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COSC2406/2407 Database Systems Tutorial Exercises

Note: Numbered homework exercises, and exercises marked "*", are from Ramakrishnan and Gehrke.

Page formats and records: Week 4

- 1. * Heap files are commonly organised using either a $linked\ list$ approach or a $block\ directory$ approach. Describe the two approaches, and discuss the trade-offs between them.
- 2. * Explain the *consecutive slots* and *slot directory* page formats. What are the trade-offs between them?
- 3. * Describe two possible record formats, and discuss the trade-offs between them.
- 4. Homework: 9.20

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