

# Exam of *Decision Support Systems / Decision Support Databases:* Example 1

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1. **(Mandatory)** Let us consider the following database, without null values:

Products			Sales		
PkP	UnitPrice	...	FkP	Qty	...
10	5	...	10	50	...
20	10	...	20	10	...
30	20	...	30	20	...
			10	30	...
			20	100	...
			30	10	...
			10	30	...

- (1 point)** Write an SQL query to find the total sales revenue by product.
- (1 point)** Give a logical query plan for the SQL query, the type and the value of the result. Modify the logical query plan to consider only products with UnitPrice > 5 sold each of them more than 5 times.
- (1 point)** Modify the SQL query to find also the rank of the product total quantity sold (the highest is first).
- (1 point)** Show the instance of an index on the attribute FkP.
- (1 point)** Show the instance of a *Foreign Column Join Index* on the attribute UnitPrice.

2. **(5 points)** Consider the FoodMart datawarehouse:



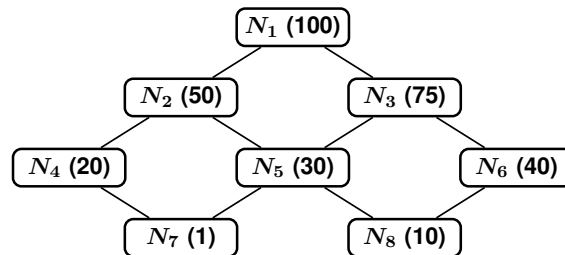
Consider a customer *customer\_id* in a day *time\_id* when she/he has made a purchase. The customer is *occasional* if she/he has made purchases for at most 10 euros in the previous 45 days. Give an analytic SQL query to output for every *customer\_id* and *time\_id* that are NOT occasional, the total sales in the previous 45 days.

3. See lecture notes Exercise A.4: Inventory.

With respect to the above business scenario, answer the following questions:

- (a) **(6 points)** Design a conceptual schema for the data mart to support the business questions. Your schema should at least be able to satisfy the above mentioned analysis requirements. You may motivate other suitable attributes for the dimensions. Specify the fact granularity, and for each measure, if it is additive, semi-additive or non-additive, and for each dimensional attribute the type of updates of the attribute.
- (b) **(3 points)** Give a logical data mart design which is able to deal with updates of dimensional attributes.
- (c) **(1 point)** Write an SQL query to answer one business questions of your choice and write a physical query plan for the query using any index of your choice.

4. **(5 points)** Let us consider the following lattice of possible candidate views to materialize. The numbers associated with the nodes represent the view size, measured in terms of the number of tuples in the view. Select 3 views to materialize, different from  $N_1$ , with the greedy algorithm HRU.



5. **(5 points)** Let us consider the logical schema of a data mart

Customer(PkCustPhoneNo, CustName, CustCity)  
 CallingPlans(PkPlanId, PlanName)  
 Calls(PkCustPhoneNo, FkPlanId, Day, Month, Year, Duration, Charge)

where PkPlanId e PlanName are two different keys, and the following query

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Q:  SELECT   Year, PlanName, SUM(Charge) AS TC
     FROM     Calls, CallingPlans
     WHERE    FkPlanId = PkPlanId AND Year >= 2000 AND Year <=2005
     GROUP BY Year, PlanName
     HAVING   SUM(Charge) > 1000;
  
```

Answer **only one** of the following questions:

- (a) Show if and how the GROUP BY can be brought forward on the table Calls.
- (b) Show if and how the query can be rewritten using the materialized view

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V1: SELECT   FkPlanId, Month, Year, SUM(Charge) AS C
     FROM     Calls
     WHERE    Year >= 2000
     GROUP BY FkPlanId, Month, Year;
  
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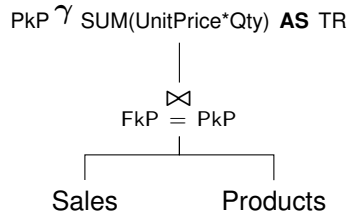
# Exam of *Decision Support Databases: Solution Example 1 (Hints)*

1. (a) The SQL query is:

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SELECT    PkP, SUM(UnitPrice*Qty) AS TR
FROM      Sales, Products
WHERE     FkP = PkP
GROUP BY  PkP;
    
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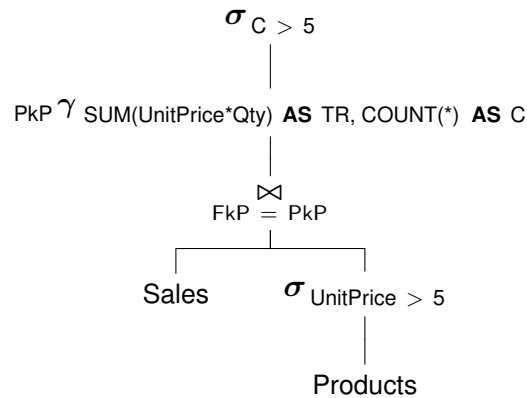
(b) The logical query plan is:



The type of the result is  $\{( PkP:int, TR:int )\}$ . The value of the result is:

Products	
PkP	TR
10	550
20	1100
30	600

The modified logical query plan is:



(c) The modified SQL query is:

```

SELECT    PkP, SUM(UnitPrice*Qty) AS TR, RANK() OVER(ORDER BY SUM(Qty) DESC) AS Rk
FROM      Sales, Products
WHERE     FkP = PkP
GROUP BY  PkP;
    
