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HETEROGENEOUS DATA INTEGRATION: MEDIATOR SYSTEMS

Mediator systems

- A set of **data sources**, each with: data model, query language, and schema (also called source schemas).
 - DM and QL may or may not differ across sources
- A mediator with its own DM, QL and mediator schema
 - Queries are asked against the mediator schema
- Wrappers interface the sources to the mediator's model



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- ACID: mostly read-only; size: small
- Control: Independent publishing; mediator-driven integration

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Many-mediator systems



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Connecting the source schemas to the global schema

• Sample scenario:



Connecting the source schemas to the global schema

- Data only exists in the sources.
- Applications only have access to, and only query, the mediator schema.
- How to express the relation between
 - the mediator schema acccessible to applications, and
 - the **source schemas** reflecting the real data
 - so that a query over the mediator schema can be automatically translated into a query over the source schemas ?
- Three approaches exist (see next)

Connecting the source schemas to the global schema: Global-as-view (GAV)

Defining Hotel as a view over the source schemas:

define view Hotel as select 'Paris' as city, street, name, null as descr, roomPrice as price from s1:ParisHotels

union all

select 'Lyon' as city, street, name, roomDesc as descr, price from s2:LyonHotel

Defining **Restaurant** as a view over the source schemas:

define view Restaurant as select * from s3:Restaurant

Connecting the source schemas to the global schema: Global-as-View



Query processing in global-as-view (GAV)

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Query:

select * from Hotel where city='Paris' and price<200 *becomes*:

select * from (select 'Paris' as city... union... select 'Lyon' as city...) where city='Paris' and price < 200 which becomes:

select * from (select 'Paris' as city...) where city='Paris' and price < 200

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select * from s1:ParisHotels where price < 200

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union all

select 'Lyon' as city, street, name, descr as roomDesc, price from s2:LyonHotel define view **Restaurant** as select * from s3:Restaurant

Query:

select h.street, r.rating from Hotels h, Restaurant r where h.city=r.city and r.city='Lyon' and and h.street=r.street and h.price<200 becomes: select h.street, r.rating from (select 'Paris' as city... from s1:ParisHotels union all select 'Lyon' as city... from s2:LyonHotel) h, (select * from s3:Restaurant) r where h.city=r.city and r.city='Lyon' and h.street=r.street and h.price<200 which becomes:

select h.street,r.rating from (select ... from s2:LyonHotel) h, s3:Restaurant r where r.city='Lyon' and h.street=r.street and h.price<200 which becomes: select h.street, r.rating from s2:LyonHotel h, s3.Restaurant r where r.city='Lyon' and h.price<200 and h.street=r.street

Concluding remarks on global-as-view (GAV)

- Query processing = **view unfolding**: replacing the view name with its definition
 - Just like queries over views in a centralized database
 - Heuristic: push as many operators (select, project, join; navigate...) on the sources as possible
- Weakness: changes in the data sources require changes of the global schema
 - In the worst case, all applications written based on this global schema need to be updated
 - Hard to maintain

Global-as-View: Adding a new source



Global-as-View: Removing a source (1)



Global-as-View: Removing a source (2)



If **Source3.Restaurant** withdraws, the **ParisPackage** relation in the global schema becomes empty; applications cannot even access **Source1.ParisHotels**, even though they are still available.

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Connecting the source schemas to the global schema: Local-as-view (LAV)

- s1:ParisHotel(street, name, roomPrice)
- **s2:LyonHotel**(street, name, roomDesc, roomPrice)
- s3:Restaurant(city, street, name, rating)
- **Global: Hotel**(city, street, name, descr, price), **Restaurant**(city, street, name, rating)

Defining s1:ParisHotels as a view over the global schema:

define view s1:ParisHotels as select street, name, price as roomPrice from Hotel where city='Paris' Defining s2:LyonHotel as a view over the global schema: define view s2:LyonHotel as select street, name, descr as roomDesc, price as roomPrice from Hotel where city='Lyon' Defining s3:Restaurant as a view over the global schema: define view s3:Restaurant as select * from Restaurant



GAV and LAV have different expressive power

- Some GAV scenarios cannot be expressed in LAV
- Example:

create view ParisPackage as select ph.name as hotelName, ph.street as hotelAddress, r.name as restaurantName, r.rating as restaurantRating from s1:ParisHotel ph, s3:Restaurants r where r.city='Paris' and r.street=ph.street

- The view only contains (hotel, restaurant) pairs that are on the same street in Paris
- Not possible to express this with LAV mappings
 - LAV describes each source *individually* w.r.t. the global schema
 - Not in correlation with data available in other sources !

