# <u>Distributed Database Systems (CSE 512)</u>

## **Group project**

### Task 2

## Horizontal Fragmentation

Horizontal fragmentation in a database context involves dividing a table into several smaller, disjoint subsets of tuples (rows) based on certain criteria. This is usually done to improve query performance, especially in a distributed database system where different fragments might reside on different servers closer to the user querying them.

### Code:

```
import psycopg2.extras
import uuid
from faker import Faker
import psycopg2
from psycopg2 import sql
import random
from datetime import datetime, timedelta

DATABASE_NAME = 'healthcare'

fake = Faker()

DB_URL =
"postgresql://shashank:z3L2HOT24J5yDJWdt3esqw@plain-koala-13452.5xj.cockroachlabs.cloud:26257/healthcare?sslmode=verify-full"
```

```
def connect db():
    try:
        conn = psycopg2.connect(DB URL,
                                application_name="healthcare_app",
cursor factory=psycopg2.extras.RealDictCursor)
       print("Connected to the database.")
       return conn
   except Exception as e:
       print("Database connection failed.")
       print(e)
       return None
def horizontal fragmentation(conn):
    """Performs horizontal fragmentation on the patient records table
based on gender."""
   cursor = conn.cursor()
   cursor.execute("""
       CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS patient records male AS
       SELECT * FROM patient records WHERE gender = 'M';
   cursor.execute("""
       CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS patient records female AS
       SELECT * FROM patient records WHERE gender = 'F';
   """)
    # Insert data into fragment tables
   cursor.execute("""
        INSERT INTO patient records male
       SELECT * FROM patient records WHERE gender = 'M';
    """)
   cursor.execute("""
        INSERT INTO patient records female
       SELECT * FROM patient_records WHERE gender = 'F';
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    tables = ['patient_records_male', 'patient_records_female']
   print("Horizontal fragmentation completed.\n")
    for table in tables:
```

```
print(f"First five rows from table {table}:")

cursor.execute(sql.SQL("SELECT * FROM {} LIMIT

5").format(sql.Identifier(table)))

records = cursor.fetchall()

for row in records:
    print(row)
    print("\n")

conn.commit()
    cursor.close()
```

The function creates two new tables, patient\_records\_male and patient\_records\_female, which are fragments of the original patient\_records table. It then inserts the corresponding data into these new tables based on the gender column.

#### Results:

Above are the first five rows of two columns patient\_records\_male and patient\_records\_female after horizontal fragmentation.

## Vertical Fragmentation

Vertical fragmentation involves dividing a table into sub-tables where each sub-table contains a subset of columns from the original table. This approach can be particularly useful when different applications or different parts of an application frequently access only a subset of columns.

In the below function, it performs vertical fragmentation on the patient\_records table based on a hypothetical use-case where one application mostly accesses personal information and another deals with contact information.

#### Code:

```
def vertical fragmentation(conn):
   cursor = conn.cursor()
   cursor.execute("""
        CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS patient_personal_info (
            patient id INT PRIMARY KEY,
            patient name VARCHAR (150) NOT NULL,
            date of birth DATE NOT NULL,
           gender VARCHAR(10) NOT NULL
       );
   """)
   cursor.execute("""
       CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS patient contact info (
            patient id INT PRIMARY KEY,
            address VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,
            contact number VARCHAR(15) NOT NULL UNIQUE,
            email VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL UNIQUE
   """)
   cursor.execute("""
       INSERT INTO patient personal info (patient id, patient name,
date of birth, gender)
        SELECT patient id, patient name, date of birth, gender FROM
patient records
       ON CONFLICT (patient id) DO NOTHING;
   """)
   cursor.execute("""
        INSERT INTO patient contact info (patient id, address,
contact number, email)
        SELECT patient_id, address, contact_number, email FROM
patient records
        ON CONFLICT (patient id) DO NOTHING;
   print("Vertical fragmentation completed.\n")
```

```
tables = ['patient_personal_info', 'patient_contact_info']

for table in tables:
    print(f"First five rows from table {table}:")

    cursor.execute(sql.SQL("SELECT * FROM {} LIMIT

5").format(sql.Identifier(table)))

# Fetch first five records from the cursor
    records = cursor.fetchall()

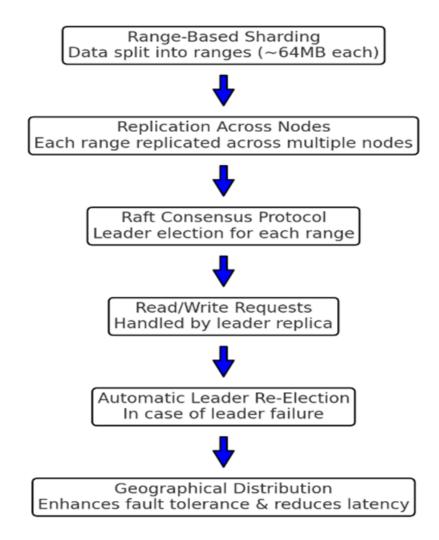
for row in records:
    print(row)
    print("\n")
    conn.commit()
    cursor.close()
```

This function assumes the patient\_records table has already been created and populated with data. It creates two new tables: patient\_personal\_info and patient\_contact\_info. Each new table includes the patient\_id column, which serves as a foreign key back to the original patient\_records table, ensuring referential integrity.

#### Results:

The patient\_personal\_info table is intended for applications that only need to access personal details about patients (excluding contact information), while the patient\_contact\_info table is designed for applications that only need to access contact details after vertical fragmentation.

### CockroachDB Data Replication Process



CockroachDB handles data replication automatically through a sophisticated and distributed architecture, ensuring high availability and consistency of data across multiple nodes. At the heart of this system is its range-based sharding mechanism, where the database automatically splits data into smaller units called ranges, typically around 64MB each. These ranges are dynamically adjusted as data grows, allowing for efficient distribution and management. Once the data is divided into ranges, CockroachDB replicates each range across different nodes in the cluster. By default, each range is replicated three times, but this number can be adjusted for higher redundancy based on the fault tolerance requirements. This replication strategy is fundamental in providing both data redundancy and high availability.

The orchestration of these replicas is managed through the Raft consensus protocol, a robust system for ensuring data consistency across distributed systems. In this protocol, each range

elects a leader replica through a distributed consensus process. This leader is then responsible for handling all read and write requests for that range, ensuring that all data operations are centrally coordinated and consistent. The other replicas act as followers, receiving updates from the leader. Should the leader replica become unavailable, say due to a node failure, Raft ensures that a new leader is automatically elected from the remaining replicas. This feature is crucial in maintaining continuous service and data integrity, even in the face of hardware or network failures. Moreover, CockroachDB's architecture allows for the geographical distribution of replicas. This not only enhances the fault tolerance of the system by spreading risk across different locations but also optimizes performance by allowing data to be located closer to users, reducing latency. Through this automatic replication mechanism, CockroachDB provides a highly resilient, consistent, and distributed database solution.