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Topic: (i) Types Of Crashes/Failure in DBMS

(ii) Brief Introduction of Crash Recovery

Types Of Crashes in DBMS

Crashes can be broadly classified as -

- 1. Transaction crash/failure
- 2.System crash/ failure
- 3.Disk crash/failure

Transaction Failure

The transaction failure occurs when it fails to execute or when it reaches a point from where it can't go any further. If a few transaction or process is obstructed, then this is called as transaction failure.

Transaction Failure (Cont.)

▶ Reasons for a transaction failure could be

(a)Logical errors: If a transaction cannot complete due to some code error or an internal error condition, then the logical error occurs.

Transaction Failure (Cont.)

(b) Syntax error: It occurs where the DBMS itself terminates an active transaction because the database system is not able to execute it. For example, The system aborts an active transaction, in case of deadlock or resource unavailability.

System Crash

- System failure can occur due to power failure or other hardware or software failure. **Example:** Operating system error.
- In the system crash, non-volatile storage is assumed not to be corrupted.

Disk Failure

- It occurs where hard-disk drives or storage drives used to fail frequently. It was a common problem in the early days of technology evolution.
- Disk failure occurs due to the formation of bad sectors, disk head crash, and unreachability to the disk or any other failure, which destroy all or part of disk storage.

CRASH RECOVERY

- Crash recovery is the process by which the database is moved back to a consistent and stable state.
- This is done by rolling back incomplete transactions and completing committed transactions that were still in memory when the **crash** occurred

CRASH RECOVERY (CONT.)

- When a DBMS recovers from a crash, it should maintain the following –
- It should check the states of all the transactions, which were being executed.
- A transaction may be in the middle of some operation; the DBMS must ensure the atomicity of the transaction in this case.

CRASH RECOVERY (CONT.)

- It should check whether the transaction can be completed now or it needs to be rolled back.
- No transactions would be allowed to leave the DBMS in an inconsistent state.
