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Semantic Data Control

■ Involves:

- View management
- Security control
- Integrity control

Objective :

Insure that authorized users perform correct operations on the database, contributing to the maintenance of the database integrity.

View Management

View – virtual relation

- generated from base relation(s) by a query
- not stored as base relations

Example:

CREATE VIEW SYSAN (ENO, ENAME)

AS SELECT ENO, ENAME

FROM E

WHERE TITLE="Syst. Anal."

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ENO	ENAME	TITLE
E1	J. Doe	Elect. Eng
E2	M. Smith	Syst. Anal.
E3	A. Lee	Mech. Eng.
E4	J. Miller	Programmer
E5	B. Casey	Syst. Anal.
E6	L. Chu	Elect. Eng.
E7	R. Davis	Mech. Eng.
E8	J. Jones	Syst. Anal.

SYSAN

ENO	ENAME	
E2	M.Smith	
E5	B.Casey	
E8	J.Jones	

View Management

Views can be manipulated as base relations

Example:

SELECT ENAME, JNO, RESP

FROM SYSAN, G

WHERE SYSAN.ENO = G.ENO

Query Modification

queries expressed on views



queries expresed on base relations

Example:

SELECT ENAME, JNO, RESP

FROM SYSAN, G

WHERE SYSN.ENO = G.ENO

 \parallel

SELECT ENAME, JNO, RESP

FROM E, G

WHERE E.ENO = G.ENO

AND TITLE = "Syst. Anal."

ENAME	PNO	RESP
M.Smith	P1	Analyst
M.Smith	P2	Analyst
B.Casey	P3	Manager
J.Jones	P4	Manager

View Management

■ To restrict access

CREATE VIEW ESAME

AS SELECT *

FROM E E1, E E2

WHERE E1.TITLE = E2.TITLE

AND E1.ENO = USER

Query

SELECT *

FROM ESAME

ENO	ENAME	TITLE
E1	J. Doe	Elect. Eng
E2	L. Chu	Elect. Eng

View Updates

Updatable

```
CREATE VIEW SYSAN (ENO, ENAME)
```

AS SELECT ENO, ENAME

FROM E

WHERE TITLE="Syst. Anal."

Non-updatable

```
CREATE VIEW EG(ENAME, RESP)
```

AS SELECT ENAME, RESP

FROM E, G

WHERE E.ENO=G.ENO

View Management in DDBMS

- Views might be derived from fragments.
- View definition storage should be treated as database storage
- Query modification results in a distributed query
- View evaluations might be costly if base relations are distributed
 - use snapshots
 - ◆ Static views do not reflect the updates to the base relations
 - managed as temporary relations only access path is sequential scan
 - bad selectivity snapshots behave as pre-calculated answers
 - periodic recalculation

Data Security

Data protection

- prevent the physical content of data to be understood by unauthorized users
- encryption/decryption
 - Data Encryption Standard
 - Public-key encryption

Authorization control

- only authorized users perform operations they are allowed to on the database
 - identification of subjects and objects
 - authentication of subjects
 - granting of rights (authorization matrix)

Semantic Integrity Control

Maintain database consistency by enforcing a set of constraints defined on the database.

Structural constraints

 basic semantic properties inherent to a data model e.g., unique key constraint in relational model

Behavioral constraints

regulate application behaviore.g., dependencies in the relational model

■ Two components

- **▶** Integrity constraint specification
- **■** Integrity constraint enforcement

Semantic Integrity Control

Procedural

control embedded in each application program

Declarative

assertions in predicate calculus

- easy to define constraints
- definition of database consistency clear
- inefficient to check assertions for each update
 - limit the search space
 - decrease the number of data accesses/assertion
 - preventive strategies
 - checking at compile time

Predefined constraints

specify the more common constraints of the relational model

Not-null attribute

ENO **NOT NULL IN** E

Unique key

(ENO, JNO) UNIQUE IN G

Foreign key

A key in a relation R is a foreign key if it is a primary key of another relation S and the existence of any of its values in R is dependent upon the existence of the same value in S

JNO IN G REFERENCES JNO IN J

Functional dependency

ENO IN E DETERMINES ENAME

Precompiled constraints

Express preconditions that must be satisfied by all tuples in a relation for a given update type

(INSERT, DELETE, MODIFY)

NEW - ranges over new tuples to be inserted

OLD - ranges over old tuples to be deleted

General Form

CHECK ON <relation> [WHEN <update type>] <qualification>

Precompiled constraints

Domain constraint

CHECK ON J(BUDGET≥500000 **AND** BUDGET≤1000000)

Domain constraint on deletion

CHECK ON J WHEN DELETE (BUDGET = 0)

Transition constraint

CHECK ON J (NEW.BUDGET > OLD.BUDGET AND NEW.JNO = OLD.JNO)

General constraints

Constraints that must always be true. Formulae of tuple relational calculus where all variables are quantified.

