#### **CS150A Database**

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#### Today:

- Index Files
- B+ Tree Refinements

#### Readings:

 Database Management Systems (DBMS), Chapters 9&10

#### General characteristics of an index: An Outline

- Issues to consider in any index structure (not just B+-trees)
  - Query support: what class of queries does the index allow?
  - Choice of Search Key
    - Affects the queries for which we can use an index.
  - Data Entry Storage
    - Affects performance of the index
  - Variable-length key tricks
    - Affects performance of the index
  - Cost Model for Index vs Heap vs Sorted File

### **QUERY SUPPORT**

#### Indexes: Basic Selection

- Basic Selection: <key> <op> <constant>
  - Equality selections (op is =)
  - Range selections (op is one of <, >, <=, >=, BETWEEN)
  - B+-trees provide both
  - Linear Hash indexes provide only equality (but are interesting!)

#### Indexes: Other Selections

#### More Exotic Selections:

- 2-d box (current map boundaries)
- 2-d circle ("within 2 miles of Empire State Building")
- Common n-dimensional indexes: R-tree, KD-tree, etc.
  - Beware of the curse of dimensionality
- Near-neighbor queries ("10 restaurants closest to Empire State Building")
- Regular expression matches, genome string matches, etc.
- See Postgres' GIST indexes for a flexible structure developed at Berkeley

### For Today

- In the remainder of our discussion, we'll focus on traditional 1-d range search
  - And equality as a special case
  - As in B+-trees

- Can index on any ordered subset of columns. Order matters!
  - Determines the queries supported
- In an ordered index (e.g. B+-tree) the keys are ordered lexicographically by the search key columns:
  - Ordered by the 1<sup>st</sup> column
  - 2 items match on 1<sup>st</sup> column? Ordered by 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Match on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> column? Ordered by 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - Etc.
- E.g. table to right ordered lexicographically by the search key <Age, Salary>

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- Defn: A composite search key on columns (k<sub>1</sub>, k<sub>2</sub>, ..., k<sub>n</sub>) "matches" a query if:
  - The query is a *conjunction* of  $m \ge 0$  equality clauses of the form:

