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# The Database Language SQL (iv)

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# Insertion

```
INSERT INTO R(A1, A2, ...)  
  VALUES (v1, v2, ...);
```

```
INSERT INTO Studio(name)  
  SELECT DISTINCT studioname  
  FROM Movies  
  WHERE studioname NOT IN  
    (SELECT name  
     FROM Studio);
```

- If inserting results from a query, query must be evaluated prior to actual insertion

# Deletion

```
DELETE FROM R  
WHERE <condition>;
```

```
DELETE FROM StarsIn  
WHERE movieTitle = 'The Maltese Falcon' AND  
        MovieYear = 1942 AND  
        starName='Sydney Greenstreet';
```

- Deletion specified using a where clause.
- To delete a specific tuple, you need to use the primary key or candidate keys.

# Updates

```
UPDATE R  
SET <new value assignments>  
WHERE <condition>;
```

```
UPDATE MovieExec  
SET name='Pres. ' || name  
WHERE cert# IN (  
    SELECT presC#  
    FROM Studio );
```

- Tuples to be updated are specified using a where clause.
- To update a specific tuple, you need to use the primary key or candidate keys.

# Airline Reservation Example

Flights ( fltNo , fltDate , seatNo , seatStatus )

To view available seats:

```
SELECT seatNo  
FROM Flights  
WHERE fltNo = 123 AND fltDate = DATE '2008-12-25'  
      AND seatStatus = ' available ' ;
```

To reserve a particular seat:

```
UPDATE Flights  
SET seatStatus = 'occupied'  
WHERE fltNo = 123 AND fltDate = DATE '2008-12-25 '  
      AND seatNo = '22A';
```

# Transactions

- A transaction is the DBMS's abstract view of a user program: a sequence of reads and writes.
  - Eg. User 1 views available seats and reserves seat 22A.
- A DBMS supports **multiple users**, ie, multiple transactions may be running **concurrently**.
  - Eg. User 2 views available seats and reserves seat 22A.
  - Eg. User 3 views available seats and reserves seat 23D.

# Concurrent Execution

- DBMS tries to execute transactions concurrently – why ?

| Schedule 1         |                    | Schedule 2         |                    | Schedule 2         |                    |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| U1                 | U2                 | U1                 | U2                 | U1                 | U2                 |
| Finds 22A<br>empty |                    | Finds 22A<br>empty |                    |                    | Finds 22A<br>empty |
|                    | Finds 22A<br>empty | Reserves<br>22A    |                    |                    | Reserves<br>22A    |
| Reserves<br>22A    |                    |                    | Finds 22A<br>empty | Finds 22A<br>empty |                    |
|                    | Reserves<br>22A    |                    | Reserves<br>22A    | Reserves<br>22A    |                    |

# ACID Properties

4 important properties of transactions

- **Atomicity:** all or nothing
  - Users regard execution of a transaction as atomic
  - No worries about incomplete transactions
- **Consistency:** a transaction must leave the database in a good state
  - Semantics of consistency is application dependent
  - The user assumes responsibility
- **Isolation:** a transaction is isolated from the effects of other concurrent transaction
- **Durability:** Effects of completed transactions persists even if system crashes before all changes are written out to disk



# Atomicity

- A transaction might *commit* after completing all its actions, or it could *abort* (or be aborted by the DBMS) after executing some actions.
- A very important property guaranteed by the DBMS for all transactions is that they are *atomic*. That is, a user can think of a Xact as always executing all its actions in one step, or not executing any actions at all.
  - DBMS *logs* all actions so that it can *undo* the actions of aborted transactions.

# Example (Atomicity)

```
T1:  BEGIN
      A=A+100
      B=B-100
      END
```

```
T2:  BEGIN
      A=1.06*A
      B=1.06*B
      END
```

- The first transaction is transferring \$100 from B's account to A's account.
- The second is crediting both accounts with a 6% interest payment
- There is no guarantee that T1 will execute before T2 or vice-versa, if both are submitted together. However, the net effect must be equivalent to these two transactions running serially in some order.

