

Read-Write Locks (2)

- Before first writing O, call `write_lock(O)`
 - Allowed in only if no other transaction inside lock
- If T already holds `read_lock(O)`, and wants to write, call `write_lock(O)` to *promote* lock from read to write mode
 - Succeeds only if no other transactions in write mode or read mode
 - Otherwise, T blocks
- `Unlock(O)` called by transaction T releases any lock on O by T