Stage 3 Submission

Setting Up the Tables:

```
CREATE TABLE Students (
    netId VARCHAR(50) PRIMARY KEY,
    name VARCHAR(100),
    year INT,
    minor VARCHAR(50),
    major VARCHAR(50),
    taggedPref VARCHAR(50),
    prefTimeComm VARCHAR(100)
);

CREATE TABLE Student_Interests (
    studentInterestId VARCHAR(50) PRIMARY KEY,
    netId VARCHAR(50),
    interest1 VARCHAR(100),
    interest2 VARCHAR(100),
    interest3 VARCHAR(100),
    FOREIGN KEY (netId) REFERENCES Students(netId)
);

CREATE TABLE Departments (
    departmentName VARCHAR(50) PRIMARY KEY,
    mainOfficeLocation VARCHAR(100),
    numberOfStudents INT
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE RSOs (
    RSOName VARCHAR(100) PRIMARY KEY,
    department VARCHAR(100),
    expTimeComm VARCHAR(100),
    taggedPref VARCHAR(50),
    FOREIGN KEY (department) REFERENCES Departments(departmentName)
);

CREATE TABLE Roster (
    netId VARCHAR(50),
    RSO_name VARCHAR(100),
    PRIMARY KEY (netId, RSO_name),
    FOREIGN KEY (netId) REFERENCES Students(netId),
    FOREIGN KEY (RSO_name) REFERENCES RSOs(RSOName)
);

CREATE TABLE RSO_Interests (
    RSOInterestId VARCHAR(50),
    RSOname VARCHAR(100) PRIMARY KEY,
    RSOInterest1 VARCHAR(100),
    RSOInterest2 VARCHAR(100),
    RSOInterest3 VARCHAR(100),
    FOREIGN KEY (RSOname) REFERENCES RSOs(RSOName)
);
```

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+---------------------------------+
| Tables_in_rso_matching_database |
+---------------------------------+
| Departments                     |
| RSO_Interests                   |
| RSOs                            |
| Roster                          |
| Student_Interests               |
| Students                        |
+---------------------------------+
```

Proof of Connection:

```
mysql> emlo2806@cloudshell:~ (rso-matching)$ gcloud sql connect rso-matching-sql-instance --user=root
Allowlisting your IP for incoming connection for 5 minutes...done.
Connecting to database with SQL user [root].Enter password:
Welcome to the MySQL monitor.  Commands end with ; or \g.
Your MySQL connection id is 8039
Server version: 8.0.37-google (Google)

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Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.

mysql>
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Table Sizes:

```
mysql> select count(*) from Students;
+----------+
| count(*) |
+----------+
|     1001 |
+----------+
1 row in set (0.01 sec)

mysql> select count(*) from Departments;
+----------+
| count(*) |
+----------+
|      415 |
+----------+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)

mysql> select count(*) from RSO_Interests;
+----------+
| count(*) |
+----------+
|     1096 |
+----------+
1 row in set (0.01 sec)

mysql> select count(*) from RSOs;
+----------+
| count(*) |
+----------+
|     1096 |
+----------+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)

mysql> select count(*) from Student_Interests;
+----------+
| count(*) |
+----------+
|     1001 |
+----------+
1 row in set (0.01 sec)
```

```
mysql> select count(*) from Roster;
+----------+
| count(*) |
+----------+
|     1000 |
+----------+
```

4 Advanced Queries:

1)Purpose: Recommend RSOs to students based on shared interests.

```
SELECT s.netId, s.name, r.RSOName, r.department
FROM Students s
JOIN Roster rs ON s.netId = rs.netId
JOIN RSOs r ON rs.RSO_name = r.RSOName
WHERE r.RSOName IN (
    SELECT ri.RSOname
    FROM RSO_Interests ri
    JOIN Student_Interests si ON
        (ri.RSOInterest1 = si.interest1 OR
         ri.RSOInterest1 = si.interest2 OR
         ri.RSOInterest1 = si.interest3)
    WHERE si.netId = s.netId
);
```

netId	name	RSOName	department
ralle57	Sydney Nelson	Accounting Club	Business
mande1	Kristine Dalton	Aerial Illinois Robotics	Business
sdani75	Shannon Torres	Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated	Miscellaneous
smoor22	Ronald Evans	American Association for Aerosol Research at UIUC	Environmental Science
epere72	William Wallace	American Constitution Society	Law
pguti78	Mandy Green	Arnold Air Society - Jake Schaefer Squadron	Miscellaneous
bnels97	Justin Smith	Asian American Coalition Combating Oppression, Racism, and Discrimination	Miscellaneous
anort89	Ronald Lopez	Beta Sigma Psi	Miscellaneous
lrobl7	Eric Johnson	Cancer Center at Illinois Student Organization	Miscellaneous
bbeas11	David Jones	Chi Psi Fraternity	Miscellaneous
kbate24	Carol Franco	College of Law Labor and Employment Law Society at the University of Illinois	Miscellaneous
jwhit77	Julie Wright	College Republicans at UIUC	Miscellaneous
ssant80	Timothy Fields	Corporate and Business Law Association	Law
ronea82	Lori Foster	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc Alpha Nu Chapter	Miscellaneous
mthom80	Benjamin Campbell	Design Innovation Illinois	Information Sciences

2) Purpose: Identify departments where students join the most RSOs.

```
SELECT d.departmentName, COUNT(r.netId) AS total_memberships
FROM Departments d
JOIN Students s ON d.departmentName = s.major
JOIN Roster r ON s.netId = r.netId
GROUP BY d.departmentName
HAVING COUNT(r.netId) > 5  -- Only departments with >5 memberships
ORDER BY total_memberships DESC
LIMIT 15;
```

SHOULD ONLY HAVE ONE OUTPUT BECAUSE IT IS THE MOST JOINED DEPARTMENT!!