```

(d) and (e) These are the instances of the indexes:

Index on FkP		FCJI on UnitPrice	
FkP	RID	UnitPrice	RID
10	1	5	1
10	4	5	4
10	7	5	7
20	2	10	2
20	5	10	5
30	3	20	3
30	6	20	6

```

2. WITH tmp AS (
    SELECT customer_id, time_id,
           SUM(SUM(store_sales)) OVER (
               PARTITION BY customer_id
               ORDER BY time_id
               RANGE BETWEEN 45 PRECEDING AND CURRENT ROW) AS tot
    FROM sales_fact
    GROUP BY customer_id, time_id
)
SELECT *
FROM tmp
WHERE tot > 10
ORDER BY customer_id, time_id;

```

3. (a) **Requirements specification and the conceptual design of a data mart for the inventory.** See lecture notes solution to Exercise A.4: Inventory.
  - (b) **Logical design of the data mart and the SQL queries.** See lecture notes solution to Exercise A.4: Inventory.
  - (c) **Physical query plan.** See lecture notes.
4. The application of the HRU algorithm yields:

	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice
<b>N<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>50 × 5 = 250</b>		
<b>N<sub>3</sub></b>	25 × 5 = 125	25 × 2 = 50	25
<b>N<sub>4</sub></b>	80 × 2 = 160	30 × 2 = 60	<b>30 × 2 = 60</b>
<b>N<sub>5</sub></b>	70 × 3 = 210	20 × 3 = 60	20 × 2 + 10 = 50
<b>N<sub>6</sub></b>	60 × 2 = 120	<b>60 + 10 = 70</b>	
<b>N<sub>7</sub></b>	99 × 1 = 99	49 × 1 = 49	49
<b>N<sub>8</sub></b>	90 × 1 = 90	40 × 1 = 40	30

5. (a) Show if and how the **GROUP BY** can be brought forward on the table Calls.  
 The selection on Year can be pushed on Calls below the join.  
 The group-by can be pushed on Calls below the join because the *invariant grouping* property holds: the aggregate function SUM(Charge) uses an attribute from Calls, and (Year, PlanName → FkPlanId) because

$$(Year, PlanName)^+ = \{Year, PlanName, PkPlanId, FkPlanId\}$$

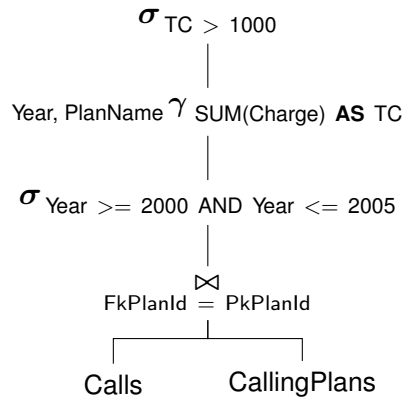


Figure 1: Logical query plan

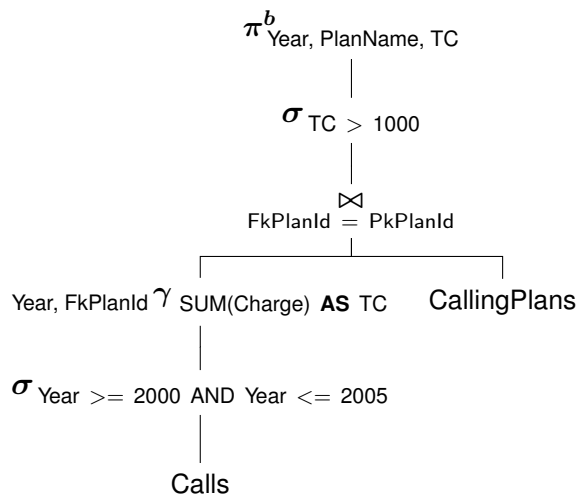


Figure 2: Logical query plan with the group-by pushed below the join

(b) Show if and how the query can be rewritten using the materialized view

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V1: SELECT FkPlanId, Month, Year, SUM(Charge) AS C
      FROM Calls
      WHERE Year >= 2000
      GROUP BY FkPlanId, Month, Year;
```

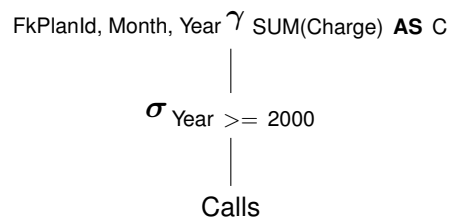


Figure 3: Logical view plan

Let us use the approach with a *transformation of the logical query plan* in Figure 2, which can be rewritten as follows with a subtree identical to  $V$ :

