

1. Suppose you need to sort a relation of 40 gigabytes, with 4 kilobyte blocks, using a memory size of 40 megabytes. Assume that $t_s = 5\text{ms}$ and $t_T = 0.1\text{ms}$. Find the cost of sorting the relation, in seconds, with $b_b = 1, 9, 30, 300$, and 900, where b_b is the number of buffer blocks allocated to each input run and output run.

2. Apply merge-join to the following numerical example used in the lecture.

$$\begin{array}{ll} n_{\text{student}} = 5,000 & b_{\text{student}} = 100 \\ n_{\text{takes}} = 10,000 & b_{\text{takes}} = 400 \end{array}$$

- (a) What will be the cost if the relations are **not** sorted and the memory size is still 3 blocks?
- (b) What will be the cost if the memory size is increased to 25 blocks and the relations are **not** sorted?
- (c) In order to reduce the number of seeks (without increasing the number of block transfers), what is the number of buffer blocks (i.e., b_b) that should be allocated
 - (i) to each run and the output in the merge step of sorting and,
 - (ii) for buffering each relation and the output in the join step?
- (d) What will be the cost of part (c)?

3. Consider two relations $r_1(A, B, C)$ and $r_2(C, D, E)$. For r_1 , it has 20,000 tuples and 25 tuples fit on one block. For r_2 , it has 45,000 tuples and 30 tuples fit on one block. Which join algorithm gives the lowest worst-case cost estimate for $r_1 \bowtie r_2$? Consider only number of block transfers in this exercise. Specify the minimum amount of memory in number of blocks for the worst-case estimates.

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