departmentName	total_memberships
Business	65

3) Purpose: Highlight RSOs with niche interests.

```
SELECT DISTINCT ri.RSOname
FROM RSO_Interests ri
WHERE ri.RSOInterest1 NOT IN (
   SELECT interest1 FROM Student_Interests
   UNION
   SELECT interest2 FROM Student_Interests
   UNION
   SELECT interest3 FROM Student_Interests
)
LIMIT 15;
```

RSOname
Theta Tau Professional Engineering Fraternity
Thomistic Institute at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Tzu Chi Collegiate Association
Undergraduate History Journal at Illinois
Youth Sports Relief Team
Baltic Club
Combat Robotics
Department of Student Engagement
English Student Association
Epsilon Delta Professional Teaching Organization
FIFA 25 Soccer Club @UIUC
Gender and Sexuality Resource Center (GSRC)
Geometry Lab Undergrad Outreach
GLAM Squad
Graduate Students of French and Italian

4) Purpose: Show how many students are in each RSO (basic analytics for membership tracking).

```
SELECT
   r.RSOName AS rso_name,
   COUNT(ro.netId) AS student_count
FROM RSOs r
LEFT JOIN Roster ro ON r.RSOName = ro.RSO_name
GROUP BY r.RSOName
ORDER BY student_count DESC
LIMIT 15;
```

rso_name	student_count
Young Americans for Freedom	5
Phi Alpha Theta	5
Impact Investing Club	5
Illinois Robotics in Space	5
Black Graduate Student Association	4
Human Development and Family Studies Graduate Student Organization	4
Hellenic Student Association	4
Illini Life Student Fellowship	4
Illinois Semiconductor Student Alliance	4
Student Organization Resource Fee (SORF) Board	4
Illinois Solar Decathlon	4
College of Law Labor and Employment Law Society at the University of Illinois	3
American Association for Aerosol Research at UIUC	3
American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers	3
Club Insecta	3

Explain Analyze For Each Query:

