

Introduction to Database Systems

CSE 444

Lectures 11-12
Transactions: Recovery (ARIES)

Readings

- ▶ Material in today's lecture NOT in the book
- ▶ Instead, read Sections 1, 2.2, and 3.2 of: Michael J. Franklin. Concurrency Control and Recovery. The Handbook of Computer Science and Engineering, A. Tucker, ed., CRC Press, Boca Raton, 1997.
- ▶ (Also, chapter 18 of the “cow book”)

Review: the ACID properties

▶ Atomicity

- ▶ All actions of a Xact happen, or none happen

▶ Consistency

- ▶ If each Xact is consistent, and the DB starts consistent, it ends up consistent

▶ Isolation

- ▶ Execution of one Xact is isolated from others

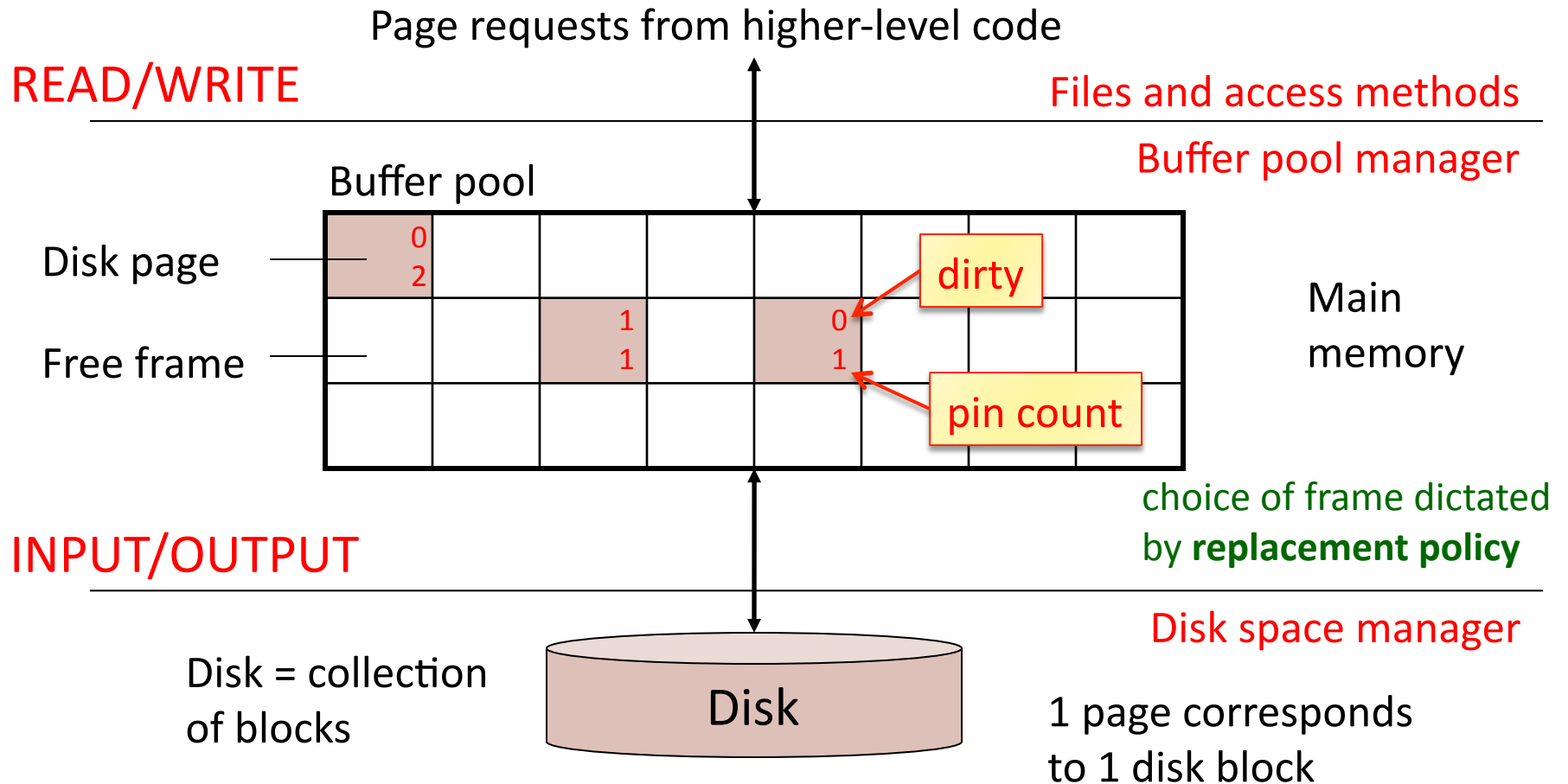
▶ Durability

- ▶ If a Xact commits, its effects persist

Which ones does the Recovery Manager help with?

