

Query Optimization

Heuristic Rules

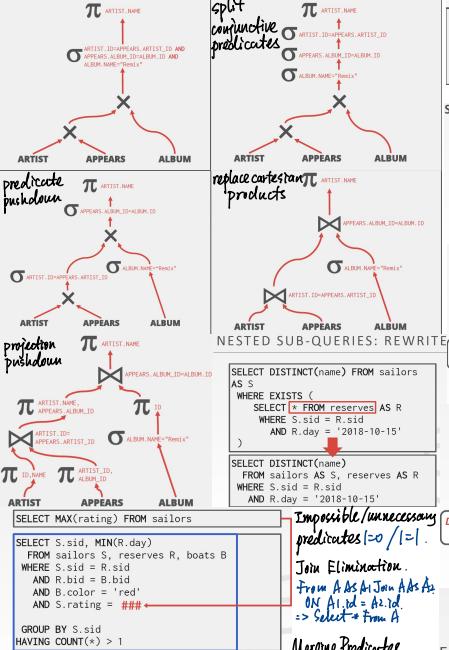
→ Remove the query to remove inefficient operations
→ Need to examine catalog, but not data.

Cost-based search

→ Use a model to estimate the cost of executing a plan

→ Evaluate multiple equivalent plans for a query and pick the lowest cost

ARCHITECTURE OVERVIEW



Outer Block

Choice #1: Physical Costs
→ Predict CPU cycles, I/O times, cache misses, RAM consumption, pre-fetching, etc.
→ Depends heavily on hardware.

Choice #2: Logical Costs
→ Estimate result sizes per operator.
→ Complexity of the operator algorithm implementation.
→ # sequential I/Os, # random I/Os, # arithmetic.

Cost-based Search and Statistics

For each relationship R_i , the DBMS maintains the following:
→ N_r : Number of tuples in R .

→ VCA_i, PA_i : Number of distinct values for attribute A_i .
Selectivity (cardinality SC(R)): the # records with a value for an attribute X_i : $VCA_i P_i$ (Assume uniformity)

Logical costs: Estimate the result size of every operator in query plan.

Use the estimated result of $child$ as input into parent.

Result size estimation: hard to compute complex predicates.

Selectivity: The fraction of tuples that qualify as probability
 $\text{sel}(P_1 \wedge P_2) = \text{sel}(P_1) \cdot \text{sel}(P_2)$ assume P_i independent
 $\text{sel}(P_1 \vee P_2) = \text{sel}(P_1) + \text{sel}(P_2) - \text{sel}(P_1) \cdot \text{sel}(P_2)$

Result Size Estimation for JOINS

$$\text{sel}(R) = \min(VCA_1, VCA_2)$$

$$\text{sel}(R) = \max(VCA_1, VCA_2)$$

Selectivity assumptions:

Uniform Data: Distribution is the same

Independent Predicates: Predicates are independent

Inclusion Principle: The domain of join keys overlap

Scan order: join by row number doesn't affect the order

Equal-width histogram buckets of same width

Equal-depth histogram occurrence of bucket same

Other approaches: Sampling and sketches

Query Optimization

After performing rule-based rewriting DBMS will enumerate different plans for a query and estimate costs

Single relation: sequential scan → breadth → index scan

Fundamental decision in System R: Only consider left-deep join trees.

→ Many modern DBMSs still make this assumption.

Correctness Criteria: ACID

Atomicity: All actions in the transaction happen, or none happen

Consistency: If one transaction is inconsistent, DB starts consistent → results

Isolation: Execution of one transaction is isolated from other transactions

Durability: If a transaction commits, its effects persist.

Atomicity

Approach 1: Logging Approach 2: Shadow Paging

Consistency

Database Consistency: The database accurately models the real world and follows integrity constraints. Transaction consistency: if the database is consistent before transaction starts, it will also be consistent after.

Isolation: DBMS achieves concurrency by interleaving the actions

Pessimistic: Don't let problems arise. Optimistic: Deal with conflicts.

Correctors: If schedule is equivalent to some serial execution

Serial Schedule

→ A schedule that does not interleave the actions of different transactions.

Equivalent Schedules

→ For any database state, the effect of executing the first schedule is identical to the effect of executing the second schedule.

→ Doesn't matter what the arithmetic operations are!

Serializable Schedule: Schedule that is equivalent to some serial execution of transactions. If each transaction preserves consistency, every serializable schedule preserves consistency.

Unrepeatable Reads

Reading Uncommitted Data ("Dirty Reads")

Overwriting Uncommitted Data

Conflict equivalent: Invokes the actions of the same transaction? Every pair of conflicting actions is ordered the same way.

Dependency Graphs: Edge from T_i to T_j iff.

→ An operation O_i of T_i conflicts with an operation O_j of T_j

→ O_i appears earlier in the schedule than O_j

* A schedule is conflict serializable iff its dependency is acyclic.

NO-STEAL + FORCE

Schedule: NO-STEAL means that T_i changes cannot be written to disk yet.

Pool: FORCE means that T_i changes must be written to disk at this point.

Compensation Log Records

A CLR describes the actions taken to undo the actions of a previous update record.

It has all the fields of an update log record plus the **undoNext** pointer (the next-to-be-undone LSN).

CLRs are added to log records but the DBMS does not wait for them to be flushed before notifying the application that the transaction aborted.

Abort Algorithm

→ First write an ABORT record to log for the ROLLBACK.

→ Then play back the transaction in reverse order

→ Write a CLR entry to the log for each update record.

→ Restore the old value.

→ At end, write a TXN-END log record.

* CLR never needs to be undone

Concurrency Control Theory

Transaction: is the execution of a sequence of one or more operations (of SQL queries) on a database to perform high-level functions

Strawman System

Execute each transaction one-by-one as they arrive at DBMS.

→ One and only one transaction can be running at the same time

Before a transaction starts, copy the entire database to a new file.

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Single relation: sequential scan → breadth → index scan

Congcurrent execution of idempotent transactions

→ Reduced wait time → Better utilization

Formal Definition

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Locks

S-lock: shared locks for reads

X-lock: exclusive locks for writes

Phase 1: Growing

→ Each transaction requests the locks that it needs from the lock manager

→ The lock manager grants locks denies lock requests

Phase 2: Shrinking

→ If the transaction is allowed to release locks that it previously required

It cannot require new locks

Cascading aborts

Schedule

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