1)
```
| -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=728 rows=271) (actual time=0.471..13.6 rows=58 loops=1)
    -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=451 rows=1000) (actual time=0.101..2.04 rows=1000 loops=1)
        -> Covering index scan on rs using RSO_name  (cost=101 rows=1000) (actual time=0.0678..0.39 rows=1000 loo
ps=1)
        -> Single-row index lookup on s using PRIMARY (netId=rs.netId)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actual time=0.00143..
0.00145 rows=1 loops=1000)
    -> Limit: 1 row(s)  (cost=500 rows=0.271) (actual time=0.0114..0.0114 rows=0.058 loops=1000)
        -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=500 rows=0.271) (actual time=0.0112..0.0112 rows=0.058 loops=1000)
            -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=250 rows=1) (actual time=0.00482..0.00549 rows=1 loops=1000)
                -> Index lookup on si using netId (netId=rs.netId)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actual time=0.00328..0.00
381 rows=1 loops=1000)
                -> Single-row index lookup on r using PRIMARY (RSOName=rs.RSO_name)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actual t
ime=0.00134..0.00137 rows=1 loops=1000)
            -> Filter: ((ri.RSOInterest1 = si.interest1) or (ri.RSOInterest1 = si.interest2) or (ri.RSOInterest1
= si.interest3))  (cost=0.0678 rows=0.271) (actual time=0.00547..0.00547 rows=0.058 loops=1000)
                -> Index lookup on ri using RSOname (RSOname=rs.RSO_name)  (cost=0.0678 rows=1) (actual time=0.00
444..0.005 rows=1 loops=1000)
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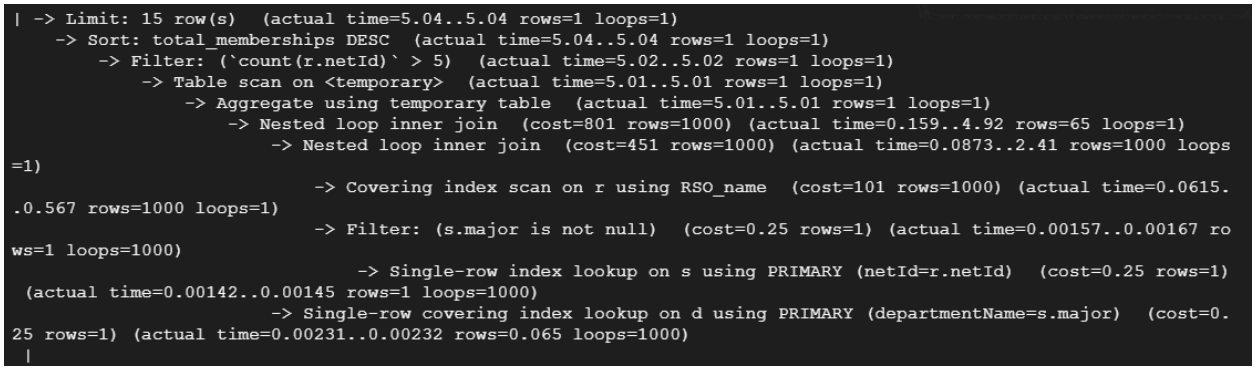

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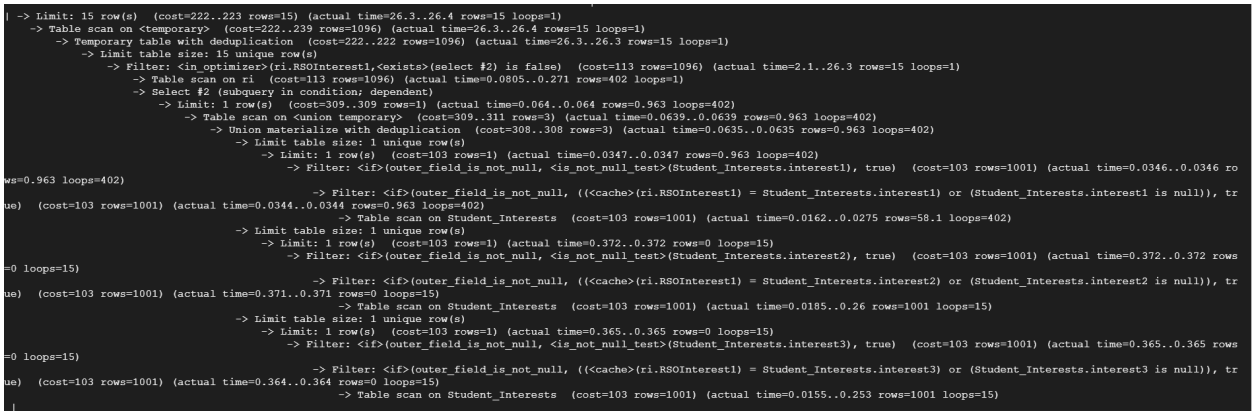

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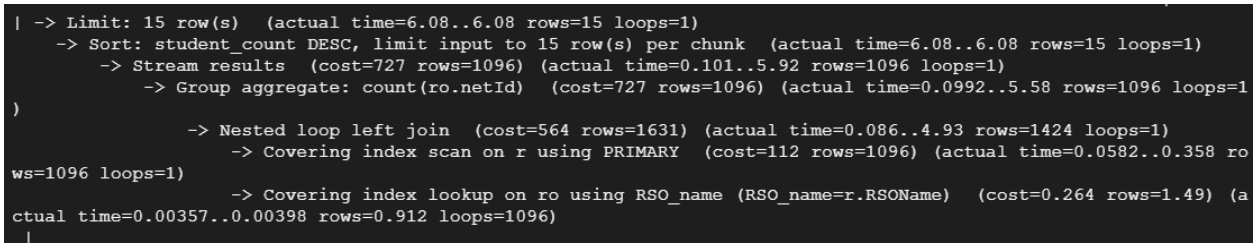
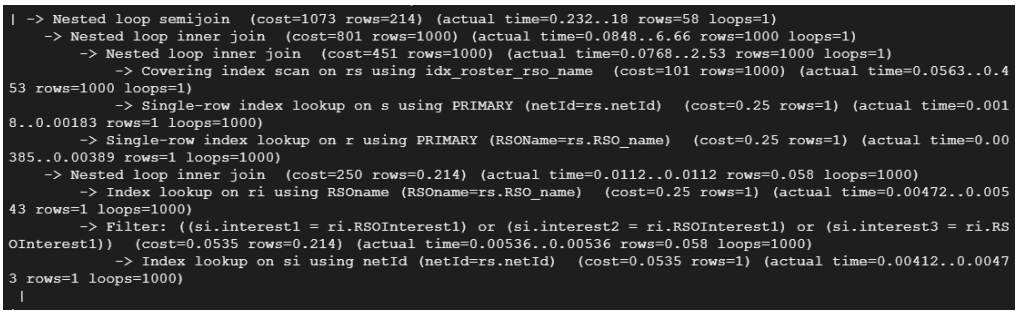


Explore Tradeoffs

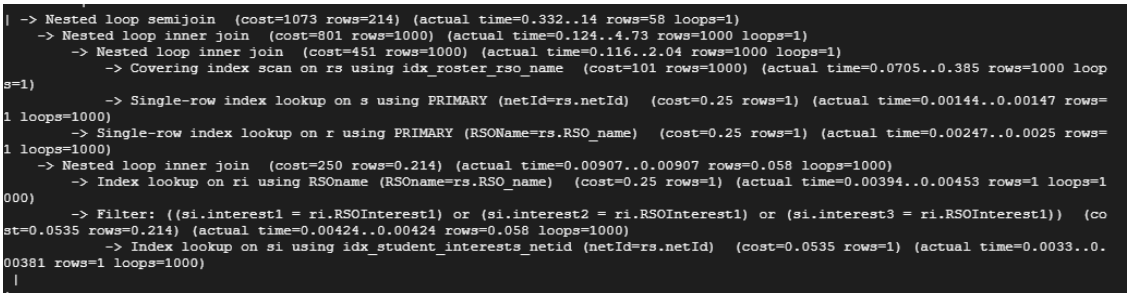
1) Advanced Query 1
    a) CREATE INDEX idx_si_interests ON Student_Interests(interest1, interest2, interest3);



    i) This indexing strategy has a higher cost (1073) compared to the default index (728), meaning it has worse performance and is not

an ideal indexing strategy.

b) CREATE INDEX idx_student_interests_interest1 ON Student_Interests(interest1);



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| -> Nested loop semijoin  (cost=1073 rows=214) (actual time=0.332..14 rows=58 loops=1)
    -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=801 rows=1000) (actual time=0.124..4.73 rows=1000 loops=1)
        -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=451 rows=1000) (actual time=0.116..2.04 rows=1000 loops=1)
            -> Covering index scan on rs using idx_roster_rso_name  (cost=101 rows=1000) (actual time=0.0705..0.385 rows=1000 loop
s=1)
            -> Single-row index lookup on s using PRIMARY (netId=rs.netId)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actual time=0.00144..0.00147 rows=
1 loops=1000)
        -> Single-row index lookup on r using PRIMARY (RSOName=rs.RSO_name)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actual time=0.00247..0.0025 rows=
1 loops=1000)
    -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=250 rows=0.214) (actual time=0.00907..0.00907 rows=0.058 loops=1000)
        -> Index lookup on ri using RSOname (RSOname=rs.RSO_name)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actual time=0.00394..0.00453 rows=1 loops=1
000)
        -> Filter: ((si.interest1 = ri.RSOInterest1) or (si.interest2 = ri.RSOInterest1) or (si.interest3 = ri.RSOInterest1))  (co
st=0.0535 rows=0.214) (actual time=0.00424..0.00424 rows=0.058 loops=1000)
            -> Index lookup on si using idx_student_interests_netid (netId=rs.netId)  (cost=0.0535 rows=1) (actual time=0.0033..0.
00381 rows=1 loops=1000)
 |
```
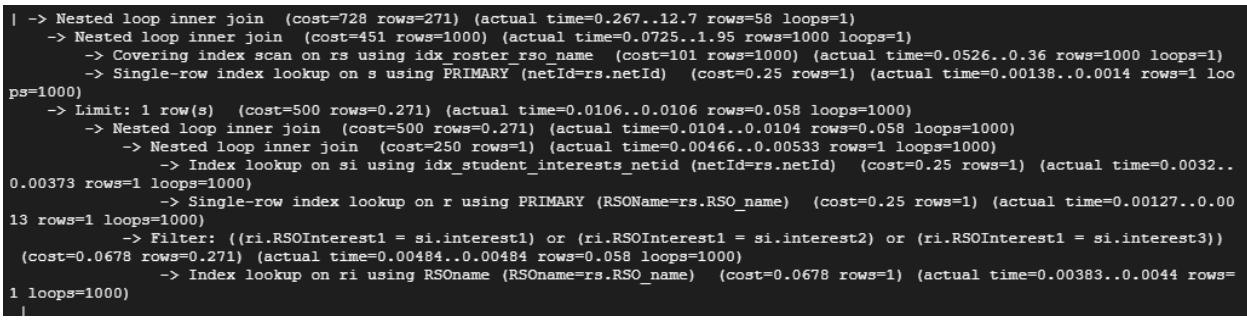