General Form

CHECK ON <variable>:<relation>,(<qualification>)

Functional dependency

```
CHECK ON e1:E, e2:E
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(e1.ENAME = e2.ENAME IF e1.ENO = e2.ENO)

Constraint with aggregate function

```
CHECK ON g:G, j:J
```

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(SUM(g.DUR WHERE g.JNO = j.JNO) < 100 IF
j.JNAME = "CAD/CAM")
```

Integrity Enforcement

Two methods

Detection

```
Execute update u: D \to D_u

If D_u is inconsistent then compensate D_u \to D_u

else undo D_u \to D
```

■ Preventive

Execute $u: D \to D_u$ only if D_u will be consistent

- Determine valid programs
- Determine valid states

Query Modification

- preventive
- add the assertion qualification to the update query
- only applicable to tuple calculus formulae with universally quantified variables

```
UPDATE J
SET BUDGET = BUDGET*1.1
WHERE JNAME = "CAD/CAM"

UPDATE J
SET BUDGET = BUDGET*1.1
WHERE JNAME = "CAD/CAM"
AND NEW.BUDGET ≥ 500000
AND NEW.BUDGET ≤ 1000000
```

Compiled Assertions

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Triple (R, T, C) where
        R relation
                 update type (insert, delete, modify)
                 assertion on differential relations
Example: Foreign key assertion
       \forall g \in G, \exists j \in J : g.JNO = j.JNO
    Compiled assertions:
           (G, INSERT, C1), (J, DELETE, C2), (J, MODIFY, C3)
       where
           C1:\forallNEW \in G+, \existsj \in J: NEW.JNO = j.JNO
           C2: \forall g \in G, \ \forall OLD \in J-: g.JNO \neq OLD.JNO
           C3: \forall g \in G, \ \forall OLD \in J-, \ \exists NEW \in J+:g.JNO \neq OLD.JNO
                          OR OLD.JNO = NEW.JNO
```

Differential Relations

Given relation *R* and update *u*

R+ contains tuples inserted by u

R- contains tuples deleted by *u*

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Type of u
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insert R- empty delete R+ empty modify R+ \cup (R - R-)
```

Differential Relations

Algorithm **Input:** Relation R, update u, compiled assertion C_i **Step 1:** Generate differential relations R+ and R-**Step 2:** Retrieve the tuples of R+ and R- which **do not** satisfy C_i Step 3: If retrieval is not successful, then the assertion is valid. Example: *u* is delete on J. Enforcing (J, DELETE, C2) : retrieve all tuples of Jinto RESULT where not(C2)

If RESULT = ϕ , the assertion is verified.

Distributed Integrity Control

■ Problems:

- Definition of constraints
 - consideration for fragments
- Where to store
 - replication
 - non-replicated : fragments
- Enforcement
 - minimize costs

Types of Distributed Assertions

- Individual assertions
 - single relation, single variable
 - domain constraint
- Set oriented assertions
 - single relation, multi-variable
 - functional dependency
 - multi-relation, multi-variable
 - foreign key
- Assertions involving aggregates

Distributed Integrity Control

Assertion Definition

- similar to the centralized techniques
- transform the assertions to compiled assertions

Assertion Storage

- Individual assertions
 - one relation, only fragments
 - at each fragment site, check for compatibility
 - if compatible, store; otherwise reject
 - if all the sites reject, globally reject

Set-oriented assertions

- involves joins (between fragments or relations)
- maybe necessary to perform joins to check for compatibility
- store if compatible

Distributed Integrity Control

Assertion Enforcement

- **Where do you enforce each assertion?**
 - type of assertion
 - type of update and where update is issued
- Individual Assertions
 - update = insert
 - ✓ enforce at the site where the update is issued
 - update = qualified
 - ✓ send the assertions to all the sites involved
 - \checkmark execute the qualification to obtain R+ and R-
 - ✓ each site enforce its own assertion
- Set-oriented Assertions
 - single relation
 - ✓ similar to individual assertions with qualified updates
 - multi-relation
 - move data between sites to perform joins; then send the result to the query master site