

Question 1: Compression.....[400 points]

- (i) [10 points] **Bottlenecks:**
Distinguish between I/O bound and CPU bound programs.
- (ii) [10 points] **Bottlenecks:**
Explain the CPU-DRAM performance gap. Is it growing or shrinking?
- (iii) [10 points] **Compression:**
Explain the trade-off between decompression speed and compression ratio.
- (iv) [10 points] **Compression:**
Why does a disk-centric DBMS optimize for compression ratio? Why does an in-memory DBMS optimize for decompression speed?
- (v) [10 points] **Compression:**
Distinguish between DRAM bandwidth and disk bandwidth.
- (vi) [10 points] **Real-World Data Characteristics:**
Define skew in real-world distribution of data. Illustrate with an example.
- (vii) [10 points] **Real-World Data Characteristics:**
Define correlation in real-world distribution of data. Illustrate with an example.
- (viii) [10 points] **Real-World Data Characteristics:**
How can a compression scheme leverage: (1) skew, and (2) correlation?
- (ix) [10 points] **Database Compression:**
Why do we seek for a compression scheme to produce fixed-length values?
- (x) [10 points] **Database Compression:**
Distinguish between early and late materialization from a query execution standpoint.
- (xi) [10 points] **Database Compression:**
Distinguish between lossy and lossless compression.
- (xii) [20 points] **Data Skipping:**
Define approximate query processing. Explain with an illustrative query.
- (xiii) [20 points] **Data Skipping:**
Define zone maps. Explain with an illustrative query.
- (xiv) [10 points] **Compression Granularity:**
Is compression better suited for NSM or DSM storage model? Justify your answer.
- (xv) [10 points] **Naive Compression:**
What is the entropy of a data distribution? How is it related to thermodynamics?
- (xvi) [10 points] **Naive Compression:**
What is entropy encoding?
- (xvii) [10 points] **Naive Compression:**
What is dictionary encoding?

- (xviii) **[10 points] Naive Compression:**
How is entropy encoding related to dictionary encoding?
- (xix) **[10 points] InnoDB Compression:**
Briefly explain how compression is done in MySQL InnoDB storage engine?
- (xx) **[10 points] Naive Compression:**
Illustrate how we could execute point queries on compressed data.
- (xxi) **[10 points] Naive Compression:**
Illustrate how we could execute range queries on compressed data.
- (xxii) **[10 points] Compression Schemes:**
Define Null Suppression. Illustrate with an example.
- (xxiii) **[10 points] Compression Schemes:**
Define Run Length Encoding. Illustrate with an example.
- (xxiv) **[10 points] Compression Schemes:**
Define Bitmap Encoding. Illustrate with an example.
- (xxv) **[10 points] Compression Schemes:**
Why is the efficacy of bitmap encoding dependent on the cardinality of the attribute?
- (xxvi) **[10 points] Compression Schemes:**
Is it effective to compress zip codes using bitmap encoding?
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- (xxviii) **[10 points] Compression Schemes:**
How is Byte-Aligned Bitmap Code (BBC) "byte-aligned"?
- (xxix) **[10 points] Compression Schemes:**
Do these schemes support random access to a given value? Justify your answer.
- (xxx) **[10 points] Compression Schemes:**
Define Delta Encoding. Illustrate with an example.
- (xxxi) **[10 points] Compression Schemes:**
Define Incremental Encoding. Illustrate with an example.
- (xxxii) **[10 points] Compression Schemes:**
Define Mostly Encoding. Illustrate with an example.
- (xxxiii) **[10 points] Compression Schemes:**
Illustrate how you could combine two compression schemes to get an even better compression ratio.
- (xxxiv) **[10 points] Dictionary Compression:**
Why does this scheme not require pre-sorting?
- (xxxv) **[10 points] Dictionary Compression:**
Why do we need to re-encode existing values with incremental construction?

- (xxxvi) **[10 points] Order-Preserving Encoding:**
Define an order-preserving encoding. Illustrate with an example.
- (xxxvii) **[10 points] Order-Preserving Encoding:**
Can we short-circuit query execution using a dictionary? Illustrate with an example.
- (xxxviii) **[10 points] Dictionary Data Structures:**
Why is a B+Tree better suited for building a dictionary?