i) This indexing strategy has a higher cost (1073) compared to the default index (728), meaning it has worse performance and is not an ideal indexing strategy.

c) CREATE INDEX idx_rso_interests_interest2 ON RSO_Interests(RSOInterest2);



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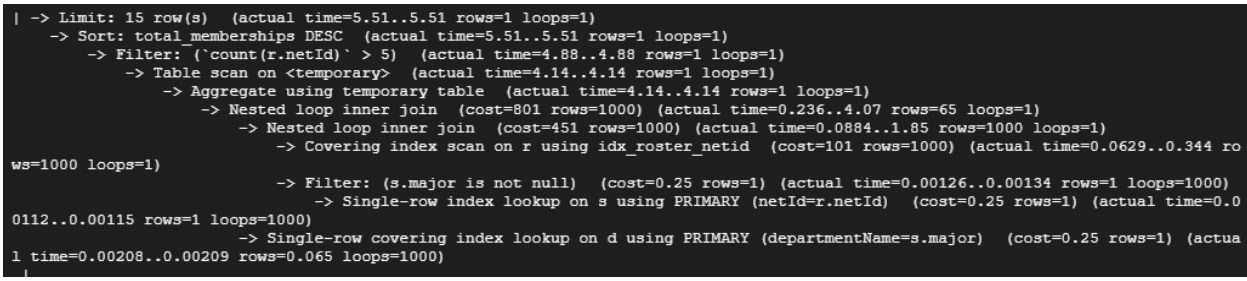
| -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=728 rows=271) (actual time=0.267..12.7 rows=58 loops=1)
    -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=451 rows=1000) (actual time=0.0725..1.95 rows=1000 loops=1)
        -> Covering index scan on rs using idx_roster_rso_name  (cost=101 rows=1000) (actual time=0.0526..0.36 rows=1000 loops=1)
        -> Single-row index lookup on s using PRIMARY (netId=rs.netId)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actual time=0.00138..0.0014 rows=1 loo
ps=1000)
    -> Limit: 1 row(s)  (cost=500 rows=0.271) (actual time=0.0106..0.0106 rows=0.058 loops=1000)
        -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=500 rows=0.271) (actual time=0.0104..0.0104 rows=0.058 loops=1000)
            -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=250 rows=1) (actual time=0.00466..0.00533 rows=1 loops=1000)
                -> Index lookup on si using idx_student_interests_netid (netId=rs.netId)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actual time=0.0032..
0.00373 rows=1 loops=1000)
                -> Single-row index lookup on r using PRIMARY (RSOName=rs.RSO_name)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actual time=0.00127..0.00
13 rows=1 loops=1000)
            -> Filter: ((ri.RSOInterest1 = si.interest1) or (ri.RSOInterest1 = si.interest2) or (ri.RSOInterest1 = si.interest3))
 (cost=0.0678 rows=0.271) (actual time=0.00484..0.00484 rows=0.058 loops=1000)
                -> Index lookup on ri using RSOname (RSOname=rs.RSO_name)  (cost=0.0678 rows=1) (actual time=0.00383..0.0044 rows=
1 loops=1000)
 |
```

i) This indexing strategy has the same cost as the default index (728), meaning it doesn't usefully affect performance.

2) Advanced query 2

a) CREATE INDEX idx_roster_netid ON Roster(netId);



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| -> Limit: 15 row(s)  (actual time=5.51..5.51 rows=1 loops=1)
    -> Sort: total_memberships DESC  (actual time=5.51..5.51 rows=1 loops=1)
        -> Filter: (`count(r.netId)` > 5)  (actual time=4.88..4.88 rows=1 loops=1)
            -> Table scan on <temporary>  (actual time=4.14..4.14 rows=1 loops=1)
                -> Aggregate using temporary table  (actual time=4.14..4.14 rows=1 loops=1)
                    -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=801 rows=1000) (actual time=0.236..4.07 rows=65 loops=1)
                        -> Nested loop inner join  (cost=451 rows=1000) (actual time=0.0884..1.85 rows=1000 loops=1)
                            -> Covering index scan on r using idx_roster_netid  (cost=101 rows=1000) (actual time=0.0629..0.344 ro
ws=1000 loops=1)
                            -> Filter: (s.major is not null)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actual time=0.00126..0.00134 rows=1 loops=1000)
                                -> Single-row index lookup on s using PRIMARY (netId=r.netId)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actual time=0.0
0112..0.00115 rows=1 loops=1000)
                        -> Single-row covering index lookup on d using PRIMARY (departmentName=s.major)  (cost=0.25 rows=1) (actua
l time=0.00208..0.00209 rows=0.065 loops=1000)
 |
```
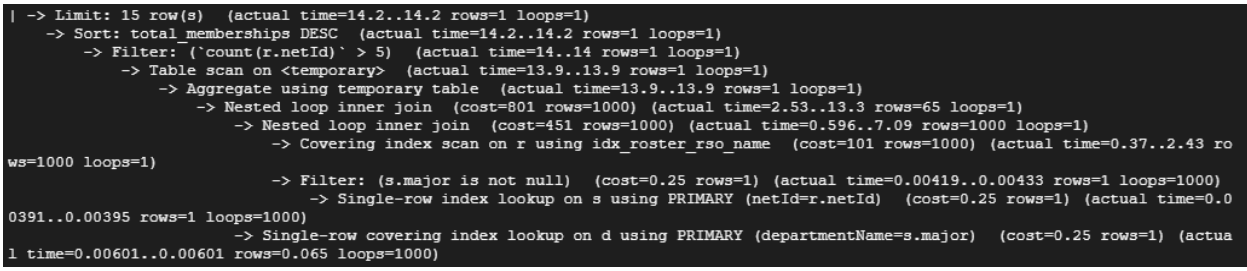
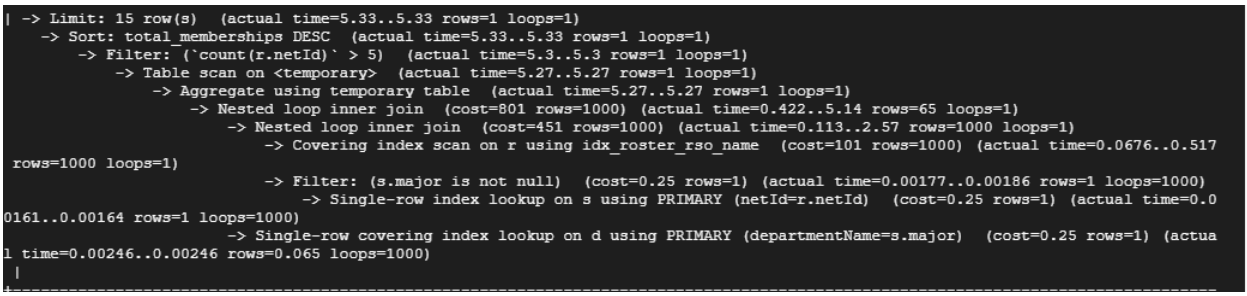

