## Understanding the Execution of Analytics Queries \& Applications

## MAS DSE 201

## SQL as declarative programming

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- SQL is a declarative programming language: $\qquad$
- The developer's / analyst's query only describes what result she wants from the database
- The developer does not describe the algorithm that the $\qquad$ database will use in order to compute the result
- The database's optimizer automatically decides what is the most performant algorithm that computes the result of your SQL query
- "Declarative" and "automatic" have been the reason for the success and ubiquitous presence of database systems behind applications
- Imagine trying to come up yourself with the algorithms that efficiently execute complex queries. (Not easy.)
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## What do you have to do to increase the

performance of your db-backed app? $\qquad$

- Does declarative programming mean the developer does not have to think about performance?
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- After all, the database will automatically select the most performant algorithms for the developer's SQL queries $\qquad$
- No, challenging cases force the A+ SQL developer / analyst to think and make choices, $\qquad$ because...
- Developer decides which indices to build
- Database may miss the best plan: Developer has
$\qquad$ to understand what plan was chosen and work around $\qquad$
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## Diagnostics

- You need to understand a few things about the performance of your query:

1. Will it benefit from indices? If yes, which are the useful indices?
2. Has the database chosen a hugely suboptimal plan? $\qquad$
3. How can I hack it towards the efficient way?
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## Boosting performance with indices

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How/when does an index help? Running
selection queries without an index $\qquad$
Consider a table R with $n$ tuples and the selection query

## SELECT *

FROM R
WHERE R.A = ?

In the absence of an index the Big-O cost of evaluating
an instance of this query
is $O(n)$ because the database will need to access the $n$ tuples and check the condition

R.A $=\langle$ provided value $\rangle$

## How/when does an index help?

Running selection queries with an index
Consider a table R with $n$ tuples, an index on R.A
and assume that R.A has $m$ distinct values.
We issue the same query and assume the database uses the index.
SELECT *
FROM R
WHERE R.A $=?$

## The mechanics of indices: How to create an index

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How to create an index on R.A ?
    After you have created table R}\mathbf{R}\mathrm{ , issue command
    CREATE INDEX myIndexOnRA ON R(A)
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How to remove the index you previously created ?
DROP INDEX myIndexOnRA
Exercise: Create and then drop an index on
Students.first_name of the enrollment example
After you have created table students, issue command
CREATE INDEX students_first_name ON students(first_name)
DROP INDEX students_first_name
Primary keys get an index automatically

## The mechanics of indices:

How to use an index in a query

- You do not have to change your SQL queries in order to direct the database to use (or not use) the indices you created.
- All you need to do is to create the index! That's easy...
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- The database will decide automatically whether to use (or not use) a created index to answer $\qquad$ your query.
- It is possible that you create an index $x$ but the database may not use it if it judges that there is $\qquad$ a better plan (algorithm) for answering your query, without using the index $x$. $\qquad$
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## Indexing will help any query step

 when the problem is...

Condition may also be

- Attr>value
- Attr>=value


## Indexing

- Data Stuctures used for quickly locating tuples that meet a specific type of condition
- Equality condition: find Movie tuples where Director= $X$
- Other conditions possible, eg, range conditions: find Employee tuples where Salary>40 AND Salary<50
- Many types of indexes. Evaluate them on
- Access time
- Insertion time
- Deletion time
- Space needed (esp. as it effects access time and or ability to fit in memory)

Should I build an index? In the presence of updates, the benefit of an index has to take $\qquad$ maintenance cost into account

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## To Index or Not to Index

- Which queries can use indices and how?
- What will they do without an index?
- Some surprisingly efficient algorithms that do not use indices $\qquad$
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| Understanding Storage and |
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| Memory |
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## Non-Volatile Storage is important to OLTP even when RAM is large

- Persistence important for transaction atomicity and durability
- Even if database fits in main memory changes have to be written in nonvolatile storage
- Hard disk
- RAM disks w/ battery
- Flash memory


## Peculiarities of storage mediums affect algorithm choice

- Block-based access:
- Access performance: How many blocks were accessed
- How many-bjects
- Flash is different on reading Vs writing
- Clustering for sequential access:
- Accessing consecutive blocks costs less on disk-based systems
- We will only consider the effects of block access
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## Moore's Law: Different Rates of

 Improvement Lead to Algorithm \& System Reconsiderations- Processor speed
- Main memory bit/\$
- Disk bit/\$
- RAM access speed
- Disk access speed
- Disk transfer rate



## Moore's Law: Same Phenomenon Applies to RAM



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Problem: Sort the records according to the key
Morale: What you learnt in algorithms and data
structures is not always the best when we
consider block-based storage
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## 2-Phase Merge Sort: Most files can be sorted in just 2 passes!

## Assume

- $M$ bytes of RAM buffer (eg, 8GB)
- $B$ bytes per block (eg, 64KB for disk, 4KB for SSD)

Calculation:

- The assumption of Phase 2 holds when \#files < M/B
=> there can be up to $M / B$ Phase 1 rounds
- Each round can process up to $M$ bytes of input data
=> 2-Phase Merge Sort can sort $\mathbf{M}^{\mathbf{2}} / \boldsymbol{B}$ bytes
- eg $(8 G B)^{2} / 64 K B=\left(2^{33} \mathrm{~B}\right)^{2} / 2^{16} \mathrm{~B}=2^{50} \mathrm{~B}=1 \mathrm{~PB}$


## Horizontal placement of SQL data in blocks

Relations:

- Pack as many tuples per block $\qquad$ - improves scan time
- Do not reclaim deleted records $\qquad$
- Utilize overflow records if relation must be sorted on primary key
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- A novel generation of databases
features column storage
- to be discussed late in class


| Pack maximum \#records per block |  |  |
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| "pack" each block with maximum \# records |  |  |
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## ... back to Indices, with secondary storage in mind

