Transactional Information Systems:

Theory, Algorithms, and the Practice of Concurrency Control and Recovery

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"Teamwork is essential. It allows you to blame someone else." (Anonymous)



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"This we know. All things are connected." (Chief Seattle)

Conceptual Overview of Redo-History Algorithms

- Analysis pass: as in page model
- Redo pass: page-level redo for efficiency
- Undo pass: needs to invoke inverse high-level operations

Problems:

- atomicity of high-level operations: how to deal with partial effects of high-level operations
- idempotence of high-level operations: how to detect and prevent duplicate executions in situations where winners can follow losers

Solutions:

- page-level undo for partial high-level operations
- create CLEs for high-level inverse operations

Example for Object-Model Crash Recovery



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Actions During Normal Operation

- Introduce separate logs for each layer, with separate instances of the log manager's data structures (e.g., log buffer)
- Maintain L_0 log for page writes on behalf of subtransactions along with subcommit log entries for redo of completed subtransactions and undo of incomplete subtransactions for transactions
 - page-model crash recovery for subtransactions

- Maintain L₁ log for high-level inverse operations and transaction commit log entries
- Both logs make use of CLEs
- Log buffer forcing necessary for:
- L_0 log before a dirty page can be flushed
- L_1 log upon transaction commit, with L_0 log forced beforehand for transaction redo guarantee
- L_1 log before L_0 log is forced for transaction undo guarantee

Execution of High-Level Operations

exec (op, transid, inputparams, ^returnvalues, s):
 subbegin () ^subtransid;
 execute operation;
 newlogentry.LogSeqNo := s;
 newlogentry.ActionType := exec;
 newlogentry.TransId := transid;
 newlogentry.SubtransId := subtransid;
 newlogentry.UndoInfo :=
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information on the inverse operation and its parameters; newlogentry.PreviousSeqNo := ActiveTrans[transid].LastSeqNo; ActiveTrans[transid].LastSeqNo := s; L1LogBuffer += newlogentry; subcommit (subtransid);

Simple 2-Level Crash Recovery Algorithm

- L₀ recovery first identifies winner subtransactions, performs redo for these and undo for incomplete subtransactions
- L₁ recovery then identifies loser transactions, performs undo by traversing the corresponding NextUndoSeqNo backward chains:
 - an inverse operation is initiated iff the corresponding forward subtransaction was a winner
 - inverse operation executions create CLEs in the L₁ log and are treated like subtransactions during normal operation

```
restart ( ):
  L<sub>0</sub> analysis pass ( ) returns losers, winners, DirtyPages;
  L<sub>0</sub> redo pass ( );
  L<sub>0</sub> undo pass ( );
  L<sub>1</sub> analysis pass ( );
  L<sub>1</sub> undo pass ( );
```

Efficient Testing of Winner Subtransactions

Problem: L_1 undo step needs to be invoked iff the corresponding subtransaction is an L_0 winner \rightarrow need efficient test without explicit L_0 winner list

Solution:

- \bullet Include L_0 subbegin LSN in L_1 log entry for high-level operation
- L₀ analysis pass should identify maximum subbegin LSN as a "survivor mark" and explicitly identifies loser subtransactions
- L_1 undo pass test "presence" of high-level operation f_{ij} as follows:
 - if subbegin LSN in L₁ log entry for f_{ij} is larger than survivor mark then f_{ii} must be a loser subtransaction
 - otherwise (i.e., there is L_0 evidence of f_{ij}), if f_{ij} is not a loser subtransaction then it must be a winner subtransaction

