing and Materialized Views

Setup (help by end of this week)

5/25 points

- We'll provide csv files for individual tables
- We'll provide the query for Q10
- #1 Indexing (Q: distinct club names for players w/ jnum<=3)</p>
 - Create and run the SQL query, obtain the text explain
 - Create a secondary index on jersey number
 - Re-run the SQL query, obtain the text explain, and describe the difference
- #2 Materialized Views (Q10)
 - Create a materialized view that could speed up Q10
 - Rewrite the SQL query to use the materialized view, obtain text explain, and describe difference

See lecture 07 Physical Design





Task 3.2 B-Tree Insertion and Deletion

Setup

6/25 points

• SET seed TO 0.0<student_id>
 SELECT * FROM generateseries(1,16) ORDER BY random();

#3 B-Tree Insertion

 Draw the final b-tree after inserting your sequence in order (e.g., with you favorite tool, by hand, or ASCI art)

#4 B-Tree Deletion

Draw the final b-tree after taking #3 and deleting the sequence [8,14) in order of their values

See lecture 07 Physical Design





Task 3.3 Join Implementation

Setup

10/25 points

- Pick your favorite programming language
- Use existing/your own Tuple representation (int ID, other attributes)

#5 Table Scan

- Created via Collection<Tuple> (or similar) as input
- Implements a simple table scan via open(), next(), close()

#6 Hash Join

- Created via two iterators (left and right) as input
- Implement a hash join for multisets via open(), next(), close()

#7 Nested Loop Join

- Created via two iterators (left and right) as input
- Implement a nested loop join for multisets via open(), next(), close()

See lecture 08 **Query Processing**





Task 3.4 Transaction Processing

Setup

4/25 points

Create tables R(a INT, b INT) and S(a INT, b INT)

#8 Simple Transaction

 Create a SQL transaction that atomically inserts two tuples into R and three tuples into S

#9 Deadlock

- Create two SQL transactions that can be execute interactively to create a deadlock; annotate the order as comments
- Explain the reason for the deadlock

See lecture 09
Transaction Processing





Conclusions and Q&A

- Summary 09 Transaction Processing
 - Overview transaction processing
 - Locking and concurrency control
 - Logging and recovery
- Summary Part A: Database Systems
 - Databases systems primarily from user perspective
 - End of lectures for Databases 1 (but +1 ECTS if you attend entire course)
 - Exercise 3 published, submission deadline June 4, 11.59pm
- Next Lectures (Part B: Modern Data Management)
 - 10 NoSQL (key-value, document, graph) [May 20]
 - 11 Distributed file systems and object storage [May 27]
 - 12 Data-parallel computation (MapReduce, Spark) [Jun 03]
 - 13 Data stream processing systems [Jun 17]

