10. Parallel Database Systems

Chapter 14

Parallel Database Systems

Fact and Database Problem

- A large volume of data uses disk and large main memory
 - Speed(disk) << speed(RAM) << speed(microprocessor)

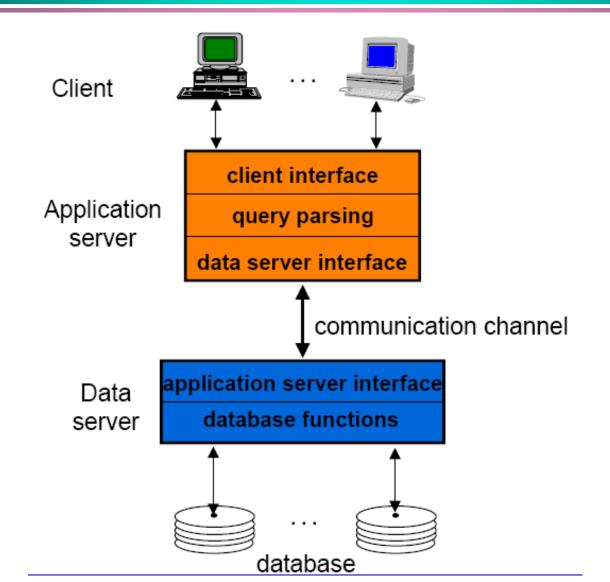
The Solution

- Increase the I/O bandwidth
 - Data partitioning
 - Parallel data access
- Origins (1980's): database machines
 - Hardware-oriented: bad cost-performance failure
- 1990's: same solution but using standard hardware components integrated in a multiprocessor
 - Software-oriented
 - Exploiting continuing technology improvements

Multiprocessor Objectives

- High-performance with better cost-performance than mainframe or vector super computer
- Use many nodes, each with good cost-performance, communicating through network
 - Good cost via high-volume components
 - Good performance via bandwidth
- Trends
 - Microprocessor and memory (DRAM): off-the-shelf
 - Network (multiprocessor edge): custom
- The real challenge is to parallelize applications to run with good load balancing

Data Server Architecture



Objectives of Data Servers

- Avoid the shortcomings of the traditional DBMS approach
 - Centralization of data and application management
 - General-purpose OS (not DB-oriented)
- By separating the functions between
 - Application server (or host computer)
 - Data server (or database computer or back-end computer)

Data Server Approach: Assessment

Advantages

- Integrated data control by the server (black box)
- Increased performance by dedicated system
- Can better exploit parallelism
- Fits well in distributed environments

Potential problems

- Communication overhead between application and data server
 - High-level interface
- High cost with mainframe servers

Parallel Data Processing

- Three ways of exploiting high-performance multiprocessor systems:
 - Automatically detect parallelism in sequential programs (e.g., Fortran, OPS5)
 - Augment an existing language with parallel constructs (e.g., C*, Fortran90)
 - Offer a new language in which parallelism can be expressed or automatically inferred

Parallel Data Processing (cont.)

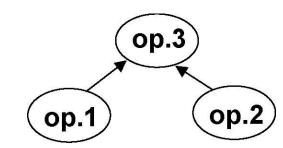
Critique

- Hard to develop parallelizing compilers, limited resulting speed-up
- Enables the programmer to express parallel computations but too low-level

Data-based Parallelism

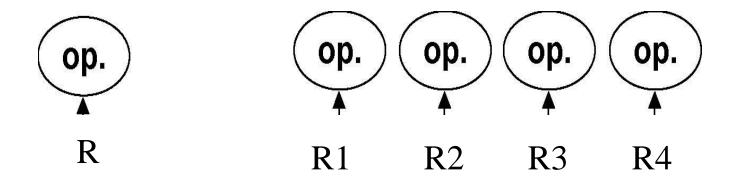
Inter-operation

operations of the same query in parallel



Intra-operation

the same operation in parallel on different data partitions



Parallel DBMS

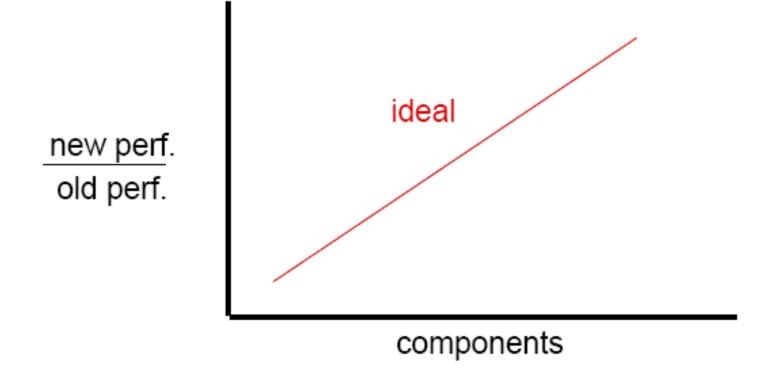
- Loose definition: a DBMS implemented on a tightly coupled multiprocessor
- Naturally extends to distributed databases with one server per site

