

CS 4440 A

# Emerging Database Technologies

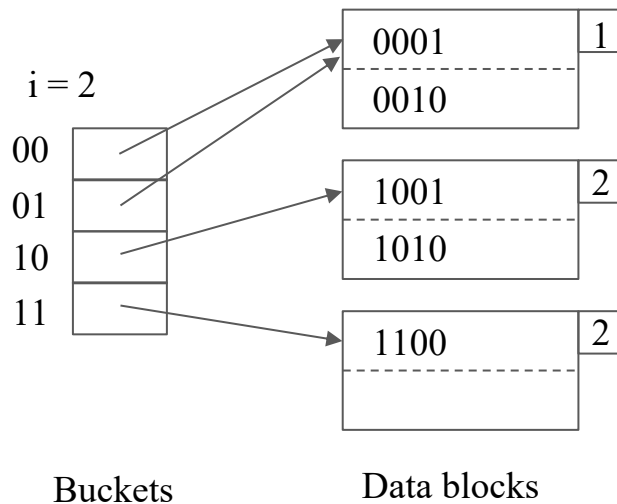
Lecture 8  
02/05/24

# Announcements

- Technology presentation group and schedule announced
  - Presentation schedule on course website
  - 7~8min per person (25 min for teams of 3, 35min for teams of 4, 40min for teams of 5)
  - Detailed instructions in Assignment 4, 5
  
- Assignment 2 (proposal draft) due this Wednesday

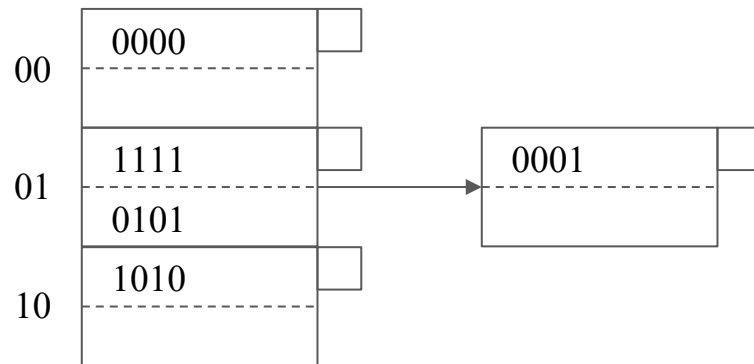
# Recap

- Static hash table
  - Linear probing hashing
  - Cuckoo hashing
- Dynamic hash table
  - Chained hashing
  - Extensible hashing
  - Linear hashing



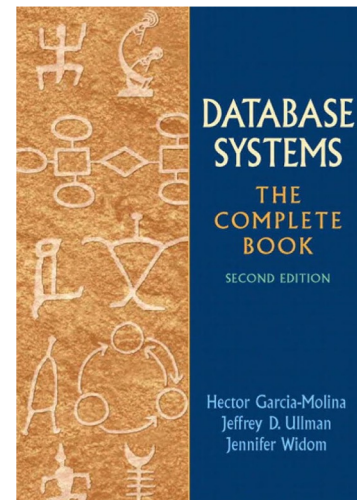
# bits used	$i = 2$
# buckets	$n = 3$
# records	$r = 5$

Policy: limit  $r \leq 1.7n$



# Reading Materials

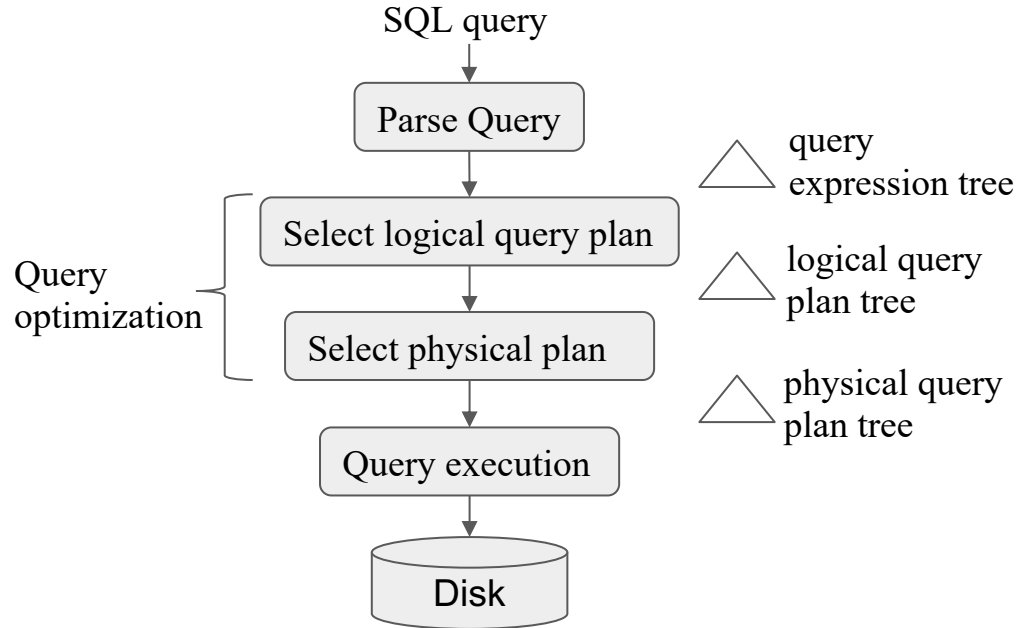
- Query execution (Chapters 15.1 - 15.6)
  - Physical operators
  - Implementing operators and estimating costs
- Query optimization (Chapters 16.1 - 16.5)
  - Parsing
  - Algebraic laws
  - Parse tree -> logical query plan
  - Estimating result sizes
  - Cost-based optimization



