

# Formalization of (Conflict-)Serializability and Strict Two-Phase Locking

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## Abstract

Concurrency control is an essential component of any transactional database management system, which is responsible for providing isolation (the “I” in ACID) to transactions. Formally, concurrency control aims to achieve serializability: a way to rearrange the actions of concurrently executing transactions that eliminates concurrency while leaves the database modifications unchanged. In this small entry, we define serializability, a syntactic over-approximation called conflict-serializability, and characterize schedules generated by the frequently used concurrency control mechanism of strict two-phase locking (S2PL). We also prove two inclusions: S2PL implies conflict-serializability, which in turn implies serializability. The formalization is based on standard material from an advanced database systems course [1, Chapter 17].

## 1 Transactions

We work with a rather abstract model of transactions comprised of read/write actions.

Read/written values are natural numbers.

**type-alias**  $val = nat$

Transactions  $'xid$  may read from/write two addresses  $'addr$ .

**datatype**  $( 'xid, 'addr ) action = isRead: Read (xid-of: \langle 'xid \rangle) (addr-of: 'addr) | isWrite: Write (xid-of: \langle 'xid \rangle) (addr-of: 'addr)$

A schedule is a sequence of actions.

**type-synonym**  $( 'xid, 'addr ) schedule = \langle ('xid, 'addr) action list \rangle$

A database, which is being modified by the read/write actions, maps addresses to values.

**type-synonym**  $'addr db = \langle 'addr \Rightarrow val \rangle$

Each transaction has a local state, which is represented as the list of previously read values (and the addresses they have been read from).

**type-synonym**  $'addr\ xstate = \langle ('addr \times val)\ list \rangle$

The values written by a transaction are given by a higher-order parameter and may depend on the previously read values.

**context fixes**  $write\ logic :: \langle 'xid \Rightarrow 'addr\ xstate \Rightarrow 'addr \Rightarrow val \rangle$  **begin**

Read values are recorded in the transaction's local state; writes modify the database.

**fun**  $action\ effect :: \langle ('xid, 'addr)\ action \Rightarrow ('xid \Rightarrow 'addr\ xstate) \times 'addr\ db \Rightarrow ('xid \Rightarrow 'addr\ xstate) \times 'addr\ db \rangle$  **where**  
 $\langle action\ effect\ (Read\ xid\ addr)\ (xst, db) = (xst(xid := (addr, db\ addr)\ \# xst\ xid), db) \rangle$   
 $| \langle action\ effect\ (Write\ xid\ addr)\ (xst, db) = (xst, db(addr := write\ logic\ xid\ (xst\ xid)\ addr)) \rangle$

We are interested in how a schedule modifies the database (local state changes are discarded at the end).

**definition**  $schedule\ effect :: \langle ('xid, 'addr)\ schedule \Rightarrow 'addr\ db \Rightarrow 'addr\ db \rangle$  **where**  
 $\langle schedule\ effect\ s\ db = snd\ (fold\ action\ effect\ s\ (\lambda\_. [], db)) \rangle$

**end**

Actions that belong to the same transaction.

**definition**  $eq\ xid$  **where**  
 $\langle eq\ xid\ a\ b = (xid\ of\ a = xid\ of\ b) \rangle$

## 2 Serial and Serializable Schedules

**declare**  $length\ dropWhile\ le[termination\ simp]$

A serial schedule does not interleave actions of different transactions.

**fun**  $serial :: \langle ('xid, 'addr)\ schedule \Rightarrow bool \rangle$  **where**  
 $\langle serial\ [] = True \rangle$   
 $| \langle serial\ (a\ \#\ as) = (let\ bs = dropWhile\ (\lambda b. eq\ xid\ a\ b)\ as\ in\ serial\ bs \wedge xid\ of\ a \notin xid\ of\ 'set\ bs) \rangle$

A schedule  $s$  can be rearranged into schedule  $t$  by a permutation  $\pi$ , which preserves the relative order of actions related by  $eq$ .

**definition**  $permutes\ upto$  **where**  
 $\langle permutes\ upto\ eq\ \pi\ s\ t =$   
 $(bij\ betw\ \pi\ \{..\langle length\ s \rangle\}\ \{..\langle length\ t \rangle\}) \wedge$   
 $(\forall i < length\ s. s\ !\ i = t\ !\ \pi\ i) \wedge$   
 $(\forall i < length\ s. \forall j < length\ s. i < j \wedge eq\ (s\ !\ i)\ (s\ !\ j) \longrightarrow \pi\ i < \pi\ j) \rangle$

**lemma** *permutes-upto-Nil[simp]*:  $\langle \text{permutes-upto } R \ \pi \ [] \ [] \rangle$   
**by** (*auto simp: permutes-upto-def bij-betw-def*)

Two schedules are equivalent if one can be rearranged into another without rearranging the actions of each transaction and in addition they have the same effect on any database for any fixed write logic.

**abbreviation** *equivalent* ::  $\langle ('xid, 'addr) \text{ schedule} \Rightarrow ('xid, 'addr) \text{ schedule} \Rightarrow \text{bool} \rangle$   
**where**

$\langle \text{equivalent } s \ t \equiv (\exists \pi. \text{permutes-upto eq-xid } \pi \ s \ t \wedge (\forall \text{write-logic } db. \text{schedule-effect write-logic } s \ db = \text{schedule-effect write-logic } t \ db)) \rangle$

A schedule is serializable if it is equivalent to some serial schedule. Serializable schedules thus provide isolation: even though actions of different transactions may be interleaved, the effect from the point of view of each transaction is as if the transaction was the only one executing in the system (as is the case in serial schedules).

