

Crash Recovery

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Integrity or correctness of data

- Would like data to be “accurate” or “correct” at all times

EMP

Name	Age
White	52
Green	3421
Gray	1

Integrity or consistency constraints

- Examples of predicates data must satisfy:
 - x is key of relation R
 - $x \rightarrow y$ holds in R
 - $\text{Domain}(x) = \{\text{Red, Blue, Green}\}$
 - α is valid index for attribute x of R
 - no employee should make more than twice the average salary

Definition:

- Consistent state: satisfies all constraints
- Consistent DB: DB in consistent state

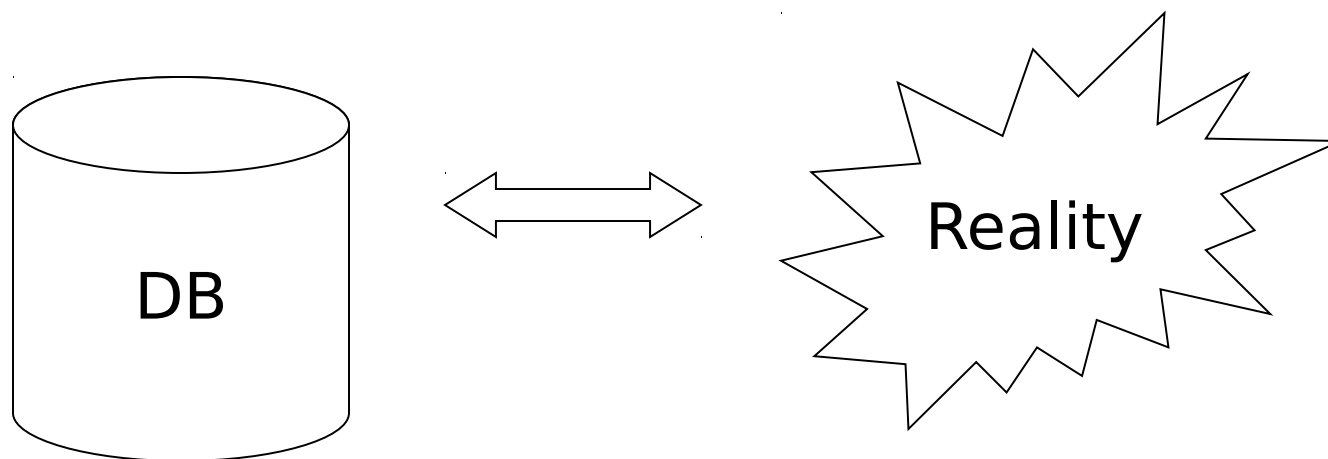
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Example 1 Transaction constraints

- When salary is updated,
new salary $>$ old salary
- When account record is deleted,
balance = 0

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Example 2 Database should reflect
real world



👉 in any case, continue with constraints...

Observation: DB cannot always be consistent!

Example: $a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n = \text{TOT}$ (constraint)

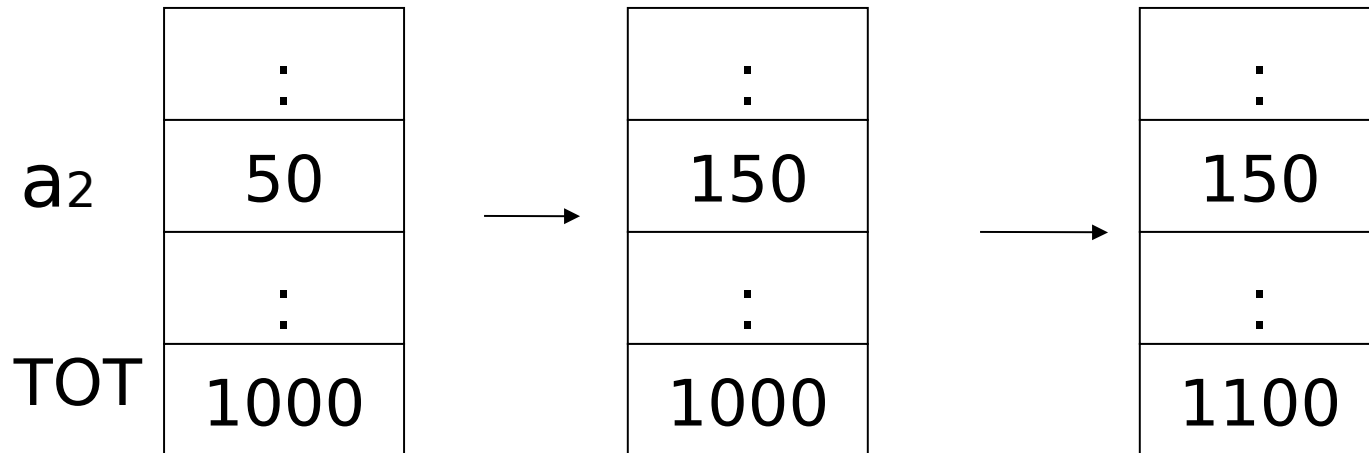
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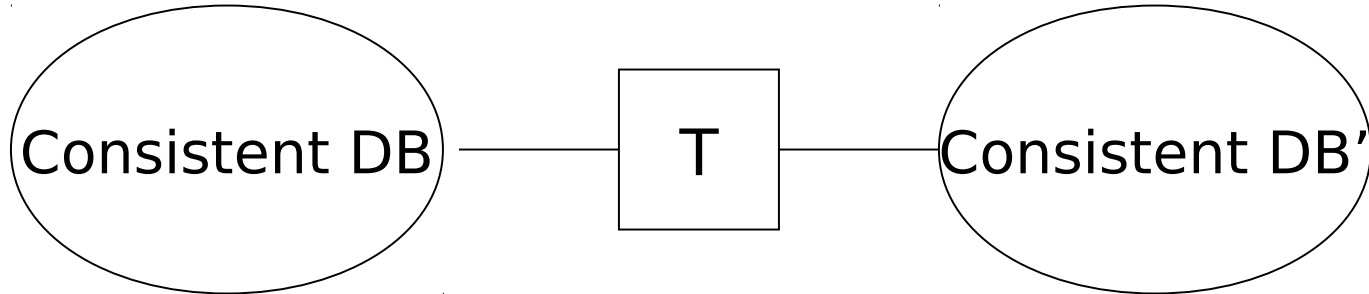
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Transaction: collection of actions
that preserve consistency



Big assumption:

If transaction T starts with consistent state + T executes in isolation
⇒ T leaves consistent state

Correctness (informally)

- If we stop running transactions,
 - DB left consistent
- Each transaction sees a consistent DB

How can constraints be violated?

- Transaction bug
- DBMS bug
- Hardware failure

e.g., disk crash alters balance of account

- Data sharing

e.g.: T1: give 10% raise to programmers

T2: change programmers \Rightarrow systems analysts

How can we prevent/fix violations?

