Relational Cloud: A Database-as-a-Service for the Cloud

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Database as a Service

- Transactional, Relational DB Service
 - hide complexity
 - exploit resource pooling
 - increase automation
 - (both for *private* and *public* cloud)





Existing Services

- Existing Commercial DB Services
 - Amazon RDS, SQL Azure (and many others)
- What they got right
 - simplified provisioning/deployment
 - reduced administration/tuning headaches
- What is still missing?
 - workload placement (to reduce hw cost)
 - automatic partitioning
 - Encryption (to achieve data privacy)



Relational Cloud Architecture



Figure 1: Relational Cloud Architecture.



- Why
 - Load balancing
 - High Performance
- Problem Definition
 - Allocate workloads to servers in a way that
 - I. minimizes number of servers used
 - 2. balances load across servers
 - 3. maintains performance

















Partitioning

- Why
 - Scalability
 - Manageability



- Problem Definition
 - Partition the database into N chunks in a way that maximizes the workload performance



Graph-based Partitioning



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Encryption

- Why
 - Data Privacy



- Problem Definition
 - Minimize confidential info released to server \iff Efficiently execute queries
 - Minimize the amt of data leaked when application server is compromised





Onion Encryption



SELECT * FROM emp WHERE rank = 'CEO';



Onion Encryption





Conclusions

- Database as a Service has real potential
- Key Features to fully enable DBaaS
 - Workload Placement
 - Automatic Partitioning
 - Provable Privacy