Data Warehousing

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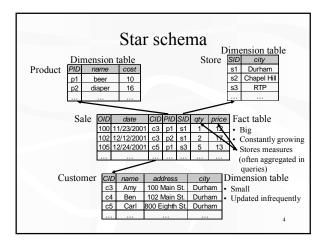
Review

Data warehousing: integrating data for OLAP

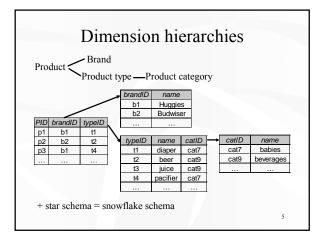
- OLAP versus OLTP
- Warehousing versus mediation
- Warehouse maintenance
 - Warehouse data as materialized views
 - Recomputation versus incremental maintenance
 - Self-maintenance

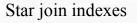
Today

- Star, snowflake, and cube
- ROLAP and MOLAP algorithms









- Queries frequently join fact table with dimension tables » Materialize the join result to speed up queries
- For each combination of dimension attribute values, store the list of tuple ID's in the fact table
- Brand name, store city, customer city → sales records; Product type, store city → sales records; etc.
- Conceptually, multi-attribute indexes on the join result
- One index to support each combination of selection conditions on attributes?

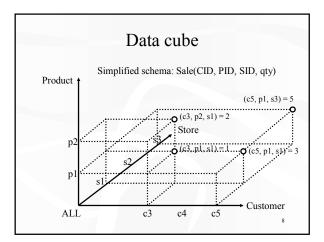
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- Too many indexes!

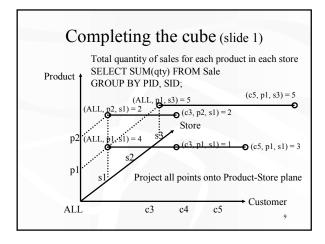
Bitmap join indexes

- » O'Neil & Quass, SIGMOD 1997
- Bitmap and projection indexes for each dimension attribute
 - Value of the dimension attribute ↔ tuple ID's in the fact table
- To process an arbitrary combination of selection conditions, use bitmap indexes

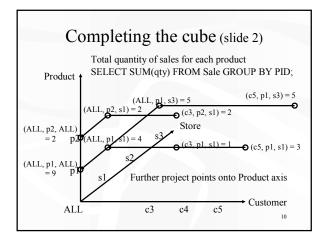
- Bitmaps can be combined efficiently
- To retrieve attribute values for output, use projection indexes



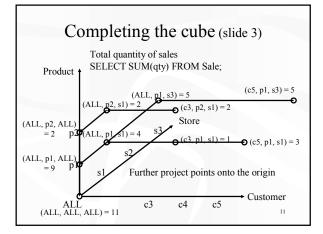


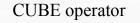












- » Gray et al., ICDE 1996
- Sale(CID, PID, SID, qty)
- Proposed SQL extension: SELECT SUM(qty) FROM Sale GROUP BY CUBE CID, PID, SID;
- Output contains:
 Normal groups produced by GROUP BY
 (c1, p1, s1, sum), (c1, p2, s3, sum), etc.
 - Groups with one or more ALL's
 (ALL, p1, s1, sum), (c2, ALL, ALL, sum), (ALL, ALL, ALL, sum), etc.
- Can you write a CUBE query using only GROUP BY's?

ROLLUP operator

· Sometimes CUBE is too much

- (..., state, city, street, ..., age, DOB, ...)
- CUBE state, city, street returns meaningless groups
- (ALL, ALL, 'Main Street'): sales on any Main Street?
 CUBE age, DOB returns useless groups
 (ALL, DOB): DOB functionally determines age!
- Proposed SQL extension:
- GROUP BY ROLLUP state, city, street;
- Output contains groups with ALL's only as suffix
 - ('NC', 'Durham', 'Main Street'), ('NC', 'Durham', ALL), ('NC', ALL, ALL), (ALL, ALL, ALL)
 - But not (ALL, ALL, 'Main Street') or (ALL, 'Durham', ALL)

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Computing GROUP BY

- ROLAP (Relational OLAP)
 - Use standard relational engine
 - Sorting and clustering
 - Using indexes
 - Automatic summary tables
- MOLAP (Multidimensional OLAP)
 - Use a sparse multidimensional array

Sorting and clustering

- Sort (or cluster, e.g., using hashing) tuples according to GROUP BY attributes
 - Tuples in the same group are processed together
 - Only one intermediate aggregate result needs to be kept—low memory requirement
- What if GROUP BY attributes \neq sort attributes?
 - Still fine if GROUP BY attributes form a prefix of the sort order
 - Otherwise, need to keep intermediate aggregate results around

More on sort order

- Sort by the order in which GROUP BY attributes appear?
 - Not necessary; e.g., GROUP BY PID, SID can be processed just as efficiently by sorting on SID, PID
- Sort by the order in which GROUP BY ROLLUP attributes appear?
 - Useful; e.g., GROUP BY ROLLUP state, city, street can be processed efficiently by sorting on state, city, street, but not by sorting on street, city, state