i) This indexing strategy has the same cost as the default index (801), meaning it doesn't usefully affect performance.

b) CREATE INDEX idx_students_major_netid ON Students(major, netId);



i) This indexing strategy has the same cost as the default index (801), meaning it doesn't usefully affect performance.

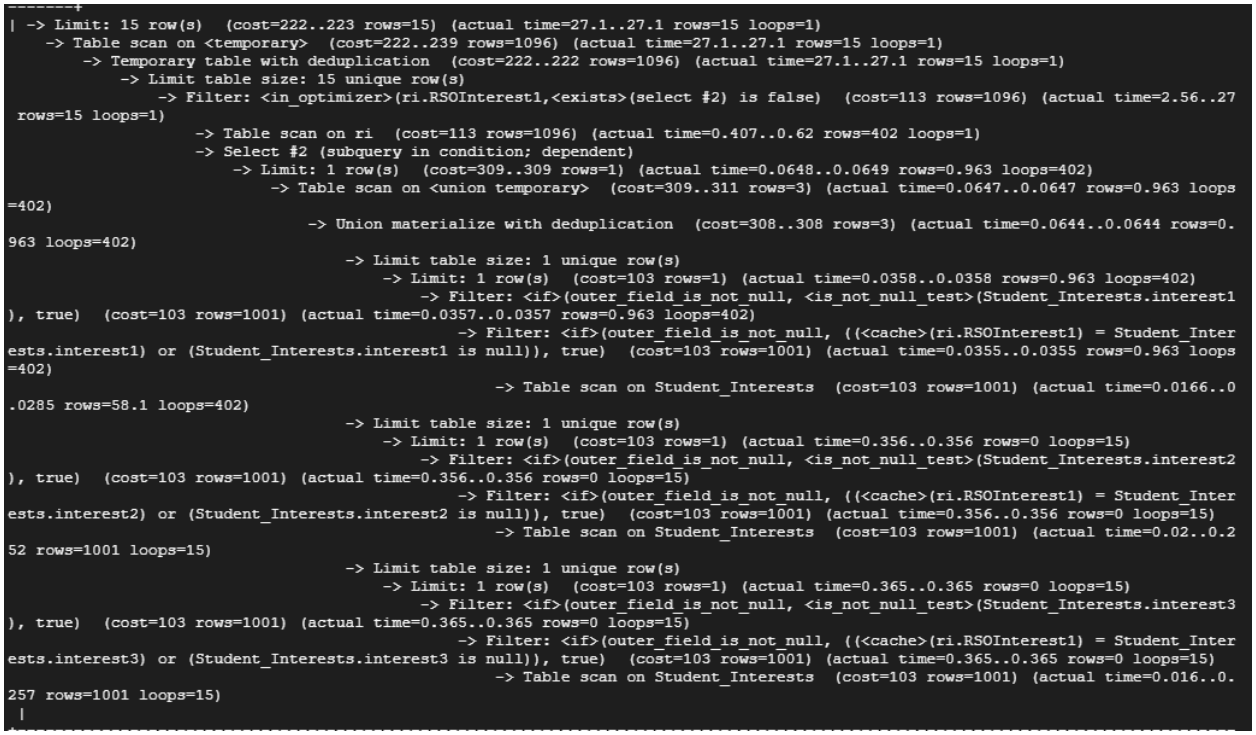
c) CREATE INDEX idx_students_major ON Students(major);



i) This indexing strategy has the same cost as the default index (801), meaning it doesn't usefully affect performance.

