

EXP No.10

Experiment to implement different Fragmentation techniques in a Distributed Database, Check the correctness criteria, and execute distributed queries on the same.(SQL Server Linked Server /implementation using Java /Python)

◆ Fragmentation in Distributed Databases

Fragmentation is a technique used in **distributed databases** to improve **performance, availability, and manageability** by dividing a database into smaller pieces called **fragments**. Each fragment can then be stored at different sites (nodes) in the network.

Purpose of fragmentation:

1. Reduce **data transfer costs** by storing data closer to where it is needed.
2. Improve **query performance** by accessing only relevant fragments.
3. Enhance **availability** and **parallelism**.

1 Types of Fragmentation

Horizontal → split rows

Vertical → split columns

Hybrid → combine both

Key principles → completeness, reconstructability, disjointness

1. Horizontal Fragmentation

- Divides a table **row-wise**.
- Each fragment contains a subset of rows based on a **selection predicate**.

- Example:
Table **Employees** → Fragment by department:
 - Fragment 1: **Employees** where **Dept** = 'HR'
 - Fragment 2: **Employees** where **Dept** = 'Sales'

Use case: Queries often access only specific rows, e.g., queries for a specific region or department.

2. Vertical Fragmentation

- Divides a table **column-wise**.
- Each fragment contains a subset of columns plus the **primary key** to allow reconstruction.
- Example:
Table **Employees** → Fragment by columns:
 - Fragment 1: **EmpID, Name, Dept**
 - Fragment 2: **EmpID, Salary, Address**

Use case: Some applications only need part of the table (e.g., HR system only accesses salary, others access contact info).

3. Mixed / Hybrid Fragmentation

- Combines **horizontal + vertical** fragmentation.
- Example:
 1. First split **Employees** horizontally by department.
 2. Then split each fragment vertically into sensitive vs non-sensitive columns.

Use case: Large distributed databases needing fine-grained control for performance, security, or replication.

2 Fragmentation Principles

1. **Completeness:** All fragments together should represent the **entire original table**.
 2. **Reconstructability / Reconstructability:** It must be possible to reconstruct the original table from fragments using **UNION (horizontal)** or **JOIN (vertical)**.
 3. **Disjointness:** Fragments should ideally not **overlap** unless replication is used.
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3 Benefits of Fragmentation

- Improved **query performance** (access only relevant fragments).
- Reduced **communication cost** (data stored closer to users).
- Better **data security** (sensitive data can be separated).
- Easier **parallel processing** and **load balancing**.

1 Setup: Original Table

-- Step 1: Create database and original table

```
DROP DATABASE IF EXISTS distributed_demo;  
CREATE DATABASE distributed_demo;  
USE distributed_demo;
```


```
CREATE TABLE Employees (  
    EmpID INT PRIMARY KEY,  
    Name VARCHAR(50),  
    Dept VARCHAR(50),  
    Salary DECIMAL(10,2),  
    Address VARCHAR(100)  
);
```

-- Insert sample data

```
INSERT INTO Employees (EmpID, Name, Dept, Salary, Address) VALUES  
(1, 'Amit', 'HR', 50000, 'Delhi'),  
(2, 'Divya', 'Sales', 45000, 'Mumbai'),  
(3, 'Rahul', 'IT', 120000, 'Bangalore'),  
(4, 'Sneha', 'HR', 55000, 'Delhi'),  
(5, 'Rohit', 'Sales', 47000, 'Mumbai');
```

Check data:

sql

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```
SELECT * FROM Employees;
```

Expected Output:

EmpID	Name	Dept	Salary	Address
1	Amit	HR	50000	Delhi
2	Divya	Sales	45000	Mumbai
3	Rahul	IT	120000	Bangalore
4	Sneha	HR	55000	Delhi
5	Rohit	Sales	47000	Mumbai

2 Horizontal Fragmentation

Fragment by Department (Dept = 'HR', Dept = 'Sales'):

```
-- HR Fragment
CREATE TABLE Employees_HR AS
SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Dept='HR';

