Database Management Systems

Lecture 13

Parallel Databases *

Spatial Databases *

* not among the exam topics

Parallel Database Systems

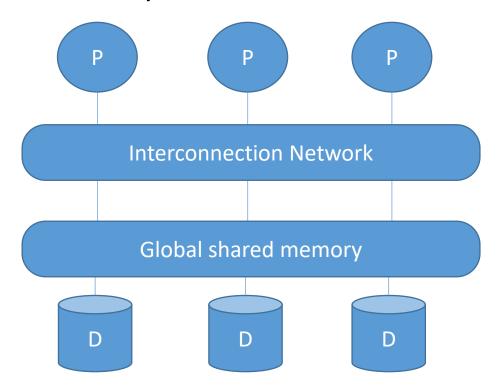
- performance improvement
 - parallelize operations:
 - loading data
 - building indexes
 - query evaluation
 - data can be distributed, but distribution is dictated solely by performance reasons

Parallel Databases - Architectures

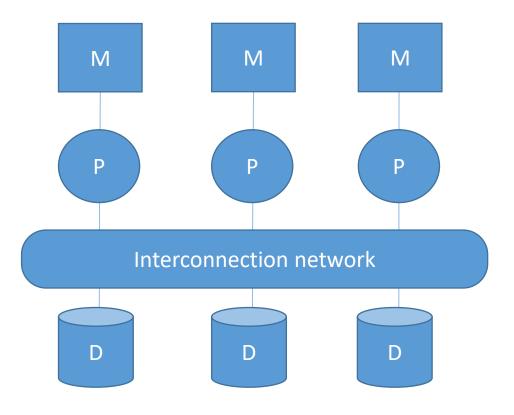
- shared-memory
- shared-disk
- shared-nothing

Parallel Databases - Architectures

- shared-memory
 - several CPUs
 - attached to an interconnection network
 - can access a common region in the main memory

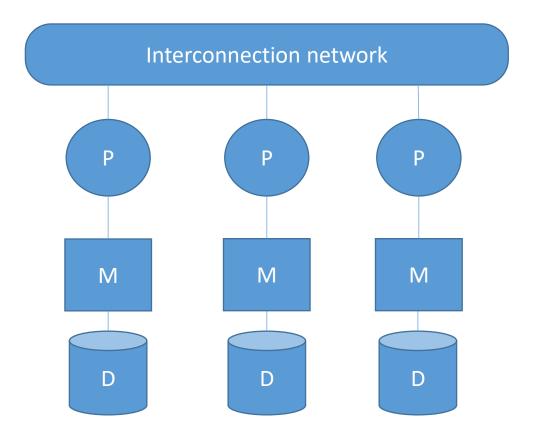


- shared-disk
 - CPU
 - its own private memory
 - can access all disks through a network



Parallel Databases - Architectures

- shared-nothing
 - a CPU
 - its own local main memory
 - its own disk space
 - 2 different CPUs cannot access the same storage area
 - CPUs communicate through a network

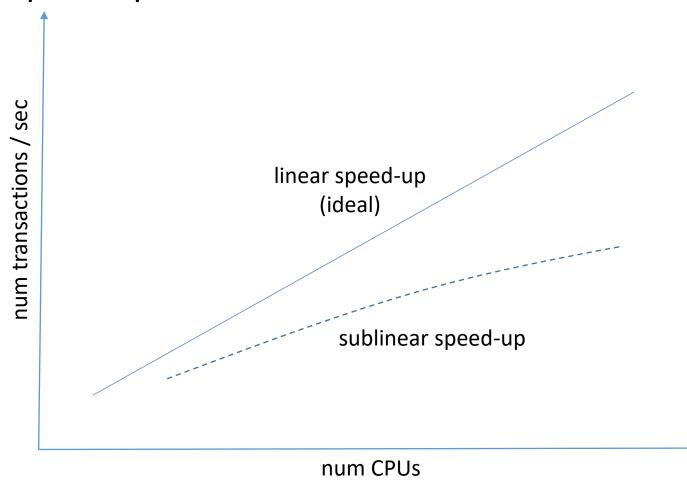


Interference

- specific to shared-memory and shared-disk architectures
- add CPUs:
 - increased contention for memory and network bandwidth
 existing CPUs are slowing down
- main reason that led to the shared-nothing architecture, currently considered as the best option for large parallel database systems

