

Lecture 03.02.

Algorithms for query evaluation

Joins



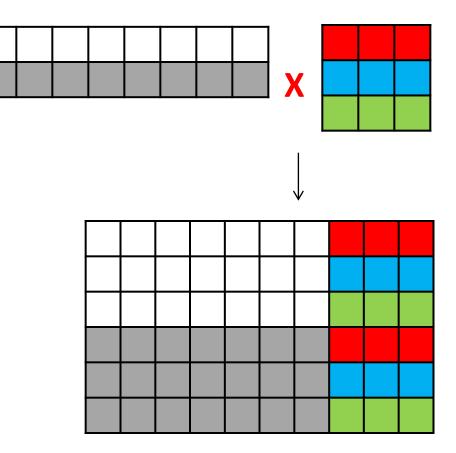
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Join operator: Cartesian product

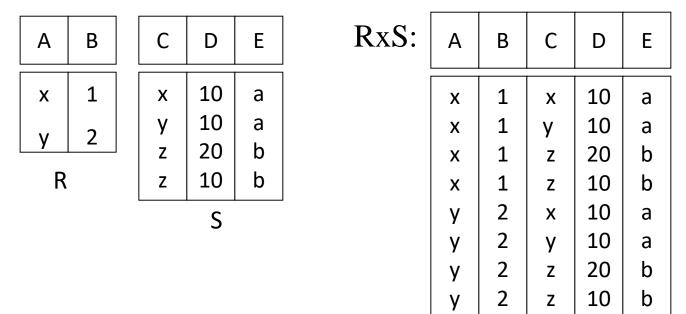
1. Set of tuples *rs* that are formed by choosing the first part (*r*) to be any tuple of **R** and the second part (*s*) to be any tuple of **S**.

2.Schema for the resulting relation is the union of schemas for **R** and **S**.

3.If **R** and **S** happen to have some attributes in common, then prefix those attributes by the relation name.



Cartesian product (cross-product)



SELECT * FROM R, S

If there is no WHERE clause for 2 relations, it is probably a bug, as it will produce a Cartesian product (cross-product) – a huge relation of size T(R)*T(S)

Join: reminder

 Natural join (⋈) - a Cartesian product with equality condition on common attributes

Example:

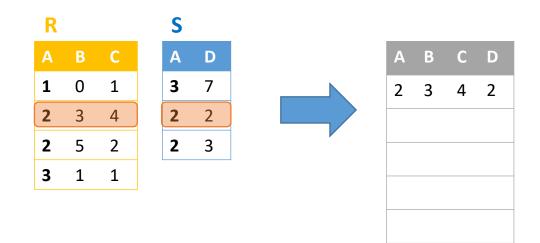
- If R has schema R(A, B, C, D), and if S has schema S(E, B, D)
- Common attributes: *B* and *D*
- Then:

$$\mathbf{R} \bowtie \mathbf{S} = \pi_{A, B, C, D, E} \left[\sigma_{R.B = S.B} \wedge_{R.D = S.D} (\mathbf{R} \times S) \right]$$

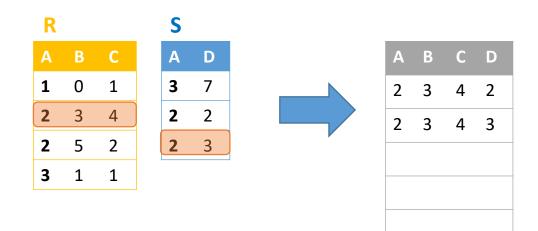
• In SQL:

SELECT R.A, B, C, D, E FROM R, S WHERE R.B = S.B AND R.D = S.D SELECT * FROM R NATURAL JOIN S

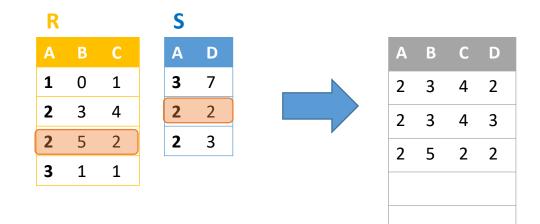
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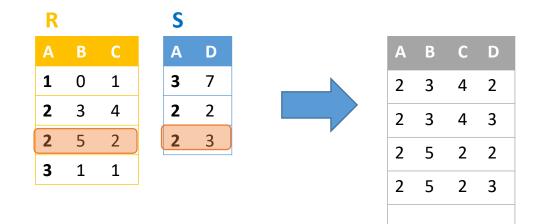
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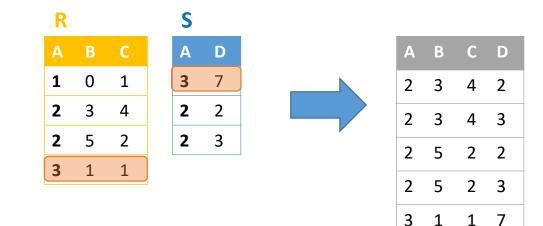
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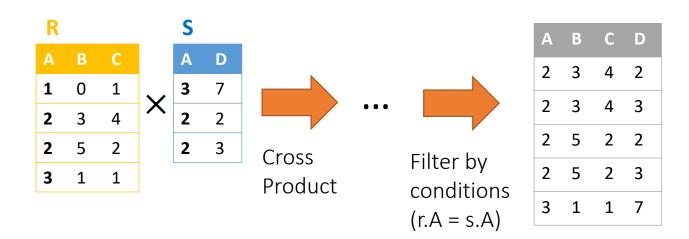
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Semantically: A Subset of the Cross Product

 $\mathbf{R} \bowtie \mathbf{S} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \mathsf{SELECT} \mathsf{R.A,B,C,D} \\ \mathsf{FROM} \ \mathsf{R,S} \\ \mathsf{WHERE} \ \mathsf{R.A} = \mathsf{S.A} \end{array}$

Example: Returns all pairs of tuples $r \in R, s \in S$ such that r.A = s.A



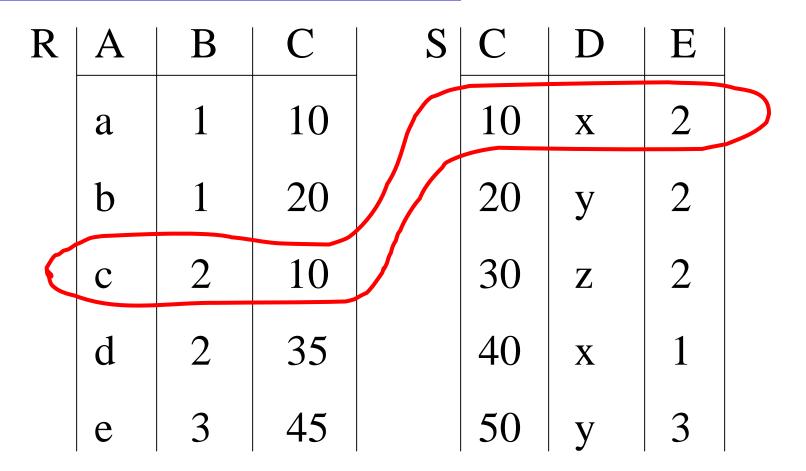
Can we actually implement a join this way?

How do we evaluate the following query:

SELECT B,D FROM R,S WHERE R.A = "c" AND S.E = 2 AND R.C=S.C

FROM R,S

WHERE R.A = "c" AND S.E = 2 AND R.C=S.C



Answer	В	D	
	2	X	

FROM R,S

WHERE R.A = "c" AND S.E = 2 AND R.C=S.C

Plan I

- Do Cartesian product (produce all pairs FROM R, S)
- Select tuples according to WHERE clause
- Do projection: select only columns of SELECT clause

FROM R,S

WHERE $R.A = c^{"}AND S.E = 2 AND R.C=S.C$

Product, select, project

RxS	R.A	R.B	R.C	S.C	S.D	S.E
Each row of R	a	1	10	10	X	2
is coupled with each row of S	a	1	10	20	у	2
	•					
	•					
	C	2	10	10	X	2
	•					

FROM R,S

WHERE R.A = "c" AND S.E = 2 AND R.C=S.C

Scan the resulting (huge!) product table and check conditions

RxS	R.A	R.B	R.C	S.C	S.D	S.E
	a	1	10	10	X	2
	a	1	10	20	У	2
Bingo! Got one	• • • •	2	10	10	X	2

