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FILE ORGANIZATION

Problem #1

Consider a drive with the following features:

Capacity	9000MB
Average Seek time	8msec
Spindle Speed	10000rpm
Bytes per sector	512
Cluster size	4096
Sectors per track	170
Tracks per cylinder	16
Cylinders	526

1. Suppose you have a file that is 8704 KB, divided into 34,000 256-byte records. What is the time cost given that the file will be accessed sequentially?

Cluster size = 4096, and hence the cluster holds $\frac{4096}{256} = 16$ records, and $\frac{4096}{512} = 8$ sectors.

The file is 8704 KB = 8704000 bytes, and hence: $\frac{8704000}{4096} = 2125$.
So, it is stored in $2125 \times 8 = 17000$ sectors, and hence $\frac{17000}{170} = \frac{\text{\# of Sectors}}{\text{Sectors per track}} = 100$ tracks.

Spindle speed = 10000, and hence $\frac{1}{\frac{10000}{60 \times 100}} = 6ms$ and the rotational delay is half that = 3ms.

So:

Avg seek time = 8ms.

Rotational Delay = 3ms.

Track read time = revolution time = 6ms.

Total time=17ms

Number of tracks = 100.

Total transfer time (sequentially) = $100 \times 17ms = 1.7s$

2. What about randomly?

Randomly only means accessing each cluster individually, i.e: each record of the file is scattered between sectors.

Cluster time = $\frac{\text{cluster size}}{\text{track size}} = \frac{4096}{170 \times 512} = 0.28ms$

Total time = avg seek time + rotational delay + cluster read time
= $8 + 3 + 0.28 = 11.28ms$

Total transfer time (randomly) = $34,000 \times 11.28ms = 383.52s$