*(also consistency related rollbacks)

Buffer Manager



- Data must be in RAM for DBMS to operate on it!
- Buffer pool = table of <frame#, pageid> pairs

Buffer Manager Policies

▶ **STEAL or NO-STEAL**

- ▶ Can an update made by an uncommitted transaction overwrite the most recent committed value of a data item on disk?

▶ **FORCE or NO-FORCE**

- ▶ Should all updates of a transaction be forced to disk before the transaction commits?

	No Steal	Steal
No Force		Fastest
Force	Slowest	

	No Steal	Steal
No Force	No UNDO REDO	UNDO REDO
Force	No UNDO No REDO	UNDO No REDO

ARIES Recovery Algorithm Overview

Three phases:

1. Analysis

- ▶ Figure out what was going on at time of crash
- ▶ List of dirty pages and active transactions

2. Redo

- ▶ Redo all operations, even for transactions that will not commit
- ▶ Get back to state at the moment of the crash

3. Undo

- ▶ Remove effects of all uncommitted transactions
- ▶ Log changes during undo in case of another crash during undo

Algorithms for Recovery and Isolation Exploiting Semantics

ARIES Recovery Algorithm Overview

Three principles:

1. **Write-Ahead Logging (WAL)**

- ▶ Any change to a DB object is first recorded to the log
- ▶ A log record must be written to disk before the corresponding object

2. **Repeating history**

- ▶ Reinststate the exact state of the system before the crash

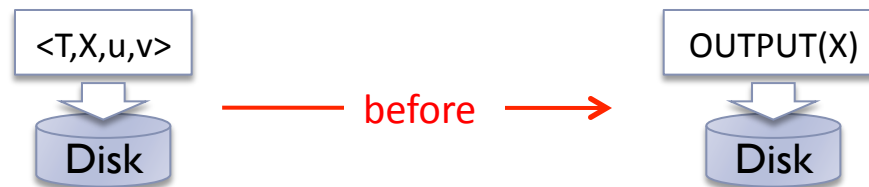
3. **Logging changes during UNDO**

- ▶ Log UNDOs so we don't repeat in a subsequent crash



Write-Ahead Log

1. Must **force** the **log record** of an update before the corresponding data page gets to disk



2. Must **force all log records** for a Xact before **commit**
 - ▶ Xact is considered committed when its commit log record makes it to stable storage.

