

6.5830 Lecture 10 – Column Stores ctd

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Where are we



Steps:

1.

- Estimate sizes of relations
- 3.
- 4 Evaluate cost of plan operations

Estimate selectivities Selinger Selectivities Compute intermediate sizes

F(pred) = Selectivity of predicate = Fraction of records that a predicate does not filter

5. Find best overall plan

NCARD(R) - "relation cardinality" - number of records in R

TCARD(R) - # pages R occupies

ICARD(I) - # keys (distinct values) in index 1

NINDX(I) - pages occupied by index I

Min and max keys in indexes

1. col = val

Predicate types

F = 1/ICARD(col) (*if index available*) F = 1/10 otherwise

2. col > valModern DBs use fancier stats! (max key - value) / (max key - min key) (*if index available*) 1/3 otherwise

3. col1 = col21/MAX(ICARD(col1), ICARD(col2)) (if index available) 1/10 otherwise

Assumes key-foreign key join Note a better estimate is 1/ICARD(PK table) We use 1/ICARD(PK table) going forward

Important: not all joins are FK to PK equation on the left is still important \rightarrow

Product (Pid, Name, Price) Order(Oid, CName, Address) Customer(CName, Name) Orderline (Pid, Oid, Amount) Special Products (Pid)











Column Stores

A different way to build a database system

Linearizing a Table – Row store

C1	C2	С3	C4	C5	C 6
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Memory/Disk			
<u>(Linear Array)</u>			
R1 C1			
R1 C2			
R1 C3			
R1 C4			
R1 C5			
R1 C6			
R2 C1			
R2 C2			
R2 C3			
R2 C4			
R2 C5			
R2 C6			
R3 C1			
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Memory/Disk (Linear Array) R1 C1 R2 C1 R3 C1 R4 C1 R5 C1 R6 C1 R1 C2 R2 C2 R3 C2 R4 C2 R5 C2 R6 C2 R1 C3 R2 C3 R3 C3 R4 C3 R5 C3 R6 C3 R1 C4 R2 C4 R3 C4 R4 C4 R5 C4 R6 C4

Tables Often Super Wide

Data warehouse at Cambridge Mobile Telematics

Table	#columns	American and a second of fields		
t1	251	Average query access 4-5 fields		
t2	248	To a 2 2 to blog investigation and the second		
t3	134	Top 2-3 tables involved in nearly every query		
t4	107			
t5	87	Using a row-store would impose ~200/4 =		
t6	83	50x performance overhead		
t7	71			
t8	54			
t9	52			
t10	45			

Query Processing Example



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Column-Oriented Compression

Query engine processes compressed data
Transfers load from disk to CPU
Multiple compression types

- Run-Length Encoding (RLE), LZ, Delta Value, Block Dictionary Bitmaps, Null Suppression
- System chooses which to apply
- Typically see 50% 90% compression
- NULLs take virtually no space

Columns contain similar data, which makes compression easy

3xGM	30.77	1,000	3xNYSE	4 x 1/17/2007
		10,000		
1XAPPL	30.77	12,500	1XNQDS	
GM	30.78	9,000	NYSE	1/17/200
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AAPL	93.24	9,000	NQDS	
				1/17/200

Run Length Encoding

- Replace repeated values with a count and a value
- For single values, use a run length of 1
 - Naively, can increase storage space
 - Can use a shorter bit sequence for 1s, at the cost of more expensive decompression
- E.g., $1110002 \rightarrow 3x1$, 3x0, 1x2
- Works well for mostly-sorted, few-valued columns

Dictionary Encoding

- Many variants; simplest is to replace string values with integers and maintain a dictionary
- I.e., AAPL, AAPL, IBM, MSFT \rightarrow

1,1,2,3 + 1:AAPL, 2:IBM, 3:MSFT

- Works well for few-valued string columns
 - Choice of dictionary not obvious
 - Words? Records?

Lempel Ziv Encoding

- LZ ("Lempel Ziv") Compression
- General purpose lossless data compression
- Builds data dictionary dynamically as it runs
 - Add new bit strings to the dictionary as they are encountered
- Treat entire column as a document

Bit Packing

- Encode values with fewest possible bits
- Each value becomes bit-length (e.g., 0-8 or 0-32), followed by value in that many bits
- E.g.,: 1 2 37 7
 - Need 1, 2, 6, and 3 bits respectively
 - Each number becomes 3 bit header and encoded value
 - 1: 0x001, 0x1
 - 2: 0x010, 0x10
 - 37: 0x110, 0x100101
 - 7: 0x011, 0x111
 - 3 x 4 + 12 = 24 bits to encode, vs e.g., 8x4 = 32

Delta Encoding

- Consecutive values encoding as difference to previous values
- 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 → 1.1, +.1, +.1
 - After encoding as deltas, bit-pack
 - Works if deltas can be represented in fewer bits than whole values
- Works well for e.g., floats with small variations