Acknowledgement: The following slides have been adapted from EE477 (Database and Big Data Systems) taught by Steven Whang.

# Query processor

- Group of components of a DBMS that turns user queries and data-modification commands into a sequence of database operations and executes them

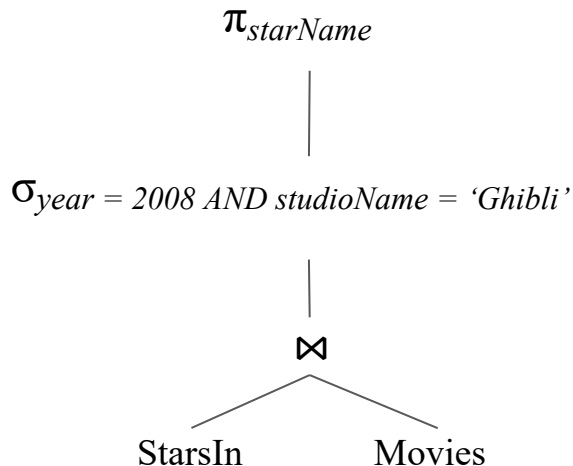


# Parse query

- SQL to relational algebra expression tree (= logical query plan)

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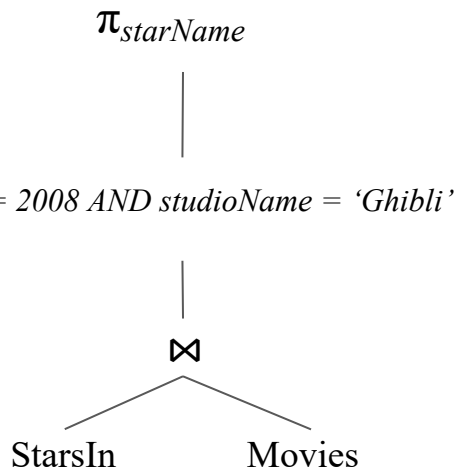
```
SELECT starName
FROM StarsIn X, Movies Y
WHERE X.title = Y.title
AND studioName = 'Ghibli'
AND year = 2008;
```



# Select logical query plan

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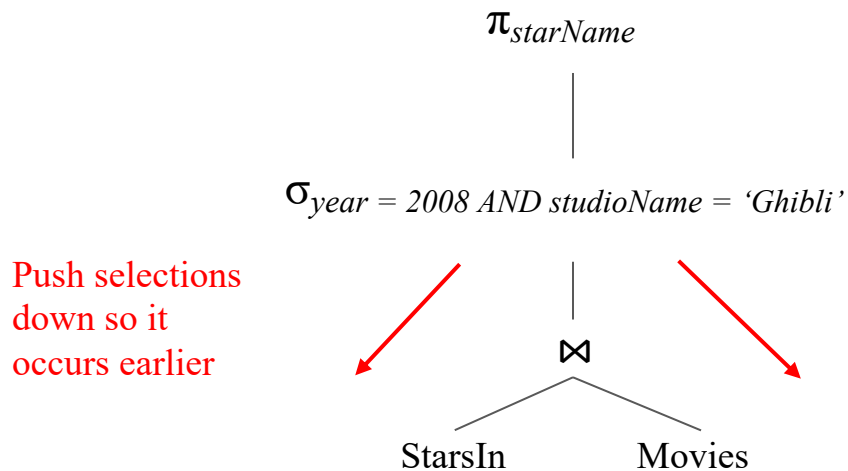


Q: How could we rewrite this query to make it run faster?