L₁ Undo Pass of Simple 2-Level Algorithm (1)

```
L_1 undo pass ( ):
   ActiveTrans := empty;
   for each t in L1 losers do
         ActiveTrans += t;
         ActiveTrans[t].LastSeqNo := losers[t].LastSeqNo;
  end /*for*/;
   while there exists t in losers
         such that losers[t].LastSeqNo <> nil do
       nexttrans := TransNo in losers
             such that losers[nexttrans].LastSegNo =
             max {losers[x].LastSeqNo | x in losers};
       nextentry := losers[nexttrans].LastSegNo;
       if StableLog[nextentry].ActionType = compensation then
          if StableLog[nextentry].CompensatingSubtransId
             is in LO winners then
           losers[nexttrans].LastSeqNo :=
             StableLog[nextentry].NextUndoSegNo else
           losers[nexttrans].LastSegNo :=
             StableLog[nextentry].PreviousSegNo;
          end /*if*/;
       end /*if*/;
```

L₁ Undo Pass of Simple 2-Level Algorithm (2)

```
if StableLog[nextentry].ActionType = exec then
    if StableLog[nextentry].SubtransId is in L0 winners
    then
        subbegin ( );
```

```
newlogentry.LogSegNo := new sequence number;
      newlogentry.ActionType := compensation;
      newlogentry.PreviousSegNo :=
         ActiveTrans[transid].LastSeqNo;
      newlogentry.NextUndoSegNo := nextentry.PreviousSegNo;
      ActiveTrans[transid].LastSeqNo :=
         newlogentry.LogSeqNo;
      LogBuffer += newlogentry;
      execute inverse operation
           according to StableLog[nextentry].UndoInfo;
      subcommit ( );
 end /*if*/;
 losers[nexttrans].LastSegNo :=
    StableLog[nextentry].PreviousSegNo;
end /*if*/;
```

L₁ Undo Pass of Simple 2-Level Algorithm (3)

```
if StableLog[nextentry].ActionType = begin
    then
       newlogentry.LogSegNo := new sequence number;
       newlogentry.ActionType := rollback;
       newlogentry.TransId := StableLog[nextentry].TransId;
       newlogentry.PreviousSegNo :=
          ActiveTrans[transid].LastSegNo;
       LogBuffer += newlogentry;
       ActiveTrans -= transid;
       losers -= transid;
    end /*if*/;
end /*while*/;
force ();
```

Example for Simple 2-Level Algorithm

Sequence number: action	Cached changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Stable Changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Log entry added to L ₀ log [LogSeqNo: action]	Log entry added to L ₁ log [LogSeqNo: action]	
1: begin (t ₁)				1: begin (t_1)	
2: incr (x, t_1)				2: incr ⁻¹ (x, t_1)	
3: subbegin (t ₁₁)			3: subbegin (t_{11})		
4: write (p, t ₁₁)	p: 4		4: write (p, t_{11})		
5: write (q, t ₁₁)	q: 5		5: write (q, t_{11})		
6: subcommit (t ₁₁)			6: subcommit (t ₁₁)		
7: begin (t_2)				7: begin (t_2)	
8: incr (x, t ₂)				8: incr ⁻¹ (x, t_2)	
9: subbegin (t ₂₁)			9: subbegin (t_{21})		
10: write (p, t_{21})	p: 10		10: write (p, t_{21})		
11: incr (y, t _l)				11: incr ¹ (y, t_1)	
12: subbegin (t ₁₂)			12: subbegin (t_{12})		
13: write (s, t ₁₂)	s: 13		13: write (s, t_{12})		
14: flush (p)		p: 10			
15: write (r, t_{21})	r: 15		15: write (r, t_{21})		
16: flush (s)		s: 13			
17: subcommit (t ₂₁)			17: subcommit (t ₂₁)		
18: commit (t_2)				18: commit (t ₂)	
19: write (r, t ₁₂)	r: 19		19: write (r, t_{12})		
20: subcommit (t ₁₂)			20: subcommit (t ₁₂)		
21: incr (z, t ₁)				21: incr ⁻¹ (z, t_1)	
22: subbegin (t ₁₃)			22: subbegin (t ₁₃)		
23: write (s, t_{13})	s: 23		23: write (s, t_{13})		
✓ SYSTEM CRASH ✓					

