

1. Suppose that we have an ordered file with 30,000 records stored on a disk with block size 1024 bytes. File records are of fixed size with record length 100 bytes.

a) Find the number of block accesses required to search for a record using a binary search.

Number of records per block = $\lfloor (1024/100) \rfloor = 10$

Number of blocks needed for the file = $\lceil (30000/10) \rceil = 3000$

Number of block accesses needed to search for a record using a binary search = $\lceil \log_2 3000 \rceil = 12$

b) Suppose that the search key field of the file is 9 bytes long, a pointer is 6 bytes long, and a primary index is constructed for the file with one index entry per data block. Find the number of block accesses required to search for a record using the index.

Number of index entries per block = $\lfloor (1024 / (9+6)) \rfloor = 68$

Number of index entries = number of blocks in the data file = 3000

Number of index blocks = $\lceil (3000/68) \rceil = 45$

Number of block accesses needed to search for an index record using a binary search =

$\lceil \log_2 45 \rceil = 6$

Number of block accesses needed to search for a record using the index = $6 + 1 = 7$

c) How many levels are required to construct a multilevel index on the primary index in b) such that there is only one index block at the top level? Find the number of block accesses required to search for a record using the multi-level index.

From b), the number of first-level index blocks = 45

Number of second-level index entries = number of first-level blocks = 45

Number of second-level index blocks = $\lceil (45/68) \rceil = 1$

Since the second level has only one block, it is the top index level. Hence, the number of levels required is 2.

The number of block accesses to search for a record = $2 + 1 = 3$

2. Consider a disk with block size 512 bytes. Suppose that the search key field of a file is 9 bytes long and a pointer is 6 bytes long. We want to construct a B⁺-tree index for the file and a node of the B⁺-tree is made to be the same size as a disk block.

a) What is the largest integer value of n for the B⁺-tree?

For a B⁺-tree of order n , the following inequality must be satisfied.

$$(n \times 6) + ((n-1) \times 9) \leq 512$$

$$15 \times n \leq 512$$

$$\text{So, } n = 34$$

b) What are the largest and the least number of search key values that can be stored at the leaf level of a 4-level B⁺-tree?

Root: 1 node, 34 children

2nd level: 34 nodes, 1,156 children

3rd level: 1,156 nodes, 39,304 children

Leaf level: 39,304 nodes, 1,297,032 search key values

Root: 1 node, 2 children

2nd level: 2 nodes, 64 children

3rd level: 34 nodes, 578 children

Leaf level: 578 nodes, 9,826 search key values

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3. Consider a B⁺-tree and a given function `find(V)`, which returns leaf node C and index i such that $C.P_i$ points to the record with search key value V , if such a record exists. Write a pseudocode for a procedure `printRange(L, U)` to find and print all records with search key values in a specified range (L, U) , assuming both L and U exist in the tree and the number of keys in a leaf node is known. Such queries are called *range queries*.

procedure `printRange(value L, U)`

/ assume that both L and U exist in the tree */*

Set `done` = false;

Set $(C, i) = \text{find}(L)$;

repeat

while $(i \leq \text{number of keys in } C \text{ and } C.K_i \leq U)$

Print record pointed to by $C.P_i$

Set $i = i+1$

if $(i > \text{number of keys in } C)$

then $(C = C.P_n; i = 1)$

else Set `done` = true;

until (`done` or C is null)