Database internals - Basics to advanced

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Row oriented database
vs
column oriented database

- SELECT *
  FROM employees
  WHERE profile_id=100

- SELECT SUM(salary)
  FROM employees

Keys in RDBMS

- Primary key
- Candidate key
- Foreign key

We can put constraints on columns (NOT NULL, UNIQUE)

Transaction

- Collection of queries
- Represents one unit of work
- Can have - SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE (Data Modificn/Manipuln Lang)
- Example
- Read lock (Shared lock)
- Write lock (Exclusive lock) - Locking at row level, table level or DB level

Commands:

- Transaction BEGIN
- Transaction COMMIT
- Transaction ROLLBACK - Can be user defined or used by system for unexpected ending

Can transaction contain only SELECT (read) statements?

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- A: Group of statements in transaction should be treated as single unit. Either success or failed transaction.
- C: Database should move from one state to other which is consistent.
- I: Result of execution of concurrent transactions == Result of executing transactions serially
- D: Once commit is done, data should be persisted

Optimistic lock: No locking. Keep track of value using version/snapshot/last update time (epoch). If change in data - fail transaction. SerializableException

Pessimistic lock: Lock at table/row level - so dirty reads are avoided

Index

- Index has pointers to the page (physical location of record's page)
- Index can be on single column or multiple columns
- B+ tree is used internally
- Index improves lookup performance. How?
- Index reduces write performance. How?
- Types of index:
  - Clustered index (Physical location storage sorted)
  - Non-clustered index (Use dense mapping)

How tables and indexes stored on disk?

Logical Table

emp_id	emp_name	emp_dob	emp_salary
1	Alice	01.01.1990	$$$
2	Bob	05.04.1992	$$$
...	...	...	...
1000	...	...	...

Page 1 (3 records)
1,Alice,01.01.1990,$
|2,Bob,05.04.1992|3
,Lorel,01.02.1993

Page 2
(Next 3 records)

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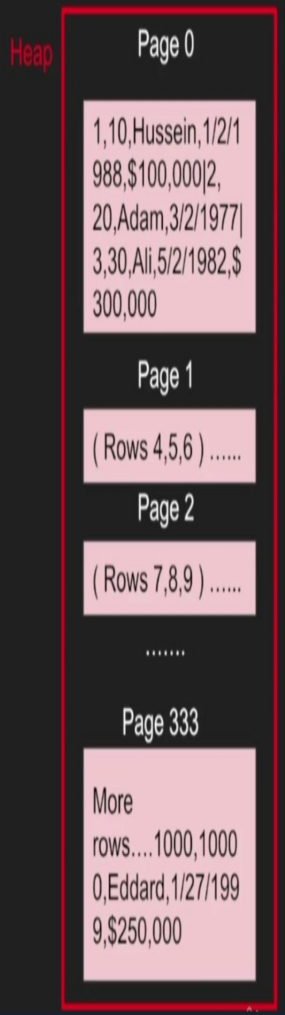
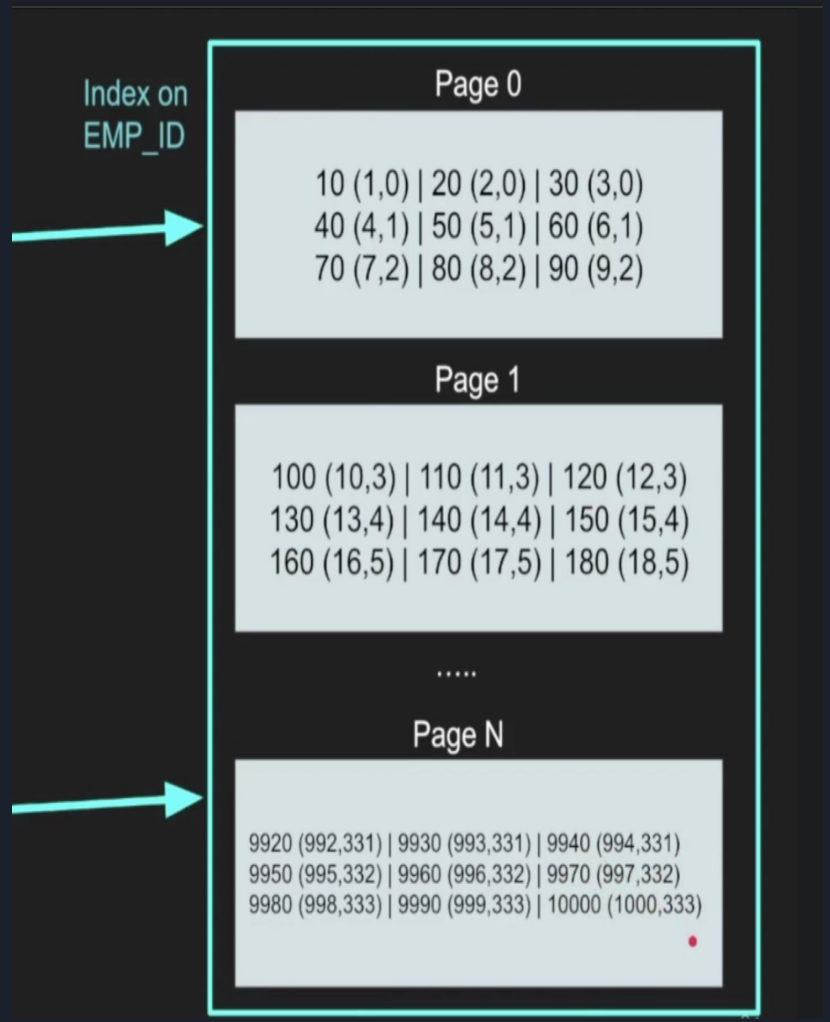
SELECT * FROM EMP