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k_1 = <val<sub>1</sub>> AND k_2 = <val<sub>2</sub>> AND .. AND k_m = <val<sub>m</sub>> and at most 1 additional range clause of the form: AND k_{m+1} op <val>, where op is one of {<, >}
```

- Why does this "match"? Lookup and scan in lexicographic order
  - Can do a lookup on equality conjuncts to find start-of-range
  - Can do a scan of contiguous data entries at leaves
    - satisfy the m+1<sup>st</sup> conjunct
    - or if there is no m+1<sup>st</sup> conjunct
      - scan the entire set of matches to the first m conjuncts

- Composite Keys: more than one column
  - Lexicographic order
  - Search a range?
  - <Age, Salary>
- Legend

Green for rows we visit that are in the range

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### Data Entry Storage Intro

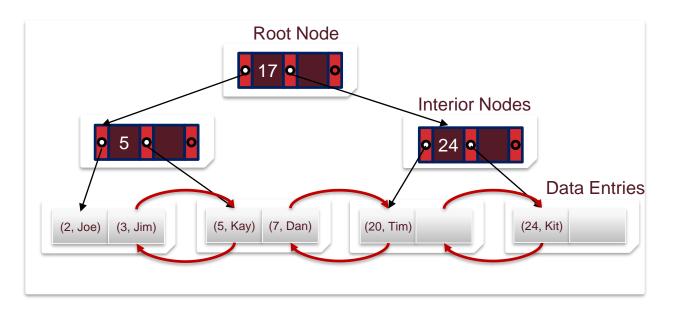
- What is the representation of data in the index?
  - Actual data or pointer to the data
- How is the data stored in the data file?
  - Clustered or unclustered with respect to the index
- Big Impact on Performance
  - We'll learn each of these next

### Three basic alternatives for data entries in any index

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  - Alternative 1: By Value
  - Alternative 2: By Reference
  - Alternative 3: By List of references
    - We'll look in the context of B+-trees, but applies to any index

### Alternative 1 Index (B+ Tree)

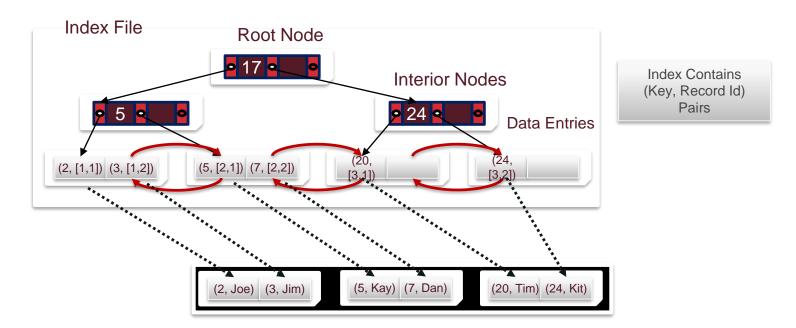
- Record contents are stored in the index file
  - No need to follow pointers



| <u>uid</u> | name |
|------------|------|
| 2          | Joe  |
| 3          | Jim  |
| 5          | Kay  |
| 7          | Dan  |
| 20         | Tim  |
| 24         | Kit  |

#### Alternative 2 Index

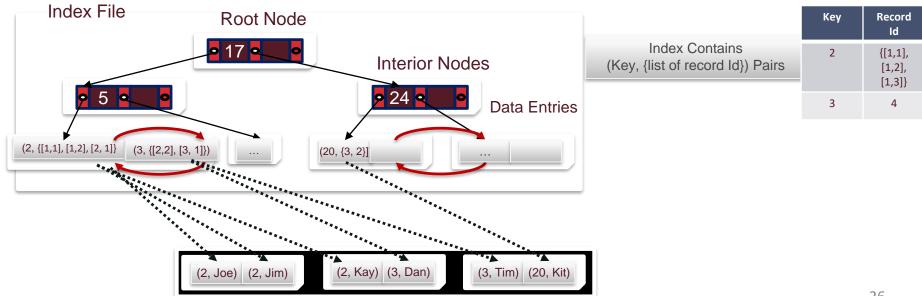
- Alternative 2: By Reference, <k, rid of matching data record>
  - We used in slides above



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#### Alternative 3 Index

- Alternative 3: By List of references, <k, list of rids of matching data records>
  - Alternative 3 more compact than alternative 2
    - For very large rid lists, single data entry spans multiple blocks



### Indexing By Reference

- Both Alternative 2 and Alternative 3 index data by reference
- By-reference is required to support multiple indexes per table
  - Otherwise we would be replicating entire tuples
  - Replicating data leads to complexity when we're doing updates, so it's something we want to avoid

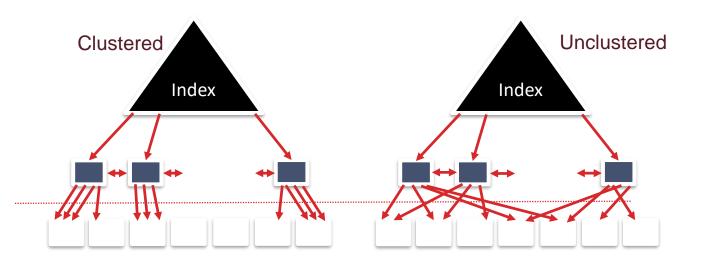
#### Alternative 2 vs Alternative 3 Table Illustration



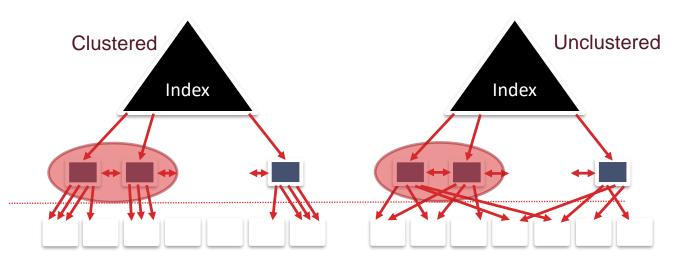
#### Clustered vs. Unclustered Index

- By-reference indexes (Alt 2 and 3) can be clustered or unclustered
  - Really this is a property of the heap file associated with the index!
- Clustered index:
  - Heap file records are kept mostly ordered according to search keys in index
    - Heap file order need not be perfect: this is just a performance hint
    - Cost of retrieving data records through index varies greatly based on whether index is clustered or not!
- Note: different definition of "clustering" in Al:
  - grouping nearby items in *n*-space

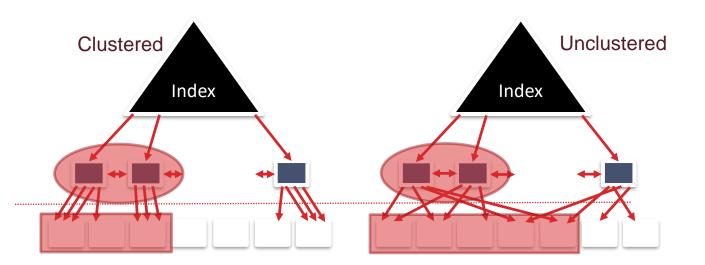