-- Sales Fragment
CREATE TABLE Employees_Sales AS
SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Dept='Sales';

-- IT Fragment (optional)
CREATE TABLE Employees_IT AS
SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Dept='IT';
```

Check fragments:

sql

```
SELECT * FROM Employees_HR;
SELECT * FROM Employees_Sales;
SELECT * FROM Employees_IT;
```

Expected Output:

Employees_HR

EmpID	Name	Dept	Salary	Address
1	Amit	HR	50000	Delhi
4	Sneha	HR	55000	Delhi

Employees_Sales

EmpID	Name	Dept	Salary	Address
2	Divya	Sales	45000	Mumbai
5	Rohit	Sales	47000	Mumbai

Employees_IT

EmpID	Name	Dept	Salary	Address
3	Rahul	IT	120000	Bangalore

3 Vertical Fragmentation

Split columns while keeping **EmpID** as primary key for reconstruction

```
-- Fragment 1: EmpID, Name, Dept
CREATE TABLE Employees_V1 AS
SELECT EmpID, Name, Dept FROM Employees;

-- Fragment 2: EmpID, Salary, Address
CREATE TABLE Employees_V2 AS
SELECT EmpID, Salary, Address FROM Employees;
```

Check fragments:

```
sql

SELECT * FROM Employees_V1;
SELECT * FROM Employees_V2;
```

Expected Output:

Employees_V1

EmpID	Name	Dept
1	Amit	HR
2	Divya	Sales
3	Rahul	IT
4	Sneha	HR
5	Rohit	Sales

Employees_V2

EmpID	Salary	Address
1	50000	Delhi
2	45000	Mumbai
3	120000	Bangalore
4	55000	Delhi
5	47000	Mumbai

4 Hybrid Fragmentation

Example: Horizontal by Dept='HR' vs Dept='Sales', then vertical for each fragment

```
-- HR Horizontal + Vertical
CREATE TABLE Employees_HR_V1 AS SELECT EmpID, Name FROM Employees WHERE Dept='HR';
CREATE TABLE Employees_HR_V2 AS SELECT EmpID, Salary FROM Employees WHERE Dept='HR';

-- Sales Horizontal + Vertical
CREATE TABLE Employees_Sales_V1 AS SELECT EmpID, Name FROM Employees WHERE Dept='Sales';
CREATE TABLE Employees_Sales_V2 AS SELECT EmpID, Salary FROM Employees WHERE Dept='Sales';
```


5 Check Correctness Criteria

1. Completeness: Union all horizontal fragments = original table

sql

```
SELECT * FROM Employees_HR
UNION ALL
SELECT * FROM Employees_Sales
UNION ALL
SELECT * FROM Employees_IT;
```

- Must match original `Employees` table.

2. Reconstructability: Join vertical fragments on `EmpID`

sql

```
SELECT V1.EmpID, V1.Name, V1.Dept, V2.Salary, V2.Address
FROM Employees_V1 V1
JOIN Employees_V2 V2 ON V1.EmpID = V2.EmpID;
```

- Should reconstruct original table perfectly.

3. Disjointness: Ensure horizontal fragments do not overlap

sql

```
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM Employees_HR H
JOIN Employees_Sales S ON H.EmpID = S.EmpID;
```

- Expected: 0 → no overlapping rows.

⑥ Execute Distributed Queries on Fragments

Example Query: Get names and salaries of HR employees

sql

```
SELECT H.EmpID, H.Name, V2.Salary
FROM Employees_HR H
JOIN Employees_V2 V2 ON H.EmpID = V2.EmpID;
```

Expected Output:


EmpID	Name	Salary
1	Amit	50000
4	Sneha	55000

Example Query: Average salary by department (using horizontal fragments)

sql

```
SELECT 'HR' AS Dept, AVG(Salary) AS AvgSalary FROM Employees_HR
UNION ALL
SELECT 'Sales', AVG(Salary) FROM Employees_Sales
UNION ALL
SELECT 'IT', AVG(Salary) FROM Employees_IT;
```

Expected Output:

Dept	AvgSalary
HR	52500
Sales	46000
IT	 20000