

The Relational Model

Cons 1 & 2

Relational Database = a collection of relations and logical links between them

Relation (TABLE) = SET of records

- schema: name, attributes (columns/fields), attributes types
student (sid: string, name: string, year: Integer)
- relational instance: physical table (ex: on disk)
- **grade** = nr. of columns - fixed nr. of ordered attributes
- **cardinality** = nr. of rows - variable nr. of unordered distinct records

Design

- ① Requirements analysis: data identification
- ② Result: a semantic model of data
 - abstract model describing the semantic of data (orthogonal to implementation)
 - used to understand data role and constraints
- ③ Modeling languages
 - Entity Relationship (ER) - graphical language describing entities and relationships (logical model)
 - UML - graphical language, more general than ER

Levels of abstraction

- **physical** - how the data is stored and where it is stored in database
- **conceptual** - describes the model of data → data application
- **external** - simplified domain - specific views

A database instance that satisfies all integrity constraints is called legal ("in a consistent state"). Verification of consistency is performed by DBMS

! A set of attributes forms a key for a relation if

- there is no pair of tuples that have equal values for all attributes in the set (ensures uniqueness)
- any subset of it breaks the above property (must be minimal)

Ensuring referential integrity

- ① for INSERT → block the addition of a record having a wrong reference (FK without corresponding PK)
- ② for DELETE
 - cascade delete related records
 - avoiding operation that breaks constraints
 - voiding the reference
- ③ for UPDATE
 - cascade update related records
 - avoiding operation that breaks constraints

Functions

- `abs(m)` - absolute value
- `concat(str1, str2, ...)` - concatenates string
- `round(m)`
- `trunc(m)`
- `lower(str)` → the argument in lowercase
- `substr (substr, str, [s-post])` - position of the first occurrence of substring
- `trim(str)` - removes leading and trailing spaces
- `length(str)`
- `CURRENT_DATE`
`SELECT CURRENT_DATE FROM dual`
- `EXTRACT (spec, d)` → extracts a part of a date
`spec ∈ { year, month, day, hour, minute, second }`

Ordering the result

`SELECT col1, col2, ...`

`FROM table`

`ORDER BY col1, colj ASC/DESC`

ex: `SELECT * FROM sailor`

`ORDER BY rank, age DESC;`

Cartesian product

`SELECT t1.*, t2.*`

`FROM table1 t1, table2 t2;`

ex: `SELECT s.*, r.*`

`FROM sailor s, Reserves r;`

SQL - Join

`SELECT t1.col1, ..., t2.col1, ...`

`FROM table t1, table t2, ...`

`WHERE t1.columni = t2.columnj`

- **inner join** ⇒ returns all rows where there is at least one match in both tables
- **left join** ⇒ returns all rows from the left table and the matched rows from the right table and NULL for missing corresponding fields
- **right join** ⇒ returns all rows from the right table and the matched rows from the left table and NULL for missing corresponding fields
- **full join** ⇒ returns all rows from both tables (LEFT UNION RIGHT)

`SELECT t.name, f.*`

`from teacher t JOIN faculty f ON t.fid = f.fid`

`SELECT s.name, s.yos`

`from student s LEFT JOIN contract c ON s.sid = c.sid`

`WHERE c.cno is NULL`

`ORDER BY s.yos`

Subqueries

→ can't manipulate their results internally ⇒ a subquery can NOT include the ORDER BY clause

Ex: select s.name from sailor s
where s.sid NOT IN (select r.sid from reserves r where r.bid = 103)

Aggregate functions

- operates on a single column or expression from a group of rows
- return a single value for the group of rows
- used ONLY in the projection list, subqueries and in the having (but NOT in WHERE)

Count: select count(distinct CustomerID) as NoOfCat
from Invoice

count(*) → counts all the rows regardless of whether Nulls or duplicates occur

Sum: select sum(Salary) as SalaryBudget
from Employee
where department_id = 101

Group by select dep_id as Department,
MAX(salary) as MaxDepSalary
from Employee
group by dep_id

Having select rank, COUNT(*) as NrSailor
from Sailor
group by rank having rank > 3

Part II

Chap 8

DB development steps:

- ① Requirement analysis
- ② Conceptual design - EA model
- ③ Logical DB design - relational model
- ④ DB Schema refinement - normalization
- ⑤ Physical DB design - indexes etc
- ⑥ Client application design
- ⑦ Application implementation
- ⑧ DB deployment

Database related models

- conceptual models: used to analyse and understand application data (EA standard)
- data models: used to describe data (ex: a schema)
- physical models: representation of a data design which considers the facilities and constraints of a given DBMS

Conceptual model = a high level description of a business informational needs

↳ identifies the general relationships between the different entities

Characteristics → includes info. of all important entities and the relationships amongst them
→ no data organisation is specified
→ just some constraints are specified

The EA Model

Entity → real world entity (object) distinguishable from other entities
↳ described using a set of attributes

Entity set = a collection of similar data types

• representation: a rectangle (for entity)

• all entities in an entity set have the same set of attributes
each entity set has a key

Relationship = association among two or more entities

Relationship set = collection of similar relationships

representation of a relation: a diamond

Participation constraints

Partial participation in the relationship \Rightarrow thin line (just some)