3) Advanced query 3

a) CREATE INDEX idx_rso_interest1 ON RSO_Interests(RSOInterest1);



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| -> Limit: 15 row(s)  (cost=222..223 rows=15) (actual time=27.1..27.1 rows=15 loops=1)
    -> Table scan on <temporary>  (cost=222..239 rows=1096) (actual time=27.1..27.1 rows=15 loops=1)
        -> Temporary table with deduplication  (cost=222..222 rows=1096) (actual time=27.1..27.1 rows=15 loops=1)
            -> Limit table size: 15 unique row(s)
                -> Filter: <in_optimizer>(ri.RSOInterest1,<exists>(select #2) is false)  (cost=113 rows=1096) (actual time=2.56..27
 rows=15 loops=1)
                    -> Table scan on ri  (cost=113 rows=1096) (actual time=0.407..0.62 rows=402 loops=1)
                    -> Select #2 (subquery in condition; dependent)
                        -> Limit: 1 row(s)  (cost=309..309 rows=1) (actual time=0.0648..0.0649 rows=0.963 loops=402)
                            -> Table scan on <union temporary>  (cost=309..311 rows=3) (actual time=0.0647..0.0647 rows=0.963 loops
=402)
                                -> Union materialize with deduplication  (cost=308..308 rows=3) (actual time=0.0644..0.0644 rows=0.
963 loops=402)
                                    -> Limit table size: 1 unique row(s)
                                        -> Limit: 1 row(s)  (cost=103 rows=1) (actual time=0.0358..0.0358 rows=0.963 loops=402)
                                            -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, <is_not_null_test>(Student_Interests.interest1
), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.0357..0.0357 rows=0.963 loops=402)
                                                -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, ((<cache>(ri.RSOInterest1) = Student_Inter
ests.interest1) or (Student_Interests.interest1 is null)), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.0355..0.0355 rows=0.963 loops
=402)
                                                    -> Table scan on Student_Interests  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.0166..0
.0285 rows=58.1 loops=402)
                                    -> Limit table size: 1 unique row(s)
                                        -> Limit: 1 row(s)  (cost=103 rows=1) (actual time=0.356..0.356 rows=0 loops=15)
                                            -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, <is_not_null_test>(Student_Interests.interest2
), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.356..0.356 rows=0 loops=15)
                                                -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, ((<cache>(ri.RSOInterest1) = Student_Inter
ests.interest2) or (Student_Interests.interest2 is null)), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.356..0.356 rows=0 loops=15)
                                                    -> Table scan on Student_Interests  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.02..0.2
52 rows=1001 loops=15)
                                    -> Limit table size: 1 unique row(s)
                                        -> Limit: 1 row(s)  (cost=103 rows=1) (actual time=0.365..0.365 rows=0 loops=15)
                                            -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, <is_not_null_test>(Student_Interests.interest3
), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.365..0.365 rows=0 loops=15)
                                                -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, ((<cache>(ri.RSOInterest1) = Student_Inter
ests.interest3) or (Student_Interests.interest3 is null)), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.365..0.365 rows=0 loops=15)
                                                    -> Table scan on Student_Interests  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.016..0.
257 rows=1001 loops=15)
 |
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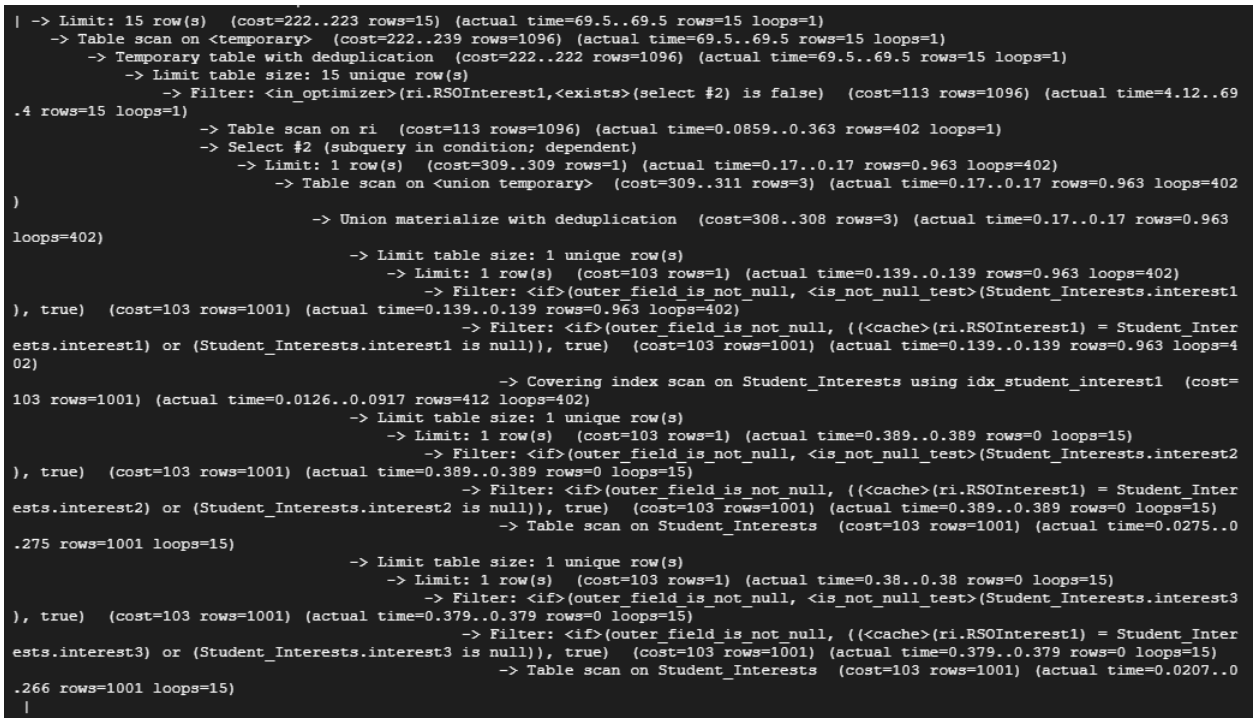
i) This indexing strategy has the same cost as the default index (222), meaning it doesn't usefully affect performance.

