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Today's Paper: ARIES

ARIES: A Transaction Recovery Method Supporting Fine-Granularity Locking and Partial Rollbacks Using Write-Ahead Logging

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In this paper we present a simple and efficient method, called ARIES (*Algorithm for Recovery and Isolation Exploiting Semantics*), which supports partial rollbacks of transactions, fine-granularity (e.g., record) locking and recovery using write-ahead logging (WAL). We introduce the paradigm of *repeating history* to redo all missing updates *before* performing the rollbacks of the loser transactions during restart after a system failure. ARIES uses a log sequence number in each page to correlate the state of a page with respect to logged updates of that page. All updates of a transaction are logged, including those performed during rollbacks. By appropriate chaining of the log records written during rollbacks to those written during forward progress, a bounded amount of logging is ensured during rollbacks even in the face of repeated failures during restart or of nested rollbacks We deal with a variety of features that are very important in building and operating an *industrial-strength* transaction processing system ARIES supports fuzzy checkpoints, selective and deferred restart, fuzzy image copies, media recovery, and high concurrency lock modes (e.g., increment/decrement) which exploit the semantics of the operations and require the ability to perform operation logging. ARIES is flexible with respect to the kinds of buffer management policies that can be implemented. It supports objects of varying length efficiently. By enabling parallelism during restart, page-oriented redo, and logical undo, it enhances concurrency and performance. We show why some of the System R paradigms for logging and recovery, which were based on the shadow page technique, need to be changed in the context of WAL. We compare ARIES to the WAL-based recovery methods of

ACM Trans. Database Syst. 1992.

Agenda

Durability

Write ahead logging

- Force vs. No Force
- Steal vs. No Steal

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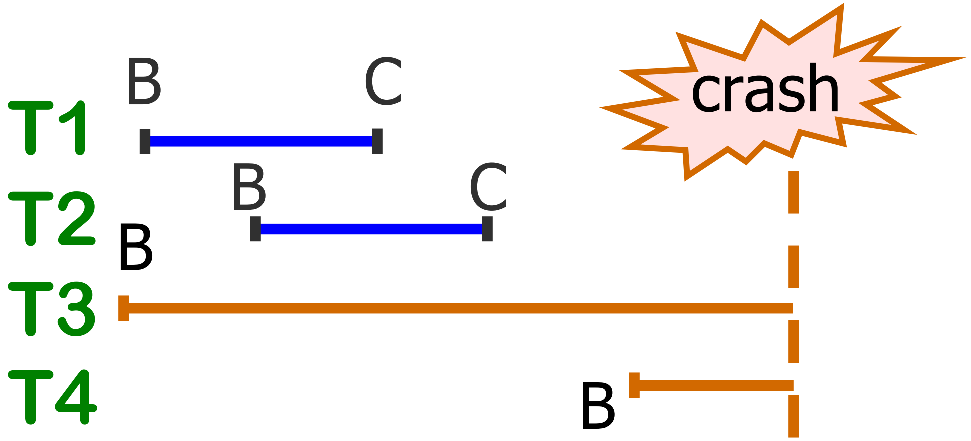
Desired Behavior after system restarts