- Chapter 17: due to failures only
- Chapter 18: due to data sharing only
- Chapter 19: due to failures and sharing

We will not consider:

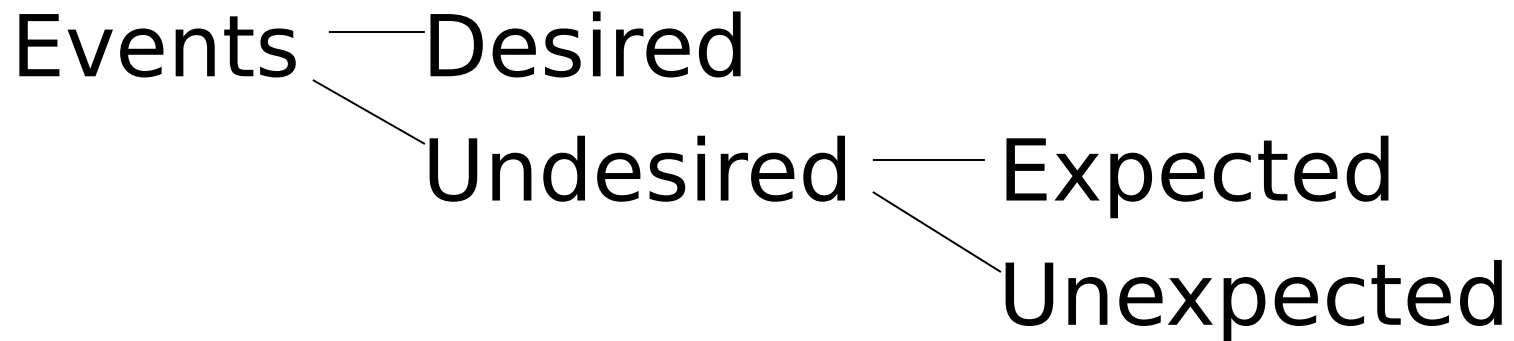
- How to write correct transactions
- How to write correct DBMS
- Constraint checking & repair

That is, solutions studied here do not need to know constraints

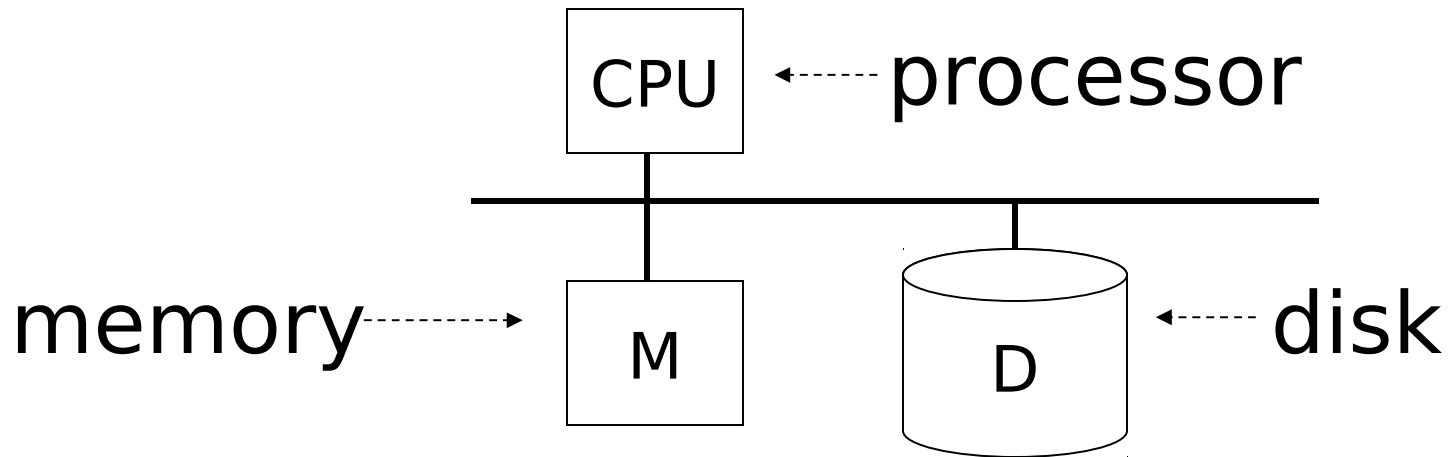
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Failure Model



Our failure model



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that's it!!

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Examples:

- Disk data is lost
- Memory lost without CPU halt
- CPU implodes wiping out universe....

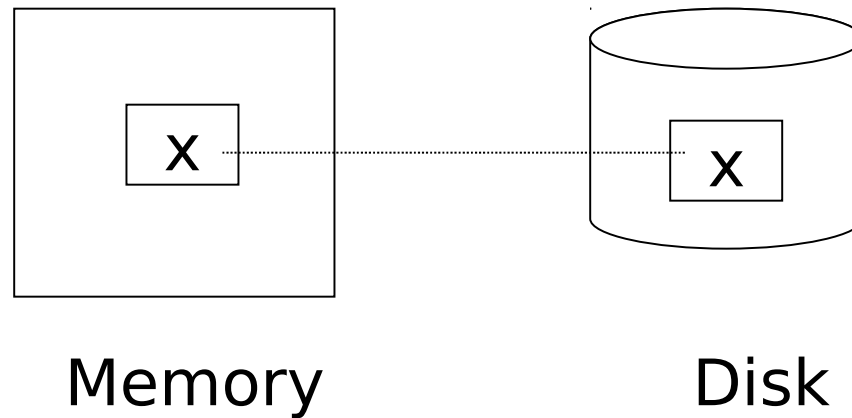
Is this model reasonable?

Approach: Add low level checks +
redundancy to increase
probability that model holds

E.g., { Replicate disk storage (stable store)
Memory parity
CPU checks

Second order of business:

Storage hierarchy



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t \leftarrow value of x in block
- Write (x,t): do input(x) if necessary
value of x in block \leftarrow t

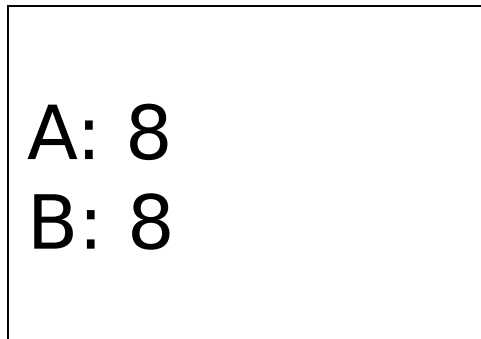
Key problem Unfinished transaction

Example

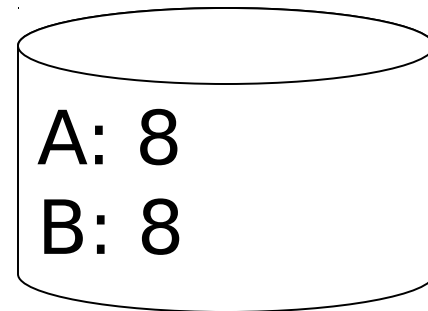
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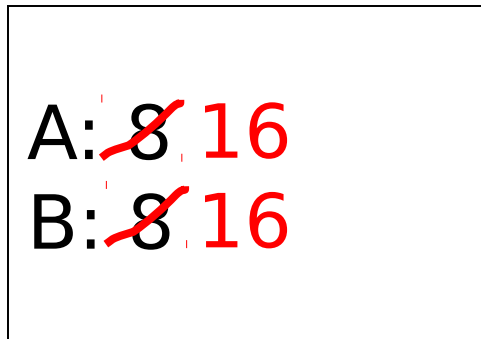


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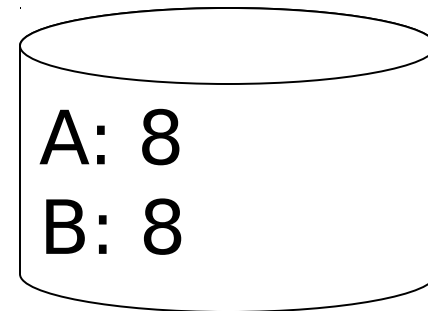


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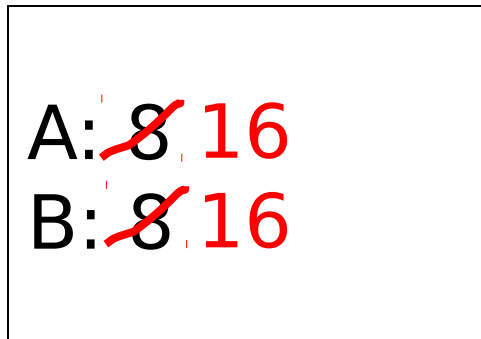
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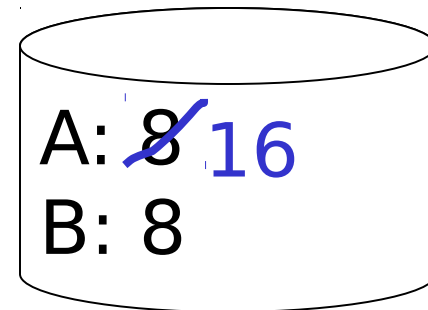
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failure!