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- Conventional indexes
- As a thought experiment
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- B-trees
- The workhorse of most db systems
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- Hashing schemes
- Briefly covered
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- Bitmaps $\qquad$
- An analytics favorite
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## Terms and Distinctions

- Primary index
- the index on the attribute (a.k.a. search key) that determines the sequencing of the table
- Secondary index
- index on any other attribute
- Dense index
- every value of the indexed attribute appears in the index
- Sparse index
- many values do not appear

A Dense Primary Index

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## Sparse vs. Dense Tradeoff

- Sparse: Less index space per record can keep more of index in memory
- Dense: Can tell if any record exists without accessing file


## (Later:

- sparse better for insertions
- dense needed for secondary indexes)
- Treat the index as a file and build an index on it
- "Two levels are usually sufficient. More than three levels are rare."
- Q: Can we build a dense second level index for a dense index?

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## A Note on Pointers

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- Record pointers consist of block pointer and position of record in the block $\qquad$
- Using the block pointer only, saves space at no extra accesses cost $\qquad$
- But a block pointer cannot serve as record identifier
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## Representation of Duplicate

$\qquad$ Values in Primary Indexes

- Index may point to first instance of each value only

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## Deletion from Dense Index

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- Deletion from dense primary index file with no duplicate values is handled in the same way with deletion from a sequential file
- Q: What about deletion from dense primary index with duplicates



## Deletion from Sparse Index

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## Deletion from Sparse Index (cont'd)

- if the deleted entry does not appear in the index do nothing
- if the deleted entry appears in the index replace it with the next search-key value
- comment: we could leave
the deleted value in the index assuming that no part of the system may
assume it still exists
without checking the block

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## Deletion from Sparse Index

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## Insertion in Sparse Index


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if the deleted entry does not appear in the index do nothing

- if the deleted entry appears in the index replace it with the next search-key value
- unless the next search key value has its own index entry. In this case delete the entry
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## Insertion in Sparse Index

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if no new block is created then do nothing

- else create overflow record
- Reorganize periodically
- Could we claim space of next block?
How often do reorganize and how reorganize and how
much expensive it is?
- -trees offer convincing answers

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## Duplicate values \& secondary indexes

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Problems:

- Need to add fields to records, messes up maintenance
- Need to follow chain to know records


## Duplicate values \& secondary indexes

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Why "bucket" + record pointers is

| useful |
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| • Enables the processing of queries working |
| with pointers only. |

- Very common technique in Information
Retrieval

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## Summary of Indexing So Far

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- Basic topics in conventional indexes
- multiple levels
- sparse/dense
- duplicate keys and buckets
- deletion/insertion similar to sequential files $\qquad$
- Advantages
- simple algorithms $\qquad$
- index is sequential file
- Disadvantages
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- eventually sequentiality is lost because of overflows, reorganizations are needed

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| Outline: |  |
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| - Conventional indexes |  |
| - B-Trees |  |
| - Hashing schemes |  |
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- NEXT: Another type of index
- Give up on sequentiality of index $\qquad$
- Try to get "balance" $\qquad$

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| $\frac{\text { Non-root nodes have to be at least }}{\text { half-full }}$ <br> - Use at least <br> Non-leaf: $\quad[(n+1) / 2\rceil$ pointers <br> Leaf: $\quad\lfloor(n+1) / 2\rfloor$ pointers to data |
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| B+tree rules $\quad$ tree of order $n$ |
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| (1) All leaves at same lowest level |
| (balanced tree) |
| (2) Pointers in leaves point to records |
| except for "sequence pointer" |$\quad$|  |
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(3) Number of pointers/keys for B+tree
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|  | Max <br> ptrs | Max <br> keys | Min <br> ptrs $\rightarrow$ data | Min <br> keys |
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| Non-leaf <br> (non-root) | $n+1$ | $n$ | $\lceil(n+1) / 2\rceil$ | $\lceil(n+1) / 2\rceil-1$ |
| (non-rfoot) | $n+1$ | $n$ | $\lfloor(n+1) / 2\rfloor$ | $\lfloor(n+1) / 2\rfloor$ |
| Root | $n+1$ | $n$ | 1 | 1 |

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(a) Insert key = $32 \quad n=3$ $\qquad$

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(b) Coalesce with sibling $\qquad$

- Delete 50

(c) Redistribute keys

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- Delete 50

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| B+tree deletions in practice |  |
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| - Often, coalescing is not implemented <br> - Too hard and not worth it! |  |
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Is LRU a good policy for $\mathrm{B}+$ tree buffers?
$\rightarrow$ Of course not!
$\rightarrow$ Should try to keep root in memory $\qquad$
at all times
(and perhaps some nodes from second $\qquad$ level)


## Assumptions

- You have the right to set the block size for the disk where a B-tree will reside.
- Compute the optimum page size $n$ assuming that
- The items are 4 bytes long and the pointers are also 4 bytes long.
- Time to read a node from disk is $12+.003 n$
- Time to process a block in memory is unimportant
- B+tree is full (I.e., every page has the maximum number of items and pointers
$\rightarrow$ Can get:
$f(n)=$ time to find a record

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FIND $n_{\text {opt }}$ by $f^{\prime}(n)=0$
Answer should be $\mathrm{n}_{\text {opt }}=$ "few hundred"
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Answer
*) What happens to $n_{\text {opt }}$ as
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- Disk gets faster?
- CPU get faster?
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| Outline/summary |  |  |
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| - Conventional Indexes <br> •Sparse vs. dense <br> • Primary vs. secondary |  |  |
| - B+ trees <br> - Hashing schemes <br> - Bitmap indices | $-->$ |  |
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| Example hash function |
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| - Key $=$ ' $x_{1} \mathrm{X}_{2} \ldots \mathrm{xn}^{\prime} \quad n$ byte character string |
| - Have $b$ buckets |
| - h : add $\mathrm{x}_{1}+\mathrm{x}_{2}+\ldots . \mathrm{x}_{\mathrm{n}}$ |
| $\quad-\quad$ compute sum modulo $b$ |