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- Example: s3:MHotels(city, street, name, price) only has data about Marseille hotels, s4:WHotels(city, street, name price) has only data about Wien hotels
 - Assume Hotels is defined as:
 - select * from Mhotels union all select * from WHotels
 - A query about hotels in Rome will also be sent to s3 and s4, although it will bring no results
 - LAV query processing avoids this (see next)

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create view **ParisPackage** as select ph.name as hotelName, ph.street as hotelAddress, r.name as restaurantName, r.rating as restaurantRating from s1:ParisHotel ph, s3:Restaurants r where r.city='Paris' and r.street=ph.street

- The closest we can do is define s1.ParisHotel and s3.Restaurants *each* as a projection over ParisPackage
- But this changes the semantics of ParisPackage:
 - It does not express that *only Paris restaurants* are in ParisPackage
 - Not possible to express that only (hotel, restaurants) on the same street are available through the integration system
 - ParisPackage becomes the cartesian product of ParisHotel with all restaurants...

define view **s1:ParisHotels** as select street, name, price as roomPrice from Hotel where city='Paris'

Query:

select street, name from Hotel

No equivalent rewriting exists.

- We should not use a rewriting that has some wrong answers (not contained in those of the query)!
- We should aim for *contained rewritings*
- Better: *Maximally contained rewritings, such as:* Select street, name from s1:ParisHotels

define view **s1:ParisHotels** as select street, name, price as roomPrice from Hotel where city='Paris'

define view **s7:CheapHotels** as select street, name from Hotel where price<80

Query: select street, name from Hotel

S1:ParisHotels has some useful answers. So does s7:CheapHotels. They may overlap (or not); no way of knowing.

Maximally contained rewriting:

select street, name from s1:ParisHotels union select street, name from s7:CheapHotels

define view **s7:CheapHotels** as select street, name from Hotel where price<80

Query: select street, name from Hotel where city='Paris'

Maximally contained rewriting:



define view **s7:CheapHotels** as select street, name, city from Hotel where price<80

Query: select street, name from Hotel where city='Paris'

Maximally contained rewriting:

select street, name from s7:CheapHotels where city='Paris'

define view **s7:CheapHotels** as select street, name from Hotel where price<80

Query: select street, name, price from Hotel where city='Paris'

Maximally contained rewriting:



Query processing in Local-as-View (LAV) Observation

A view may fail to be usable to answer a query if :

- <u>The query applies a restriction</u> the view does not apply and the rewriting cannot apply it either
- And/or, the view <u>fails to project (store) an attribute</u> that the query needs

define view **s7:CheapHotels** as select street, name from Hotel where price<80 **Query:** select street, name, price from Hotel where city='Paris' define view **s7:CheapHotels** as select street, name from Hotel where price<80

Query:

select street, name
from Hotel where city='Paris'

define view **s1:ParisHotels** as select street, name, price as roomPrice from Hotel where city='Paris'

define view **s2:LyonHotel** as select street, name, descr as roomDesc, price as roomPrice from Hotel where city='Lyon'

define view s3:Restaurant as
select * from Restaurant

Query: select h.street, h.price, r.rating from Hotel h, Restaurant r where r.city=h.city and h.street=r.street

define view **s1:ParisHotels** as select street, name, price as roomPrice from Hotel where city='Paris'

Step 1: identify potentially useful views

define view **s2:LyonHotel** as select street, name, descr as roomDesc, price as roomPrice from Hotel where city='Lyon'

define view s3:Restaurant as
select * from Restaurant

Query:

select h.street, h.price, r.rating from Hotel h, Restaurant r where r.city=h.city and h.street=r.street

Query:

select h.street, h.price, r.rating from Hotel h, Restaurant r where r.city=h.city and h.street=r.street

Step 2: generate **view combinations** that may be used to answer the query (one view per table):

s1:ParisHotels and s3:Restaurant

s2:LyonHotels and s3:Restaurant

Step 3: for each view combination and each view, check:

- If the view returns the attributes we need:
 - Those returned by the query, and
 - Those on which possible query joins are based
- If the view selections (if any) are compatible with those of the query

If one condition is not met, discard the view combination.

define view s1:ParisHotels as select street, name, price as roomPrice from Hotel where city='Paris'

The query needs:

- street, price, rating (returned): the view provides them
- city and street for the join: street is provided, city is not (but it is a constant, thus known)

The view has a selection on the city which the query does not have \rightarrow The view provides *part* of the data needed by the query. The view selection is compatible with the query. The view s1:ParisHotels is OK.

define view s3:Restaurant as select * from Restaurant

The view s3:Restaurants is OK.

The view combination s1:ParisHotels, s3:Restaurants is OK provided that Restaurant.city is set to Paris.

Query:

select h.street, h.price, r.rating from Hotel h, Restaurant r where r.city=h.city and h.street=r.street

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s2:LyonHotels and s3:Restaurant

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[...]