- T1, T2 should persist
- T3, T4 should be aborted



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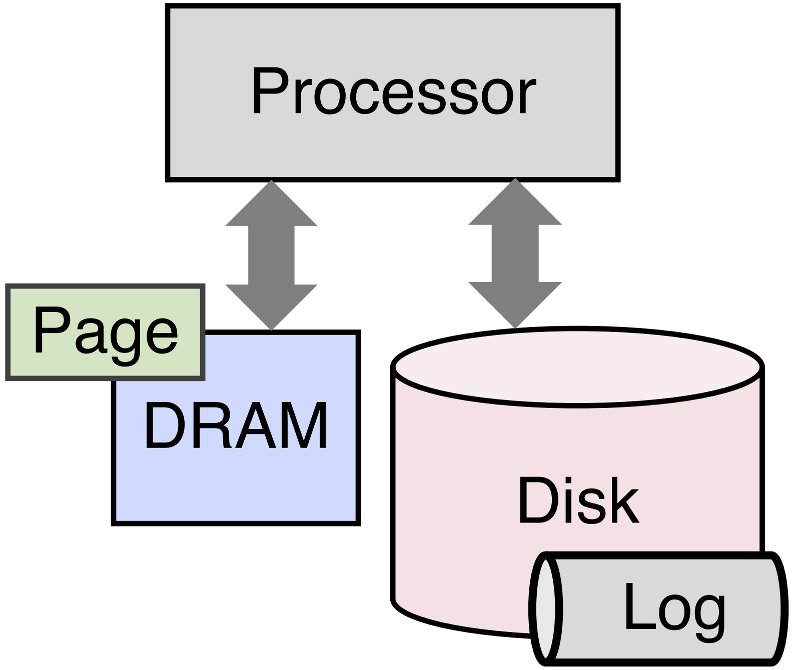

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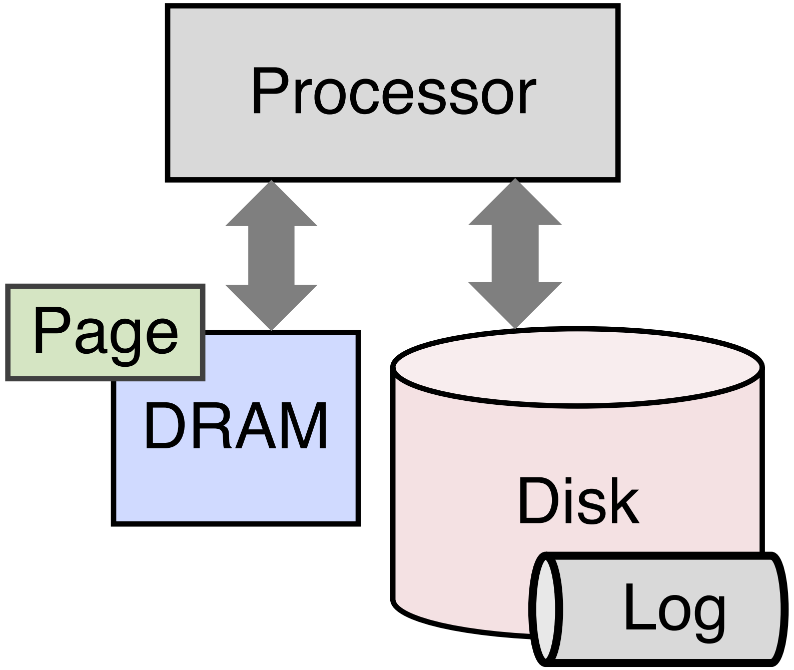

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  => missing updates from committed transactions
- Solution: **REDO logging** before each update

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Solution: add a version number to each page

- **pageLSN**: LSN of the log record that describes the latest update to the page.
- **REDO scan**: Apply REDO only if record.LSN > page.pageLSN
- **Write**: update pageLSN (for the buffered page) for each write

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Solution: link records from the same transaction

- **prevLSN**: preceding log record written by the same transaction
- **lastLSN**: LSN of the last log record written by the transaction
- **UNDO scan**: Follow lastLSN and prevLSN to undo records
- **REDO scan**: update lastLSN in Transaction Table based on the last update of the transaction

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Solution: Maintain a dirty page table

- **pageID**: ID of the dirty page
- **recLSN**: LSN of the first log record since when the page is dirty
- **Fuzzy Checkpoint:** log DPT and TT asynchronously
- **REDO scan**: start from the smallest LSN in DP