Sequence number: action	Cached changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Stable Changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Log entry added to L ₀ log [LogSeqNo: action]	Log entry added to L ₁ log [LogSeqNo: action]	
		RESTAI	RT		
L_0 analysis pass: L_0 losers = { t_{13} },	L_0 winners = { t_1	$\{1, t_{21}, t_{12}\}$			
consider-redo (4)					
redo (5)	q: 5				
consider-redo (10)					
consider-redo (13)					
redo (15)	r: 15				
redo (19)	r: 19				
redo (23)	s: 23				
24: compensate (23)	s: 24		24: CLE (23), next=nil		
25: subrollback (t ₁₃)			25: subrollback (t ₁₃)		
L_1 analysis pass: L_1 losers = { t_1 }					
consider-compensate $(21, t_{13})$					
26: compensate $(11, t_{12}) \uparrow t_{14}$				26: CLE (11, t_{12} , t_{14}), next = 2	
27: subbegin (t_{14})			27: subbegin (t ₁₄)		
28: write (s, t_{14})	s: 28		28: write (s, t_{14})		
29: write (r, t_{14})	r: 29		29: write (r, t_{14})		
30: flush (r)		r: 29			
31: subcommit (t_{14})			31: subcommit (t ₁₄)		
32: flash (q)		q: 5			
33: compensate $(2, t_{11}) \uparrow t_{15}$				33: CLE(2, t_{11} , t_{15}), next = nil	
✓ SECOND SYSTEM CRASH ✓					

Sequence number: action	Cached changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Stable Changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Log entry added to L ₀ log [LogSeqNo: action]	Log entry added to L ₁ log [LogSeqNo: action]
		SECOND RE	START	
L_0 analysis pass: L_0 losers = { t_{13} },	L_0 winners = { t_1	$_{1}, t_{21}, t_{12}, t_{13}, t_{14}$	}	
consider-redo (4)				
consider-redo (5)				
consider-redo (10)				
consider-redo (13)				
consider-redo (15)				
consider-redo (19)				
redo (23)	s: 23			
redo (24)	s: 24			
redo (28)	s: 28			
consider-redo (29)				
³⁴ : subrollback (t ₁₅)			34: subrollback (t15)	
L_1 analysis pass: L_1 losers = { t_1 }				-
S: compensate $(2, t_{11}) \uparrow t_{16}$				35: CLE $(2, t_{11}, t_{16})$, nex t= nil
36: subbegin (t ₁₆)			36: subbegin (t ₁₆)	
37: write (p, t_{16})	p: 37			
38: write (q, t_{16})	q: 38			
39: subcommit (t ₁₆)			39: subcommit (t ₁₆)	
40: rollback (t ₁)				40: rollback (t ₁)
SECOND RESTART COMPLETE: RESUME NORMAL OPERATION				

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Enhanced 2-Level Crash Recovery Algorithm

combine $L_0 \log$ and $L_1 \log$ into a single \log

- simplifies log forcing: log buffer forcing as in page model
- simplifies state testing by L_1 undo: by creating the L_1 log entry for the inverse operation at the end of the subtransaction and interpreting it also as an L_0 subcommit, the L_1 undo pass does no longer need to to test for L_0 winners
- can combine two analysis passes into one
- can combine two undo passes into one by using the NextUndoSeqNo backward chain as follows:
 - an L₀ write log entry points to the preceding write
 - in the same subtransaction
 - the very first L_0 write log entry of a subtransaction points to the L_1 log entry of the preceding subtransaction
 - an L₀ or L₁ CLE points to the predecessor of the compensated action

NextUndoSeqNo Backward Chaining in Enhanced 2-Level Crash Recovery Algorithm

combined L₀/L₁ log ...



