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Lecture 8: Recovery (Part 2)

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Today's Agenda

- Recap
- Phases of ARIES
- Analysis Phase
- Redo and Undo Phases
- Full Example
- Additional Crash Issues
- Conclusion

Recap

Log Sequence Numbers

- Log Sequence Numbers:
  - LSNs identify log records; linked into backwards chains per transaction via prevLSN.
  - pageLSN allows comparison of data page and log records.

ARIES

- Mains ideas of ARIES:
  - WAL with STEAL/NO-FORCE
  - Fuzzy Checkpoints (snapshot of dirty page ids)
  - Write CLRs when undoing, to survive failures during restarts
  - ATT tells the DBMS which txns were active at time of crash.
  - DPT tells the DBMS which dirty pages might not have made it to disk.

Fuzzy Checkpointing

- The LSN of the **<CHECKPOINT-BEGIN>** record is written to the database's MasterRecord entry on disk when the checkpoint successfully completes.
- Any txn that starts after the checkpoint is excluded from the ATT in the **<CHECKPOINT-END>** record.

TXN-END Record: Abort

- First write an **<ABORT>** record to log for the txn.
- Then play back the txn's updates in reverse order. For each update record:
  - Write a CLR entry to the log.
  - Restore old value.
- When a txn aborts, we immediately tell the application that it is aborted.
- We don't need to wait to flush the CLRs
- At end, write a **<TXN-END>** log record.
- **Notice:** CLRs never need to be undone.

TXN-END Record: Commit

- Write **<COMMIT>** Record to Log
- All log records up to the transaction's **LastLSN** are flushed.
  - Log flushes are sequential, synchronous writes to disk
- Commit() returns
- Write **<TXN-END>** record to log
- Besides flushing, **<TXN-END>** record is related to **releasing locks**

Purpose of CLR

- Before restoring the old value of a page, write a Compensation Log Record (CLR).
- Logging **continues** during UNDO processing
- CLRs contain REDO info
- CLRs are never UNDOne
  - Undo need not be idempotent (>1 UNDO won't happen)
  - But they might be Redone when repeating history (=1 UNDO guaranteed)
- By appropriate chaning of the CLRs to log records written during forward processing, a **bounded amount of logging** is ensured during rollbacks, even in the face of repeated failures during restart.

Phases of ARIES

ARIES – Phases

- **Phase 1 – Analysis**
  - Read WAL from last checkpoint to identify dirty pages in the buffer pool and active txns at the time of the crash.
- **Phase 2 – Redo**
  - Repeat **all** actions starting from an appropriate point in the log (even txns that will abort).
- **Phase 3 – Undo**
  - Reverse the actions of txns that did not commit before the crash.

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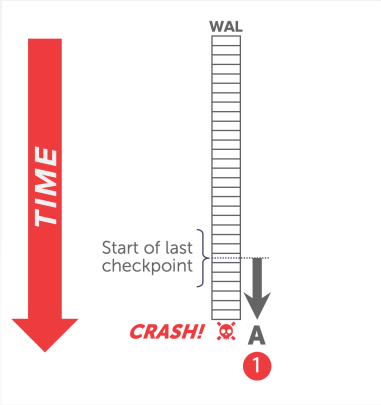

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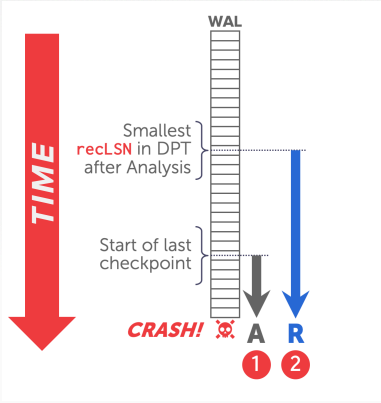

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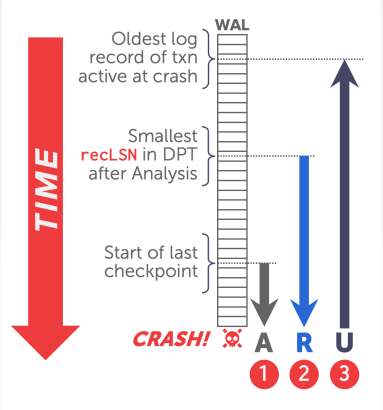

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- Scan log forward from last successful checkpoint.
- If you find a **TXN-END** record, remove its corresponding txn from **ATT**.
- All other records:
  - Add txn to ATT with status **UNDO**.
  - On commit, change txn status to **COMMIT**.
- For **UPDATE** records:
  - If page P not in **DPT**, add P to DPT, set its **recLSN** = LSN.
  - **recLSN**: LSN of the log record which **first** caused the page to be dirty