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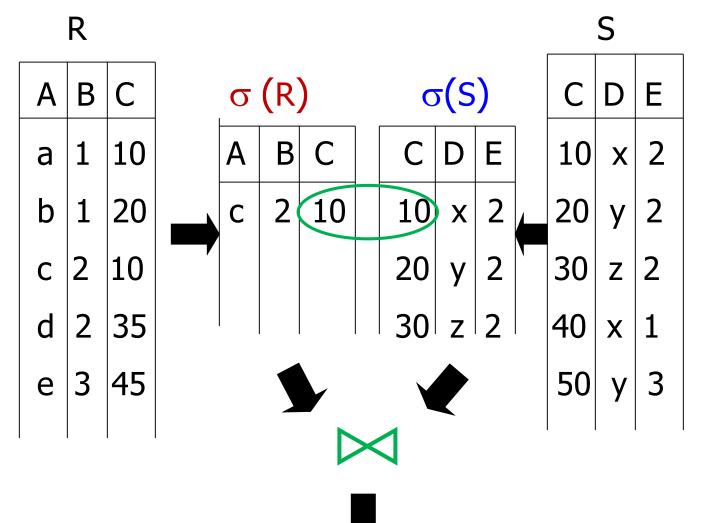
Plan II

- Do selection on R
- Do selection on S
- Join results on attribute C
- Project B,D columns and place in the result

FROM R,S

WHERE R.A = "c" AND S.E = 2 AND R.C=S.C

Select, join, project



FROM R,S

WHERE R.A = "c" AND S.E = 2 AND R.C=S.C

Plan III

Use R.A and S.C Indexes

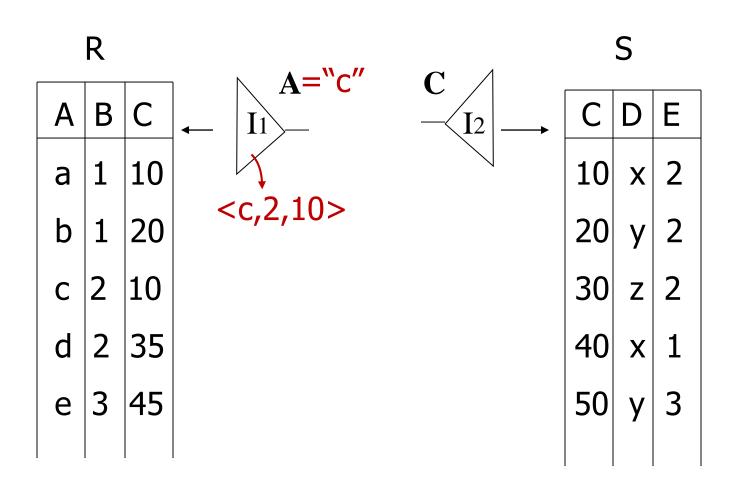
- Use R.A index to select R tuples with R.A = "c"
- For each R.C value found, use S.C index to find matching tuples from S
- Eliminate S tuples where $S.E \neq 2$
- In surviving R,S tuples, project B,D attributes and place in result

Select B,D

From R,S

Where R.A = c'' AND S.E = 2 AND R.C=S.C

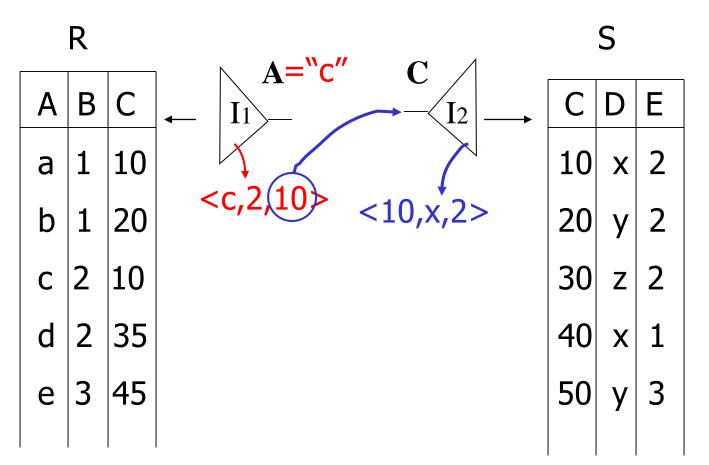
Search, join, project



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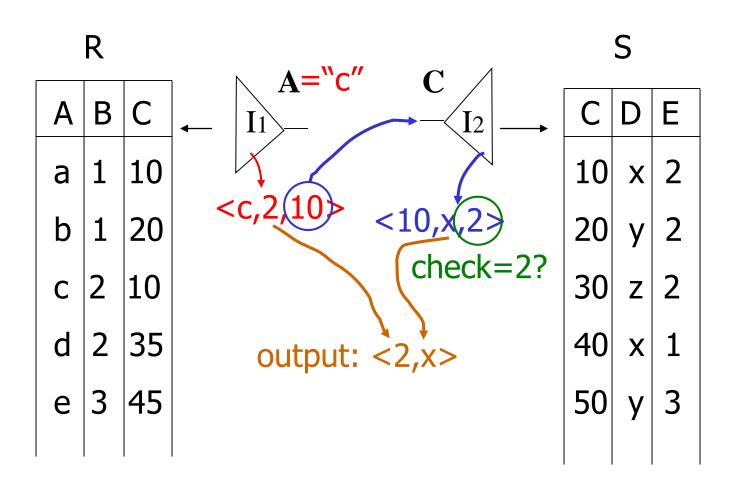
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Search, join, project



Join algorithm I: Nested Loop

Setup

- We write **R** ⋈ *S* to mean *join R and S by returning all tuple pairs where all shared attributes are equal*
- We write **R** ⋈ *S* on *A* to mean *join R and S by returning all tuple pairs* where **attribute(s)** *A* are equal
- For simplicity, we'll consider joins on two tables and with equality constraints ("equijoins")
- Given a relation R, let:
 - T(R) = # of tuples in R
 - **B(R)** = # of blocks (pages) in R

Recall that we read / write entire pages with disk IO However joins *can* merge > 2 tables, and some algorithms do support non-equality constraints!

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<u>Cost:</u>

B(R)

1. Loop over the tuples in R

Note that our IO cost is based on the number of *pages* loaded, not the number of tuples!

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for r in R:

for s in S:

Cost:

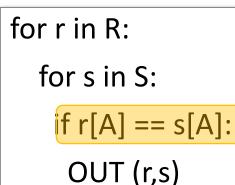
 $B(R) + T(R)^*B(S)$

1. Loop over the tuples in R

2. For every tuple in R, loop over all the tuples in S

Have to read *all of S* from disk for *every tuple in R!*

Compute $R \bowtie S$ on A:



<u>Cost:</u>

 $B(R) + T(R)^*B(S)$

1. Loop over the tuples in R

- 2. For every tuple in R, loop over all the tuples in S
- 3. Check against join conditions

Note that NLJ can handle things other than equality constraints... just change the *if* statement!

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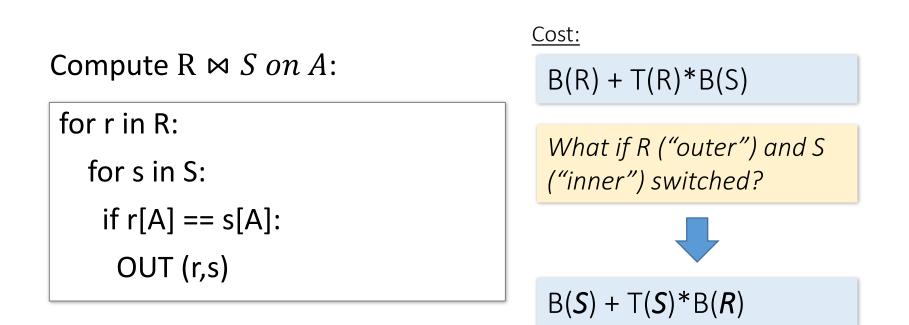
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What would *the result* be if our join condition is trivial (*if TRUE*)?

<u>Cost:</u>

 $B(R) + T(R)^*B(S)$

- 1. Loop over the tuples in R
- 2. For every tuple in R, loop over all the tuples in S
- 3. Check against join conditions
- 4. Output combined tuple if match



Outer vs. inner selection makes a huge difference-DBMS needs to know which relation is smaller! Join algorithm IA: Block Nested Loop IO-aware modification

Block Nested Loop Join (BNLJ)

Compute $R \bowtie S$ on A:

for each chunk c_R of R of size M-1:

load c_R pages of R into mem

for each p_s page of S:

for each tuple s in p_s:

for each tuple r in c_R

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if r[A] == s[A]:
OUT (r,s)
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Given *M* pages of memory

<u>Cost:</u>

B(R)

 Load in M-1 pages of R at a time (leaving 1 page free for S)

Note: There could be some speedup here due to the fact that we're reading multiple pages sequentially however we'll ignore this here!