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(Active) Transaction Table
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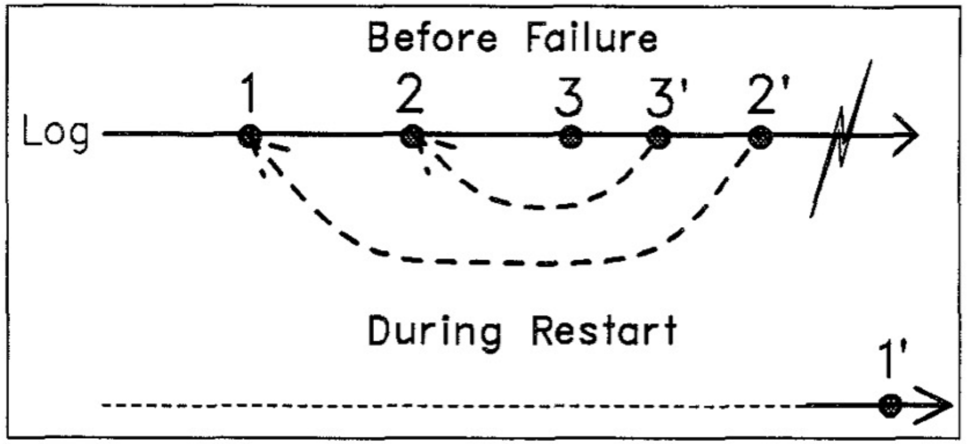
Dirty Page Table
- **pageID**
- **recLSN**

Compensation Log Record (CLR)



I′ is the Compensation Log Record for I
I′ points to the predecessor, if any, of I

The action of applying UNDO leads to a CLR

- In undo scan, do not reapply UNDO if CLR exists
- **UndoNxtLSN**: LSN of the next record to be processed during undo scan

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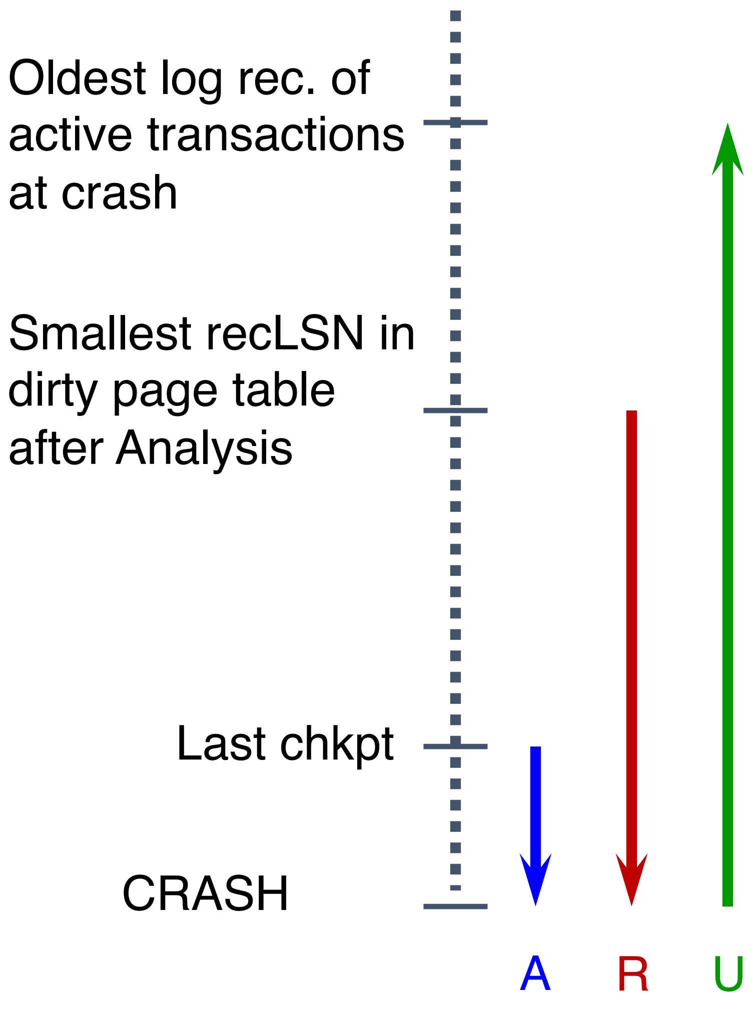

