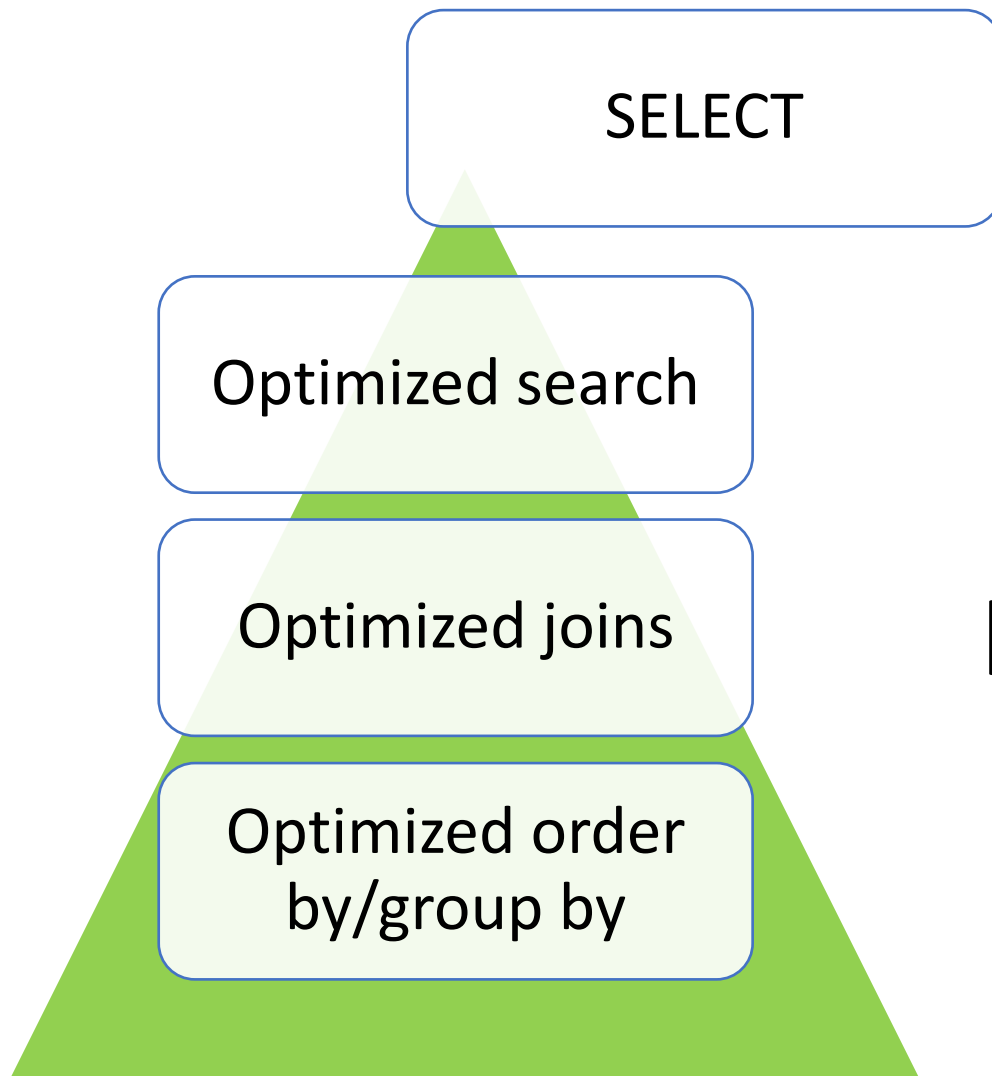


Indexing

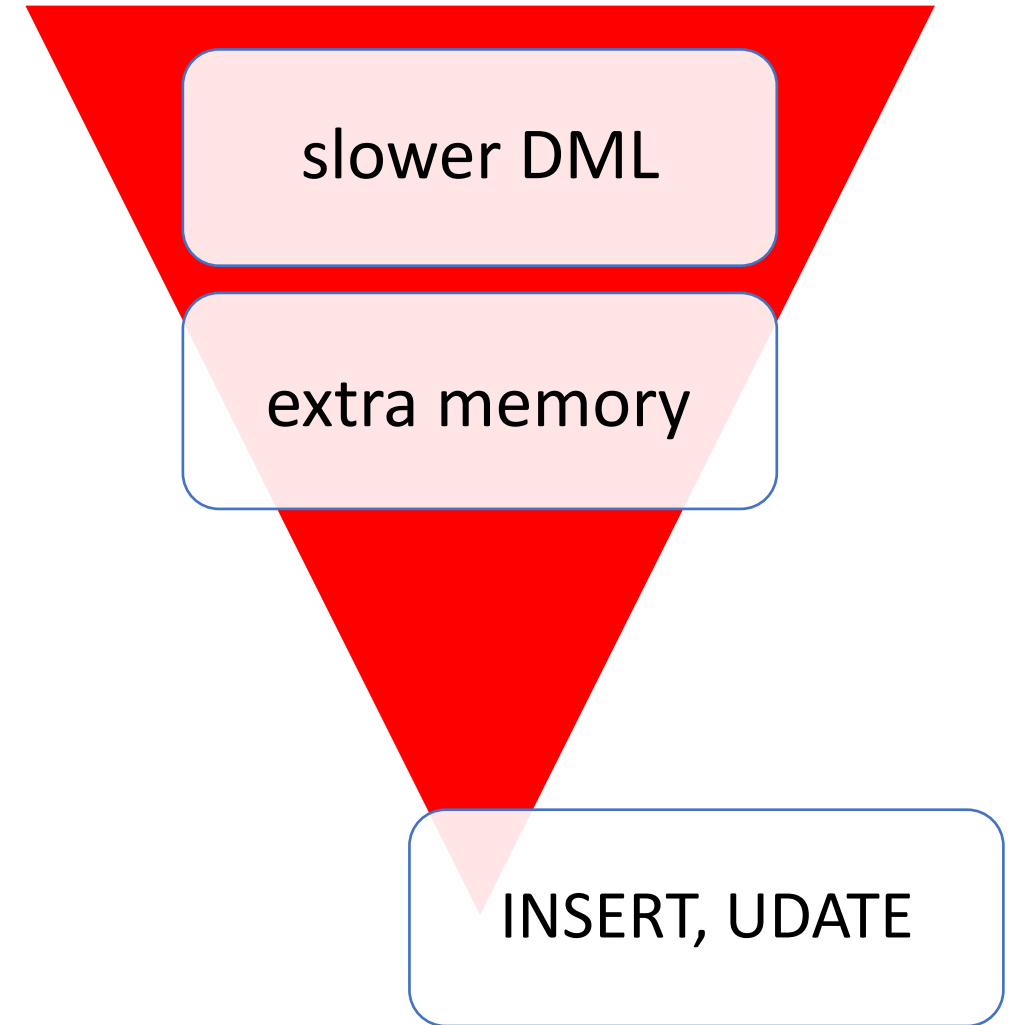
COURSE 5: Databases

Indexes

- Work like textbook indexes.
- Optimized search.
- Optimized joins (lookup in more than one table)
- Optimized order by/group by
- slower DML (insert and update operations).
- extra memory



Index



Ordered Indexes

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- Associated with a search key.
- Stores the values of the search key in order.
- Maps search key to data records using specific data structures.
- Index entry:
search **key value** + **pointers** to records containing search key value.
- A table may have several ordered indexes.

Clustered index

- Defines the order in which data is physically stored in a table.
- **Only one clustered index** on a table (data can be stored in only one order)
- A cluster index is created automatically when a primary key is defined.
- *No additional data structure is needed to store the index. The index is the table itself.*

Clustered index - Oracle IoT (index organized table)

- Oracle: IOT index organized tables. Table is stored in a B-tree structure. (key and non-keys column are stored in leafs)
- In PostgreSQL

Non-clustered index

- Indexes that specify a different order from the sequential order of the file are **non-clustering indexes** or **secondary indexes**.
- Several secondary indexes may be created for a table.
- Slower than a clustered index.
- Requires additional disk space and additional data structures.

