



CS 764: Topics in Database Management Systems

Lecture 1: Introduction

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Research interests:

- Cloud-native databases
- New hardware for database
- Transactions and HTAP

Basic Information

Course website: <https://pages.cs.wisc.edu/~yxy/cs764-f22/index.html>

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- Monday 2:30pm–3:30pm CS 4361
- Or schedule by email

TA: Keren Chen

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Piazza for discussions and questions

Today's Agenda

Database 101

Course logistics

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Database management system (DBMS): Software designed to assist in **maintaining** and **utilizing large collection** of data.

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SQL Queries

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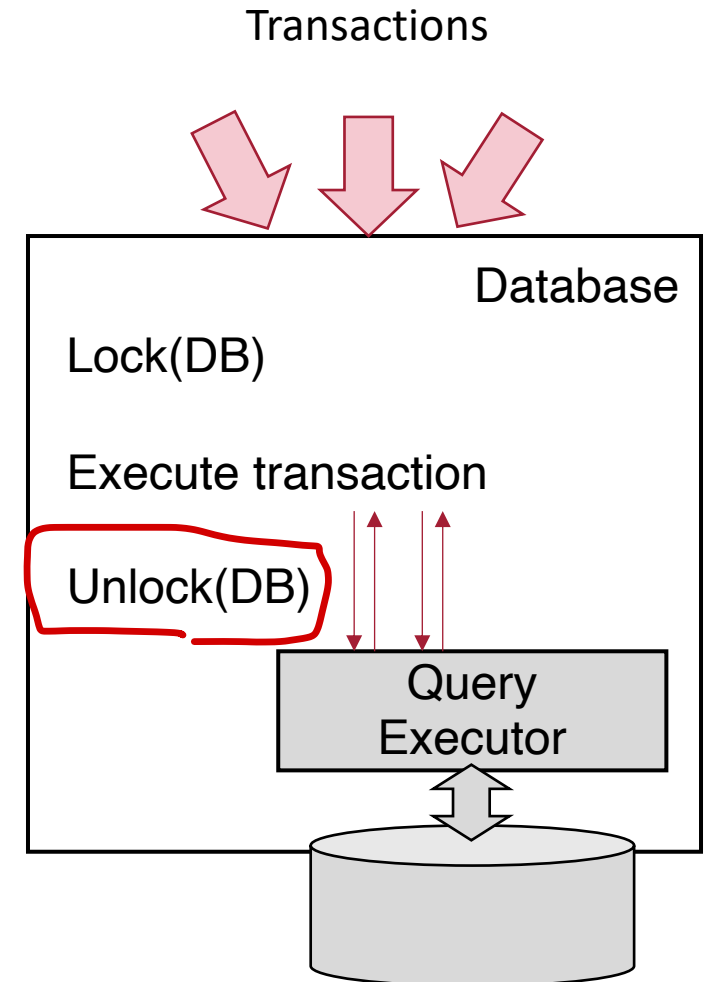
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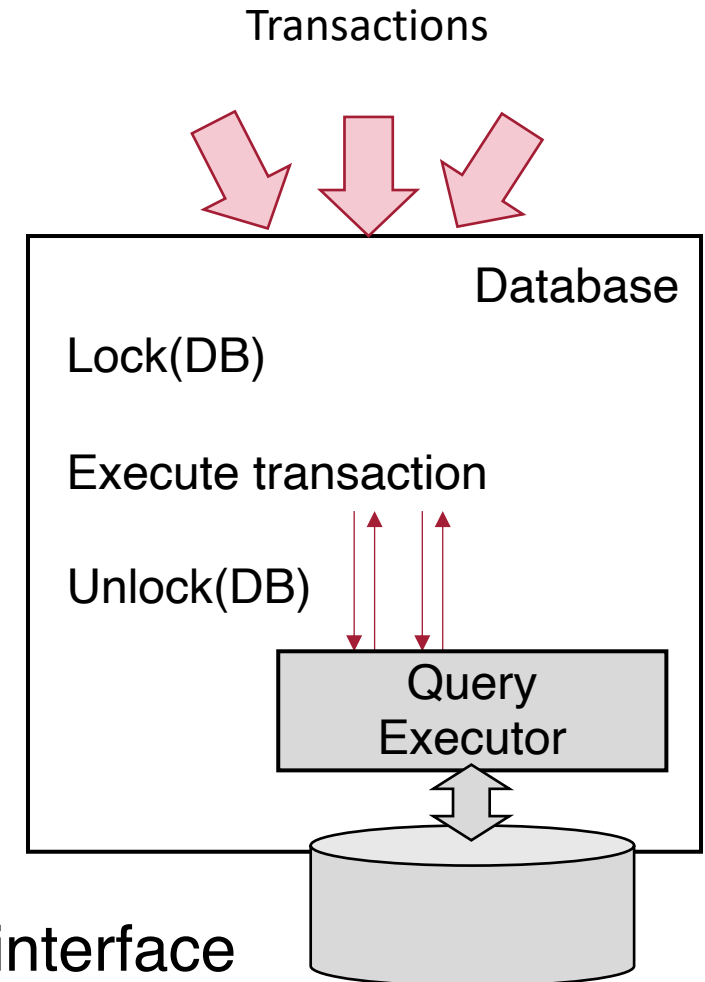
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A DBMS can be heavily optimized beneath this simple interface

