# Query Operators 

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## Query Optimization

--> Generating and comparing plans


## To generate plans consider:

- Transforming relational algebra expression (e.g. order of joins)
- Use of existing indexes
- Building indexes or sorting on the fly
- Implementation details: e.g. - Join algorithm
- Memory management
- Parallel processing


## Estimating IOs:

- Count \# of disk blocks that must be read (or written) to execute query plan


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HT(i) = \# levels in index i
LB(i) = \# of leaf blocks in index i

## Clustering index

Index that allows tuples to be read in an order that corresponds to physical order


## Notions of clustering

- Clustered file organization
R1 R2 S1 S2 R3 R4 S3 S4
- Clustered relation
R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R5 R7 R8
- Clustering index


## Example $\quad \mathrm{R} 1 \bowtie \mathrm{R} 2$ over common attribute C

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$\rightarrow$ Metric: \# of IOs
(ignoring writing of result)

## Caution!

This may not be the best way to compare

- ignoring CPU costs
- ignoring timing
- ignoring double buffering requirements


## Options

- Transformations: R1 $\bowtie$ R2, R2 $\bowtie$ R1
- Joint algorithms:
- Iteration (nested loops)
- Merge join
- Join with index
- Hash join
- Iteration join (conceptually) for each $r \in R 1$ do for each $s \in R 2$ do if r.C = s.C then output r,s pair
- Merge join (conceptually)
(1) if R1 and R2 not sorted, sort them
(2) $\mathrm{i} \leftarrow 1$; $\mathrm{j} \leftarrow 1$;

While ( $\mathrm{i} \leq \mathrm{T}(\mathrm{R} 1)$ ) ^( $\mathrm{j} \leq \mathrm{T}(\mathrm{R} 2)$ ) do
if $\operatorname{R1}\{\mathrm{i}\} . C=R 2\{\mathrm{j}\} . \mathrm{C}$ then outputTuples else if $\operatorname{R1}\{\mathrm{i}\} . \mathrm{C}>\mathrm{R} 2\{\mathrm{j}\} . \mathrm{C}$ then $\mathrm{j} \leftarrow \mathrm{j}+1$ else if $\operatorname{R1}\{\mathrm{i}\} . \mathrm{C}<\mathrm{R} 2\{\mathrm{j}\} . \mathrm{C}$ then $\mathrm{i} \leftarrow \mathrm{i}+1$

## Procedure Output-Tuples

While ( $\mathrm{R} 1\{\mathrm{i}\} . \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{R} 2\{\mathrm{j}\} . \mathrm{C}) \wedge(\mathrm{i} \leq \mathrm{T}(\mathrm{R} 1)) \mathrm{do}$

## $[\mathrm{jj} \leftarrow \mathrm{j} ;$

while ( $R 1\{\mathrm{i}\} . C=R 2\{\mathrm{jj}\} . C) \wedge(\mathrm{jj} \leq \mathrm{T}(\mathrm{R} 2))$ do [output pair R1\{ i \}, R2\{ jj \};

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\mathrm{jj} \leftarrow \mathrm{jj}+1 \quad]
$$

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## Example

| i | R1 $\{\mathrm{i}\} . C$ | 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 |

## - Join with index (Conceptually)

For each $r \in R 1$ do
[ $\mathrm{X} \leftarrow$ index (R2, C, r.C) for each $s \in X$ do output r,s pair]

Note: $X \leftarrow$ index(rel, attr, value)
then $\mathrm{X}=$ set of rel tuples with attr $=$ value

- Hash join (conceptual)
- Hash function h , range $0 \rightarrow \mathrm{k}$
- Buckets for R1: G0, G1, ... Gk
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Algorithm
(1) Hash R1 tuples into G buckets
(2) Hash R2 tuples into H buckets
(3) For $\mathrm{i}=0$ to k do
match tuples in Gi , Hi buckets

## Simple example hash: even/odd

| R1 | R2 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | 5 |
| 4 | 4 |
| 3 | 12 |
| 5 | 12 |
| 8 | 13 |
| 9 | 13 |
|  | 8 |
|  | 11 |
|  | 14 |

## Buckets


Odd:

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359
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531311

## Factors that affect performance

(1) Tuples of relation stored physically together?
(2) Relations sorted by join attribute?
(3) Indexes exist?

