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Consider a relation  $R(a,b,c)$  with 10,000 records, 1,000 blocks (10 records fit on each block), and where  $a$  is a non-negative integer primary key. How many blocks will be read from disk to answer the selection query  $\sigma_{a>25000}(R)$  in each of the following scenarios? Assume that 100 records match the selection predicate.

- Q1.** Relation  $R$  is stored in an unordered (heap) file.
- Q2.** Relation  $R$  is stored in an ordered (sequential) file sorted on  $a$  and there is a  $B^+$  tree index with search key  $a$ . All index blocks are already in main memory.
- Q3.** Relation  $R$  is stored in an ordered (sequential) file sorted on  $a$  and there is a  $B^+$  tree index with search key  $a$ , height  $x=3$  and order  $p_{\text{leaf}} = 60$ . **None** of the index blocks are in memory.
- Q4.** Relation  $R$  is stored in an unordered (heap) file. There also exists a  $B^+$  tree index with search key  $a$ . All Index blocks are already in main memory.
- Q5.** Relation  $R$  is stored in an unordered (heap) file. There also exists a  $B^+$  tree index with search key  $a$ , height  $x=3$  and order  $p_{\text{leaf}} = 60$ . **None** of the index blocks are in memory.

**Solution**

- 1)** We need to scan all of  $R$  for a cost of **1,000 block IOs**.
- 2)** Since the index is clustered and the 100 matching tuples fit on 10 blocks, the cost will be approximately **10 block IOs**.
- 3)** Index access cost  $x+1$ . Since the index is clustered and the 100 matching tuples fit on 10 blocks, the cost will be approximately 10 block IOs. Total cost **14 block IOs**.
- 4)** Since the index is unclustered, we will potentially make one block IO for each tuple for a cost of **100 block IOs**.
- 5)** Index access cost  $x+1$ . Since the index is unclustered, base table access cost will potentially make one block IO for each tuple i.e. 100. Total cost **104 block IOs**.