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Within a bucket:
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- Do we keep keys sorted?
- Yes, if CPU time critical \& Inserts/Deletes not too frequent $\qquad$
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## Rule of thumb:

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- Try to keep space utilization $\qquad$ between 50\% and 80\%
Utilization $=\quad \#$ keys used total \# keys that fit
- If < 50\%, wasting space
- If > 80\%, overflows
signlificant depends on how good hash
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function is \& on \# keys/bucket
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## Extensible hashing: two ideas

(a) Use $i$ of $b$ bits output by hash function
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$\mathrm{h}(\mathrm{K}) \rightarrow \underbrace{\square b}_{\underbrace{00011001}}$
use $i \rightarrow$ grows over time.... $\qquad$
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(b) Use directory $\qquad$

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Example: $h(k)$ is 4 bits; 2 keys/bucket

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"slide" conventions:
slide shows $\mathrm{h}(\mathrm{k})$, while actual directory has key+pointer $\qquad$
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Extensible hashing: deletion
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- No merging of blocks
- Merge blocks
and cut directory if possible
(Reverse insert procedure)
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| Deletion example: |  |
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$\oplus$ Can handle growing files

- with less wasted space
- with no full reorganizations
$\Theta \quad$ Indirection
(Not bad if directory in memory)Directory doubles in size
(Now it fits, now it does not)


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## - When do we expand file?

- Keep track of: \#used slots (incl. overflow) $=$ U \#total slots in primary buckets
equiv, \#(indexed key ptr pairs)
\#total slots in primary buckets
- If $\mathrm{U}>$ threshold then increase $m$ (and $i$, when $m$ reaches $2^{i}$ )
$\oplus$ Can handle growing files
- with less wasted space
- with no full reorganizations
$\oplus$ No indirection like extensible hashing
$\Theta$ Can still have overflow chains

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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Note ATTRIBUTE LIST } \Rightarrow \text { MULTIKEY INDEX } \\ & \text { (next) } \\ & \text { e.g., CREATE INDEX foo } \underline{\text { ON } R(A, B, C)} \end{aligned}$ |
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## Strategy I:

- Use one index, say Dept.
- Get all Dept = "Toy" records and check their salary

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| Strategy II: |  |
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| • Use 2 Indexes; Manipulate Pointers |  |
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For which queries is this index good?
$\square$ Find RECs Dept $=$ "Sales" $\wedge$ SAL $=20 \mathrm{k}$
$\square$ Find RECs Dept $=$ "Sales" $\wedge$ SAL $\geq 20 \mathrm{k}$
$\square$ Find RECs Dept $=$ "Sales"
$\square$ Find RECs SAL $=20 \mathrm{k}$


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- Many types of geographic index structures have been suggested $\qquad$
- Quad Trees
- R Trees $\qquad$
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## Revisit: Processing queries without accessing records until last step

Find employees of the Toys dept with 4 years in the company SELECT Name FROM Employee WHERE Dept="Toys" AND Year=4


## Bitmap indices: Alternate structure, heavily used in OLAP

Assume the tuples of the Employees table are ordered. Conceptually only!

| Suits | 10000000 |
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| Aaron | Suits | 4 |
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| Helen | Pens | 3 |
| Jack | PCs | 4 |
| Jim | Toys | 4 |
| Joe | Toys | 3 |
| Nick | PCs | 2 |
| Walt | Toys | 1 |
| Yannis | Pens | 1 |


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| 01001000 | 3 |
| 10110000 | 4 |

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+ Find even more quickly intersections and unions
(e.g., Dept= Toys AND Year=4)

Seems it needs too much space -> We'll do compression
? How do we deal with insertions and deletions -> Easier than you think

## Compression, with Run-Length

 Encoding- Naive solution needs $m n$ bits, where $m$ is \#distinct values and $n$ is \#tuples
- But there is just $n$ 1's=> let's utilize this
- Encode sequence of runs (e.g. $[3,0,1]$ )



# Byte-Aligned Run Length Encoding 

Next key intuition: Spend fewer bits for smaller $\qquad$ numbers

Consider the run $\qquad$
5, 200, 17
In binary it is $\qquad$
101, 11000100, 10001
A binary number of up to 7 bits $=>1$ byte A binary number of up to 14 bits $=>2$ bytes

Use the first bit of each byte to denote if it is the last one of a number
00000101, 10000001, 01000100, 00010001 130

## Bit-aligned 2nlogm <br> Compression (simple version)


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2nlog m compression $\qquad$

- Example
- Pens: 01000001
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- Sequence $[1,5]$
- Encoding: 01110101
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## Insertions and deletions \& miscellaneous engineering

- Assume tuples are inserted in order
- Deletions: Do nothing
- Insertions: If tuple $t$ with value $v$ is inserted, add one more run in $V$ s sequence (compact bitmap)


## Summing Up...

We discussed how the database stores data + basic algorithms

- Sorting
- Indexing

How are they used in query processing?