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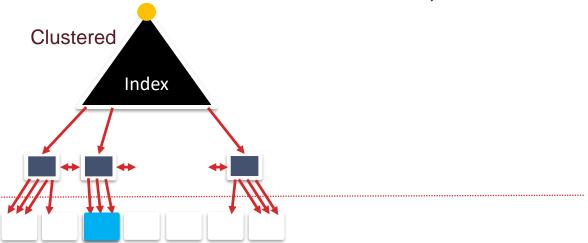
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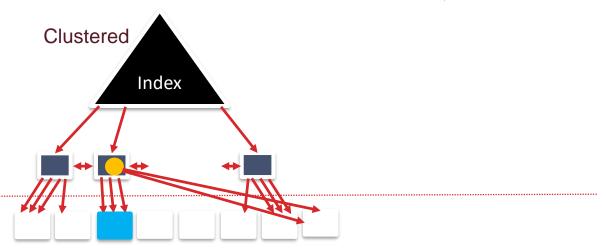
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#### Clustered vs. Unclustered Indexes Pros

- Clustered Index Pros
  - Efficient for range searches
  - Potential locality benefits
    - Sequential disk access, prefetching, etc.
  - Support certain types of compression
    - More soon on this topic

#### Clustered vs. Unclustered Indexes Cons

- Clustered Cons
  - More expensive to maintain
    - Need to periodically update heap file order
    - Solution: on the fly or "lazily" via reorganizations
  - Heap file usually only packed to 2/3 to accommodate inserts

#### B+TREE REFINEMENT: VARIABLE-LENGTH KEYS

#### Variable Length Keys & Records

So far we have been using integer keys



 What would happen to our occupancy invariant with variable length keys?



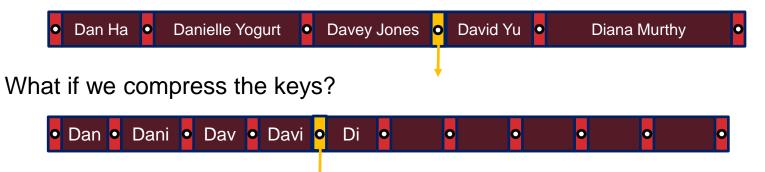
What about data in leaf pages:

#### Redefine Occupancy Invariant

- Order (d) makes little sense with variable-length entries
  - Different nodes have different numbers of entries.
  - Index pages often hold many more entries than leaf pages
  - Even with fixed length fields, Alternative 3 gives variable length data entries
- Use a physical criterion in practice: at-least half-full
  - Measured in bytes
- Many real systems are even sloppier than this
  - Only reclaim space when a page is completely empty.
  - Basically the deletion policy we described above...

#### Prefix Compress Keys?

How can we get more keys on a page?



- Are these the same
  - David Jones?
  - Not the same partitioning of possible keys
  - But why would we care??

# Prefix Key Compression

What if we compress starting at leaf:

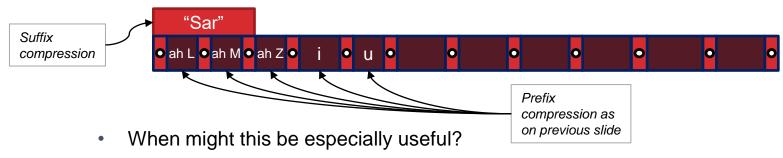


#### Suffix Key Compression

All keys have large common prefix



Move common prefix to header, leave only (compressed) suffix next to pointer



- Composite Keys. Example?
  - <Zip code, Last Name, First Name>

#### **B+-TREE COSTS**

#### Recall: Cost of Operations

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|------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|
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| Range Search     | B*D         | ((log <sub>2</sub> B)+pages))*D |
| Insert           | 2*D         | $((\log_2 B) + B)*D$            |
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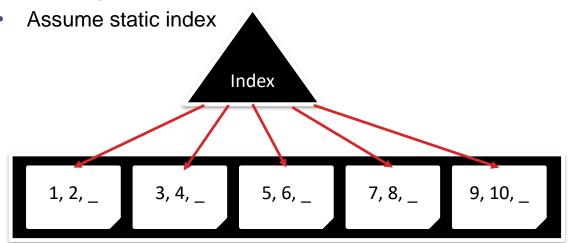
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#### Clustered vs. Unclustered Index Assumptions

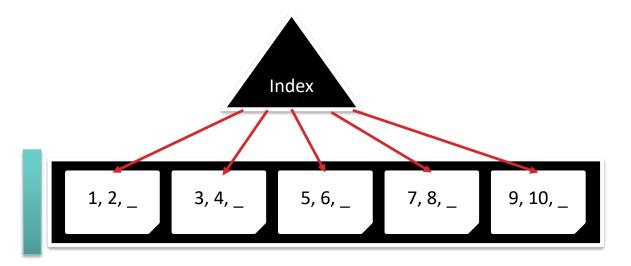
- Store data by reference (Alternative 2)
- Clustered index with 2/3 full heap file pages
  - Clustered → Heap file is initially sorted
  - Fan-out (F): relatively large. Why?
    - Page of <key, pointer> pairs ~ O(R)



#### Scan all the Records

- Do we need an Index?
  - No
- Cost? = 1.5 \* B \* D
  - Why?

Recall assumption from before regarding clustered indexes: heap file pages only **2/3** full.



# Cost of Operations: Scan

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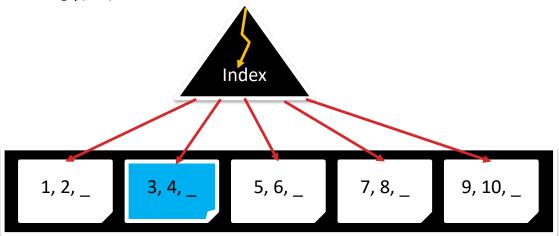
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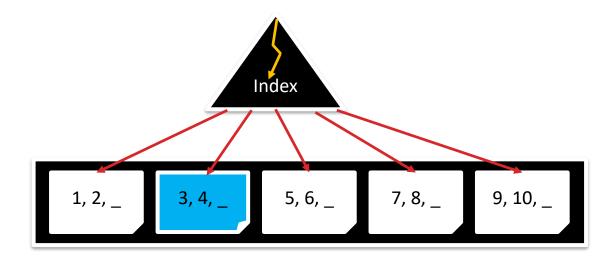