Analysis Phase

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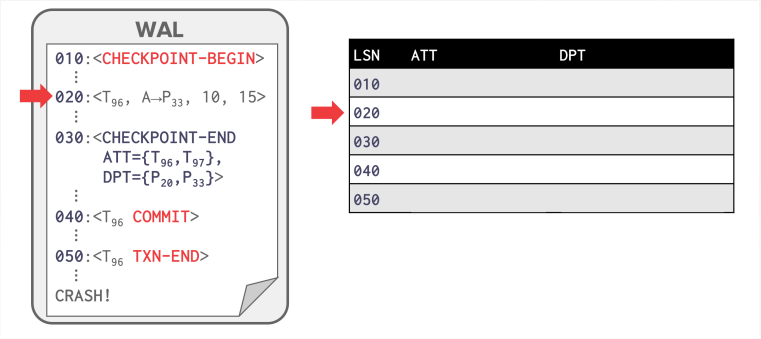

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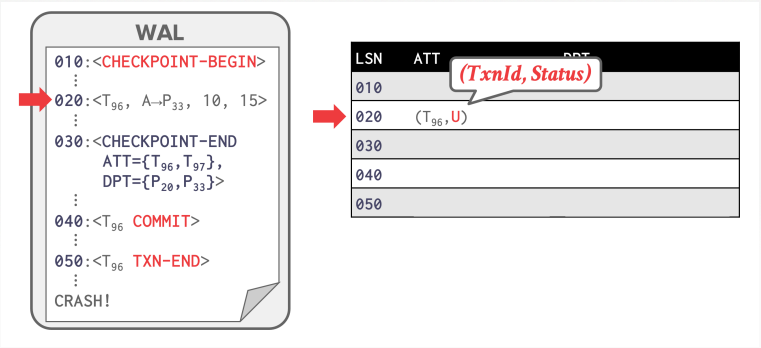

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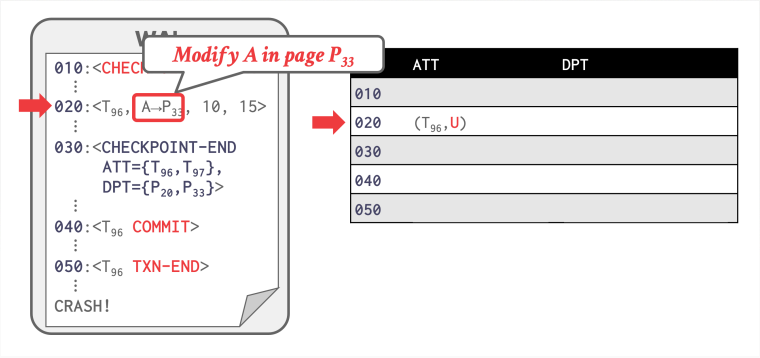

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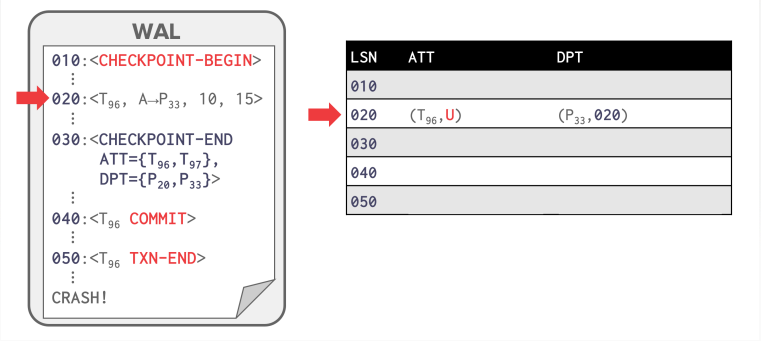

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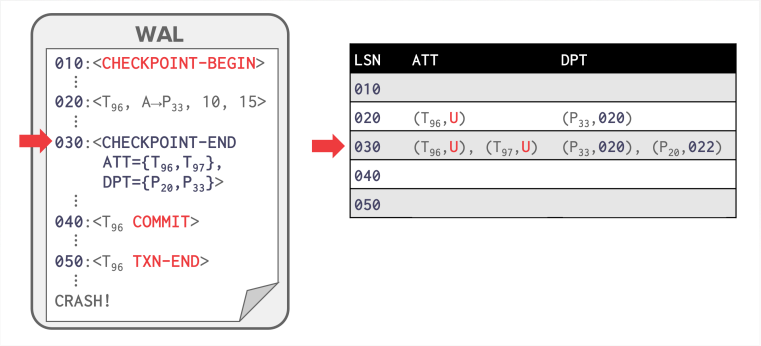

