

Transactions and data concurrency in DB2

Task. 1. Isolation level CURSOR STABILITY and option READ COMMITTED

1. Start command line processor (terminal A)
2. Start DB2 instance (db2start)
3. Connect to SAMPLE db as STUDENT
4. List tables in db SAMPLE
5. If the table TEST exists, drop it and then create a table TEST(kol integer)
6. Insert 10 rows to table TEST:
db2 insert into test select 1 from syscat.tables fetch first 10 rows only
7. Disconnect from SAMPLE (db2 connect reset)
8. Read the value of the db config parameter cur_commit for db SAMPLE
get db cfg for sample
9. Disable option cur_commit
update db cfg for sample using cur_commit disabled
10. Enter the interactive mode; disable the auto-commit option
11. Connect to SAMPLE db; display all rows from TEST table
12. Start new command line processor window (terminal B) and connect to SAMPLE db
13. In window A run update test set kol=10
14. In window B select all rows from table TEST; what happened?
15. In window A finish the transaction with COMMIT (observe the window B)
16. Disconnect from SAMPLE in windows A and B
17. Enable the cur_commit option for SAMPLE
update db cfg for sample using cur_commit on
18. Connect to SAMPLE db in windows A and B
19. In window A, run the command update test set kol=20
20. In window B select all rows from table TEST; what happened? What data is returned?
21. In window A finish the transaction with COMMIT and again in window B select all rows from table TEST; compare the result set with the set of rows previously obtained.
22. Disconnect from SAMPLE in windows A and B

Task 2. Isolation levels Repeatable Read and Read Stability

1. In window A change isolation level for session to Repeatable Read (RR)
change isolation to RR
2. Connect to SAMPLE in windows A and B
3. In window A, run the statement: select * from test where kol=20
4. In window B insert new row to TEST: insert into test values (20)
Why the statement waits?
5. Commit the transaction in window A, observing the effect in window B
6. Disconnect from SAMPLE in windows A and B
7. In window A change isolation level for session to Read Stability (RS)
change isolation to RS
8. Connect to SAMPLE in windows A and B
9. In window A, run the query: select * from test where kol=20
10. In window B insert new row to TEST: insert into test values (20)
Why the query does not wait for window A to commit?
11. In window A, run the query: select * from test where kol=20
How many rows are returned? What effect occurred?
12. Commit transaction in window A; disconnect from db in windows A and B

Task. 3. Isolation level Uncommitted Read (UR)

1. In window A change isolation level for session to Repeatable Read (RR)
2. Connect to SAMPLE in windows A and B
3. In window A run the statement update test set kol=30
4. In window B try to select all rows from TEST, is this possible?
5. In window A commit the transaction, observe the effect in window B
6. Disconnect from db in window B
7. In window B change isolation level for session to Uncommitted Read (UR)
8. Connect to db in window B
9. In window A run the statement update test set kol=40
10. In window B try to select all rows from TEST, is this possible? Why?
11. In window A commit the transaction
12. In window B select all rows from TEST, compare the result set with the previously obtained
13. In window A run the statement update test set kol=99
14. In window B select all rows from TEST
15. Rollback the transaction in window A
16. In window B select all rows from TEST, compare the result set with the previously obtained. What effect occurred?
17. Disconnect from db in windows A and B