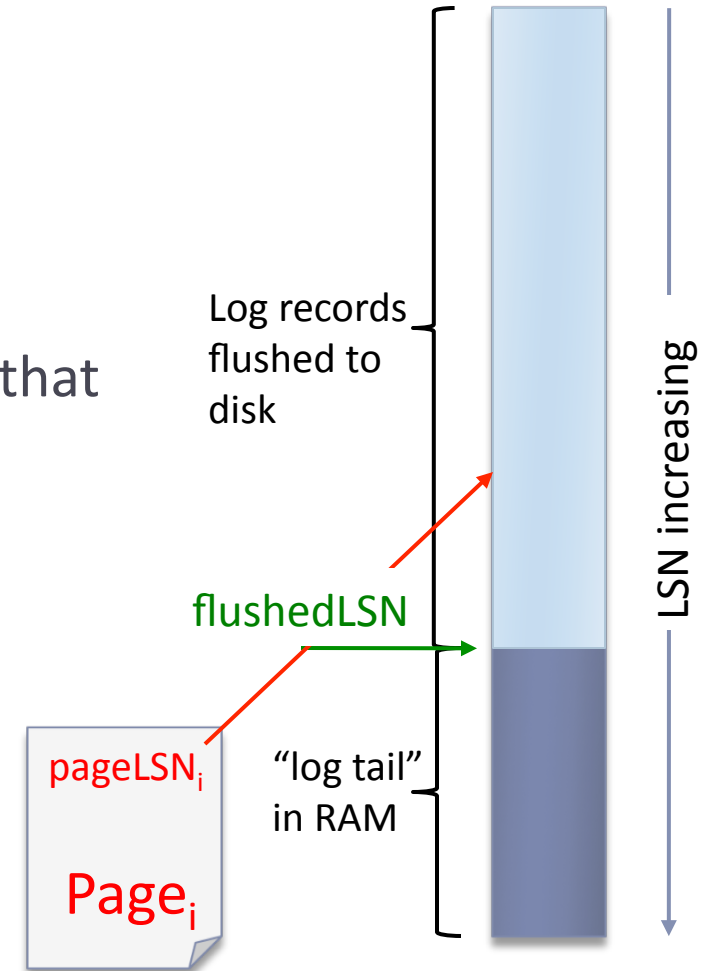


#1 (with **UNDO** info) helps guarantee atomicity
#2 (with **REDO** info) helps guarantee durability

The Log



- ▶ Each log record has a unique **Log Sequence Number (LSN)**
 - ▶ Always increasing
- ▶ Each data page contains a **pageLSN**
 - ▶ The LSN of the most recent log record that updated that page
- ▶ System keeps track of **flushedLSN**
 - ▶ Max LSN flushed to stable storage



Types of Log Records

- ▶ **Update**
 - ▶ Whenever a page is modified, and update record is appended to the log tail
- ▶ **Commit**
 - ▶ When a Xact commits it force-writes a commit log record (i.e. flushes the log tail, up to and including this record). The Xact is considered committed the moment this record is on stable storage
- ▶ **Abort**
 - ▶ When a transaction is aborted (initiates rollback)
- ▶ **End**
 - ▶ When a Xact aborts or commits additional actions are initiated (e.g. rollback). Once those finish, an end record is appended
- ▶ **CLR**
 - ▶ Compensation Log Record: Logs the UNDOs
- ▶ **Checkpoint**

Log Records

The previous LSN of the Xact. NULL if this is the first record

The ID of the disk page that is modified



Fields common to all log records

Additional fields for update log records

▶ CLR records

- ▶ REDO only: they do not get undone
 - ▶ Only contain after-image
- ▶ Additional **undoNextLSN** field
 - ▶ Points to the next log record of the Xact that should be undone

Other Recovery-Related Structures

Transaction Table

transID	status	lastLSN

The most recent log record for the Xact

running/committing/aborting

Dirty Page Table

pageID	recLSN

First log entry that dirtied the page

Example of Recovery Structures

Transaction Table

transID	status	lastLSN
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Dirty Page Table

pageID	recLSN
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Buffer Pool

LSN	prevLSN	transID	type	pageID	length	offset	before-image	after-image
10	null	T1	update	P5	3	21	ABC	DEF

Example of Recovery Structures

Transaction Table

transID	status	lastLSN
T1	running	10

Dirty Page Table

pageID	recLSN
P5	10

Buffer Pool

P5 pageLSN=10	

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Example of Recovery Structures

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Dirty Page Table

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Example of Recovery Structures

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T1	running	10
T2	running	20

Dirty Page Table

pageID	recLSN
P5	10
P6	20

Buffer Pool

P5 pageLSN=10	P6 pageLSN=20

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Example of Recovery Structures

Transaction Table

transID	status	lastLSN
T1	running	10
T2	running	30

Dirty Page Table

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P6	20

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Example of Recovery Structures

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40	10	T1	update	P7	3	21	TUV	WXY



Example of Recovery Structures

Transaction Table

transID	status	lastLSN
T1	running	40
T2	running	30

Dirty Page Table

pageID	recLSN
P5	10
P6	20
P7	40

Buffer Pool

P5 pageLSN=30	P6 pageLSN=20
	P7 pageLSN=40

LSN	prevLSN	transID	type	pageID	length	offset	before-image	after-image
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Normal Execution

- ▶ Update transaction table on Xact start/end
- ▶ For each update:
 - ▶ Create log record with LSN $\ell = ++\text{MaxLSN}$ and $\text{prevLSN} = \text{TransTable}[\text{transID}].\text{lastLSN}$
 - ▶ Update $\text{TransTable}[\text{transID}].\text{lastLSN} = \ell$
 - ▶ If modified page not in dirty table, add it with $\text{recLSN} = \ell$
- ▶ If the buffer manager steals a dirty page, remove its entry from the DPT

