

CSE544 Data Management

Lecture 11 Query Optimization – Part 2

Announcements

- Project:
 - Feedback on proposals posted
 - Milestone due on Monday 2/26
- Wednesday 2/14: review 3 due
- Monday 2/19: no lecture (holiday)
- Wednesday 2/21: no lecture
- Friday 2/23: makeup lecture, HW3 due

Query Optimization

Three major components:

1. Search space last week
2. Cardinality and cost estimation today
3. Plan enumeration algorithms today+Wed.

Cardinality Estimation

Problem: given statistics on base tables and a query, estimate size of the answer

Very difficult, because:

- Need to do it very fast
- Need to use very little memory

Cardinality Estimation

- Traditional method:
 - Simple probability space on the set of possible tuples
- Alternate methods:
 - Based on ML
 - Based on sampling

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- Histogram on single attribute (1d)
- Histogram on two attributes (2d)

Computed periodically, often using sampling

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Goal: compute $p(condition)$

Assumptions

- Uniformity
- Independence
- Containment of values
- Preservation of values

Selectivity Factors

$p(pred)$ is called selectivity factor θ

$$\text{Est}(\sigma_{\text{pred}}(R)) = \theta_{\text{pred}} * T(R)$$

$$\text{Est}(R \bowtie_{A=B} S) = \theta_{A=B} * T(R) * T(S)$$

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Join

- $\theta_{R.A=S.B} = 1 / (\text{MAX}(V(R,A), V(S,B)))$

Why? Will explain next...

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Selectivity Factors

Containment of values: if $V(R,A) \leq V(S,B)$, then the set of A values of R is included in the set of B values of S

- Note: this indeed holds when A is a foreign key in R, and B is a key in S

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In general:

- $\text{Est}(R \bowtie_{A=B} S) = T(R) T(S) / \max(V(R,A), V(S,B))$
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Final Assumption

Preservation of values:

For any other attribute C:

- $V(R \bowtie_{A=B} S, C) = V(R, C)$ or
- $V(R \bowtie_{A=B} S, C) = V(S, C)$
- This is needed higher up in the plan

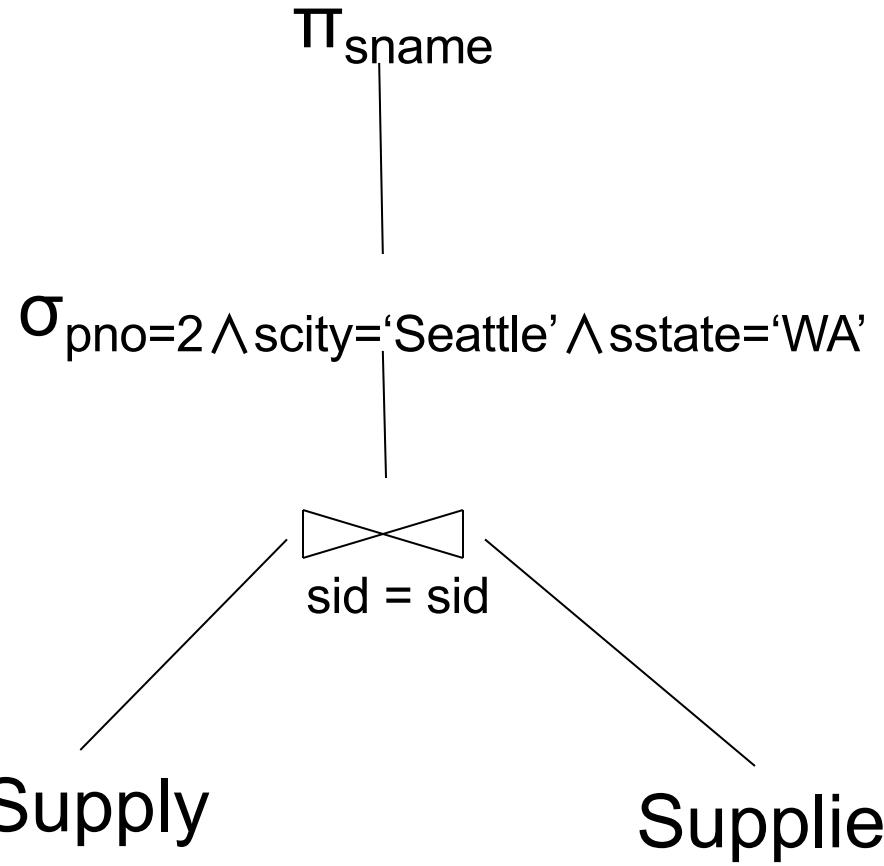
Computing the Cost of a Plan

- Estimate **cardinalities** bottom-up
- Estimate **cost** by using estimated cardinalities
- Example next...

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Supply(sid, pno, quantity)

Logical Query Plan 1



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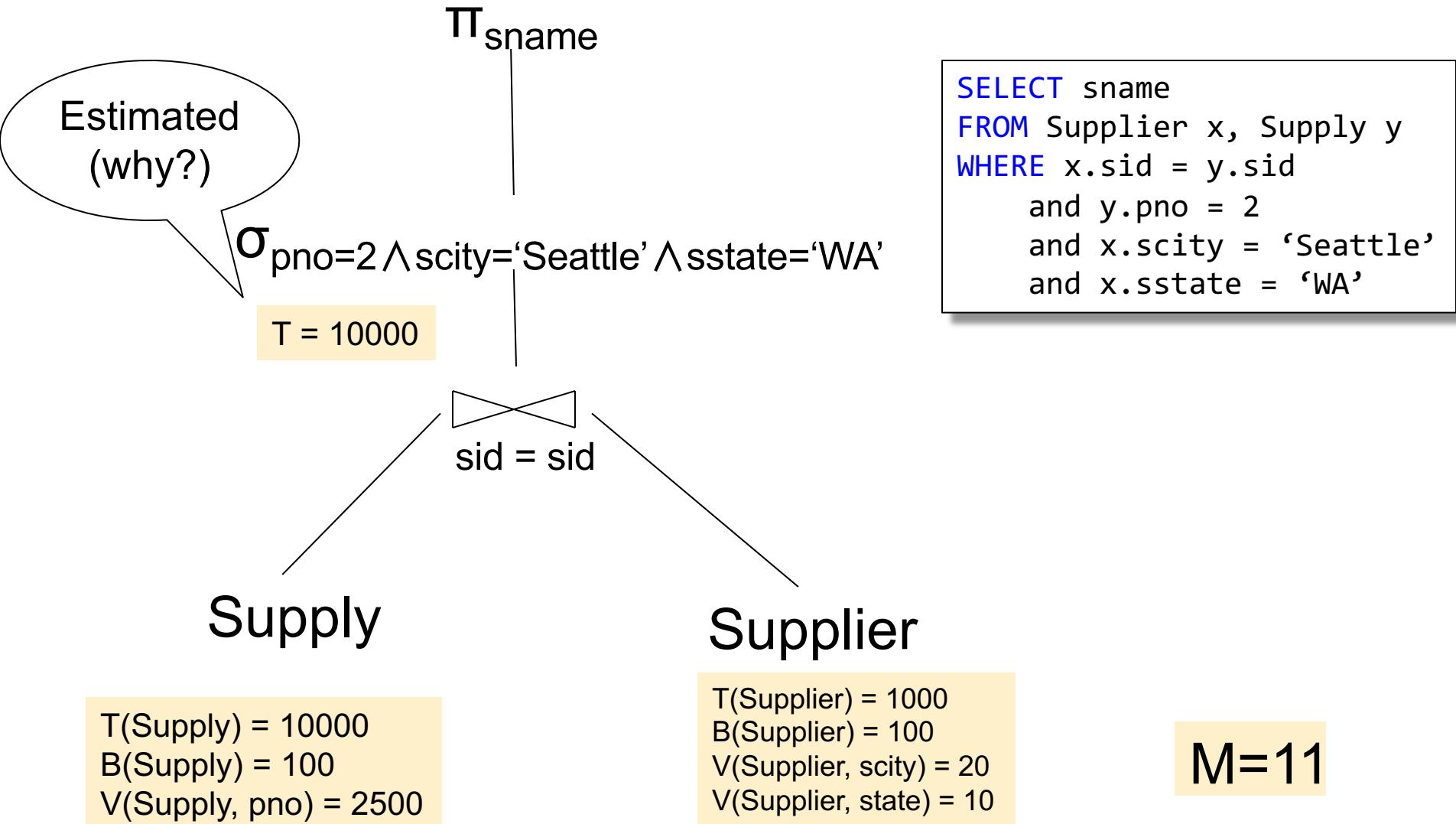
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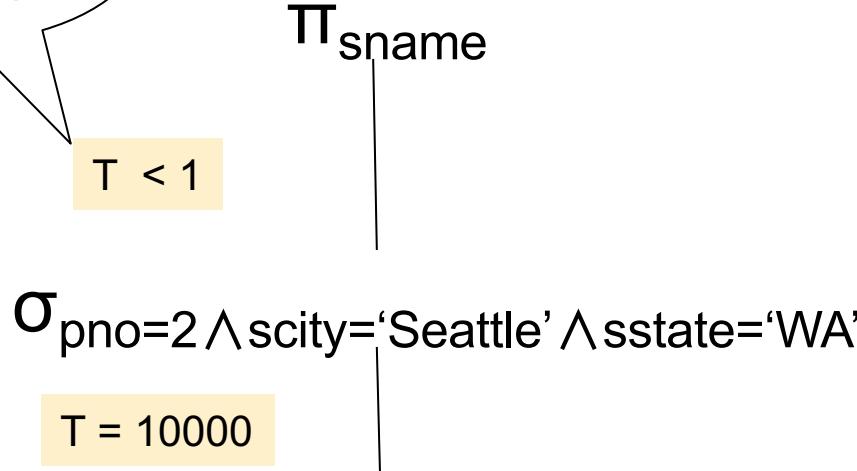


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Estimated
(why?)