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for each tuple r in c_R

OUT (r,s)

Given *M* pages of memory

Cost:

$$B(R) + \frac{B(R)}{M-1}B(S)$$

- Load in M-1 pages of R at a time (leaving 1 page free for S)
- 2. For each (M-1)-page segment of R, load each page of S

Note: Faster to iterate over the *smaller* relation first!

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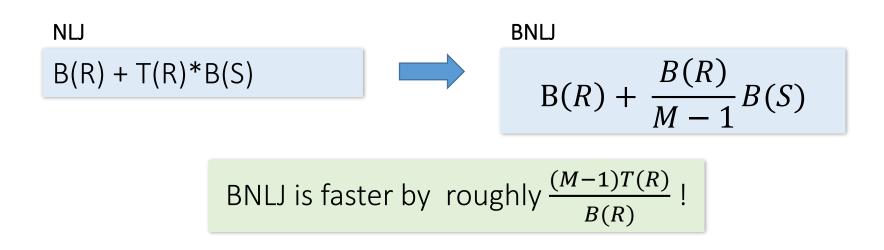
<u>Cost:</u>

$$B(R) + \frac{B(R)}{M-1}B(S)$$

- Load in M-1 pages of R at a time (leaving 1 page free for S)
- For each (M-1)-page segment of R, load each page of S
- 3. Check against the join conditions with all in-mem tuples

BNLJ vs. NLJ: Benefits of IO Aware

- In BNLJ, by loading larger chunks of R, we minimize the number of full *disk reads* of S
 - We only read all of S from disk for every (M-1)-page segment of R!
 - Still the full cross-product, but more done in memory



BNLJ vs. NLJ: Benefits of IO Aware

- Example:
 - B(R) = 500 pages
 - B(S) = 1000 pages
 - T (R) = 50,000 tuples
 - T (S) = 100,000 tuples
 - We have 11 pages of memory (M = 11)
- NLJ: Cost = 500 + 50,000*1000 = 50 *Million* IOs ~= <u>140 hours</u>

• BNLJ: Cost =
$$500 + \frac{500 \times 1000}{10} = 50$$
 Thousand IOs ~= 0.14 hours

A very real difference from a small change in the algorithm!

Can we do better than Cross-Product?

Smarter than cross-products: from quadratic to nearly linear

- All joins that compute the *full cross-product* have some quadratic term
 NU B(R) + T(R)B(S)
 - For example we saw:

BNLJ
$$B(R) + \frac{B(R)}{M-1}B(S)$$

- Now we'll see some (nearly) linear joins:
 - $\sim O(B(R) + B(S))$

We get this gain by *taking advantage of data structures and algorithms* – for simplicity considering equality constraints ("equijoin") only!

Join algorithms II: Index Nested Loop

Index Nested Loop Join (INLJ)

Compute $R \bowtie S$ on A :	
	Given index / on S.A:
	for r in R:
	s _L = index /(r[A])
	for s in s _L :
	OUT r,s

<u>Cost:</u>

B(R) + T(R)*(TH_i +*SC(S,A)*)

where TH_i is the height of a Btree and **SC(S,A)** is the IO cost to collect all values equal to r[A] in the index of S.A; assuming these fit on one page, ~ 3 is good est.

B(R) + 3 T(R)

→ We can use an index (e.g. B+ Tree) to avoid doing the full cross-product!

INLJ - cost

Algorithm: for each tuple *r* of *R*, lookup all tuples in *S* with key *r*[*Y*] and output their join with *r*.

- We want to compute $R(X,Y) \bowtie S(Y,Z)$ on Y
- Suppose there is an index on S[Y].
- Cost:
 - **B(R)** to read entire *R* once
 - Each tuple of R joins with SC(S,Y) = T(S)/V(S,Y) tuples of S, on average.
 - If S has a non-clustered index on Y:
 →I/O cost is B(R) + T(R) x (TH_i + T(S)/V(S,Y))
 - If S has a clustered index on Y:
 →I/O cost is B(R) + T(R) x (TH_i + B(S)/V(S,Y))

INLJ: cost example

- T(R) = 10,000, B(R) = 1000
- T(S) = 5000, B(S) = 500, V(S,Y) = 100
- M = 11

B(R) + T(R)*(TH_i +*SC(S,A)*)

INLJ - clustered index on B[Y]:
B(R) + T(R) x (3 + B(S)/V(S,Y))

BNLJ:
B(R) +
$$\frac{B(R)}{M-1}B(S)$$

INLJ:

- To compute R(X,Y) ⋈ S(Y,Z) using a clustered index on S[Y]: 1000 + 10,000*(3+500/100) = 81,000 I/O's
- Even when the top level of B-tree is buffered: 1000 + 10,000*(1+500/100) = 61,000 I/O's

BNLJ:

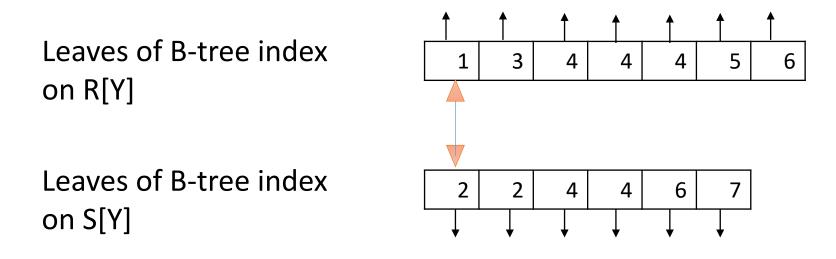
• 1000 + 100*500 = **51,000 I/Os**

→ Use of index is not beneficial if selection cardinality is high (50 in this example)

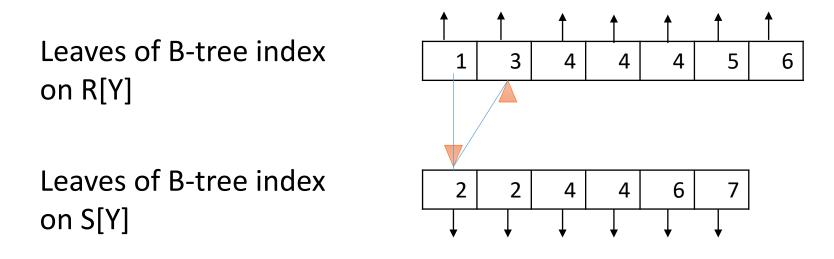
Join using sorted indexes

• We want to compute $R(X,Y) \bowtie S(Y,Z)$ on Y

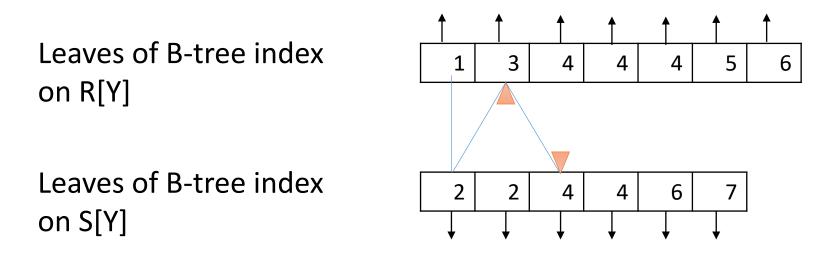
- If both R and S have sorted (B-tree) index on Y, do a zigzagjoin:
 - We scan the leaves of both B-trees in order. In the best case, we use just B(R) + B(S) disk I/O's to read their indexes (if there are no matching values).