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disk

- Need atomicity:
 - execute all actions of a transaction or none at all

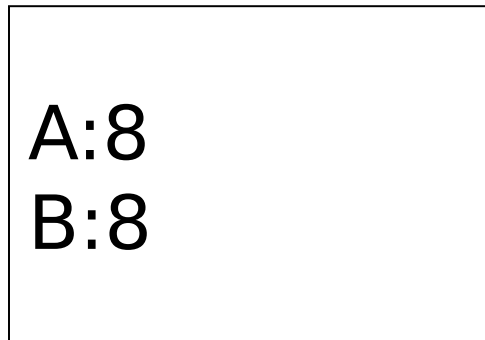
One solution: undo logging (immediate
modification)

essentially due to:

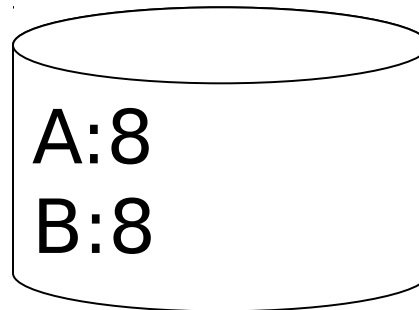
- Hansel and Gretel, 782 AD

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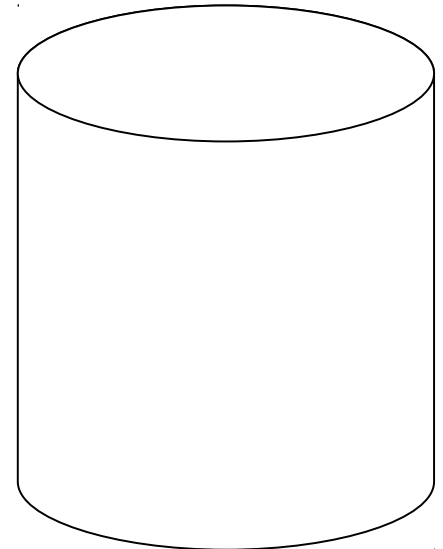
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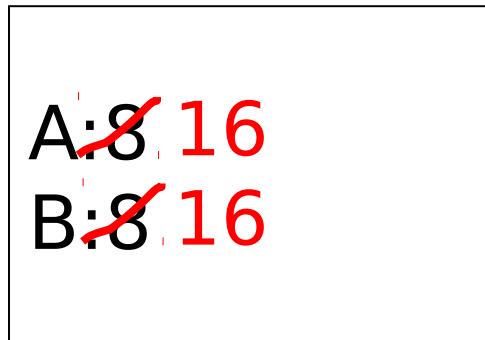
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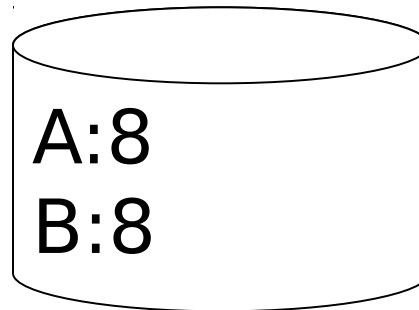
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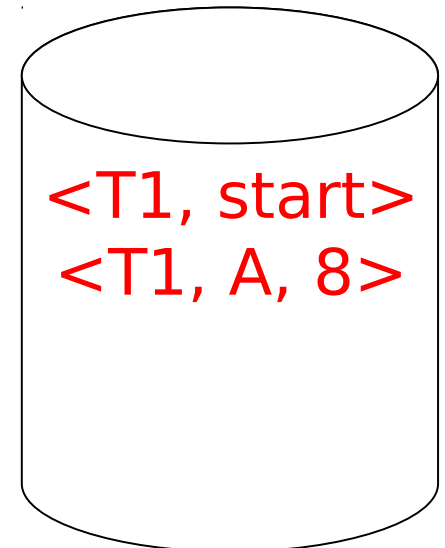
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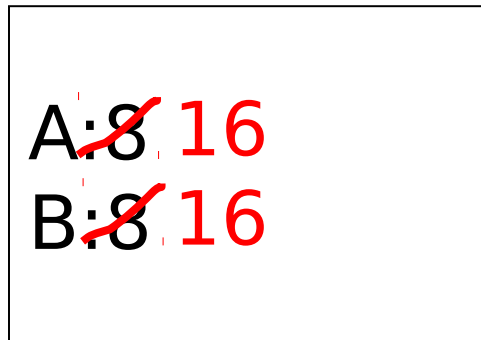
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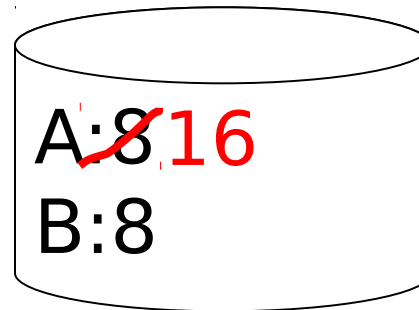
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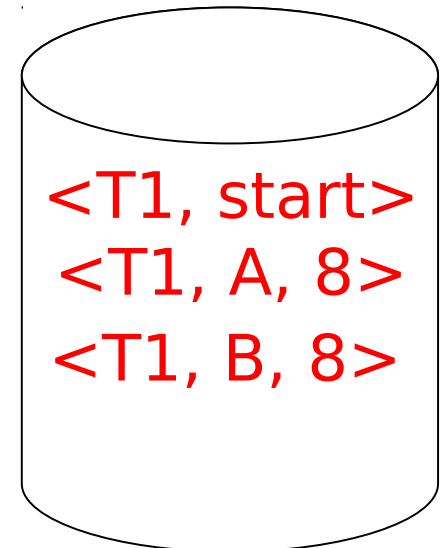
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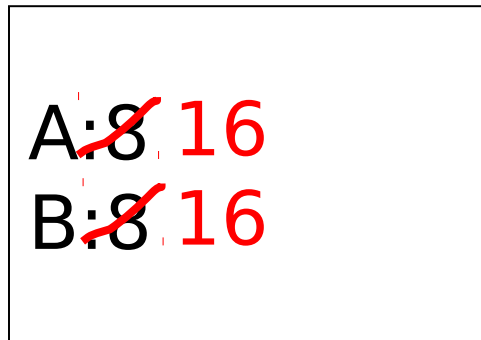