Bitmap Encoding

- Encode few valued columns as bitmaps
- MMMFF \rightarrow 11100, 00011
 - If fewer distinct values than bitwidth of field, saves space
 - Bitmaps can be further compressed, e.g., using RLE
- Bitmaps are very good for certain kinds of operations, e.g., filtering

Sorted Data

- Delta and RLE work great on sorted data
- Trick: Secondary sorting

X	Y	
а	2	Sort
b	2	linoi
а	1	
b	1	

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Sort on A,
then Y

X	Υ
а	1
а	2
b	1
b	2

Y is not sorted, but if many duplicates of X, will be "mostly" sorted

Operating on Compressed Data



Direct Operation Optimizations

Compressed data used directly for position lookup

- RLE, Dictionary, Bitmap
- Direct Aggregation and GROUP BY on compressed blocks
 - RLE, Dictionary
- Join runs of compressed blocks
 - RLE, Dictionary

Min/max directly extracted from sorted data

Compression + Sorting is a Huge Win

- How can we get more sorted data?
- Store duplicate copies of data
 Use different physical orderings
- Improves ad-hoc query performance
 Due to ability to directly operate on sorted, compressed data
- Supports fail-over / redundancy

Study Break: Compression

• For each of the following columns, what compression method would you recommend?

(Choose any combination of A. RLE, B. Dictionary, C. Bitmap, D. Delta, E:LZ, F: Bit-Packing)

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An unsorted column of integers in the range 0-100 Delta/Bit-packing (LZ/dictionary also OK) A mostly sorted column of integers in the range 0-10 RLE A sorted column of floats

An unsorted column of strings w/ 3 values

Write Performance

Trickle load: Very Fast Inserts

> Write-optimized Column Store (WOS)

Memory: mirrored projections in insertion order (uncompressed)

Queries read from both WOS and ROS

Tuple Mover Asynchronous Data Movement Batched

Amortizes seeks Amortizes recompression Enables continuous load

> Read-optimized Column Store (ROS)

Disk: data is sorted and compressed



(A B C I A)

When to Rewrite ROS Objects?

- Store multiple ROS objects, instead of just one
 - Each of which must be scanned to answer a query
- Tuple mover writes new objects
 - Avoids rewriting whole ROS on merge
- Periodically merge ROS objects to limit number of distinct objects that must be scanned ("Log structured merge tree")



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- Idea: merge some partitions together, but how?
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Column-Oriented Data In Modern Systems

- C-Store commercialized as Vertica
- Although it wasn't the first column-oriented DB, it led to a proliferation of commercial column-oriented systems
- Now the de-facto way that analytic database systems are built, including Snowflake, Redshift, and others.
- One popular open-source option: Parquet

Efficient Data Loading: Parquet

- Parquet is column-oriented file format that is MUCH more efficient than CSV for storing tabular data
- Vs CSV, Parquet is stored in binary representation
 - Uses less space
 - Doesn't require conversion from strings to internal types
 - Doesn't require parsing or error detection
 - Column-oriented, making access to subsets of columns much faster



Parquet Format

- Data is partitioned sets of rows, called "row groups"
- Within each row group, data from different columns is stored separately



Using header, can efficiently read any subset of columns or rows without scanning whole file (unlike CSV)

Within a row group, data for each column is stored together

Predicate Pushdown w/ Parquet & Pandas

pd.read_parquet('file.pq', columns=['Col 1', 'Col 2'])

- Only reads col1 and col2 from disk
- For a wide dataset saves a ton of I/O



Performance Measurement

Compare reading CSV to parquet to just columns we need

```
t = time.perf_counter()
df = pd.read_csv("FARS2019NationalCSV/Person.CSV", encoding = "ISO-8859-1")
print(f"csv elapsed = {time.perf_counter() - t:.3} seconds")
t = time.perf_counter()
df = pd.read_parquet("2019.pq")
print(f"parquet elapsed = {time.perf_counter() - t:.3} seconds")
t = time.perf_counter()
df = pd.read_parquet("2019.pq", columns = ['STATE','ST_CASE','DRINKING','PER_TYP'])
print(f"parquet subset elapsed = {time.perf_counter() - t:.3} seconds")
```

```
csv elapsed = 1.18 seconds
parquet elapsed = 0.338 seconds
parquet subset elapsed = 0.025 seconds
```

47x speedup

When to Use Parquet?

- Will always be more efficient than CSV
- Converting from Parquet to CSV takes time, so only makes sense to do so if working repeatedly with a file
- Parquet requires a library to access/read it, whereas many tools can work with CSV
- Because CSV is text, it can have mixed types in columns, or other inconsistencies
 - May be useful sometimes, but also very annoying!
 - Parquet does not support mixed types in a column

Summary

- Column oriented databases are a different way to "linearize" data to disk than the row-oriented representation we have studied
- A good fit for "warehousing" workloads that mostly read many records of a few tables
- C-Store system implements many additional ideas:
 - "Late materialization" execution
 - Column-specific compression and direct execution on compressed data
 - Read/write optimized stores
- Ideas have found their way into many modern systems and libraries, e.g., Parquet