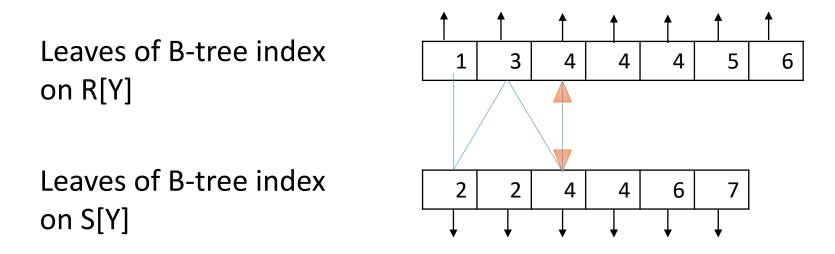
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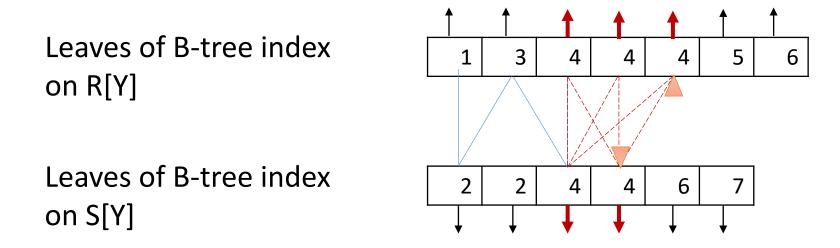
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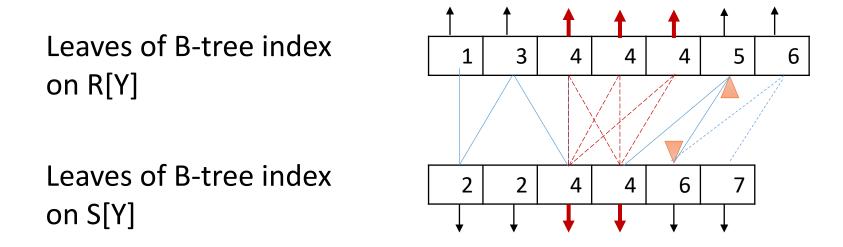
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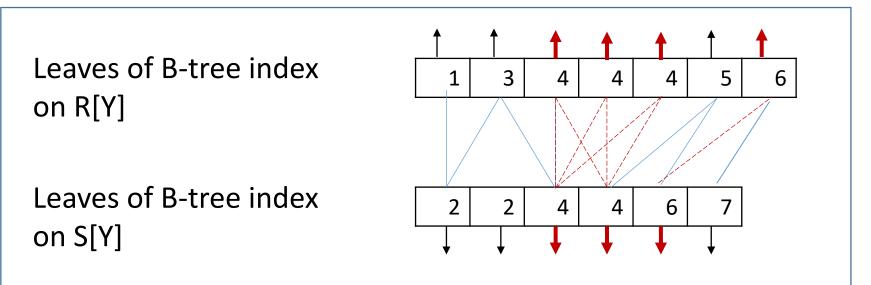


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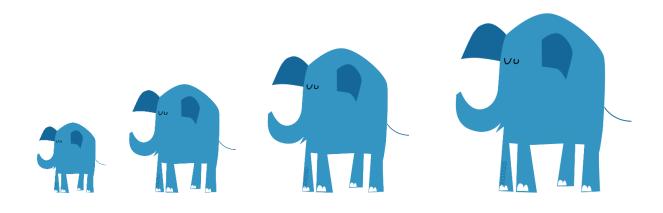


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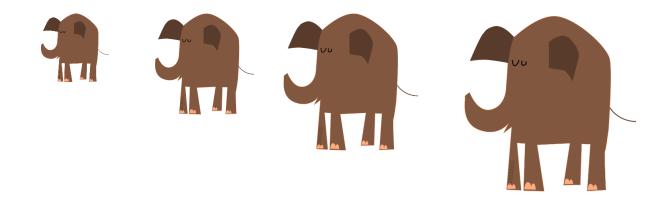
Zigzag Join



- We jump back and forth between the indexes finding Y-values that they share in common.
- Tuples from R with Y-value that don't appear in S need never be retrieved, and similarly tuples of S whose Y-value doesn't appear in R need never be retrieved.
- The worst-case cost (clustered indexes, R < S):
- B(R) + B(S) + B(R) * B(S) / V (S, a)



Join algorithm III: Sort-Merge Join (SMJ)



Sort Merge Join (SMJ): Basic Procedure

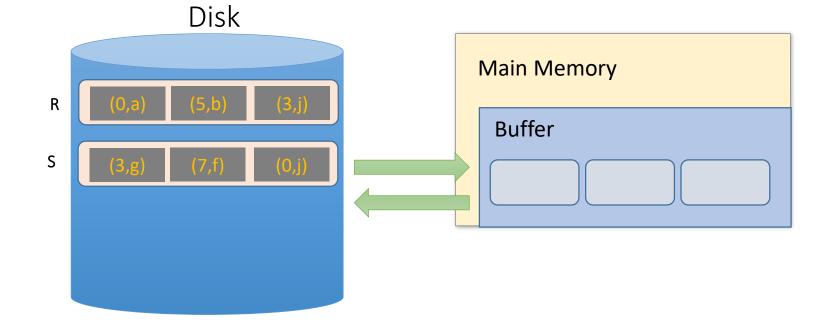
To compute $R \bowtie S$ on A:

Note that we are only considering equality join conditions here

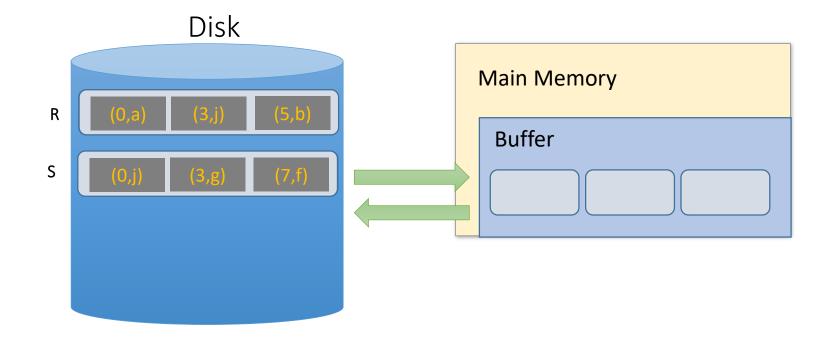
- 1. Sort R, S on A using *external merge sort*
- 2. Scan sorted files and "merge"
- 3. [May need to "backup"- see next]

Note that if R, S are already sorted on A, SMJ will be awesome!

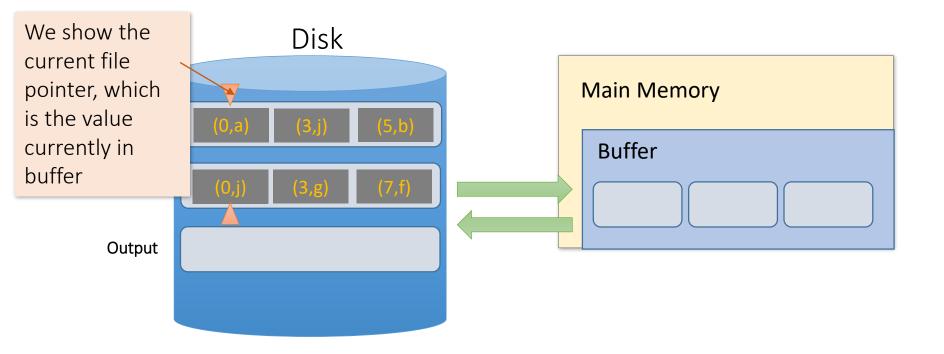
For simplicity: Let each page be *one tuple*, and let the first value be of column A



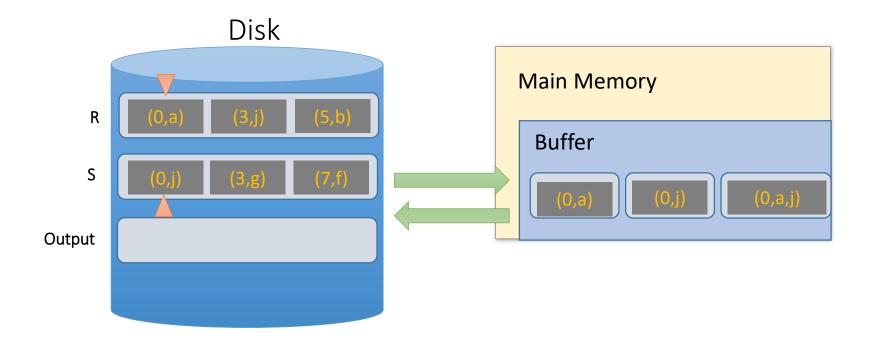
1. Sort the relations R, S on the join key (first value)



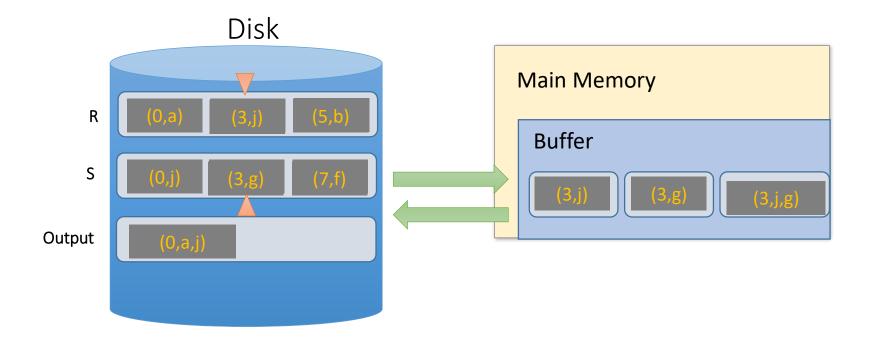
2. Scan and "merge" on join key!