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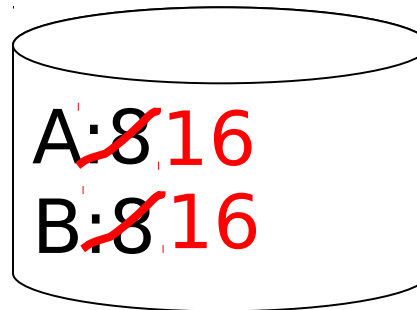
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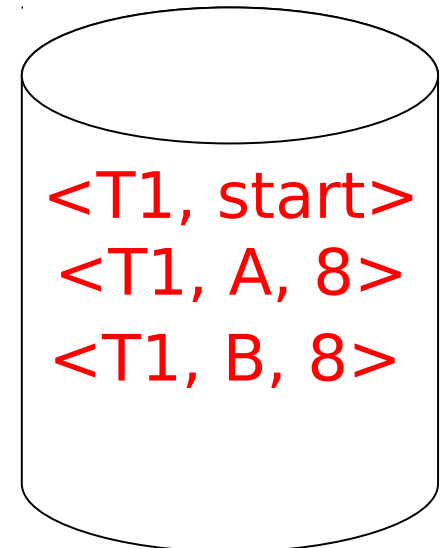
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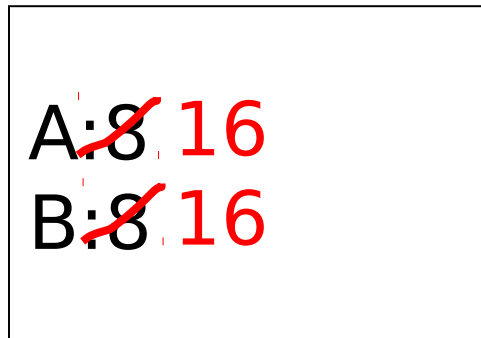
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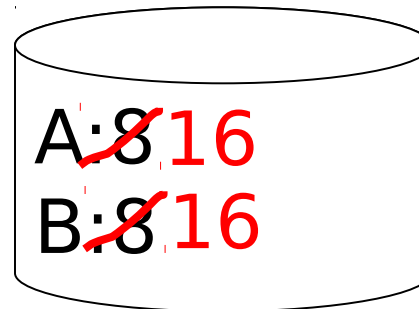
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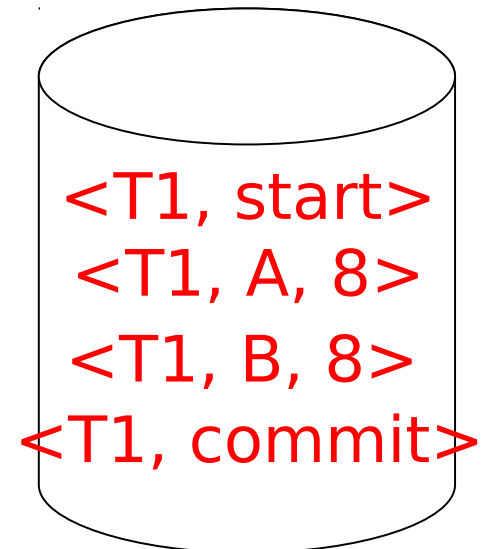
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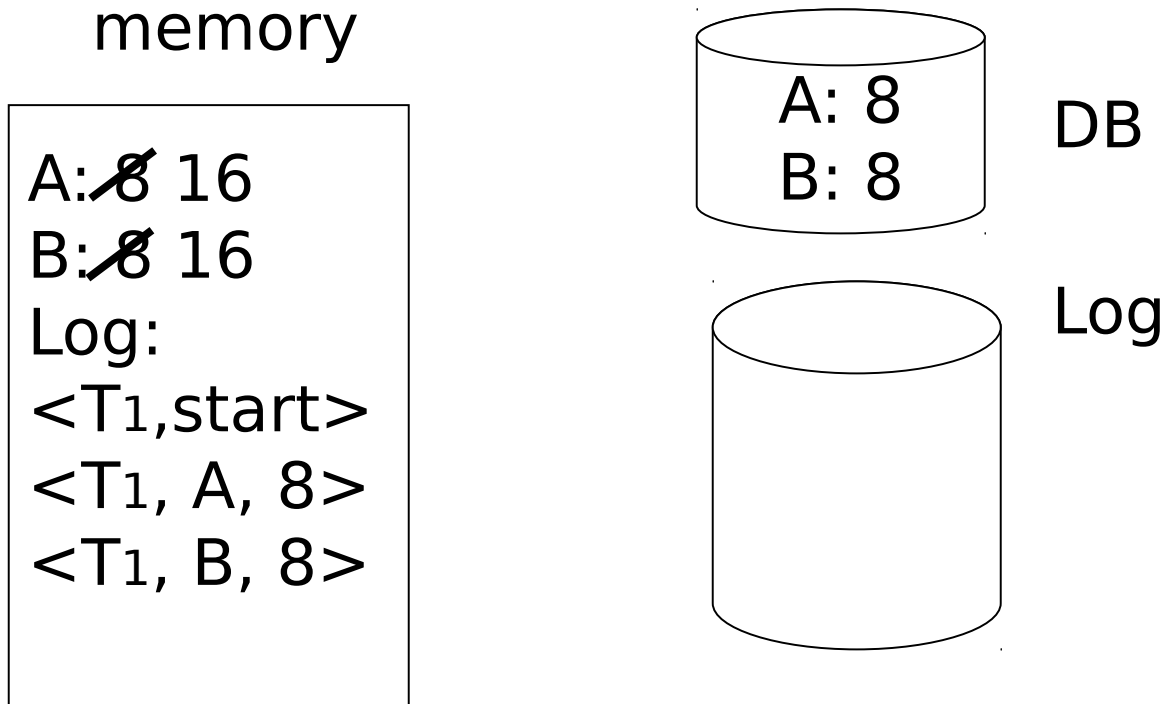
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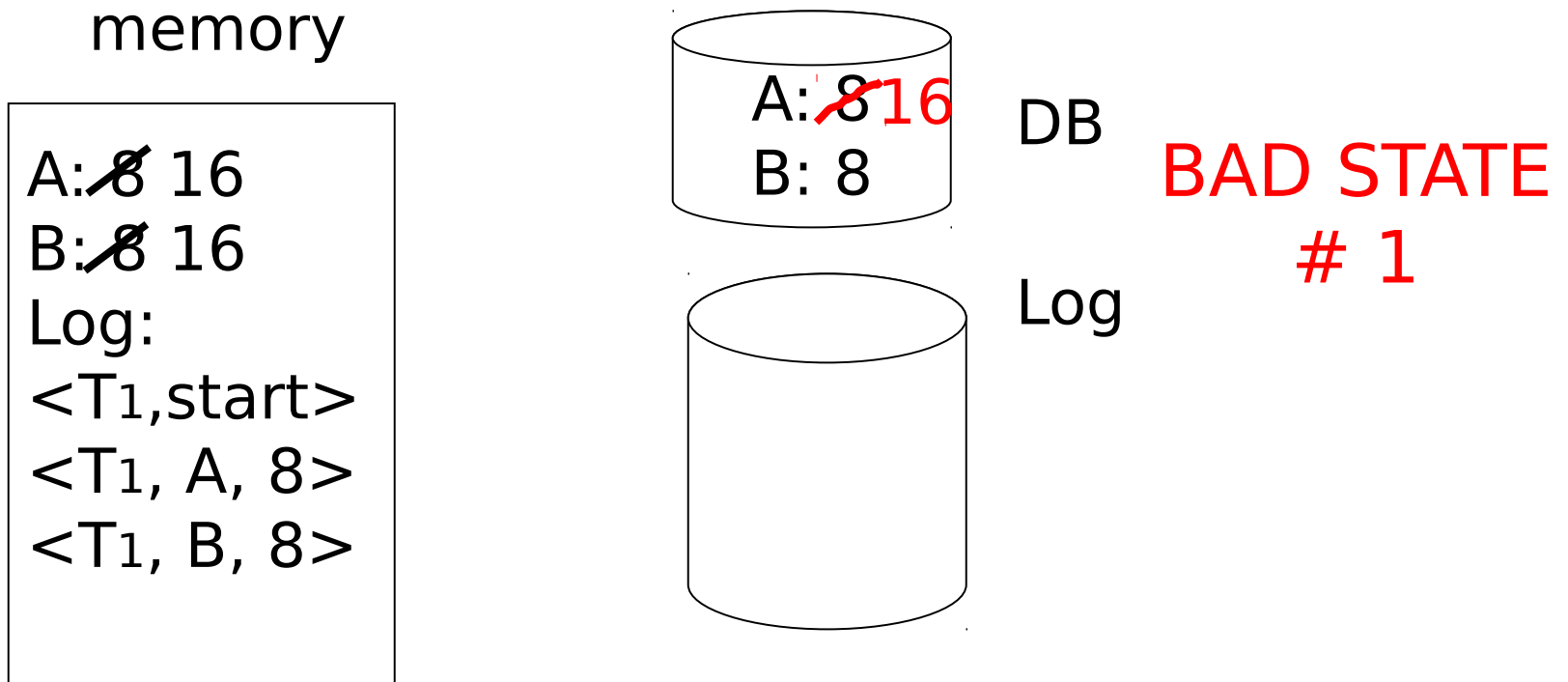
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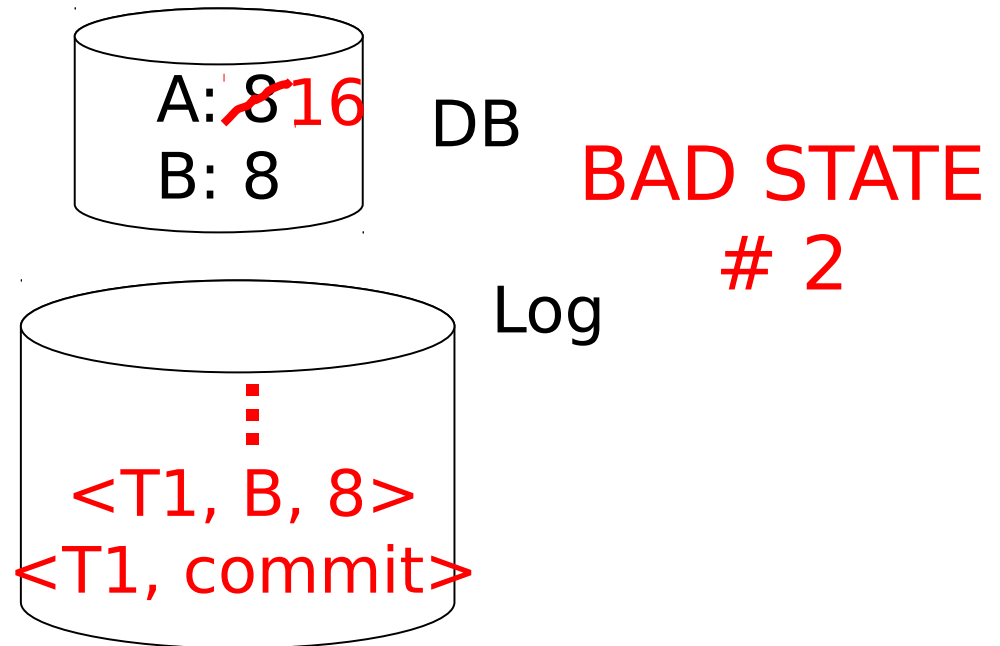
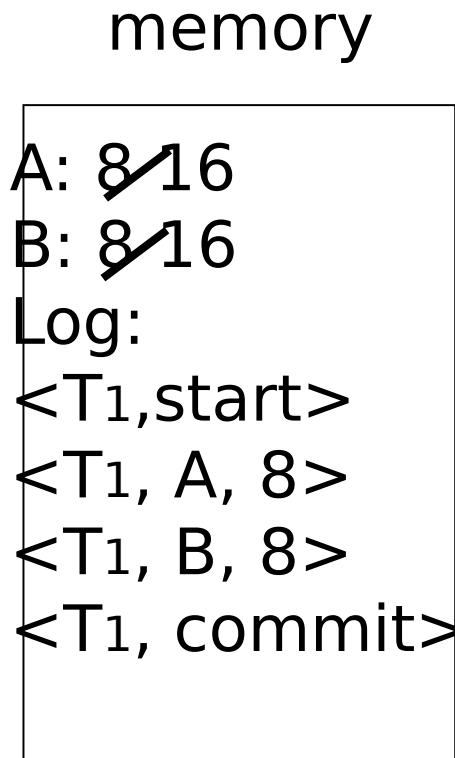
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- (2) Before x is modified on disk, log records pertaining to x must be on disk (write ahead logging: WAL)
- (3) Before commit is flushed to log, all writes of transaction must be reflected on disk

