

A complex network diagram with nodes and edges. Nodes are represented by circles of varying sizes in dark blue, red, and grey. Edges are thin lines connecting the nodes, with some being red and others dark blue. The background is a light blue-grey gradient.

BIG DATA MANAGEMENT

CZ/CE4123

Tutorial 5:

Column Stores



QUESTION1

Given column store table T as follow.

(1) Give the flow chart (the flow graph presented in the lecture slides) using “column at a time” for the query

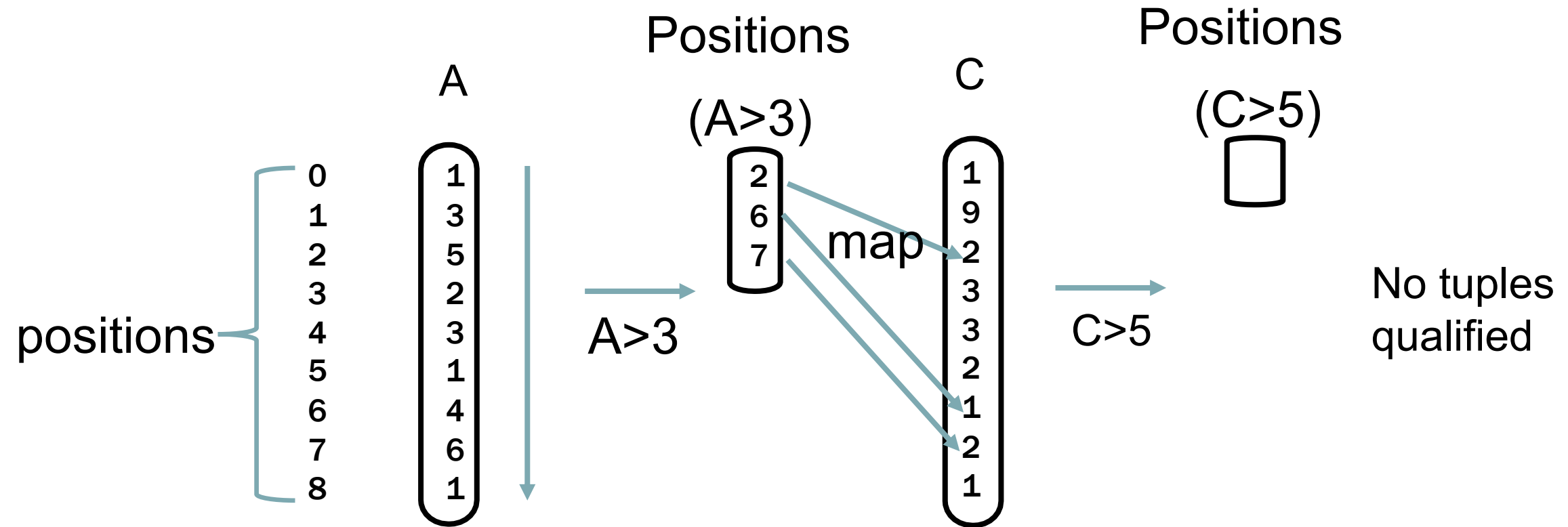
“SELECT min(B) FROM T WHERE A>3 and C>5”

(2) Give the flow chart using “column at a time” for the query

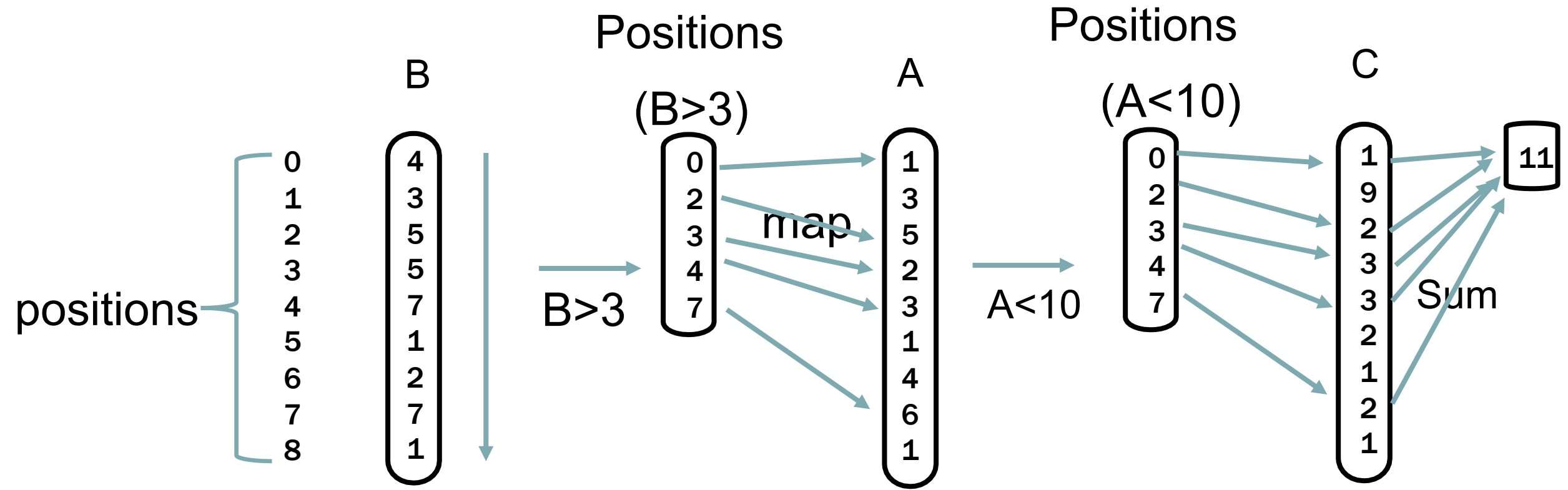
“SELECT sum(C) FROM T WHERE A<10 and B>3”

