

Query Compilation Based on the Flattening Transformation

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Rich Query Languages

e := c | x | $\text{table}(n)$ | $\text{if } e_1 \text{ then } e_2 \text{ else } e_3$
| $p \ e_1 \dots e_2$ | $\text{let } x = e_1 \text{ in } e_2$
| $[e \mid q_1, \dots, q_n]$

q := $x \leftarrow e$ | e

p := SUM | MIN | LENGTH | AND | ...
| SORT | NUMBER | APPEND | CONCAT | NULL | GROUP
| NUB | TAKE | DROP | ZIP | ELEM | ...
| (e_1, \dots, e_n) | $[e]$ | \otimes | $\bullet .i$

Looks Like Haskell – Database Supported Haskell (DSH)

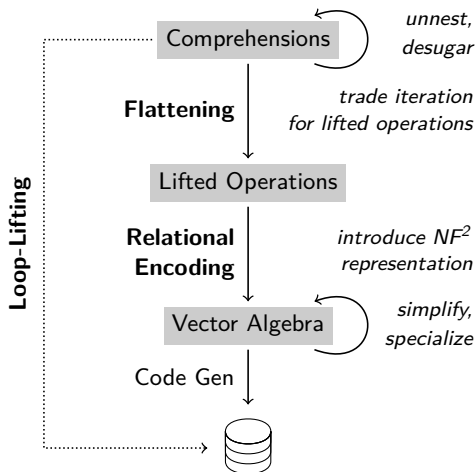
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-- is customer c a resident of nation?
hasNationality :: Q Customer -> Text -> Q Bool
hasNationality c nation =
  or [ n_name n == toQ nation && n_nationkey n == c_nationkey c |
      n <- nations ]

-- all orders of customer c with the given status (O, P, C)
ordersWithStatus :: Text -> Q Customer -> Q [Order]
ordersWithStatus status c =
  [ o | o <- ordersOf c, o_orderstatus o == toQ status ]

-- our revenue for order o
revenue :: Q Order -> Q Double
revenue o = sum [ l_extendedprice l * (1 - l_discount l) |
                 l <- lineitems, l_orderkey l == o_orderkey o ]

-- expected revenues (by customer, with details) in nation
expectedRevenue :: Text -> Q [(Text, [(Date, Double)])]
expectedRevenue nation =
  [ (c_name c, [ (o_orderdate o, revenue o) |
                o <- ordersWithStatus "P" c ]) |
    c <- customers,
    c 'hasNationality' nation ]
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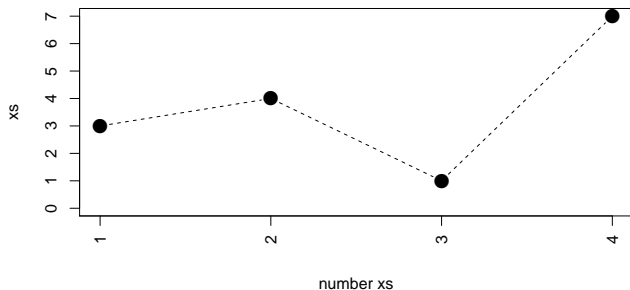
Compiler: From Monolithic to Small Steps



Nested Iteration

NUMBER [3,4,1,7] \equiv [(3, 1), (4, 2), (1, 3), (7, 4)]

```
[ AND [ y <= x | (y, j) <- NUMBER xs, j <= i ]  
| (x, i) <- NUMBER xs  
]
```



Comprehension Optimization (1990's)

- ▶ Optimization of monoid comprehensions, complex object queries (Buneman, Fegaras, Grust, Steenhagen, ...)
- ▶ List-based join operators

$\text{THETAJOIN}\{p\} \text{ xs ys} \equiv [(x, y) \mid x \leftarrow \text{xs}, y \leftarrow \text{ys}, p \ x \ y]$

$\text{SEMIJOIN}\{p\} \text{ xs ys} \equiv [x \mid x \leftarrow \text{xs}, \text{OR} [p \ x \ y \mid y \leftarrow \text{ys}]]$

$\text{ANTIJOIN}\{p\} \text{ xs ys} \equiv [x \mid x \leftarrow \text{xs}, \text{AND} [\text{NOT} (p \ x \ y) \mid y \leftarrow \text{ys}]]$

$\text{NESTJOIN}\{p\} \text{ xs ys} \equiv [(x, [y \mid y \leftarrow \text{ys}, p \ x \ y]) \mid x \leftarrow \text{xs}]$

- ▶ Example:

$[\text{AND} [y \leq x \mid (y, j) \leftarrow g]$

$\mid ((x, i), g)$

$\leftarrow \text{NESTJOIN}\{\textcircled{L}.2 \leq \textcircled{R}.2\} (\text{NUMBER XS}) (\text{NUMBER XS})$

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- ▶ Lifted operators:

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+ :: Int -> Int -> Int  
1 :: [Int] -> [Int] -> [Int]  
2 :: [[Int]] -> [[Int]] -> [[Int]]  
...
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$xs +^d ys \equiv \text{imprint}_{d-1} \text{ xs } ((\text{forget}_{d-1} \text{ xs}) +^1 (\text{forget}_{d-1} \text{ ys}))$

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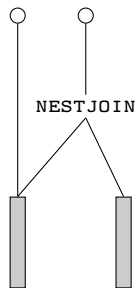
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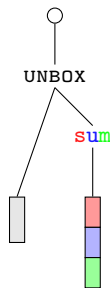
NESTJOIN⁰



+¹



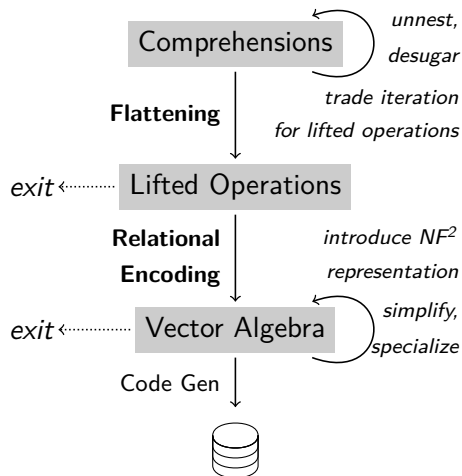
SUM¹



SEMIJOIN¹



Open Questions



- ▶ Flattening for unordered collections (multisets)?
- ▶ Implement flat vectors on non-relational query engines (array databases, Apache Flink, ...)?
- ▶ Other data models that separate content from structure?