**definition** *serializable* ::  $\langle ('xid, 'addr) \text{ schedule} \Rightarrow \text{bool} \rangle$  **where**  
 $\langle \text{serializable } s = (\exists t. \text{serial } t \wedge \text{equivalent } s \ t) \rangle$

### 3 Conflict Serializable Schedules

Two actions of different transactions are conflicting if they access the same address and at least one of them is a write.

**definition** *conflict* **where**

$\langle \text{conflict } a \ b = (\text{xid-of } a \neq \text{xid-of } b \wedge \text{addr-of } a = \text{addr-of } b \wedge (\text{isWrite } a \vee \text{isWrite } b)) \rangle$

Two schedules are conflict-equivalent if one can be rearranged into another without rearranging conflicting actions or actions of one transaction. Note that unlike equivalence, the conflict-equivalence notion is purely syntactic, i.e., not talking about databases and action/schedule effects.

**abbreviation** *conflict-equivalent* ::  $\langle ('xid, 'addr) \text{ schedule} \Rightarrow ('xid, 'addr) \text{ schedule} \Rightarrow \text{bool} \rangle$  **where**

$\langle \text{conflict-equivalent } s \ t \equiv (\exists \pi. \text{permutes-upto } (\text{sup eq-xid conflict}) \ \pi \ s \ t) \rangle$

A schedule is conflict-serializable if it is conflict equivalent to some serial schedule.

**definition** *conflict-serializable* ::  $\langle ('xid, 'addr) \text{ schedule} \Rightarrow \text{bool} \rangle$  **where**

$\langle \text{conflict-serializable } s = (\exists t. \text{serial } t \wedge \text{conflict-equivalent } s \ t) \rangle$

### 4 Conflict-Serializability Implies Serializability

In the following, we prove that the syntactic notion implies the semantic one. The key observation is that swapping non-conflicting actions of different transactions preserves the overall effect on the database.

**lemma** *swap-actions*:  $\langle \neg \text{conflict } a \ b \implies \neg \text{eq-xid } a \ b \implies \text{action-effect wl } a \ (\text{action-effect wl } b \ st) = \text{action-effect wl } b \ (\text{action-effect wl } a \ st) \rangle$

**unfolding** *conflict-def eq-xid-def*

**by** (*cases a*; *cases b*; *cases st*) (*auto simp add: fun-upd-twist insert-commute*)

**lemma** *swap-many-actions*:  $\langle \forall i < \text{length } p. \neg \text{conflict } a \ (p \ ! \ i) \wedge \neg \text{eq-xid } a \ (p \ ! \ i) \implies$

$\text{action-effect wl } a \ (\text{fold } (\text{action-effect wl}) \ p \ st) = \text{fold } (\text{action-effect wl}) \ p \ (\text{action-effect wl } a \ st) \rangle$

**proof** (*induct p arbitrary: st*)

**case** (*Cons b p*)

**from** *Cons(2)* **show** *?case*

**unfolding** *fold-simps*

**by** (*subst Cons(1)[of <action-effect wl b st>]*) (*auto simp: swap-actions[of a b]*)

**qed** *simp*

**lemma** *fold-action-effect-eq*:

**assumes**  $\langle t = p \ @ \ a \ \# \ u \rangle$

**shows**

$\langle \text{fold } (\text{action-effect wl}) \ s \ (\text{action-effect wl } a \ st) =$

$\text{fold } (\text{action-effect wl}) \ (p \ @ \ u) \ (\text{action-effect wl } a \ st) \implies$

$\forall i < \text{length } p. \neg \text{conflict } a \ (p \ ! \ i) \wedge \neg \text{eq-xid } a \ (p \ ! \ i) \implies$

$\text{fold } (\text{action-effect wl}) \ (a \ \# \ s) \ st = \text{fold } (\text{action-effect wl}) \ t \ st \rangle$

**unfolding** *schedule-effect-def fold-simps fold-append o-apply assms*

**by** (*subst swap-many-actions*) *auto*

**definition** *shift where*

$\langle \text{shift } \pi = (\lambda i. \text{if } i < \pi \ 0 \ \text{then } i \ \text{else } i - 1) \ o \ \pi \ o \ \text{Suc} \rangle$

**lemma** *bij-betw-remove*:  $\langle \text{bij-betw } f \ A \ B \implies x \in A \implies \text{bij-betw } f \ (A - \{x\}) \ (B - \{f \ x\}) \rangle$

**unfolding** *bij-betw-def* **by** (*auto simp: inj-on-def*)

**lemma** *permutes-upto-shift*:

**assumes**  $\langle \text{permutes-upto eq } \pi \ (a \ \# \ s) \ t \rangle$

**shows**  $\langle \text{permutes-upto eq } (\text{shift } \pi) \ s \ (\text{take } (\pi \ 0) \ t \ @ \ \text{drop } (\text{Suc } (\pi \ 0)) \ t) \rangle$

**proof** –

**from** *assms* **have**  $\pi: \langle \text{bij-betw } \pi \ \{.. < \text{Suc } (\text{length } s)\} \ \{.. < \text{length } t\} \rangle$

$\langle \bigwedge i. i < \text{length } s + \text{Suc } 0 \implies (a \ \# \ s) \ ! \ i = t \ ! \ \pi \ i \rangle$

$\langle \bigwedge i \ j. i < j \implies i < \text{length } s + \text{Suc } 0 \implies j < \text{length } s + \text{Suc } 0 \implies$

$\text{eq } ((a \ \# \ s) \ ! \ i) \ ((a \ \# \ s) \ ! \ j) \implies \pi \ i < \pi \ j \rangle$