# Find the record with key 3, pt 1

- Search the index:= (log<sub>E</sub> (BR/E) + 1) \* D
  - BR is the total number of records; E is the #records per leaf
  - the +1 is an "off by 1" thing: catches the cost of the root
  - E.g. F = 4, BR/E = 16: root, intermediate, leaf levels.
  - $Log_4(16) = 2$ , and I/O cost is 3!



# Find the record with key 3, pt 2

- Search the index:= (log<sub>F</sub> (BR/E) + 1) \* D
- Lookup record in heap file by record-id = 1 \* D
  - Recall record-id = <page, slot #>



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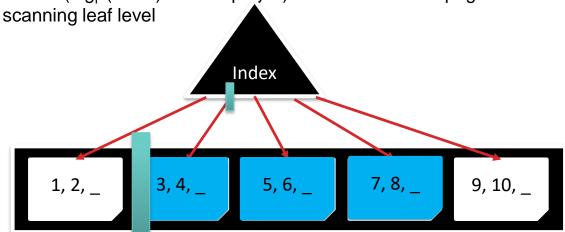
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#### Find keys between 3 and 7

- Search the index: = (log<sub>F</sub> (BR/E) + 1) \* D
- Scan the leaf level and lookup each matching record in the heap file by record-id
  - Recall record-id = <page, slot #>
- Heap file access: (3/2 \* #pages) \* D
- Scanning the leaf level is similar to heap file access: assume same (3/2 \* #pages) \* D

In total (log<sub>F</sub> (BR/E) + 3 \* # pages) \* D since one leaf page is overcounted in searching index and



# Cost of Operations: Range Search

|                  | Heap File   | Sorted File                     | Clustered Index                     |
|------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Scan all records | B*D         | B*D                             | 3/2 * B * D                         |
| Equality Search  | 0.5*B*D     | (log <sub>2</sub> B)*D          | $(\log_{F}(BR/E)+2)*D$              |
| Range Search     | B*D         | ((log <sub>2</sub> B)+pages))*D | (log <sub>F</sub> (BR/E)+3*pages)*D |
| Insert           | 2*D         | $((\log_2 B) + B)*D$            |                                     |
| Delete           | (0.5*B+1)*D | $((\log_2 B) + B)*D$            |                                     |

- B: The number of data blocks
- R: Number of records per block
- **D:** Average time to read/write disk block
- **F:** Average internal node fanout
- E: Average # data entries per leaf

#### Cost of Operations: Insert?

|                  | Heap File   | Sorted File                     | Clustered Index                     |
|------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Scan all records | B*D         | B*D                             | 3/2 * B * D                         |
| Equality Search  | 0.5*B*D     | (log <sub>2</sub> B)*D          | $(\log_{F}(BR/E)+2)*D$              |
| Range Search     | B*D         | ((log <sub>2</sub> B)+pages))*D | (log <sub>F</sub> (BR/E)+3*pages)*D |
| Insert           | 2*D         | $((\log_2 B) + B)*D$            |                                     |
| Delete           | (0.5*B+1)*D | $((\log_2 B) + B)*D$            |                                     |

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#### Cost of Operations: Insert

|                  | Heap File   | Sorted File                     | Clustered Index                     |
|------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Scan all records | B*D         | B*D                             | 3/2 * B * D                         |
| Equality Search  | 0.5*B*D     | (log <sub>2</sub> B)*D          | $(\log_{F}(BR/E)+2)*D$              |
