



Evaluating Relational Operators: Part II



Relational Operators

- ❖ Select
- ❖ Project
- ❖ Join
- ❖ Set operations (union, intersect, except)
- ❖ Aggregation



Example

```
SELECT *  
FROM   Reserves R, Sailor S,  
WHERE  R.sid = S.sid
```

- ❖ No indices on Sailor or Reserves

Tuple Nested Loop Join



```
foreach tuple r in R do
  foreach tuple s in S do
    if r.sid == s.sid then add <r, s> to result
```

- ❖ R is “outer” relation
- ❖ S is “inner” relation

Analysis



❖ Assume

- M pages in R, p_R tuples per page
 - $M = 1000$, $p_R = 100$
- N pages in S, p_S tuples per page Select
 - $N = 500$, $p_S = 80$

❖ Total cost = $M + p_R * M * N$

- Ignore cost of writing out result
- Same for all join methods

❖ Main problem: depends on # tuples per page

Page Nested Loop Join



```
foreach page p1 in R do
  foreach page p2 in S do
    foreach r in p1 do
      foreach s in p2 do
        if r.sid == s.sid then add <r, s> to result
```

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❖ Total cost = $M + M * N$

❖ Note: Smaller relation should be "outer"

- Better for S to be "outer" in this case!

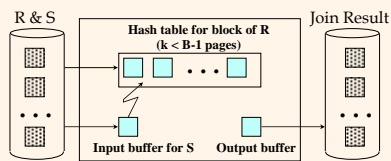
❖ Main problem: does not use all buffer pages

Block Nested Loops Join



- ❖ Use one page as an input buffer for scanning the inner S, one page as the output buffer, and use all remaining pages to hold "block" of outer R.

- For each matching tuple r in R-block, s in S-page, add $\langle r, s \rangle$ to result. Then read next R-block, scan S, etc.



Examples of Block Nested Loops



❖ Cost: Scan of outer + #outer blocks * scan of inner

- #outer blocks = $\lceil \# \text{ of pages of outer} / \text{blocksize} \rceil$

❖ With Reserves (R) as outer, and 100 page blocks:

- Cost of scanning R is 1000 I/Os; a total of 10 blocks.
- Per block of R, we scan Sailors (S); $10 * 500$ I/Os.

❖ With 100-page block of Sailors as outer:

- Cost of scanning S is 500 I/Os; a total of 5 blocks.
- Per block of S, we scan Reserves; $5 * 1000$ I/Os.

❖ With sequential reads considered, analysis changes: may be best to divide buffers evenly between R and S.

Example



```
SELECT *  
FROM   Reserves R, Sailor S,  
WHERE  R.sid = S.sid
```

❖ Hash index on Sailor.sid

Index Nested Loops Join



```
foreach tuple r in R do  
  foreach tuple s in S where ri == sj do  
    add <r, s> to result
```

- ❖ If there is an index on the join column of one relation (say S), can make it the inner and exploit the index.
 - Cost: $M + (M \cdot p_R) \cdot \text{cost of finding matching S tuples}$
- ❖ Cost of finding matching tuples depends on type of index
 - B+-tree or hash
 - Clustered or unclustered

Example



```
SELECT *  
FROM   Reserves R, Sailor S,  
WHERE  R.sid > S.sid
```

