Boolean Model

- Based on set theory and Boolean algebra
- Reality much more a data retrieval model

Incidence vectors

- So we have a 0/1 vector for each term.
- Take the vectors:

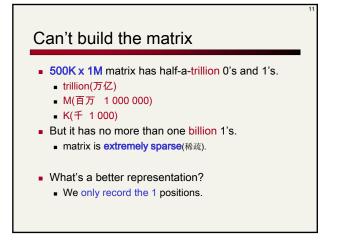
■ *Brutus* 110100 ■ *aesar* 110111 ■ *Calpurnia* 010000

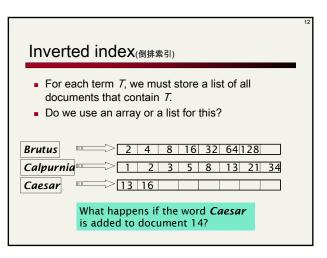
Brutus AND Caesar but NOT Calpurnia

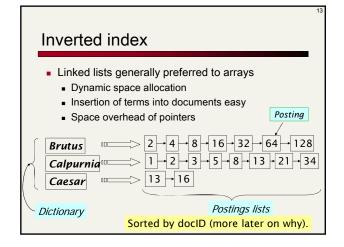
- To answer query:
 - 110100 AND 110111 AND 101111 = 100100

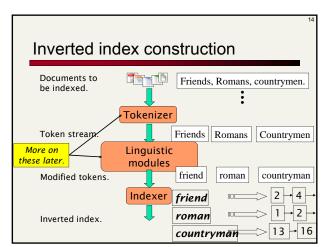
Bigger corpora(语料库)

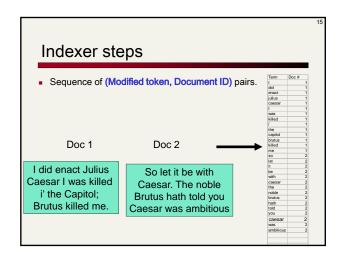
- Consider
 - **N= 1 000 000** documents
 - each with about 1000 terms.
 - Avg 6 bytes/term
 - include spaces/punctuation(空间/标点符号)
 - 6GB of data in the documents.
- Say there are
 - m = 500 000
 - distinct terms among these.

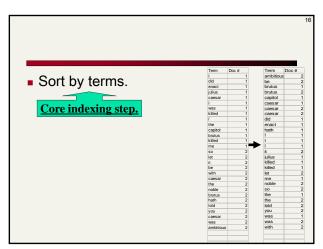


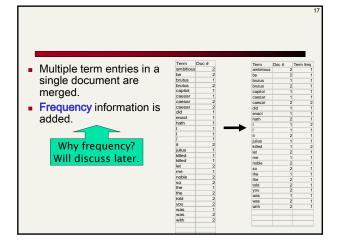


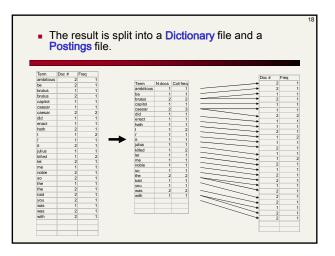












The index we just built

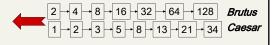
- How do we process a query?
 - Later what kinds of gueries can we process?

Query processing: AND

Consider processing the query:

Brutus AND Caesar

- Locate *Brutus* in the Dictionary;
 - Retrieve its postings.
- Locate *Caesar* in the Dictionary;
 - Retrieve its postings.
- "Merge" the two postings:



Algorithm: Intersect(p1,p2)

Algorithm for the intersection of two postings lists p1 and p2

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INTERSECT(p1,p2)^{\omega}
answer <- {}^{\omega}
while p1\neqNIL and p2\neqNIL ^{\omega}
do if docID(p1) = docID(p2)^{\omega}
then ADD(answer, docID(p1))^{\omega}
p1<- next(p1)^{\omega}
p2<- next(p2)^{\omega}
else if docID(p1) < docID(p2)^{\omega}
then p1<- next(p1)^{\omega}
else p2<- next(p2)^{\omega}
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Boolean queries: Exact match(精确匹配)

- The Boolean Retrieval model is being able to ask a query
 - Boolean Queries that is a Boolean expression:
 - using AND, OR and NOT to join query terms
 - Views each document as a set of words
 - Is precise : document matches condition or not
- Professional searchers (e.g.,) still like Boolean queries:
 - Can know exactly what you're getting

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Boolean queries:

More general merges

Exercise:

Adapt the merge for the queries:

Brutus AND NOT Caesar Brutus OR NOT Caesar

Can we still run through the merge in time O(x+y) or what can we achieve?

Query optimization(查询优化)

- What is the best order for query processing?
- Consider a query that is an AND of t terms.
- For each of the t terms, get its postings, then AND them together.

Brutus		4	8	16	32	64 1	28	
Calpurnia	\Rightarrow	2	3	5	8	16	21	34
Caesar	= > <u>13</u>	16						

Query: Brutus AND Calpurnia AND Caesar

Query optimization example Process in order of increasing freq: start with smallest set, then keep cutting further. This is why we kept frequency in dictionary Brutus Calpurnia Caesar Lagrania Executed query: (Caesar AND Brutus) AND Calpurnia

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Algorithm: Intersect(< t_1, t_2, ..., t_n >)

Algorithm for conjunctive queries that returns the set of documents containing each term in the input list of terms

INTERSECT(< t_1, ..., t_n >)

1 terms \leftarrow SORTBYINCREASINGFREQUENCY(< t_1, ..., t_n >)

2 result \leftarrow postings(first(terms))

3 terms \leftarrow rest(terms)

4 while terms \neq NIL and result \neq NIL

5 do result \leftarrow INTERSECT(result, postings(first(terms)))

6 terms \leftarrow rest(terms)

7 return result
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Exercise

If the query is:

friends AND romans AND (NOT countrymen)

■ 对比:百度、搜狗、Bing 的检索结果

■ 对比: Baidu学术、Bing学术、Google学术 的检索结果

More general optimization

- e.g.,
 - (madding OR crowd) AND (ignoble OR strife)
 - Get *df* for all terms.
 - Estimate the size of each *OR* by the sum of its *df*.
 - Process in increasing order of OR sizes.

Term Freq 213312 eyes Exercise kaleidoscope 87009 Query: (tangerine OR trees) AND marmalade 107913 (marmalade OR skies) AND 271658 (kaleidoscope OR eyes) 46653 tangerine 316812 trees (tangerine OR trees) 46653 + 316812 = 363465(marmalade OR skies) 107913+271658 = 379571 (kaleidoscope OR eyes) 87009+213312 = 300321