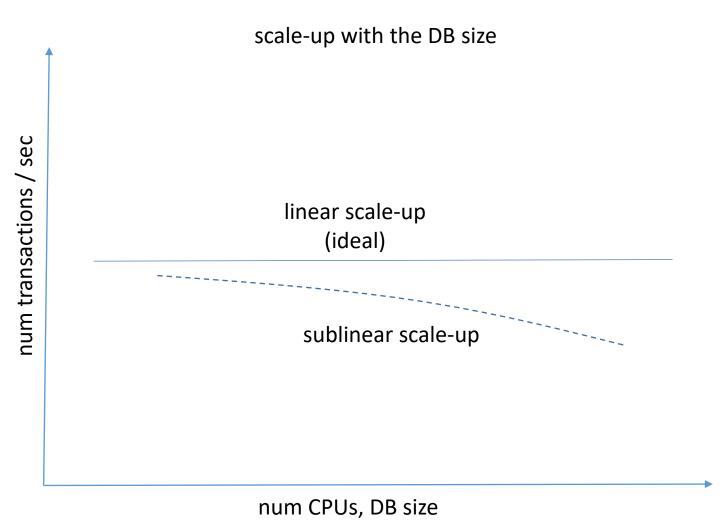
- linear speed-up & linear scale-up
- linear speed-up
 - required processing time for operations decreases proportionally to the increase in the number of CPUs and disks
- linear scale-up
 - num. of CPUs and disks grows proportionally to the amount of data
 - => performance is sustained

speed-up



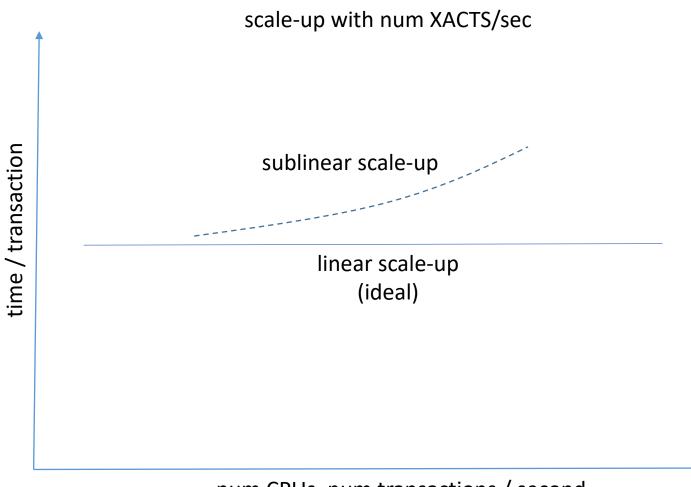
- DB size fixed
- add CPUs
- => more transactions can be executed per second

scale-up



 the number of transactions executed per second, as the DB size and the number of CPUs increase

scale-up



- * alternative
- add CPUs as the number of transactions executed per second increases
- evaluate the time required for a transaction

num CPUs, num transactions / second

Parallel Query Evaluation

- context
 - DBMS based on a shared-nothing architecture
- evaluate a query in a parallel manner
- operators in an execution plan can be evaluated in parallel
 - 2 operators are evaluated in parallel
 - one operator is evaluated in a parallel manner
- an operator is said to *block* if it doesn't produce results until it consumes all its inputs (e.g., sorting, aggregation)
- pipelined parallelism
 - an operator consumes the output of another operator
 - limited by blocking operators

Parallel Query Evaluation

- parallel evaluation on partitioned data
 - every operator in a plan can be evaluated in a parallel manner by partitioning the input data
 - partitions are processed in parallel, the results are then combined
- processor = CPU + its local disk

Parallel Query Evaluation – Data Partitioning

- horizontally partition a large dataset on several disks
- partitions are then read / written in parallel
- round-robin partitioning
 - n processors
 - the ith tuple is assigned to processor i % n
- hash partitioning
 - determine the processor for a tuple t
 - apply a hash function to t (or to some of its attributes)
- range partitioning
 - n processors
 - order tuples conceptually
 - choose n ranges for the sorting key values s.t. each range contains approximately the same number of tuples
 - tuples in range i are assigned to processor i

Parallel Query Evaluation – Data Partitioning

- queries that scan the entire relation
 - round-robin partitioning suitable
- queries that operate on a subset of tuples
 - e.g., age = 30
 - tuples partitioned on the attributes in the selection condition, e.g.,
 age
 - hash and range partitioning are better than round-robing (one can access only the disks containing the desired tuples)
 - range, e.g., 20 < age < 30
 - range partitioning is better than hash partitioning (it's likely that the desired tuples are grouped on several processors)