Parallel DBMS - Objectives

- Much better cost / performance than mainframe solution
- High-performance through parallelism
 - High throughput with inter-query parallelism
 - Low response time with intra-operation parallelism
- High availability and reliability by exploiting data replication
- Extensibility with the ideal goals
 - Linear speed-up
 - Linear scale-up

Linear Speed-up

Linear increase in performance for a constant DB size and proportional increase of the system components (processor, memory, disk)



Linear Scale-up

Sustained performance for a linear increase of database size and proportional increase of the system components.

new perf. ideal old perf.

users + components + database size

Barriers to Parallelism

Startup

 The time needed to start a parallel operation may dominate the actual computation time

Interference

 When accessing shared resources, each new process slows down the others (hot spot problem)

Skew

- The response time of a set of parallel processes is the time of the slowest one
- Parallel data management techniques intend to overcome these barriers

Parallel DBMS Functions

Session manager

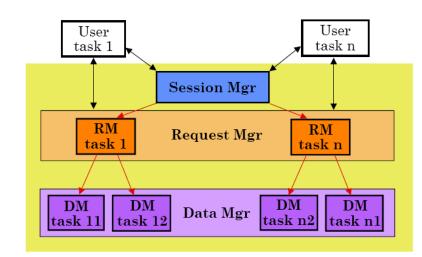
- Host interface
- Transaction monitoring

Request manager

- Compilation and optimization
- Data directory management
- Semantic data control
- Execution control

Data manager

- Execution of DB operations
- Transaction management support
- Data management



Parallel System Architectures

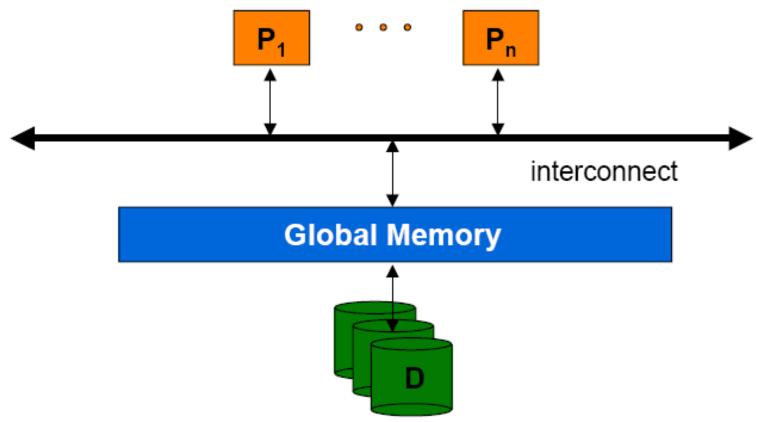
Multiprocessor architecture alternatives

- Shared memory (shared everything)
- Shared disk
- Shared nothing (message-passing)

Hybrid architectures

- Hierarchical (cluster)
- Non-Uniform Memory Architecture (NUMA)

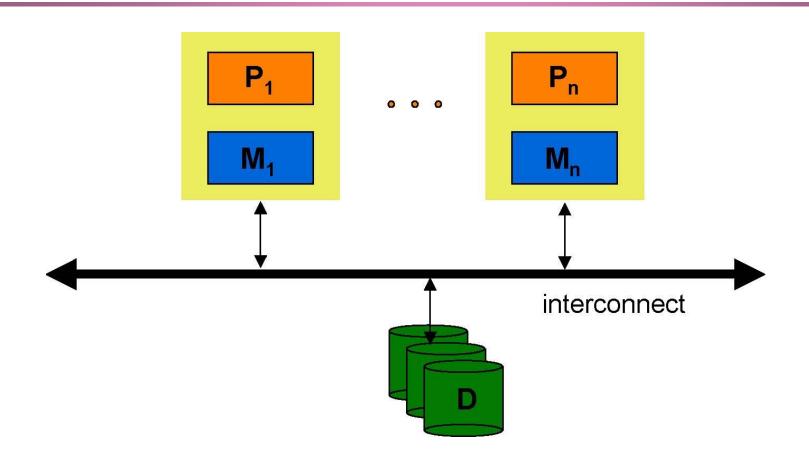
Shared Memory Architectures



Examples: DBMS on symmetric multiprocessors (Sequent, Encore, Sun, etc.)