## Query Processing Notes

What happens when a query is processed and how to find out

## Query Processing

- The query processor turns user queries and data modification commands into a query plan - a sequence of operations (or algorithm) on the database
- from high level queries to low level commands
- Decisions taken by the query processor
- Which of the algebraically equivalent forms of a query will lead to the most efficient algorithm?
- For each algebraic operator what algorithm should we use to run the operator?
- How should the operators pass data from one to the other? (eg, main memory buffers, disk buffers)


## The differences between good plans and plans can be huge <br> Example

Select B, D
From R,S
Where R.A = "c" ^ S.E = $2 \wedge$ R.C=S.C

| R | B | C | S | C | D | E |
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|  | 1 | 10 |  | 10 | X | 2 |
|  | 1 | 20 |  | 20 | y | 2 |
|  | 2 | 10 |  | 30 | z | 2 |
|  | 2 | 35 |  | 40 | x | 1 |
|  | 3 | 45 |  | 50 | y | 3 |
| Answer |  |  | B | D |  |  |
|  |  |  | 2 | x |  |  |

- How do we execute query eventually? $\qquad$

|  | - Scan relations |
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| One idea | - Do Cartesian product (literally produce all combinations of FROM clause tuples) |
|  | - Select tuples (Where) |
|  | - Do projection (SELECT) |

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- Select tuples (WHERE)
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Another idea:
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Scan $R$ and $S$, perform on the fly selections, do join using a hash structure, project $\qquad$
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## Plan III

Use R.A and S.C Indexes
(1) Use R.A index to select R tuples with R.A = "c"
(2) For each R.C value found, use S.C index to find matching join tuples $\qquad$
(3) Eliminate join tuples $S . E \neq 2$
(4) Project B,D attributes

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## From Query To Optimal Plan

- Complex process
- Algebra-based logical and physical plans $\qquad$
- Transformations
- Evaluation of multiple alternatives $\qquad$
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## Issues in Query Processing and Optimization

- Generate Plans
employ efficient execution primitives for computing relational algebra operations
systematically transform expressions to achieve more efficient combinations of operators
- Estimate Cost of Generated Plans
- Statistics, which are reported



## Algebraic Operators: A Bag version

- Union of $R$ and $S$ : a tuple $t$ is in the result as many times as the sum of the number of times it is in $R$ plus the times it is in S
- Intersection of $R$ and $S$ : a tuple $t$ is in the result the minimum of the number of times it is in $R$ and $S$
- Difference of $R$ and $S$ : a tuple $t$ is in the result the number of times it is in $R$ minus the number of times it is in $S$
- $\delta(R)$ converts the bag $R$ into a set - SQL's R UNION $S$ is really $\delta(R \cup S)$
- Example: Let $R=\{A, B, B\}$ and $S=\{C, A, B, C\}$.Describe the union, intersection and difference...


## Extended Projection

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- project $\pi_{\mathrm{A}}, \mathrm{A}$ is attribute list
- The attribute list may include $x \rightarrow y$ in the list $A$ to indicate
$\qquad$ that the attribute $x$ is renamed to $y$
- Arithmetic, string operators and scalar functions on attributes are allowed. For example,
- $a+b \rightarrow x$ means that the sum of $a$ and $b$ is renamed into $x$.
- $c \| d \rightarrow y$ concatenates the result of $c$ and $d$ into a new attribute named $y$
- The result is computed by considering each tuple in turn and constructing a new tuple by picking the attributes names in $A$ and applying renamings and arithmetic and string operators
- Example:


## Products and Joins

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- Product of $R$ and $S(R \times S)$ :
- If an attribute named $a$ is found in both schemas then rename one column into R.a and the other into S.a
- If a tuple $r$ is found $n$ times in $R$ and a tuple $s$ is found $m$ times in $S$ then the product contains $n m$ instances of the tuple $r$ s $\qquad$
- Joins
- Natural Join $R \bowtie S=\pi_{A} \sigma_{C}(R \times S)$ where $\qquad$
- $C$ is a condition that equates all common attributes
- $A$ is the concatenated list of attributes of $R$ and $S$ with no duplicates
- you may view tha above as a rewriting rule
- Theta Join
- arbitrary condition involving multiple attributes



## Sorting and Lists

- SQL and algebra results are ordered
- Could be non-deterministic or dictated by SQL ORDER BY, algebra т $\qquad$
- TOrderByList
- A result of an algebraic expression o(exp) $\qquad$ is ordered if
- If $o$ is a $T$ $\qquad$
- If o retains ordering of exp and exp is ordered
- Unfortunately this depends on implementation of o $\qquad$
- If o creates ordering
- Consider that leaf of tree may be $\operatorname{SCAN}(\mathrm{R})$

| Relational algebra optimization |
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| - Transformation rules |
| (preserve equivalence) |
| - A quick tour |
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# Algebraic Rewritings: <br> Commutativity and Associativity <br>  

Question 1: Do the above hold for both sets and bags? Question 2: Do commutativity and associativity hold for arbitrary Theta Joins?

## Algebraic Rewritings:

Commutativity and Associativity (2)


Question 1: Do the above hold for both sets and bags? Question 2: Is difference commutative and associative?


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Exercise: Do the rule for intersection


| Rules: $\pi, \sigma$ combined |
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| Let $x=$ subset of $R$ attributes |
| $z=$attributes in predicate $P$ <br> (subset of $R$ attributes) |
| $\pi_{x[ }\left[\sigma_{p}(R)\right]=\pi_{x}\left\{\sigma_{p}\left[\pi_{x z}(R)\right]\right\}$ |
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## Pushing Simple Projections Thru Binary Operators

A projection is simple if it only consists of an attribute list



Union

Question 1: Does the above hold for both bags and sets?
Question 2: Can projection be pushed below
intersection and difference?
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Answer for both bags and sets.


Exercise: Write the rewriting rule that pushes projection below theta join.

