Brief Review on SQL and NoSQL

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ABSTRACT

High speed processing is the need of industries and so industry after industry shifts to the Digitization. This Digital Economy gives a new look to the industries by massive changes. The aim of this paper is to give an overview on CAP in GDB and ACID properties in RDBMS and then why both developers and enterprises typically aim at providing simple, yet very efficient, solutions for specific problems to speed, data flexibility and unprecedented levels of scale. Next focus will towards what are problems while migration from SQL to NoSQL.

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Introduction:

As the digitized era More and more peoples are doing more and more online, whether at home, at work, or on the go. Everything like from payment of hand to hand shopping, online reservations, online shopping for groceries – the list goes on and on. This online trend addresses the few Technical challenges as: Scaling, Performance, maintenance of the Databases. From the beginning of 20th century companies faces question for the data storage. Before this Relational database was in use and was not a issue of Digitized data. With facing this problem of big data few companies introduced an alternative databases for market application. They are concern about “one size fits all” data-stores. Storage problem get desolve partial manner. These questions were just because of problem of data storage. According to Jon Travis, people are looking at other technologies because the volume of data is getting so huge day by day. Jon Travis is an engineer at Spring Source[1]. And hence researchers were in search of magical database which will be able
to solve the big data problem and also can provide the solutions for the most Big Data requirements for the huge volume of data and velocity of request.

In order to overcome problem of scalability variety of non-relational structural solutions have been introduced, such as Dynamo by Amazon, BigTables by Google. In 2006 and 2007, Google and Amazon give the research papers which explain the need of new featured database with agility and high scalability. Also there was a need of such tool or services which able to support an ever increasing number of users and data [3].

Big Data is Form with 3Vs namely Variety, Volume and Velocity. In [2] researcher defines the term Veriety. According to him variety belongs to the various data formats of the data being generated and stored and volume is amount of data and velocity for the rate at which this data is produced [2]. Hence the need of strong foundation of any real-time big data architecture introduced. A non relational set of architecture termed as NoSQL(Not only SQL).

The term “NoSQL” first applied by Carlo Strozzi in non –structural language, though it was based on a relational mode. Use of NoSQL gives a fast, portable and relational database management system with huge Scalability. [8]. Now a days the term “NoSQL” is oftenly use by breaking word “NoSQL” as “Not only SQL” and consider backbone for non-relational storage systems. Most of the noSQL systems are developed specifically to address scalability and availability.

Literature Review:

Around 1972, Donald D. Chamberlin and Ray Boyce
who was the members of reputed IBM group and at that time Ted Codd was a computer scientist at IBM’s San Jose Research Laboratory who was proposing a new way of organization for data that he called the ‘relational data model’ for the persistent data. He named This Query Language SEQUEL (Structured English QUEry Language). In 1976-77 next reluctant version was quickly named SEQUEL/2, but had to be renamed to SQL due to legal reasons[5].

In the era of mainframes and business applications many developers use a mature query technology that is SQL. From the beginning RDBMS were very popular. In fact, in 1979 the first commercial implementation was released by a small and unknown software company named “Relational Software”. This unknown software company now becomes a popular as Oracle. Johannes Zollmann described in his chapter about the ACID properties of the RDBMS. He also notes that ACID properties give strong guarantees on consistency[9].

Though ACID makes a strong to relational databases some drawback of type is, These databases were works with single server that means way of enhancing the capacity is only upgrading the server. Another researcher Antro Salminen note that in his seminar that for scale–up the RDBMS only way is by adding the Hardware processing power[6] RDBMS also has physical storage limit[3]. Hence Such database was required that support current generation web, mobile, and other applications to operate at any scale .As need is a Mother of innovations, when everyone was facing a problem of Big data there was a introduction of NoSQL by the researchers.

NoSQL is divided into 4 different types as Key Values, Documents, Colum and Graphs. Each database has its own advantages. Selection of type is depending on the type of application and its requirement. Some of the advantage of NoSQL which make it powerful is Horizontal scaling, Demoralization, Replication.