**unfolding** *permutes-upto-def* **by** *auto*

**from**  $\pi(1)$  **have** *distinct*:  $\langle \pi \ (\text{Suc } i) \neq \pi \ 0 \rangle$  **if**  $\langle i < \text{length } s \rangle$  **for**  $i$

**using** *that* **unfolding** *bij-betw-def* **by** (*auto dest!: inj-onD[of  $\pi - \langle \text{Suc } i \ 0 \rangle$ ]*)

**from**  $\pi(1)$  **have** *le*:  $\langle \pi \ ' \ \{.. < \text{Suc } (\text{length } s)\} \subseteq \{.. < \text{length } t\} \rangle$

**unfolding** *bij-betw-def* **by** *auto*

**then** **have**  $\langle \text{bij-betw } (\lambda i. \text{if } i < \pi \ 0 \ \text{then } i \ \text{else } i - 1) \ (\{.. < \text{length } t\} - \{\pi \ 0\}) \ \{.. < \text{length } t - 1\} \rangle$

**by** (*cases t*) (*auto 0 3 simp: bij-betw-def inj-on-def image-iff not-less subset-eq Ball-def*)  
**moreover have**  $\langle \text{bij-betw } \pi \{ \text{Suc } 0 \dots \text{Suc } (\text{length } s) \} (\dots \text{length } t) - \{ \pi 0 \} \rangle$   
**using** *bij-betw-remove* [**where**  $x = 0$ , *OF*  $\pi(1)$ ]  
**by** (*simp add: atLeast1-lessThan-eq-remove0*)  
**moreover have**  $\langle \text{bij-betw } \text{Suc } \{ \dots \text{length } s \} \{ \text{Suc } 0 \dots \text{Suc } (\text{length } s) \} \rangle$   
**by** (*auto simp: lessThan-atLeast0*)  
**ultimately have**  $\langle \text{bij-betw } (\text{shift } \pi) \{ \dots \text{length } s \} \{ \dots \text{length } t - \text{Suc } 0 \} \rangle$   
**unfolding** *shift-def* **by** (*auto intro: bij-betw-trans*)  
**moreover have**  $\langle s ! i = (\text{take } (\pi 0) t @ \text{drop } (\text{Suc } (\pi 0)) t) ! \text{shift } \pi i \rangle$  **if**  $\langle i < \text{length } s \rangle$  **for**  $i$   
**using** *that*  $\pi(2)$  [*of*  $\langle \text{Suc } i \rangle$ ] *le distinct* [*of*  $i$ ]  
**by** (*force simp: shift-def nth-append not-less subset-eq min-def*)  
**moreover have**  $\langle \text{shift } \pi i < \text{shift } \pi j \rangle$   
**if**  $\langle i < \text{length } s \rangle \langle j < \text{length } s \rangle \langle i < j \rangle \langle \text{eq } (s ! i) (s ! j) \rangle$  **for**  $i j$   
**using** *that*  $\pi(3)$  [*of*  $\langle \text{Suc } i \rangle \langle \text{Suc } j \rangle$ ] *le distinct* [*of*  $i$ ] *distinct* [*of*  $j$ ]  
**by** (*auto simp: shift-def not-less subset-eq*)  
**ultimately show** *?thesis*  
**unfolding** *permutes-upto-def* **using** *le* **by** (*auto simp: min-def*)  
**qed**

**lemma** *permutes-upto-prefix-upto*:

**assumes**  $\langle \text{permutes-upto eq } \pi (t ! \pi 0 \# s) t \rangle \langle i < \pi 0 \rangle$   
**shows**  $\langle \neg \text{eq } (t ! \pi 0) (t ! i) \rangle$

**proof**

**assume**  $\langle \text{eq } (t ! \pi 0) (t ! i) \rangle$

**moreover**

**from** *assms* **have**  $\pi$ :  $\langle \text{bij-betw } \pi \{ \dots \text{Suc } (\text{length } s) \} \{ \dots \text{length } t \} \rangle$

$\langle \bigwedge i. i < \text{length } s + \text{Suc } 0 \implies (t ! \pi 0 \# s) ! i = t ! \pi i \rangle$

$\langle \bigwedge i j. i < j \implies i < \text{length } s + \text{Suc } 0 \implies j < \text{length } s + \text{Suc } 0 \implies \text{eq } ((t ! \pi 0 \# s) ! i) ((t ! \pi 0 \# s) ! j) \implies \pi i < \pi j \rangle$

**unfolding** *permutes-upto-def* **by** *auto*

**define**  $k$  **where**  $\langle k = \text{the-inv-into } \{ \dots \text{Suc } (\text{length } s) \} \pi i \rangle$

**from**  $\pi(1)$  *assms*(2) **have**  $\langle i < \text{length } t \rangle$

**using** *bij-betwE lessThan-Suc-eq-insert-0* **by** *fastforce*

**with**  $\pi(1)$  *assms*(2) **have**  $\langle k > 0 \rangle \langle \pi k = i \rangle \langle k < \text{Suc } (\text{length } s) \rangle$

**using** *f-the-inv-into-f* [*of*  $\pi \langle \dots \text{Suc } (\text{length } s) \rangle i$ ]

*the-inv-into-into* [*of*  $\pi \langle \dots \text{Suc } (\text{length } s) \rangle i$ , *OF* *- - subset-refl*]