- Simplicity, load balancing, fast communication
- Network cost, low extensibility

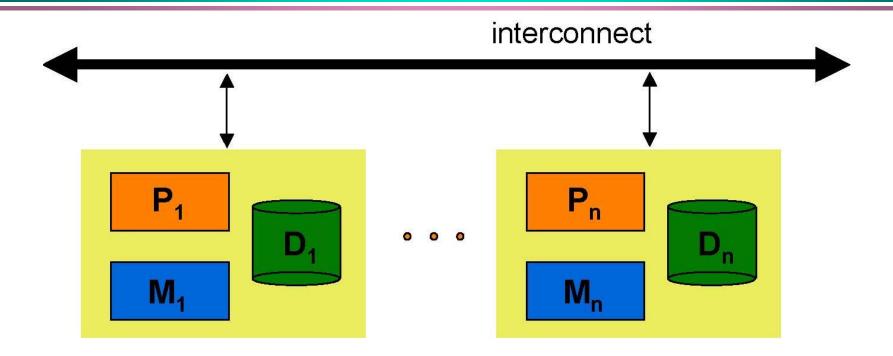
Shared-Disk Architecture



Examples: DEC's VAXcluster, IBM's IMS/VS Data Sharing

- network cost, extensibility, migration from uniprocessor
- complexity, potential performance problem for copy coherency

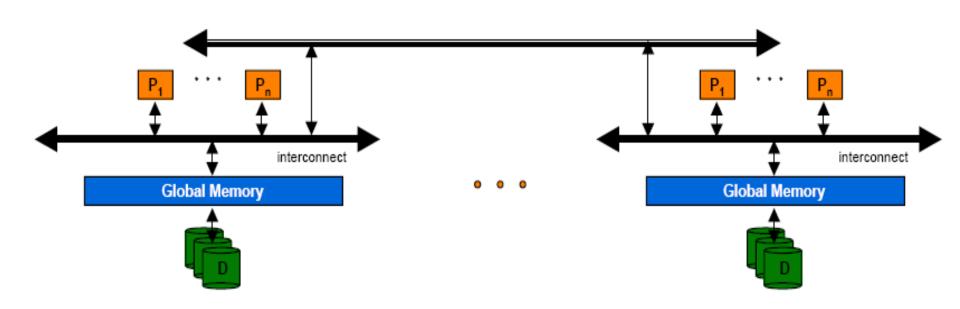
Shared-Nothing Architecture



Examples: Teradata (NCR), NonStopSQL (Tandem-Compaq), Gamma (U. of Wisconsin), Bubba (MCC)

- Extensibility, availability
- Complexity, difficult load balancing

Hierarchical Architecture



Combines good load balancing of SM with extensibility of SN

Shared-Memory vs. Distributed Memory

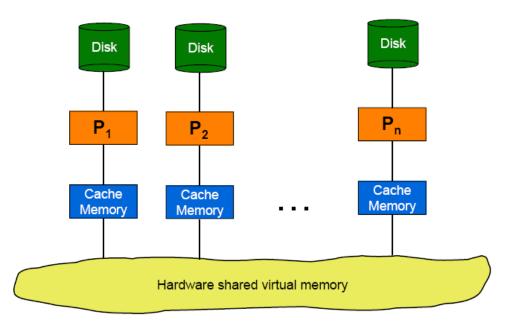
- Mix two different aspects: addressing and memory
 - Addressing
 - Single address space : Sequent, Encore, KSR
 - Multiple address spaces : Intel, Ncube
 - Physical memory
 - Central : Sequent, Encore
 - Distributed : Intel, Ncube, KSR
- NUMA (Non-Uniform Memory Architecture): single address space on distributed physical memory eases application portability
 - Extensibility

Non-Uniform Memory Architecture (NUMA) Architectures

- Cache Coherent NUMA (CC-NUMA)
 - statically divide the main memory among the nodes
- Cache-Only Memory Architecture (COMA)

convert the per-node memory into a large cache of the

shared address space



Parallel DBMS Techniques

Data placement

- Physical placement of the DB onto multiple nodes
- Static vs. Dynamic

Parallel data processing

- Select is easy
- Join (and all other non-select operations) is more difficult

Parallel query optimization

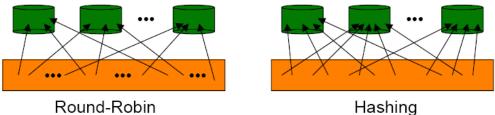
- Choice of the best parallel execution plans
- Automatic parallelization of the queries and load balancing

Transaction management

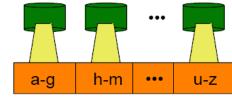
Similar to distributed transaction management

Data Partitioning

- ❖ Each relation is divided in n partitions (sub-relations), where *n* is a function of relation size and access frequency
- Implementation
 - Round-robin
 - Map the i-th element to node (i mod n)
 - Simple but only exact-match queries
 - ◆ B-tree index
 - Support range queries but large index size
 - Hash function
 - Only exact-match queries but small index size