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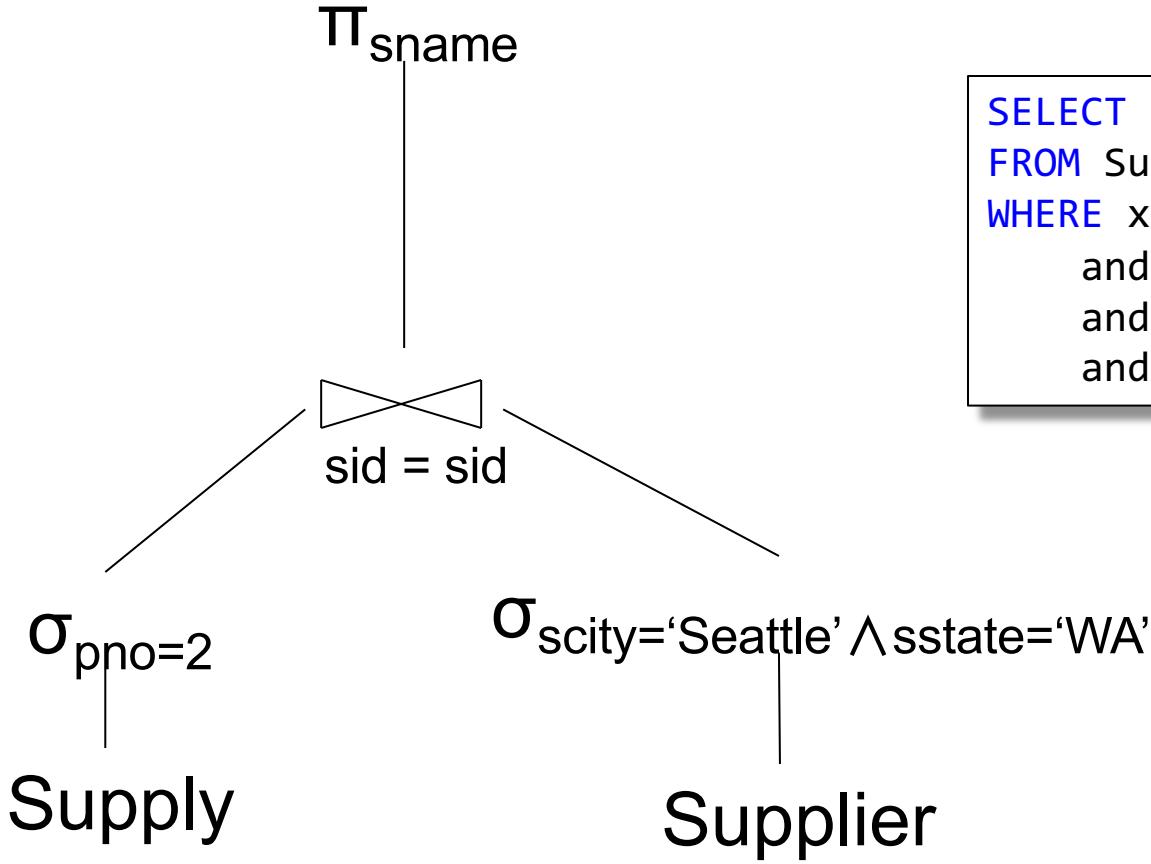
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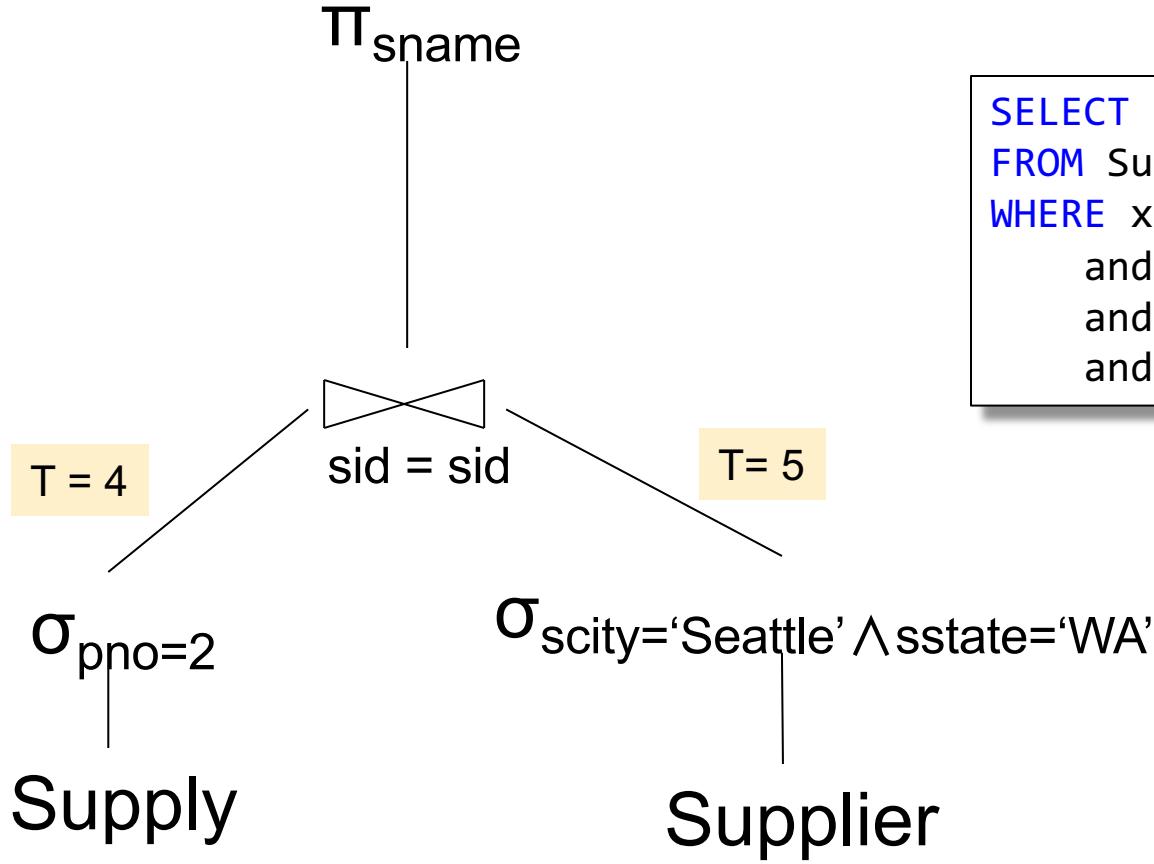
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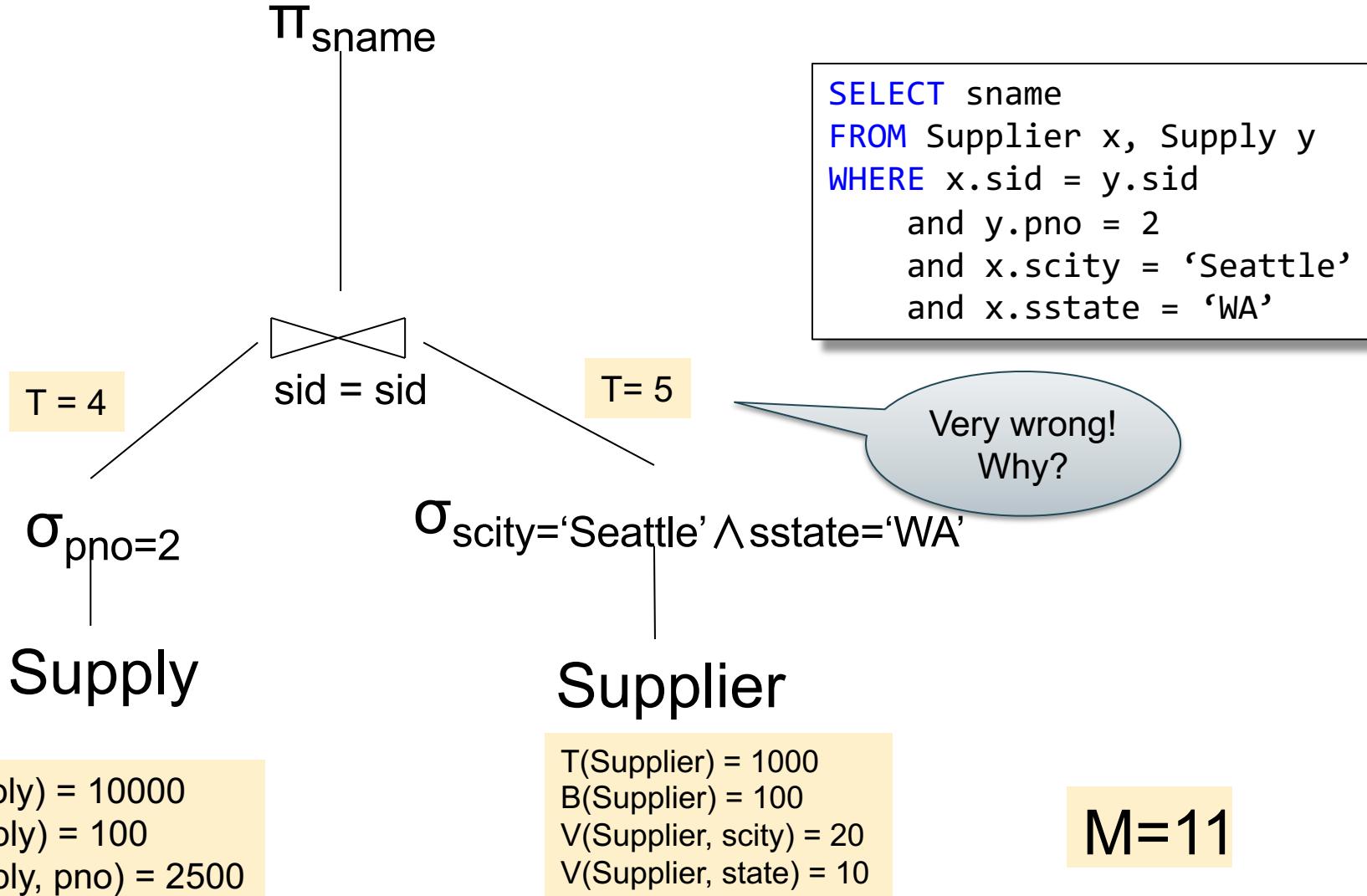
