


# Introduction to Distributed Databases

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- I. Basic Concepts and Notions
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# II. Distributed Database Design

## II. 1. Design Approach

### ■ Top-Down Design Process

- Design a Global Schema
- Distribute the Global Schema objects to obtain Local Schemas
- Definition of Homogeneous Distributed Database : *“DDB in which each local DB is managed by the same DBMS”*; Gardarin et al. 1989.
- Advantages
  - The growing ease of incremental business : By the facility of adding a new site
  - Increases performance: Exploit the capacities of parallel treatments/processing

### ■ Bottom-Up Design Process

- Consists of integrating existing LS in one or more Global Schemas
- Allows the integration of existing local Database into a Federated Database
- Needs a semantic reconciliation of schemas ( data type,
- Ensures the continuity of services
  - Fragmentation & allocation are imposed

→ Definition of Heterogeneous Distributed DB: *“Distr. DB in which the local databases are managed by different DBMS”*; Gardarin et al. 1989

## II.2. Fragmentation Strategies

### ■ Fragmentation (Definition):

Sub-relation obtained by selection of tuples and attributes from a global relation. Each fragment has a subset of the tuples of the relation.

→ Two possible ways to divide a relation : *Horizontally* ( selection of tuples), *Vertically* (selection of attributes). In addition, “there is possibility of nesting a fragments in hybrid fashion”

### ■ Fragmentation Rules: the main objective is to preserve the semantic consistency of the DDB

- 1.: Decomposition without loss of information (R1, R2, ... Rn)
- 2.: No duplication: restriction predicates define disjoint sets of tuples
- 3.: Reconstruction rule (global relation) :  $R = \text{Function}(R1, R2, \dots Rn)$

## II.2. Fragmentation Strategies

### ■ Primary Horizontal Fragmentation PHF

- PHF partitions a relation along its tuples. It is defined by a selection operation on the the relation :  $R_i = \sigma_{F_i}(R)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$  where  $F_i$  is the selection formula used to obtain fragment  $R_i$  (also called fragmentation predicate)
  - Wines (w\_Id, vineyard, vintage, Area)  $\in$  GS
    - Wines1 =  $\sigma_{\text{Area}=\text{Bourgogne}}(\text{Wines})$
    - Wines2 =  $\sigma_{\text{Area} \neq \text{Bourgogne}}(\text{Wines})$
- 3: Reconstruction rule (global relation) :  $\text{Wines} = \text{Wines1} \cup \text{Wines2}$

### ■ Benefits

- Favors the selection Queries by limiting the number of accessed fragments

## II.2. Fragmentation Strategies: *Derived Horizontal Fragment*

- Objective: The PHF can also be useful for processing of join queries. We need to modify the HF definition By applying Semi-join predicates
- DHF Def.: Partitioning function of a relation into sub-sets of tuples, each being defined by a semi-join operation of the relation with a fragment of another relation.
- Example: Wines (w\_Id, vineyard, vintage, area) , Drink (w\_Id, drinker\_Id, date, quantity)
  - Drink1 = Drink  $\bowtie$  Wines1
  - Drink2 = Drink  $\bowtie$  Wines2
  - Reconstruction Rule : Drink = Drink1  $\cup$  Drink2
- Exercice: Select \* from W, D where W.w\_Id= D.w\_Id and area= «Bourgogne »
- DHF Benefits?
  - Improves joins between pairs of fragments Wines1  $\bowtie$  Drink1 and Wines2  $\bowtie$  Drink2

## II.2. Derived Horizontal Fragmentation (2)

Wines1	w_id	vineyard	vintage	aera
	1	Chablis	2010	Bourgogne
	2	Pommard	2009	Bourgogne

Wines2	w_id	wineyard	vintage	aera
	3	Juliennas	2010	Beaujolais
	4	Chinon	2011	Loire