Recovery rules:

Undo logging

- For every transaction T_i with $\langle T_i, \text{start} \rangle$ in log:
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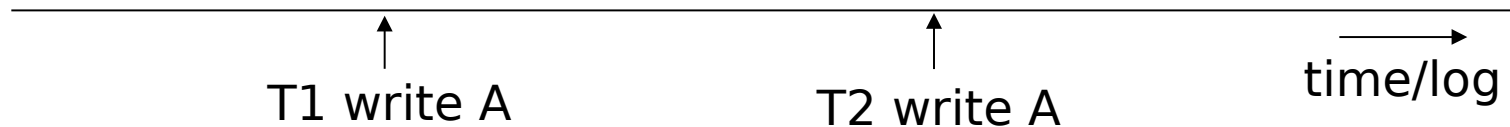
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 $\langle T_i, \text{start} \rangle$ in log, but no $\langle T_i, \text{commit} \rangle$ or
 $\langle T_i, \text{abort} \rangle$ record in log
- (2) For each $\langle T_i, X, v \rangle$ in log,
 in reverse order (latest \rightarrow earliest) do:
 - if $T_i \in S$ then $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{- write } (X, v) \\ \text{- output } (X) \end{array} \right.$
- (3) For each $T_i \in S$ do
 - write $\langle T_i, \text{abort} \rangle$ to log

Question

- Can writes of $\langle T_i, \text{abort} \rangle$ records be done in any order (in Step 3)?
 - Example: T1 and T2 both write A
 - T1 executed before T2
 - T1 and T2 both rolled-back
 - $\langle T1, \text{abort} \rangle$ written but NOT $\langle T2, \text{abort} \rangle$?
 - $\langle T2, \text{abort} \rangle$ written but NOT $\langle T1, \text{abort} \rangle$?



What if failure during recovery?

No problem!  Undo idempotent

Can we truncate the log?

- Under a heavy transaction load, the log grows quickly
- Are there parts of the log that we can discard? (i.e. are there parts we know for sure won't be needed again?)
 - E.g., everything before a $\langle T_i, \text{commit} \rangle$?

Solution: (Simple) Checkpoint

Periodically:

- (1) Do not accept new transactions
- (2) Wait until all running transactions have finished and flushed their modifications to disk
- (3) Flush all log records to disk (log)
- (4) Write “checkpoint” record on disk (log)
- (5) Resume accepting transactions

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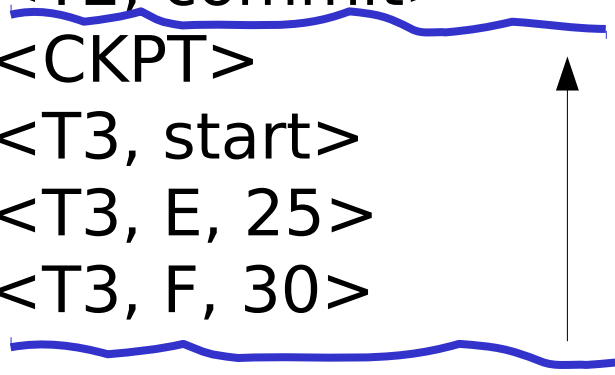
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Non-quiescent checkpoint

Simple checkpoints effectively shut down the system while waiting for the open transactions to commit

Therefore, a more complex technique known as *nonquiescent checkpointing* is normally used, that allows new transactions to enter the system during the checkpoint

Solution: non-quietescent checkpoint

Periodically:

- (1) Write a log record $\langle \text{START CKPT } (T_1, \dots, T_k) \rangle$ and flush the log. $T_1 \dots T_k$ indentify the active transactions (not yet committed and written their changes to disk)
- (2) Wait until all of $T_1 \dots T_k$ commit or abort, but do not prohibit other transactions form starting
- (3) When all of $T_1 \dots T_k$ have completed, write $\langle \text{END CKPT} \rangle$ to log on disk (log)

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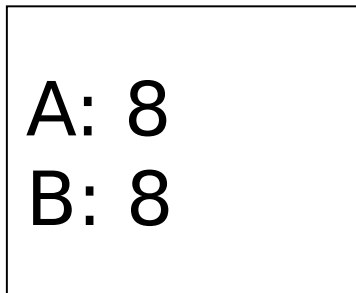
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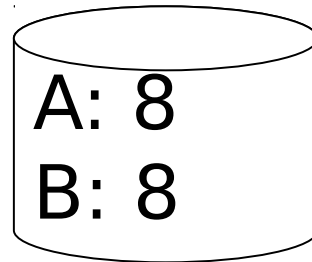
- Redo logging
- Undo/redo logging, why both?
- Real world actions
- Media failures