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Data can be stored in disks for persistency and low cost and **buffered** in DRAM

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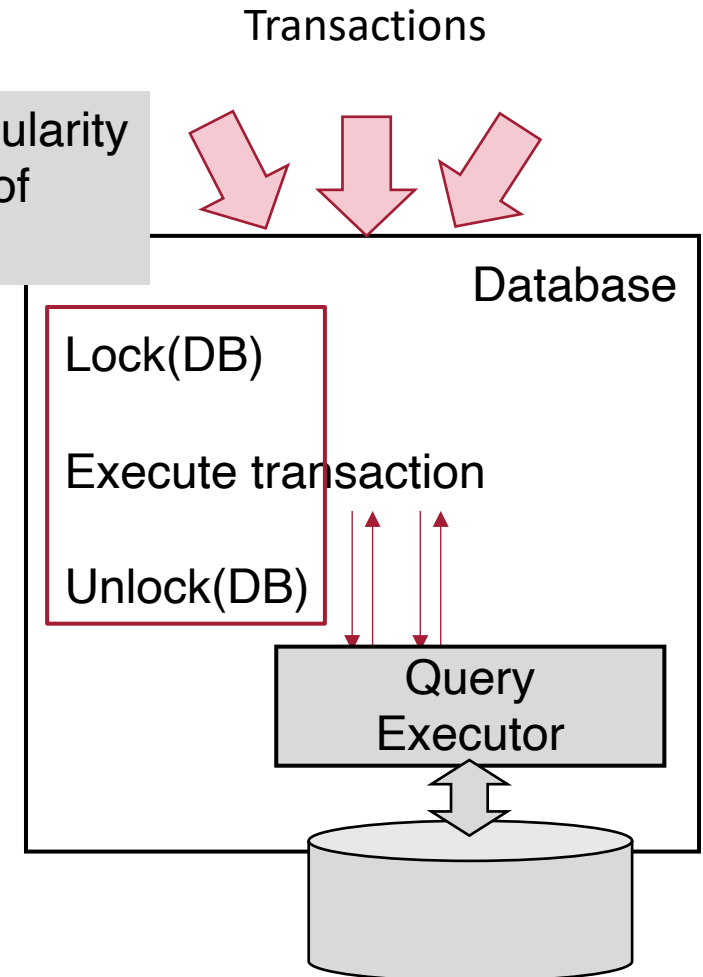