Non-clustered index

- A non-cluster index contains index key values.
- Each key value entry has a **row-locator**: pointer to the data-row that contains the key-value. The row-locator may indicate:
 - the key in the clustered index.
 - the pointer to the row.

Sparse or dense index

Sparse indices: contains only some key values. Works only for clustering indices. If we want to find all records with search key value v , we located the first row with v , then we check the records in order, until key search is different than v .

Dense indices: contains a pair $(key_value, adr_first_record_with_value)$ for each possible search key value.

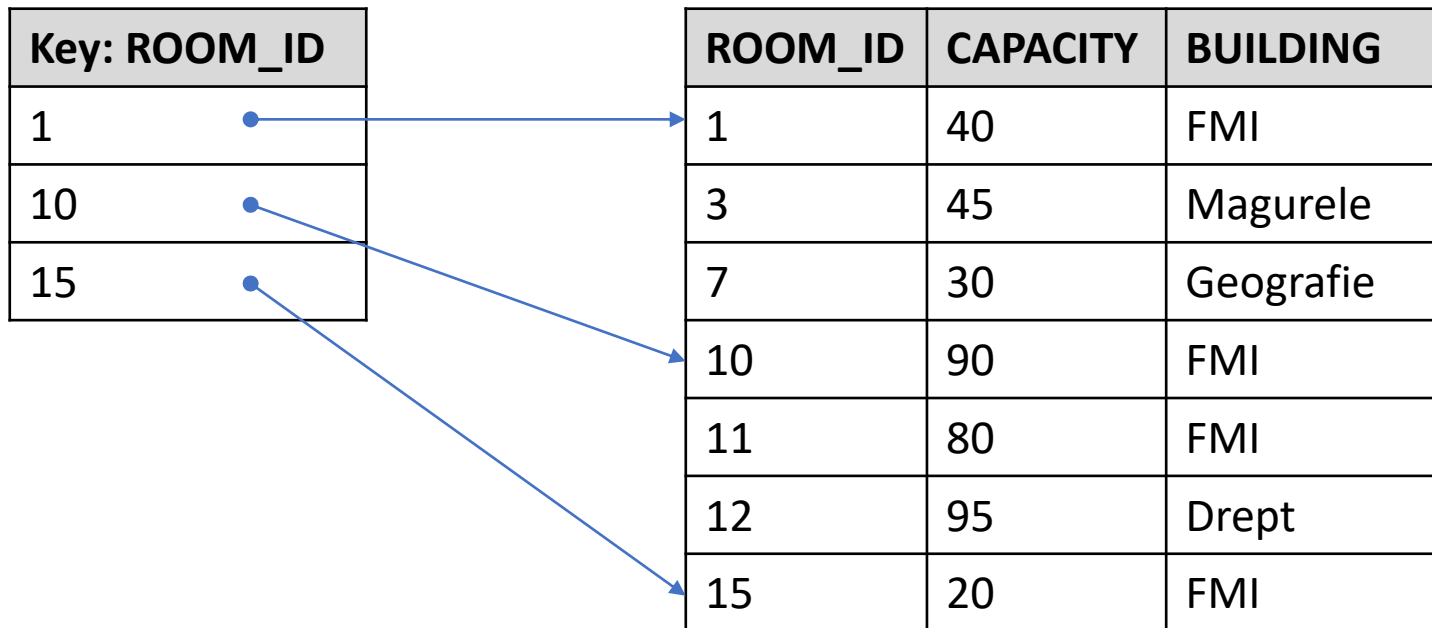
Clustered index (SqlServer, MySql)

Dense indices

Key: ROOM_ID		ROOM_ID	CAPACITY	BUILDING
1	•	1	40	FMI
3	•	3	45	Magurele
7	•	7	30	Geografie
10	•	10	90	FMI
11	•	11	80	FMI
12	•	12	95	Drept
15	•	15	20	FMI

Clustered index (SqlServer, MySql)

sparse indices – non primary How does find(12) works?