NoSQL gives the benefit of time over relational databases’ join queries by providing a feature of simple graph traversal operation queries. We can store frequently required information in one table in NoSQL with its horizontal Scaling property. NoSQL also able to handle all the table Joins at application level. Another feature of NoSQL is Data repetition is acceptable. This feature of NoSQL helps to improve efficiency and execution speed of query. However tables are not related in NoSQL so we need to very careful and needs to synchronize the data while updating the Tables.

Markus Winand wrote in his blog that Many NoSQL systems claimed to solve all performance problems by feature of horizontal scalability. Though for the current generation database scalability is limited to write operations and is accomplished with eventual consistency model. A strict consistency model of SQL databases make slows down write operations, still that does not necessarily imply bad throughput[19].

Migration of Data between SQL and NoSQL depending on the style of NoSQL database. Relational database expert Chris Bird observed syntactical difference NoSQL and SQL, Also found that hardness for migration like some mental gymnastics requirement for new users of NoSQL. Hence the process for migration is depend on which technology of NoSQL technology going to be selected for use. Some researchers had tried to cover the gap between RDB and GDB. Graph Databases are able to represent as graph of any kind of information, naturally accommodate changes in data[15]. Cypher Gremlin, are examples graph data query languages.

Some noSQL db doesn't support range queries or joins, users are restricted in what user can view and how fast user can view[10]. An Oracal white paper note that Choice of new system is an exciting, strategic business activity that usually entails working with new technologies, suppliers, and opportunities under the head of successful data migration in October 2011. It is also observed that without a sufficient knowledge of both source and target, data migration can cause major or minor or any hidden legacy problems, which is nothing but playing with risk. [17].

It is usually assumed that target of migration knows the existing systems and support a same structure. However NoSQL Query Stucture is harder to gain user acceptance. Researcher Patrícia Cavoto observed in his research work that Complex Strucrer of relational DB cause the complexity can be while performing a data analysis in RDB. Also the relational models are not as flexible as the graph model for data analysis[11]. Some researchers found that relational database might require very sophisticated and expensive operations also needs complex join operations to fetch required results in RDBMS which affect the performance and efficiency deterioration [15, 16].

In concern with rethinking and remodeling of data migration which is essential part of almost every organization, While the migration of data from SQL
between NoSQL developers need to think about how to represent your existing model in new database[18] it means mechanism for storage and retrieval of data are designed in different way in both databases.

![NoSQL and SQL Diagram](image)

**Figure 1: sql-vs-nosql-databases[21]**

**Power of SQL:**

**ACID compliancy:** ACID property is the best power of SQL which reduces anomalies and protects the integrity database.

**Security:** In Handling of data in DBMSs security of data is important. In security concerns NoSQL databases loose his security by allowing permissions or access control in these systems are to be provided it means it lacks the with the respect to Security as compare to SQL.

**Limitations of SQL:**

Challenge of scalability and elasticity achievement is a huge related to the relational databases. Researcher also found that a small change to one table can cause changes across the system [20]. It is observe that response time of an SQL query changes with many factors. One of them is volume and Scalability. These factors are also related to dependency of performance the data volume [19]

One another limitation of SQL is fixed set of columns which is not suitable for big data and hence there is a demand for non-relational databases. Leonardo Rocha and et ,al; point out that Challenges in Migration: Recontruction of Module

**Conclusion:**

From the survey we can conclude that –

a) existing softwares not only large and but also medium scale software applications are relye on ralational database.

b) Due to the variation in syntatical and storage structure of SQL and NoSQL their is problem of migration.

As amount of data stored in SQL has a impact on its performance, i.e Data stored and the performance are inversely proportional to each other. Effect of this is a query becomes slower. But can we improve this ratio by giving a power of Horizontal Scaling to SQL of NoSQL is the key questions when discussing dataset scalability.

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