**by** (*fastforce simp: bij-betw-def set-eq-iff image-iff k-def*)**+**

**ultimately have**  $\langle \pi 0 < \pi k \rangle$

**using**  $\pi(2)$  [*of*  $k$ ] **by** (*intro*  $\pi(3)$  [*of*  $0 k$ ]) *auto*

**with** *assms*(2)  $\langle \pi k = i \rangle$  **show** *False* **by** *auto*

**qed**

**lemma** *conflict-equivalent-imp-equivalent*:

**assumes**  $\langle \text{conflict-equivalent } s t \rangle$

**shows**  $\langle \text{equivalent } s t \rangle$

**proof** —

**from** *assms* **obtain**  $\pi$  **where**  $\pi$ :  $\langle \text{permutes-upto } (\text{sup eq-rid conflict}) \pi s t \rangle$

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  by blast
  moreover from  $\pi$  have  $\langle \text{fold } (\text{action-effect } wl) s st = \text{fold } (\text{action-effect } wl) t st \rangle$  for  $wl st$ 
  proof (induct s arbitrary:  $\pi t st$ )
    case Nil
    then show ?case
      by (force simp: permutes-upto-def bij-betw-def)
    next
    case (Cons a s)
    from Cons(2) have  $\langle \pi 0 < \text{length } t \rangle$  and  $a: \langle a = t ! \pi 0 \rangle$ 
    by (auto simp add: permutes-upto-def bij-betw-def)
    with Cons(2) show ?case
    by (intro fold-action-effect-eq)
      (auto simp only: length-take min-absorb2 less-imp-le nth-take
        intro!: id-take-nth-drop[of  $\langle \pi 0 \rangle t$ ] Cons(1)[where  $\pi = \langle \text{shift } \pi \rangle$ ]
        dest: permutes-upto-prefix-upto elim!: permutes-upto-shift)
  qed
  then have  $\langle \text{schedule-effect } wl s db = \text{schedule-effect } wl t db \rangle$  for  $wl db$ 
  unfolding schedule-effect-def by auto
  ultimately show ?thesis
  unfolding permutes-upto-def by blast
qed

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theorem conflict-serializable-imp-serializable:  $\langle \text{conflict-serializable } s \implies \text{serializable } s \rangle$ 
  unfolding conflict-serializable-def serializable-def
  using conflict-equivalent-imp-equivalent by blast

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## 5 Schedules Generated by Strict Two-Phase Locking (S2PL).

To enforce conflict-serializability database management systems use locks. Locks come in two kinds: shared locks for reads and exclusive locks for writes. An address can be accessed in a reading fashion by multiple transactions, each holding a shared lock. If one transaction however holds an exclusive locks to write to an address, then no other transaction can hold a lock (neither shared nor exclusive) for the same address.

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datatype 'addr lock = S (addr-of: 'addr) | X (addr-of: 'addr)

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fun lock-for where
   $\langle \text{lock-for } (\text{Read } - \text{addr}) = S \text{ addr} \rangle$ 
|  $\langle \text{lock-for } (\text{Write } - \text{addr}) = X \text{ addr} \rangle$ 

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definition valid-locks where
   $\langle \text{valid-locks } locks = (\forall \text{addr } \text{xid1 } \text{xid2}. X \text{ addr} \in \text{locks } \text{xid1} \implies X \text{ addr} \in \text{locks } \text{xid2} \vee S \text{ addr} \in \text{locks } \text{xid2} \implies \text{xid1} = \text{xid2}) \rangle$ 

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A frequently used lock strategy is strict two phase locking (S2PL) in which transactions attempt to acquire locks gradually (whenever they want to execute an action that needs a particular lock) and release them all at once at the end of each transaction.

The following predicate checks whether a schedule could have been generated using the S2PL strategy. To this end, the predicate checks for each action, whether the corresponding lock could have been acquired by the transaction executing the action. We also allow lock upgrades (from shared to exclusive), i.e., one transaction can hold both a shared and an exclusive lock

As in our model there is no explicit transaction end marker (commit), we treat each transaction as finished immediately when it has executed its last action in the given schedule. This is the moment, when the transaction's locks are released.

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fun s2pl :: ⟨('xid ⇒ 'addr lock set) ⇒ ('xid, 'addr) schedule ⇒ bool⟩ where
  ⟨s2pl locks [] = True⟩
| ⟨s2pl locks (a # s) =
  (let xid = xid-of a; addr = action.addr-of a
   in if ∃ xid'. xid' ≠ xid ∧ (X addr ∈ locks xid' ∨ isWrite a ∧ S addr ∈ locks
xid'))
  then False
  else s2pl (locks(xid := if xid ∉ xid-of ' set s then {} else locks xid ∪ {lock-for
a})) s)⟩
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We prove in the following that S2PL schedules are conflict-serializable (and thus also serializable). The proof proceeds by induction on the number of transactions in a schedule. To construct the conflict-equivalent serial schedule we always move the actions of the transaction that finished first in our S2PL schedule to the front. To do so we show that these actions are not conflicting with any preceding actions (due to the acquired/held locks).