Redo logging (deferred modification)

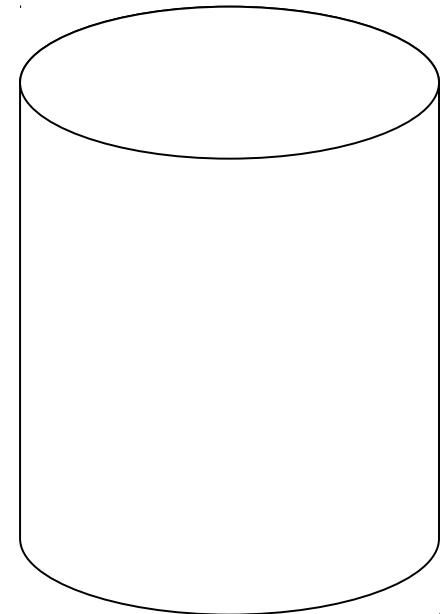
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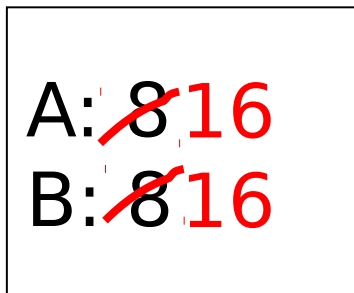
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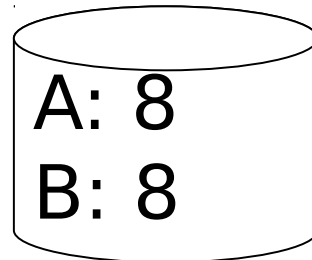
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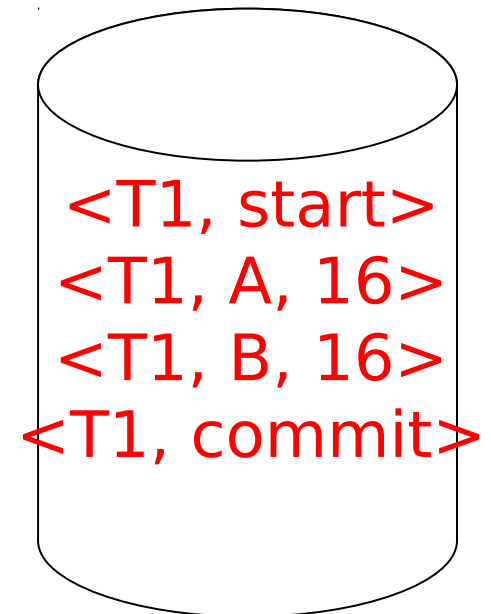
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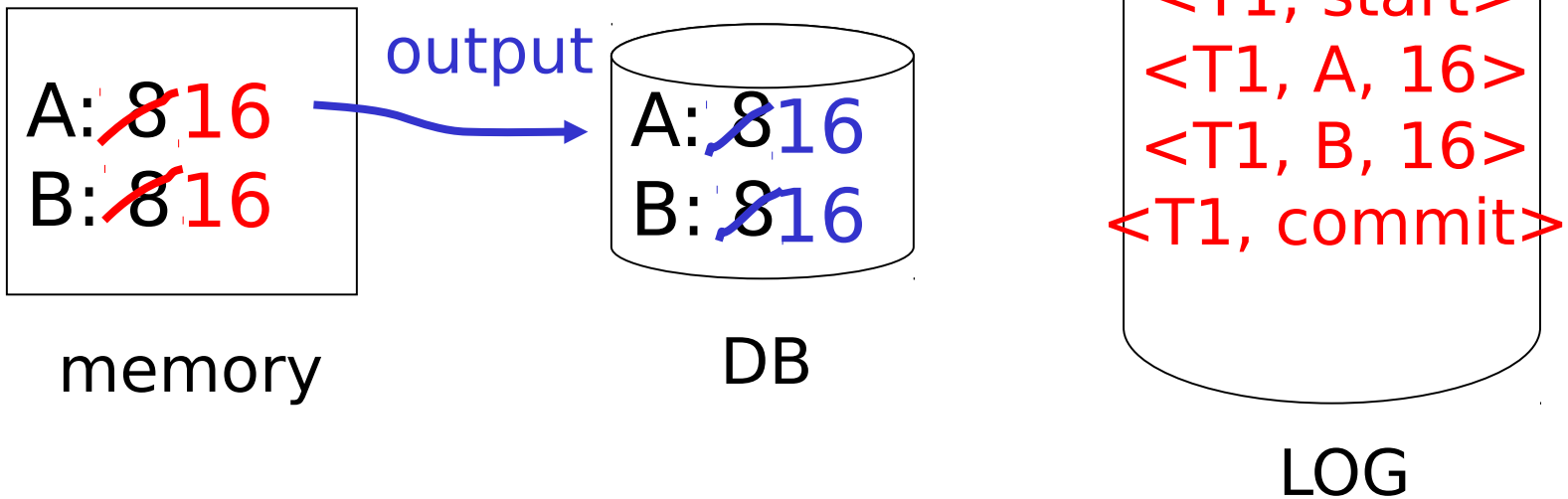
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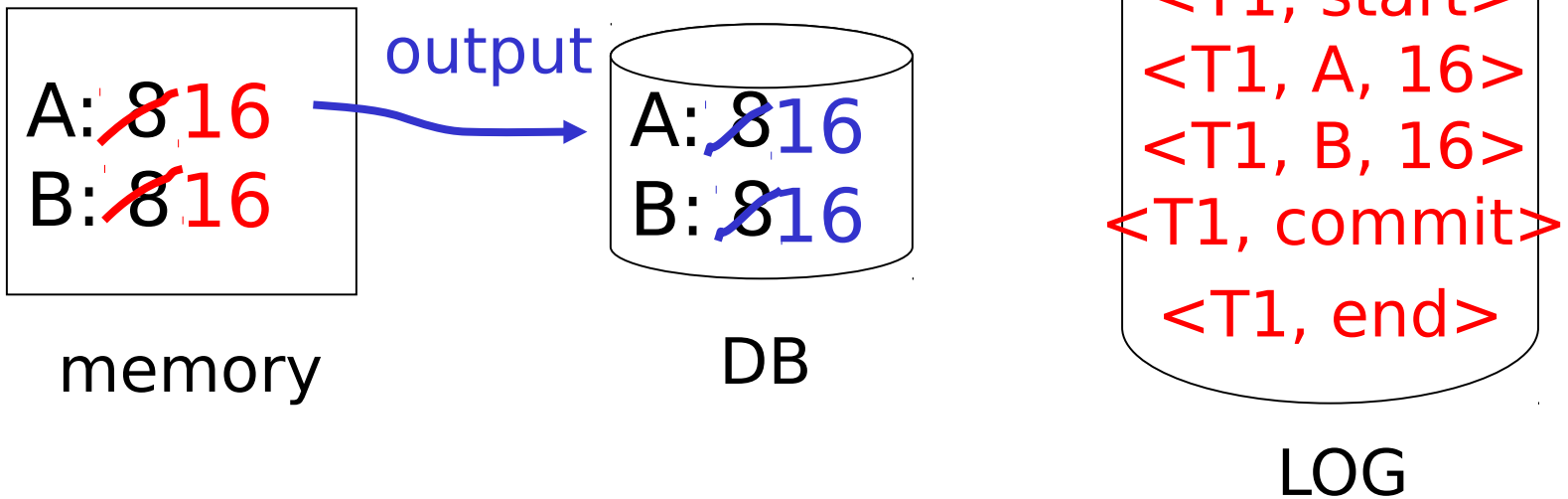
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Redo logging rules

- (1) For every action, generate redo log record (containing new value)
- (2) Before X is modified on disk (DB), all log records for transaction that modified X (including commit) must be on disk
- (3) Flush log at commit
- (4) Write END record after DB updates flushed to disk

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 - Output(X)

IS THIS CORRECT??

