

Seek, **Rotate**, Transfer

Rotate disk until the head is above the right sector

- ➔ Depends on rotations per minute (RPM)
With typical 7200 RPM it takes 8.3 ms / rotation
- Average rotation is slow (4.15 ms)

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Data is either read from or written to the surface.

- ➔ Depends on RPM and sector density
With typical 100+ MB/s it takes $5\mu\text{s}$ / sector (512 bytes)

✓ Pretty Fast