

# Commit and Rollback

Transfer \$100 from account 1001 to 1007.

update account set balance = balance + 100 where acc\_id = 1001; update account set balance = balance - 100 where acc\_id = 1007;

What if 1007 has less than \$100?

• We can undo uncommitted work: ROLLBACK

• What does this mean for multiple users?

• We can commit work: COMMIT

# Atomicity

update account set balance = balance + 100 where acc\_id = 1001; update account set balance = balance - 100 where acc\_id = 1007;

\_\_\_\_\_ should be a single unit: either both or neither succeeds

SQL uses Transactions to guarantee Atomicity

# Transaction (using PL/SQL)

### Not transactional

update account set balance = balance + 100 where acc\_id = 1001; update account set balance = balance - 100 where acc\_id = 1007;

### Transactional

begin update account set balance = balance + 100 where acc\_id = 1001; update account set balance = balance - 100 where acc\_id = 1007; end;

will fail if 1007 has less than \$100what if there is no account 1001?

# Consistency

Constraint enforcement can be deferred to end of transaction (if constraint is deferrable).

### STUDENT(sid, lastname, mentorid)

insert into student values (1, 'Brennigan', 3); insert into student values (3, 'Patel', null);

Run as script

set constraint fk\_super deferred; begin

insert into student values (1, 'Brennigan', 3); insert into student values (3, 'Patel', null); end;

### ACID Properties

- Atomicity: Transaction succeeds as a whole or fails as a whole Example: Money Transfer
- Consistency: Database is in consistent state at end of transaction Example: Adding employees with supervisors
- Isolation: Transactions appear to serialize
  Example: airline seat booking
- Durability: Committed changes are permanent Example: system failure

## Concurrent Processing

Let's try to withdraw money from 1003 at two different ATMs.

#### What happens ?

T1:

read(balance) balance := balance - 100 if balance >= 0 write(balance) commit read(balance) balance := balance - 50 if balance >= 0 write(balance) commit

## Potential problems

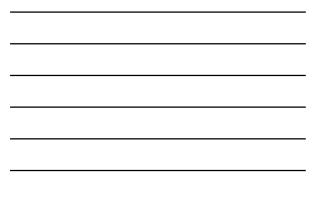
P0 (Dirty Writes): T2 overwrites a T1 write before T1 commits P1 (Dirty Read): T2 reads T1 written cell before T1 commits P2 (Nonrepeatable Read): T2 modifies data that T1 has read. P3 (Phantom): T2 adds records that belong to a T1 query P4 (Lost Update): T2 writes over an item T1 has read, T1 then writes and commits.

#### T1:

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# Isolation Levels (SQL 92)

Isolation Level	P1 Dirty Read	P2 Nonrepeatable Read	P3 Phantom
Read Uncommitted	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed
Read Committed	x	Allowed	Allowed
Repeatable Read	x	x	Allowed
Serializable	x	x	x



# Isolation Levels in Oracle

set transaction isolation level read committed; 👡 default,

set transaction isolation level serializable;

minimum level

set transaction read only;

Read Committed: no P1, but P2, P3 is possible Serializable: no P1, P2, P3 possible

Read Only: no P1, P2, P3 possible

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# Implementing Transactions