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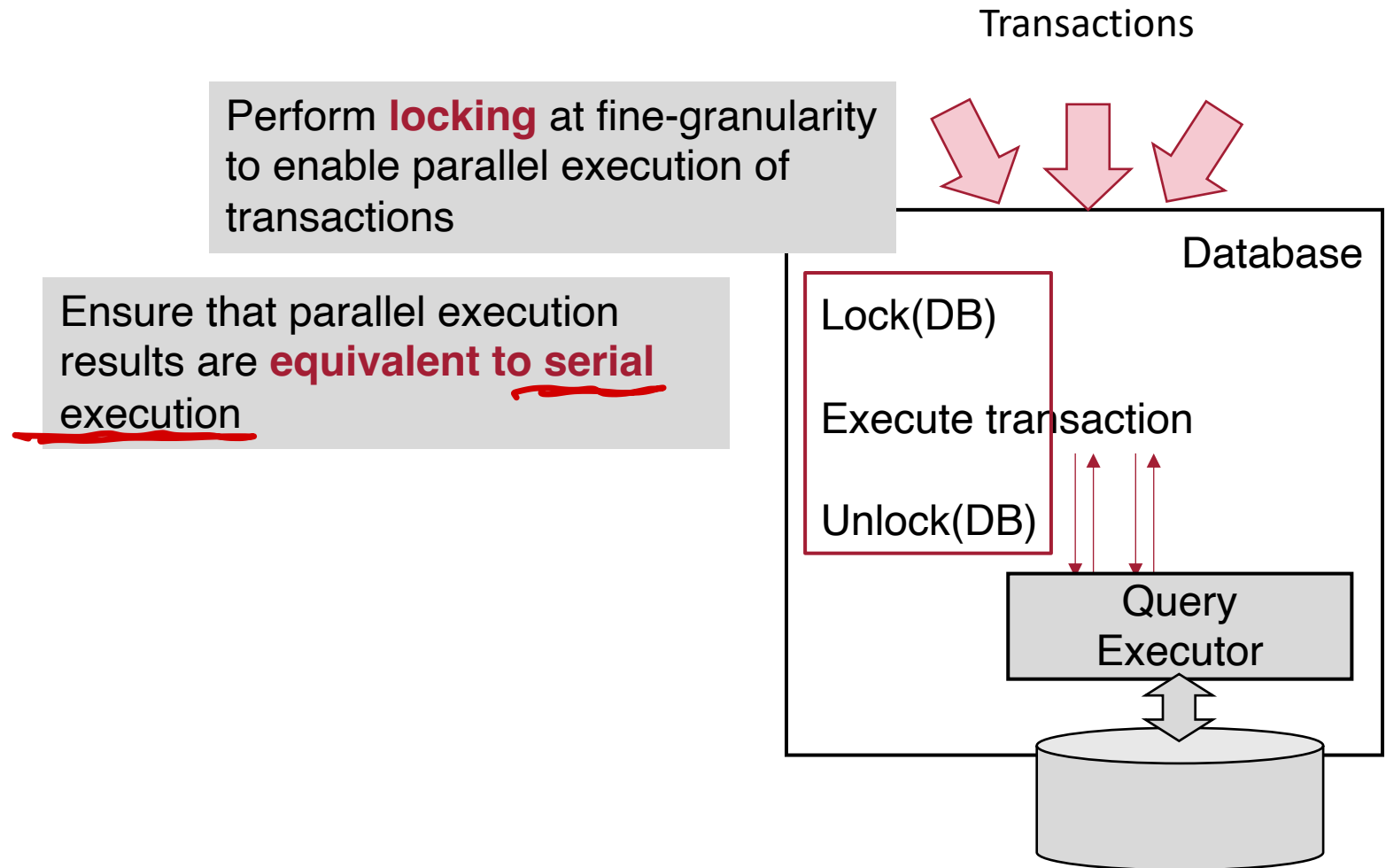
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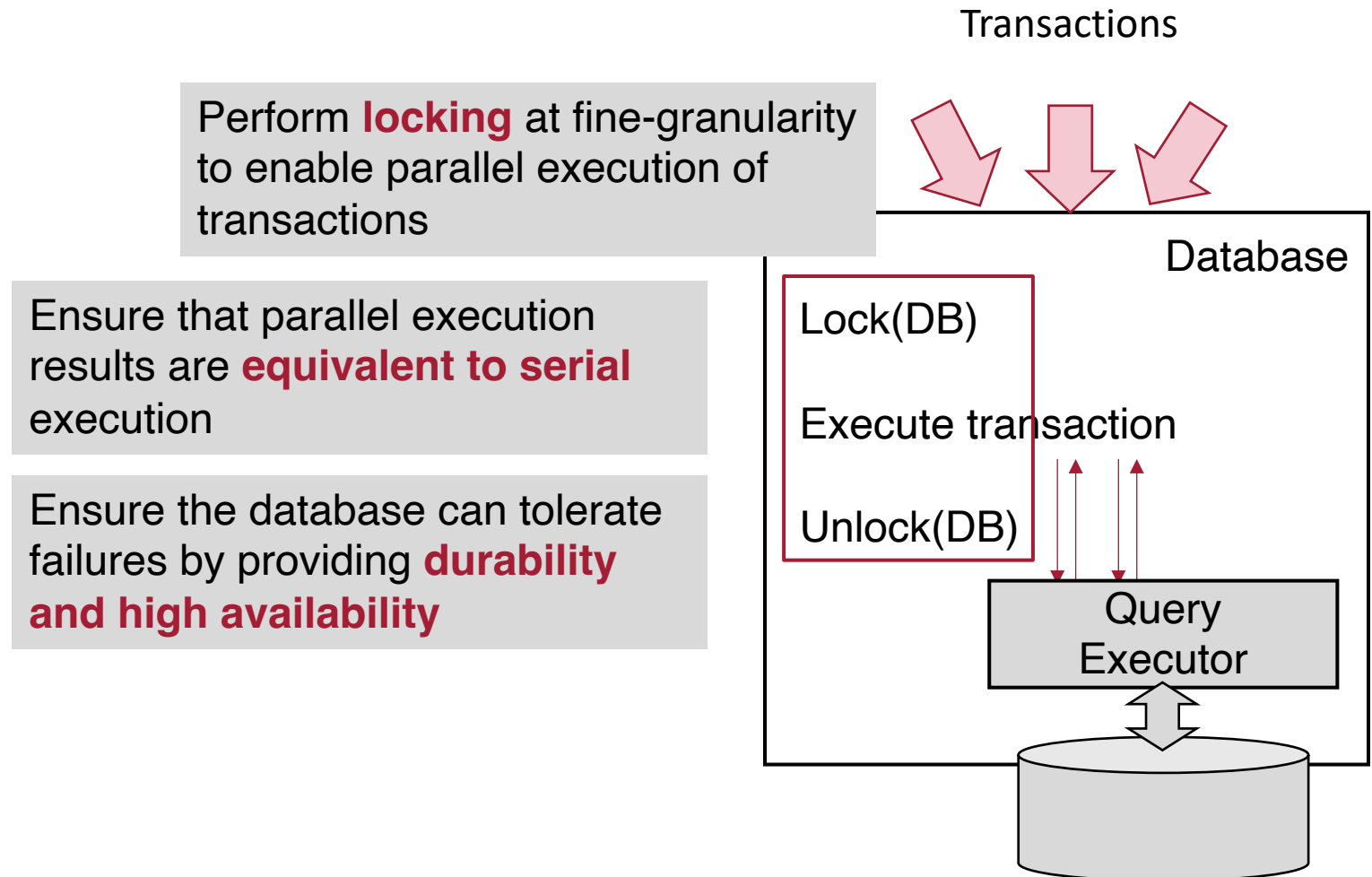
Perform **locking** at fine-granularity to enable parallel execution of transactions