## Example 1(a) Iteration Join R1 $\bowtie$ R2

- Relations not contiguous
- Recall $\left\{\begin{array}{l}T(R 1)=10,000 \quad T(R 2)=5,000 \\ S(R 1)=S(R 2)=1 / 10 \text { block } \\ M\end{array}\right.$

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Cost: for each R1 tuple:
[Read tuple + Read R2]
Total $=10,000[1+5000]=50,010,000 \mathrm{IOs}$

## - Can we do better?

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Use our memory
(1) Read 100 blocks of R1
(2) Read all of R2 (using 1 block) + join
(3) Repeat until done

Cost: for each R1 chunk: Read chunk: 1000 IOs
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## Total $=\frac{10,000}{1,000} \times 6000=60,000$ IOs

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- Reverse join order: R2 $\bowtie$ R1

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\text { Total }=\frac{5000}{1000} \times(1000+10,000)=
$$

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5 \times 11,000=55,000 \text { IOs }
$$

## Example 1(b) Iteration Join $\mathrm{R} 2 \bowtie \mathrm{R} 1$

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Cost
For each R2 chunk:
Read chunk: 100 IOs
Read R1: $\frac{1000}{1,100}$ IOs
Total $=5$ chunks $\times 1,100=5,500 \mathrm{IOs}$

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Total cost: Read R1 cost + read R2 cost

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=1000+500=1,500 \mathrm{IOs}
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## Example 1(d) Merge Join

- R1, R2 not ordered, but contiguous
--> Need to sort R1, R2 first.... HOW?


## One way to sort: Merge Sort

(i) For each 100 blk chunk of R:

- Read chunk
- Sort in memory
- Write to disk


## (ii) Read all chunks + merge + write out



## Cost: Sort

## Each tuple is read,written,

read, written

SO...
Sort cost R1: $4 \times 1,000=4,000$
Sort cost R2: $4 \times 500=2,000$

## Example 1(d) Merge Join (continued)

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But: Iteration cost $=5,500$ so merge joint does not pay off!

# But say R1 $=10,000$ blocks contiguous R2 $=5,000$ blocks not ordered 

# Iterate: $\frac{5000}{100} \times(100+10,000)=50 \times 10,100$ <br> $$
=505,000 \mathrm{IOs}
$$ 

Merge join: $5(10,000+5,000)=75,000$ IOs
Merge Join (with sort) WINS!

## How much memory do we need for merge sort?

## E.g: Say I have 10 memory blocks



100 chunks $\Rightarrow$ to merge, need 100 blocks!

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so... ( $\mathrm{x} / \mathrm{k}$ ) $\leq k$
or $k^{2} \geq x$ or $k \geq \sqrt{x}$

## In our example

R 1 is 1000 blocks, $\mathrm{k} \geq 31.62$
R2 is 500 blocks, $k \geq 22.36$

Need at least 32 buffers

## Can we improve on merge join?

 Hint: do we really need the fully sorted files?

## Cost of improved merge join:

$\mathrm{C}=$ Read R1 + write R1 into runs + read R2 + write R2 into runs + join
$=2000+1000+1500=4500$
--> Memory requirement?