Interval

Replicated Data Partitioning

High-availability requires data replication

interleaved or chained partitioning to achieve load balancing

Node	1	2	3	4
Primary copy	R1	R2	R3	R4
Backup copy —		→ r1.1	r 1.2	r 1.3
	r 2.3		r 2.1	r 2.2
	r 3.2	r 3.3		r 3.1

Interleaved Partitioning

Node	1	2	3	4
Primary copy	R1	R2	R3	R4
Backup copy	r4	r1	r2	r3

Chained Partitioning

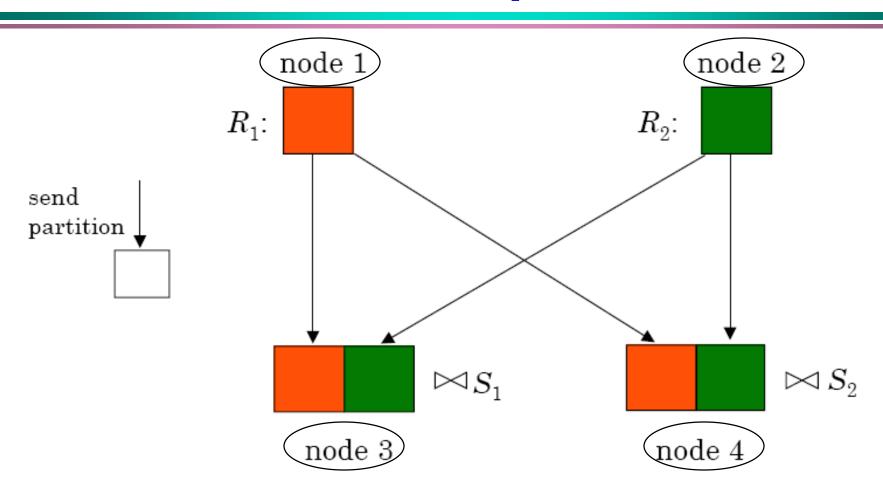
Placement Directory

- Perform two functions
 - ◆ F1 (relname, placement attval) = log node-id
 - ◆ F2 (log node-id) = phy node-id
- ❖ In either case, the data structure for F1 and F2 should be available when needed at each node

Join Processing

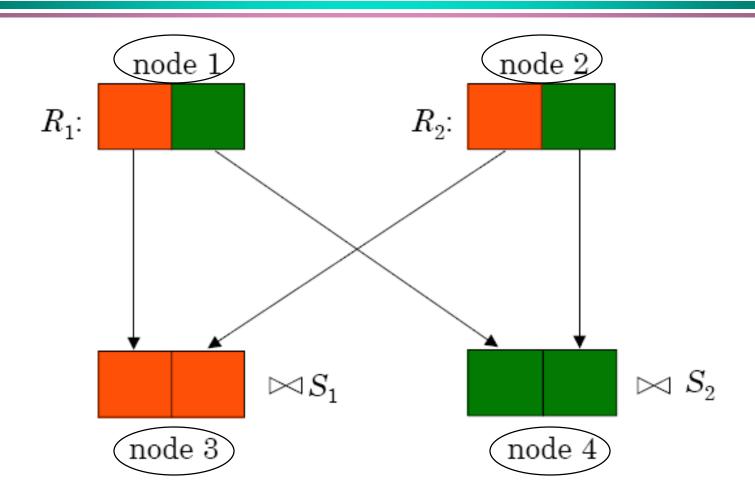
- Three basic algorithms for intra-operator parallelism
 - Parallel nested loop join: no special assumption
 - Parallel associative join: one relation is declustered on join attribute and equi-join
 - Parallel hash join: equi-join
- They also apply to other complex operators such as duplicate elimination, union, intersection, etc. with minor adaptation

Parallel Nested Loop Join



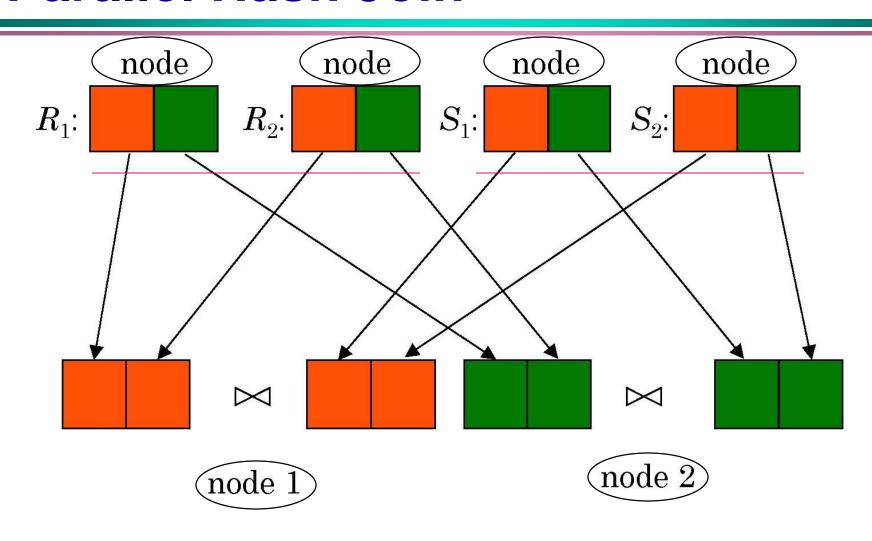
$$R \bowtie S \rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1,n} (R \bowtie S_i)$$