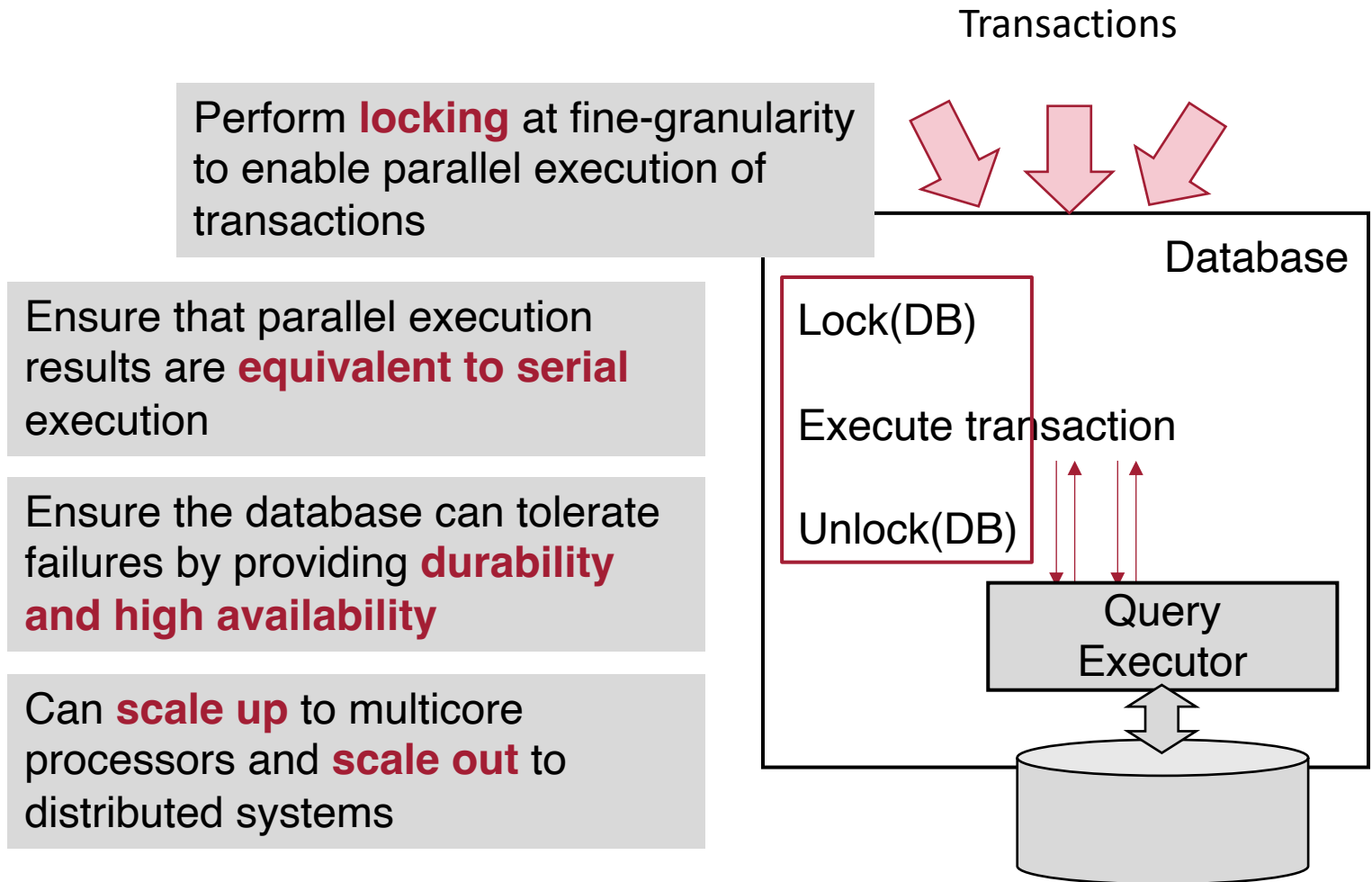
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Canvas page: <https://canvas.wisc.edu/courses/309574> →