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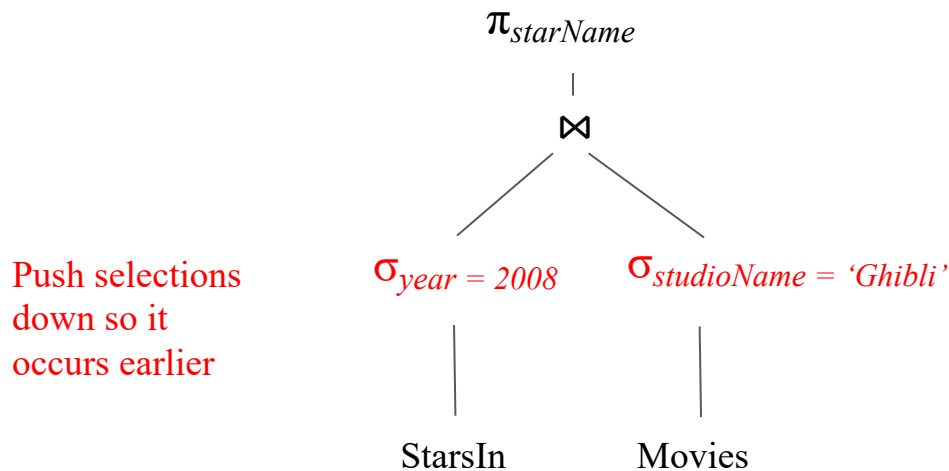




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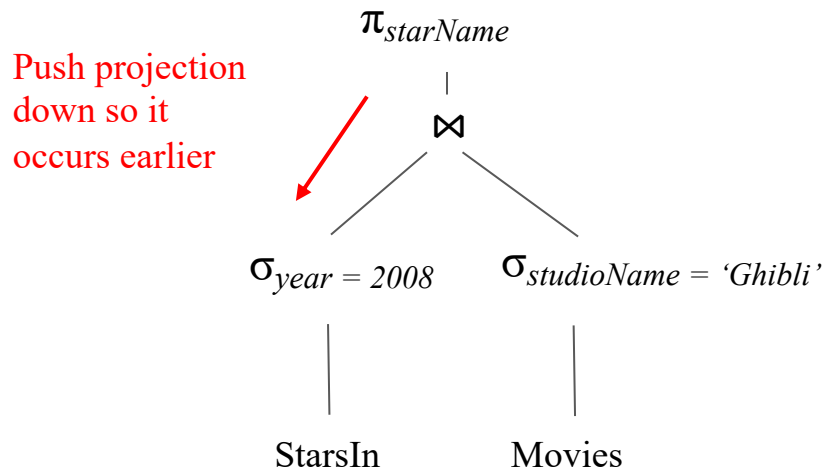
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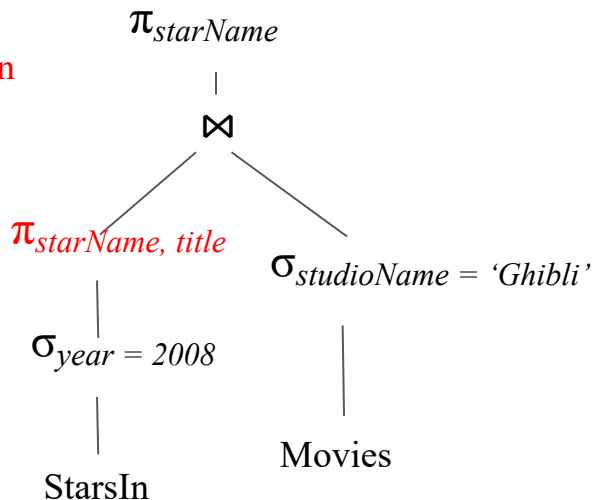


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Push projection  
down so it  
occurs earlier