L₀/L₁ Undo Pass of Enhanced 2-Level Algorithm (1)

```
undo pass ( ):
   ActiveTrans := empty;
   for each t in losers do
         ActiveTrans += t;
         ActiveTrans[t].LastSeqNo := losers[t].LastSeqNo;
   end /*for*/:
   while there exists t in losers such that
         losers[t].LastSeqNo <> nil do
       nexttrans = TransNo in losers
             such that losers[nexttrans].LastSegNo =
             max {losers[x].LastSeqNo | x in losers};
       nextentry := losers[nexttrans].LastSeqNo;
       if StableLog[nextentry].ActionType = compensation then
          losers[nexttrans].LastSegNo :=
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StableLog[nextentry].NextUndoSeqNo;

end /*if*/;

L₀/L₁ Undo Pass of Enhanced 2-Level Algorithm (2)

if StableLog[nextentry].ActionType = write or full-write
then

pageno := StableLog[nextentry].PageNo; fetch (pageno);

if DatabaseCache[pageno].PageSeqNo

>= nextentry.LogSeqNo then
newlogentry.LogSeqNo := new sequence number;

newlogentry.ActionType := compensation;

newlogentry.PreviousSeqNo :=

ActiveTrans[transid].LastSeqNo;

newlogentry.NextUndoSeqNo := nextentry.PreviousSeqNo; newlogentry.RedoInfo :=

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inverse action of the action in nextentry;
ActiveTrans[transid].LastSeqNo := newlogentry.LogSeqNo;
LogBuffer += newlogentry;
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read and write (StableLog[nextentry].PageNo)

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according to StableLog[nextentry].UndoInfo;
DatabaseCache[pageno].PageSeqNo := newlogentry.LogSeqNo;
end /*if*/;
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losers[nexttrans].LastSeqNo :=

StableLog[nextentry].NextUndoSeqNo; end /*if*/:

L₀/L₁ Undo Pass of Enhanced 2-Level Algorithm (3)

