A COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF DATA REDUNDANCY AND EXECUTION TIME BETWEEN RELATIONAL AND OBJECT ORIENTED SCHEMA TABLE

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ABSTRACT

The design of database is one of the important parts in building software, because database is the data storage inside the system. There are some techniques that allow the programmer to improve design of the database. One of the most popular techniques being used for database is the relational technique, which content entity relationship diagram and normalization. The relational technique is easy to use and useful for reducing data redundancy because the normalization technique solves the data redundancy by applying normalization normal forms on the schema tables. The second technique is the object oriented technique, which content class diagram and generate schema table. An advantage of object oriented technique is its closeness to programming languages like C++ or C#. This project is starting with applying relational technique and object oriented technique to define which technique uses less data redundancy during design database. Based on experimental results for total data redundancy in HMS case study was 336 for relational technique and 364 for object oriented technique as well as, course database case study was 186 for relational technique and 204 for object oriented technique. Also, this project is focus on query execution time between relational databases and object oriented database by using user friendly window. The experimental result for query execution time in HMS case study was 107.25 milliseconds for RDBMS and 80.5 milliseconds for OODBMS. In course database case study was 46.75 milliseconds for RDBMS and 31.75 milliseconds for OODBMS. However, the comparative analysis in this project is explaining the result of comparison between relational and object oriented techniques specifically with data redundancy and query execution time.

ABSTRAK

Reka bentuk pangkalan data adalah salah satu bahagian yang penting dalam membina perisian, kerana pangkalan data akan menyimpan data di dalam sistem. Terdapat beberapa teknik yang membolehkan pengaturcara memperbaiki reka bentuk pangkalan data. Salah satu teknik yang paling popular adalah dengan menggunakan teknik hubungan, melalui Rajah Hubungan Entity dan teknik pernormalan. Teknik ini adalah mudah untuk digunakan dan berguna dalam mengurangkan pertindanan data dengan menggunakan beberapa bentuk peraturan biasa dalam jadual skema setelah dijana daripada ERD. Teknik yang kedua ialah teknik berorientasikan objek,yang mengandungi rajah kelas dengan menjana terus ke jadual skema. Kelebihan teknik berorientasikan objek adalah ianya boleh diimplementasikan dalam bahasa pengaturcaraan seperti C ++ atau C #. Projek ini bermula dengan menggunakan teknik hubungan dan teknik berorientasikan objek untuk menentukan teknik yang menggunakan kurang data pengulangan dalam pangkalan data reka bentuk. Berdasarkan keputusan eksperimen untuk jumlah data lebihan dalam HMS kajian kes adalah 336 untuk teknik hubungan dan 364 untuk teknik berorientasikan objek dan juga, kursus kajian kes pangkalan data adalah 186 untuk teknik hubungan dan 204 untuk teknik berorientasikan objek. Juga, projek ini adalah memberi tumpuan kepada masa pelaksanaan antara pertanyaan pangkalan data hubungan dan pangkalan data berorientasikan objek dengan menggunakan tetingkap mesra pengguna. Hasil eksperimen untuk masa pelaksanaan pertanyaan di HMS kajian kes adalah 107,25 milisaat untuk RDBMS dan 80.5 milisaat untuk OODBMS. Dalam perjalanan kajian kes pangkalan data adalah 46.75 milisaat untuk RDBMS dan 31,75 milisaat untuk OODBMS. Walau bagaimanapun, analisis perbandingan projek ini menjelaskan hasil daripada perbandingan antara teknik hubungan dan objek ditujukan khusus dengan data pengulangan dan masa pelaksanaan pertanyaan.

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LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

1NF	-	*First Normal Form*
2NF	-	*Second Normal Form*
3NF	-	*Third Normal Form*
RDBMS	-	*Relational Database Management System*
OODBMS	-	*Object Oriented Database Management System*
CD	-	*Class Diagram*
ERD	-	*Entity Relationship Diagram*
ERD	-	*Entity Relationship Diagram*
UML	-	*Unified Modeling Language*
AT	-	*Arithmetic Mean Average*
SQL	-	*Structure query language*
HMS	-	*hospital management system*
UTHM	-	*Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia*

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of Study

A database is a mechanism to store information or data. Information is something that people use on a daily basis for a variety of reasons. Database should be able to store data in an organized manner. When data are stored in a database, it should be easy to retrieve information. The database stores the data to ease searching, modifying and removing information. Database design is supported by many methodologies and techniques, which contribute to a perfect design (Stephens & Plew, 2001).