WHERE EMP_ID =

10000;





Partition

- What is partitioning?
- Horizontal partitioning vs Vertical partitioning
- Partitioning by
- Partition vs shard

Remember:

Quickest way to avoid querying billion rows is avoid querying billion rows

SELECT *
FROM employees
WHERE id=700,001

employees

id	name	...
1	a1	...
2	b1	...
3	c1	...
...	...	...
...	...	...
700001	za	...
...	...	...
1M	xz	...

id	name	...
1	a1	...
2M	...	...

id	name	...
2M1	abc	...
4M	...	...

id	name	...
4M1	bcd	...
6M	...	...

id	name	...
1	a1	...
200,000	...	...

id	name	...
1	a1	...
200,000	...	...

Partition types

- By range (Dates, id range etc)
- By unique values (Location name, zip, gender, categorized values)
- By hash function

Horizontal Partition vs Sharding

- HP splits big table into multiple tables in the same db server (client is agnostic)
- Sharding splits big table into multiple table across multiple db servers. Sharding helps to change configuration of diff db servers resulting in scalable solution

Pros and cons

- Pros:
  - Improves query performance due to lesser data in each table
  - Archive older data by storing partition into cheap storage
  - Scalability
- Cons:
  - Slow write when updated row needs to move from one partition to another
  - Inefficient queries may end up looking across all partitions
  - Schema changes can be difficult
  - Difficult for transaction across multiple shards
  - Difficult for joins across multiple shards

Let's design BookMyShow!

Requirements (F and NF)

- Filtering via location, date and show all movies available on homepage.
- Provide ability to change location, date etc.
- After selecting movie, show all theatres. After selecting theatre with required time (start time), show seats.
- Select seats and provide ability to book them online.

Estimations (Come back after schema for storage estimation)

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Exposed APIs

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High Level Design and DB Schema

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Detailed Discussion and Data Flow

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Similar question:
Design OYO/Airbnb/Goibibo/ Redbus/Airline management

Requirements (F and NF)

- Onboard new hotels. Hotel related information can be updated. Hotel can have different types of rooms.
- Hotel owners should be able to see all bookings, revenue etc.
- User should be able to search in location, do filtering based on cost, tags (5*, waterfront etc.)
- User should be able to reserve rooms (for simplicity lets assume user can book only one kind of rooms)
- User can see his/her reservations and previous bookings

Requirements (F and NF)

- Low latency, high availability for search
- High consistency for booking
- 100k hotels -> 500 rooms/hotel
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- DAU: 5 million users/month
- Global vs specified
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