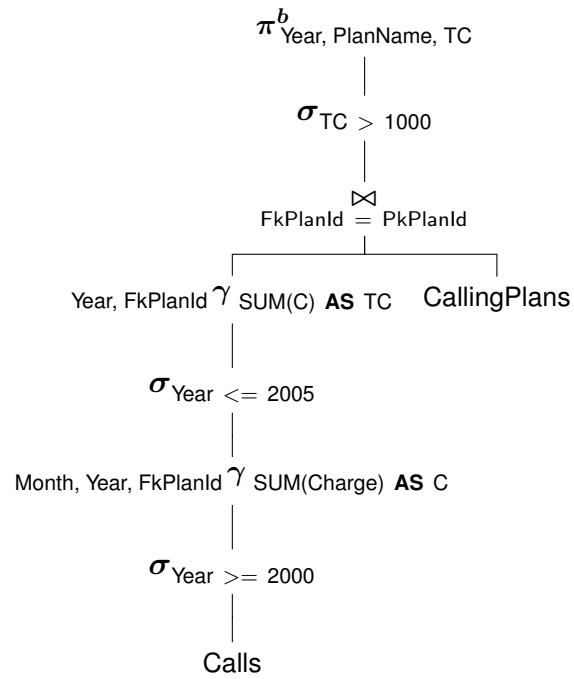


Figure 4: Logical query plan with the logical view subplan

The logical query plan with the logical view subplan is then rewritten as follows to translate it in SQL. With the rewriting of the group-by over the join, the attribute PlanName of CallingPlans, used by the projection, can be added to grouping attributes because (FkPlanId = PkPlanId) and PkPlanId → PlanName.

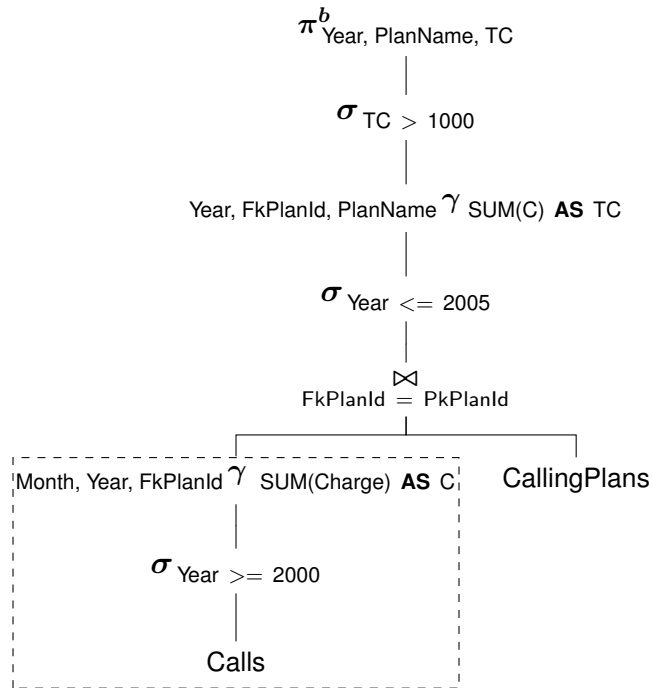


Figure 5: Final version of the logical query plan with the logical view subplan

So the rewriting of  $Q$  succeeds:

Q1": **SELECT** Year, PlanName, SUM(C) **AS** TC  
**FROM** V1, CallingPlans  
**WHERE** FkPlanId = PkPlanId **AND** Year <=2005  
**GROUP BY** Year, FkPlanId, PlanName  
**HAVING** SUM(C) > 1000;

# Exam of *Decision Support Systems / Decision Support Databases:* Example 2

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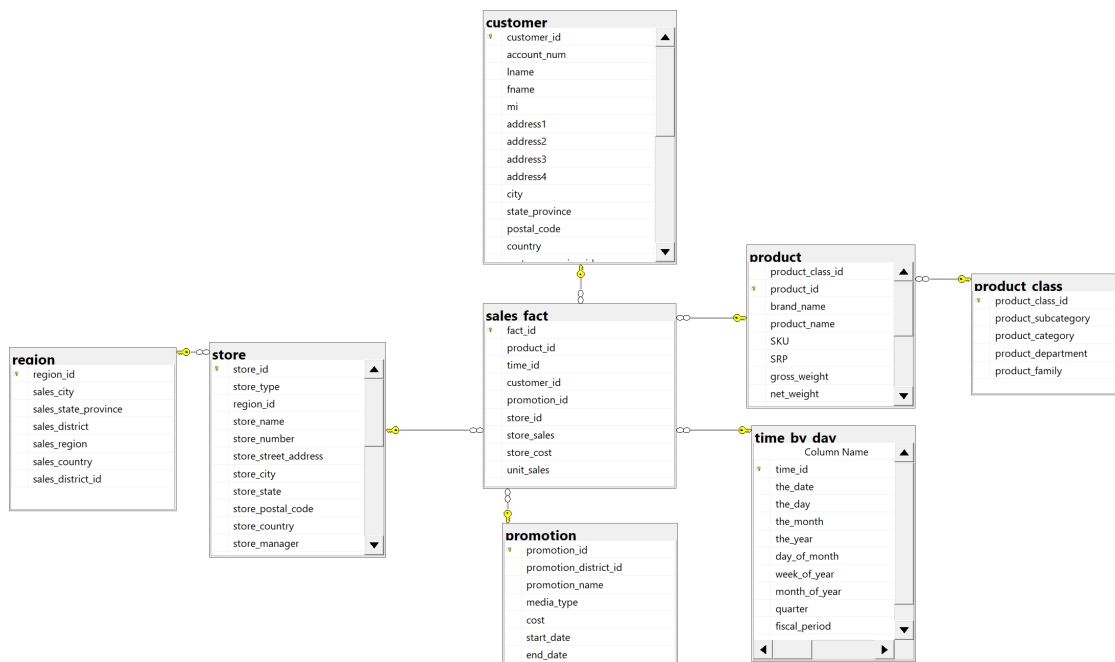
1. **(Mandatory)** Let us consider the following database, without null values (F(Fk :int, B : int, C :int) and D(Pk :int, E :string)) and the query:

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SELECT Fk, COUNT(*) AS Cn
FROM F, D
WHERE Fk = Pk AND E <> 'd3'
GROUP BY Fk
HAVING SUM(C) < 100;
```

D		F		
Pk	E	Fk	B	C
1	d1	1	10	60
2	d2	1	20	20
3	d3	2	30	80
		2	20	25
		3	30	80

- (1 point)** Give a logical query plan for the SQL query, the type and the value of the result.
- (1 point)** Show the instance of a bitmap index on the attribute Fk.
- (1 point)** Show the instance of a *Bitmap Foreign Column Join Index* on the attribute E.
- (2 points)** Explain the meaning of a “semi-additive” measure. Let  $F(FkD1, FkD2, M)$  be a table with the “semi-additive” measure  $M$  with respect to the dimension  $D1$ . Give a correct and a wrong query on the schema with the aggregation  $SUM(M)$ .

2. **(5 points)** Consider the FoodMart datawarehouse:



A customer is called a *commuter* if she buys at least 70% of her purchases (total store sales) in stores outside her city. Give an SQL query to find the number of commuters by customer city. The query must return 0 for cities with no commuter.

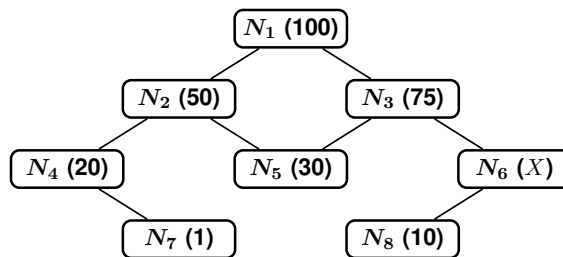


3. See lecture notes Exercise A.5: Hotels.

With respect to the above business scenario, answer the following questions:

- (a) **(6 points)** Design a conceptual schema for the data mart to support the business questions. Your schema should at least be able to satisfy the above mentioned analysis requirements. You may motivate other suitable attributes for the dimensions. Specify the fact granularity, and for each measure, if it is additive, semi-additive or non-additive, and for each dimensional attribute the type of updates of the attribute.
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4. **(5 points)** Let us consider the following lattice of possible candidate views to materialize. The numbers associated with the nodes represent the view size, measured in terms of the number of tuples in the view. Select 3 views to materialize, different from  $N_1$ , with the greedy algorithm HRU. Determine the various possible results of HRU on the basis of the unknown value  $X$ .



5. **(5 points)** Let us consider the database without null values:

Customer(PKCustomer, CName, CCity)  
 Order(PKOrder, FKCustomer, ODate)  
 Product(PKProduct, PName, PCost)  
 OrderLine(LineNo, FKOrder, FKProduct, Quantity, ExtendedPrice, Discount, Revenue)

and the query

Q: **SELECT** CCity, AVG(Revenue) **AS** avgR  
**FROM** OrderLine, Order, Customer  
**WHERE** FKOrder = PKOrder **AND** FKCustomer = PKCustomer  
**GROUP BY** CCity, FKCustomer  
**HAVING** SUM(Revenue) > 1000;

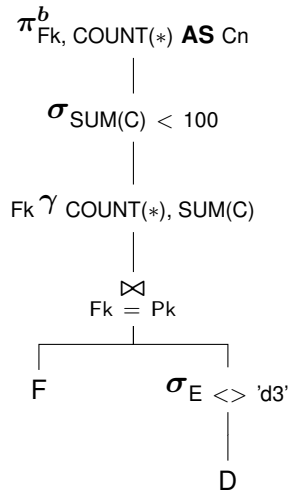
Answer **only one** of the following questions:

- (a) Show if and how the **GROUP BY** can be pushed on the join  
 $(\text{OrderLine} \bowtie_{\text{FKOrder} = \text{PKOrder}} \text{Order})$ ,  
 and show if and how the **GROUP BY** can be pushed on the relation OrderLine.
- (b) Show if and how the query Q can be rewritten using the materialized view V

V: **SELECT** FKCustomer, SUM(Revenue) **AS** TR, COUNT(\*) **AS** Cnt  
**FROM** OrderLine, Order  
**WHERE** FKOrder = PKOrder  
**GROUP BY** FKCustomer;

# Exam of *Decision Support Databases: Solution Example 2 (Hints)*

1. (a) The logical query plan is:



The type of the result is  $\{( Fk:int, Cn:int )\}$ . The value of the result is:

Products	
Fk	Cn
1	2

(b) and (c) These are the instances of the indexes are:

Bitmap Index on Fk		BFCJI on E	
Fk	Bitmap	Fk	Bitmap
1	11000	d1	11000
2	00110	d2	00110
3	00001	d3	00001

(d) A measure  $M$  is semi-additive w.r.t. a dimension  $D$  when it cannot be summed up for different values of dimension  $D$ . E.g., the monthly balance cannot be summed for different months, but it can be summed for different account holder at the same month. Here there are a correct and wrong query:

Correct: **SELECT** FkD1, SUM(M)  
**FROM** F  
**GROUP BY** FkD1;

Wrong: **SELECT** FkD2, SUM(M)  
**FROM** F  
**GROUP BY** FkD2;

2. **WITH** tmp **AS** (  
**SELECT** F.customer\_id, C.city,  
**CASE WHEN** S.store\_city=C.city **THEN** 0 **ELSE** 1 **END AS** OtherCity,  
100\*SUM(store\_sales)/SUM(SUM(store\_sales)) **OVER (PARTITION BY** F.customer\_id) **AS** PcT  
**FROM** sales\_fact F, customer C, store S  
**WHERE** F.customer\_id = C.customer\_id **AND** F.store\_id = S.store\_id  
**GROUP BY** F.customer\_id, C.city, **CASE WHEN** S.store\_city=C.city **THEN** 0 **ELSE** 1 **END**)  
)  
**SELECT** city, SUM(**CASE WHEN** OtherCity=1 **AND** PcT >= 70 **THEN** 1 **ELSE** 0 **END**) **AS** N  
**FROM** tmp  
**GROUP BY** city;

3. (a) **Requirements specification and the conceptual design of a data mart for hotel room type utilization.** See lecture notes solution to Exercise A.5: Hotels.
- (b) **Logical design of the data mart and the SQL queries.** See lecture notes solution to Exercise A.5: Hotels.
- (c) **Physical query plan** for the query