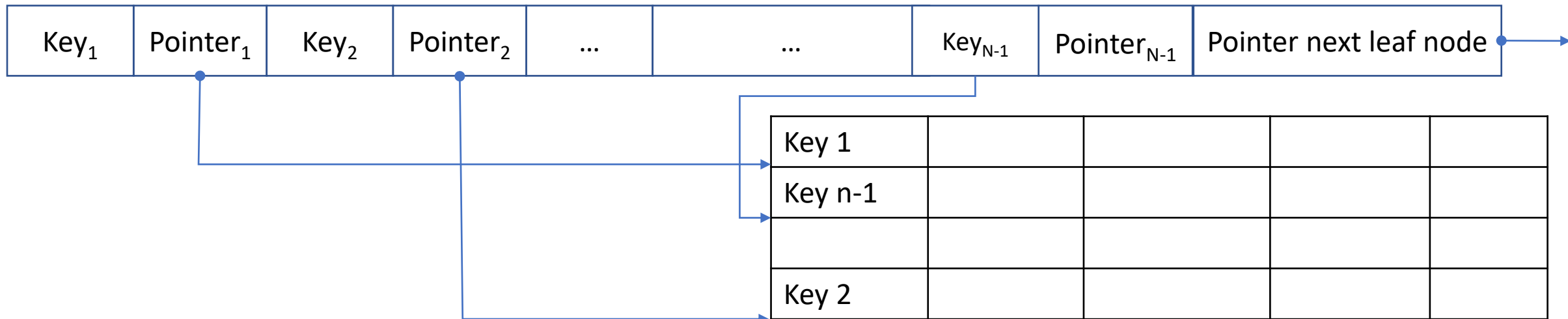


B⁺ – Tree

- Balanced tree.
- The number of nodes traversed in order to reach a leaf block is the same for each leaf block.
- Default index type in Oracle.
- Two types of nodes: branch blocks and leaf blocks.
- Branch blocks -- pointers to lower levels.
- Leaf blocks contain rowids/physical address.

