Database Systems

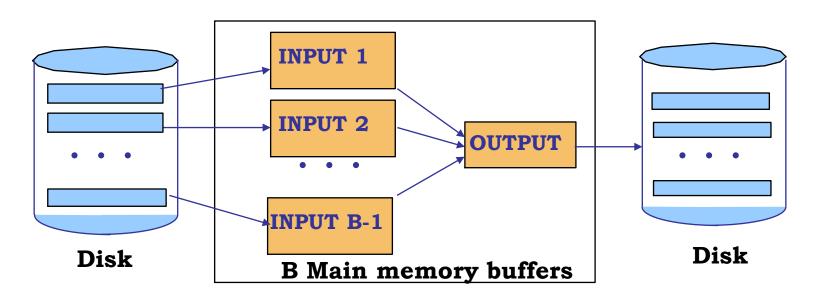
Query Processing

Join: Sort-Merge (R ⋈ S)

- Sort R and S on the join column, then scan them to do a ``merge" (on join col.), and output result tuples.
 - Advance scan of R until current R-tuple >= current S tuple, then advance scan of S until current S-tuple >= current R tuple; do this until current R tuple = current S tuple.
 - At this point, all R tuples with same value in Ri (current R group) and all S tuples with same value in Sj (current S group) match; output <r, s> for all pairs of such tuples.
 - Then resume scanning R and S.
 - R is scanned once; each S group is scanned once per matching R tuple. (Multiple scans of an S group are likely to find needed pages in buffer.)

General External Merge Sort

- To sort a file with N pages using B buffer pages:
 - Pass 0: use *B* buffer pages. Produce $\lceil N/B \rceil$ sorted runs of *B* pages each.
 - Pass 1, ..., etc.: merge *B-1* runs.



Cost of External Merge Sort

- Number of passes: $1 + \lceil \log_{B-1} \lceil N / B \rceil \rceil$
- Cost = 2N * (# of passes)
- E.g., with 5 buffer pages, to sort 108 page file:
 - Pass 0: $\lceil 108 / 5 \rceil$ = 22 sorted runs of 5 pages each (last run is only 3 pages)
 - Pass $1:\lceil 22/4 \rceil = 6$ sorted runs of 20 pages each (last run is only 8 pages)
 - Pass 2: 2 sorted runs, 80 pages and 28 pages
 - Pass 3: Sorted file of 108 pages

Example of Sort-Merge Join

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

- Cost: (Cost of sorting R, S) + (M+N)
 - The cost of scanning, M+N, could be M*N (very unlikely!)
- If Reserves and Sailors can be sorted in 2 passes,
 - total join cost: 2*2*(1000+500) + (1000+500) = 7500.