Parallel Associative Join



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Parallel Hash Join

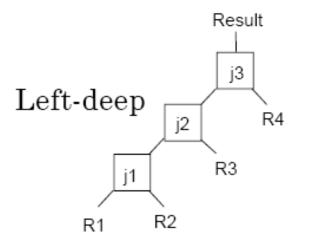


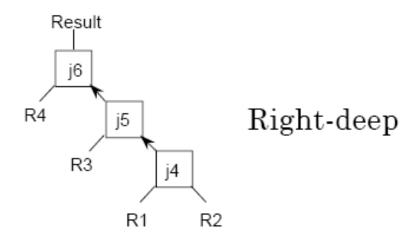
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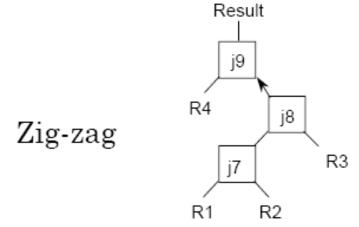
Parallel Query Optimization

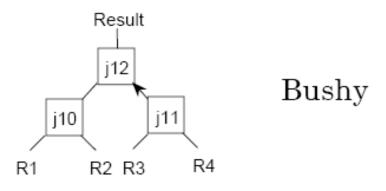
- The objective is to select the "best" parallel execution plan for a query using the following components
- Search space
 - Model alternative execution plans as operator trees
 - Left-deep vs. Right-deep vs. Bushy trees
- Search strategy
 - Dynamic programming for small search space
 - Randomized for large search space
- Cost model (abstraction of execution system)
 - Physical schema info. (partitioning, indexes, etc.)
 - Statistics and cost functions

Execution Plans as Operators Trees









Load Balancing

- Problems arise for intra-operator parallelism with skewed data distributions
 - attribute data skew (AVS)
 - tuple placement skew (TPS)
 - selectivity skew (SS)
 - redistribution skew (RS)
 - join product skew (JPS)

Solutions

- sophisticated parallel algorithms that deal with skew
- dynamic processor allocation (at execution time)

Some Parallel DBMSs

Prototypes

- EDS and DBS3 (ESPRIT)
- Gamma (U. of Wisconsin)
- Bubba (MCC, Austin, Texas)
- XPRS (U. of Berkeley)
- GRACE (U. of Tokyo)

Products

- Teradata (NCR)
- NonStopSQL (Tandem-Compac)
- DB2 (IBM), Oracle, Informix, Ingres, Navigator (Sybase) ...

Research Problems

- Hybrid architectures
- OS support: using micro-kernels
- Benchmarks to stress speedup and scale up under mixed workloads
- Data placement to deal with skewed data distribution and data replication
- Parallel data languages to specify independent and pipelined parallelism
- Parallel query optimization to deal with mix of precompiled queries and complex ad-hoc queries
- Support of higher functionality such as rules and objects

11. Streaming Data Management

Chapter 18

Streaming Data

Finding a Database Problem

- Pick a simple but fundamental assumption underlying traditional database systems
 - Drop it

- Reconsider all aspects of data management and query processing
 - Many Ph.D. theses
 - Prototype from scratch

Facts

Dropped assumptions

- Data has a fixed schema declared in advance
- All data is accurate, consistent, and complete
- First load data, then index it, then run queries
 - Continuous data streams
 - Continuous queries

Streaming Data

- Continuous, unbounded, rapid, time-varying streams of data elements
- Occurring in a variety of modern applications
 - Network monitoring and traffic engineering
 - Sensor networks, RFID tags
 - Telecom call records
 - Financial applications
 - Web logs and click-streams
 - Manufacturing processes
- DSMS = Data Stream Management System

DBMS versus **DSMS**

Persistent relations

- One-time queries
- Random access
- Access plan
 determined by query
 processor and
 physical DB design