Drink1	drinker_id	wineid	date	quantity
	1	1	14/02/2012	1
	1	2	1/1/2013	2

Drink2	drinker_id	wineid	date	quantity
	1	3	14/02/2013	3
	3	4	1/1/2013	2

## II.2. Fragmentation Strategies: *Vertical fragmentation*

- VF Definition: «The VF function distributes a relation on projection attributes: fragments are obtained by projections applied to a logical relation ».
- The reconstruction operator for VF : « is the join of the fragments on the common attributes »
- Example: Wines (w\_Id, vineyard, vintage, area, degree, price)  $\in$  GS
  - Wines1 =  $\pi_{w\_Id, vineyard, area, vintage}(Wines)$
  - Wines2 =  $\pi_{w\_Id, degree, price}(Wines)$
  - Reconstruction rule:  $Wines = Wines1 \bowtie Wines2$
- VF Benefits:
  - Favors project queries by limiting the number of accessed fragments.

## II.2. Fragmentation Strategies: *Hybrid fragmentation*

■ Wines (w\_Id, vineyard, vintage, aera, degree, price)  $\in$  GS

- Wines1 =  $\pi_{w\_Id, degree, price}$  (Wines)
- Wines2 =  $\sigma_{area=bourgogne}(\pi_{w\_Id, vineyard, vintage, aera}$  (Wines))
- Wines3 =  $\sigma_{aera \neq bourgogne}(\pi_{w\_Id, vineyard, vintage, aera}$  (Wines))
- Reconstruction rule: Wines = Wines1  $\cap$  (Wines2  $\cup$  Wines3)
- Benefits?
  - Benefits of horizontal & vertical fragmentations!



## II.3. Choice of a fragmentation Strategy

- Complex issue because it depends on access requirements of queries
  - Classification of Queries:
    - Repetitive Queries
    - Ad-hoc Queries
  - Query Types: < Simple, Medium, Complex >
  - Query Natures: < Selection, Projection, Join >

## II.4. Allocation of fragments (1 / 2)

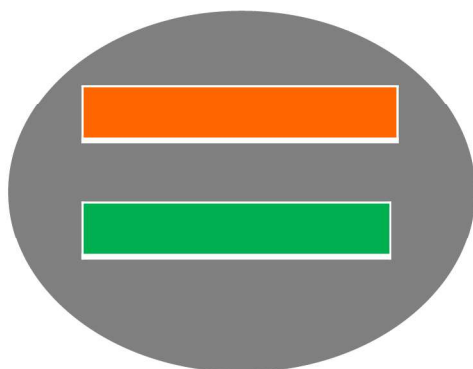
■ Logically group data in accordance with the access objectives of applications  $\Rightarrow$  performance

- Ex: Wines1 & Drink1 will be grouped on the same site

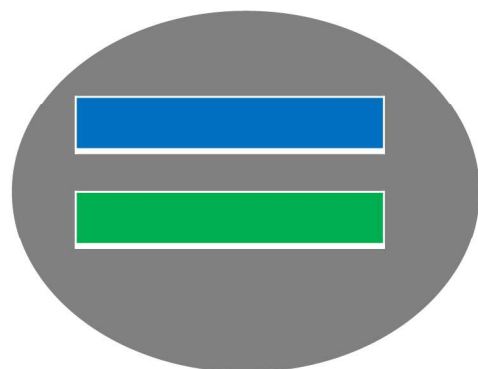
■ Data Placement

- to allocate fragments on sites

## II.4. Fragment allocation (2 / 2)



Site1



Site2

## Exercice (will be done in the next tutorial )

■ We consider the following Global Relational Schema GRS:

Cars (regNum, Brand(=marque), type, power, renting\_agency, price)

Customers (customerId, name, firstname, address, phone)

Emp (empld, name, firstname, address, renting\_agency, salary, commi.)

Rent (regNum, customerId, date, discount).

■ **Hypothesis:** We consider 3 agencies : <Pau, Agen, Toulouse>

■ **Constraints:**

- Each car is managed by a single agency.
- Each agency manages its sales performance and issues invoices to its customers.
- Each employee is assigned to an agency, his salary and his commissions managed only by Toulouse.

■ **Questions :**

- Fragments ?
- Fragments' allocation?
- Reconstruction rules?