# Database View of Transactions

```
T1:  BEGIN
      A=A+100
      B=B-100
      END
```

```
T1:  BEGIN

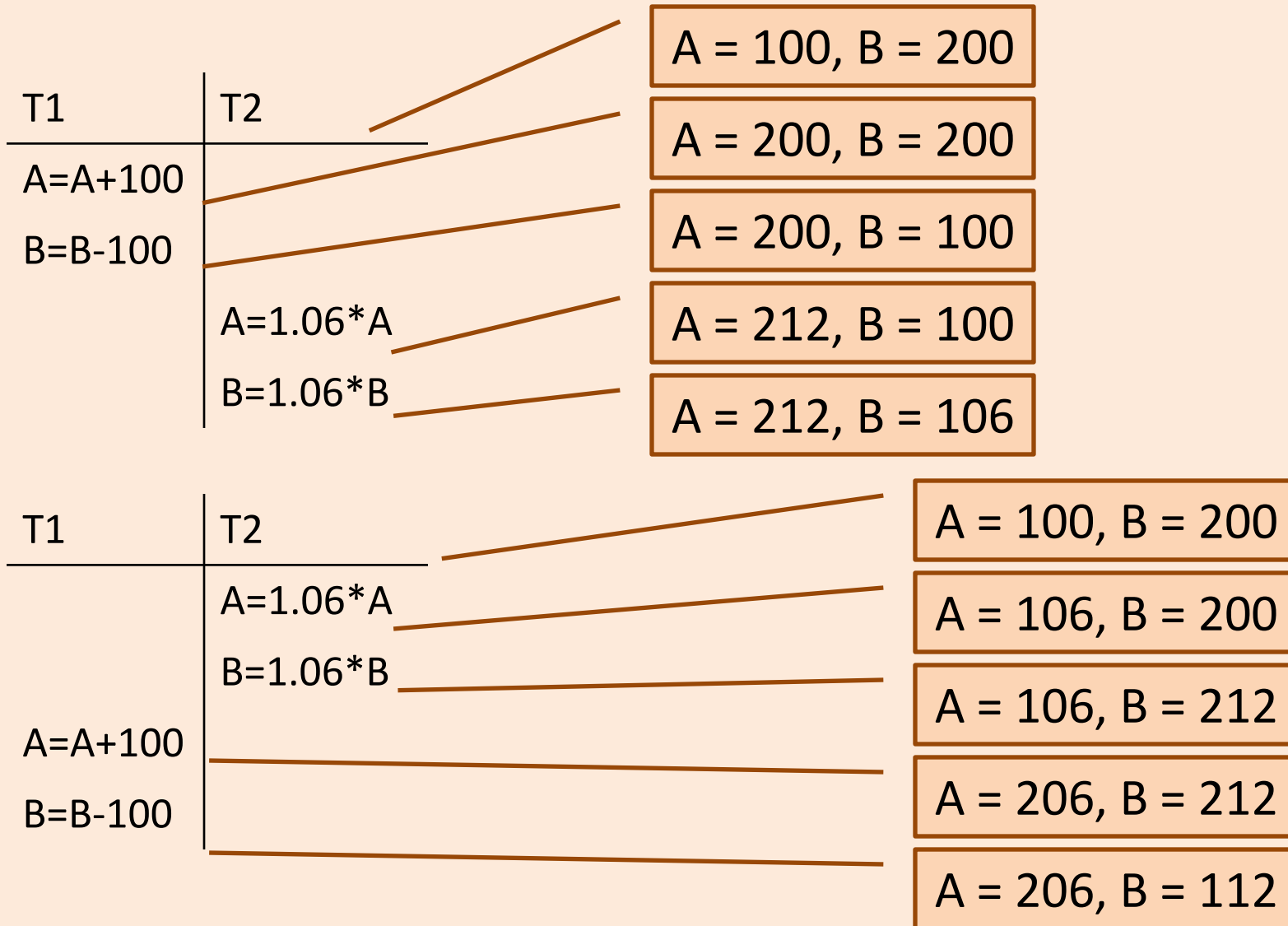
      Read A from disk
      A=A+100
      Write A to disk

      Read B from disk
      B=B-100
      Write B to disk

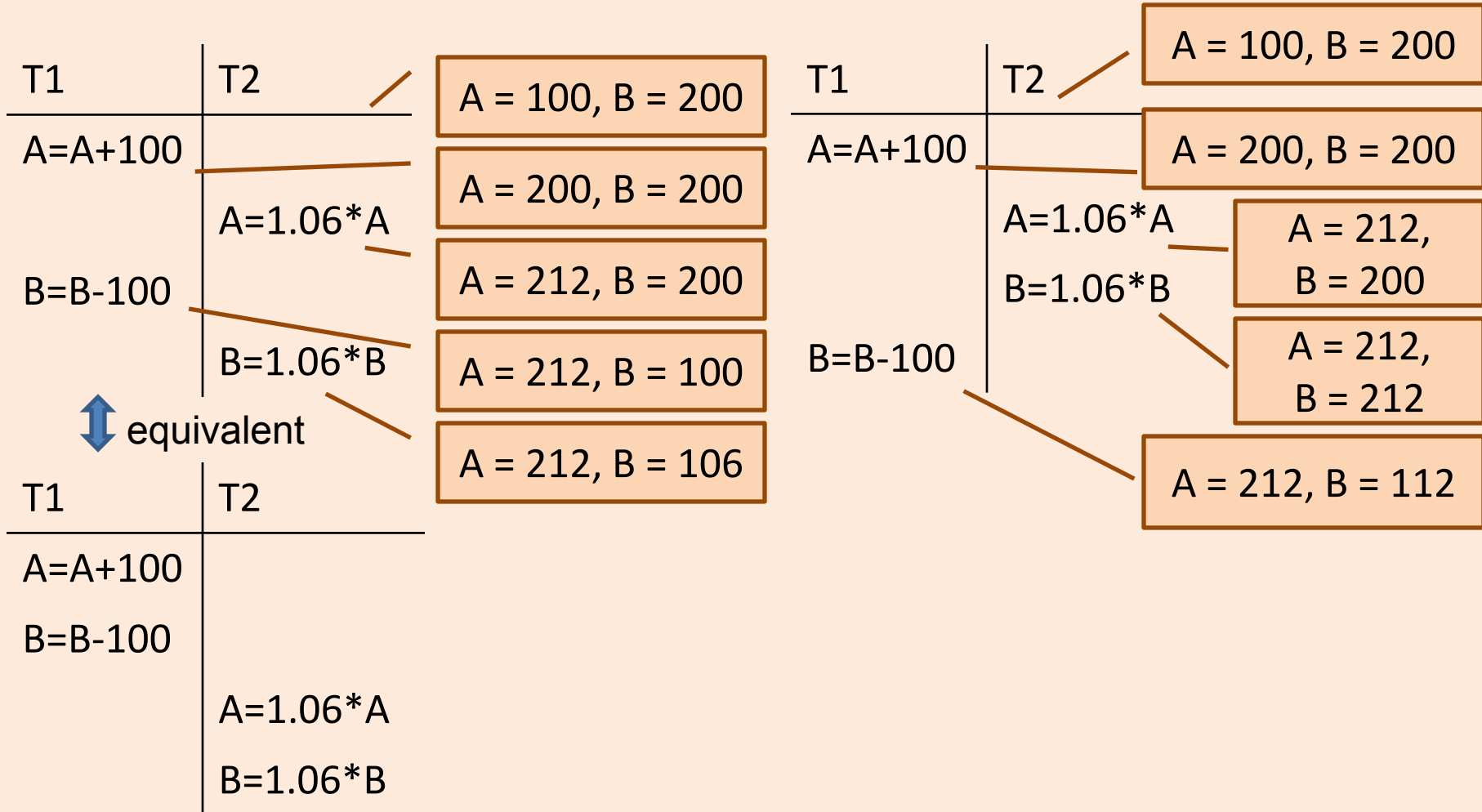
      END
```

```
T1:  BEGIN
      R(A)
      W(A)
      R(B)
      W(B)
      END
```

# Serial Executions



# Example (Serializability)



# Scheduling Transactions

- *Serial schedule*: Schedule that does not interleave the actions of different transactions.
- *Equivalent schedules*: For any database state, the effect (on the set of objects in the database) of executing the first schedule is identical to the effect of executing the second schedule.
- *Serializable schedule*: A schedule that is equivalent to some serial execution of the transactions.

(Note: If each transaction preserves consistency, every serializable schedule preserves consistency.)