Transaction Commit

- ▶ Write **commit** record to log
- ▶ Flush the log tail up to Xact's commit to disk
 - ▶ WAL rule #2: **flushedLSN** \geq **lastLSN**
 - ▶ Note that log flushes are sequential, synchronous writes, so cheaper than forcing updated data
- ▶ Remove entry from the TransTable
- ▶ Write **end** record to log

Transaction Abort (no crash)

- ▶ Write **abort** log record before starting rollback
- ▶ “Play back” undoing all updates
 - ▶ Get **lastLSN** of Xact from the TransTable
 - ▶ Follow chain of log records via prevLSN
 - ▶ For each update encountered
 - ▶ Write a **CLR** for each undone operation with **undoNextLSN = prevLSN** of record being undone
 - ▶ Undo the operation (using the before-image of the log record)
- ▶ Remove entry from the TransTable
- ▶ Write **end** record to log

Checkpoints

- ▶ **begin_checkpoint**

- ▶ Indicates where checkpoint began

- ▶ **end_checkpoint**

- ▶ Contains the Transaction Table and the Dirty Page Table as they were at begin_checkpoint

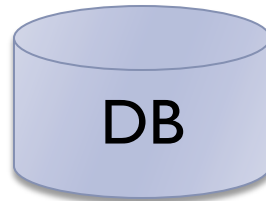
- ▶ Store the LSN of the most recent checkpoint at a **master** record on disk

The Big Picture: What's Where



Log Records

LSN
prevLSN
transID
type
...

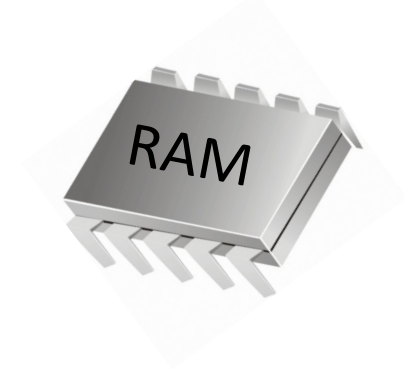


Data pages

Each with a
pageLSN

Master record

LSN of most
recent checkpoint



Transaction Table

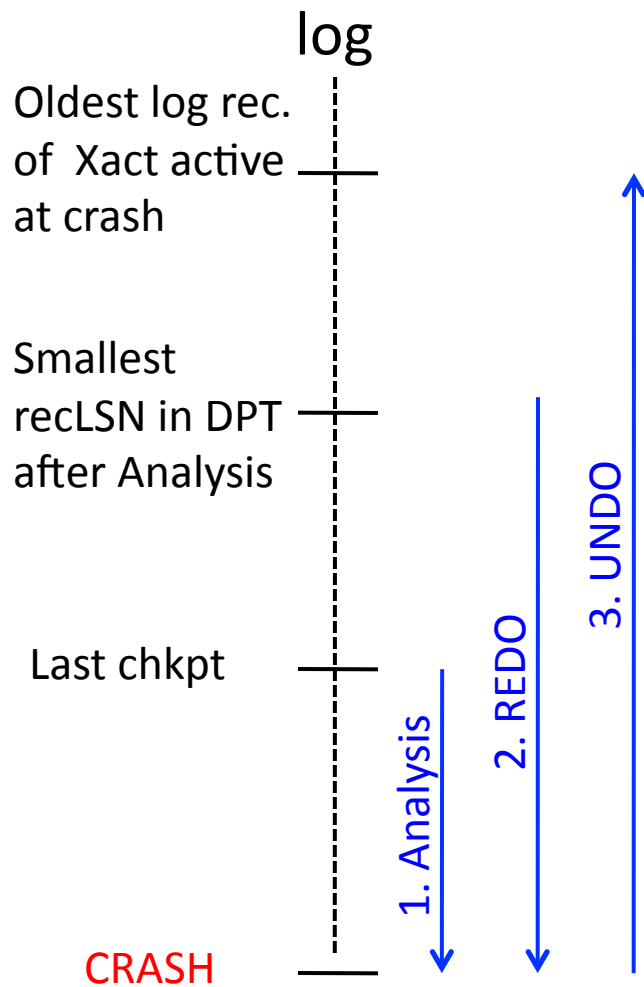
lastLSN
status

Dirty Page Table

recLSN

flushedLSN

Crash Recovery: Big Picture



- ▶ Start from a **checkpoint** (found from master record)
- ▶ Three phases:
 1. **Analysis** – update structures
 - ▶ TransTable: active Xacts at crash
 - ▶ DBT: pages that *might* be dirty at crash
 2. **REDO** everything (repeat history)
 - ▶ Start at the smallest recLSN in DPT
 3. **UNDO** failed Xacts
 - ▶ Stop at the oldest LSN of active Xact