Currently, databases have become very important because it is a collection of data that is organized to be the information, so that it can be easily accessed, managed, and updated. In one view, databases can be classified according to the types of content bibliographic, full-text, numeric, and images. Database is an important part of building software. Therefore, there are many software companies around the world which focus on developing databases to ensure their effectiveness in performance during design databases. One of the most important problems facing designing databases is redundancy. Redundancy is considered as the gravest problem threatening the efficiency of a database. Data redundancy is a term used to describe databases, which means simply that some data fields are redundant in the database. Data redundancy is wasteful and inefficient for several reasons and database designers attempt to eliminate it using a technique called normalization. Data redundancy in database means that some data fields are repeated in the database. Data redundancy may occur either when the field is repeated within the table

multiple times in a database for a variety of reasons. Also this project concerned designing two important types of databases in computer, which are relational database and object oriented database. These databases were designed based on the relational model and the object oriented model. The purpose of this project was to analyse the redundancy problem using the object-oriented technique and relational technique, and then calculating the total data redundancy using SQL query. Also, based on these techniques, relational database and object oriented database were designed and compared based on the query execution time of both types of databases. The comparison was performed by designing a user-friendly window to calculate the query execution time by millisecond in these types of databases.

1.2 Problem Statement

One of the main dangers faced in designing a database is data redundancy. Many database designers try to reduce redundancy in order to raise the efficiency of the database and its credibility. Data redundancy occurs in database systems when the tables have data which are repeated two or more times. Data redundancy leads to many problems, such as wastage of storage space and data anomalies (Jorge & Laura, 2002). Data redundancy occurs when the data is inconsistent in the same file or in multiple files. Also, data redundancy leads to data anomalies, which means changes on redundant data, are not made successfully, for example, insertion anomalies, deletion and modification anomalies, so data redundancy is considered as one of the problems with databases, as it requires us to look for effective solutions (Carlos, 2009). In this case, the solution used techniques that reduce the probability of data redundancy in a database such as relational and object oriented techniques. The database design also is a problem in itself because the first thing that is needed to determine the quality of the database such that it allows high efficiency and high performance and speed in database. Query execution time is one of the standards that determine the quality of databases in relational database and object oriented database because the time of run the query is important for good performance in database (Rao & Chavan, 2012). Therefore, this project looked for ways to reduce data redundancy and also to define the query execution time between relational and object oriented database.

1.3 Project Objectives

The objectives of this research are:

(i) To define data redundancy between relational and object oriented techniques using structure query language (SQL) in two case studies.

(ii) To define query execution time between relational database and object oriented database using user friendly window in two case studies.

(iii) To compare the result between relational and object oriented techniques.

1.4 Scope of Study

The scope of study in this project is database design. Database has many techniques and software's works on run and create databases. This project focuses on the design of database using two techniques, which are the relational technique based on entity relationship diagram and object oriented technique based on class diagram, and also by following these steps:

(i) Create ERD by applying the normalization technique until 3NF to generate schema table normalization for two case studies.

(ii) Create class diagram with generate schema table for the two case studies.

(iii) Compare the schema table between ERD and class diagram based on data redundancy and redundancy attributes.

(iv) Create relational database based on ERD and object oriented database based on class diagram.

(v) Create a user friendly window using C# to compare between relational databases and object oriented database based on query execution time.

This research uses two case studies to get the results. The case studies used are Hospital Management System (Khan & Saber, 2010) and the Course Database (Elmasri, 2011).