```

SELECT    H.Name
          ,SUM(F.NOccupiedRooms) / (SUM(F.NOccupiedRooms) +
                                   SUM(F.NVacantRooms) +
                                   SUM(F.NUnavailableRooms) )
          AS OccupancyRate
FROM      RoomTypeUtilization F, Hotel H
WHERE     F.HotelFK = H.HotelPK AND F.DateFK = 20100717
          AND H.City = 'Florence'
GROUP BY F.HotelFK, H.Name;

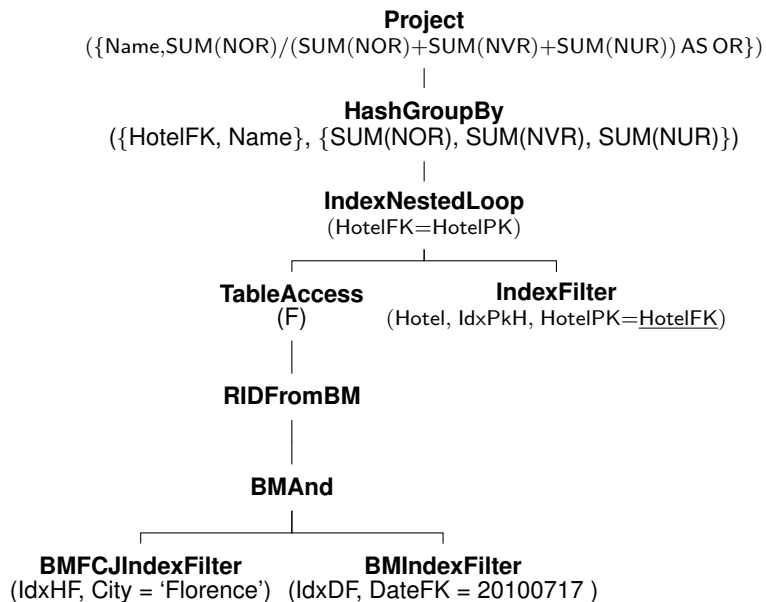
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Let us assume that there is (a) a bitmap index on the fact table attribute DateFK, (b) a bitmapped foreign column join index on the Hotel dimensional attribute City, and (c) an index on the primary key of the dimensional tables.

Let us use the following abbreviations:

- F for RoomTypeUtilization.
- NOR for NOccupiedRooms.
- NVR for NVacantRooms.
- NUR for NUnavailableRooms.
- OR for OccupancyRate.

The physical query plan for the first data analysis is



4. First, we observe that  $10 \leq X \leq 75$ . The application of the HRU algorithm yields:

	First Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice ( $X \leq 55$ )	Third Choice ( $X > 55$ )
$N_2$	$50 \times 4 = 200$			
$N_3$	$25 \times 4 = 100$	$25 \times 3 = 75$	$25 \times 1 = 25$	$25 \times 2 = 50$
$N_4$	$80 \times 2 = 160$	$30 \times 2 = 60$	$30 \times 2 = 60$	$30 \times 2 = 60$
$N_5$	$70 \times 1 = 70$	$20 \times 1 = 20$	$20 \times 1 = 20$	$20 \times 1 = 20$
$N_6$	$(100 - X) \times 2$	$(100 - X) \times 2$		$(100 - X) \times 1$
$N_7$	$99 \times 1 = 99$	$49 \times 1 = 49$	$49 \times 1 = 49$	$49 \times 1 = 49$
$N_8$	$90 \times 1 = 90$	$90 \times 1 = 90$	$X - 10$	

Observe that:

- At the first choice, since  $10 \leq X$  then  $(100 - X) \times 2 \leq 180$ . Hence  $N_2$  is better than  $N_6$ .
- At the second choice,  $N_6$  is selected if  $(100 - X) \times 2 \geq 90$ , which holds if  $X \leq 55$ . Otherwise  $N_8$  is selected.
- At the third choice with  $X \leq 55$ ,  $N_4$  is selected because  $X - 10 \leq 45$ .
- At the third choice with  $X > 55$ ,  $N_4$  is selected because  $(100 - X) < 45$ .