Phase 1: Analysis

▶ Goal

- ▶ Determine point in log where to start REDO
- ▶ Determine set of dirty pages when crashed
 - ▶ Conservative estimate
- ▶ Identify active transactions when crashed (**loser transactions**)

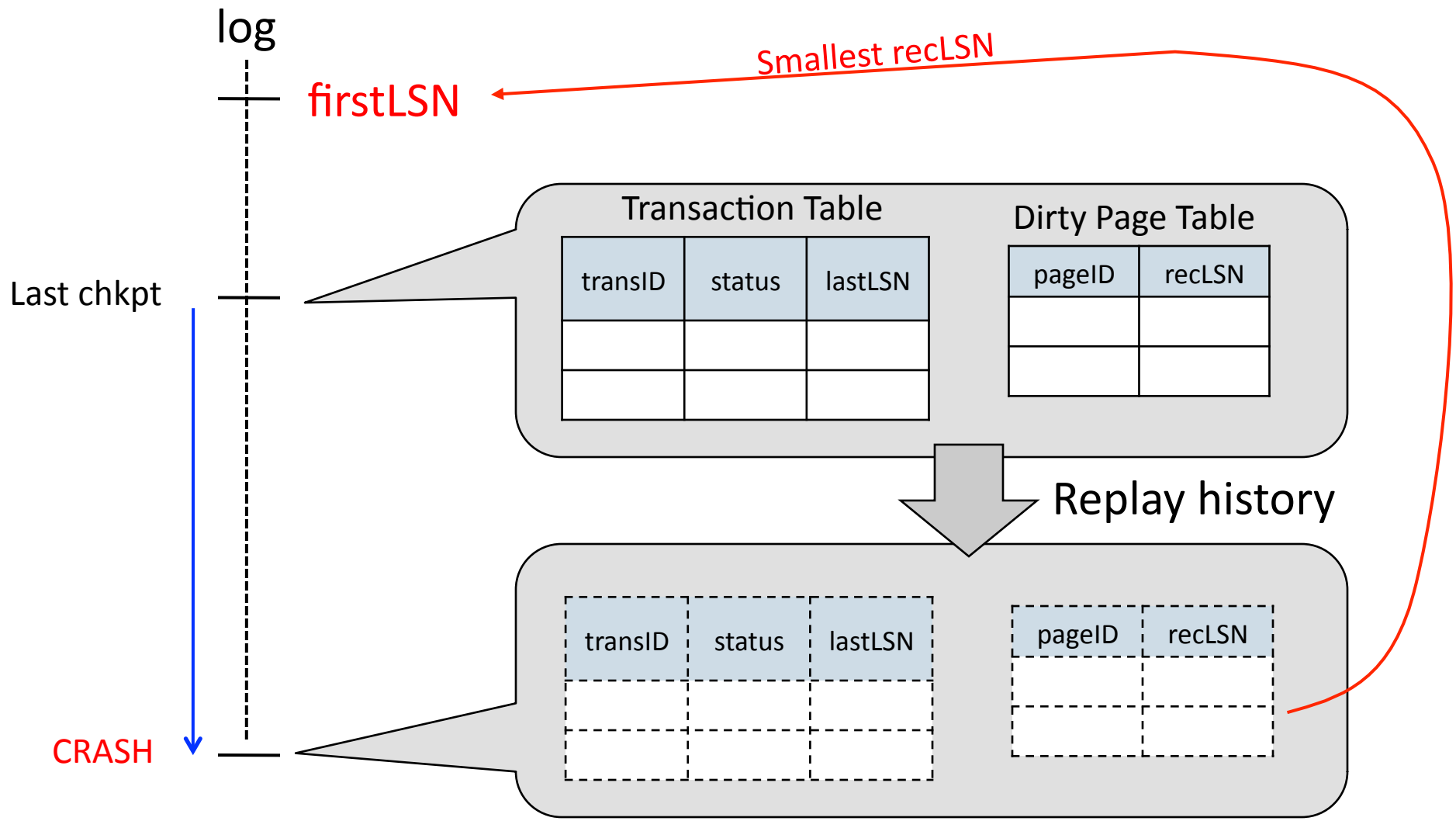
▶ Approach

- ▶ Rebuild active transactions table and dirty pages table
- ▶ Compute: $\text{firstLSN} = \text{smallest of all recLSN in DPT}$