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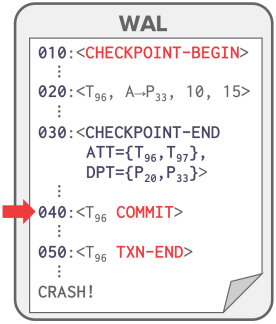

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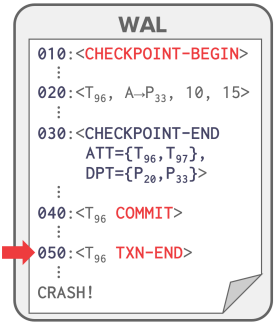

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Redo and Undo Phases

Redo Phase

- The goal is to repeat history to reconstruct state at the moment of the crash:
  - Reapply all updates (even aborted txns!) and redo **CLRs**.
- There techniques that allow the DBMS to avoid unnecessary reads/writes, but we will ignore that in this lecture…

Redo Phase

- Scan forward from the log record containing smallest/oldest **recLSN** in DPT.
- For each update log record or CLR with a given LSN, redo the action unless:
  - Affected page is not in DPT, or
  - Affected page is in DPT but that record's **LSN** is older than page's **recLSN**.
- Apply changes for pages in DPT and **pageLSN** (in DB) < **LSN**
- Everything before the oldest **recLSN** in DPT is guaranteed to have been flushed.
- If a page's **recLSN** is newer than **LSN**, then no need to read page in from disk to check **pageLSN**

Redo Phase

- To redo an action:
  - Reapply logged action.
  - Set **pageLSN** to log record's LSN.
  - No additional logging, no forced flushes!
- At the end of Redo Phase, write **<TXN-END>** log records for all txns with status **C** and remove them from the ATT.

Undo Phase

- Undo all txns that were active at the time of crash and therefore will never commit.
  - These are all the txns with **U** status in the ATT after the Analysis Phase.
- Process them in **reverse** LSN order using the **lastLSN** to speed up traversal.
- Write a **CLR** for every modification.

Undo Phase

- ToUndo= **lastLSN** of ”loser” txns
- Repeat until ToUndo is empty:
  - Pop largest LSN from ToUndo.
  - If this LSN is a CLR and **undoNext** = nil, then write an **TXN-END** record for this txn.
  - If this LSN is a CLR, and **undoNext** != nil, then add **undoNext** to ToUndo
  - Else this LSN is an update. Undo the update, write a CLR, add prevLSN to ToUndo.

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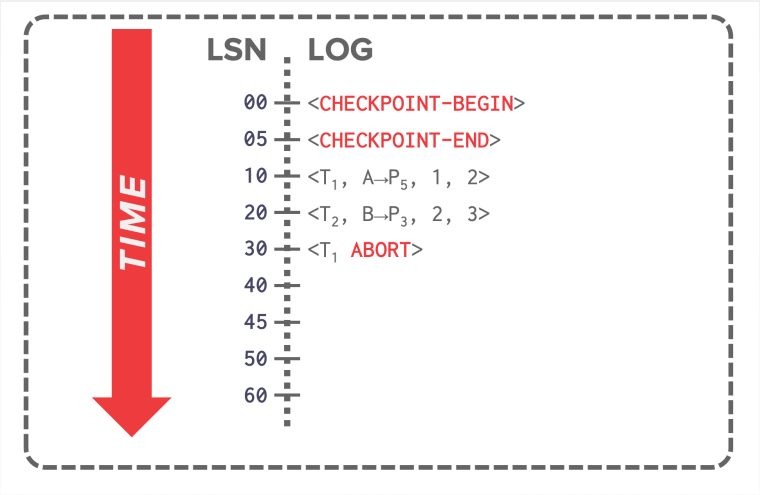