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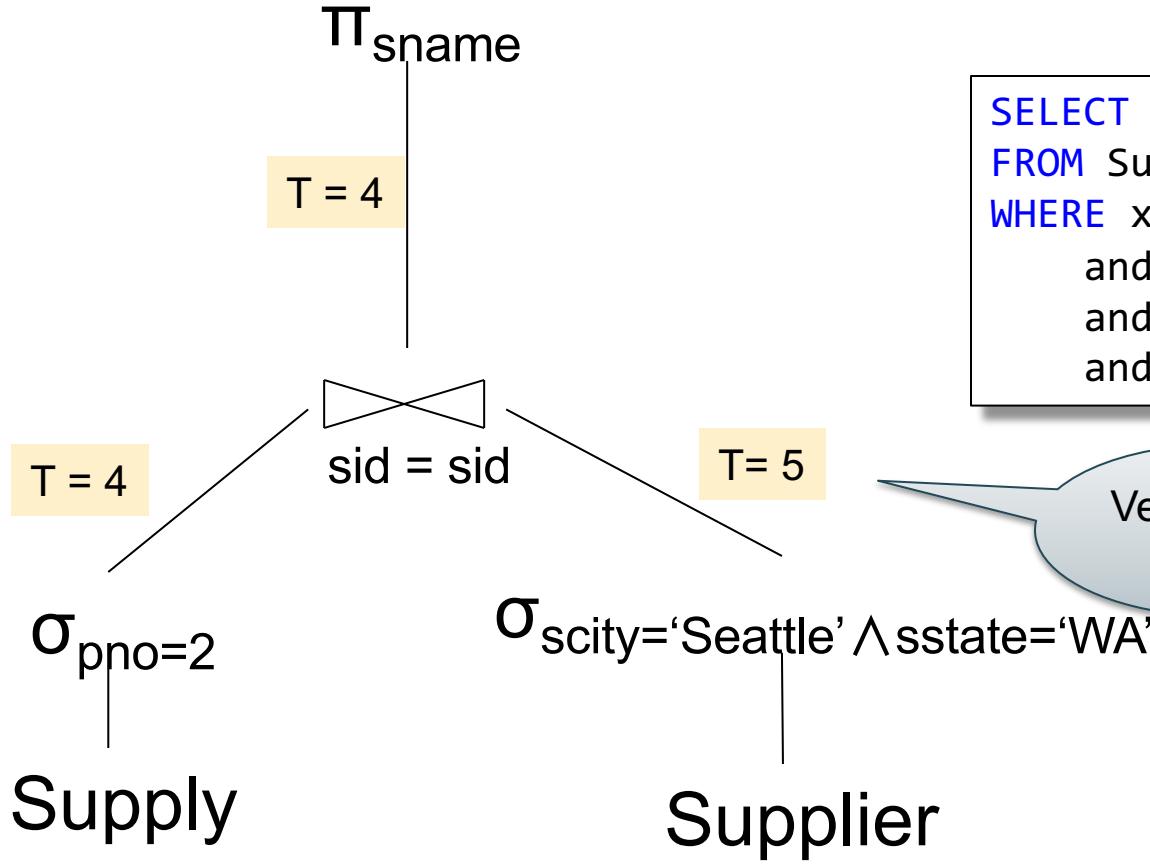
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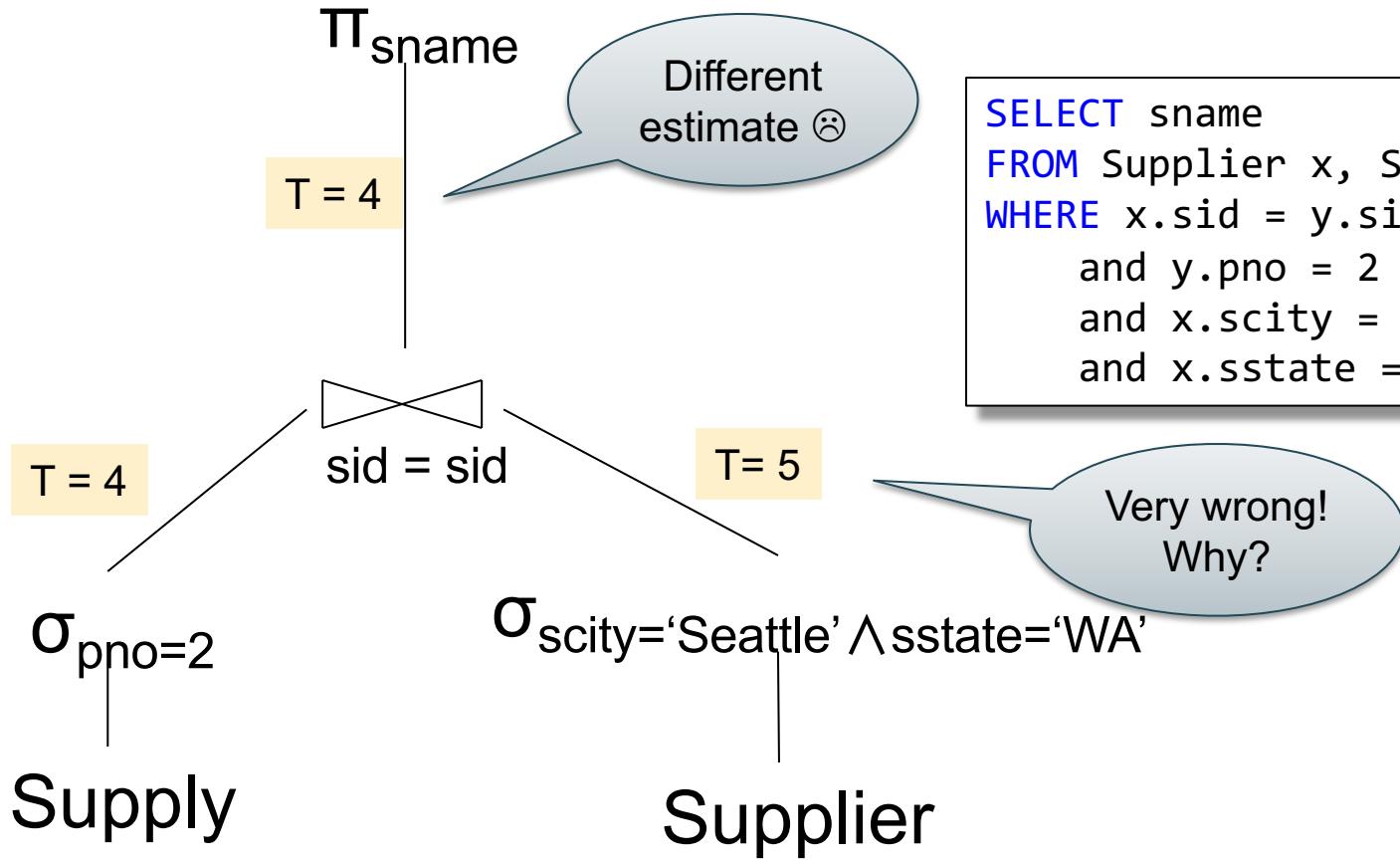
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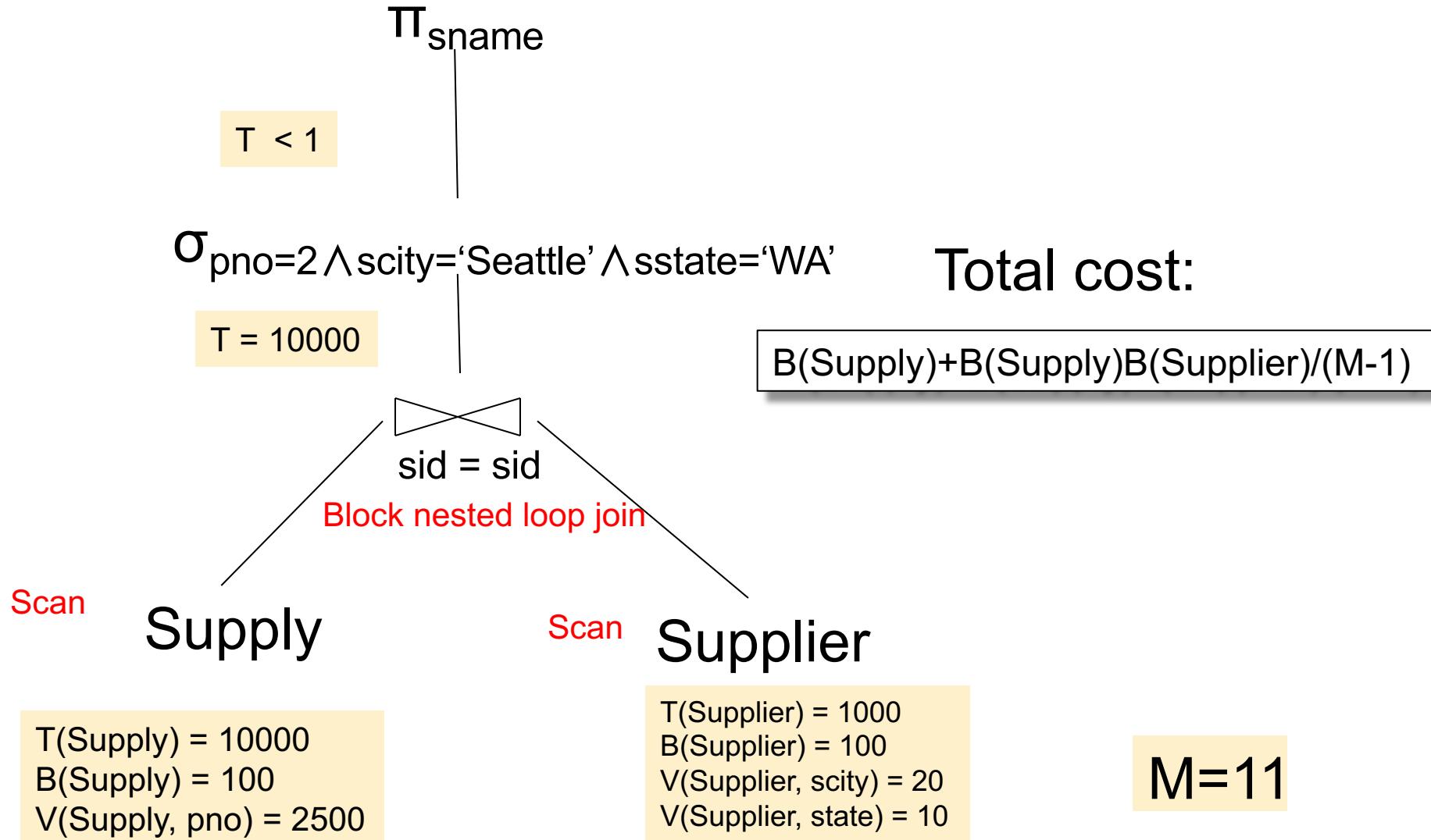
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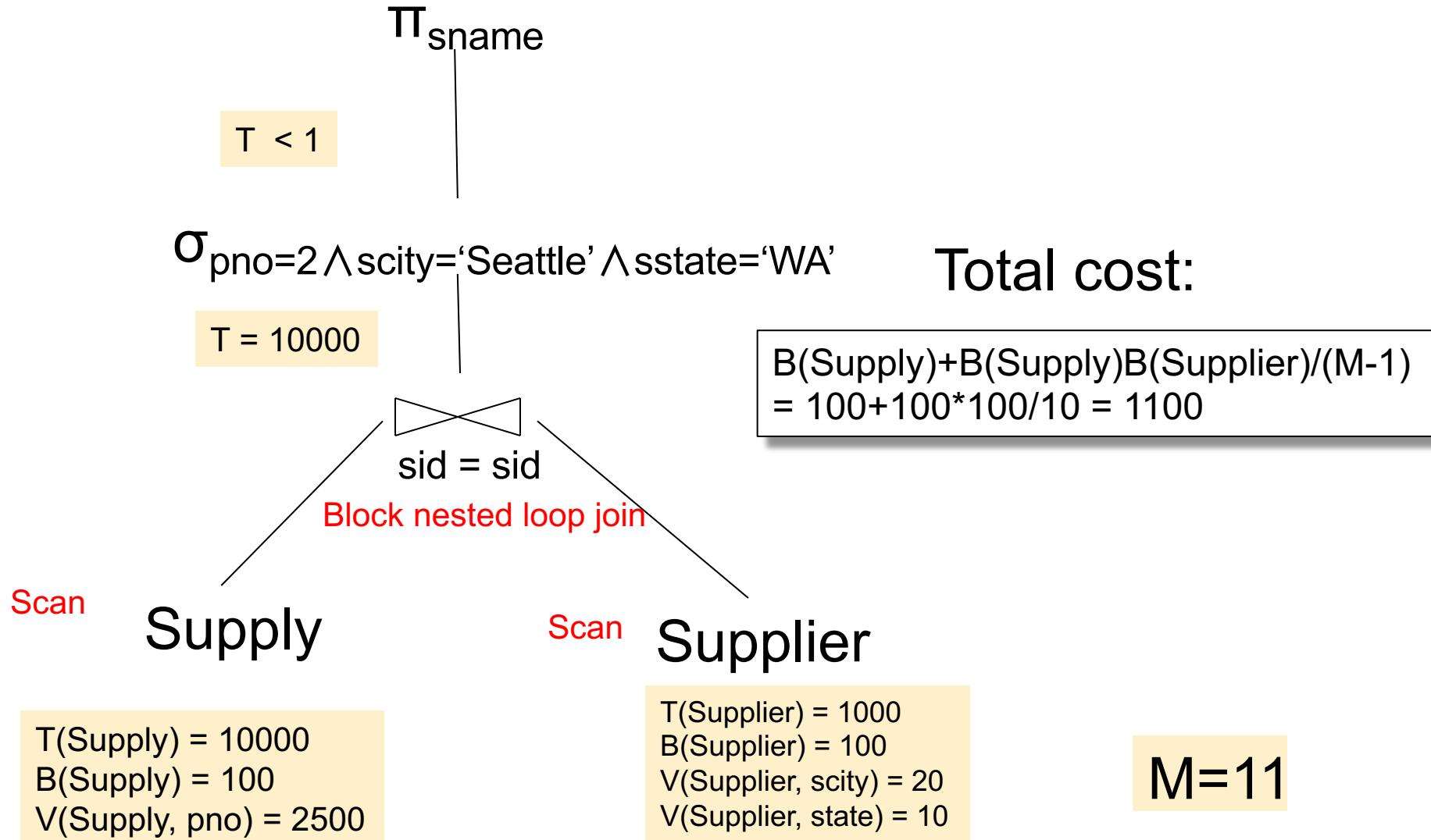