❖ B+-tree index on Sailor.sid

Example



```
SELECT *  
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```

❖ No indices on Sailor or Reserves

Sort-Merge Join



- ❖ Sort R on the join attributes
- ❖ Sort S on the join attributes
- ❖ Merge sorted relations to produce join result
 - Advance r in R until $r.sid \geq s.sid$
 - Advance s in S until $s.sid \geq r.sid$
 - If $r.sid = s.sid$
 - All R tuples with same value as $r.sid$ is *current R group*
 - All S tuples with same value as $s.sid$ is *current S group*
 - Output all $\langle rg, sg \rangle$ pairs, where rg is in current R group, sg is in current S group
 - Repeat

Example of Sort-Merge Join



<u>sid</u>	<u>sname</u>	<u>rating</u>	<u>age</u>	<u>sid</u>	<u>bid</u>	<u>day</u>	<u>rname</u>
22	dustin	7	45.0	28	103	12/4/96	guppy
28	yuppy	9	35.0	28	103	11/3/96	yuppy
31	lubber	8	55.5	31	101	10/10/96	dustin
44	guppy	5	35.0	31	102	10/12/96	lubber
58	rusty	10	35.0	31	101	10/11/96	lubber
				58	103	11/12/96	dustin

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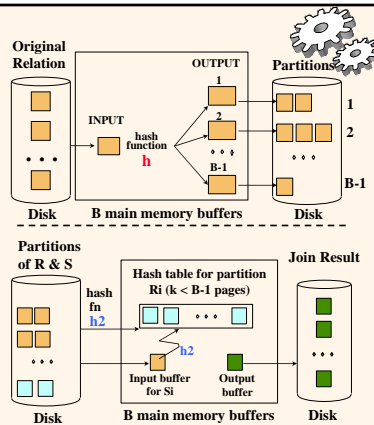
- ❖ Assume
 - M pages in R, p_R tuples per page
 - N pages in S, p_S tuples per page Select
- ❖ Total cost = $M \log M + N \log N + (M + N)$
- ❖ Note: $(M + N)$ could be $(M * N)$ in worst case
 - Unlikely!
- ❖ With 35, 100 or 300 buffer pages, both Reserves and Sailors can be sorted in 2 passes
 - Total join cost: 7500
 - Equivalent BNL cost: 2500 to 15000

Refinement of Sort-Merge Join

- ❖ We can combine the merging phases in the *sorting* of R and S with the merging required for the join.
 - Assume $B \gg \sqrt{L}$, where L is the size of larger relation
 - Use refinement that produces runs of length $2B$ in Phase 1
 - #runs of each relation is $< B/2$.
 - Allocate 1 page per run of each relation, and 'merge' while checking the join condition.
 - **Cost:** read+write each relation in Pass 0 + read each relation (only) in merging pass = $3(M + N)$
 - In example, cost goes down from 7500 to 4500 I/Os.
- ❖ In practice, cost of sort-merge join, like the cost of external sorting, is *linear*.

Hash-Join

- ❖ Partition both relations using hash fn **h**: R tuples in partition i will only match S tuples in partition i.
- ❖ Read in a partition of R, hash it using **h2** ($\neq h!$). Scan matching partition of S, search for matches.



Analysis (without recursive partitioning)



- ❖ Assumptions
 - # partitions = $B - 1$
 - $B - 2 >$ size of largest partition (to avoid partitioning again)
- ❖ Required memory
 - $M / (B - 1) < B - 2$, i.e., B must be $> \sqrt{M}$
 - M corresponds to *smaller* relation
- ❖ In partitioning phase, read+write both relns: $2(M+N)$
- ❖ In matching phase, read both relns: $M+N$
- ❖ Total cost = $3(M+N)$
- ❖ In our running example, this is a total of 4500 I/Os

Hash-Join vs. Sort-Merge Join



- ❖ Given a minimum amount of memory, both have cost of $3(M+N)$
- ❖ Benefits of hash join
 - Superior if relation sizes differ greatly
 - Highly parallelizable
- ❖ Sort merge join
 - Less sensitive to data skew
 - Result is sorted

General Join Conditions



- ❖ Equalities over several attributes (e.g., $R.sid = S.sid$ AND $R.rname = S.sname$):
 - For Index NL, build index on $\langle sid, sname \rangle$ (if S is inner); or use existing indexes on sid or $sname$.
 - For Sort-Merge and Hash Join, sort/partition on combination of the two join columns.
- ❖ Inequality conditions (e.g., $R.rname < S.sname$):
 - For Index NL, need (clustered!) B+ tree index.
 - Range probes on inner; # matches likely to be much higher than for equality joins.
 - Hash Join, Sort Merge Join not applicable.
 - Block NL quite likely to be the best join method here.

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Set Operations



- ❖ Intersection and cross-product special cases of join.
- ❖ Union (Distinct) and Except similar; we'll do union.
- ❖ Sorting based approach to union:
 - Sort both relations (on combination of all attributes).
 - Scan sorted relations and merge them.
 - *Alternative:* Merge runs from Pass 0 for *both* relations.
- ❖ Hash based approach to union:
 - Partition R and S using hash function h .
 - For each S-partition, build in-memory hash table (using $h2$), scan corr. R-partition and add tuples to table while discarding duplicates.

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Example



```
SELECT MAX(S.age)
FROM   Sailor S
```

- ❖ Sequential scan
- ❖ Index-only scan (given index on age)

Example



```
SELECT   MAX(S.age)
FROM     Sailor S
GROUP BY S.rating
```

- ❖ Sort on rating, then aggregate
- ❖ Hash on rating, then aggregate
- ❖ Index-only scan (given B+ tree index on rating, age)