Recovery rules:

Redo logging

- (1) Let S = set of transactions with $\langle T_i, \text{commit} \rangle$ (and no $\langle T_i, \text{end} \rangle$) in log
- (2) For each $\langle T_i, X, v \rangle$ in log, in forward order (earliest \rightarrow latest) do:
 - if $T_i \in S$ then $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Write}(X, v) \\ \text{Output}(X) \end{array} \right.$
- (3) For each $T_i \in S$, write $\langle T_i, \text{end} \rangle$

Non-quiescent checkpointing a redo log

Periodically:

- (1) Write a log record $\langle \text{START CKPT } (T_1, \dots, T_k) \rangle$ where T_1, \dots, T_k are all the active (uncommitted) transactions, and flush the log.
- (2) Write to disk all database elements written to buffers but not yet to disk by transactions that had already committed when the start ckpt record was written to the log
- (3) Write the $\langle \text{END CKPT} \rangle$ record and flush the log

An example redo log with nonquiescent checkpoint (disk)

<T1, start>
<T1, A, 5>
<T2, start>
<T1, commit>
<T2, B, 10>
<START CKPT (T2)>
<T2, C, 15>
<START T3>
<T3, D, 20>
<T1, end>
<END CKPT>
<COMMIT T2>
<COMMIT T3>

failure!

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<T2, B, 10>

<START CKPT (T2)>

<T2, C, 15>

<START T3>

<T3, D, 20>

<T1, end>

<END CKPT>

<COMMIT T2>

<COMMIT T3>

REDO all committed transactions
that were active (uncommitted)
when the checkpoint began,
or started later:
T2 and T3

failure!

An example redo log with nonquiescent checkpoint (disk)

<T1, start>
<T1, A, 5>
<T2, start>
<T1, commit>
<T2, B, 10>
<START CKPT (T2)>
<T2, C, 15>
<START T3>
<T3, D, 20>
<T1, end>
<END CKPT>
<COMMIT T2>
<COMMIT T3>

failure!

An example redo log with nonquiescent checkpoint (disk)

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<T1, A, 5>

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<START T3>

<T3, D, 20>

<T1, end>

<END CKPT>

<COMMIT T2>

<COMMIT T3>

REDO all committed transactions
that were active (uncommitted)
when the checkpoint began,
or started later:
Only T2

failure!

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<T1, commit>

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<T2, C, 15>

<START T3>

<T3, D, 20>

<T1, end>

<END CKPT>

<COMMIT T2>

<COMMIT T3>

failure!

An example redo log with nonquiescent checkpoint (disk)

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<T3, D, 20>

<T1, end>

<END CKPT>

<COMMIT T2>

<COMMIT T3>



REDO until the previous
complete

<START CKPT>

(or to the beginning of the log)

failure!

Note:

- In the presence of non-quietuscent checklogging, the $\langle T_i, \text{end} \rangle$ log records are redundant (the checkpoint gives the same information). The book hence does **not** use such log records.
- The exercises do **not** use such records

Key drawbacks:

- *Undo logging*: cannot bring backup DB copies up to date
- *Redo logging*: need to keep all modified blocks in memory until commit

Solution: undo/redo logging!

Update \Rightarrow $\langle T_i, X_{id}, \text{New } X \text{ val}, \text{Old } X \text{ val} \rangle$
page X

Rules

- Page X can be flushed before or after T_i commit
- Log record flushed before corresponding updated page (WAL)
- Flush at commit (log only)

Non-quiescent checkpointing an undo/redo log

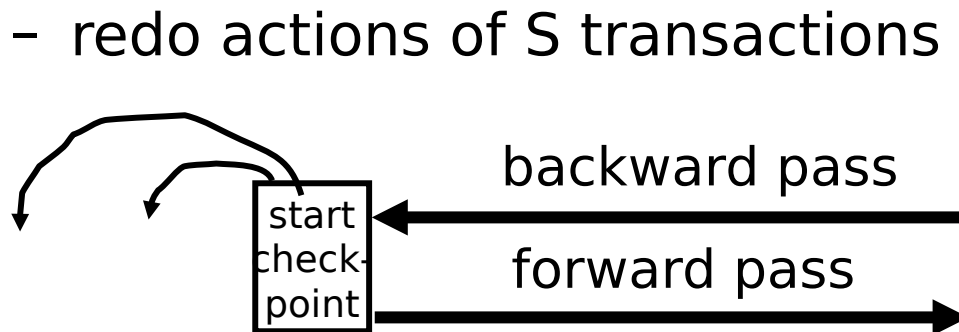
Periodically:

- (1) Write a log record $\langle \text{START CKPT } (T_1, \dots, T_k) \rangle$ where T_1, \dots, T_k are all the active (uncommitted) transactions, and flush the log.
- (2) Write to disk all buffers that are dirty, i.e., they contain one or more changed database elements.
- (3) Write the $\langle \text{END CKPT} \rangle$ record and flush the log

Recovery process:

- **Backwards pass** (end of log -> latest valid checkpoint start)
 - construct set S of committed transactions
 - undo actions of transactions not in S
- **Undo pending transactions**
 - follow undo chains for transactions in (checkpoint active list) - S

Forward pass (latest valid checkpoint start -> end of log)



Real world actions

E.g., dispense cash at ATM

$$T_i = a_1 a_2 \dots a_j \dots a_n$$

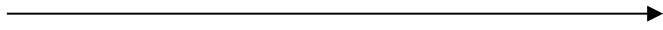


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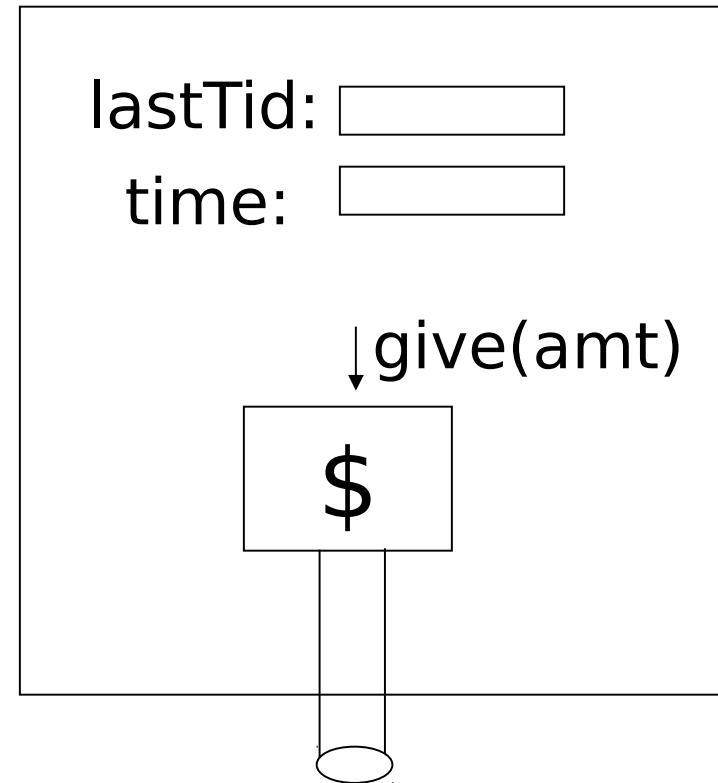
Solution

- (1) execute real-world actions after commit
- (2) try to make idempotent

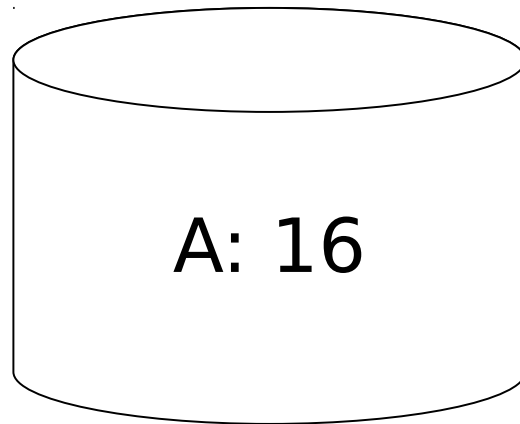
Give\$\$
(amt, Tid, time)