A	B	C
1	4	1
3	3	9
5	5	2
2	5	3
3	7	3
1	1	2
4	2	1
6	7	2
1	1	1

SOLUTION FOR (1)



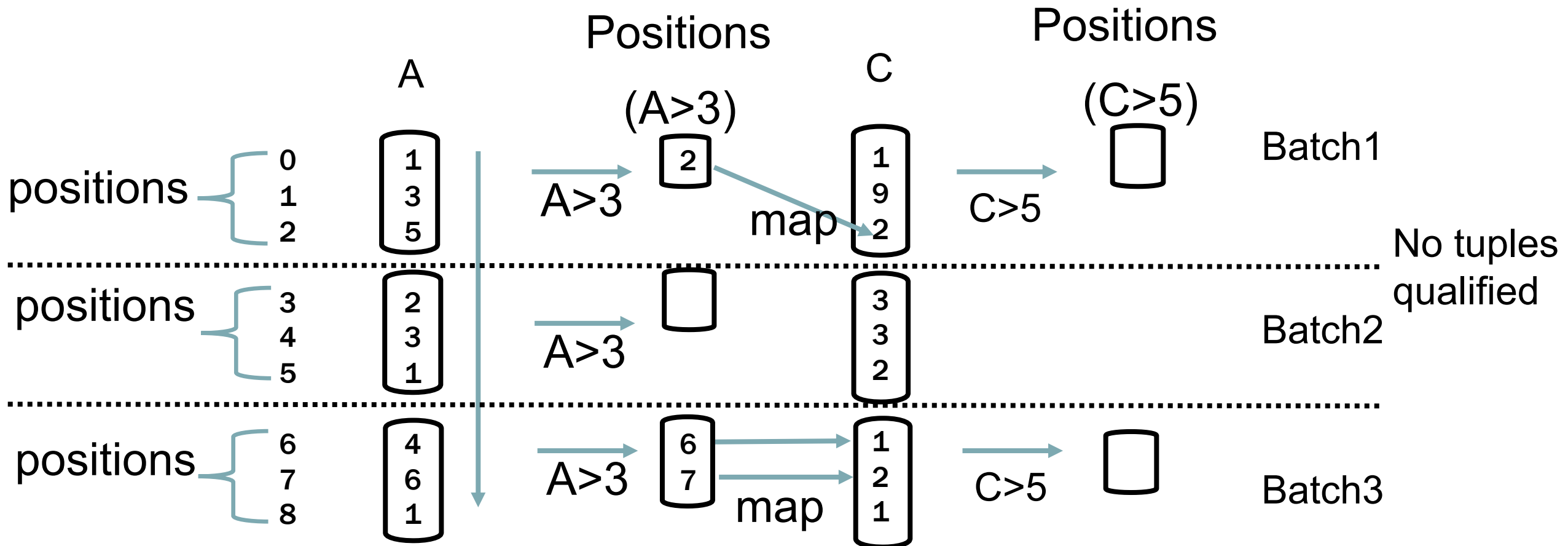
SOLUTION FOR (2)



