

DB2

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Relevant videos: up to DB2 - Chapter 12 - Video #71.

<https://tinyurl.com/DB2-2020>1. [15 Points] **Replacement Sort**

Replacement Sort is an algorithm that can create longer runs in External Merge Sort's initial *Pass 0*. Your task is to implement *Replacement Sort* in C, based on Knuth's algorithm (see below).

For simplicity, we assume that each buffer page can only hold a single *record*, consisting of a single natural number. The program's input is a file containing an unsorted, line-separated sequence of singleton **integer** values, each representing a record (see file `input.seq` for an example). Its output is a bunch of sorted `.run`-files with the same structure.

File `rpsort.c` provides you with a framework of the program. You have to complete it by implementing function:

```
/* Implementation of replacement sort ala Knuth, TAoCP, volume 3 */
void replacement_sort(slot *buffer, int buffer_size, FILE *input_seq, FILE
    *output_run) {
    /** YOUR CODE HERE **/
}
```

- (a) Implement the algorithm as given below. Stick to the libraries imported and functions provided by `rpsort.c`.¹ Note that **solutions that do not compile will be graded with zero points**. Also, your solution should process the given example file `input.seq` without unexpected errors.

Replacement Sort Algorithm ala Knuth:

Operates on a block of `buffer_size` memory *slots*. Each slot can store a single *record* value and has a *state* that is either **ON** or **OFF**.

Step 1: The `buffer_size` slots are filled with records from the input to be sorted.

Step 2: All slots are put into the **ON** state.

Step 3: Select the slot which has the smallest value of all **ON** slots.

Step 4: Transfer the contents of the selected slot to the output (call its value *min*).

Step 5: Replace the contents of the selected slot by the next input record:

- If new record value $> min$, go to **Step 3**.
- If new record value $= min$, go to **Step 4**.
- If new record value $< min$, go to **Step 6**.

Step 6: Turn the selected slot **OFF**.

- If all slots are now **OFF**, a sorted run is completed: Start a new run and go to **Step 2**.
- Else, go to **Step 3**.

- (b) **Experiment:** Use your implementation to create the output runs for input `input.seq` (100000 records) and `buffer_sizes` of 100, 1000 and 10000 slots. For each `buffer_size`, what is the average *run size*?

¹Of course you are still allowed to define additional functions to support your implementation of `replacement_sort()`.

2. [15 Points] Hash and Sorting-based Implementation of Relational Operators

The following examples outline the semantics of the relational algebra operators *Left Semi Join* ($\bowtie_{a=b}$) and *Relational Union* (\cup):

- *Left Semi Join* ($\bowtie_{a=b}$): The result contains every row of R_1 that finds **at least one** join partner in R_2 :

R_1		R_2		R_{res}
A B		C D		A B
2 1	$\bowtie_{R_1.A=R_2.C}$	2 4	=	2 1
3 2		2 5		4 3
4 3		4 4		4 3
4 3		6 5		

- *Union* (\cup): The result contains all rows of R_1 and R_2 with **all duplicates removed** (even if one of the input table contains duplicates):

R_1		R_2		R_{res}
A B		A B		A B
2 4	\cup	2 4	=	2 4
6 1		3 5		6 1
		4 4		3 5
		4 4		4 4
		5 6		5 6

For *both* operators, formulate a *hash*- and a *sorting-based* algorithm in pseudocode:

- HashSemiJoin(R_1, R_2, c_l, c_r),
- MergeSemiJoin(R_1, R_2, c_l, c_r),
- HashUnion(R_1, R_2),
- MergeUnion(R_1, R_2)

Use pseudocode syntax based on the sample code found on Slide 15 (**MergeJoin**) and Slide 23 (**HashJoin**) of Chapter 12 (Joins). Do not use unusual operators in your pseudocode and include a short note if you assume input tables to be sorted.