Phase 1: Analysis

- ▶ Load the Transaction Table and Dirty Page Table stored at the checkpoint
- ▶ Scan log forward from checkpoint
 - ▶ **end** record: remove Xact from TransTable
 - ▶ All other records:
 - ▶ add Xact to TransTable (if not there)
 - ▶ Set **lastLSN=LSN**
 - ▶ Change status accordingly
 - ▶ **update** record: if P not in DPT, add it with **recLSN=LSN**

Phase 1: Analysis



Phase 2: REDO

Principles:

- ▶ Scan the log forward from firstLSN ← Why start here?
- ▶ Read all records sequentially, and reapply all updates
- ▶ Do not record REDO actions in the log
- ▶ Needs the DPT

Phase 2: REDO

Details:

- ▶ For each updateable record (**update** or **CLR**) REDO the action, unless:
 - ▶ Affected page not in DPT
 - ▶ Affected page in DPT but **recLSN > LSN**
 - ▶ **pageLSN (in DB) \geq LSN** (requires I/O)
- ▶ To REDO:
 - ▶ Reapply logged action
 - ▶ Set pageLSN to LSN

Phase 3: UNDO

Principles:

- ▶ Start from the end of the log, move backwards
- ▶ Read only affected log entries (loser Xacts)
- ▶ Undo actions logged as special entries: **CLR** (Compensation Log Records)
- ▶ CLR's are redone, but never undone

Phase3: UNDO

Details:

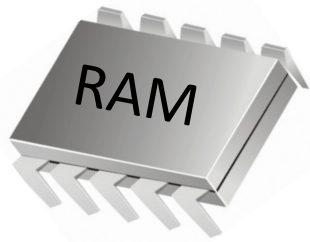
▶ **Loser Xacts**: all Xacts in the Transaction Table

▶ **ToUndo = {lastLSN of all Loser Xacts}**

▶ While ToUndo is not empty:

- ▶ Choose the most recent (largest) LSN in ToUndo
- ▶ If LSN is a **CLR** and **undoNextLSN=null**
 - Write end record for Xact
- ▶ If LSN is a **CLR** and **undoNextLSN ≠ null**
 - Add **undoNextLSN** to ToUndo
- ▶ If LSN is an update
 - Undo the action
 - Write a CLR
 - Add **prevLSN** to ToUndo

Example of Recovery – (up to crash)



Xact Table

lastLSN

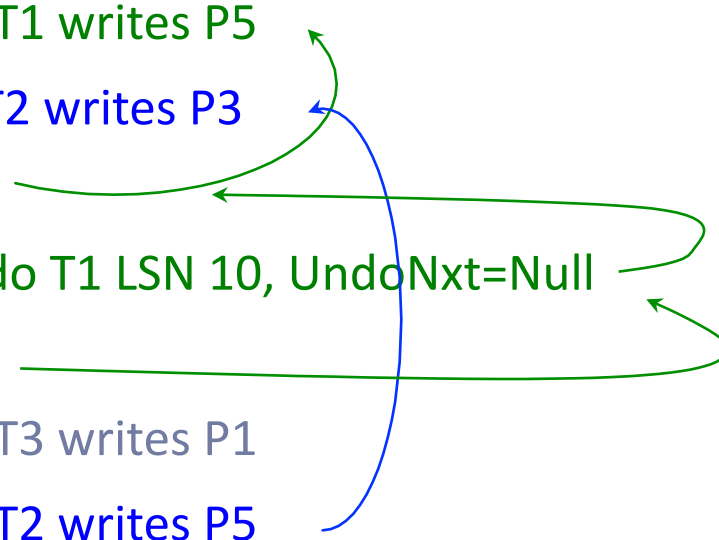
status

Dirty Page Table

recLSN

flushedLSN

LSN	LOG
00	begin_checkpoint
05	end_checkpoint
10	update: T1 writes P5
20	update T2 writes P3
30	T1 abort
40	CLR: Undo T1 LSN 10, UndoNxt=NULL
45	T1 End
50	update: T3 writes P1
60	update: T2 writes P5
×	CRASH, RESTART