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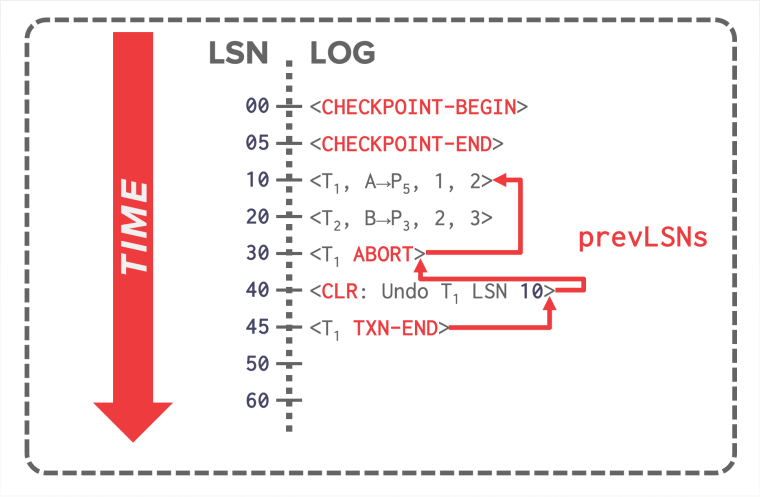

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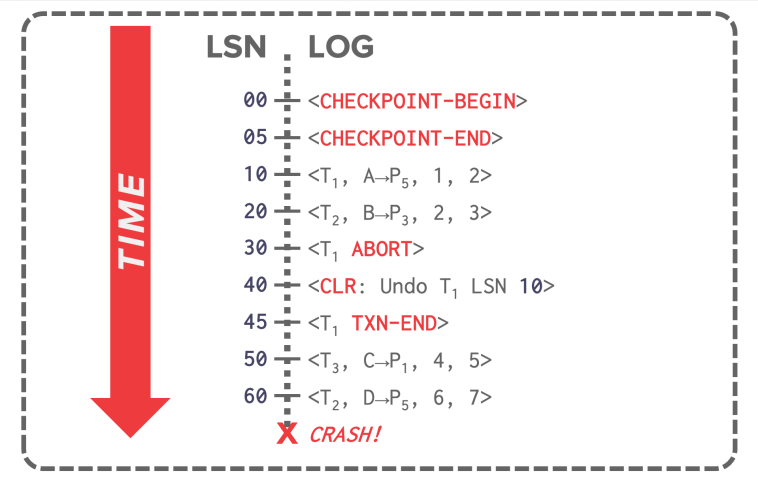

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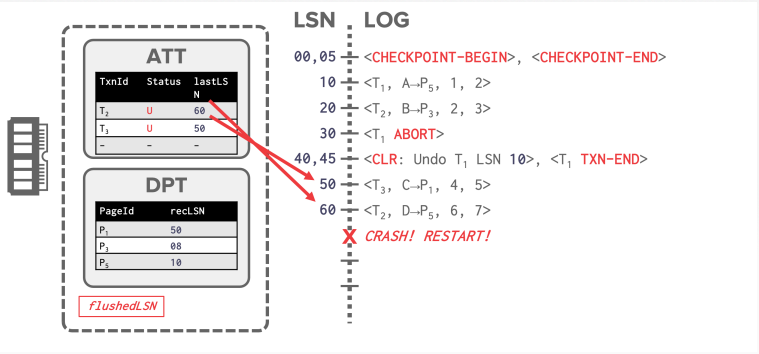

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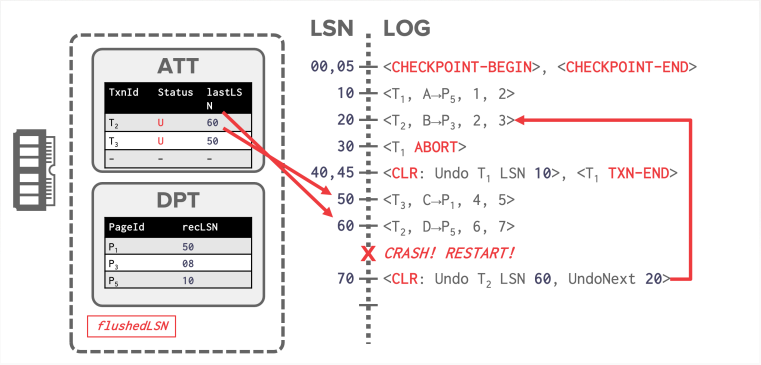

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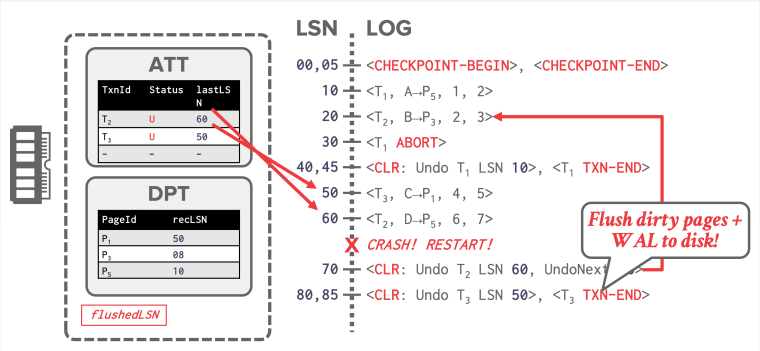