b) CREATE INDEX idx_student_interest1 ON Student_Interests(interest1);



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| -> Limit: 15 row(s)  (cost=222..223 rows=15) (actual time=69.5..69.5 rows=15 loops=1)
    -> Table scan on <temporary>  (cost=222..239 rows=1096) (actual time=69.5..69.5 rows=15 loops=1)
        -> Temporary table with deduplication  (cost=222..222 rows=1096) (actual time=69.5..69.5 rows=15 loops=1)
            -> Limit table size: 15 unique row(s)
                -> Filter: <in_optimizer>(ri.RSOInterest1,<exists>(select #2) is false)  (cost=113 rows=1096) (actual time=4.12..69
.4 rows=15 loops=1)
                    -> Table scan on ri  (cost=113 rows=1096) (actual time=0.0859..0.363 rows=402 loops=1)
                    -> Select #2 (subquery in condition; dependent)
                        -> Limit: 1 row(s)  (cost=309..309 rows=1) (actual time=0.17..0.17 rows=0.963 loops=402)
                            -> Table scan on <union temporary>  (cost=309..311 rows=3) (actual time=0.17..0.17 rows=0.963 loops=402
)
                                -> Union materialize with deduplication  (cost=308..308 rows=3) (actual time=0.17..0.17 rows=0.963
loops=402)
                                    -> Limit table size: 1 unique row(s)
                                        -> Limit: 1 row(s)  (cost=103 rows=1) (actual time=0.139..0.139 rows=0.963 loops=402)
                                            -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, <is_not_null_test>(Student_Interests.interest1
), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.139..0.139 rows=0.963 loops=402)
                                                -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, ((<cache>(ri.RSOInterest1) = Student_Inter
ests.interest1) or (Student_Interests.interest1 is null)), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.139..0.139 rows=0.963 loops=4
02)
                                                    -> Covering index scan on Student_Interests using idx_student_interest1  (cost=
103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.0126..0.0917 rows=412 loops=402)
                                    -> Limit table size: 1 unique row(s)
                                        -> Limit: 1 row(s)  (cost=103 rows=1) (actual time=0.389..0.389 rows=0 loops=15)
                                            -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, <is_not_null_test>(Student_Interests.interest2
), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.389..0.389 rows=0 loops=15)
                                                -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, ((<cache>(ri.RSOInterest1) = Student_Inter
ests.interest2) or (Student_Interests.interest2 is null)), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.389..0.389 rows=0 loops=15)
                                                    -> Table scan on Student_Interests  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.0275..0
.275 rows=1001 loops=15)
                                    -> Limit table size: 1 unique row(s)
                                        -> Limit: 1 row(s)  (cost=103 rows=1) (actual time=0.38..0.38 rows=0 loops=15)
                                            -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, <is_not_null_test>(Student_Interests.interest3
), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.379..0.379 rows=0 loops=15)
                                                -> Filter: <if>(outer_field_is_not_null, ((<cache>(ri.RSOInterest1) = Student_Inter
ests.interest3) or (Student_Interests.interest3 is null)), true)  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.379..0.379 rows=0 loops=15)
                                                    -> Table scan on Student_Interests  (cost=103 rows=1001) (actual time=0.0207..0
.266 rows=1001 loops=15)
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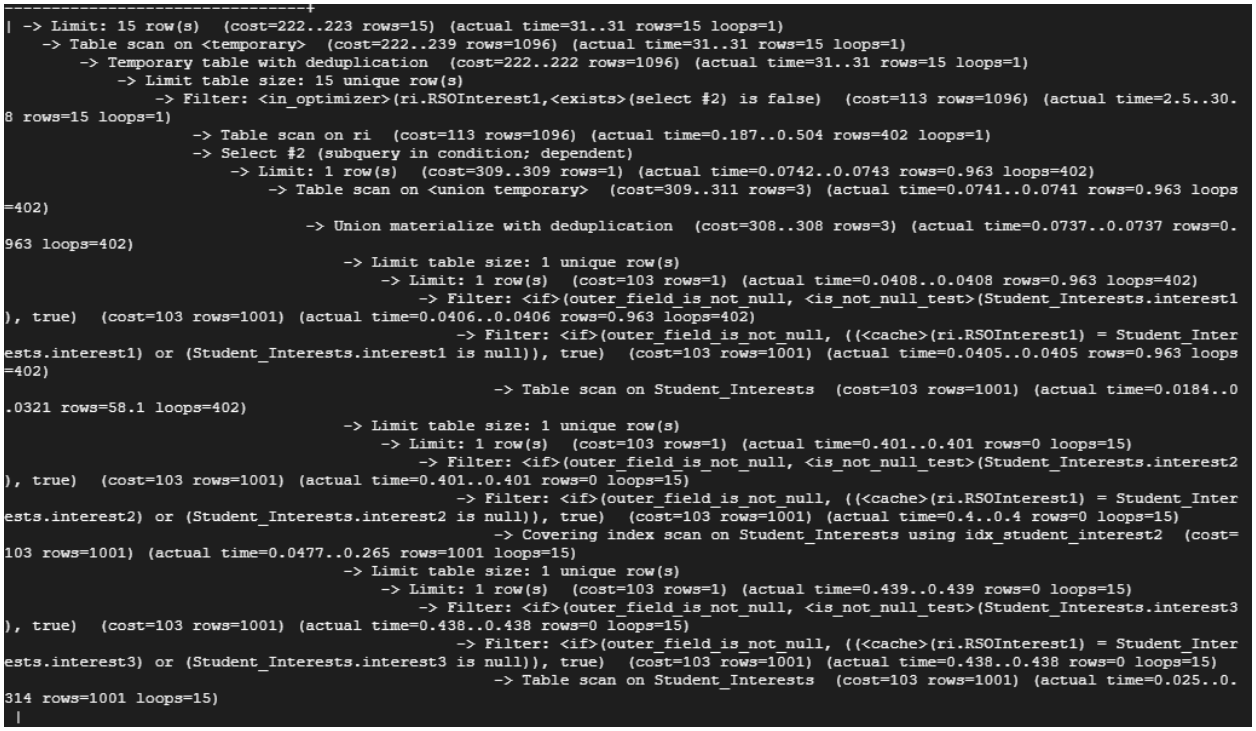
i) This indexing strategy has the same cost as the default index (222), meaning it doesn't usefully affect performance.

