

Question 1: Concurrency Control in MMDBs [150 points]

- (i) [10 points] **CC in Main-Memory DBMSs:**
Distinguish between CC in: (1) disk-oriented DBMSs and (2) main-memory DBMSs.
- (ii) [10 points] **CC in Main-Memory DBMSs:**
Explain how you would use the compare-and-swap instruction in a CC protocol.
- (iii) [10 points] **CC in Main-Memory DBMSs:**
How does 2PL function under high contention?
- (iv) [10 points] **CC in Main-Memory DBMSs:**
How does TO function under high contention?
- (v) [10 points] **CPU Simulator:**
Distinguish between: (1) NUMA and (2) NUCA architectures.
- (vi) [10 points] **Query Types:**
Distinguish between: (1) stored procedure, (2) prepared statement, and (2) ad-hoc query.
- (vii) [10 points] **Workload Types:**
Distinguish between: (1) YCSB, (2) TPC-C, and (3) TPC-H workloads.
- (viii) [10 points] **CC Protocol Comparison:**
Which CC protocol scales well on a read-only workload? Why?
- (ix) [10 points] **CC Protocol Comparison:**
Which CC protocol scales well on a write-intensive/medium-contention workload? Why?
- (x) [10 points] **CC Protocol Comparison:**
Which CC protocol scales well on a write-intensive/high-contention workload? Why?
- (xi) [10 points] **CC Protocol Comparison:**
What are the bottlenecks in CC protocols under high-contention?
- (xii) [10 points] **Lock Thrashing:**
Define lock thrashing. Suggest a way to reduce the impact of lock thrashing.
- (xiii) [10 points] **Timestamp Allocation:**
Explain how batched atomic addition helps reduce contention.
- (xiv) [10 points] **Memory Allocation:**
Explain why the default libc malloc is slow under high contention.
- (xv) [10 points] **Hardware Trend:**
Explain why increases in DRAM capacities have stalled in recent years compared to SSDs.