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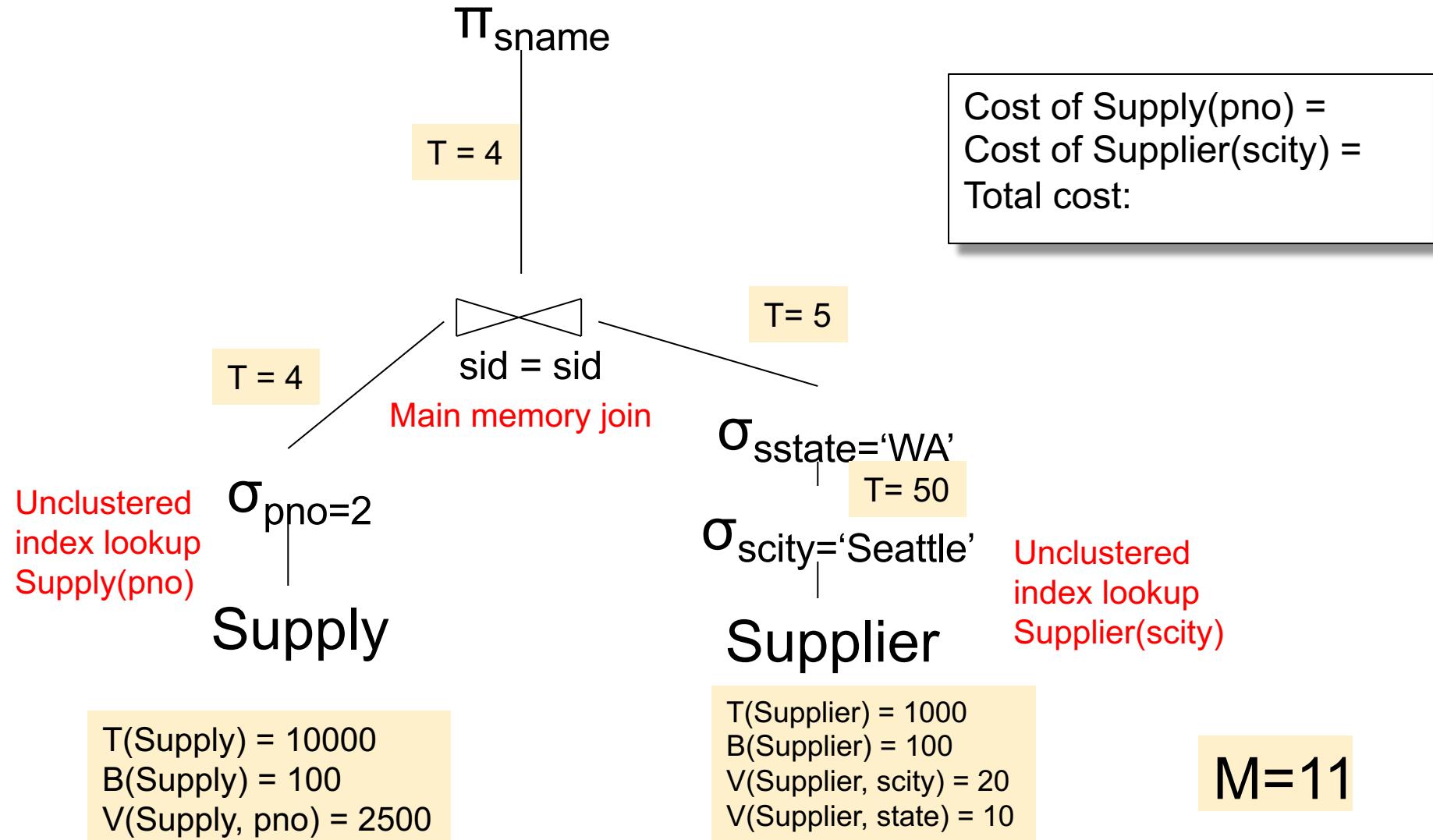
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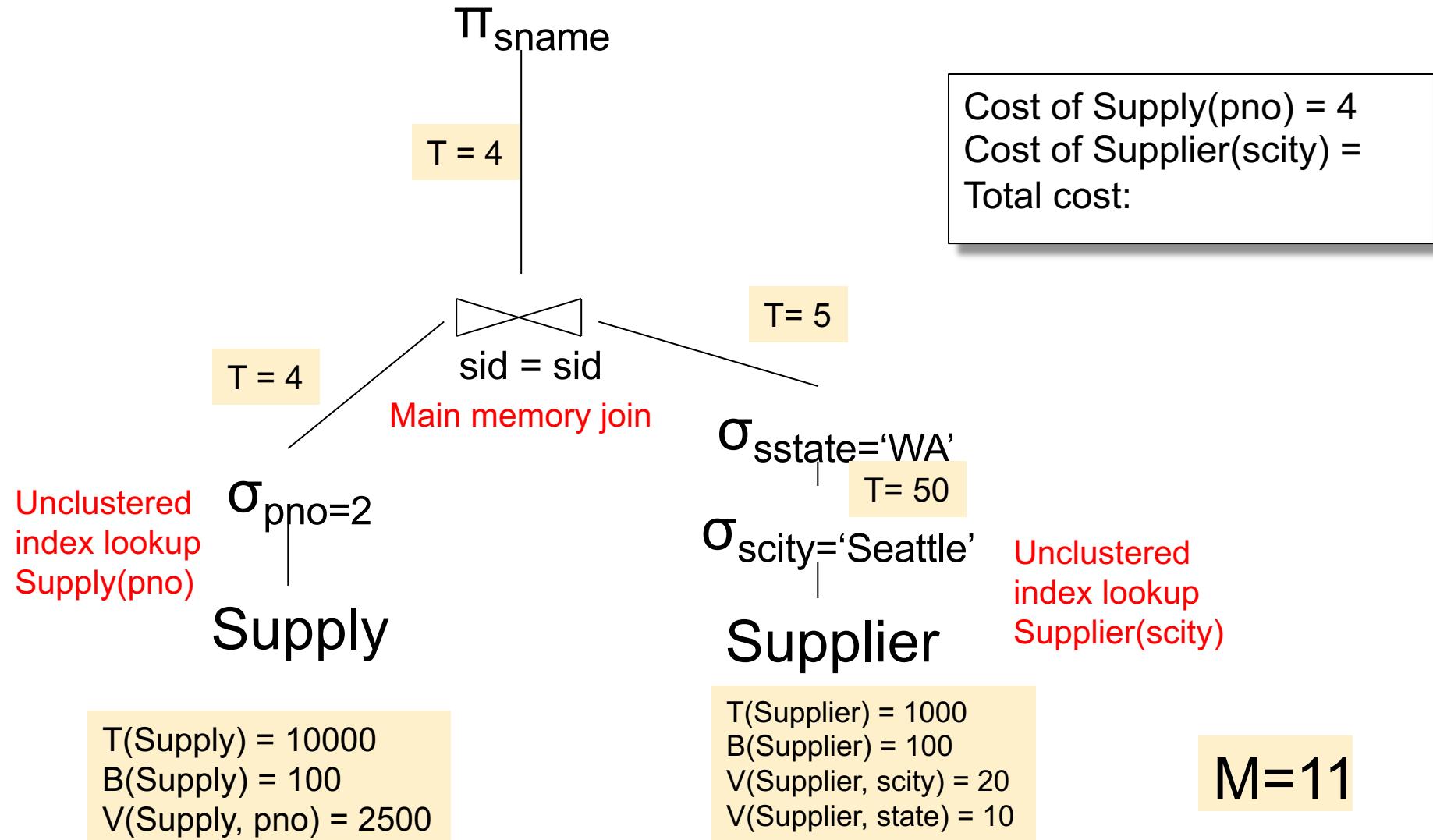
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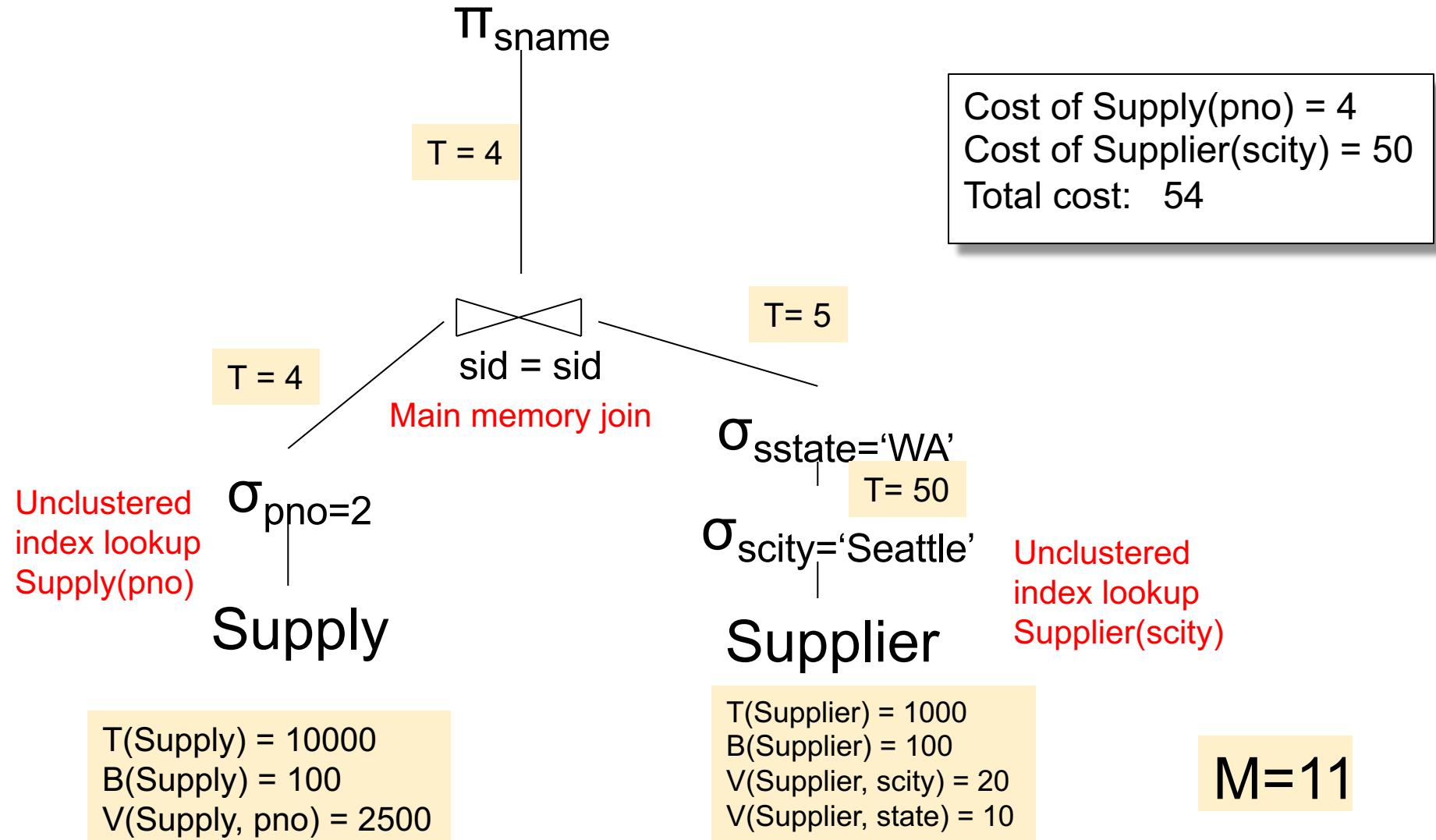