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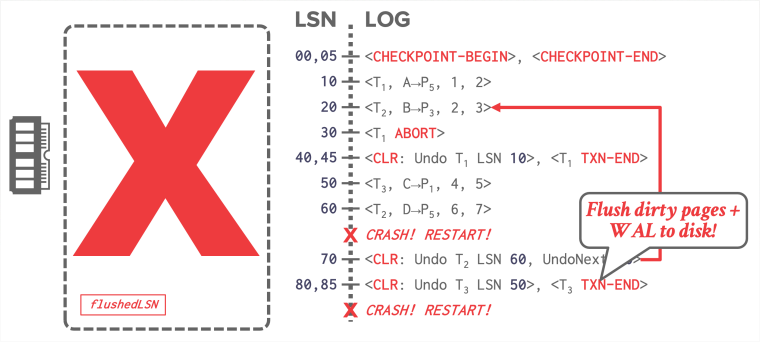

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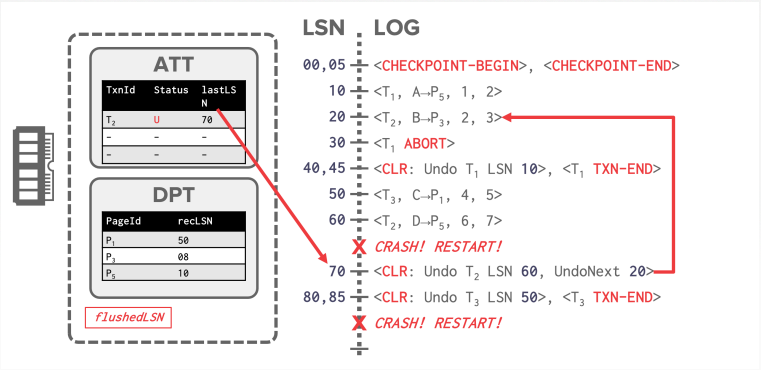

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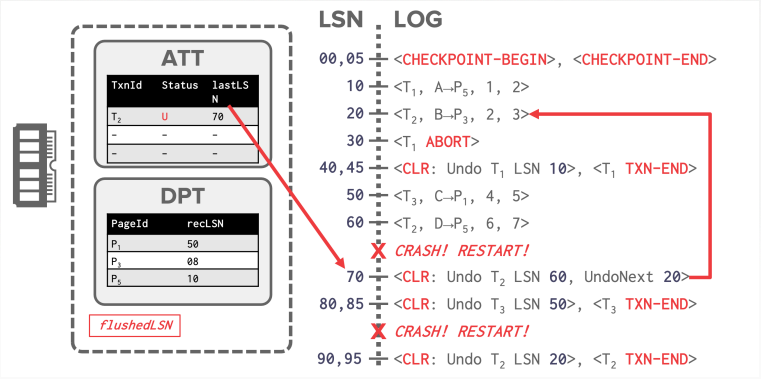

Additional Crash Issues

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- What does the DBMS do if it crashes during recovery in the Analysis Phase?
- What does the DBMS do if it crashes during recovery in the Redo Phase?

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- What does the DBMS do if it crashes during recovery in the Analysis Phase?
  - Nothing. Just run recovery again.
- What does the DBMS do if it crashes during recovery in the Redo Phase?
  - Again nothing. Redo everything again.

Additional Crash Issues (2)

- How can the DBMS improve performance during recovery in the Redo Phase?
- How can the DBMS improve performance during recovery in the Undo Phase?

Additional Crash Issues (2)

- How can the DBMS improve performance during recovery in the Redo Phase?
  - Assume that it is not going to crash again and flush all changes to disk asynchronously in the background.
- How can the DBMS improve performance during recovery in the Undo Phase?
  - Lazily rollback changes before new txns access pages.
  - Rewrite the application to avoid long-running txns.

Conclusion

Parting Thoughts

- Mains ideas of ARIES:
  - WAL with STEAL/NO-FORCE
  - Fuzzy Checkpoints (snapshot of dirty page ids)
  - Redo everything since the earliest dirty page
  - Undo txns that never commit
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Next Class

- Deconstruct ARIES