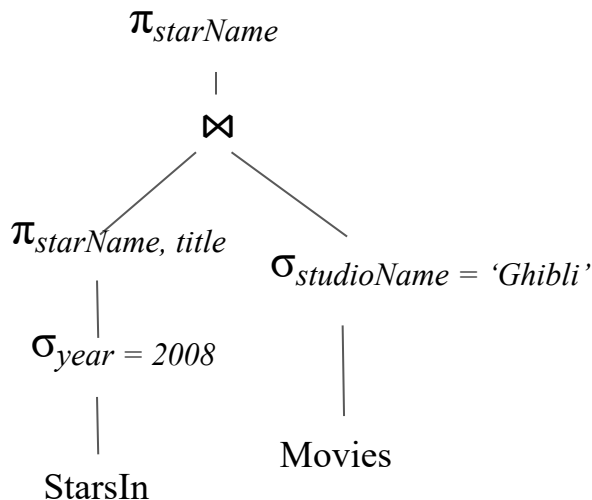


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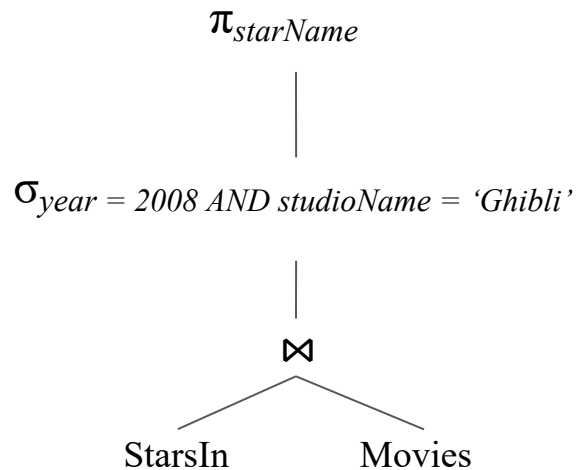
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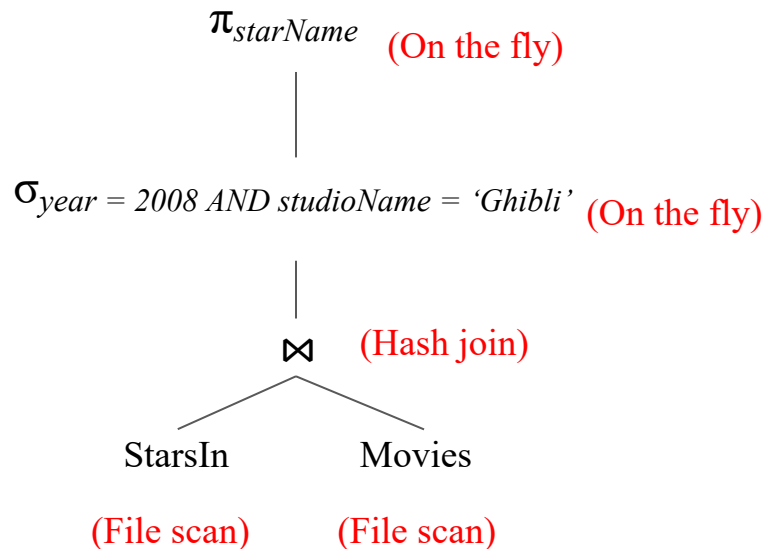
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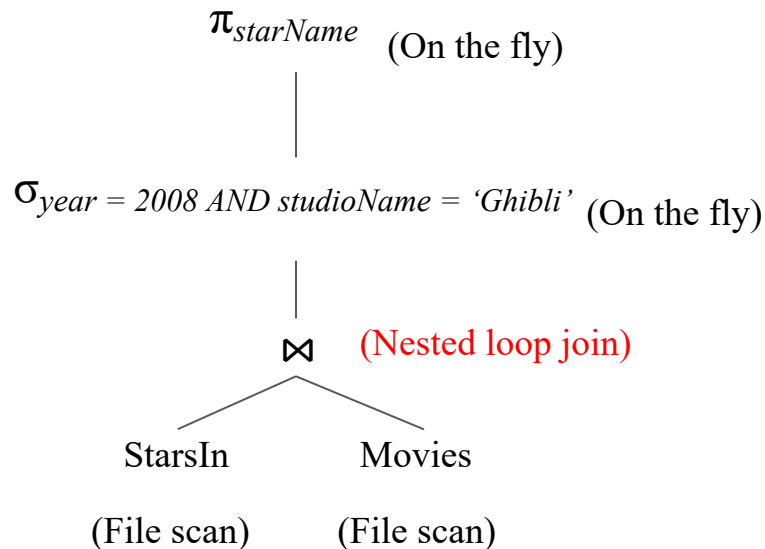
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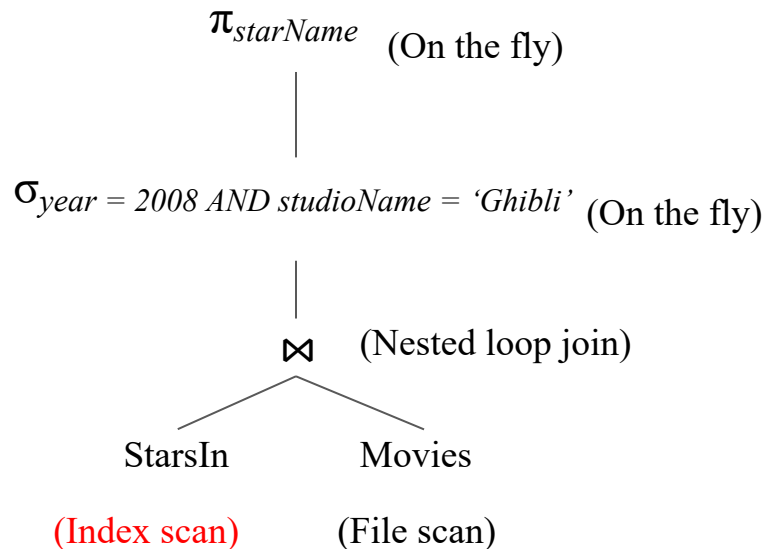
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Physical query plan 3