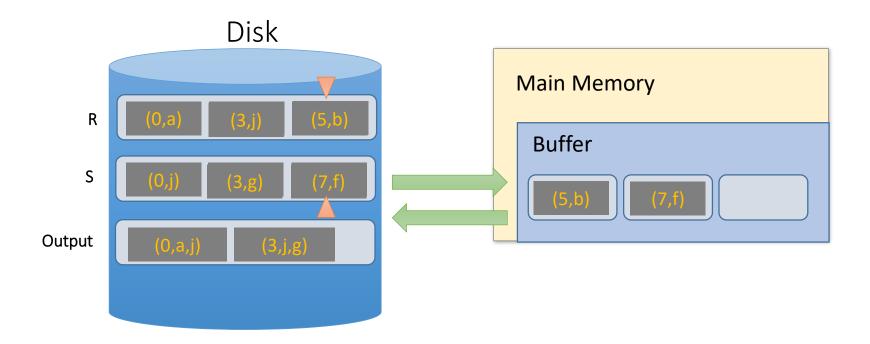
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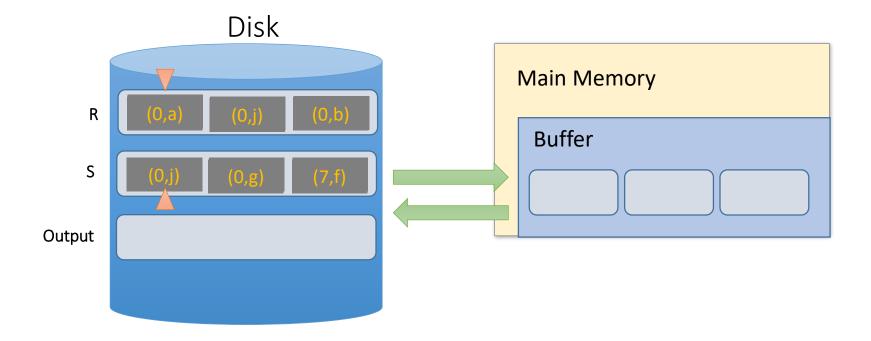


2. Done!

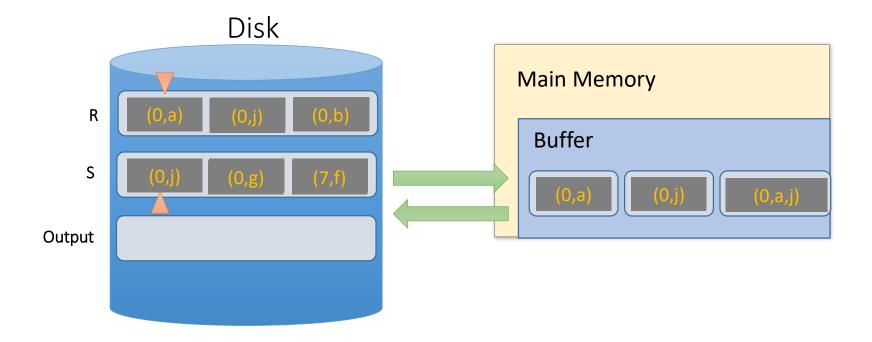


What happens if join keys have many duplicates?

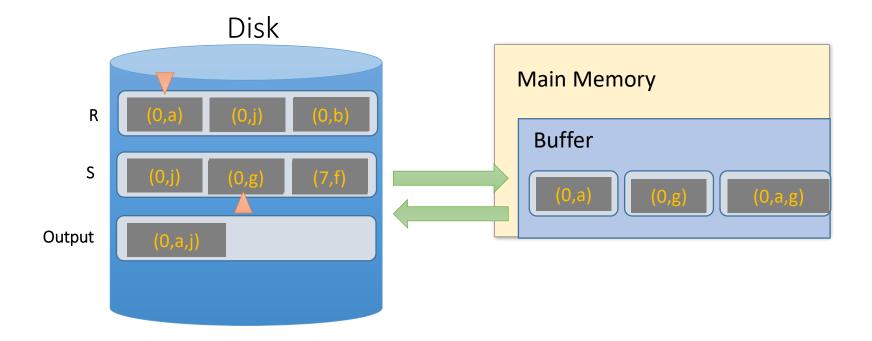
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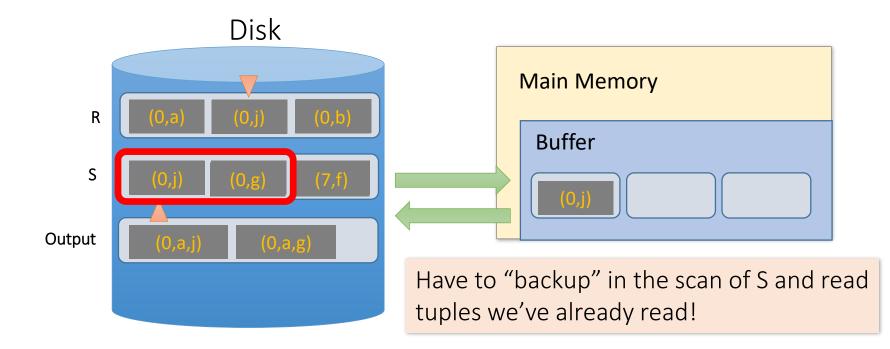
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SMJ: cost of a final scan

- At best, no backup → final scan takes B(R) + B(S) reads
 - For ex.: if no duplicate values in join attribute
- At worst (e.g. full backup each time), scan could take B(R) * B(S) reads!
 - For ex.: if *all* duplicate values in join attribute, i.e. all tuples in R and S have the same value for the join attribute
 - Roughly: For each page of R, we'll have to back up and read each page of S...
 - Not a very realistic scenario

SMJ: Total cost

- Cost of SMJ is cost of sorting R and S and writing temporary sorted files: 4B(R) + 4B(S)
- Plus the cost of scanning: ~B(R)+B(S)
 - Because of *backup*: in worst case B(R)*B(S); but this would be very unlikely

5B(R) + 5B(S)

SMJ cost: example

- We have 101 buffer pages,
- B(R) = 1000, and B(S) = 500 pages:
- SMJ:
 - Sort both in two passes: 4* 1000 + 4* 500 = 6,000 IOs
 - Merge-join phase 1000 + 500 = 1,500 IOs
 - <u>= 7,500 IOs</u>
- What with **BNLJ**?

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$$500 + 1000*\left[\frac{500}{100}\right] = 5,500 \text{ IOS}$$

- But, if we have 26 buffer pages?
 - SMJ has same behavior (still 2 passes): <u>= 7,500 IOs</u>
 - BNLJ? <u>25,500 IOs!</u>

SMJ is ~ linear vs. BNLJ is quadratic...

BNLJ:

$$B(R) + \frac{B(R)}{M-1}B(S)$$

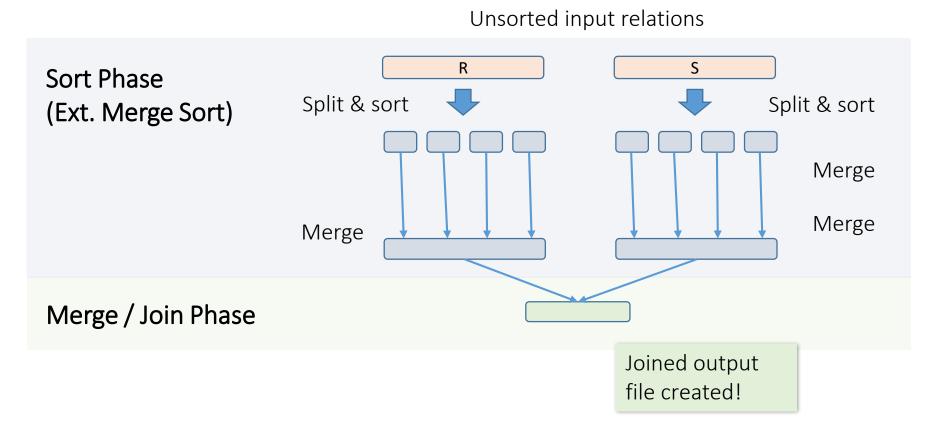
SMJ:
 $5*B(R) + 5*B(S)$

A simple optimization for SMJ: join during sort

- SMJ is composed of a 2PMMS *sort* and a *join of sorted tuples*
- During the *2PMMS*, if R and S have <= (*M 1*) (sorted) runs in total:
 - We could do two separate 2PMMS merges (for each of R & S) at this point, complete the sort phase, and start the join phase...
 - OR, we could combine them: do **one** (M 1)-way merge simultaneously for R and S and complete the join!