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Derived Rules: $\sigma+\bowtie$ combined

More Rules can be Derived:
$\sigma_{p \wedge q}(R \bowtie S)=$
$\sigma_{\text {p^q^m }}(R \bowtie S)=$
$\sigma_{\mathrm{pvq}}(R \bowtie S)=$
$\mathbf{p}$ only at $\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{q}$ only at $\mathbf{S}, \mathbf{m}$ at both $\mathbf{R}$ and $\mathbf{S}$
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$-->$ Derivation for first one:
$\sigma_{p \wedge q}(R \bowtie S)=$
$\sigma_{p}\left[\sigma_{q}(R \bowtie S)\right]=$
$\sigma_{p}\left[R \bowtie \sigma_{q}(S)\right]=$
$\left[\sigma_{p}(R)\right] \bowtie\left[\sigma_{q}(S)\right]$

Which are always "good" transformations?
$\square \sigma_{\mathrm{p} 1 \wedge \mathrm{p} 2}(\mathrm{R}) \rightarrow \mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{p} 1}\left[\mathrm{O}_{\mathrm{p} 2}(\mathrm{R})\right]$
$\square \sigma_{p}(R \bowtie S) \rightarrow\left[\sigma_{p}(R)\right] \bowtie S$
$\square R \bowtie S \rightarrow S \bowtie R$
$\square \pi_{x}\left[\sigma_{p}(R)\right] \rightarrow \pi_{x}\left\{\sigma_{p}\left[\pi_{x z}(R)\right]\right\}$

## In textbook: more transformations

- Eliminate common sub-expressions
- Other operations: duplicate elimination
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## Bottom line:

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- No transformation is always good at the I.q.p level
- Usually good
- early selections
- elimination of cartesian products
- elimination of redundant subexpressions
- Many transformations lead to "promising" plans
- Commuting/rearranging joins
- In practice too "combinatorially explosive" to be handled as rewriting of I.q.p.


## Algorithms tor Relational <br> Algebra Operators

- Three primary techniques
- Sorting
- Hashing
- Indexing
- Three degrees of difficulty
- data small enough to fit in memory
- too large to fit in main memory but small enough to be handled by a "two-pass" algorithm
- so large that "two-pass" methods have to be generalized to "multi-pass" methods (quite unlikely nowadays)

| The dominant cost of operators running |
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| on disk: |
| - Count \# of disk blocks that must be read |
| (or written) to execute query plan |
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## Clustering index

Index that allows tuples to be read in an order that corresponds to a sort order $\qquad$

$\xrightarrow{\text { index }}>$| $A$ |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| 10 |  |
| 15 |  |
| 17 |  |
| 19 |  |
| 35 |  |
| 37 |  | $\qquad$

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| Clustering can radically change cost |
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| - Clustered relation |
| R1 R2 R3 R4 |
| - Clustering index R7 R8 |
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| Example <br> First we will see main memory-based <br> implementations <br>  <br>  <br>  $\mathrm{R}^{\text {over common attribute } \mathrm{C}}$ |
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- Iteration join (conceptually - without taking into account disk block issues)
- For each tuple of left argument, re-scan the right argument
for each $r \in R 1$ do for each $s \in R 2$ do
if $r . C=s . C$ then output $r, s$ pair

Also called "nested loop join" in some databases (eg Postgres) $\qquad$

Join with index (Conceptually)

- alike iteration join but right relation $\qquad$ accessed with index
For each $r \in$ R1 do $\quad$ Assume R2.C index
[ $\mathrm{X} \leftarrow$ index (R2, C, r.C) for each $s \in X$ do output $r, s$ pair]
Note: $\mathrm{X} \leftarrow$ index(rel, attr, value) then $X=$ set of rel tuples with attr $=$ value
- Merge join (conceptually)
(1) if R1 and R2 not sorted, sort them $\qquad$
(2) $\mathrm{i} \leftarrow 1$; $\mathrm{j} \leftarrow 1$;

While $(\mathrm{i} \leq T(R 1)) \wedge(j \leq T(R 2))$ do $\qquad$ if $R 1\{i\} . C=R 2\{j\} . C$ then outputTuples else if $R 1\{i\} . C>R 2\{j\} . C$ then $j \leftarrow j+1$ $\qquad$ else if $R 1\{i\} . C<R 2\{j\} . C$ then $i \leftarrow i+1$

## Procedure Output-Tuples

While (R1\{i\}.C = R2\{j\}.C) $\wedge(i \leq T(R 1)) d o$ $\qquad$ $[\mathrm{jj} \leftarrow \mathrm{j}$;
while $(R 1\{i\} . C=R 2\{j j\} . C) \wedge(j j \leq T(R 2))$ do [output pair R1 $\{\mathrm{i}\}, \mathrm{R} 2\{\mathrm{jj}$;
$\mathrm{jj} \leftarrow \mathrm{j}+1$ ]
$\mathrm{i} \leftarrow \mathrm{i}+1 \mathrm{l}$ $\qquad$
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| Example |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| i | R1\{i\}.C | R2\{j\}.C | j |
| 1 | 10 | 5 | 1 |
| 2 | 20 | 20 | 2 |
| 3 | 20 | 20 | 3 |
| 4 | 30 | 30 | 4 |
| 5 | 40 | 30 | 5 |
|  |  | 50 | 6 |
|  |  | 52 | 7 |

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- Hash join, hashing both sides (conceptual)
- Hash function $h$, range $0 \rightarrow k$
- Buckets for R1: G0, G1, ... Gk $\qquad$
- Buckets for R2: H0, H1, .. Hk

Algorithm
(1) Hash R1 tuples into G buckets
(2) Hash R2 tuples into H buckets $\qquad$
(3) For $\mathrm{i}=0$ to k do match tuples in Gi , Hi buckets

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## Variation: Hash one side only

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Algorithm
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(1) Hash R1 tuples into G buckets $\qquad$
(2) For each tuple r2 or R2 find $i=h a s h(r 2)$ $\qquad$
match r2 with tuples in Gi

What's the benefit in hashing both sides?
Wait till we discuss hash joins on secondary storage..