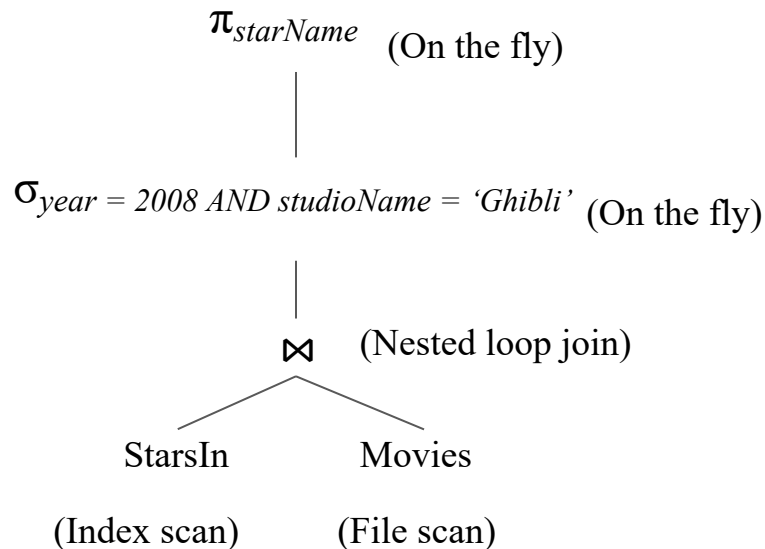




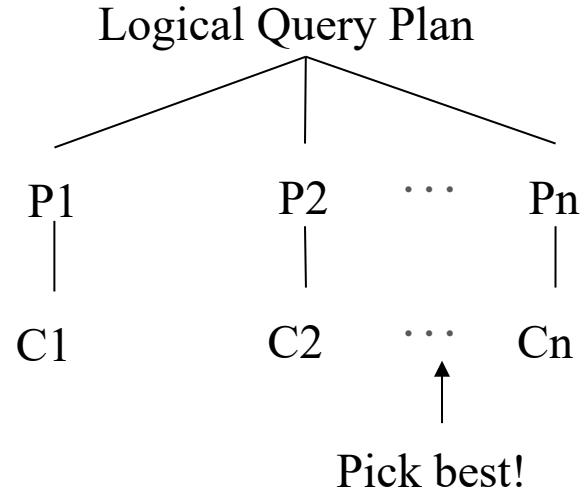
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In general, there can be many possible physical plans

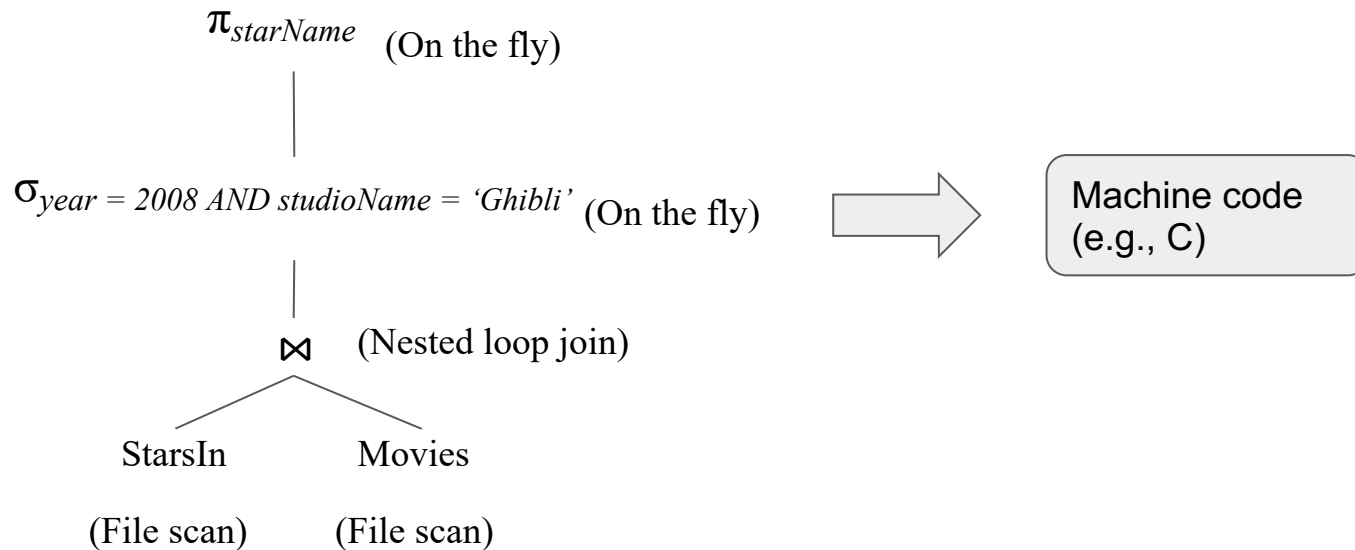


# Select physical query plan



# Query execution

- The best physical plan is translated to actual machine code



# Overview summary

- Logical plan
  - An SQL query is parsed into a logical plan
  - The logical plan can be rewritten to multiple equivalent ones
  - See textbook 16.2 for laws for transforming logical plans
- Physical plan
  - A logical query plan with physical implementation details
  - Each logical plan can have multiple possible physical plans
- Query optimization
  - Find the optimal logical and physical plans