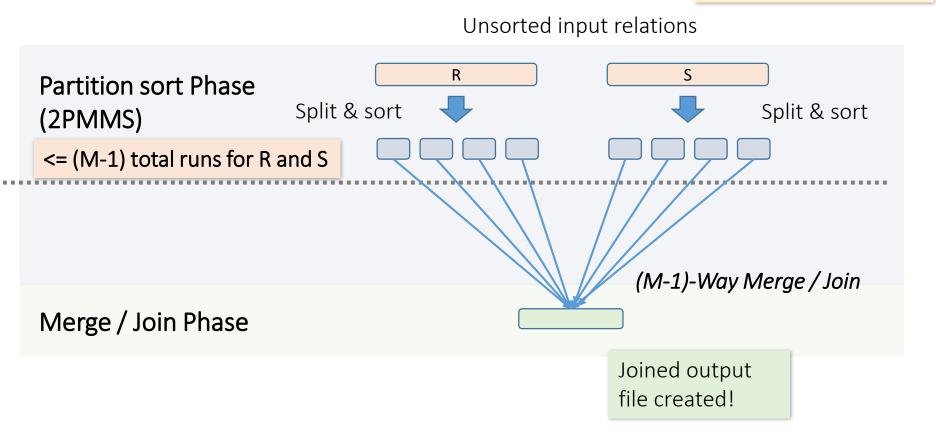
Un-Optimized SMJ

Given *M* buffer pages



Simple SMJ Optimization

Given *M* buffer pages



Optimized SMJ: memory requirements

Given *M* buffer pages

- If we can initially split R and S into total M-1 runs, each run of length <=
 M, then we only need 3(B(R) + B(S)) for SMJ!
 - 2 Read/Write per page to sort runs in memory, 1 Read per page to (M-1)-way merge / join!
- How much memory for this to happen?

•
$$\frac{B(R)+B(S)}{M-1} \le M \Rightarrow \sim B(R) + B(S) \le M^2$$

 Thus, M ≥ sqrt (B(R) + B(S)) is an approximate sufficient condition for this algorithm

> If the sum of R,S has <= M² pages, then SMJ costs 3(B(R)+B(S))!

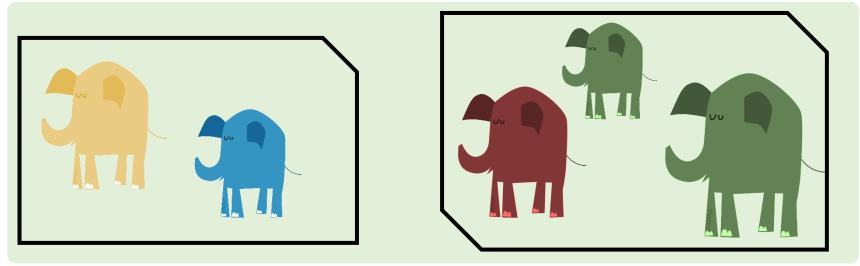
Takeaway points from SMJ

If input already sorted on join key, skip the sorts

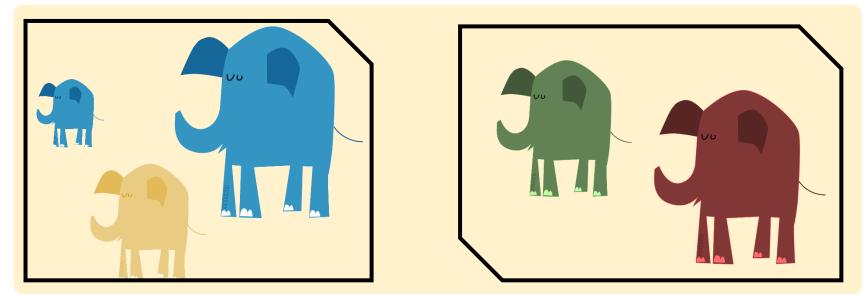
- SMJ is basically linear
- Nasty but unlikely case: too many duplicate join keys

SMJ needs to sort **both** relations

• If B(R) + B(S) <= M² then cost is **3(B(R) + B(S))**



Join algorithm IV: Hash Join (HJ)



Recall: Hashing

- Magic of hashing:
 - A hash function h_M maps into [0,M-1]
 - And maps nearly uniformly
- A hash **collision** is when x = y but $h_M(x) = h_M(y)$
 - Note however that it will **never** occur that

x = y but $h_M(x) != h_M(y)$

- We hash on attribute A, so our hash function $h_M(t)$ has the form $h_M(t.A)$.
 - **Collisions** may be more frequent, as we have much more tuples than the buckets

Hash Join: High-level

To compute $R \bowtie S$ on A:

Note again that we are only considering equality join condition here

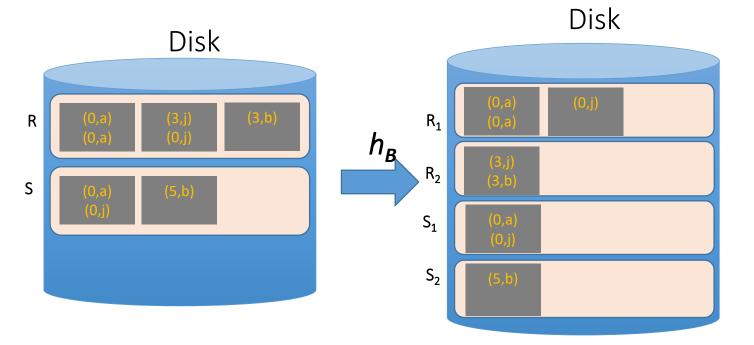
- Partition Phase: Using one (shared) hash function h_M, partition R and S into M-1 buckets
- 2. Matching Phase: Take pairs of buckets whose tuples have the same values for *h*, and join these

We *decompose* the problem using $h_{M'}$, then complete the join

HJ: high-level

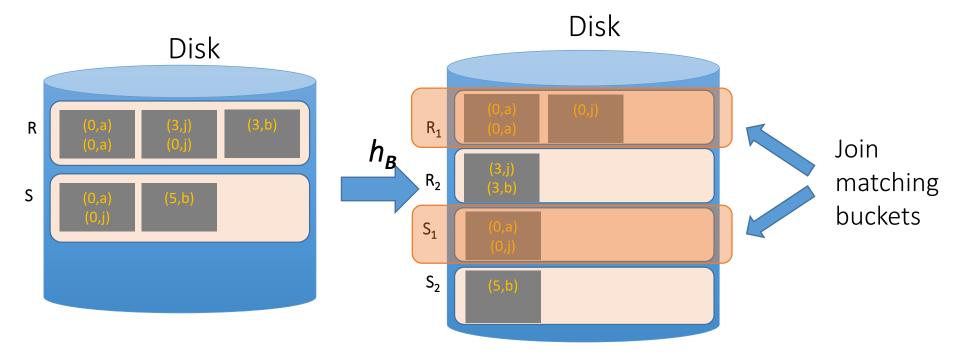
Note our new convention: pages each have two tuples (one per row)