## Disk-oriented Cost Model

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- There are $M$ main memory buffers.
- Each buffer has the size of a disk block
- The input relation is read one block at a time.
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- The cost is the number of blocks read.
- (Applicable to Hard Disks:) If $B$ consecutive $\qquad$ blocks are read the cost is $B / d$.
- The output buffers are not part of the $M$ buffers $\qquad$ mentioned above.
- Pipelining allows the output buffers of an operator $\qquad$ to be the input of the next one.
- We do not count the cost of writing the output.


## Notation

- $B(R)=$ number of blocks that $R$ occupies
- $T(R)=$ number of tuples of $R$
- $V\left(R,\left[a_{1}, a_{2}, \ldots, a_{n}\right]\right)=$ number of distinct tuples in the projection of $R$ on $a_{1}, a_{2}, \ldots$, $a_{n}$


## One-Pass Main Memory <br> Algorithms for Unary Operators

- Assumption: Enough memory to keep the relation $\qquad$
- Projection and selection:
- Scan the input relation $R$ and apply operator one tuple at a time
- Incremental cost of "on the fly" operators is 0 $\qquad$
- Duplicate elimination and aggregation
- create one entry for each group and compute the aggregated value of the group
- it becomes hard to assume that CPU cost is negligible
- main memory data structures are needed
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## One-Pass Nested Loop Join

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- Assume $B(R)$ is less than $M$
- Tuples of $R$ should be stored in an efficient lookup structure $\qquad$
- Exercise: Find the cost of the algorithm below
for each block $B r$ of $R$ do
store tuples of Br in main memory
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for each each block $B s$ of $S$ do
for each tuple $s$ of Bs
join tuples of $s$ with matching tuples of $R$

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A variation where the inner side is organized into a hash (hash join in some databases)
for each block Br of R do
store tuples of Br in main memory
hash buckets G1,..., Gn
for each each block Bs of \(S\) do
for each tuple \(s\) of Bs
find h=hash(s)
join s with matching tuples in Gh
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Generalization of Nested-Loops $\qquad$
for each chunk of $M-1$ blocks Br of R do
$\qquad$ store tuples of Br in main memory
for each each block Bs of $S$ do
for each tuple s of Bs

Exercise: Compute cost

## Simple Sort-Merge Join

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- Assume natural join on $C$
- Sort $R$ on $C$ using the twophase multiway merge sort
- if not already sorted
- Sort $S$ on $C$
- Merge (opposite side)
- assume two pointers Pr, Ps to tuples on disk, initially pointing a the start
- sets $R^{\prime}, S^{\prime}$ in memory
- Remarks:
- Very low average memory
requirement during merging (but
no guarantee on how much is
needed)
while Pr!=EOF and Ps!=EOF if $\operatorname{Pr}[\mathrm{C}]={ }^{*} \mathrm{Ps}[\mathrm{C}]$
do_cart_prod (Pr, Ps)
else if $* \operatorname{Pr}[C]>* P s[C]$ Ps++
else if *Ps[C] $>* \operatorname{Pr}[C]$ Pr++
function do_cart_prod( $\mathrm{Pr}, \mathrm{Ps}$ ) val=* $\operatorname{Pr}[\mathrm{C}]$
while *Pr[C]==val
store tuple $* \mathrm{Pr}$ in set $\mathrm{R}^{\prime}$ while *Ps[C]==val
store tuple *Ps in set $\mathrm{S}^{\prime}$ output cartesian product of $R^{\prime}$ and $S^{\prime}$ needed)
- Cost:
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## Efficient Sort-Merge Join

- Idea: Save two disk I/O's per block by combining the second pass of sorting with the "merge".
- Step 1: Create sorted sublists of size $M$ for $R$ and $S$
- Step 2: Bring the first block of each sublist to a buffer
- assume no more than $M$ sublists in all
- Step 3:Repeatedly find the least $C$ value $c$ among the first tuples of each sublist. Identify all tuples with join value $c$ and join them.
- When a buffer has no more tuple that has not already been considered load another block into this buffer.



## Sort and Merge Join are typically separate operators

- Modularity
- The sorting needed by join is no different than the sorting needed by ORDER BY
- May be only one side or no side needs sorting


## Two-Pass Hash-Based Algorithms

- General Idea: Hash the tuples of the input arguments in such a way that all tuples that must be considered together will have hashed to the same hash value.
- If there are $M$ buffers pick $M-1$ as the number of hash buckets
- Example: Duplicate Elimination
- Phase 1: Hash each tuple of each input block into one of the $M-1$ bucket/buffers. When a buffer fills save to disk.
- Phase 2: For each bucket:
- load the bucket in main memory,
- treat the bucket as a small relation and eliminate duplicates
- save the bucket back to disk.
- Catch: Each bucket has to be less than M.
- Cost:


## Hash-Join Algorithms

- Assuming natural join, use a hash function that
- is the same for both input arguments $R$ and $S$
- uses only the join attributes
- Phase 1: Hash each tuple of $R$ into one of the $M-1$ buckets $R_{i}$ and similar each tuple of $S$ into one of $S_{i}$
- Phase 2: For $i=1 \ldots M-1$
- load $R_{i}$ and $S_{i}$ in memory
- join them and save result to disk
- Question: What is the maximum size of buckets?
- Question: Does hashing maintain sorting?


## Index-Based Join: The Simplest Version

Assume that we do natural join of $R(A, B)$ and $S(B, C)$ and there's an index on $S$
for each Br in R do
for each tuple $r$ of $B r$ with $B$ value $b$
use index of S to find
tuples $\left\{s_{1}, s_{2}, \ldots, s_{n}\right\}$ of $S$ with
$B=b$
output $\left\{r \boldsymbol{s}_{1} R^{r} \boldsymbol{s}_{2}, \ldots, r s_{n}\right\}$
Cost: Assuming $R^{\prime}$ is clustered and non-sorted and the index on $S$ is clustered on $B$ then
$B(R)+T(R) B(S) / V(S, B)+$ some more for reading index Question: What is the cost if $R$ is sorted?