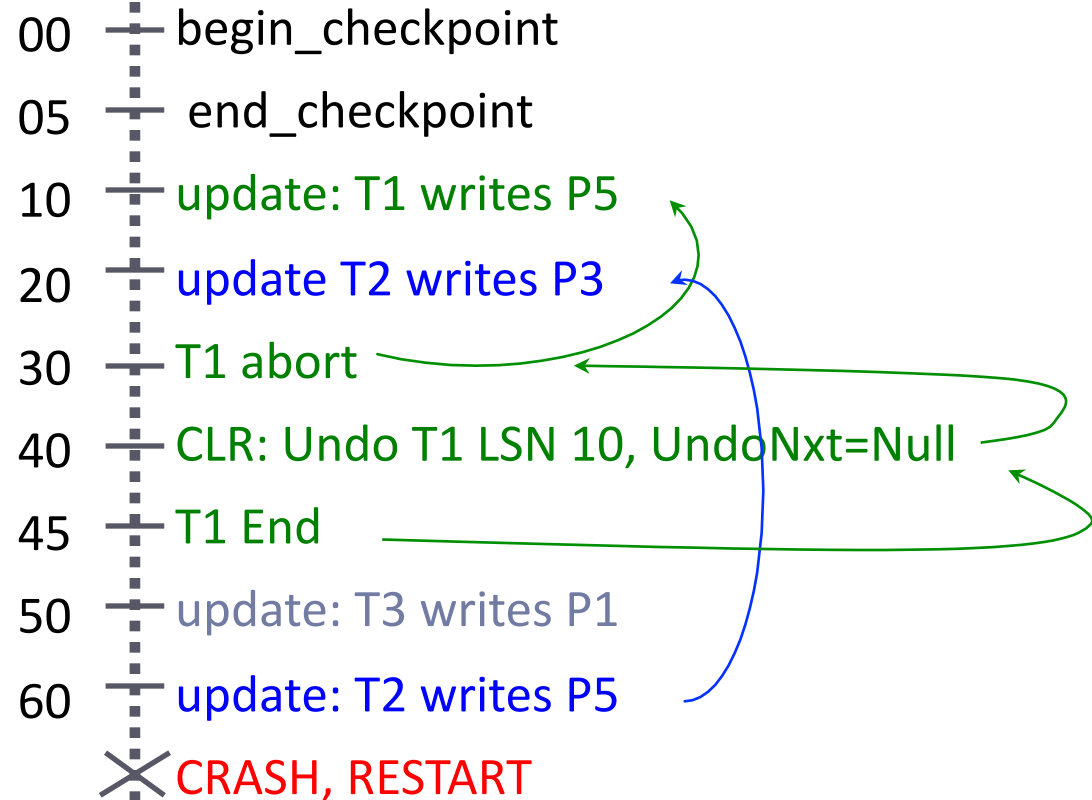
Trans Table

Trans	lastLSN	Stat
T2	60	r
T3	50	r

Dirty Page Table

PageId	recLSN
P5	10
P3	20
P1	50

LSN LOG



Redo starts at LSN 10;
 in this case, reads P5, P3, and P1 from
 disk, redoes ops if pageLSN < LSN

ToUndo set initializes to {50,60}

After Analysis & REDO:

ToUndo: {50, 60}

ToUndo: {50, 20}

ToUndo: {20}

After Analysis & REDO:

ToUndo: {70}

ToUndo: {20}

ToUndo: {}

LSN LOG

00 — begin_checkpoint

05 — end_checkpoint

10 — update: T1 writes P5

20 — update T2 writes P3

30 — T1 abort

40 — CLR: Undo T1 LSN 10, UndoNxt=NULL

45 — T1 End

50 — update: T3 writes P1

60 — update: T2 writes P5

✗ CRASH, RESTART

70 — CLR: Undo T2 LSN 60; UndoNxtLSN=20

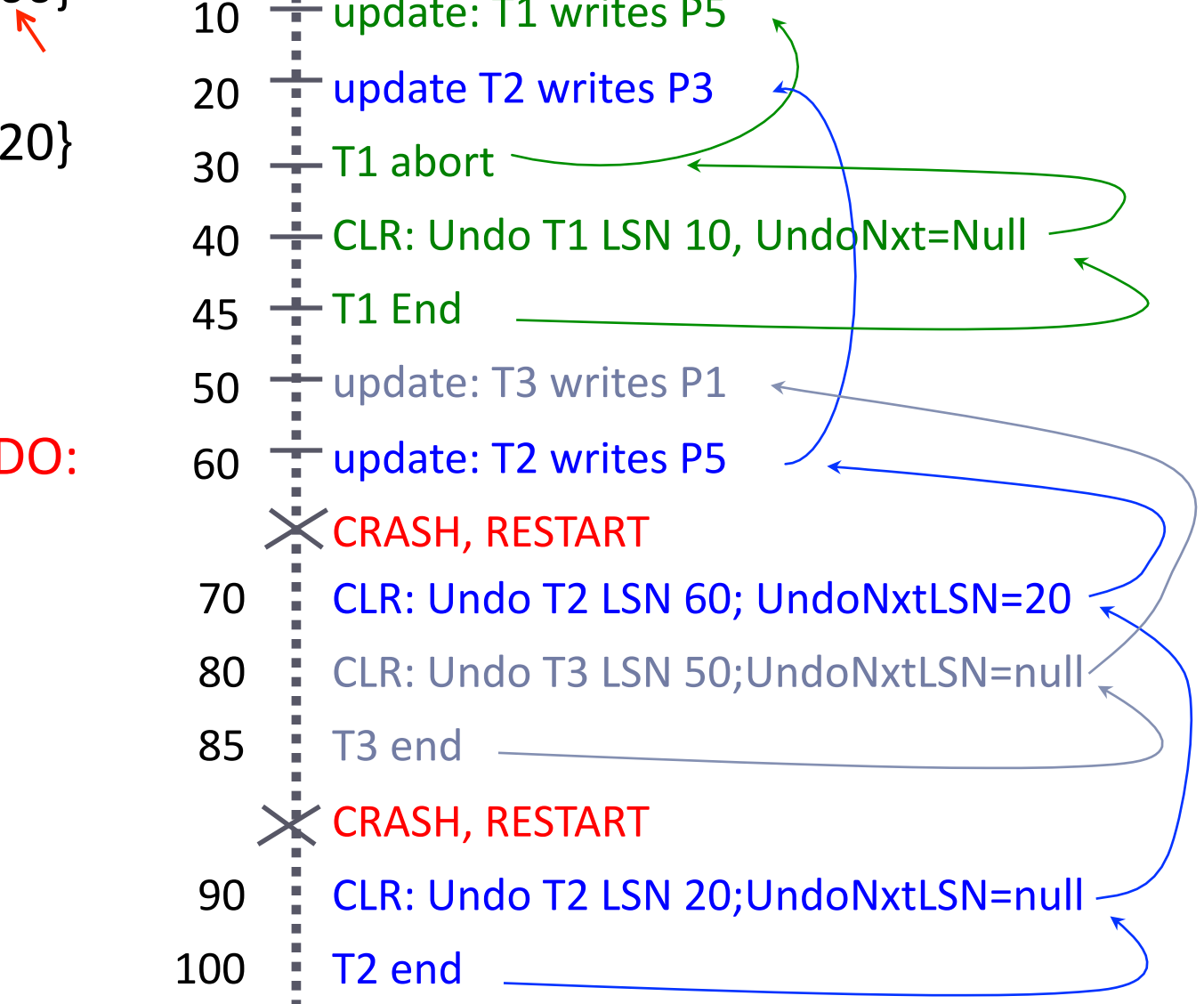
80 — CLR: Undo T3 LSN 50; UndoNxtLSN=null

85 — T3 end

✗ CRASH, RESTART

90 — CLR: Undo T2 LSN 20; UndoNxtLSN=null

100 — T2 end



Discussion

- ▶ What if we crash during Analysis? During REDO?
- ▶ How can we reduce the amount of work in Analysis?
- ▶ How do we reduce the amount of work in REDO?
- ▶ What affects the amount of work in UNDO?