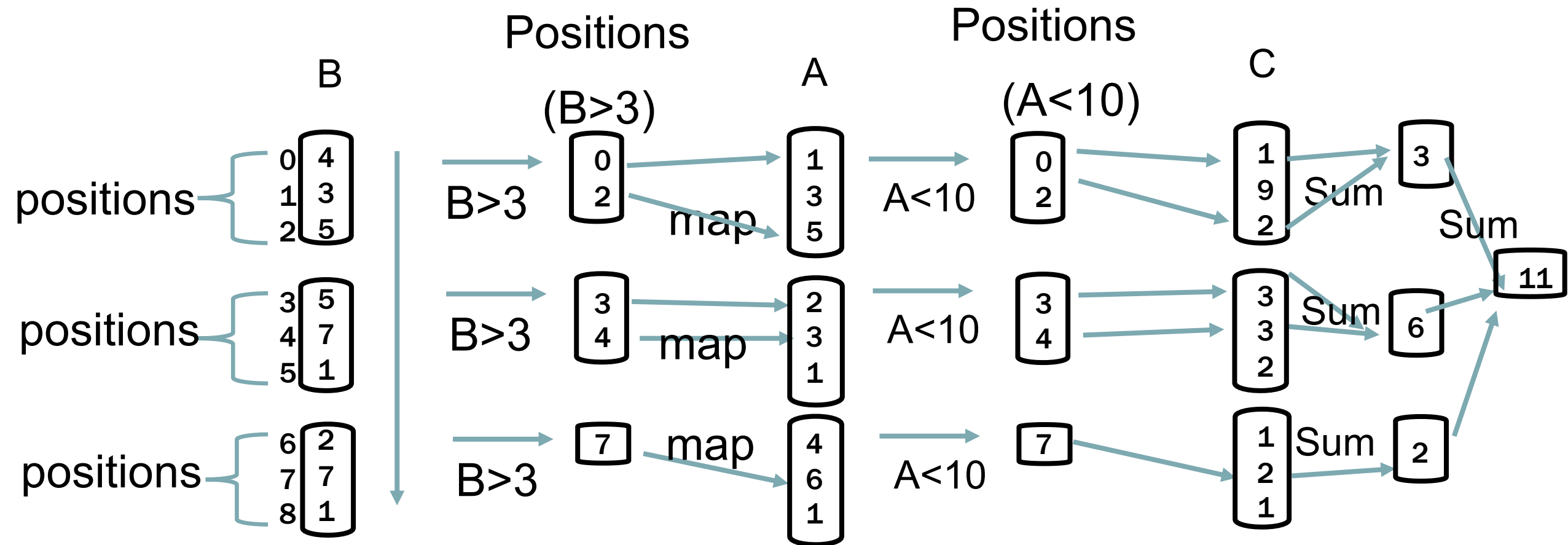
QUESTION 2

Redo Question 1 using “vector at a time”. Assume that the vector size is 3.

SOLUTION FOR (2)



SOLUTION FOR (2)



QUESTION 3

Suppose we are querying a **Student** information table with three columns **Name**, **Email**, **Age**. Given a query of the following form:

*“**SELECT** Name **FROM** Student **WHERE** predicate (Email) and predicate (Age)”*.

Here, a predicate applied on a column is a filtering function (e.g., **Email** ending with *ntu.edu.sg*, **Age**>19). We define the selectivity of a predicate by the percentage of the qualified results in the corresponding column. Assume that the selectivity of predicate(**Email**) is p and the selectivity of predicate(**Age**) is q , where $0 < p < 1$, and $0 < q < 1$. Let page size be P . We assume each column width is less than P and each value in a column is contained in a page. Consider two options in scanning columns: scanning **Email** first and scanning **Age** first.

- (1) If the column widths are the same (denoted by w), please analyze which is better.
- (2) If the width of **Email** is $2w$, and the widths for **Name** and **Age** are w , then which option is better?

RECAP

Cost for column store (number of page access):

$$Zw/P + 2\text{result}(A) * 4/P + \text{result}(A) + 2\text{result}(AB) * 4/P + \text{result}(AB)$$

$$= Zw/P + \text{result}(A) * (8/P + 1) + \text{result}(AB) * (8/P + 1)$$

$$\approx Zw/P + \text{result}(A) + \text{result}(AB)$$

SOLUTION TO (1)

Answer:

Use the formula we learnt in the lectures.

Let Email be A , and Age be B . Let Z be the length of a column

The cost of option 1 (Scanning Email first) is approximately

$Zw/P + \text{result}(A) + \text{result}(AB)$

The cost of option 2 (Scanning Age first) is approximately

$Zw/P + \text{result}(B) + \text{result}(AB)$

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$$Zw/P + \text{result}(B) + \text{result}(AB)$$

Note that $\text{result}(A) = Zp$, $\text{result}(B) = Zq$

Then, if $p < q$, then scanning Email first is better; if $p = q$, equally good; if $p > q$, then scanning Age first is better.

SOLUTION TO (2)

Recap the formula we learnt in the lectures.

$$Zw/P + \text{result}(A) + \text{result}(AB)$$



Width of 1st
accessed
column

SOLUTION TO (2)

Answer:

Let Email be Column A , and Age be Column B . Let width of Email be $2w$. Then the width of Age is w .

Revise the formula we learnt in the lectures.

The cost of option 1 (Scanning Email first) is approximately

$$2Zw/P + \text{result}(A) + \text{result}(AB)$$

The cost of option 2 (Scanning Age first) is approximately

$$Zw/P + \text{result}(B) + \text{result}(AB)$$

Note that $\text{result}(A) = Zp$, $\text{result}(B) = Zq$

SOLUTION TO (2)

Answer:

Then, option 1 is worse (or option 2 is better) when

$$2Zw/P+Zp+\text{result}(AB) > Zw/P+Zq+\text{result}(AB)$$

$$\rightarrow Zw/P+Zp > Zq$$

$$\rightarrow w/P+p > q$$

(Note: it is also okay to use more refined formulas, i.e., considering the cost of positions.)

FURTHER DISCUSSION

In practice, how do we know p and q ?