## Reading the plan that was chosen by the database (EXPLAIN)

EXPLAIN SELECT s.pid, s.first_name, s.last_name, e.credits FROM students s, enrollment e WHERE s.id = e.student AND e.class $=1$;

| Data Output Explain Messages History |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | QUERY PLAN

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1 maah Join (costol, 07, , 2, 17 roxse3 widthole0) 2
$\mathbf{3}$$\quad \rightarrow$ Hash Cond: $(\mathrm{e}$. student $=$ s.id)
$5 \quad \rightarrow$ Bash (cost-1.03..1.03 rows $=3$ width $=100$ )
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| Notes on physical operators of |
| Postgres and other databases |
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$\sigma_{c} \mathbf{R}$ turns into single operator

- Sequential Scan with filter c $\qquad$
Seq Scan on R
Filter: (c)
- Index Scan

Index Scan using <index> on R
Index Cond: (c)
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## Steps of joins, aggregations broken into fine granularity operators

- No sort-merge: Separate sort and merge
- Hash join has separate operation creating hash table and separate operation doing the looping
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## Sorting

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- Sorting may be accomplished using index
- Rarely wins 2-phase sort if table is not clustered and is much bigger than memory
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## Estimating result size

- Keep statistics for relation R
$-T(R)$ : \# tuples in R
$-S(R)$ : \# of bytes in each $R$ tuple
$-B(R)$ : \# of blocks to hold all $R$ tuples $\qquad$
$-V(R, A)$ : \# distinct values in $R$ for attribute A

| Example |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R | A | B | C | D | A: 20 byte string <br> B: 4 byte integer <br> C: 8 byte date <br> D: 5 byte string |
|  | cat | 1 | 10 | a |  |
|  | cat | 1 | 20 | b |  |
|  | dog | 1 | 30 | a |  |
|  | dog | 1 | 40 | c |  |
|  | bat | 1 | 50 | d |  |
| $T(R)=5 \quad S(R)=37$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| $V(R, A)=3$ |  |  |  | $V(\mathrm{R}, \mathrm{C})=5$ |  |
| $V(R, B)=1$ |  |  |  | $V(R, D)=4$ |  |

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$T(R)=5 \quad S(R)=37$
$V(R, A)=3 \quad V(R, C)=5$
$V(R, B)=1 \quad V(R, D)=4$
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$\qquad$
Size estimates for $W=R 1 \times R 2$
$T(W)=T(R 1) \times T(R 2)$
$S(W)=\quad S(R 1)+S(R 2)$

| Size estimate for $W=\sigma_{z=\text { val }}(R)$ |
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| $S(W)=S(R)$ |
| $T(W)=?$ |
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| Example |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R | A | C | D | $\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{R}, \mathrm{A})=3$ |
|  | cat | 10 | a | $V(R, B)=1$ |
|  | cat | 20 | b | $V(R, C)=5$ |
|  | dog | 30 | a |  |
|  | dog | 40 | c | $V(\mathrm{R}, \mathrm{D})=4$ |
|  | bat | 50 | d |  |
| $W=\sigma_{z=\text { val }}(\mathrm{R})$ |  |  |  |  |

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$W=\sigma_{z=\text { val }}(R) \quad T(W)=\frac{T(R)}{V(R, Z)}$ $\qquad$
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What about $W=\sigma_{z \geq \text { val }}(R)$ ?

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T(W)=?
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- Solution \# 1 :
$T(W)=T(R) / 2$
- Solution \# 2:
$T(W)=T(R) / 3$
- Solution \# 3: Estimate values in range $\qquad$

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$f=\underline{20-15+1}=\underline{6} \quad$ (fraction of range)
$20-1+1 \quad 20$
$T(W)=f \times T(R)$

| Equivalently: |
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| $f \times V(R, Z)=$ fraction of distinct values |
| $T(W)=[f \times V(Z, R)] \times \frac{T(R)}{}=f \times T(R)$ |
| $V(Z, R)$ |
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Size estimate for $W=R 1 \bowtie R 2$
Let $x=$ attributes of R1 $y=$ attributes of R2 $\qquad$

Case $1 \quad X \cap Y=\varnothing$
Same as R1 x R2

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Case } 2 \quad \mathrm{~W}=\mathrm{R} 1 \bowtie \mathrm{R} 2 \quad \mathrm{X} \cap \mathrm{Y}=\mathrm{A} \\
& \begin{array}{l|l|l|l|}
\mathrm{R} 1 & \mathrm{~A} & \mathrm{~B} & \mathrm{C} \\
& & &
\end{array} \\
& \begin{array}{l|l|l|}
\text { R2 } & \text { A } & \mathrm{D} \\
& &
\end{array}
\end{aligned}
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Assumption:
$\Pi_{A} R 1 \subseteq \Pi_{A} R 2 \Rightarrow$ Every A value in $R 1$ is in $R 2$ (typically A of R1 is foreign key of the primary key of $A$ of $R 2$ )
$\Pi_{A} R 2 \subseteq \Pi_{A} R 1 \Rightarrow$ Every $A$ value in $R 2$ is in $R 1$ "containment of value sets" (justified by primary key - foreign key relationship)
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## Computing T(W) when A of R1 is the