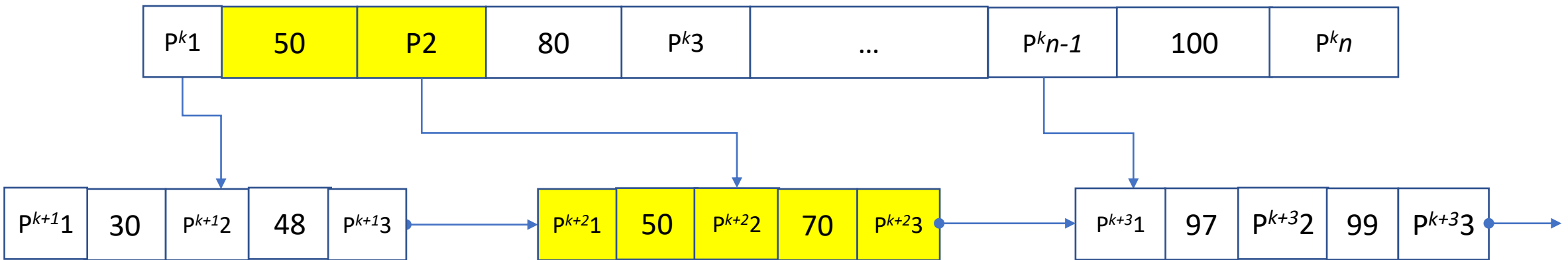
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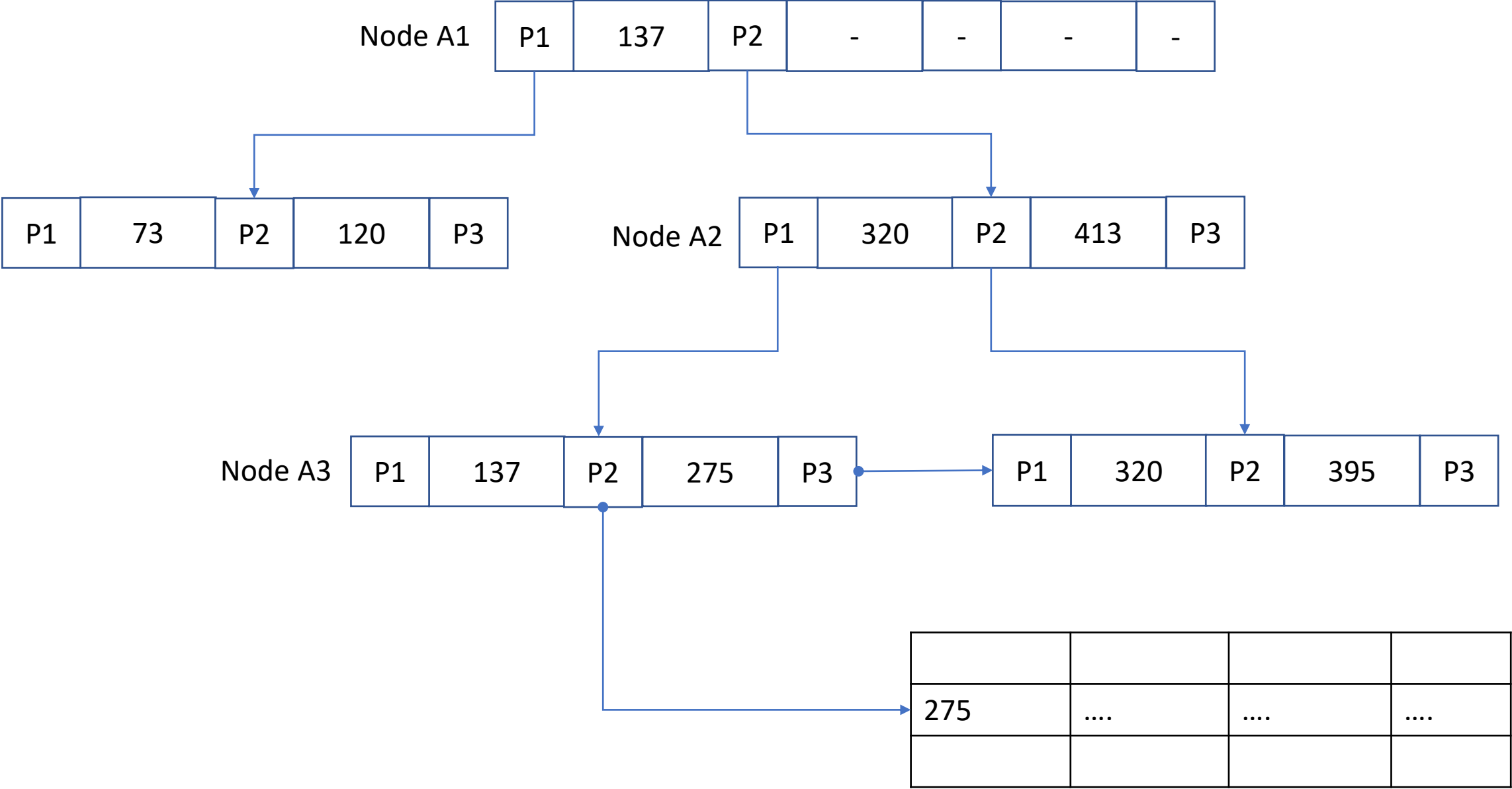
- Leaf node:



B⁺ – Tree

- Non-leaf node: keys --> intervals; pointers --> pointers to tree nodes.
- A **non-leaf node** may hold between $\lceil n/2 \rceil$ and n pointers.





Sql Optimizer