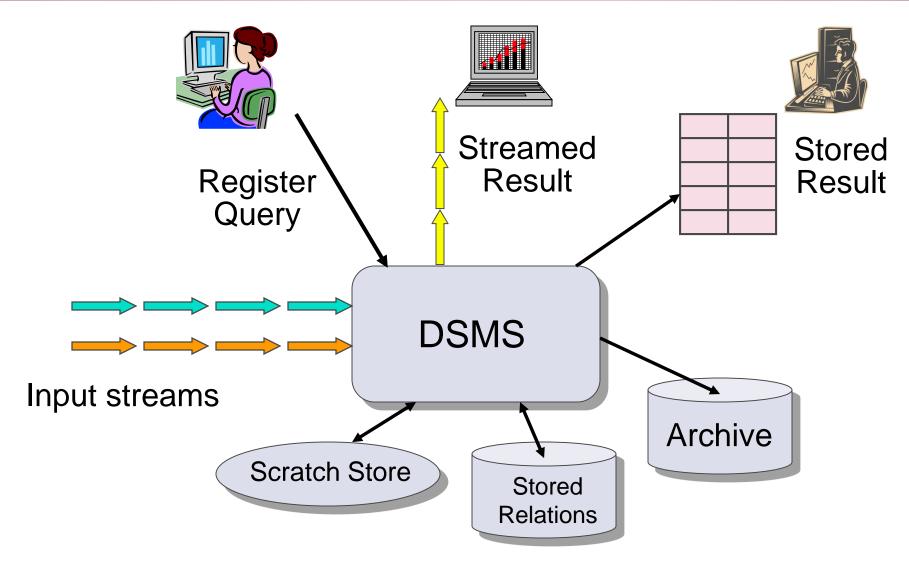
- Transient streams (and persistent relations)
- Continuous queries
- Sequential access
- Unpredictable data characteristics and arrival patterns

Continuous Queries

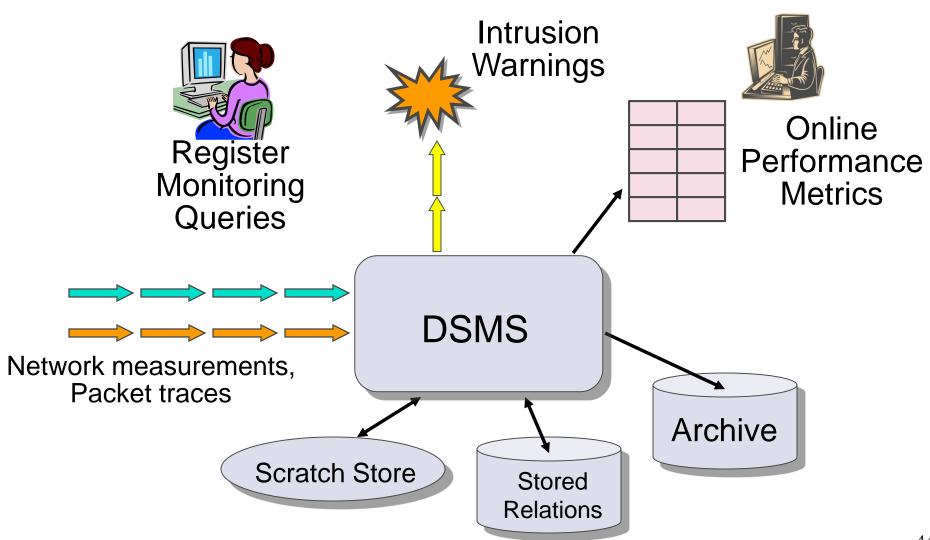
One time queries – run once to completion over the current data set.

- ❖ Continuous queries issued once and continuously evaluated over the data, e.g.,
 - Notify me when the temperature drops below X
 - ◆ Tell me when prices of stock Y > 300

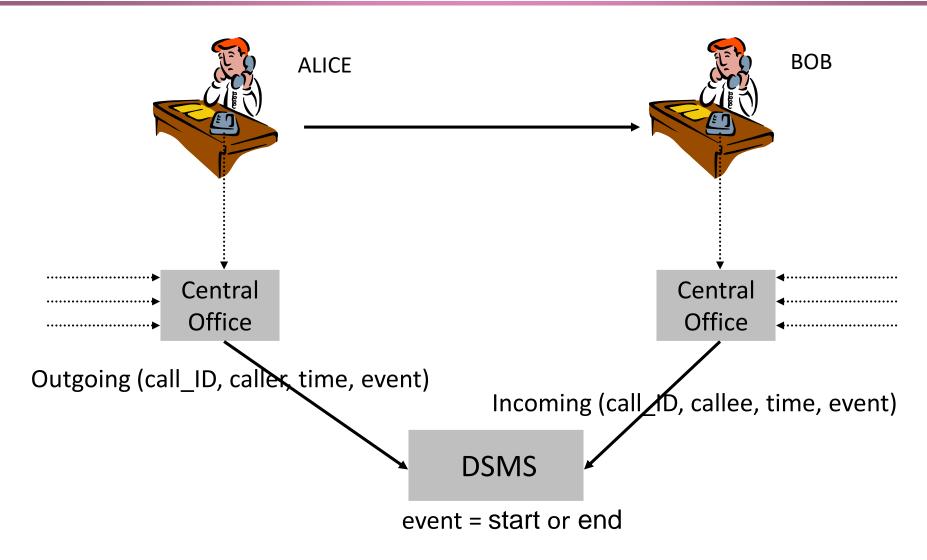
The (Simplified) Big Picture



(Simplified) Network Monitoring



Making Things Concrete



Query 1 (SELF-JOIN)