1.5 Significant of Study

Databases have become more indispensable in our daily life. To deal with data every day and everywhere from cellular phone contacts, medical records, and logistical data to transaction records and many more, they are all stored in databases. It is hard to imagine what the world would be like without databases. Perhaps there would be no ATM, no credit card, no GIS and no airline reservation. The first objective in the project is defining the best database design based on data redundancy, between relational and object oriented techniques. The second objective in this project is to compare between relational databases and object oriented database to define query execution time between two different databases, which are SQL Server 2012 and db4o. The third objective is comparing the result between relational technique and object oriented technique. This enhances the knowledge of the capabilities of these types of databases and their efficiency for the system design.

1.6 Dissertation Outline

The dissertation consists of five chapters, Chapter 1 is an introduction to the project and it consists of the problem statement, the objectives to be achieved, and also the scope of study, which is database design. Chapter 2 contains the literature review about the research and previous studies on design databases and also the problems of data redundancy and types of databases like relational database and object oriented database. Chapter 3 discusses the methodology to obtain all of the objectives of this project and tools, which are the relational techniques ERD with normalization and object oriented techniques class diagram with the generation of the schema table, also with design relational database and object oriented database and compare query execution time by using user interface application. Chapter 4 explains the implementation of this work, which is to apply the two techniques on the two case studies and compare them with one another to generate the result. Chapter 5 includes the achievement of the objectives and feature work, which speaks on the recommendation of constantly working on the development of this research in the near future. The conclusion sets the interest that has been deduced from this research.

1.7 Chapter Summary

This chapter explained the introduction to the project. The introduction started with the background of the project title, which is comparative analysis of data redundancy and execution time between relational and objects oriented schema tables. The second part of the introduction is the problem statement. The problem of the study focused on data redundancy in database and the most important methods to reduce the occurrence of data redundancy inside a database. This chapter also showed the main objectives in this project, which is defining data redundancy between relational and object oriented techniques using SQL query statements, and defining the query execution time between relational database and object oriented database using a user friendly window to compare the result between relational and object oriented techniques. The scope of study of this project is database design because relational and objects oriented techniques are basic techniques for designing a database. The introduction chapter also showed the significance of the study, which is making comparative analysis between relational and object oriented based on data redundancy and query execution time. The last part is the dissertation outline, which shows the contents of the chapter.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1 Introduction

This chapter discusses the previous studies and will talk about each part of the title study on schema table design based on entity relationship diagram and class diagram also will speak about the techniques.

There are two techniques using for database logical design relational and object oriented techniques. Relational technique is based on entity relationship diagram with normalization and object oriented technique is based on class diagram with generate schema table.

2.2 Entity Relationship Diagram

Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD) is a technique used to model the information prerequisites of an organization utilized by the requirements investigation period of the frameworks advancement project. These tasks are more than simply a diagramming technique or visual and they are additionally utilized as the premise for the outline of the social database fundamental the data framework being created. The proposal of utilizing the entity relationship diagram, a procedure from the field of data frameworks examination, in the grounded hypothesis methodology to subjective research and suggests that entity relationship diagram will be a helpful device for grounded hypothesis specialists. The deductive nature of substance relationship graphing may be especially useful to scientists amid the methodology of steady correlation of information (Brandy *et al*., 2000).

Entity Relationship Diagrams is using for modelling of real world problems by order and organizing the data for a particular area of solicitude. This organized data is called a data model technique, and uses a visual language to draw objects with their interrelationships and other applicable properties call them entities, relationships and attributes respectively (Khabbazi *et al*., 2010).

An entity-relationship model is one of conceptual impersonation of structured data. ERD is the process of generating these models. The end product of the modeling process is an entity-relationship diagram or ER diagram, a kind of conceptual data model. An ER-diagram is a high-level graphic notation used when designing relational databases management system. Database design is mix interpreting these ER-diagrams to relational database schema. For a given ER diagram, there are many imaginable relational database schemas and the designer should choose the most proper one. In the ER model, elements are spoken to by squares, attributes by circles, relationship between substances by association, the primary keys underlining the attributes and the identities communicating their separate values (Urea & Luis, 2008).