Using bitmap join indexes

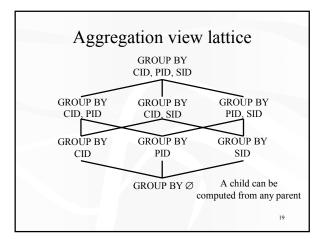
- » O'Neil & Quass, SIGMOD 1997
- Use the bitmap join indexes on GB₁, GB₂, ..., GB_k
- For each value v₁ of GB₁ in order: For each value v₂ of GB₂ in order: ... For each value v_k of GB_k in order: Intersect bitmaps to locate tuples;
 - Retrieve their measures;
 - Calculate aggregate for group $(v_1, v_2, ..., v_k)$;
- Helps if data is sorted by GB₁, GB₂, ..., GB_k
 So measures in the same group are clustered

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Automatic summary tables

- Computing GROUP BY aggregates is expensive
- OLAP queries perform GROUP BY all the time
- Idea: precompute and store the aggregates!
- » Automatic summary tables
 - Maintained automatically as base data changes
 - Just another index/materialized view





Selecting views to materialize

- Factors in deciding what to materialize
 - What is its storage cost?
 - What is its update cost?
 - Which queries can benefit from it?
 - How much can a query benefit from it?
- Example
 - GROUP BY \varnothing is small, but not useful to most queries
 - GROUP BY CID, PID, SID is useful to any query, but too large to be beneficial
- » Harinarayan et al., SIGMOD 1996; Gupta & Mumick, ICDE 1999

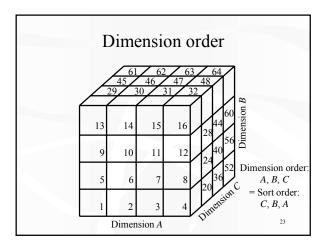
Interlude: TPC-D, -H, and -R

- TPC-D: standard OLAP benchmark until 1999

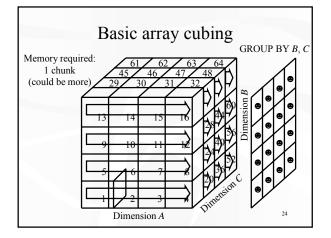
 With aggressive use of precomputation techniques (materialized views, automatic summary tables), vendors were able to "cheat" and achieve amazing performance
- Now, TPC-D has been replaced by
 - TPC-H: ad hoc OLAP queries
 - Cannot use materialized views
 - TPC-R: business-reporting OLAP queries
 Can use materialized views
- » http://www.tpc.org/

From tables to arrays

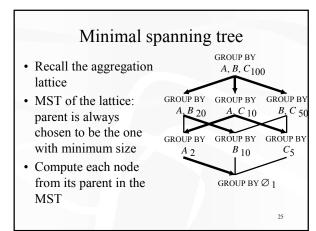
- » Zhao et al., SIGMOD 1997
- "Chunk" an *n*-dimensional cube into *n*-dimensional subcubes
 - For a dense chunk (>40% full), store it as is
 - For a sparse chunk (<40% full), compress it using <coordinate, value> pairs
- To convert a table into chunks
 - Pass 1: Partition table into memory-size partitions, each of which contains a number of chunks
 - Pass 2: Read partitions back in one at a time, and chunk each partition in memory



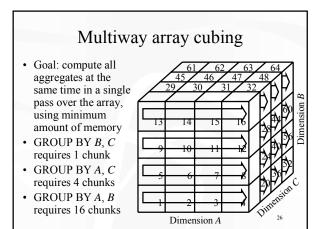












Memory requirement

- Dimension order is D_1, D_2, \ldots, D_n
- Aggregate to compute projects out D_p (i.e.,
- GROUP BY $D_1, ..., D_{p-1}, D_{p+1}, ..., D_n$)
- The memory required is roughly
 |D₁| · |D₁| · ... · |D_{p-1}| chunks
 Where |D_i| denotes the number of chunks along D_i
- » It is harder to aggregate away dimensions that
- come later in the dimension order

Minimum-memory spanning tree

- MMST of the aggregation lattice
 - Parent is always chosen to be the one that makes the child require the minimum memory to compute
 - Note that results are produced in dimension order too, so computation of the entire MMST can be pipelined
- Choose an optimal dimension order to minimize the total amount of memory required by MMST
 - It turns out that this optimal order is $D_1, D_2, ..., D_n$, where $|D_1| \le |D_2| \le ... \le |D_n|$

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ROLAP versus MOLAP

- Multiway array cubing algorithm (MOLAP) beats sorting-based ROLAP algorithms
 - Compressed array representation is more compact than table representation
 - Sorting-based ROLAP spends too much time on comparing and copying
 - In MOLAP, order is implied by the array positions
- » An alternative ROLAP techinque
 - Convert table to array
 - Do MOLAP processing
 - Dump the result cube to a table