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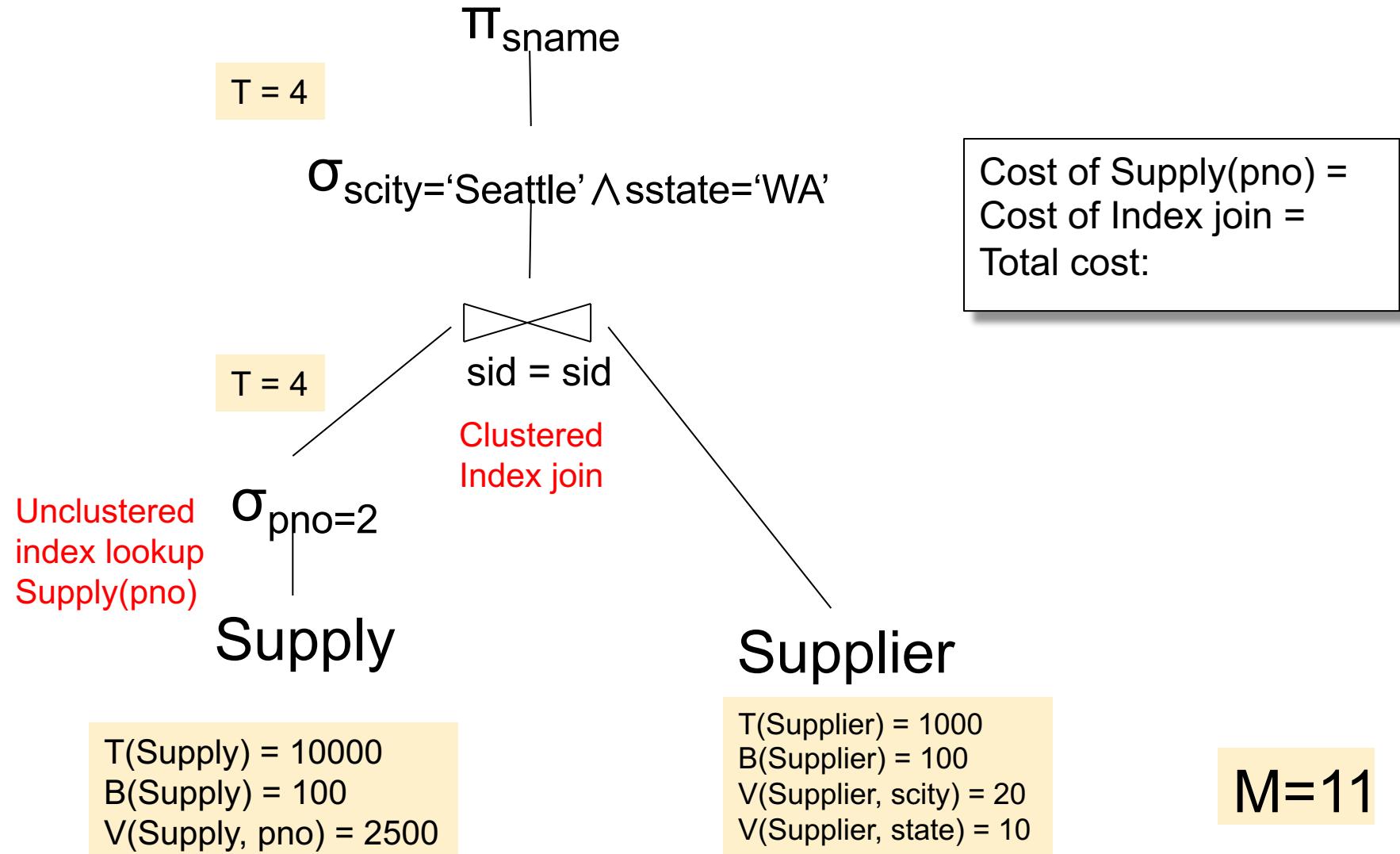
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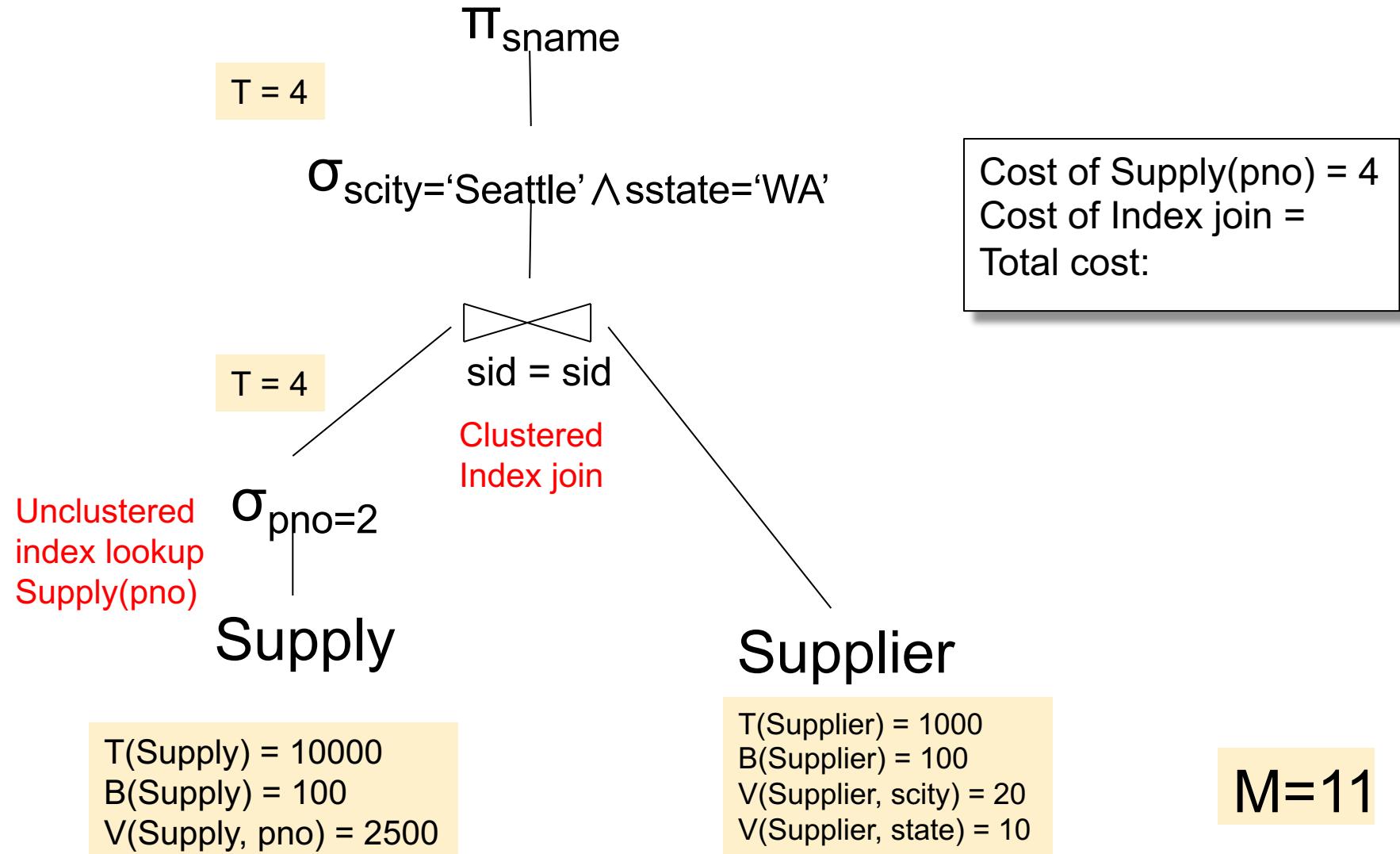
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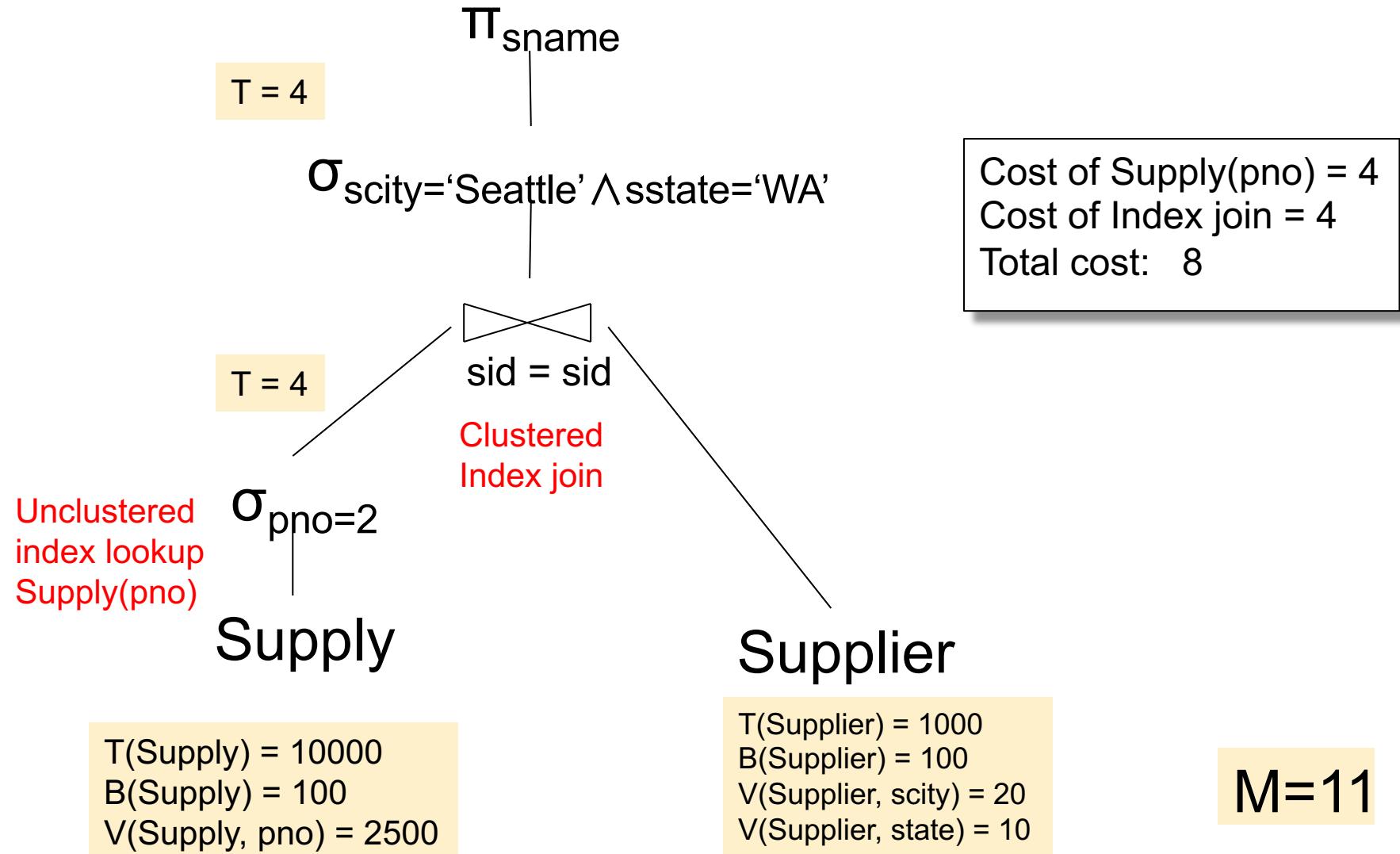
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Discussion