5. (a - first part) Show if and how the **GROUP BY** can be pushed on the join

(OrderLine  $\bowtie_{FKOrder = PKOrder}$  Order).

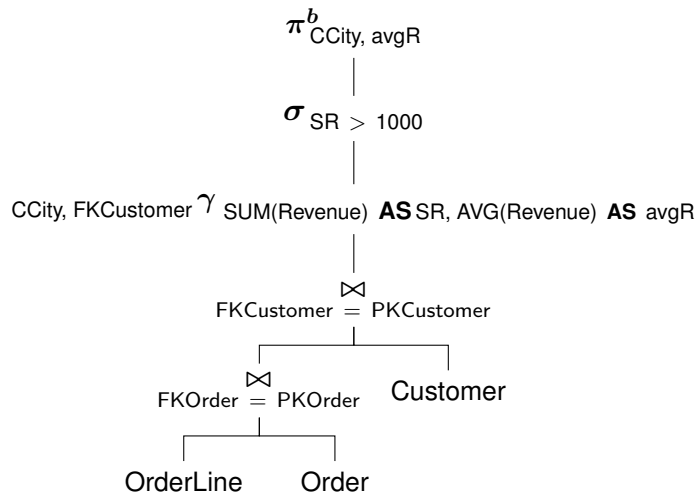


Figure 6: Logical query plan

The group-by can be pushed on the join (OrderLine  $\bowtie_{FKOrder = PKOrder}$  Order) because the *invariant grouping* property holds: the aggregate functions use an attribute from the join result, and (CCity, FKCustomer  $\rightarrow$  FKCustomer).

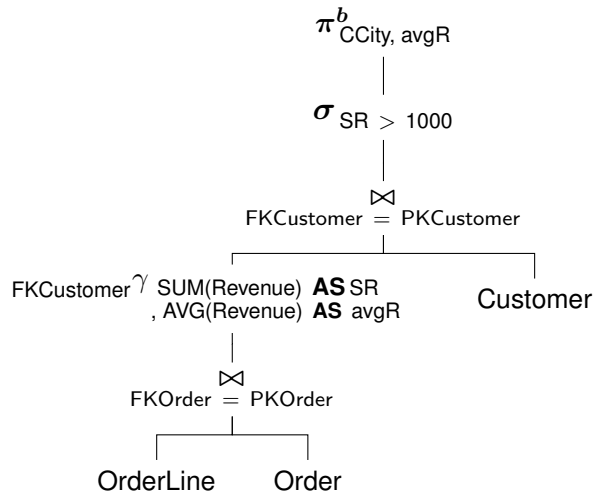


Figure 7: Logical query plan: the **GROUP BY** is pushed below the first join with the invariant grouping

(a - second part) Show if and how the **GROUP BY** can be pushed on the relation OrderLine.

OrderLine does not have the invariant grouping property because Condition 1 does not hold:  $FKCustomer \not\rightarrow FKOrder$ . The double grouping can be applied, with the rewriting of the not decomposable aggregation function  $AVG(Revenue)$  as  $SUM(Revenue) / COUNT(Revenue)$ , equivalent to  $SUM(Revenue) / COUNT(*)$  because the data mart is without null values.

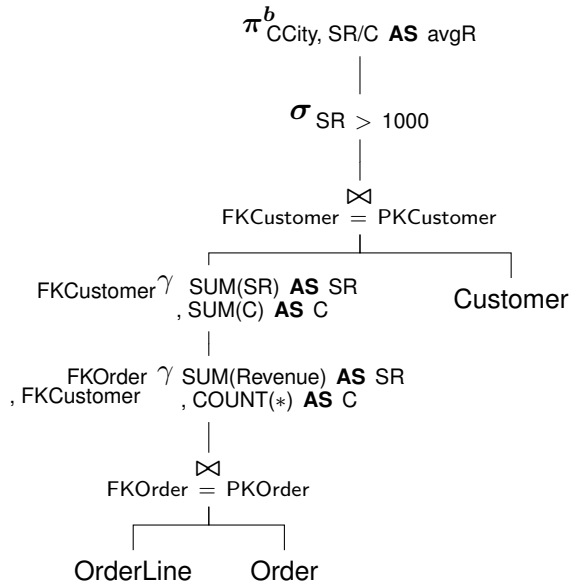


Figure 8: Logical query plan: the **GROUP BY** is rewritten with the double grouping and the rewriting of AVG