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Step 4: for each view combination, add the necessary joins among the views, possibly selections and projections \rightarrow rewriting Query rewriting using <u>s1:ParisHotels and</u> <u>s3:Restaurant</u>: select h.street, h.price, r.rating from s1:ParisHotels h and s3:Restaurant r where r.city='Paris' and h.street=r.street

This is a *partial* rewriting, and so is:

Query rewriting using <u>s2:LyonHotel and</u> <u>s3:Restaurant</u>: select h.street, h.price, r.rating from s2:LyonHotels h and s3:Restaurant r where r.city='Lyon' and h.street=r.street

Query:

select h.street, h.price, r.rating from Hotel h, Restaurant r where r.city=h.city and h.street=r.street

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s1:ParisHotels and s3:Restaurant

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Step 5: return the union of the rewritings thus obtained

Full query rewriting:

select h.street, h.price, r.rating from s1:ParisHotels h and s3:Restaurant r where r.city='Paris' and h.street=r.street union all select h.street, h.price, r.rating from s2:LyonHotel h and s3:Restaurant r where r.city='Lyon' and h.street=r.street

define view s1:ParisHotels as... from Hotel where city='Paris' define view s2:LyonHotel as... from Hotel where city='Lyon' define view s3:Restaurant as select * from Restaurant

Query:

select h.street, h.price, r.rating from Hotel h, Restaurant r where r.city=h.city and h.street=r.street

Rewriting of the query using the views:

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select h1.street, h1.price, r3.rating
from s1:ParisHotels h1, s3:Restaurant r3
where h1.city=r3.city and h1.street=r3.street
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union all

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select h2.street, h2.price, r3.rating
from s2:LyonHotels h2, s3:Restaurant r3
where h2.city=r3.city and h2.street=r3.street
```

Concluding remarks on Local-as-View (LAV)

Query processing

- The problem of finding all rewritings given the source and global schemas and the view definitions = view-based query rewriting, NP-hard in the size of the (schema+view definitions).
 - These are often much smaller than the data

The schema definition is **more robust**:

- One can independently add/remove sources from the system without the global schema being affected at all (see next)
- Thus, no application needs to be aware of the changes in the schema

Local-as-View: adding a new source



Local-as-View: Removing a source



Connecting the source schemas to the global schema: Global-Local-as-View (GLAV)

Generalizes both GAV and LAV

1 mapping = 1 pair (query over 1 or several sources schemas, query over the mediator schema)

Q1Mediator(m:r1, m:r2, m:r3, ...) $\leftarrow \rightarrow$ Q1Sources(s1:t1, s2:t1, ...) Q2Mediator(m:r1, m:r2, m:r3, ...) $\leftarrow \rightarrow$ Q2Sources(s1:t1, s2:t1, ...) Q2Mediator(m:r1, m:r2, m:r3, ...) $\leftarrow \rightarrow$ Q3Sources(s1:t1, s2:t1, ...)

Semantics: there is a tuple in QiMediator(...) for each result of QiSources(...)

- A GAV mapping is a particular case of GLAV mapping where QMediator is exactly one mediator relation
- A LAV mapping is a particular case of GLAV mapping where QSources is exactly one source relation

Connecting the source schemas to the global schema: Global-Local-as-View (GLAV)



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Global-Local-as-View: example



Previous LAV mapping of Source 1:

Q1Mediator: select street, name, price as roomPrice from Hotel where city='Paris' Q1Sources: select * from ParisHotel

Global-Local-as-View: example



Q2Sources: select 'Paris' as city, street, name, null as descr, roomPrice as price from ParisHotel union

select 'Lyon' as city, street, name, roomDesc as descr, roomPrice as price from LyonHotel

Global-Local-as-View: example



E Other mappings could define more SuperOffers in Lyon, or in other cities, or with rRating=3...

Query Processing in GLAV



User queries asked on the mediator schema.

Q1Mediator, Q2Mediator, ... are queries over this schema

- 1. Apply LAV-style rewriting considering each QiMediator as a view over the mediator schema.
 - This leads to rewritings of Q over QiMediator relations (Q1Mediator, Q2Mediator, ...)
- For each such rewriting, in GAV style, replace the symbol QiMediator by the query QiSources.
 - Then unfold → query over the sources themselves.

Examples: find all super offers in Paris? in Lyon?

Concluding remarks on GLAV

- The most flexible approach
 - Can express LAV, GAV, and more
- If a source changes or sources are added, as long as Q1Sources can be rewritten, applications will not be impacted
 - Only the "invisible" part of the system (the mappings) may have to be adapted
- Query rewriting remains expensive because it includes view-based query rewriting (NP-hard) as well as query unfolding (simple)

Modern mediators: GLAV with RDF global schema



Advantages:

- Heterogeneity of RDF allows a wide variety of data sources to be mapped
- Ontology at the level of the mediated (virtual) graph to describe application constraints
- E.g., subclass (specialization)
 hierarchies of classes; property
 typing (domain, range...)

Modern mediators: GLAV with RDF global schema



Sample GLAV mappings:

1. Q1Sources: an SQL query returning (x, y, z) tuples

Q1Mediator:

(x, 'friend', y), (y, 'worksfor' z) Q1Mediator "*creates RDF out of relational data* »

2. Q2Sources: a JSON query returning (z) nodes

Q2Mediator:

(z, 'type', Company) If common z value, the graphs built by Q1,2Mediator **connect**!

Final lab next week.