**lemma** *conflict-equivalent-trans*:

⟨conflict-equivalent s t ⇒ conflict-equivalent t u ⇒ conflict-equivalent s u⟩

**proof** (*elim exE*)

**fix** π π'

**assume** ⟨permutes-upto (sup eq-xid conflict) π s t⟩ ⟨permutes-upto (sup eq-xid conflict) π' t u⟩

**then show** ⟨conflict-equivalent s u⟩

**by** (*intro exI[of - ⟨π' ∘ π⟩*)

(*auto simp: permutes-upto-def bij-betw-trans dest: bij-betwE*)

**qed**

**lemma** *conflict-equivalent-append*: ⟨conflict-equivalent s t ⇒ conflict-equivalent (u @ s) (u @ t)⟩

**proof** (*elim exE*)

**fix** π

**assume** π: ⟨permutes-upto (sup eq-xid conflict) π s t⟩

**define** π' **where** ⟨π' x = (if x < length u then x else π (x - length u) + length

$u$ ) for  $x$   
**define**  $\pi\pi'$  **where**  $\langle \pi\pi' x = (if\ x < length\ u\ then\ x$   
 $\quad else\ the\ inv\ into\ \{..\langle length\ s\ \}\ \pi\ (x - length\ u) + length\ u) \rangle$  **for**  $x$   
**from**  $\pi$  **have**  $\langle bij\ betw\ \pi' \{..\langle length\ u + length\ s\ \} \{..\langle length\ u + length\ t\ \}$   
**unfolding**  $bij\ betw\ iff\ bijections$   
**by**  $(auto\ simp: permutes\ upto\ def\ bij\ betw\ def\ \pi'\ def\ \pi\pi'\ def$   
 $\quad the\ inv\ into\ f\ f\ the\ inv\ into\ f\ split: if\ splits$   
 $\quad intro!: exI[of\ -\ \pi\pi']\ the\ inv\ into\ into[OF\ -\ -\ subset\ refl, of\ -\ \langle \{..\langle length\ s\ \}\},$   
 $simplified])$   
**with**  $\pi$  **show**  $\langle conflict\ equivalent\ (u\ @\ s)\ (u\ @\ t) \rangle$   
**by**  $(intro\ exI[of\ -\ \pi])\ (auto\ simp: permutes\ upto\ def\ nth\ append\ \pi'\ def)$   
**qed**

**lemma**  $conflict\ equivalent\ Cons: \langle conflict\ equivalent\ s\ t \implies conflict\ equivalent\ (a$   
 $\# s)\ (a\ \# t) \rangle$   
**by**  $(metis\ append\ Cons\ append\ Nil\ conflict\ equivalent\ append)$

**lemma**  $conflict\ equivalent\ rearrange:$

**assumes**  $\langle \bigwedge i\ j. xid\ of\ (s\ !\ i) = xid \implies j < i \implies i < length\ s \implies \neg conflict\ (s$   
 $!\ j)\ (s\ !\ i) \rangle$

**shows**  $\langle conflict\ equivalent\ s\ (filter\ ((=)\ xid\ o\ xid\ of)\ s\ @\ filter\ (Not\ o\ (=)\ xid\ o$   
 $xid\ of)\ s) \rangle$

**(is**  $\langle conflict\ equivalent\ s\ (?filter\ s) \rangle$ )

**using**  $assms$

**proof**  $(induct\ \langle length\ (filter\ ((=)\ xid\ o\ xid\ of)\ s) \rangle\ arbitrary: s)$

**case**  $0$

**then show**  $?case$

**by**  $(auto\ simp: filter\ empty\ conv\ permutes\ upto\ def\ intro!: exI[of\ -\ id])$

**next**

**case**  $(Suc\ x)$

**define**  $i$  **where**  $\langle i = (LEAST\ i. i < length\ s \wedge xid\ of\ (s\ !\ i) = xid) \rangle$

**from**  $Suc(2)$  **have**  $\langle \exists i < length\ s. xid\ of\ (s\ !\ i) = xid \rangle$

**by**  $(auto\ simp: Suc\ length\ conv\ filter\ eq\ Cons\ iff\ nth\ append\ nth\ Cons')$

**then have**  $\langle i < length\ s \wedge xid\ of\ (s\ !\ i) = xid \rangle$

**unfolding**  $i\ def$  **by**  $(elim\ LeastI\ ex)$

**note**  $i = conjunct1[OF\ this]\ conjunct2[OF\ this]$

**then have**  $lessi: \langle \forall j < i. xid\ of\ (s\ !\ j) \neq xid \rangle$

**using**  $i\ def\ less\ trans\ not\ less\ Least$  **by**  $blast$

**with**  $i$  **have**  $filter\ take: \langle filter\ ((=)\ xid\ o\ xid\ of)\ (take\ i\ s) = [] \rangle$

**by**  $(intro\ filter\ False[of\ \langle take\ i\ s \rangle\ \langle ((=)\ xid\ o\ xid\ of) \rangle])\ (auto\ simp: nth\ image[symmetric])$

**with**  $i$  **have**  $*: \langle filter\ ((=)\ xid\ o\ xid\ of)\ s = s\ !\ i\ \# filter\ ((=)\ xid\ o\ xid\ of)$

$(drop\ (Suc\ i)\ s) \rangle$

**by**  $(subst\ id\ take\ nth\ drop[of\ i\ s])\ auto$

**from**  $i\ Suc(3)$  **have**  $\langle \forall j < i. \neg conflict\ (s\ !\ j)\ (s\ !\ i) \rangle$  **by**  $blast$

**with**  $i\ lessi$  **have**  $\langle conflict\ equivalent\ s\ (s\ !\ i\ \# take\ i\ s\ @\ drop\ (Suc\ i)\ s) \rangle$

**(is**  $\langle conflict\ equivalent\ s\ (s\ !\ i\ \# ?s) \rangle$ )

**by**  $(intro\ exI[of\ -\ \langle \lambda k. if\ k = i\ then\ 0\ else\ if\ k < i\ then\ k + 1\ else\ k \rangle])$

$(auto\ simp: permutes\ upto\ def\ min\ def\ bij\ betw\ def\ inj\ on\ def\ nth\ append$   
 $eq\ xid\ def)$