Total participation \Rightarrow thick line (all)

Weak entity = entity that can be identified uniquely only by considering the primary key of another (owner) entity

Owner entity set - weak entity set must participate in a one-to-many relationship set (one owner, many weak entities)

Weak entities MUST have total participation

is-A hierarchies \Rightarrow belonging

A ternary relationship could always be replaced by an entity (through a "verb to noun" transformation)

The relational data model

Relational database = a set of relations

A relation is described by

- \rightarrow instance: a table with rows and columns (rows: cardinality, fields/columns = degree)
- \rightarrow schema: specifies name of relation + name and type of each attribute

Foreign key = set of fields in one relation that is used to refer to a tuple in another relation

- \rightarrow must correspond to primary key of the second relation

Transforming ER into relational model

- \rightarrow each entity will be converted directly to a relation
- \rightarrow attributes of the entity become the attributes of the relation
- \rightarrow identifier of the entity becomes a key in the relation
- \rightarrow relationships will be mapped on relations or as Foreign keys

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Relational model: redundancy \rightarrow waste of storage
insert/delete/update anomalies

Functional dependencies can be used to identify schemas with such problems and to suggest refinements

Main refinement technique: **decomposition** (replacing ABC with AB and BC on AC and AB)

A FD holds over relationship R if for every allowable instance r of R

$(X \rightarrow Y)$

$t_1 \in R, t_2 \in R$

$$\pi_X(t_1) = \pi_X(t_2) \Rightarrow \pi_Y(t_1) = \pi_Y(t_2)$$

\Leftrightarrow given 2 tuples in R, if the X values agree, then the Y values must also agree, X, Y - sets of attributes

An FD is a statement about all allowable relations

Armstrong's Axioms:

- \rightarrow reflexivity: $X \subseteq Y \Rightarrow Y \rightarrow X$
- \rightarrow augmentation: if $X \rightarrow Y$ then $XZ \rightarrow YZ$ for any Z
- \rightarrow transitivity: if $X \rightarrow Y$ and $Y \rightarrow Z$ then $X \rightarrow Z$

F^+ (closure of F) is the set of all FDs that are implied by F

Attribute closure:

We want to check if a given FD, $X \rightarrow Y$, is in the closure of a set of FDs F:

- \rightarrow compute attribute closure of X (denoted X^+) = set of all attributes A s.t. $X \rightarrow A$ is in F^+
- \rightarrow check if Y is in X^+

Relational scheme decomposition

- \rightarrow each new relational scheme contains a subset of the attributes of R (formal attribute)
- \rightarrow every attribute of R appears as an attribute of one of the new relation

! It is essential that all decomposition used to deal with redundancy be lossless!

$$(F_1 \cup F_2)^+ = F^+$$

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First Normal Form (1NF)

- the domain of each attributes must contain ONLY atomic values
(dom o valoare) ex: Timisoara
si Adresa - strada : Strada Ceva
- each attributes contains a single value for that domain (dom o coloana
se repetă in cele 2 tabele)

Second Normal Form (2NF)

- relation is already in 1NF
- any non-prime attributes of R (not part of the primary key) must be fully functionally dependent on the primary key of R
(dacă avem o coloană care-si pastrează valoare neschimbată indiferent de PK sau cum
tabelul in 2 tabele, primul dom cu PK si valoarea neschimbată si celalalt cu
PK si coloanele care depind de PK)
- OP: there are no attributes that depend only on a part of the PK

Third Normal Form (3NF)

- relation is already in 2NF
- no transitive dependency is allowed

Fourth Normal Form (4NF)

- relation is already in 3NF
- there are no multivalued dependencies

if to each A corresponds many B and many C but B and C are independent of each other

Data on external storage

- RAM
- HDD (SSD)
- Tape / NVN

Data file = a sequence of records

- records are mapped on disks sectors
- variable or fixed length records

Index classification

- primary ⇒ if search key contains primary key
- secondary
- clustered ⇒ order of data records is the same as order of data entries
- unclustered

Hash-based Index

- good for equality selections
- index is a collection of buckets
- bucket = primary page plus zero or more overflow pages
- hashing function: $h(k) = \text{bucket in which record } k \text{ belongs}$
- h directs the search for indexing key

$$h(\text{key}) = a * \text{key} + b \quad a, b - \text{constants} \rightarrow \text{Static hashing}$$

$$h(k) \bmod N = \text{bucket to which data entry with key } k \text{ belongs}$$

↓
nr. of buckets

Static hashing

External hashing

- global depth of directory = max nr. of bits needed to tell which bucket an entry belongs to
- local depth of a bucket = nr. of bits used to determine if an entry belongs to this bucket

Before insert local depth = global depth, after ⇒ local > global

A tree Index

→ nu trebuie initializate toate indicii dar trebuie lasati in ordine (nu poti spune $x_2 = ?$ imediat sa stii ceva de x_1 si x_2)

Hash Index

→ fiecare indice trebuie initializat si fiecare tabel sa aiba o valoare distincta

2 tabele sunt colanate daca: select from Student s1

(cea de-a 2 se bazeaza pe prima) where.

select from Student s2 where s2.cupa = s1.cupa