Parallelizing Individual Operations

- context
 - DBMS based on a shared-nothing architecture
- each relation is horizontally partitioned on several disks
- scanning a relation
 - pages can be read in parallel
 - obtained tuples can than be reunited
 - similarly obtain all tuples that meet a selection condition

Parallelizing Individual Operations

- sorting
 - v1
 - each CPU sorts the relation fragment on its disk
 - subsequently, the sorted tuple sets are merged
 - v2
 - redistribute tuples in the relation using range partitioning
 - each processor sorts its tuples with a sequential sorting algorithm => several sorted runs on the disk
 - merge runs => sorted version of the set of tuples assigned to the current processor
 - obtain the entire sorted relation
 - visit processors in an order corresponding to their assigned ranges and scan the tuples

Parallelizing Individual Operations

- sorting
 - v2
 - challenges
 - range partitioning assign approximately the same number of tuples to each processor
 - a processor that receives a disproportionately large number of tuples will limit scalability

- spatial data
 - multidimensional points
 - lines
 - rectangles
 - cubes
 - etc
- spatial extent (SE)
 - region of space occupied by an object
 - characterized by location + boundary

- DBMS
 - point data
 - region data
- point data
 - collection of points in a multidimensional space
 - point
 - SE only location
 - no space, area, volume
 - direct measurements (e.g., MRI)
 - transforming data obtained from measurements (e.g., feature vectors)

- region data
 - collection of regions
 - region SE
 - location
 - position of a fixed anchor point for the region
 - + boundary (e.g., line, surface)
 - geometric approximations to objects, built with points, line segments, polygons, spheres, cubes, etc
 - e.g., in geographic apps
 - collection of line segments
 - roads, railways, rivers, etc
 - polygons
 - lakes, counties, countries, etc

- spatial queries
 - spatial range queries
 - nearest neighbor queries
 - spatial join queries
 - spatial range queries
 - associated region
 - location + boundary
 - find all regions that overlap / are contained within the specified range
 - e.g., Find all cities within 150 km of Constanța.
 - e.g., Find all rivers in Bihor.

- spatial queries
 - nearest neighbor queries
 - e.g., Find the 5 cities that are nearest to Paris.
 - usually, answers are ordered by proximity
 - spatial join queries
 - e.g., Find all cities near București.
 - e.g., Find pairs of cities within 150 km of each other.
 - meaning of queries can be determined by the level of detail in the representation of objects
 - e.g., relation in which each tuple is a point that represents a city
 - answer the queries with a self join
 - join condition distance between 2 tuples in the query result

- spatial queries
 - spatial join queries
 - e.g., cities have a SE
 - => meaning of queries and evaluation strategies become more complex
 - cities whose centroids are within 150 km of each other?
 - or cities whose boundaries come within 150 km of each other?

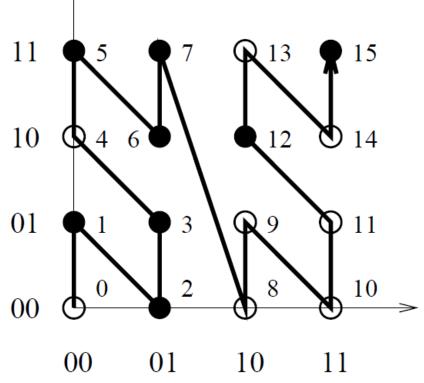
Applications

- relation R with k attributes seen as a collection of k-dimensional points
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
 - points; lines; regions in 2 / 3 dimensions
 - e.g., a map that contains the locations of several small objects (points), highways (lines), cities (regions)
 - point & region data
 - range, nearest neighbor, join queries
- Computer-aided design (CAD) systems, medical imaging
 - store spatial objects
 - point & region data
 - most frequent queries range & join
 - spatial integrity constraints

Applications

- multimedia DBs
 - multimedia objects
 - images, text, time-series data (e.g., audio)
 - object
 - point in a multidimensional space
 - similarity of 2 multimedia objects
 - distance between the corresponding points
 - similarity queries converted to nearest neighbor queries
 - point data & nearest neighbor queries most common