$nth\text{-Cons}'\ dest!: gr0\text{-implies}\text{-Suc}$   
**also from**  $Suc(2-)$   $i$   $filter\text{-take}$  **have**  $\langle conflict\text{-equivalent} (s ! i \# ?s) (s ! i \# ?filter\ ?s) \rangle$   
**by**  $(intro\ conflict\text{-equivalent}\text{-Cons}\ Suc(1)) (auto\ simp: * nth\text{-append})$   
**also**  $(conflict\text{-equivalent}\text{-trans})$  **from**  $i$   $lessi\ filter\text{-take}$  **have**  $\langle s ! i \# ?filter\ ?s = ?filter\ s \rangle$   
**unfolding**  $*$  **by**  $(subst (8)\ id\text{-take}\text{-nth}\text{-drop}[of\ i\ s])\ fastforce+$   
**finally show**  $?case$  .  
**qed**

**lemma**  $serial\text{-append}$ :

$\langle serial\ s \implies serial\ t \implies xid\text{-of}\ 'set\ s \cap xid\text{-of}\ 'set\ t = \{\} \implies serial\ (s @ t) \rangle$   
**proof**  $(induct\ s\ rule: serial.\text{induct})$   
**case**  $(2\ a\ as)$   
**then show**  $?case$   
**using**  $drop\ While\text{-eq}\text{-self}\text{-iff}[THEN\ iffD2, of\ t\ \langle eq\text{-xid}\ a \rangle]$   
**by**  $(fastforce\ simp: Let\text{-def}\ image\text{-iff}\ drop\ While\text{-append}\ eq\text{-xid}\text{-def}[symmetric])$   
 $dest: set\text{-drop}\ WhileD$   
**qed**  $simp$

**lemma**  $serial\text{-same}\text{-xid}$ :  $\langle \forall x \in set\ s. xid\text{-of}\ x = xid \implies serial\ s \rangle$

**using**  $drop\ While\text{-eq}\text{-Nil}\text{-conv}[of\ \langle (\lambda x. xid = xid\text{-of}\ x) \rangle\ \langle tl\ s \rangle]$   
**by**  $(cases\ s) (auto\ simp: Let\text{-def}\ eq\text{-xid}\text{-def}[abs\text{-def}]\ equals0D\ simp\ del: drop\ While\text{-eq}\text{-Nil}\text{-conv})$

**lemma**  $conflict\text{-equivalent}\text{-same}\text{-set}$ :  $\langle conflict\text{-equivalent}\ s\ t \implies set\ s = set\ t \rangle$

**unfolding**  $permutes\text{-upto}\text{-def}\ bij\text{-betw}\text{-def}$   
**by**  $(auto\ simp: set\text{-eq}\text{-iff}\ in\text{-set}\text{-conv}\text{-nth}\ Bex\text{-def}\ image\text{-iff})\ metis+$

**lemma**  $s2pl\text{-filter}$ :

$\langle s2pl\ locks\ s \implies s2pl\ (locks(xid := \{\})) (filter\ (Not\ o\ (=)\ xid\ o\ xid\text{-of})\ s) \rangle$   
**by**  $(induct\ locks\ s\ rule: s2pl.\text{induct}) (auto\ simp: Let\text{-def}\ fun\text{-upd}\text{-twist}\ split: if\text{-splits})$

**lemma**  $valid\text{-locks}\text{-grab}[simp]$ :  $\langle valid\text{-locks}\ locks \implies$

$\neg (\exists xid'. xid' \neq xid\text{-of}\ a \wedge$   
 $(X (action.\text{addr}\text{-of}\ a) \in locks\ xid' \vee isWrite\ a \wedge S (action.\text{addr}\text{-of}\ a) \in locks\ xid')) \implies$   
 $valid\text{-locks}\ (locks(xid\text{-of}\ a := insert\ (lock\text{-for}\ a)\ (locks\ (xid\text{-of}\ a)))) \rangle$   
**by**  $(cases\ a) (auto\ simp: valid\text{-locks}\text{-def})$

**lemma**  $s2pl\text{-suffix}$ :  $\langle valid\text{-locks}\ locks \implies s2pl\ locks\ (s @ t) \implies$

$\forall a \in set\ s. \exists b \in set\ t. eq\text{-xid}\ a\ b \implies$   
 $\exists locks'. valid\text{-locks}\ locks' \wedge (\forall xid. locks\ xid \subseteq locks'\ xid) \wedge s2pl\ locks'\ t \rangle$

**proof**  $(induct\ s\ arbitrary: locks)$

**case**  $(Cons\ a\ s)$   
**from**  $Cons(1)[OF\ valid\text{-locks}\text{-grab}[of\ locks\ a]]\ Cons(2-)$  **show**  $?case$   
**by**  $(auto\ simp\ add: Let\text{-def}\ eq\text{-xid}\text{-def}\ fun\text{-upd}\text{-def}\ cong: if\text{-cong}\ split: if\text{-splits})$   
 $blast+$

**qed** *auto*

**lemma** *set-drop*:  $\langle l \leq \text{length } xs \implies \text{set } (\text{drop } l \text{ } xs) = \text{nth } xs \text{ } \{l..<\text{length } xs\} \rangle$   
**by** (*auto simp: set-conv-nth image-iff*) (*metis add commute le-iff-add less-diff-conv*)

**lemma** *drop-eq-Cons*:  $\langle i < \text{length } xs \implies \text{drop } i \text{ } xs = xs ! i \# \text{drop } (\text{Suc } i) \text{ } xs \rangle$   
**by** (*subst id-take-nth-drop[of i xs]*) *auto*