1. Partition Phase: Using one (shared) hash function $h_{M'}$, partition R and S into *M-1* buckets



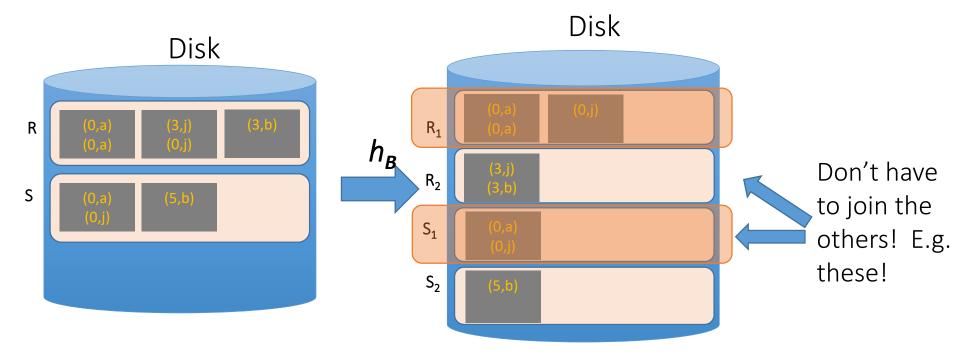
HJ: high-level

2. Matching Phase: Take pairs of buckets whose tuples have the same values for h_{M} , and join these



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Hash Join phase 1: partitioning

Given *M* buffer pages

Goal: For each relation, partition relation into **buckets** such that if $h_M(t.A) = h_M(t'.A)$ they are in the same bucket

Given M buffer pages, we partition into M-1 buckets:

- We use M-1 buffer pages for output (one for each bucket), and 1 for input
 - The "dual" of merge-sorting.
 - For each tuple t in input, copy to a buffer page h_M(t.A)
 - When buffer fills up, flush to disk

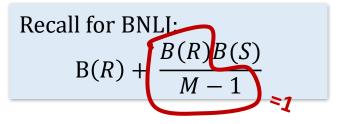
How big are the resulting buckets?

Given *M* buffer pages

- Given **B blocks of R, we partition into M-1 buckets**:
 - → Ideally our buckets are each of equal size ~ B/M pages
- What happens if there are many **hash collisions**?
 - Some buckets could be > B/M
- What happens if there are multiple **duplicate join keys?**
 - Nothing we can do here... could have some skew in size of the buckets

How big at most *do we want* the resulting buckets?

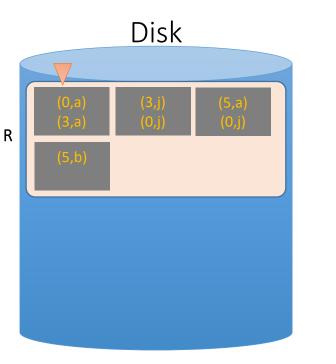
- Ideally, our buckets would be of size $\leq M 1$ pages
- Recall: If we want to join a bucket R_i from R and one from S, we can do BNLJ **in linear time** if for *one of them (say R_i),* $B(Ri) \le M - 1!$



 And more generally, being able to fit bucket in memory is advantageous

Given *M* = 3 buffer pages

We partition into M-1 = 2 buckets using hash function h_2 so that we can have one buffer page for each partition (and one for input)

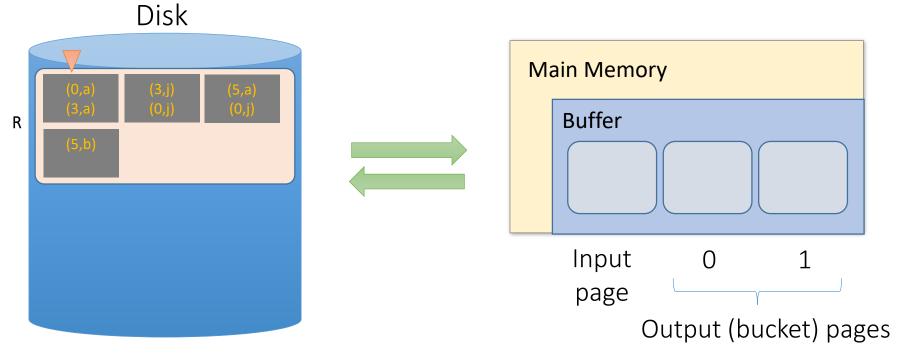


For simplicity, we'll look at partitioning one of the two relations - we just do the same for the other relation!

Recall: our goal will be to get M - 1 = 2buckets of size $\leq M - 1 \rightarrow 2$ pages each

Given *M* = 3 buffer pages

1. We read pages from R into the "input" page of the buffer...

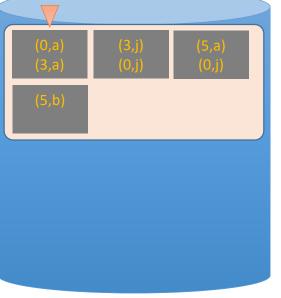


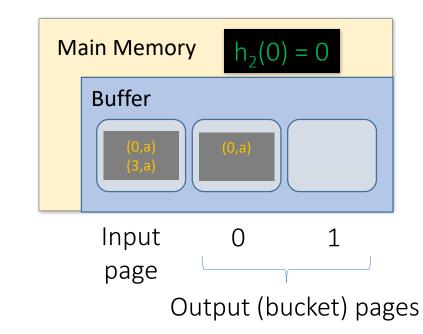
Given *M* = 3 buffer pages

2. Then we use **hash function** h_2 to find the output bucket, which each has one page in the buffer



R



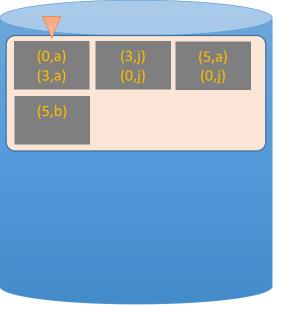


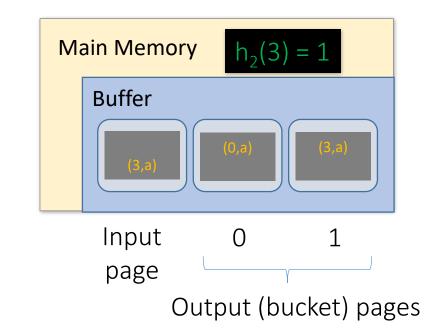
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Disk

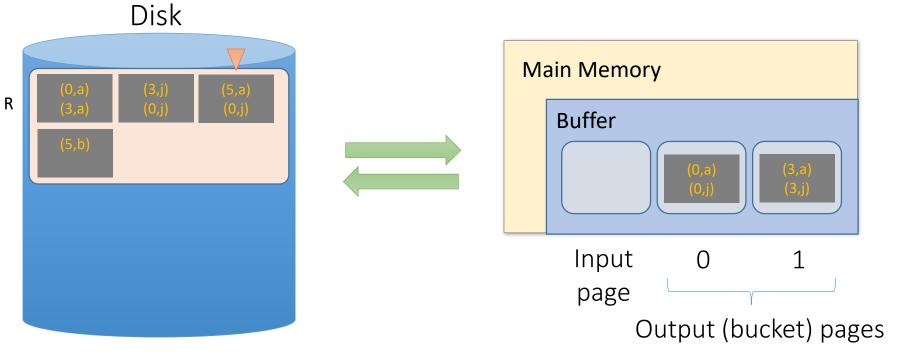
R





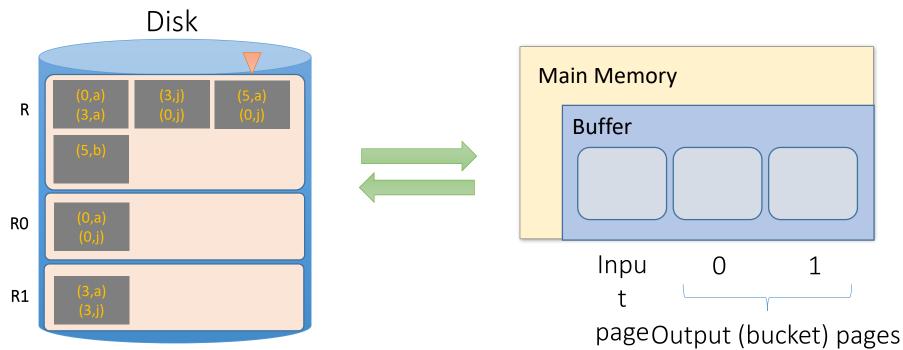
Given *M* = 3 buffer pages

3. We repeat until the buffer bucket pages are full...



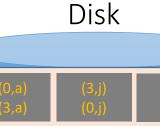
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Given *M* = 3 buffer pages

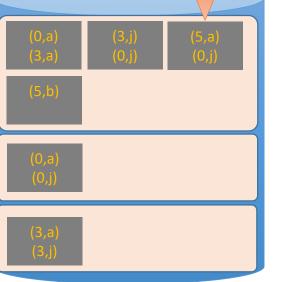
Note that collisions can occur!