| Range Search     | B*D         | ((log <sub>2</sub> B)+pages))*D | (log <sub>F</sub> (BR/E)+3*pages)*D |
| Insert           | 2*D         | $((\log_2 B) + B)*D$            | (log <sub>F</sub> (BR/E)+4)*D       |
| Delete           | (0.5*B+1)*D | $((\log_2 B) + B)*D$            |                                     |

- B: The number of data blocks
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- **D:** Average time to read/write disk block
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- E: Average # data entries per leaf

# Cost of Operations: Delete

Why "+4" in Insert/Delete?

|                  | Heap File   | Sorted File                     | Clustered Index                     |
|------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Scan all records | B*D         | B*D                             | 3/2 * B * D                         |
| Equality Search  | 0.5*B*D     | (log <sub>2</sub> B)*D          | $(\log_{E}(BR/E)+2)*D$              |
| Range Search     | B*D         | ((log <sub>2</sub> B)+pages))*D | (log <sub>F</sub> (BR/E)+3*pages)*D |
| Insert           | 2*D         | $((\log_2 B) + B)*D$            | $(\log_{F}(BR/E)+4)*D$              |
| Delete           | (0.5*B+1)*D | $((\log_2 B) + B)*D$            | (log <sub>F</sub> (BR/E)+4)*D       |

B: The number of data blocks

• R: Number of records per block

• **D:** Average time to read/write disk block

• **F:** Average internal node fanout

• E: Average # data entries per leaf

# Cost of Operations: Big O Notation

|                  | Heap File | Sorted File           | Clustered Index       |
|------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Scan all records | O(B)      | O(B)                  | O(B)                  |
| Equality Search  | O(B)      | O(log <sub>2</sub> B) | O(log <sub>F</sub> B) |
| Range Search     | O(B)      | O(log <sub>2</sub> B) | O(log <sub>F</sub> B) |
| Insert           | O(1)      | O(B)                  | O(log <sub>F</sub> B) |
| Delete           | O(B)      | O(B)                  | O(log <sub>F</sub> B) |

- B: The number of data blocks
- R: Number of records per block
- **D:** Average time to read/write disk block
- **F:** Average internal node fanout
- E: Average # data entries per leaf

#### Constant factors

- Assume you can do 100 sequential I/Os in the time of 1 random I/O
- For a particular lookup, is a B+-tree better than a full-table scan?
  - Had better be very "selective"
    - Visit < ~1% of pages!</li>
  - Or do mostly sequential I/O at leaf level
    - Clustered index
  - Or use SSD
    - SSDs make indexes attractive
    - Especially for read-mostly workloads

# Summary

- Query Structure
  - Understand composite search keys
  - Lexicographic order and search key prefixes
- Data Storage
  - Data Entries: Alt 1 (tuples), Alt 2 (recordIds), Alt 3 (lists of recordIds)
  - Clustered vs. Unclustered
    - Only Alt 2 & 3!

# **Summary Cont**

- Variable length key refinements
  - Fill factors for variable-length keys
  - Prefix and suffix key compression
- B+-tree Cost Model
  - Attractive big-O
  - Don't forget constant factors of random I/O
    - Hard to beat sequential I/O of scans unless very selective
  - Indexes beyond B+-trees for more complex searches