Find all outgoing calls longer than 2 minutes

```
SELECT O1.call_ID, O1.caller
FROM Outgoing O1, Outgoing O2
WHERE (O2.time - O1.time > 2)
AND O1.call_ID = O2.call_ID
AND O1.event = start
AND O2.event = end)
```

- Result requires unbounded storage
- Can provide result as data stream
- Can output after 2 min, without seeing end

Query 2 (JOIN)

Pair up callers and callees

```
SELECT O.caller, I.callee
FROM Outgoing O, Incoming I
WHERE O.call_ID = I.call_ID
```

- Can still provide result as data stream
- * Requires unbounded temporary storage ...

Query 3 (group-by aggregation)

Total connection time for each caller

```
SELECT O1.caller, sum(O2.time – O1.time)
```

FROM Outgoing O1, Outgoing O2

WHERE $(O1.call_ID = O2.call_ID$

AND O1.event = start

AND O2.event = end)

GROUP BY 01.caller

- Cannot provide result in (append-only) stream
 - Output updates?
 - Provide current value on demand?
 - Memory?

DSMS – Architecture & Issues

- Data streams and stored relations architectural differences
- Declarative language for registering continuous queries
- Flexible query plans and execution strategies
- Centralized ? Distributed ?

DSMS – Options

- Relation: Tuple Set or Sequence?
- Update: Modification or Append?
- Query Answer: Exact or Approximate?
- Query Evaluation: One or Multiple Pass?
- Query Plan: Fixed or Adaptive?

Architectural Comparison

DSMS

- Resource (memory, pertuple computation) limited
- Reasonably complex, near real time, query processing
- Useful to identify what data to populate in database
- Query evaluation: one pass
- Query plan: adaptive

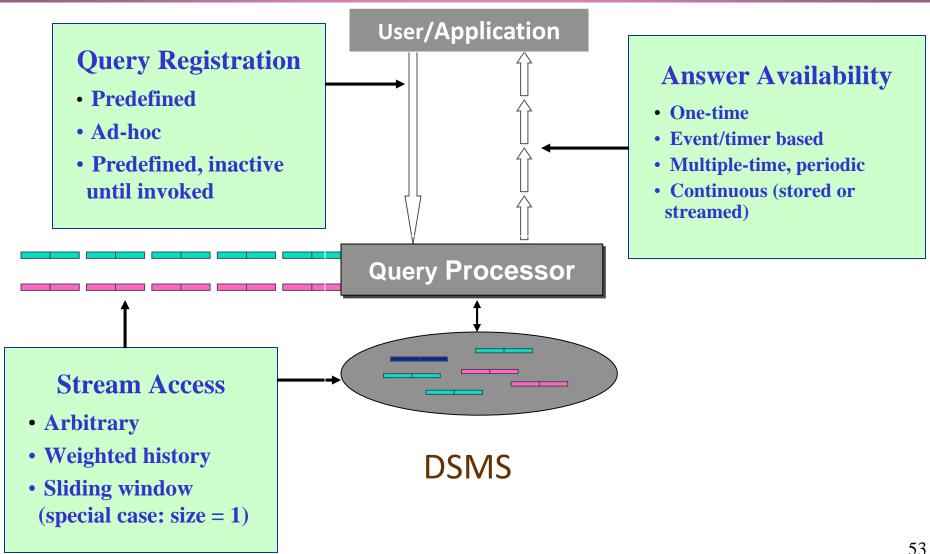
DBMS

- Resource (memory, disk, per-tuple computation) rich
- Extremely sophisticated query processing, analysis
- Useful to audit query results of database systems
- Query evaluation: arbitrary
- Query plan: fixed

DSMS Challenges

- Must cope with:
 - Stream rates that may be high, variable, bursty
 - Stream data that may be unpredictable, variable
 - Continuous query loads that may be high, variable
- Overload need to use resources very carefully
- Changing conditions adaptive strategy

Query Model

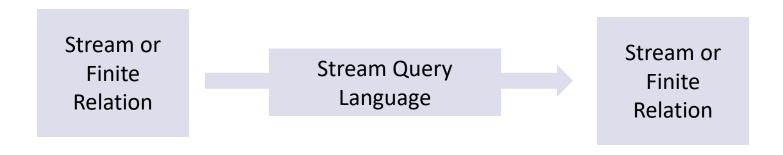


Query Processing

- Query Language
- Operators
- Optimization
- Multi-Query Optimization

Stream Query Language

- SQL extension
- Queries reference/produce relations or streams
- Examples: GSQL, CQL



Continuous Query Language – CQL

Start with SQL

Then add...