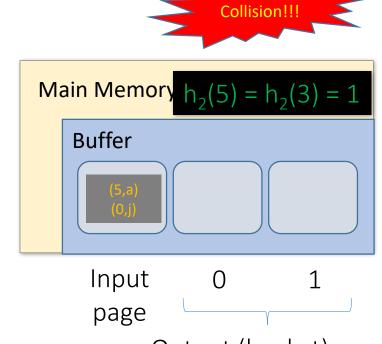


R

RO

R1



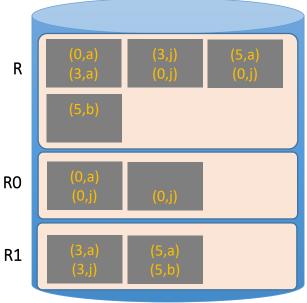


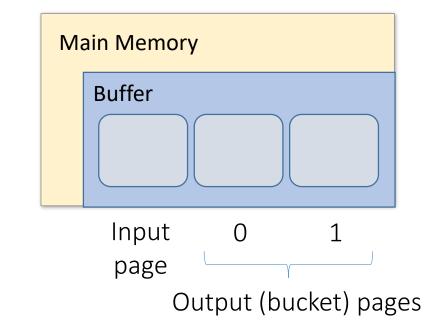
Output (bucket) pages

Given *M* = 3 buffer pages

Finished phase I for R







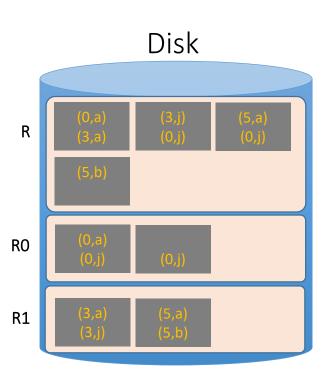
Hash Join Phase 1: complete

Given *M* = 3 buffer pages

We wanted buckets of size *M-1 = 2...* Some of them could be larger due to:

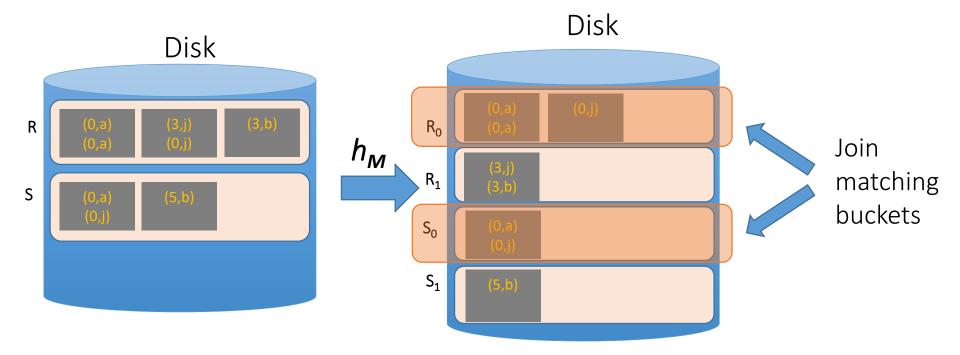
(1) Duplicate join keys

(2) Hash collisions



Now that we have partitioned R and S...

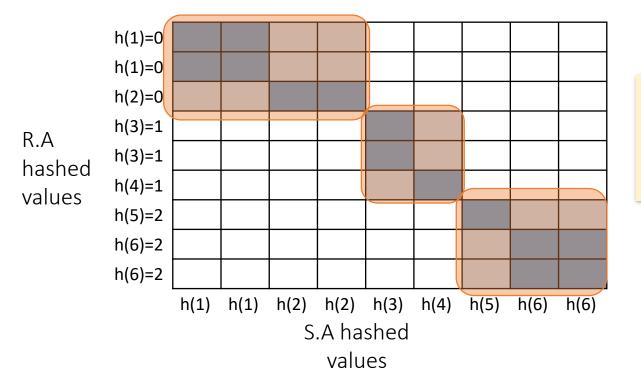
• Now, we just join pairs of buckets from R and S that have the same hash value to complete the join!



- Again, since x = y → h(x) = h(y), we only need to consider pairs of buckets (one from R, one from S) that have the same hash function value
- If our buckets are $\sim M 1$ pages each, can join each such pair using BNLJ *in linear time*; recall (with B(R) = M-1):

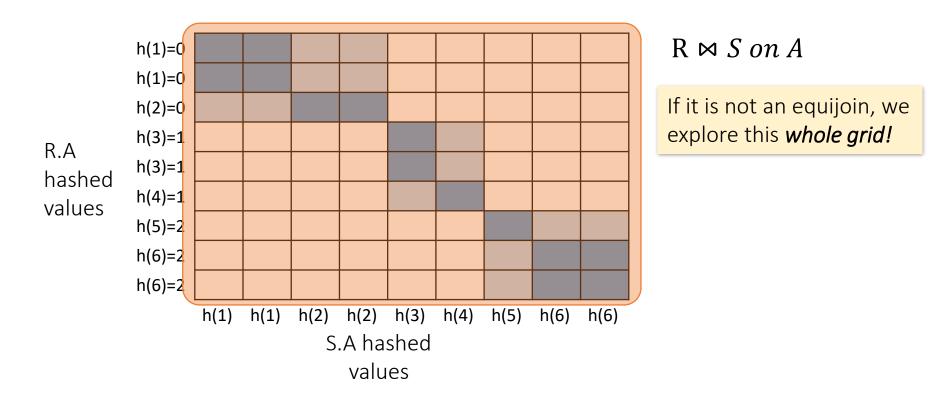
BNLJ Cost: B(R) +
$$\frac{B(R)B(S)}{M-1} = B(R) + \frac{(M-1)B(S)}{M-1} = B(R) + B(S)$$

Joining the pairs of buckets is linear! (As long as smaller bucket <= M-1 pages)



$$R \bowtie S \text{ on } A$$

If condition is an equality – we explore only matching buckets – diagonal



Hash Join: memory requirements

Given M buffer pages

Assume $B(R) \le B(S)$

- Suppose (reasonably) that we can partition into M buckets in 1 pass:
 - For R, we get M buckets of size ~B(R)/M
 - To join these buckets in linear time, we need each bucket of R to fit in M-1 pages, so we have:

$$M-1 \ge \frac{B(R)}{M} \Rightarrow \sim M^2 \ge B(R)$$

Quadratic relationship between *smaller relation's* size & memory!

Hash Join: cost

- Given enough buffer pages as on previous slide...
 - **Partitioning** requires reading + writing each page of R,S
 - → 2(B(R)+B(S)) IOs
 - Matching (with BNLJ) requires reading each page of R,S
 - → B(R) + B(S) IOs

HJ takes ~3(B(R)+B(S)) !

Sort-Merge vs. Hash Join

• *Given enough memory*, both SMJ and HJ have performance:

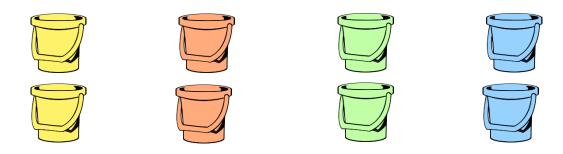
~3(B(R)+B(S))

- "Enough" memory =
 - SMJ: $M^2 > B(R) + B(S)$
 - HJ: M² > min{B(R), B(S)}

Hash Join superior if relation sizes *differ greatly*. Why?

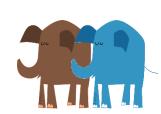
Further Comparison of Hash vs. Sort Joins

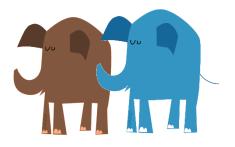
• Hash Joins are highly parallelizable.



Sort-Merge less sensitive to data skew and result is sorted







Summary

- Saw IO-aware join algorithms
 - Massive difference
- Memory sizes are the key in hash versus sort join
 - Hash Join = Little dog (depends on smaller relation)
- Skew is also a major factor

Impact of Buffering

- If several operations are executing concurrently, estimating the number of available buffer pages is guesswork
- Repeated access patterns interact with buffer replacement policy
 - e.g., Inner relation is scanned repeatedly in Simple Nested Loop Join. With enough buffer pages to hold inner, replacement policy does not matter. Otherwise, MRU is best, LRU is worst (*sequential flooding*).
 - Does replacement policy matter for Block Nested Loops?
 - What about Index Nested Loops? Sort-Merge Join?