## Example 1(e) Index Join

- Assume R1.C index exists; 2 levels
- Assume R2 contiguous, unordered
- Assume R1.C index fits in memory

Cost: Reads: 500 IOs for each R2 tuple:

- probe index - free
- if match, read R1 tuple: 1 IO

What is expected \# of matching
tuples?
(a) say R1.C is key, R2.C is foreign key then expect $=1$
(b) say $V(R 1, C)=5000, T(R 1)=10,000$ with uniform assumption expect $=10,000 / 5,000=2$

What is expected \# of matching
tuples?
(c) Say $\operatorname{DOM}(R 1, C)=1,000,000$

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T(R 1)=10,000
$$

with alternate assumption

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\text { Expect }=\frac{10,000}{1,000,000}=\frac{1}{100}
$$

## Total cost with index join

(a) Total cost $=500+5000(1) 1=5,500$
(b) Total cost $=500+5000(2) 1=10,500$
(c) Total cost $=500+5000(1 / 100) 1=550$

## What if index does not fit in memory?

## Example: say R1.C index is 201 blocks

- Keep root + 99 leaf nodes in memory
- Expected cost of each probe is

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E=(0) \frac{99}{200}+(1) \frac{101}{200} \approx 0.5
$$

## Total cost (including probes)

## $=500+5000$ [Probe + get records] <br> $=500+5000[0.5+2] \quad$ uniform assumption <br> $=500+12,500=13,000 \quad$ (case b)

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For case (c):
$=500+5000[0.5 \times 1+(1 / 100) \times 1]$
$=500+2500+50=3050$ IOs

## So far




## Example 1(f) Hash Join

- R1, R2 contiguous (un-ordered)
$\rightarrow$ Use 100 buckets
$\rightarrow$ Read R1, hash, + write buckets

-> Same for R2
-> Read one R1 bucket; build memory hash table
-> Read corresponding R2 bucket + hash probe

$\Leftrightarrow$ Then repeat for all buckets


## Cost:

## "Bucketize:" Read R1 + write

 Read R2 + write
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Note: this is an approximation since buckets will vary in size and we have to round up to blocks

## Minimum memory requirements:

Size of R1 bucket $=(\mathrm{x} / \mathrm{k})$
$\mathrm{k}=$ number of memory buffers
$\mathrm{x}=$ number of R1 blocks
So... ( $x / k$ ) < k
$k>\sqrt{x}$
need: $k+1$ total memory buffers

## Trick: keep some buckets in memory

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\begin{gathered}
\text { E.g., } k^{\prime}=33 \begin{array}{c}
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## called hybrid hash-join

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[^0]Next: Bucketize R2

- R2 buckets =500/33= 16 blocks
- Two of the R2 buckets joined immediately with $\mathrm{G} 0, \mathrm{G} 1$



## Finally: Join remaining buckets

- for each bucket pair:
- read one of the buckets into memory
- join with second bucket
memory



## Cost

- Bucketize R1 = 1000+31×31=1961
- To bucketize R2, only write 31 buckets: so, cost $=500+31 \times 16=996$
- To compare join (2 buckets already done) read $31 \times 31+31 \times 16=1457$
$\underline{\text { Total cost }}=1961+996+1457=4414$


## - How many buckets in memory?


?

- See textbook for answer...


## Another hash join trick:

- Only write into buckets <val,ptr> pairs
- When we get a match in join phase, must fetch tuples
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Total cost $=$ Read R2:
Read R1:
Get tuples:
500
1000
100
1600


## So far:

| Iterate | 5500 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Merge join | 1500 |
| Sort+merge joint | 7500 |
| R1.C index | $5500 \rightarrow 550$ |
| R2.C index | - |
| Build R.C index | - |
| Build S.C index | $\overline{4500+}$ |
| Bash join |  |
| with trick,R1 first | 4414 |
| with trick,R2 first | $\overline{1600}$ |
| Hash join, pointers |  |

## Summary

- Iteration ok for "small" relations (relative to memory size)
- For equi-join, where relations not sorted and no indexes exist, hash join usually best
- Sort + merge join good for non-equi-join (e.g., R1.C > R2.C)
- If relations already sorted, use merge join
- If index exists, it could be useful
(depends on expected result size)


## Join strategies for parallel processors

Later on....

## Chapter 16 [16] summary

- Relational algebra level
- Detailed query plan level
- Estimate costs
- Generate plans
- Join algorithms
- Compare costs


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