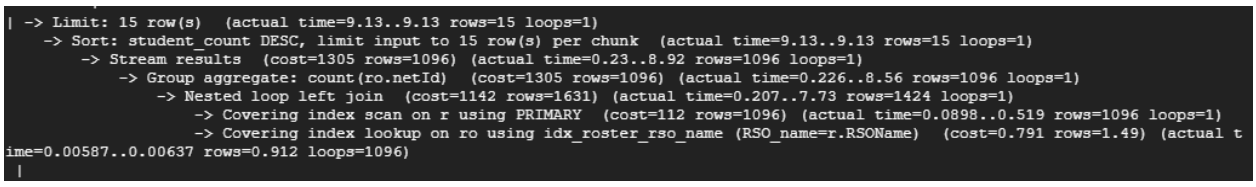
c) CREATE INDEX idx_student_interest2 ON Student_Interests(interest2);



i) This indexing strategy has the same cost as the default index (222), meaning it doesn't usefully affect performance.

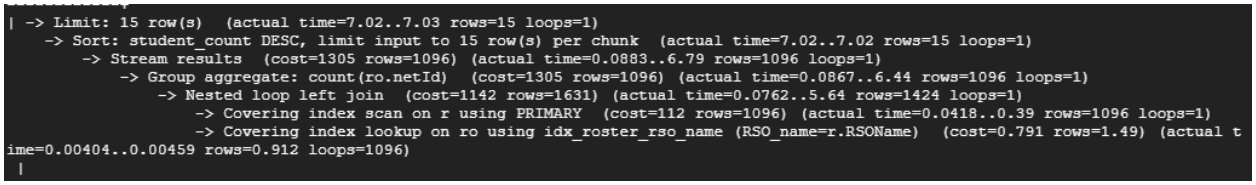
4) Advanced query 4

a) CREATE INDEX idx_rso_tagged on RSOs(taggedPref);



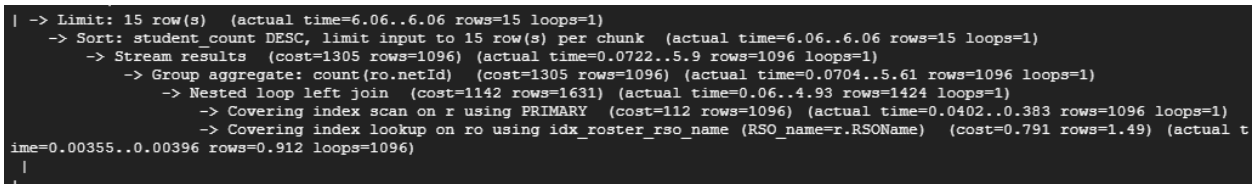
i) This indexing strategy has a higher cost (1305) compared to the default index (727), meaning it has worse performance and is not an ideal indexing strategy.

b) CREATE INDEX idx_rso_tagged on RSOs(expTimeComm);



i) This indexing strategy has a higher cost (1305) compared to the default index (727), meaning it has worse performance and is not an ideal indexing strategy.

c) CREATE INDEX idx_rso_tagged on RSOs(department);



i) This indexing strategy has a higher cost (1305) compared to the default index (727), meaning it has worse performance and is not an ideal indexing strategy.

Final Index Report

1. The indexing strategies we implemented did not improve the performance of this specific query. It seems that our default index is the most optimal. The lack of improvement may be due to the structure of the subquery which includes the NOT IN combined with a UNION clause. The optimizer may prefer to resolve with sequential scans or nested loops instead of our current solution. The indexes we tested introduced additional overhead which increased scan cost and join cost leading to a lesser solution. Leaving the query unindexed would be the best performance for this case.
2. Indexing strategies for our second advanced query also did not lead to performance gains. This is likely due to what the query was designed to do and the optimizer's preference for sequential scans. This query was designed to find a single answer and it may not be improved through indexing. We have decided to leave the query with the default indexing as it seems any customizations either made no difference or negatively impacted our cost.
3. Again for our third advanced query, none of the indexing strategies tested provided improvements to performance. Utilizing a NOT IN, UNION, and filtering across three columns is inherent to the structure of the query and likely made the indexes ineffective. Because of this, no indexing changes for this query perform the best compared to the default indexing.

4. Lastly, all of our indexes for the fourth query had a higher cost than the original cost. The indexes on RSOs(expTimeComm), RSOs(department), or RSOs(taggedPref) for the current query structures, did not contribute to performance and increased total query cost. Instead, focus indexing efforts on attributes directly involved in filtering, joining, or grouping operations.

Resubmission of Stage 2:

Updated stage 2 has been uploaded under the name Stage 2 Resubmit. The required sheet detailing our revisions is under the name stage2_revisions as directed.