 foreign key $\Pi_{A} R 1 \subseteq \Pi_{A} R 2$
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1 tuple of R1 matches with exactly 1 tuple $\qquad$ of R2
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so $\quad T(W)=T(R 1)$
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• $V(R 1, A) \leq V(R 2, A) \quad T(W)=\frac{T(R 2) T(R 1)}{V(R 2, A)}$
$\cdot V(R 2, A) \leq V(R 1, A) \quad T(W)=\frac{T(R 2) T(R 1)}{V(R 1, A)}$
$[A$ is common attribute]
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In general $W=R 1 \bowtie R 2$
$\mathrm{~T}(\mathrm{~W})=\frac{\mathrm{T}(\mathrm{R} 2) \mathrm{T}(\mathrm{R} 1)}{\max \{\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{R} 1, \mathrm{~A}), \mathrm{V}(\mathrm{R} 2, \mathrm{~A})\}}$
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| Combining estimates on subexpressions: <br> Value preservation |  |
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| $R(A, C)$ $S(A, B)$ <br> $T(R)=10^{3}$ $T T(S)=10^{2}$ <br> $V(A, R)=10{ }^{2}$ $V(A, S)=50$ <br> $V(C, R)=10^{2}$  |  |
| $T(R \bowtie S)=$ <br> $T(R) \times T(S) / \max (V(A, R), V(A, S))=10^{2}$ <br> $V(C, R \bowtie S)=10^{2} \quad$ (Big) assumption: <br> $T($ Result $)=T(R \bowtie S) / V(C, R \bowtie S)=1$ |  |

Value preservation may have to be pushed to a
Weird assumption (but there's logic behind it!)


## If in doubt, think in terms of probabilities and matching records

- A SID of Student appears in CSEEnroll with probability 1000/20000 - i.e., $5 \%$ of students are enrolled in CSE
- A SID of Student appears in Honors with probability 500/20000 - i.e., $2.5 \%$ of students are honors students
=> An SID of Student appears in the join result with probability $5 \% \times 2.5 \%$
- On the average, each SID of CSEEnroll appears in 10,000/1,000 tuples
- i.e., each CSE-enrolled student has 10 enrollments
- On the average, each SID of Honors appears in $5,000 / 500$ tuples
- i.e., each honors' student has 10 honors
$\Rightarrow$ Each Student SID that is in both Honors and CSEEnroll is in $10 \times 10$ result tuples $\Rightarrow \mathrm{T}$ (result $)=20,000 \times 5 \% \times 2.5 \% \times 10 \times 10=2,500$ tuples

|  |  | Honors (HID, SID, ...) |
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| Stud | T (Students) $=20,000$ | T (Students) $=5,000$ |
| V(SID, Students) $=1,000$ | V(SID, Students) $=20,000$ | V(SID, Students) $=500$ |
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## Plan Enumeration: Yet another source of suboptimalities

Not all possible equivalent plans are generated

- Possible rewritings may not happen
- Join sequences of $n$ tables lead to \#plans that is exponential in $n$
- Eg, Postgres comes with a default exhaustive search for up to 12 joins
Morale: The plan you have in mind have not been considered


## Arranging the Join Order: the WongYoussefi algorithm (INGRES)

## Sample TPC-H Schema

Nation (NationKey, NName)
Customer (CustKey, CName, NationKey) Order (OrderKey, CustKey, Status) Lineitem (OrderKey, PartKey, Quantity) $\begin{gathered}\text { names of } \\ \text { suppliers that }\end{gathered}$ Product(SuppKey, PartKey, PName) Supplier(SuppKey, SName) sell a product
 of an order

## SELECT SName

FROM Nation, Customer, Order, Lineltem, Product, Supplie WHERE Nation.NationKey = Cuctomer.NationKey AND Customer.CustKey = Order.CustKey AND Order.OrderKey=Lineltem.OrderKey AND Lineltem.PartKey= Product.Partkey AND Product.Suppkey = Supplier.SuppKey AND NName = "Canada"


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## Wong-Yussefi algorithm assumptions and objectives

- Assumption 1 (weak): Indexes on all join attributes (keys and foreign keys)
- Assumption 2 (strong): At least one selection creates a small relation
- A join with a small relation results in a small relation
- Objective: Create sequence of indexbased joins such that all intermediate results are small

- two hyperedges for same relation are possible
each node is an attribute
- can extend for non-natural equality joins by merging nodes

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## The basic dynamic programming approach to enumerating plans

for each sub-expression
$o p\left(e_{1} e_{2} \ldots e_{n}\right)$ of a logical plan

- (recursively) compute the best plan and cost for each subexpression $e_{i}$
- for each physical operator op ${ }^{p}$ implementing op
- evaluate the cost of computing op using op ${ }^{p}$ and the best plan for each subexpression $e_{i}$
- (for faster search) memo the best op ${ }^{p}$


## Local suboptimality of basic approach and the Selinger improvement

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- Basic dynamic programming may lead to (globally)
$\qquad$ suboptimal solutions
- Reason: A suboptimal plan for $e_{1}$ may lead to the optimal plan for op $\left(e_{1} e_{2} \ldots e_{n}\right)$
- Eg, consider $e_{1} \backslash_{A} \backslash e_{2}$ and
- assume that the optimal computation of $e_{1}$ produces unsorted result
- Optimal $\searrow$ is via sort-merge join on $A$
- It could have paid off to consider the suboptimal computation of $e_{1}$ that produces result sorted on A
- Selinger improvement: memo also any plan (that computes a subexpression) and produces an order that may be of use to ancestor operators


## Using dynamic programming to optimize a join expression

- Goal: Decide the join order and join methods
- Initiate with n-ary join $\bowtie_{C}\left(e_{1} e_{2} \ldots e_{n}\right)$, where $c$ involves only join conditions
- Bottom up: consider 2-way non-trivial joins, then 3-way non-trivial joins etc - "non trivial" -> no cartesian product


## Summary

We learned

- how a database processes a query
- how to read the plan the database chose
- Including size and cost estimates

Back to action:

- Choosing Indices, with our knowledge of cost with and without indices
- What if the database cannot find the best plan?