- We considered only IO cost; systems also need to estimate the CPU cost
- We assumed that all index pages were in memory: sometimes we need to add the cost of fetching index pages from disk

Histograms

- 1d Histograms mitigate uniformity assumption
- 2d Histograms mitigate independence assumption

1d-Histograms

- Histogram on R.A refines $T(R)$, $V(R,A)$
- Each bucket: $T(\text{bucket})$, $V(\text{bucket}, A)$

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Eq-depth:

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Tuples	1800	2000	2100	2200	1900	1800

Compressed: store separately highly frequent values: (48,1900)

V-Optimal Histogram

- $domain(A) = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$
- Have budget of $b+1$ buckets for R.A:
$$-\infty < d_1 < d_2 < \dots < d_b < \infty$$
- Choose d_1, \dots, d_b to minimize error of all queries $\sigma_{A=v}(R)$, for $v \in Domain(A)$

V-Optimal Histogram

- Error:

$$\sum_{v \in Domain(A)} \left(|\sigma_{A=v}(R)| - est_{Hist}(\sigma_{A=v}(R)) \right)^2$$

- Bucket boundaries = $\text{argmin}_{\text{Hist}}(\text{Error})$
- Dynamic programming

Discussion: 1d-Histograms

- All systems support some forms
- Histograms need to be small to reside in main memory: 1000 – 10000 buckets
- Recomputed periodically, often from samples. E.g Postgres ANALYSE

2d-Histograms

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	AL-AR	CA-FL	...	TX-WA	WV-WY
Ab..Co					
...					
Sa...Tu					

Independence only
needed within the bucket

T(bucket),
V(bucket,scity)
V(bucket,sstate)

Issues with 2d-Histograms

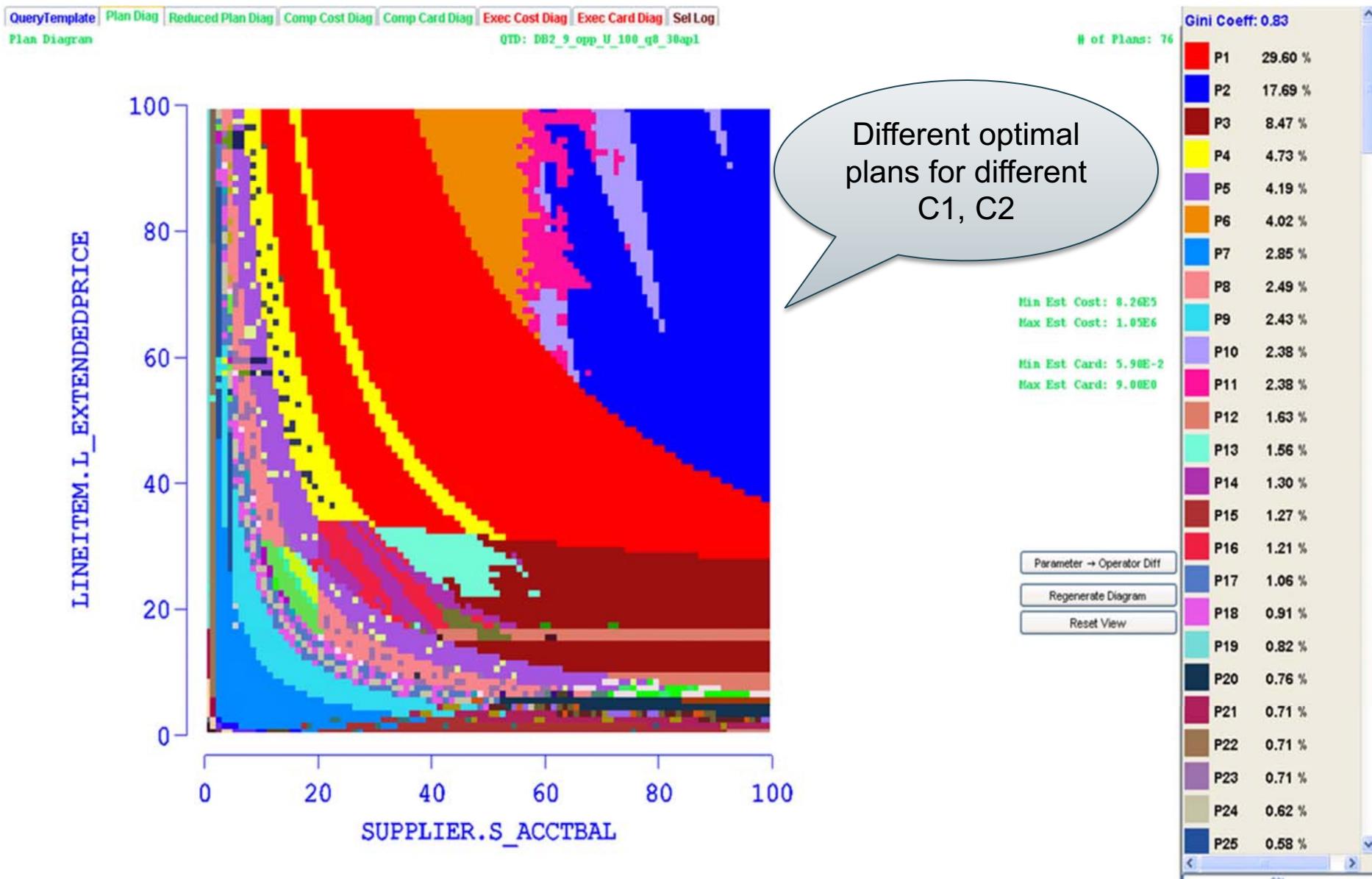
- Limited # of dividers: $\sqrt{1000} - \sqrt{10000}$
- Too many 2d-histograms: $n(n-1)/2$
- Problem: how do we estimate $P(A,B,C)$ given all 1d and 2d-histograms?
- Few systems support 2d-histograms

Yet Another Difficulty

- SQL Queries issued from applications
- Optimized once using `prepare` statement, executed repeatedly
- Constants in the query are not known at optimization time

```
select
    o_year, sum(case when nation = 'BRAZIL' then volume else 0 end) / sum(volume)
from
    (select YEAR(o_orderdate) as o_year,
            l_extendedprice * (1 - l_discount) as volume,
            n2.n_name as nation
     from part, supplier, lineitem, orders,
          customer, nation n1, nation n2, region
    where p_partkey = l_partkey and s_suppkey = l_suppkey
      and l_orderkey = o_orderkey and o_custkey = c_custkey
      and c_nationkey = n1.n_nationkey
      and n1.n_regionkey = r_regionkey
      and r_name = 'AMERICA'
      and s_nationkey = n2.n_nationkey
      and o_orderdate between '1995-01-01'
      and '1996-12-31'
      and p_type = 'ECONOMY ANODIZED STEEL'
      and s_acctbal <= C1 and l_extendedprice <= C2 ) as all_nations
group by o_year order by o_year
```

Optimize without
knowing C1, C2



Traditional CE -- Summary

- Used by all DBMS
- Assumptions: uniformity, independence, ...
- 1d-histograms; sometimes also 2d
- Often underestimate (why?)