**theorem** *s2pl-conflict-serializable*:  $\langle s2pl \text{ } (\lambda-. \{\}) \text{ } s \implies \text{conflict-serializable } s \rangle$

**proof** (*induct*  $\langle \text{card } (\text{xid-of } \text{ } \text{set } s) \rangle$  *arbitrary: s*)

**case** 0

**then show** ?*case*

**by** (*auto simp: conflict-serializable-def intro!: exI[of - <[]>]*)

**next**

**case** (*Suc x*)

**define** *i* **where**  $\langle i = (\text{LEAST } i. i < \text{length } s \wedge (\forall j \in \{i+1 ..<\text{length } s\}. \neg \text{eq-xid } (s ! i) (s ! j))) \rangle$

**have**  $\langle i < \text{length } s \wedge (\forall j \in \{i+1 ..<\text{length } s\}. \neg \text{eq-xid } (s ! i) (s ! j)) \rangle$

**unfolding** *i-def* **by** (*rule LeastI[of - <length s - 1>]*, *use Suc(2) in <cases s>*)

*auto*

**note** *i = conjunct1[OF this] conjunct2[OF this, rule-format]*

**define** *xid* **where**  $\langle \text{xid} = \text{xid-of } (s ! i) \rangle$

**with** *i* **have** *xid*:  $\langle \text{xid} \in \text{xid-of } \text{ } \text{set } s \rangle$

**by** (*auto simp: image-iff in-set-conv-nth Bex-def*)

**from** *i(1)* **have** \*:  $\langle \exists k \in \{i ..<\text{length } s\}. \text{eq-xid } (s ! j) (s ! k) \rangle$  **if**  $\langle j < i \rangle$  **for** *j*

**proof** (*cases <xid = xid-of (s ! j)>*)

**case** *False*

**with** *that i(1)* **show** ?*thesis*

**proof** (*induct*  $\langle i - j \rangle$  *arbitrary: j* *rule: less-induct*)

**case** *less*

**from**  $\langle j < i \rangle$  *less-trans*[*OF*  $\langle j < i \rangle \langle i < \text{length } s \rangle$ ]

**obtain** *j'* **where**  $\langle j' \in \{j+1 ..<\text{length } s\} \wedge \text{eq-xid } (s ! j) (s ! j') \rangle$

**by** (*subst (asm) i-def*) (*force dest: not-less-Least*)

**with** *less(1)[of j']* *less(2-)* **show** ?*case*

**by** (*cases <j' ≥ i>*) (*auto simp: diff-less-mono2 eq-xid-def*)

**qed**

**qed** (*auto simp: xid-def eq-xid-def Bex-def*)

**have**  $\langle \text{conflict-equivalent } s \text{ } (\text{filter } ((=) \text{ } \text{xid} \circ \text{xid-of}) \text{ } s \text{ } @ \text{filter } (\text{Not} \circ (=) \text{ } \text{xid} \circ \text{xid-of}) \text{ } s) \rangle$

**proof** (*intro conflict-equivalent-rearrange notI*)

**fix** *k l*

**let** ?*xid* =  $\langle \text{xid-of } (s ! k) \rangle$

**assume** *kl*:  $\langle \text{xid-of } (s ! l) = \text{xid} \wedge k < l \wedge l < \text{length } s \wedge \text{conflict } (s ! k) (s ! l) \rangle$

**with** *i(2)* **have** *li*:  $\langle l \leq i \rangle$

**unfolding** *xid-def eq-xid-def*

**by** (*metis One-nat-def add.right-neutral add-Suc-right atLeastLessThan-iff*)

*not-less-eq*)

**from**  $\langle k < l \rangle$  **have** *drop-alt*:  $\langle \text{drop } l \text{ } s = \text{drop } (l - \text{Suc } k) \text{ } (\text{drop } (\text{Suc } k) \text{ } s) \rangle$