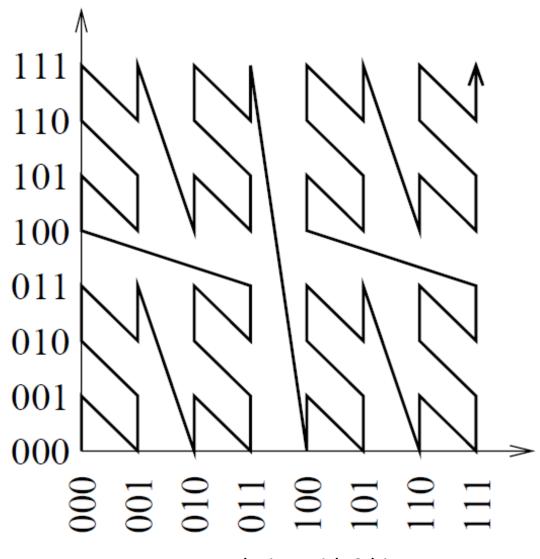
- assumption
 - any attribute value can be represented with a fixed num. of bits, e.g.,
 k bits
- => max. num. of values per dimension $=2^k$
- linear ordering of the domain
- the point with X = 01, Y = 11 has Z-value = 0111, obtained by interleaving the bits of X and Y
 - the 8th point visited by the space-filling curve, which starts at point X=00, Y=00



Z-ordering with 2 bits

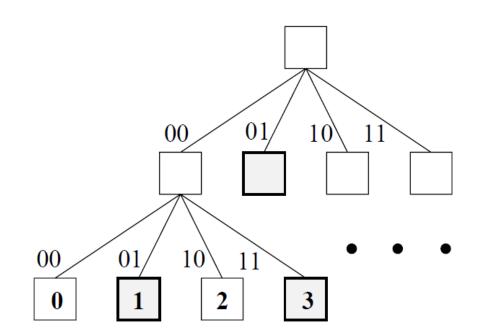
- points in the dataset are stored in the order of their Z-values
- indexing
 - B+ tree
 - search key
 - Z-value
 - store the Z-value of the point along with the point
 - I / D / search point
 - compute Z-value
 - I / D / search into / from / the B+ tree
 - unlike when using traditional B+ tree-based indexing, points are clustered together by spatial proximity in the X-Y space
 - spatial queries in the X-Y space become linear range queries
 - efficient evaluation on the B+ tree organized by Z-values

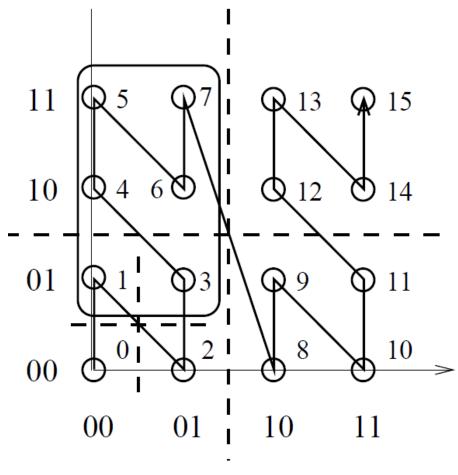
- Z-ordering curve for domains with 3-bit representations of attribute values – spatial grouping of points
- the curve visits all the points in a quadrant before moving on to the next one
 - => all points in a quadrant are stored together



Z-ordering with 3 bits

- region data
- Z-ordering recursively decomposes space into quadrants and subquadrants
- the structure of a Region Quad tree directly corresponds to the recursive decomposition of the data space
- each node in the tree correspond to a square region in the data space

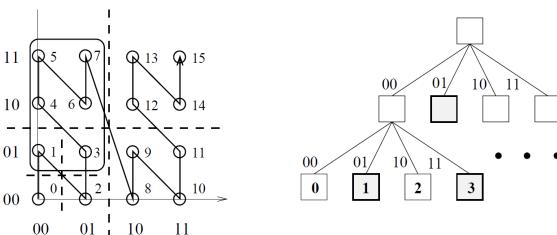




- root entire data space
- internal node 4 children
- rectangle object R stored by the DBMS
 - all points in the 01 quadrant of the root and the points with Z-values 1 and 3
 - 3 records stored: <0001, R>, <0011, R>, <01, R>
 - records clustered and indexed by the 1st field, i.e., Z-value, in a B+ tree
- use B+ trees to implement Region Quad trees

generalization - k dimensions => at every node, the space is partitioned into

2^k subregions



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