CA IDMS™ 2-Phase Commit

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Abstract

This session describes how the 2-phase commit capabilities within CA IDMS[™] enable coordinated commit and recovery across a distributed transaction. It defines what is meant by a 2-phase commit operation and describes the specifics of its implementation within CA IDMS. This presentation is appropriate for Database Administrators and others who would like to know about the ability for CA IDMS to participate in work units that span multiple resource managers.



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- > Journaling and 2-phase Commit
- > Resynchronization
- > Completing Transactions Manually
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Overview

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What is a 2-phase commit?

A commit operation that ensures that all changes made within a distributed unit of work are either applied or backed out.



Distributed Unit of Work

Transaction: Schedule Delivery



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Terminology

- > <u>Transaction manager</u>: a software component responsible for commit and backout operations
- > <u>Resource manager</u>: a software component responsible for a recoverable resource such as a database
- > <u>Coordinator</u>: a transaction manager that directs a 2phase commit operation
- > <u>Participant</u>: a resource manager involved in a 2-phase commit operation

2-phase Commit Processing

Phase 1

- > Coordinator receives commit request
- > Participants prepare their resources for commit
 - Write updates to database
 - Journal "prepared" state
- > Coordinator journals "committed" state

Phase 2

- > Participants complete commit operation
 - Journal "committed" state
 - Release update locks
- > Coordinator journals "completed" state



CA IDMS as a Participant





CA IDMS as a Coordinator





Initiating a 2-phase Commit

> Environment dependent initiation

- CICS SYNCPOINT
- RRS commit function (call RRSCMIT)
- XA environment controlled
- > In DC/UCF

COMMIT/FINISH TASK COMMIT/FINISH (nDML or SQL)

- Always two-phase operation if distributed updates
 - Multiple database sessions (at least one remote)
 - Transparent to application



>What Happens?

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Typical Commit Flow





Read Only Optimization





Single Agent Optimization





Failure During Phase 1





Failure During Phase 2





2-phase Commit Outcomes

ОК	Commit operation successful	
Forget	Commit successful from read-only participant	
OK_Pending	Commit successful but not yet complete	
Backout	Commit failed, changes backed out	
Backout_ Pending	Commit failed, changes will be backed out	
HC	Commit successful; forced heuristically	
HR	Commit failed; backout forced heuristically	
НМ	Commit failed; heuristic-mixed outcome	

> Journaling

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Distributed Checkpoint Records

<u>Type</u>	Participant	Coordinator	<u>Signifies</u>		
DIND	When Prepare is complete	N/A	InDoubt state		
DCOM	When Commit received	At end of phase-1	InCommit state		
DBAK *	When Backout received	When backout decision made	InBackout state		
DPND	When forced to complete <u>heuristically</u>	Failure during phase-2; HM outcome	An interim result		
DFGT *	End of commit or backout	End of two-phase operation	End of distributed transaction		
* Only if another Dxxx record previously written					



2-phase Commit Journaling





Sequence of Journal Checkpoints

BGIN {BFOR, AFTR...} **DIND** on a participant If successful If unsuccessful DCOM DBAK COMT or ENDJ **ABRT** {DPND} {DPND} DFGT DFGT



Transaction Identifiers

LID	Local transaction identifier		
	>Part of key for BGIN, BFOR, AFTR,		
	>Included in Dxxx checkpoint records		
	>4-byte value		
DTRID	Distributed transaction identifier		
	>Part of key for Dxxx checkpoint records		
	>16-byte value		
	Bytes 1-8 Bytes 9-16		
	CV Nodename Binary timestamp		
	CICS CICS system id CICS UOW		
RRS URID	External transaction identifiers		
XA XID	>Included in Dxxx checkpoint records		

Resynchronization

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Resynchronization

> A process that completes interrupted distributed transactions

- > Occurs automatically
 - During startup of coordinator
 - Immediate if participant active
 - Queued if not (retried on timer basis)
 - On first database communication following recycle of either system
- > Can be manually driven

DCMT VARY DIST RESOURCE MANAGER ... RESYNC



Resynchronization Messages

[Restarting SYSTEM74]

IDMS DC329018 V74 T23 Resynchronization terminated for SYSTEM73::DSI_CLI *connect failed

IDMS DC224001 V74 T24 Registered with RRS services as IDMS.RM.SYSTEM74.CA

IDMS DC224002 V74 T24 RRS log name ATR.BAA3A68073264180.IBM

IDMS DC224002 V74 T24 Resource Manager log name IDMS.LOG.2003_12_11_00.48.12.067048.SYSTEM74.CA

IDMS DC224006 V74 T24 Resynchronization with RRS complete

IDMS DC329013 V74 T22 Startup resynchronization complete

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IDMS DC329019 V74 T48 Resynchronization completed successfully for SYSTEM73::DSI_CLI

IDMS DC329020 V74 T49 DTRID SYSTEM74::01653D8B91E10DD7-01653D872C0639DC complete, outcome OK

Resynchronization Flow



- > Partners' journal stamp saved on journal file
- > If changed, partner's journal has been formatted
- > If incomplete transactions exist
 - Must be <u>manually completed</u>
 - Operator prompted: Defer or Ignore

Causes of Resynchronization Failures

- > Participant not active
- > Unable to communicate
 - Line is down
 - Participant or coordinator brought up on different OS image
 - Invalid sysgen changes
- > Journal stamp mismatch
 - Journal files prematurely initialized
 - Another system masquerading as participant or coordinator



Completing Transactions Manually

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Completing Transactions Manually

> Don't do it...unless

- Journal files prematurely initialized
- Coordinator or participant permanently inaccessible
- > Research before taking action
 - Wrong decision could result in mixed outcome
- > Use DCMT V DISTRIBUTED TRANSACTION if possible
 - System must be runnable
 - Distributed transaction must still exist on disk journals
- > Manual recovery control file for utilities
 - FIX ARCHIVE, ROLLBACK, ROLLFORWARD, EXTRACT JOURNAL

Completing Transactions Manually

DCMT V DIST TR ID 'xxxx' COMMIT BACKOUT FORGET

	Transaction State				
Vary Action	InDoubt	InCommit	InBackout		
COMMIT	HC outcome	Commit retried	n/a		
	DPND written	Forgotten if complete & no heuristic outcome			
BACKOUT	HR outcome	n/a	Backout retried		
	DPND written		Forgotten if complete & no heuristic outcome		
FORGET	n/a	Commit retried Forgotten if complete	Backout retried Forgotten if complete		



Operational Considerations

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Operational Considerations

- > Restart failed systems as soon as possible
- > Restart on same operating system image
- > Always restarted with same name
 - Name comes from journal file
- > Incomplete distributed transactions at shutdown

IDMS DC200241 V74 T1 Active transactions exist. Abending.

System abends (3937)



Operational Considerations

> Use with CICS and RRS

- Requires additional setup work
- And explicit activation
- > Support for XA-transactions
 - Requires CA IDMS[™] Server r16



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