2.3 Class Diagram

A class diagram is one of the static diagrams in UML specification. It is utilized to represent the classes of a system and the relations. A more point by point class diagram can incorporate the features of the entities and additionally their obligations. There are two sorts of features structural and dynamic. Structural features can be subdivided into attributes and associations. Attributes correspond to variables in programming languages. Because of the way that the relationship between classes represents to as variables in programming languages, these are additionally thought to be structural features. In a class diagram the dynamic part of the classes is the operations or functions, which are executed by methods in a programming language. There are five sorts of relations to unite the classes between one another, which are association, aggregation, composition, generalization and dependency (Fernando, 2012).

Class diagrams are used to explain and describe the structure of the system. Classes are reflection that specifies the regular structure and behavior of a set of objects. Objects are situation of classes that are made, modified and destroyed during

the enforcement of the system. An object has an express that incorporates the estimation of its attributes and its connections with different objects. Class diagram is built during the analysis of the system and in the object model. The above models represent to client level ideas, not genuine programming classes or components (Harizi, 2012).

A class diagram is describing the types of objects in the system and the different sorts of static relationships that exist among objects. A class icon of class diagram is delineated in Figure 2.1 below. A class is an accumulation of group of things that have similar attributes and common behaviour. Classes are made with three sections, including a class name, attributes and operations. An attribute is a property of a class. An operation is an errand that a class can do or an alternate class can do to a class. A class diagram represents the static behaviour of the system.

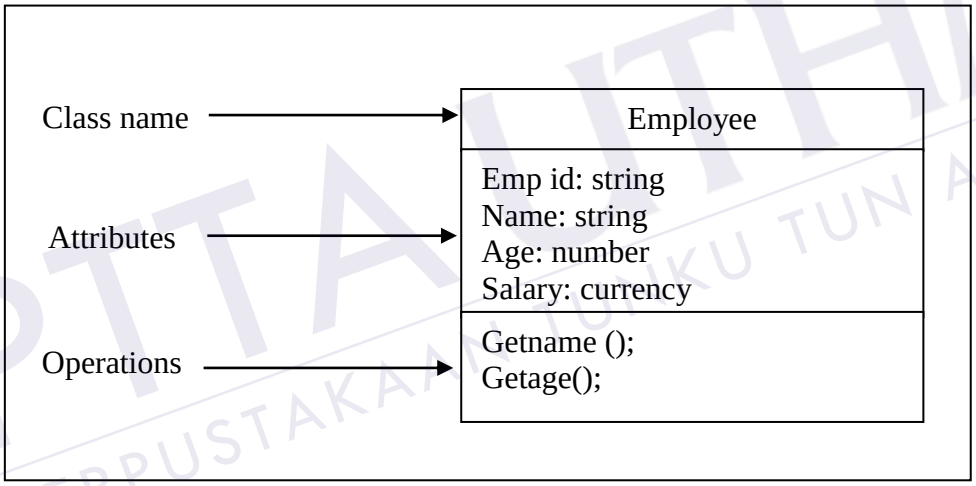

Figure 2.1: Class Icon in Class Diagram (Tedla & Emanuel, 2004).

Class Diagram gives a set of classes, interfaces and their relationship. Class diagram is the basic modelling technique in the object oriented system. This diagram shows the static perspective of the system. Classes in the class diagram are the essential building block of any object oriented system. Class is the accumulation of similar sorts of object. Attributes and operations are parts of class. Class diagram is additionally one highlight of the sorts of UML specifications. Class diagram describes the object and data structures when planning the application in the object oriented programming and design object oriented database. Class diagram was not a comprehension unpredictable during design the system (Bipsha & Nilanjan, 2013).

2.4 Comparing Between Object Oriented and Relational Models

The differences between an object oriented model class diagram and a relational model entity relationship diagram is the efficiency between these two sorts of data modeling that is represented by the encapsulation in the object of both state and behavior of the object oriented model, while with the relational model just the state prove. It is understand that a relational database is comprised of relations, which sets of tuples, while an object-oriented database is comprised of classes, which sets of classes. Table 2.1 shows the comparison between OODB and RDBM modeling (Gheorghe, 2007).

Table 2.1: Comparing OODBMS and RDBMS Modelling.