Alternate CE Methods: ML and Sampling

ML-Based CE

- A trend in research: use some ML model to do cardinality estimation
- Main hope: remove independence and uniformity assumptions
- Data-driven or Query-driven

Data-Driven Estimators

- Train a generative ML model that represents $p(A, B, C, \dots)$ from the database instance
- Map query Q to hyperrectangle
- Problem: space is over all attributes
 - “Full outer join”
 - Lots of complications to make this work

Query-Driven Estimators

- Training set is a set of pairs $(Q, |Q|)$
- All predicates in the WHERE condition need to be featurized, embedded
- Train a discriminative model for $\text{Est}(Q)$

Discussion

Problems with ML-based CE:

- Large model size: 1MB – 1GB
- Inference time varies
- Updates, change in skewness, correlations
- Not explainable

Consensus: not ready for production

Sampling-Based CE

- Main idea: use a sample of the database to estimate the output size
- New probability space: random choices of the sampler v.s. data distribution
- Offline Sampling or Online Sampling

Offline Sampling

- Compute uniform sample $R_{sample} \subseteq R$
- Horwitz-Thompson:

$$Est(Q(DB)) = \frac{|R|}{|R_{sample}|} \cdot \frac{|S|}{|S_{sample}|} \cdots |Q(DB_{sample})|$$

- The missing tuple problem: $Q(DB_{sample}) = 0$
- High variance

Online Sampling

- To estimate $R \bowtie S$:
 - Sample a tuple from R
 - Sample a **matching tuple** from S
 - Repeat
- Need to use index on S
- **WanderJoin**: next slides show how to estimate $R \bowtie S \bowtie T$ using random walk

R

A	B
...	1
...	2
...	1
...	3
...	4
...	2
...	4

A	B
...	1
...	2
...	1
...	3
...	4
...	2
...	4

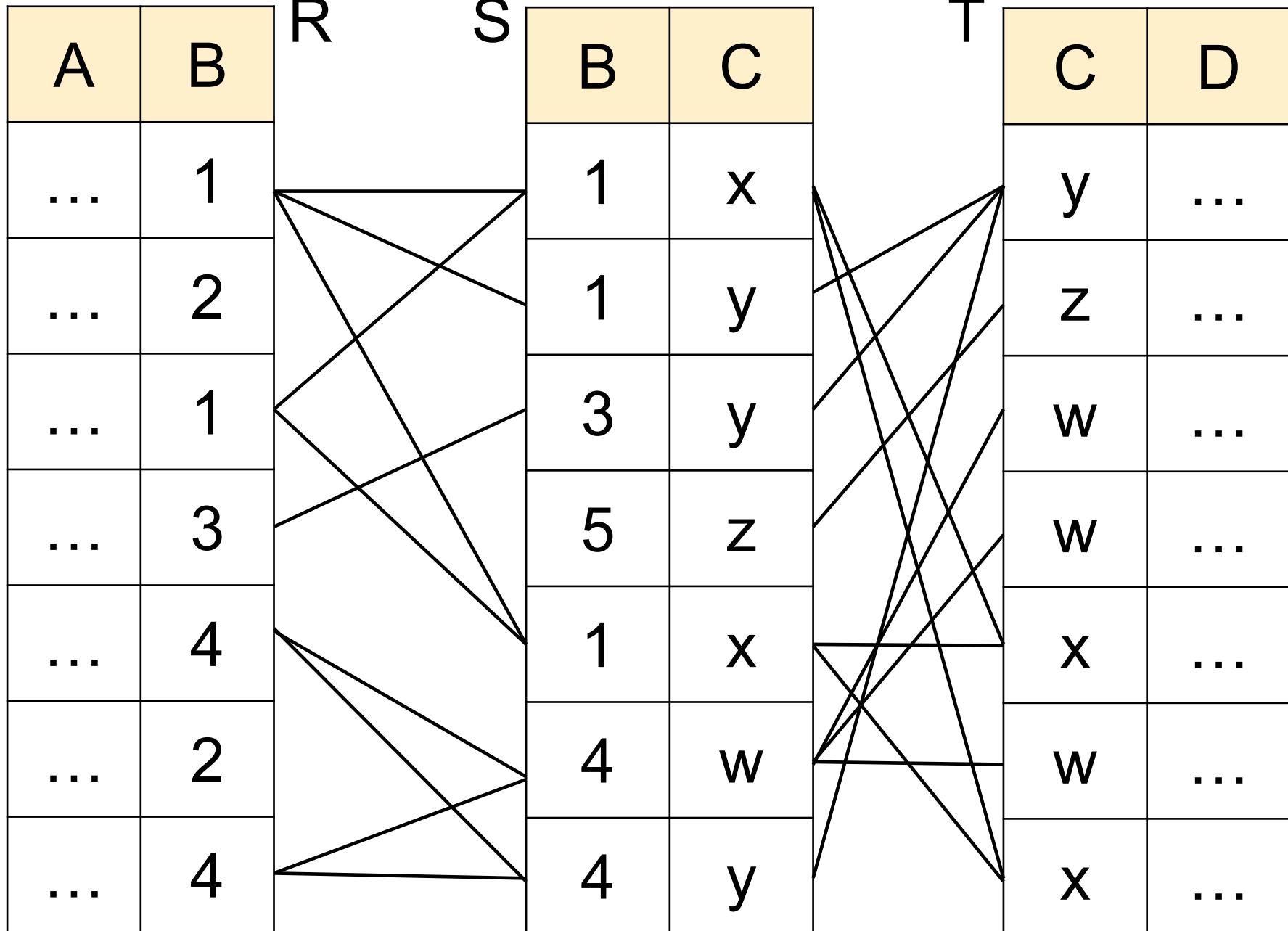
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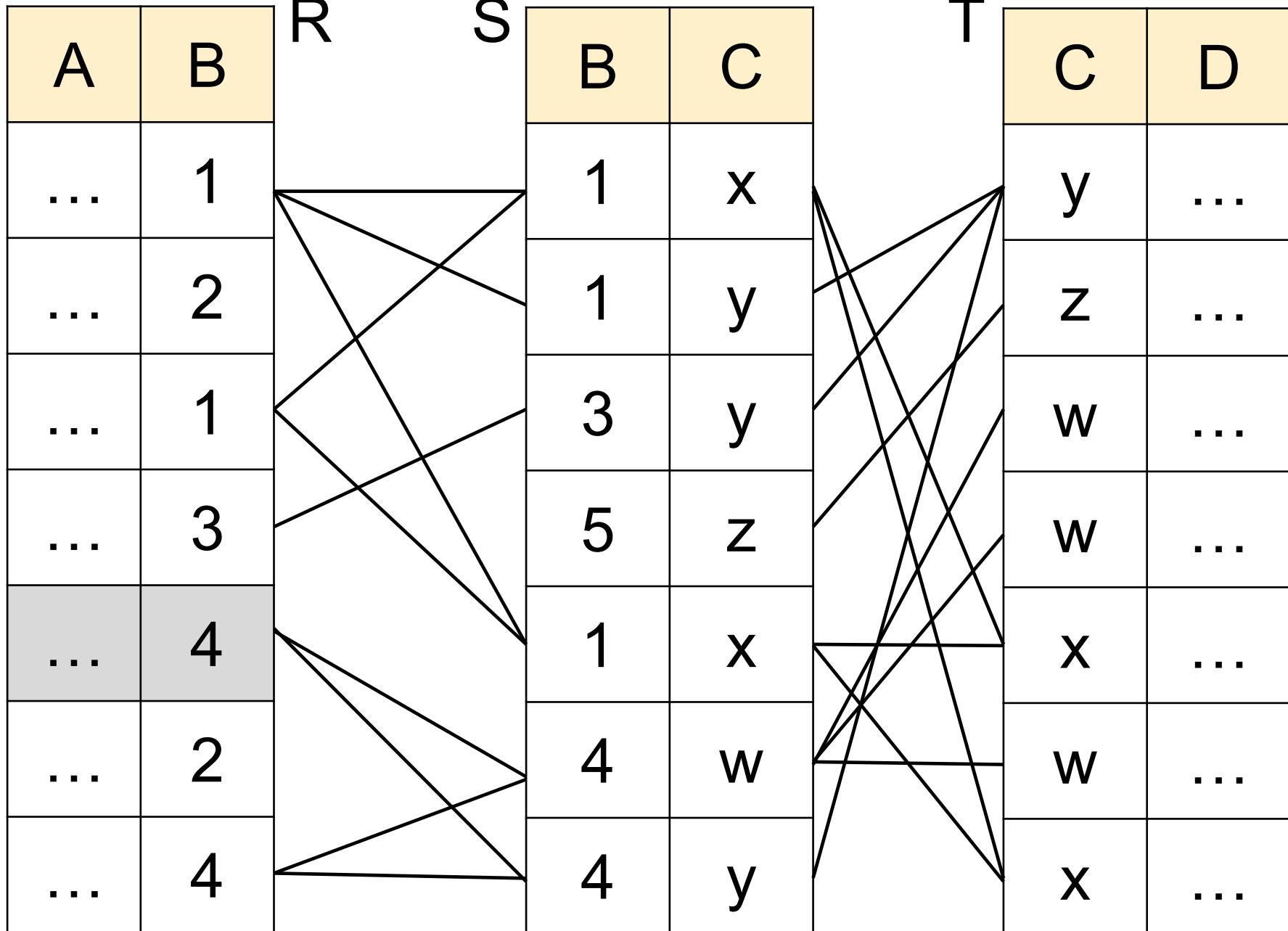
S

B	C
1	x
1	y
3	y
5	z
1	x
4	w
4	y

T

C	D
y	...
z	...
w	...
w	...
x	...
w	...
x	...