Focus of this lecture

# Estimating the cost of a physical query plan

- Estimate the size of results
  - Projection
  - Selection
  - Joins
- Estimate the # of disk I/O's

# Size parameters

- $B(R)$ : # blocks to hold tuples in  $R$
- $T(R)$ : # tuples in  $R$
- $V(R, a)$ : # distinct values of attribute  $a$  in  $R$

# Size parameters

- Example

*R*

<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>
cat	1	2000
cat	1	2001
dog	1	2002

*A*: 10 byte string

*B*: 4 byte integer

*C*: 8 byte date

$$T(R) = 3$$

$$V(R, A) = 2$$

$$V(R, B) = 1$$

$$V(R, C) = 3$$

$$B(R) = 1 \text{ (if 3 tuples fit in one block)}$$

# Estimating size of projection

- Example

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- A selection generally reduces the number of tuples

Selection

$$S = \sigma_{A=c}(R)$$

Estimated result size  
(without any more information)

$$T(S) = T(R)/V(R, A)$$

Assumption: values in  $A = c$  are uniformly distributed over possible  $V(R, A)$  values

# Estimating size of selection

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Selection

$$S = \sigma_{A < c}(R)$$

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$$T(S) = T(R)/3$$

Assumption: queries involving inequalities tend to retrieve a small fraction of possible tuples

Example: [postgres/src/include/utils/selfuncs.h](#)

# Estimating size of selection

- If selection condition is **AND** of conditions, multiply all selectivity factors

$$S = \sigma_{A=10 \wedge B < 20}(R)$$

$$T(R) = 10,000$$

$$V(R, A) = 50$$

$$T(S) = T(R) / (50 \times 3) = 67$$

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- If selection condition is an **OR** of conditions, can assume independence of conditions

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$$T(S) = T(R)(1 - (1 - 1/50)(1 - 1/3)) = 3466$$

# Estimating size of join

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- Two simplifying assumptions
  - Containment of value sets: if  $V(R, Y) \subseteq V(S, Y)$ , then every  $Y$ -value of  $R$  is a  $Y$ -value of  $S$
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- So in general,  $T(R \bowtie S) = T(R)T(S)/\max(V(R, Y), V(S, Y))$

# Joins of many relations

- Compute intermediate  $T$ ,  $V$  results
- Example: consider  $R \bowtie S \bowtie T$

$R(A, B)$

$S(B, C)$

$T(C, D)$

$$T(R) = 1000$$

$$V(R, B) = 20$$

$$T(S) = 2000$$

$$V(S, B) = 50$$

$$V(S, C) = 100$$

$$T(T) = 5000$$

$$V(T, C) = 500$$

$$V(T, D) = 200$$

Q: What is  $T(R \bowtie S)$  and  $V(R \bowtie S, C)$ ?

# Joins of many relations

- Compute intermediate  $T$ ,  $V$  results
- Example: consider  $R \bowtie S \bowtie T$

$R \bowtie S (A, B, C)$

$$T(R \bowtie S) = 40000$$

$$V(R \bowtie S, C) = 100$$

$T(C, D)$

$$T(T) = 5000$$

$$V(T, C) = 500$$

$$V(T, D) = 200$$

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- Example: consider  $R \bowtie S \bowtie T$

$$(R \bowtie S) \bowtie T$$

$$\begin{aligned} T((R \bowtie S) \bowtie T) &= 40000 \times 5000 / \max\{100, 500\} \\ &= 400000 \end{aligned}$$

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- Assuming containment and preservation of value sets, the estimated result size is the same regardless of how we group and order the terms in a natural join of relations

# Natural joins with multiple join attributes

- Same as  $R \bowtie S$  with single join attribute, but divide by  $\max\{V(R, A), V(S, A)\}$  for each joining attribute  $A$

$R(A, B, C)$

$S(B, C, D)$

$R \bowtie S$

$$T(R) = 1000$$

$$T(S) = 2000$$

$$T(R \bowtie S) = 1000 \times 2000$$

$$V(R, B) = 20$$

$$V(S, B) = 50$$

$$/ \max\{20, 50\}$$

$$V(R, C) = 100$$

$$V(S, C) = 50$$

$$/ \max\{100, 50\}$$

$$= 400$$

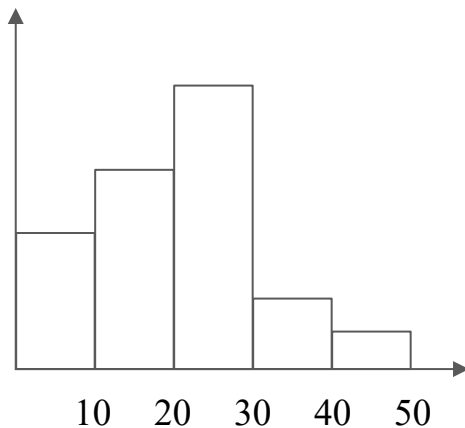


# Using similar ideas, can estimate sizes of

- Union, intersect, difference, duplicate elimination, grouping [16.4.7]