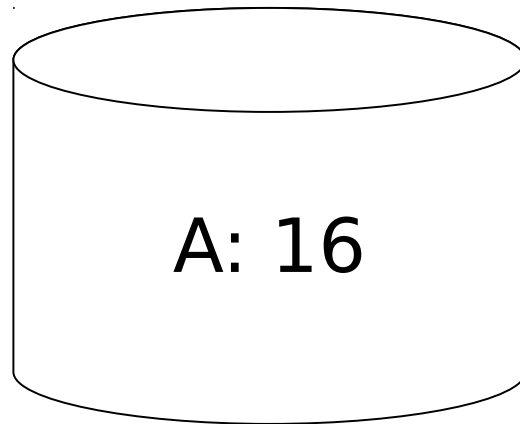
ATM



Media failure (loss of non-volatile storage)



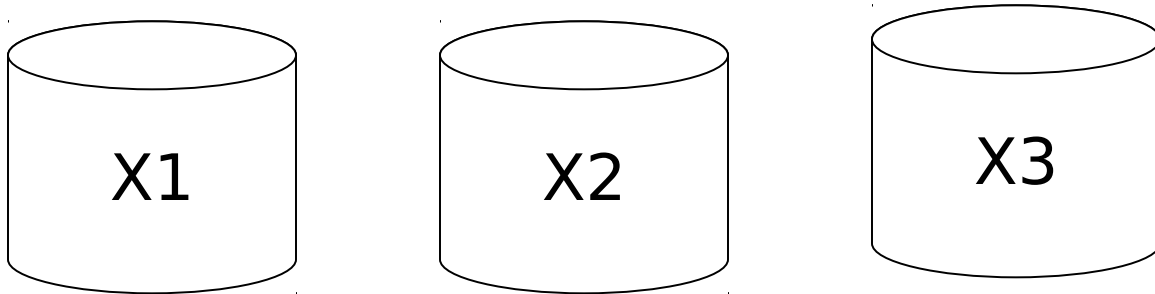
Media failure (loss of non-volatile storage)



Solution: Make copies of data!

Example 1 Triple modular redundancy

- Keep 3 copies on separate disks
- Output(X) --> three outputs
- Input(X) --> three inputs + vote

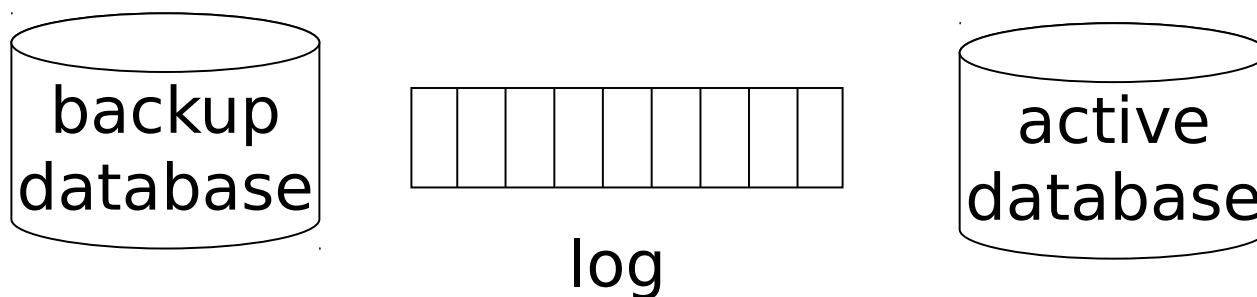


Example #2 Redundant writes, Single reads

- Keep N copies on separate disks
- Output(X) --> N outputs
- Input(X) --> Input one copy
 - if ok, done
 - else try another one

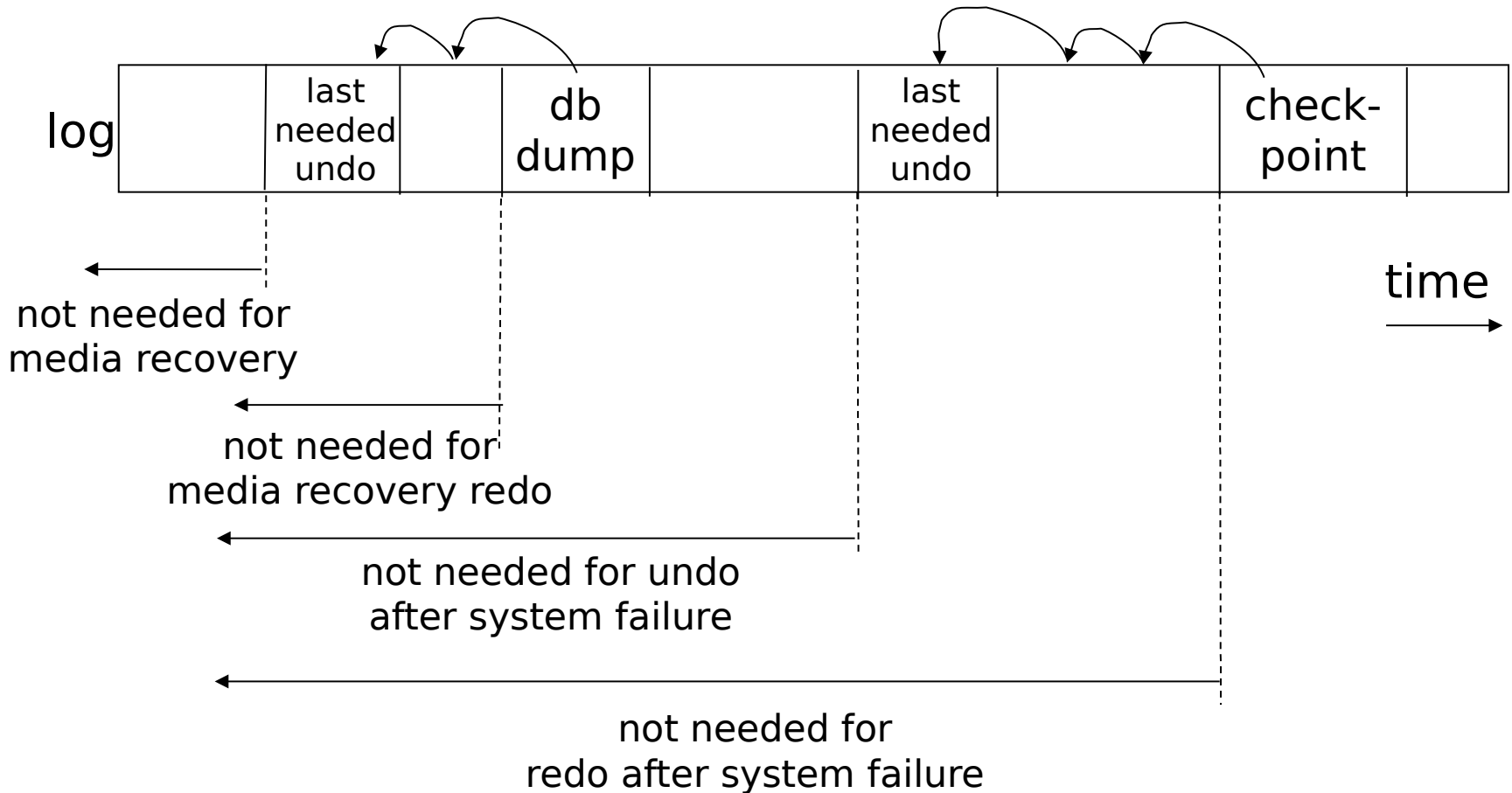
Assumes bad data can be detected

Example #3: DB Dump + Log



- If active database is lost,
 - restore active database from backup
 - bring up-to-date using redo entries in log

When can log be discarded?



Summary

- Consistency of data
- One source of problems: failures
 - Logging
 - Redundancy
- Another source of problems:
Data Sharing..... next