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3 Database Management WS21/22: Exercise 03 – Tuning and TXs

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This exercise on tuning and transactions aims to provide practical experience with physical design tuning (such as indexing), as well as query and transaction processing. The expected result is a zip archive named `DBExercise03-<studentID>.zip` containing all partial results in folders per task (i.e., T3.1, . . . , T3.4), submitted in TeachCenter. Make sure to adhere to the requested formats of results, because this exercise is subject to automated grading.

3.1 Query Processing and Indexes (6/25 points)

In order to obtain a better understanding of query processing, optimization, and the use of index structures and materialized views, in this task please compare the resulting plans before and after manual tuning. You can obtain the plans using `EXPLAIN`. Please check the `EXPLAIN` PostgreSQL documentation, to get information on how to output the plans in different formats.

- (a) **Query Processing:** Write a query **Q09** that computes for each location whose parent location is `Graz(Stadt)`, the fraction of votes for party `GRÜNE` in election `NR2017` to the total number of eligible voters in that location and election `NR2017`. (return location name, fraction of votes; rounded to 2 digits).

Partial Result: SQL script `Q09.sql` and `Q09.json` for the plan (after calling `ANALYZE`) including estimated costs.

- (b) **Indexing:** Create one or many indexes on attributes of your choosing to reduce the estimated costs of query `Q09`. After creating these indexes, obtain the plan for **Q09** again.

Partial Result: SQL script `Index.sql` for creating the index, and the plan of **Q09** `Q09WithIndex.json` using the index.

3.2 B-Tree Insertion and Deletion (6/25 points)

As a preparation step, obtain a seed via the following SQL query with `X` set to your student-ID:

```
SELECT SETSEED(1.0/(SELECT MOD(X,8)+1));  
SELECT * FROM generate_series(1,16) ORDER BY random();
```

Now, insert all numbers of the obtained sequence—in sequence order—into an empty B-tree with $k = 2$ (i.e., max $2k = 4$ keys, $2k + 1 = 5$ pointers per node) and capture the resulting B-tree. Subsequently, delete all keys in the range $[8, 14)$ (lower inclusive, upper exclusive) in the order of keys (i.e., del 8, del 9, ..., del 13), and again capture the resulting B-tree. Please, use the following text format to represent both B-trees.

```
node_id: (child_node_id 1) key (child_node_id 2) ... (child_node_id n)
```

For instance, the following example represents a tree of height two, where (a) is the root node pointing to child nodes (b) and (c), respectively. Append each node as a separate line (without empty lines), assign unique node IDs, and linearized the tree in a depth- or breadth-first manner.

```
a: (b) 7 (c)
b: 2 () 4
c: 8 () 9 () 12
```

Partial Results: Input sequence `Input.txt` (copied from the PostgreSQL output), and the textual representation of the two B-trees `BTreeAfterInsert.txt` and `BTreeAfterDelete.txt`.

3.3 Transaction Processing (6/25 points)

- (a) Create the tables `Customers(CID, Name, Debt)`, `Products(PID, Name, Price, Stock)`, and `Orders(ODate, CID, PID, Quantity)` with meaningful data types. Then insert $(7, 'C1', 0.0)$ into `Customer`, and $(1, 'P1', 25, 100)$ into `Products`.

Partial Result: SQL script `TXSetup.sql` that robustly handles existing tables.

- (b) Write a(n) SQL transaction (in an isolation level preventing dirty reads) that atomically adds a *new order* by Customer `'C1'` for 15 times product `'P1'` as of `2021-11-27`, and modifies the product stock and customer debt accordingly.

Partial Result: SQL script `TXNewOrder.sql` containing the new order transaction.

- (c) Having the tuples inserted into the database, simulate a **Deadlock** via two transactions, and explain (in comments) how the operations should be interleaved to create the deadlock.

Partial Result: SQL script `Deadlock.sql` with the transactions and a brief explanation.

3.4 Iterator Model and Operator Implementation (7/25 points, extra credit 706.010)

For a deeper understanding of the iterator model, individual operators, and query processing, implement the following operators in the `open()`, `next()`, `close()` iterator model (e.g., via an iterator base class and derived operators classes) in a programming language of your choosing (e.g. Python, Java, C# or C++). You can assume string types for all attributes.

- `TblScan(filename)`: A table scan operator that takes a string `filename` of a csv file, and returns its rows (each as an array of strings) in the sequence they appear in the file.
- `GteSelect(input, attr, value)`: A selection operator that takes an iterator `input` (i.e., a sub query), an attribute position `attr`, an integer `value`, and returns only rows `t` where `as.integer(t[attr]) >= value`.
- `HashJoin(input1, input2, attr1, attr2)`: A join operator that takes two iterators `input1` and `input2`, as well as attribute positions `attr1` and `attr2`, and performs a hash join with condition `t1[attr1] == t2[attr2]` (expecting `input2[attr2]` to be unique).

Your implementation can use existing library data structures like hash maps (or dictionaries), and reuse the code for reading input files from Exercise 2. For testing, implement the following query **Q10** with the help of these operators.

```
SELECT *
  FROM Locations L, LocationVoters LV, Elections E
 WHERE L.LKey = LV.LKey AND LV.EKey = E.EKey
    AND LV.EligibleTotal >= 950000
    AND E.ElectionNumber >= 27
```

The tables `Locations`, `LocationVoters`, and `Elections` will be provided by Dec 08 (identical to the respective target tables from Exercise 2, which means you can run the SQL query to double check your results). Furthermore, please provide a shell (or bat) script for compiling and running your program as follows:

```
./runQuery10.sh ./Locations.csv ./LocationVoters.csv ./Elections.csv ./out.csv
```

Partial Results: A folder `T3.4` including the source code of all required operators and the test query, as well as the script `./runQuery10.sh` to compile and run the program.