```
if StableLog[nextentry].ActionType = exec then
    subbegin ( );
    execute inverse operation
       according to StableLog[nextentry].UndoInfo;
    newlogentry.LogSegNo := new sequence number;
    newlogentry.ActionType := compensation;
    newlogentry.PreviousSegNo :=
       ActiveTrans[transid].LastSeqNo;
    newlogentry.NextUndoSegNo := nextentry.NextUndoSegNo;
    ActiveTrans[transid].LastSeqNo :=
       newlogentry.LogSeqNo;
    LogBuffer += newlogentry;
    subcommit ( );
    losers[nexttrans].LastSeqNo :=
       StableLog[nextentry].NextUndoSegNo;
end /*if*/;
```

L₀/L₁ Undo Pass of Enhanced 2-Level Algorithm (4)

Sequence number: action	Cached changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Stable Changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Log entry added [LogSeqNo: action] [NextUndoSeqNo]
1: begin (t ₁)			1: begin (t_1) , next = nil
2: incr (x, t_1)			
3: subbegin (t ₁₁)			
4: write (p, t ₁₁)	p: 4		4: write (p, t_{11}) , next = nil
5: write (q, t_{11})	q: 5		5: write (q, t_{11}) , next = 4
6: subcommit (t ₁₁)			6: $incr^{-1}(x, t_1)$, $next = nil$
7: begin (t_2)			7: begin (t_2)
8: incr (x, t ₂)			
9: subbegin (t ₂₁)			
10: write (p, t ₂₁)	p: 10		10: write (p, t_{21}) , next = nil
11: incr (y, t ₁)			
12: subbegin (t ₁₂)			
13: write (s, t ₁₂)	s: 13		13: write (s, t_{12}), next = 6
14: flush (p)		p: 10	
15: write (r, t ₂₁)	r: 15		15: write (r, t_{21}) , next = 10
16: flush (s)		s: 13	
17: subcommit (t ₂₁)			17: incr ⁻¹ (x, t_2), next = nil
18: commit (t ₂)			18: commit (t_2)
19: write (r, t ₁₂)	r: 19		19: write (r, t_{12}) , next = 13
20: subcommit (t ₁₂)			20: incr ⁻¹ (y, t_1), next = 6
21: incr (z, t ₁)			
22: subbegin (t ₁₃)			
23: write (s, t ₁₃)	s: 23		23: write (s, t_{13}), next = 20
	4	SYSTEM CRASH	4

Example for Enhanced 2-Level Algorithm

Sequence number: action	Cached changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Stable Changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Log entry added [LogSeqNo: action] [NextUndoSeqNo]		
	RESTA	ART			
analysis pass: losers = $\{t_1\}$, LastSe	analysis pass: losers = $\{t_1\}$, LastSeqNo $(t_1) = 23$				
consider-redo (4)					
redo (5)	q: 5				
consider-redo (10)					
consider-redo (13)					
redo (15)	r: 15				
redo (19)	r: 19				
redo (23)	s: 23				
24: compensate (23)	s: 24		24: CLE (23), next = 20		
25: compensate $(20, t_{12}) \uparrow t_{14}$					
26: subbegin (t_{14})					
27: write (s, t ₁₄)	s: 27		27: write (s, t_{14}), next = 20		
28: write (r, t_{14})	r: 28		28: write (r, t_{14}) , next = 27		
29: flush (r)		r: 28			
30: subcommit (t ₁₄)			30: CLE (20, t_{12} , t_{14}), next = 6		
31: flush (q)		q: 5			
32: compensate $(6, t_{11}) \uparrow t_{15}$					
✓ SECOND SYSTEM CRASH ✓					

Sequence number: action	Cached changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Stable Changes [PageNo: SeqNo]	Log entry added [LogSeqNo: action] [NextUndo SeqNo]		
SECOND RESTART					
analysis pass: losers = $\{t_1\}$, Last Se	$eqNo(t_1) = 30$				
consider-redo (4)					
consider-redo (5)					
consider-redo (10)					
consider-redo (13)					
consider-redo (15)					
consider-redo (19)					
redo (23)	s: 23				
redo (24)	s: 24				
redo (27)	s: 27				
consider-redo (28)					
33: compensate $(6, t_{11}) \uparrow t_{15}$					
34: subbegin (t_{15})					
35: write (p, t_{15})	p: 35		35: write (p, t_{15}) , next = 6		
36: write (q, t_{15})	q: 36		36 : write (q, t_{15}) , next = 35		
37: subcommit (t ₁₅)			37: CLE (6, t_{11} , t_{15}), next = nil		
38: rollback (t ₁)			38: rollback (t ₁)		
SECOND RESTART COMPLETE: RESUME NORMAL OPERATION					

Correctness of Enhanced 2-Level Algorithm

Theorem 14.1:

The enhanced 2-level crash recovery method,

with 3 passes over the combined log, performs correct recovery.

Proof sketch:

The following invariant holds at each point of the undo pass:

- \forall log sequence numbers $s \in$ StableLog such that
 - s = ActiveTrans[t].LastSeqNo for some loser transaction t:
 - \forall operations $o \in$ StableLog:
 - (o belongs to t) \Rightarrow
 - (o is reachable along ActiveTrans[t].NextUndoSeqNo
 - \Leftrightarrow o \in CachedDatabase)

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Lessons Learned

- The redo-history paradigm can be extended to object-model crash recovery.
- State-of-the-art algorithms are based on:
 - page-oriented redo of winners and losers
 - log entries of all levels in a single log, to facilitate a single undo pass
 - log entries for high-level operations are at the same time sub-commit log entries to ensure the operation atomicity
 - for undo, log entries of all levels are appropriately linked in the NextUndoSeqNo backward chain
 - during undo, CLEs are created to track progress and ensure idempotence
 - during undo, the execution of high-level inverse operations requires the creation of low-level redo log entries to ensure operation atomicity