Object oriented model	Relational Model	Differences
Object	Entity	The object specifies behaviour too
Class of objects	Types of Entities	The class of objects contain the common behavior of objects in that class
Class hierarchy	The data base scheme	The class hierarchy includes inheritance, while the scheme includes external keys
Class instance	Entity tuple or record	The instance may have a more restrictive character
Attribute	Attribute	There are no differences
Relations	Relations	There are no differences. They have the meaning of descriptions, so with the OODBMS, the inheritance have both the state and the behavior
Messages/Interface	There are none	Class diagram have Message /Interface
Encapsulation	There is none	Class diagram can have Encapsulation
Object identifier (OID)	Primary key	In the relational model, if the primary key is not identify, the system generates an identify automatically
Inheritance	There is none	Object oriented have inheritance

An experimental study is to compare ER and OO in conceptual models. Databases are a way to display data structure. There is a very important question was

asked as to why and how people are inclined towards a specific conceptual model when they act as database designers. The answer to this question is difficult and involves understanding of several related control. The work is trying, in the direction of discovering the answer of the question. The experimental study, it is concludes these steps (Jain et al., 2009).

(i) The ER model is easily grasped by the beginners

(ii) Learning of the ER model is much faster than that of the OO model.

(iii) For the beginners implementation an ER schema using an RDBMS is much faster than that of the OO implementation.

(iv) Experienced designers or implementers may prefer the OO model.

2.5 Data Redundancy

The important objective is to reduce data redundancy over databases. The different standard of similarity to the element in every domain are presented and contrasted and the design relational for the representation of fluffiness in the fuzzy object oriented database. An endeavour has been using the proportionality relational to reducing the data redundancy in fuzzy object oriented databases. This methodology is focused on considering allotments of the relational and identicalness class that get essential conditions from the relation. Part and comparability classes are additionally used to find out the redundancy easily and efficiently. In that way, a database without errors is depicted. This sort of office will unquestionably enhance agreeable nature of objected oriented databases and improve the ease of use of the database systems (Dutta et al., 2013).

The main objective of adopting a common database in an extensive data system of a particular domain of benefit is reducing the data redundancy, reducing the database maintenance time, rearranging the progress period of the front end interface, minimizing the size of the system and maximizing the database throughput and in implementing the software. The idea is reducing the number of object new association objects are made, will advance association object reuse, will revive the methodology of getting an association and will control the measure of assets used for keeping up associations. Minimize data redundancy improves database performance and a positive influence on storage space (Ali et al., 2011).

2.6 Normalization Technique

The qualifier of the normalization in relational database management system is the procedure of organizing data and reduces data redundancy inside tables. It's usually contained isolating a database into two or more schema tables and describes relationships between the tables. The objective is to separate data so that additions, deletions and modifications of a field can be made in one table only and after propagated through the rest of the database via the defined relationships. The designer of the ERD introduced the concept of normalization technique and normal forms (NF) and also presented algorithms for relational database normalization into1NF, 2NF and 3NF using their general definitions in a step by step feature (Demba, 2013).

Normalization Technique is a process of breaking down the given relational schemas focused around their functional dependencies and primary keys to accomplishing the desirable properties of decrease duplication. It goes for making a set of relational tables with least information redundancy that protection consistency and facilitates correct insertion, deletion, and modification. A normalized database is not show various insertions, deletion and modification anomalies due to future updates, which presents a comparative study of manual and automatic normalization using a sequential as well as a parallel algorithm. It is very much time- consuming to use an automated technique to do this data analysis, as opposed to doing it manually. At the same time, the process is test credible and suitable. It produces the dependency matrix and the directed graph matrix, first. It then proceeds by generating the 2NF, 3NF, and BCNF normal forms. All tables are also generated as the procedure proceeds (Verma, 2012).

Normalization is an important technique for the design of relational databases. In the course of the normalization, the functional and multivalued dependency in the tables is determined then the match to normal forms with breakdown of the tables is ensured. The method is a theory based on the strict planning method with many advantages (Czenky & Márta, 2014).

(i) The planning process is adaptable.

(ii) It eliminates data redundancy.

(iii) It eliminates to insertion, modification and deletion anomalies.

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