- Streams as new data type
- Continuous instead of one-time semantics
- Windows on streams (derived from SQL-99)
- Sampling on streams (basic)

Impact of Limited Memory

Continuous streams grow unboundedly

Queries may require unbounded memory

One solution: Approximate query evaluation

Approximate Query Evaluation

❖ Why?

- Handling load streams coming too fast
- Avoid unbounded storage and computation
- Ad hoc queries need approximate history

❖ How?

 Sliding windows, synopsis, summary, sampling, loadshedding, etc.

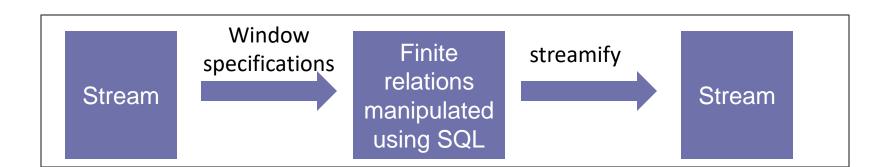
Approximate Query Evaluation (cont.)

Major Issues

- Metric for set-valued queries
- Composition of approximate operators
- How is it understood/controlled by user?
- Integrate into query language
- Query planning and interaction with resource allocation
- Accuracy-efficiency-storage tradeoff and global metric

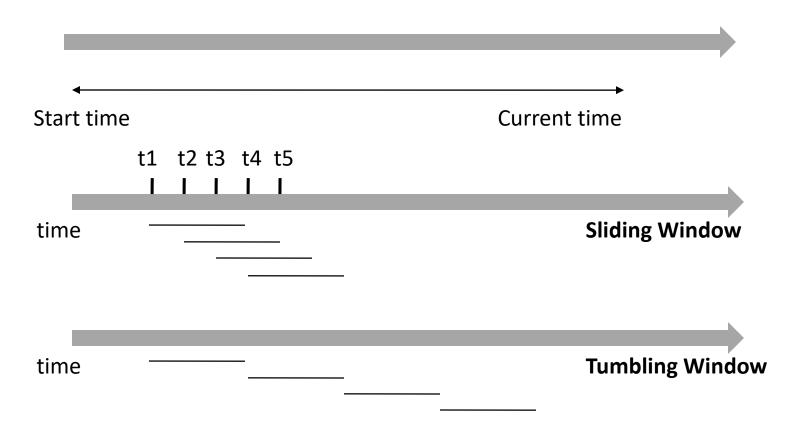
Windows

- Mechanism for extracting a finite relation from an infinite stream
- Various window proposals for restricting operator scope
 - Windows based on ordering attribute (e.g., time)
 - Windows based on tuple counts
 - Windows based on explicit markers (e.g. punctuations)
 - Variants (e.g., partitioning tuples in a window)



Windows (cont.)

❖ Terminology



Query Operators

Selection - Where clause

Projection - Select clause

❖ Join - From clause

Group-by (Aggregation) – Group-by clause

Query Operators (cont.)

- Selection and projection on streams straightforward
 - Local per-element operators
- Project may need to include ordering attribute
- ❖ Join Problematic
 - May need to join tuples that are arbitrarily far apart
 - Equijoin on stream ordering attributes may be tractable
- Majority of the work focuses on join using windows.

Optimization in DSMS

- Traditionally table-based cardinalities used in query optimizer.
 - Goal of query optimizer: Minimize the size of intermediate results.
- Problematic in a streaming environment All streams are unbounded = infinite size!
- Need novel optimization objectives that are relevant when the input sources are streams.

Query Optimization in DSMS

- Novel notions of optimization:
 - Stream rate based [e.g. NiagaraCQ]
 - QoS based [e.g. Aurora]
- Continuous adaptive optimization
- Possibilities that objectives cannot be met:
 - Resource constraints
 - Bursty arrivals under limited processing capabilities

Typical Stream Projects

- Amazon/Cougar (Cornell) sensors
- Aurora (Brown/MIT) sensor monitoring, dataflow
- ❖ Hancock (AT&T) telecom streams
- ❖ Niagara (OGI/Wisconsin) Internet XML databases
- ❖ OpenCQ (Georgia) triggers, incr. view maintenance
- Stream (Stanford) general-purpose DSMS
- Tapestry (Xerox) pub/sub content-based filtering
- Telegraph (Berkeley) adaptive engine for sensors
- Tribeca (Bellcore) network monitoring

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Conclusion

- Conventional DMS technology is inadequate.
- We need to reconsider all aspects of data management in presence of streaming data.

Question & Answer