# Obtaining estimates for size parameters

- Scan entire relation  $R$  to obtain  $T(R)$ ,  $V(R, A)$ , and  $B(R)$
- A DBMS may also compute histograms per attribute for more accurate estimations
  - e.g., equal-width histogram



$$\sigma_{A=22}(R) = ?$$

# Computation of statistics

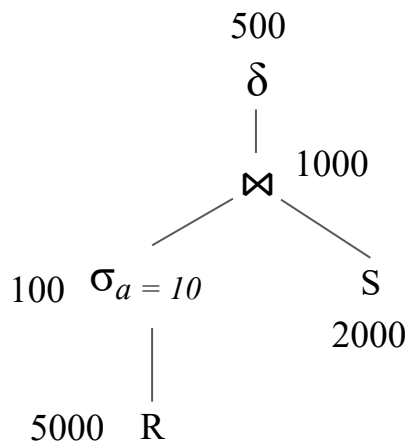
- Computed periodically or by request
- Sampling used to compute approximate statistics quickly

Example:

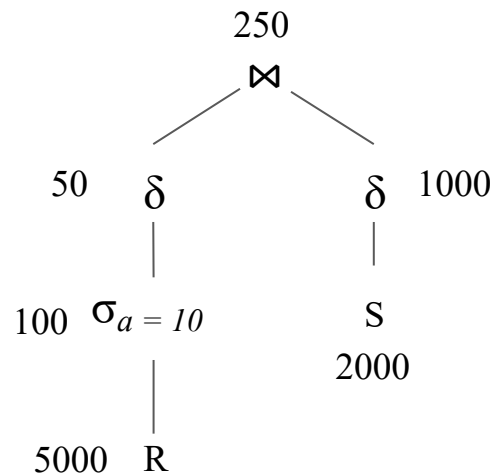
- `ANALYZE` command in Postgres
- See also: <https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/planner-stats.html>

# Comparing logical query plan cost

- Cost estimates (sum of intermediate results) can be used to compare costs before and after transformations



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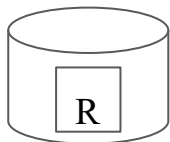


# Estimating the cost of a physical query plan

- Estimate the size of results
- Estimate the # of disk I/O's
  - Scanning-based methods
  - Hash-based methods
  - Index-based methods

# Table scan

- Read entire contents of relation  $R$ 
  - If table is clustered, requires  $B(R)$  I/O's
  - If table is distributed among tuples among other relations, may require  $T(R)$  I/O's



# Tuple-based Nested-loop Join

- $T(R) = 10,000$ ,  $T(S) = 5,000$
- Suppose relations are not clustered
- Required memory  $M \geq 2$

*For each tuple  $t_1$  in  $R$   
For each tuple  $t_2$  in  $S$   
If  $t_1.a == t_2.a$   
Join( $t_1, t_2$ )*

For each tuple in  $R$ , read all  $S$  blocks and join:

Outer Loop

Read all  $S$  tuples (inner loop)

Total cost of  $R \bowtie S$ :  $10000 \times (1 + 5000) = 50,010,000$  I/O's

I/O:  $T(R) + T(R)T(S)$

Memory Usage: 2 blocks

# Block-based Nested-loop Join

- $T(R) = 10,000, T(S) = 5,000$
- Required memory  $M \geq 2$
- Suppose 10 records fit in one block:
  - $B(R) = 1000, B(S) = 500$

*For each block  $b_1$  in  $R$*   
*For each block  $b_2$  in  $S$*   
*For each tuple  $t_1$  in  $b_1$*   
*For each tuple  $t_2$  in  $b_2$ :*  
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- Suppose 10 records fit in one block:
  - $B(R) = 1000, B(S) = 500$
- Reverse join order
- Extra memory  $M=101$ : read 100 blocks of  $S$  at a time