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Observation: can **skip a redo record** for the following cases where the corresponding page has already been flushed before the crash

- The page is not in dirty page table (DPT)
- The page is in DPT but redo_record.LSN < DPT[page].recLSN
- After fetching the data page, redo_record.LSN ≤ page.page_LSN

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Transaction Table

TransID	LastLSN
T3	50
T2	60

Dirty page table

PageID	RecLSN
P5	10
P3	20
P1	50

Data pages

PageID	Page_LSN
P5	40
P3	0
P1	0

No need to update

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PageID	RecLSN
P5	10
P3	20
P1	50

Data pages

PageID	Page_LSN
P5	40
P3	0
P1	0

Update P3 in buffer pool

No need to flush P3 now

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P1	50

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P3	0
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Update P1 in buffer pool

No need to flush P1 now

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P3	20
P1	50

Data pages

PageID	Page_LSN
P5	40
P3	0
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Update P5 in buffer pool

No need to flush P5 now

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Repeat until transaction table is empty:

- Choose largest LastLSN among transactions in the transaction table
- If the log record is an 'update': Undo the update, write a CLR, add record.prevLSN to transaction table
- If the log record is an 'CLR': add CLR.UndoNxtLSN to transaction table
- If prevLSN and UpdoNxtLSN are NULL, remove the transaction from transaction table

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T3	50	50
T2	~~60~~ 70	~~60~~ 20

LSN	LOG	(undoNextLSN)
70	CLR: Undo T2, LSN 60,	(20)

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Transaction Table

TransID	LastLSN	UndoNxtLSN
T3	~~50~~ 80	~~50~~ null
T2	70	20

LSN	LOG	(undoNextLSN)
70	CLR: Undo T2, LSN 60,	(20)
80	CLR: Undo T3, LSN 50,	(null)

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~~T3~~	~~80~~	~~null~~
T2	70	20

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TransID	LastLSN	UndoNxtLSN
T2	~~70~~ 90	~~20~~ null

LSN	LOG	(undoNextLSN)
70	CLR: Undo T2, LSN 60,	(20)
80	CLR: Undo T3, LSN 50,	(null)
85	T3 End	
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~~T2~~	~~90~~	~~null~~

LSN	LOG	(undoNextLSN)
70	CLR: Undo T2, LSN 60,	(20)
80	CLR: Undo T3, LSN 50,	(null)
85	T3 End	
90	CLR: Undo T2, LSN 20,	(null)
95	T2 End	

Crash During Restart – Example

LSN	LOG
00,05	begin_checkpoint, end_checkpoint
10	update: T1 writes P5
20	update T2 writes P3
30	T1 abort
40,45	CLR: Undo T1 LSN 10, T1 End
50	update: T3 writes P1
60	update: T2 writes P5
✕	CRASH, RESTART
70	CLR: Undo T2 LSN 60
80,85	CLR: Undo T3 LSN 50, T3 end
✕	CRASH, RESTART
90	CLR: Undo T2 LSN 20, T2 end

No need to undo LSN 60 and LSN 50 again due to the CLRs created in the previous restart

Can created a checkpoint to reduce the cost of future restart

Q/A – ARIES

Alternatives to logging to provide atomicity and durability?

Logging and recovery in modern database systems?

Challenges in ARIES for modern memory hierarchy?

ARIES with disaggregated storage?

How does the buffer manager obey write ahead logging?

Does the redo order matter?

How much does time/space overhead of logging affect the system?

Next Week

Next Monday: Exam review

- Lecture given by TA
- Exam questions in previous years available on course website

Next Wednesday–Friday: Take-home exam