Piazza: piazza.com/wisc/fall2022/cs764/ →

Zoom: You can take the lectures online

- <https://uwmadison.zoom.us/j/93625999493?pwd=Si9PWEdpWnhNaTdxMG1zVXFFcXk0QT09>
- passcode: 764

Prerequisite: CS 564

Reference textbooks:

- Red book
- Cow book

Grading

Paper review: 15%

Exam: 35%

Project proposal: 10%

Project presentation: 10%

Project final report: 30%



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Grading: You can skip up to 2 reviews without losing points; otherwise 1% of total grade (up to 15%) is deducted for each missing review

Exam (35%)

In-class exam

- Open-book, open-notes
- You can use any material provided in this course or on the Internet

One lecture to review exams in previous years

Sample exam questions are available on course website

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Important dates

- Create teams and submit proposal: Oct. 24
- Project meetings with instructor: Nov. 21
- Presentation: Dec. 12 & 14
- Paper submission: Dec. 19

Computation Resources

CloudLab

<https://www.cloudlab.us/signup.php?pid=NextGenDB> (project name: NextGenDB)

Chameleon

<https://www.chameleoncloud.org> (project name: ngdb)

Lectures in Hybrid Mode

Each lecture will be streamed online on zoom

- <https://uwmadison.zoom.us/j/93625999493?pwd=Si9PWEdpWnhNaTdxMG1zVXFFcXk0QT09> (passcode: 764)

Lectures will be recorded and the video recording will be available on canvas (canvas -> zoom)

Waitlist

Class size limited to ~60

If you are enrolled but don't want to take the class, please drop ASAP

If you are on the waitlist, we will admit students first-come-first-serve

Before next lecture

Read the following paper and submit review

- Leonard D. Shapiro, Join Processing in Database Systems with Large Main Memories. ACM Trans. Database Syst. 1986.

Email the instructor if you have problems registering for <https://wisc-cs764-f22.hotcrp.com> after Friday 

Enroll on Piazza

- piazza.com/wisc/fall2022/cs764/