*For each  $M-1$  blocks  $s$  in  $S$*   
*For each block  $r$  in  $R$*   
*For each tuple  $t1$  in  $s$*   
*For each tuple  $t2$  in  $r$ :*  
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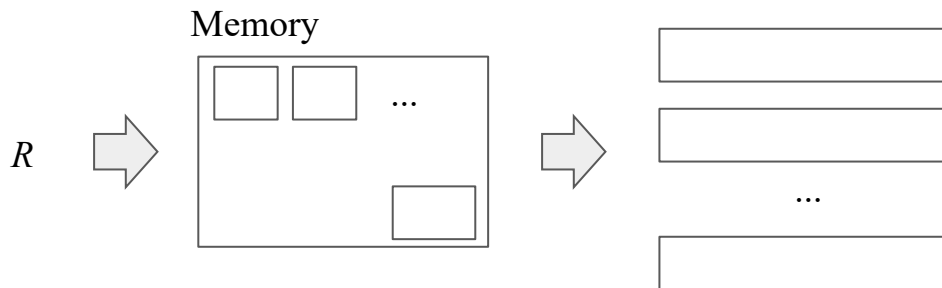
Total cost of  $S \bowtie R$ :  $500/100 \times (100+1000) = 5500$  I/O's

I/O:  $B(S) + B(S)B(R) / (M-1)$

Memory Usage:  $M$  blocks


# Hash join

- Scan the smaller table,  $S$ , and build a hash table in memory. The hash table maps each distinct value of the join attribute to a list of tuples that have that attribute value.
- Scan  $R$  sequentially. For each tuple  $s$  in  $R$ , check the hash table to see if  $S$  has any tuples which have the same value of the join attribute.
- Join each tuple in  $S$  with any tuples in  $R$  which have the same join attribute.



# Hash join

- $B(R) = 1000, B(S) = 500$
- Total cost of  $S \bowtie R$ :  $500 + 1000 = 1,500$  I/O's

  
Read all of S (step 1)      Read all of T (step 2)

- Analysis of Hash join
  - Required memory:  $B(S)$ , assuming S is the smaller relation
  - Two pass algorithms require  $\sqrt{B(S)}$
  - # Disk I/Os:  $B(R) + B(S)$

# Index join

- Suppose  $S$  has an index on the join attribute  $Y$ 
  - The index is “clustering” if tuples with the same  $Y$  value are clustered
- If  $R$  is clustered, read  $B(R)$  blocks to get all  $R$  tuples
- For each tuple of  $R$ ,
  - If  $S$ 's index is not clustering, read  $T(S) / V(S, Y)$  blocks on average
  - If clustered, read  $B(S) / V(S, Y)$  blocks
- Total join cost:  $B(R) + T(R)T(S) / V(S, Y)$  or  
 $B(R) + T(R)(\max(1, B(S) / V(S, Y)))$

# Query Optimization Overview

**Output:** A good physical query plan

Basic **cost-based query optimization** algorithm

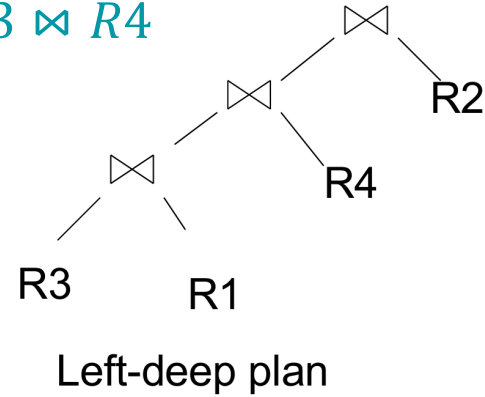
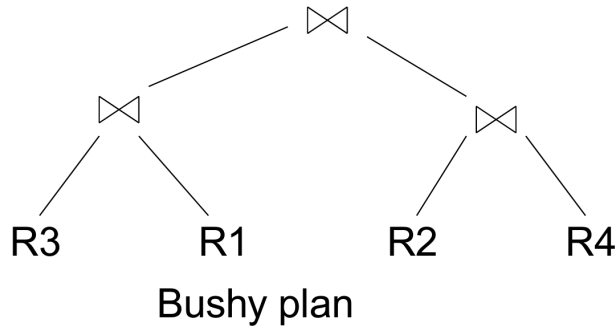
- Enumerate candidate query plans (logical and physical)
- Compute estimated cost of each plan (e.g., number of I/Os)
  - Without executing the plan!
- Choose plan with lowest cost

# The Three Parts of an Optimizer

- Cost estimation
  - Estimate size of results
  - Also consider whether output is sorted/intermediate results written to disk etc.
- Search space
  - Algebraic laws, restricted types of join trees
- Search algorithm
  - Example: Selinger algorithm

# Search Space

Query:  $R1 \bowtie R2 \bowtie R3 \bowtie R4$



Logical plan space:

- Several possible structures of the trees
- Each tree can have  $n!$  permutations of relations on leaves

Physical plan space:

- Different implementation (e.g., join algorithm) and scanning of intermediate operators for each logical plan



# Heuristic for pruning plan space

- Apply predicates as early as possible
- Avoid plans with cartesian products
  - $(R(A, B) \bowtie T(C, D)) \bowtie S(B, C)$
- Consider only left-deep join trees
  - Studied extensively in traditional query optimization literature
  - Works well with existing join algorithms such as nested-loop and hash join
    - e.g., might not need to write tuples to disk if enough memory