**by** *auto*

**from**  $li\ kl$  **have**  $take\ drop\ l$ :  $\langle \forall a \in set\ (take\ l\ s). \exists b \in set\ (drop\ l\ s). eq\ xid\ a\ b \rangle$   
**by** (*force simp: nth-image[symmetric] set-drop Bex-def conj-commute*  
*dest!: \*[OF less-le-trans]*)  
**from**  $li\ kl$  **have**  $\langle \forall a \in set\ (take\ k\ s). \exists b \in set\ (drop\ k\ s). eq\ xid\ a\ b \rangle$   
**by** (*force simp: nth-image[symmetric] set-drop Bex-def conj-commute*  
*dest!: \*[OF less-le-trans[OF less-trans[OF - <k < l]]]*)  
**with**  $kl\ Suc(3)$  **obtain**  $locks$  **where**  $\langle valid\ locks\ locks \rangle \langle s2pl\ locks\ (drop\ k\ s) \rangle$   
**using**  $s2pl\ suffix[of\ \langle \lambda-. \{ \} \rangle \langle take\ k\ s \rangle \langle drop\ k\ s \rangle]$  **by** (*auto simp: valid-locks-def*)  
**with**  $kl(2,3)\ Suc(3)\ *[of\ k]\ \langle l \leq i \rangle$   
**have**  $\langle valid\ locks\ (locks(?xid := locks\ ?xid \cup \{lock\ for\ (s\ !\ k)\}) \wedge$   
 $s2pl\ (locks(?xid := locks\ ?xid \cup \{lock\ for\ (s\ !\ k)\})\ (drop\ (Suc\ k)\ s) \rangle$   
**by** (*subst (asm) drop-eq-Cons*)  
*(auto simp: Let-def image-iff eq-xid-def[symmetric] set-drop split: if-splits)*  
**with**  $kl(2)\ li\ Suc(3)$  **obtain**  $locks'$  **where**  
 $\langle valid\ locks\ locks' \rangle$   
 $\langle \forall xid. (locks\ (?xid := locks\ ?xid \cup \{lock\ for\ (s\ !\ k)\})\ xid \subseteq locks'\ xid) \rangle$   
 $\langle s2pl\ locks'\ (drop\ l\ s) \rangle$   
**using**  $take\ drop\ l$  **unfolding**  $drop\ alt$   
**by** (*atomize-elim, intro s2pl-suffix[of - <take (l - Suc k) (drop (Suc k) s)]*)  
*(auto simp del: drop-drop*  
*dest!: in-set-dropD[of - n <take (- + n) -> for n, folded take-drop])*  
**with**  $kl$  **show**  $False$   
**by** (*subst (asm) drop-eq-Cons, simp*)  
*(cases <s ! k>; cases <s ! l>;*  
*auto simp: valid-locks-def xid-def Let-def conflict-def split: if-splits)*  
**qed**  
**moreover** **have**  $\langle card\ (xid\ of\ \{x \in set\ s. xid \neq xid\ of\ x\}) = card\ (xid\ of\ \{set$   
 $s - \{xid\}) \rangle$   
**by** (*rule arg-cong*) *auto*  
**with**  $Suc(2-)$  **have**  $\langle conflict\ serializable\ (filter\ (Not \circ (=)\ xid \circ xid\ of)\ s) \rangle$   
**using**  $s2pl\ filter[of\ \langle \lambda-. \{ \} \rangle s\ xid\ xid]$   
**by** (*intro Suc(1)*) *(auto simp: fun-upd-idem card-Diff-subset-Int)*  
**then** **obtain**  $t$  **where**  $t$ :  $\langle serial\ t \rangle \langle conflict\ equivalent\ (filter\ (Not \circ (=)\ xid \circ$   
 $xid\ of)\ s) \ t \rangle$   
**unfolding**  $conflict\ serializable\ def$  **by** *blast*  
**ultimately** **have**  $\langle conflict\ equivalent\ s\ (filter\ ((=)\ xid \circ xid\ of)\ s\ @\ t) \rangle$   
**by** (*auto elim!: conflict-equivalent-trans conflict-equivalent-append*)  
**moreover** **from**  $t$  **have**  $\langle serial\ (filter\ ((=)\ xid \circ xid\ of)\ s\ @\ t) \rangle$   
**by** (*intro serial-append*)  
*(auto dest!: conflict-equivalent-same-set intro: serial-same-xid[of - xid])*  
**ultimately** **show**  $?case$   
**unfolding**  $conflict\ serializable\ def$  **by** *blast*  
**qed**  
**corollary**  $s2pl\ serializable$ :  $\langle s2pl\ (\lambda-. \{ \})\ s \implies serializable\ s \rangle$   
**by** (*simp add: conflict-serializable-imp-serializable s2pl-conflict-serializable*)

## 6 Example Executing S2PL

To make the S2PL check executable regardless of the transaction id type, we restrict the quantification to transaction ids that are occurring in the schedule.

```
fun s2pl-code :: ⟨('xid ⇒ 'addr lock set) ⇒ ('xid, 'addr) schedule ⇒ bool⟩ where
  ⟨s2pl-code locks [] = True⟩
| ⟨s2pl-code locks (a # s) =
  (let xid = xid-of a; addr = action.addr-of a
   in if ∃xid' ∈ xid-of ' set s. xid' ≠ xid ∧ (X addr ∈ locks xid' ∨ isWrite a ∧ S
   addr ∈ locks xid')
   then False
   else s2pl-code (locks(xid := if xid ∉ xid-of ' set s then {} else locks xid ∪
   {lock-for a})) s)⟩
```

```
lemma s2pl-code-cong: (∧xid. xid ∈ xid-of ' set s ⇒ f xid = g xid) ⇒
  (∧xid. xid ∉ xid-of ' set s ⇒ f xid = { }) ⇒
  s2pl f s = s2pl-code g s
```

```
proof (induct s arbitrary: f g)
```

```
  case (Cons a s)
```

```
  from Cons(2-) show ?case
```

```
    unfolding s2pl.simps s2pl-code.simps Let-def
```

```
    by (intro if-cong[OF - refl Cons(1)]) (auto 8 2 simp: image-iff)
```

```
qed simp
```

```
lemma s2pl-code[code-unfold]: s2pl (λ-. { }) s = s2pl-code (λ-. { }) s
  by (simp add: s2pl-code-cong)
```

```
definition TB = (0 :: nat)
```

```
definition TA = (1 :: nat)
```

```
definition TC = (2 :: nat)
```

```
definition AX = (0 :: nat)
```

```
definition AY = (1 :: nat)
```

```
definition AZ = (2 :: nat)
```

Good example involving a lock upgrade by *TA* and *TB*

```
lemma ⟨s2pl (λ-. { })
```

```
  [Write TB AZ, Read TA AX, Read TB AY, Read TC AX, Write TB AY, Write
  TC AY, Write TA AX, Write TA AY]⟩
```

```
  by eval
```

Bad example: *TC* cannot acquire exclusive lock for *AY*, which is already held by *TA*

```
lemma ⟨¬ s2pl (λ-. { })
```

```
  [Read TA AX, Read TB AX, Read TC AX, Write TA AY, Write TC AY, Write
  TB AY, Write TA AZ]⟩
```

```
  by eval
```

**hide-const** *TB TA TC AX AY AZ*  
**hide-fact** *TB-def TA-def TC-def AX-def AY-def AZ-def*

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