in-disk b-tree data structure consist of 3 levels:

- I- root node : contain
- non-clustered index keys
- with address of pages of other lower index pages
- 2- intermediate nodes : contain
- non-clustered index keys
- with address of pages of other lower index pages
- 3- leaf nodes: contain
- pointers to actual data

non-Clustered Index

Nonclustered indexes have a structure separate from the data rows or actual table

Indexes Key Is Sorted in Indexes Pages in Root or intermediate nodes

can used with heap table or clustered table

pointers:

in case clustered table : clustered index keys

in case heap table : ROWID (File + Page + row)

table can contain many non-clustered indexes