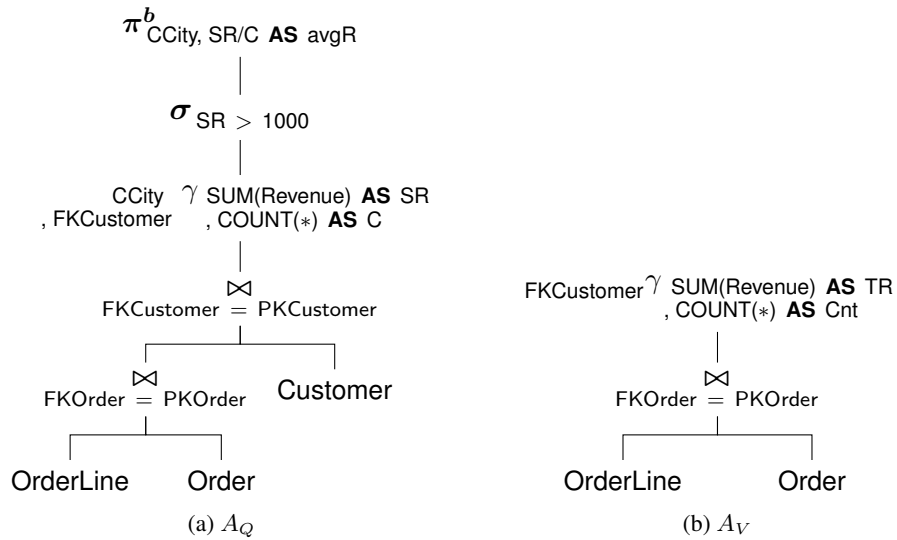


Figure 10: Query and view logical query plans

The join operations do not match. Therefore, a compensation is added as shown in the figure:

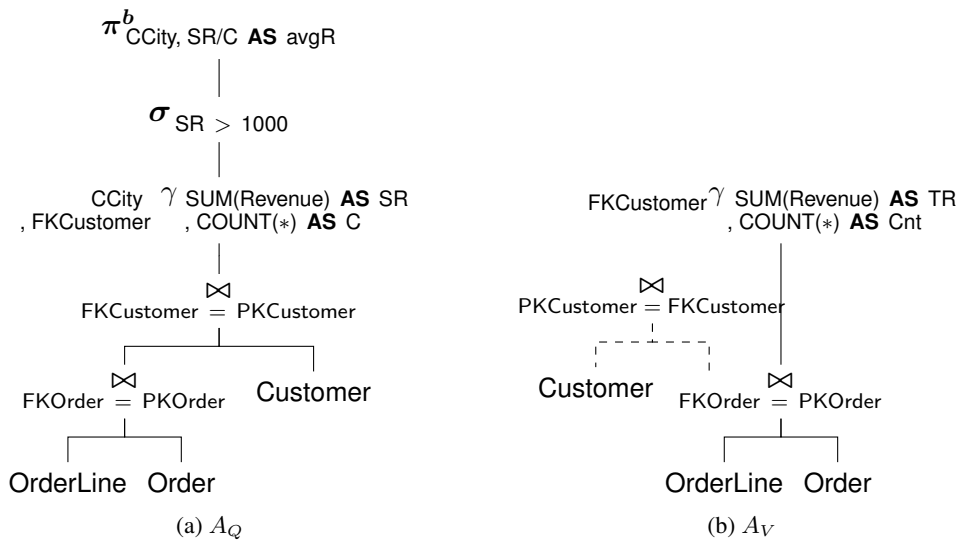


Figure 11: Join compensation

To match the groupings, the compensation on the operand of  $\gamma_V$  floats, and since  $g(Q) \rightarrow g(V) \wedge g(V) \rightarrow g(Q)$ , the rewriting does not require a grouping compensation, but an aggregate compensation only with a project, as shown in the figure:

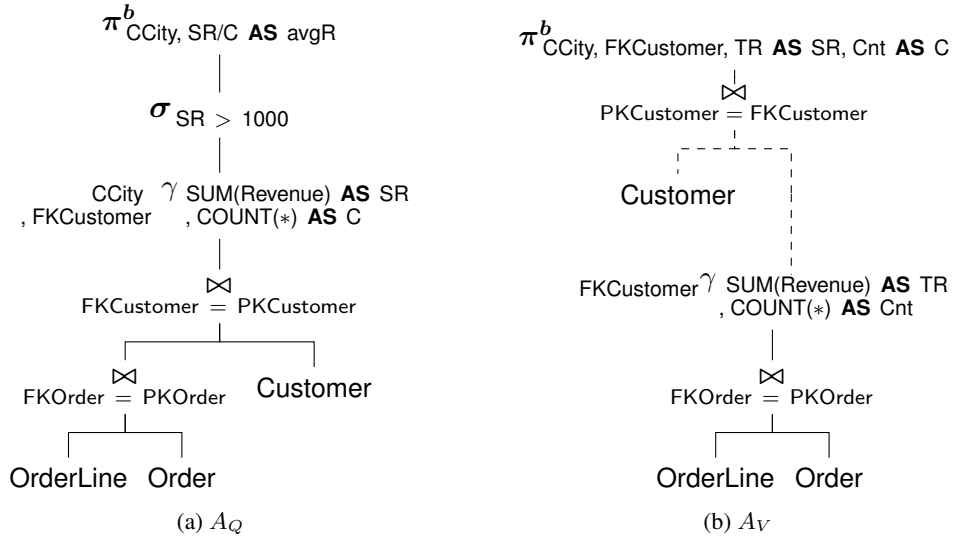


Figure 12: The float of the join compensation and the groupings compensation

The other compensations required for the  $\sigma$  and  $\pi^b$  in  $Q$  are shown in the figure:

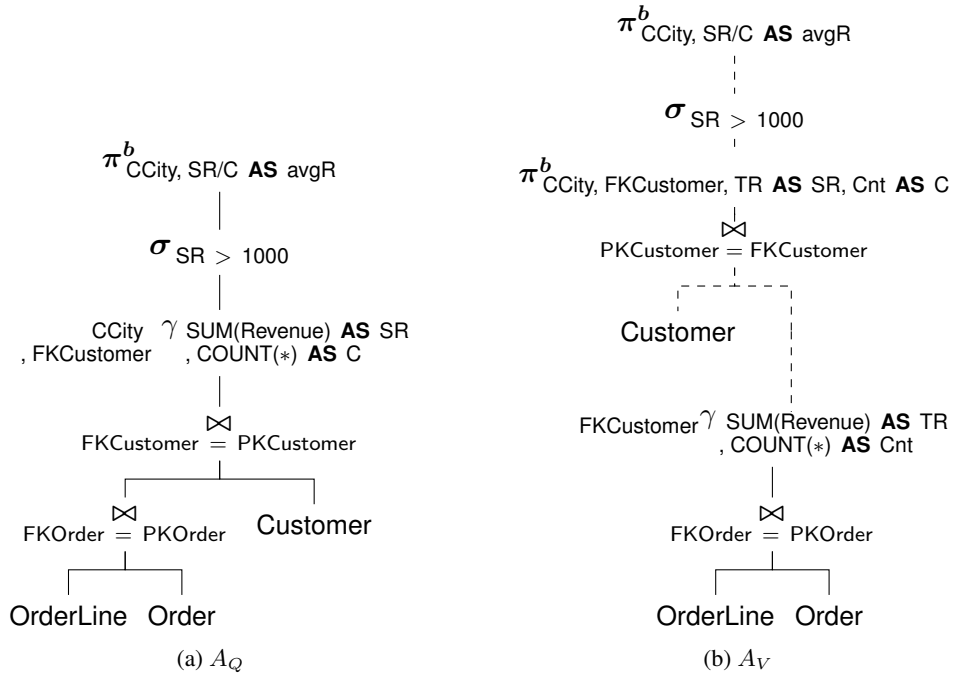


Figure 13: Other compensations

Since the internal  $\pi^b$  of the compensation is useless, the final solution is the following:



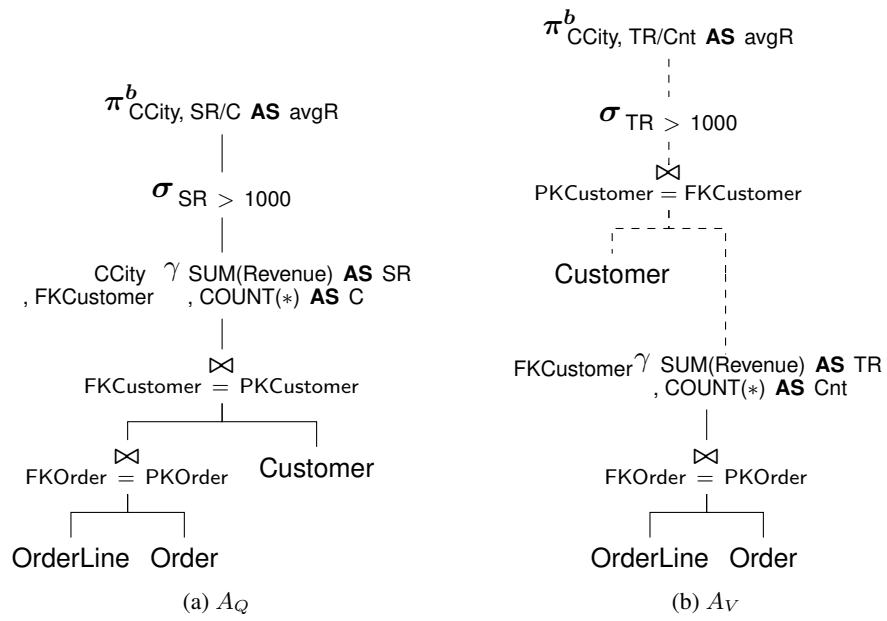


Figure 14: Final solution

Rewriting of  $Q$ :

QR: **SELECT** CCity, TR/Cnt AS avgR  
**FROM** V, Customer  
**WHERE** FKCustomer = PKCustomer **AND** TR > 1000;

Let us use the approach with a *transformation of the logical query plan*.

The rewriting of  $Q$  with the  $\gamma$  pushed below the first join

$(\text{OrderLine} \bowtie_{\text{FKOrder} = \text{PKOrder}} \text{Order})$

produces a logical tree that, with the rewriting of AVG and the changing of SR and C in the  $\gamma$  with TR and Cnt, has as subtree the tree of the view.

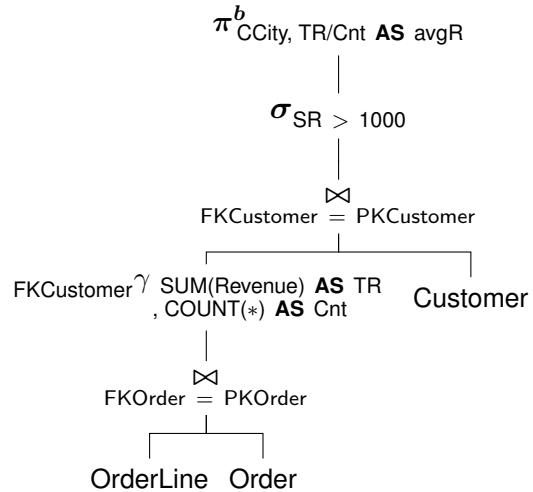


Figure 15: The rewriting of  $Q$  to have  $V$  as a subtree

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QR: **SELECT** CCity, TR/Cnt **AS** avgR  
**FROM** V, Customer  
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