

L3 - Indexing problem

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- 1) Number of records = 300,000
Length of each record = 100 bytes
Size of block = 4096 bytes

$$\text{Records/block} = 4096/100 = 40$$

$$\therefore \text{No of blocks} = 300,000/40 = 7500$$

$$\text{Length of ordering key} = 9 \text{ bytes}$$

$$\text{Length of address of blocks} = 6 \text{ bytes}$$

$$\text{Total length of address of index file} = 9 + 6 = 15 \text{ bytes}$$

Binary search through all the blocks without indexing will take $= \log_2 7500 \approx 13$ access

By considering indexing, the size of search space can be reduced to $4096/15 \approx 273$

$$\text{binary search will consume } \log_2 273 \approx 9$$

\therefore Data retrieval will finally take 9+1=10 access