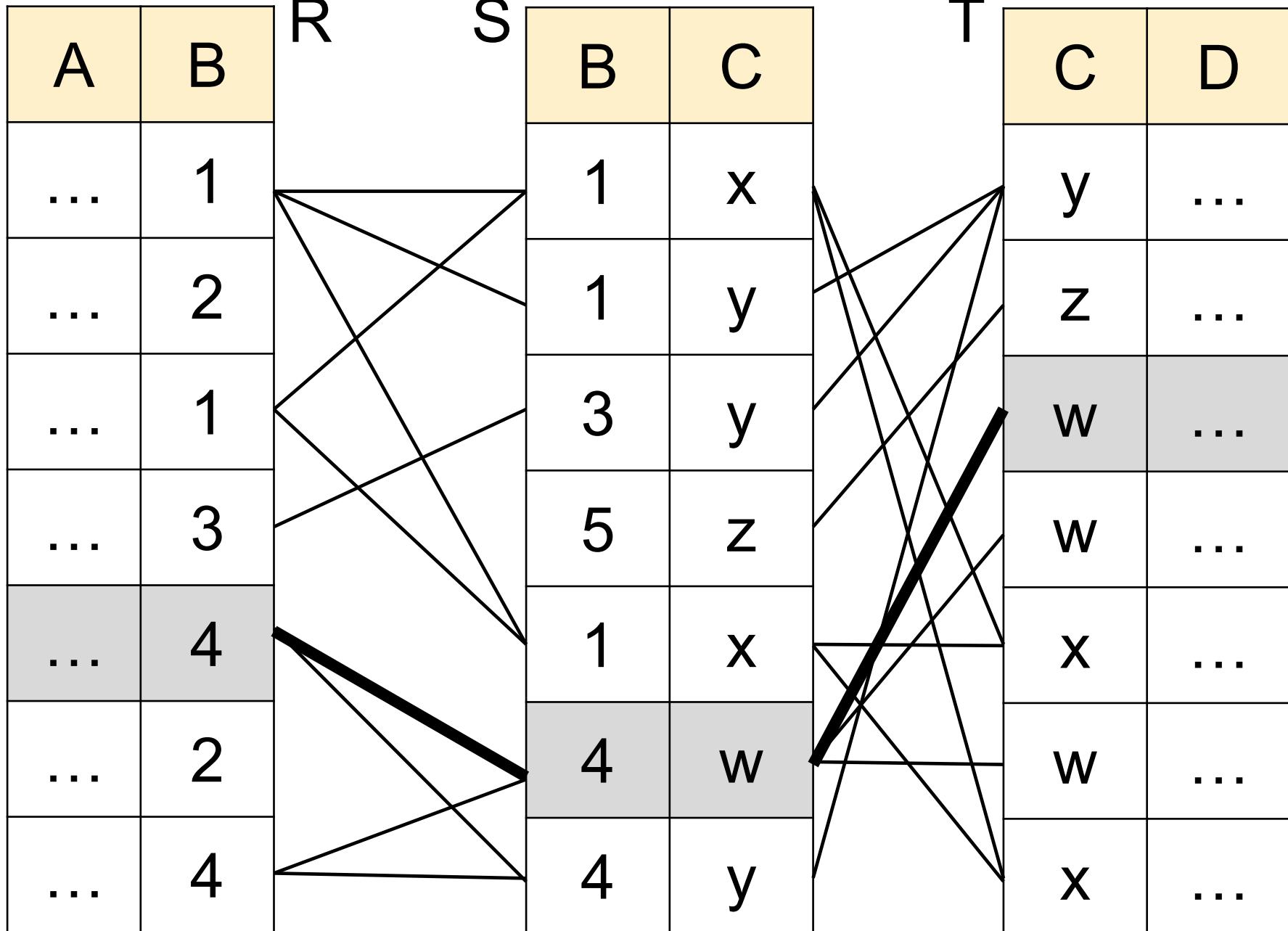


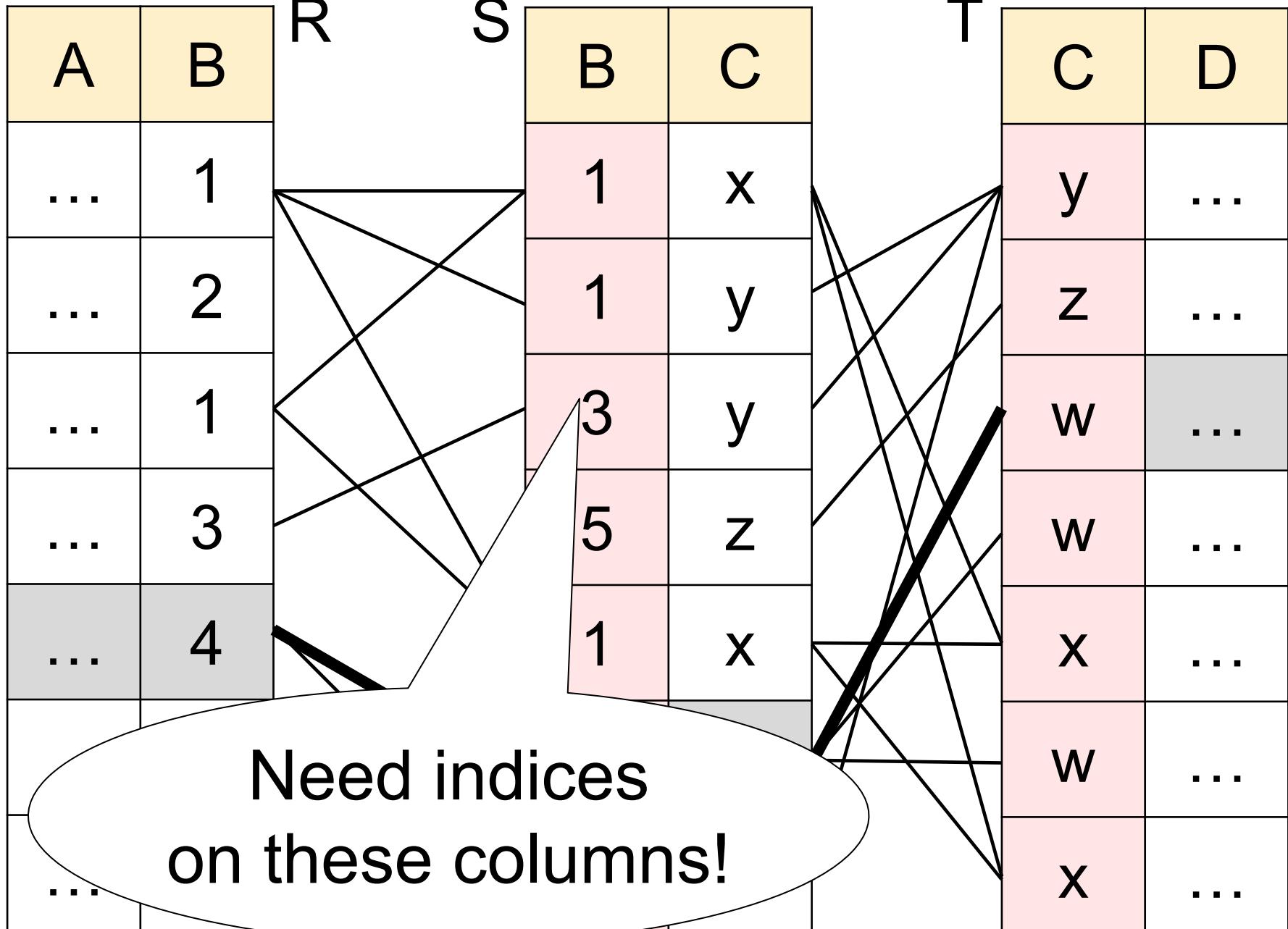
The diagram illustrates a data flow or mapping between three tables, A, B, and C, represented as grids. The connections are as follows:

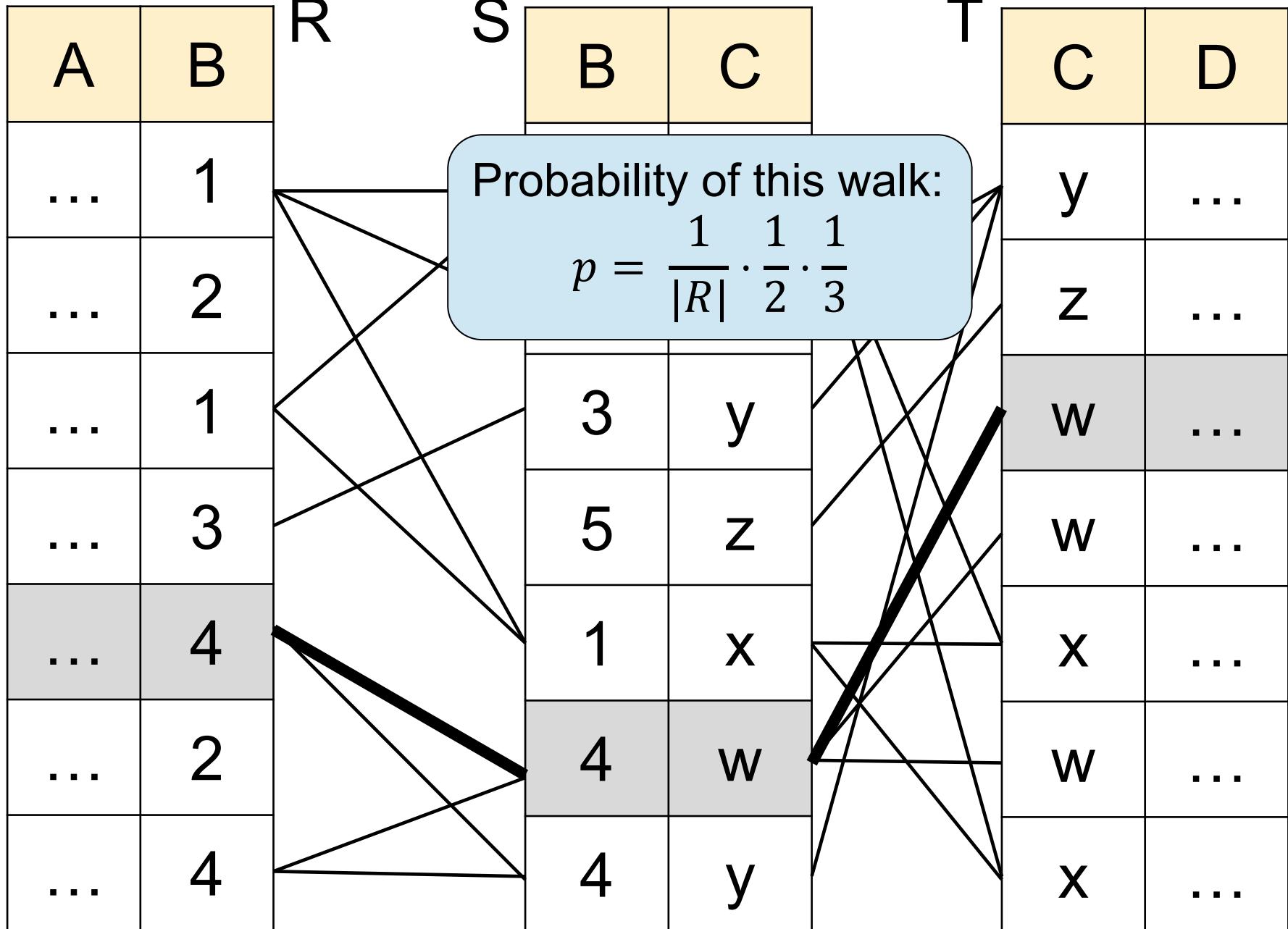
- Table A:** Columns R and S. Rows are labeled with ellipses (...).
- Table B:** Columns B and C. Rows are labeled with integers (1, 2, 3, 4) and ellipses (...).
- Table C:** Columns C and D. Rows are labeled with letters (y, z, w, x) and ellipses (...).

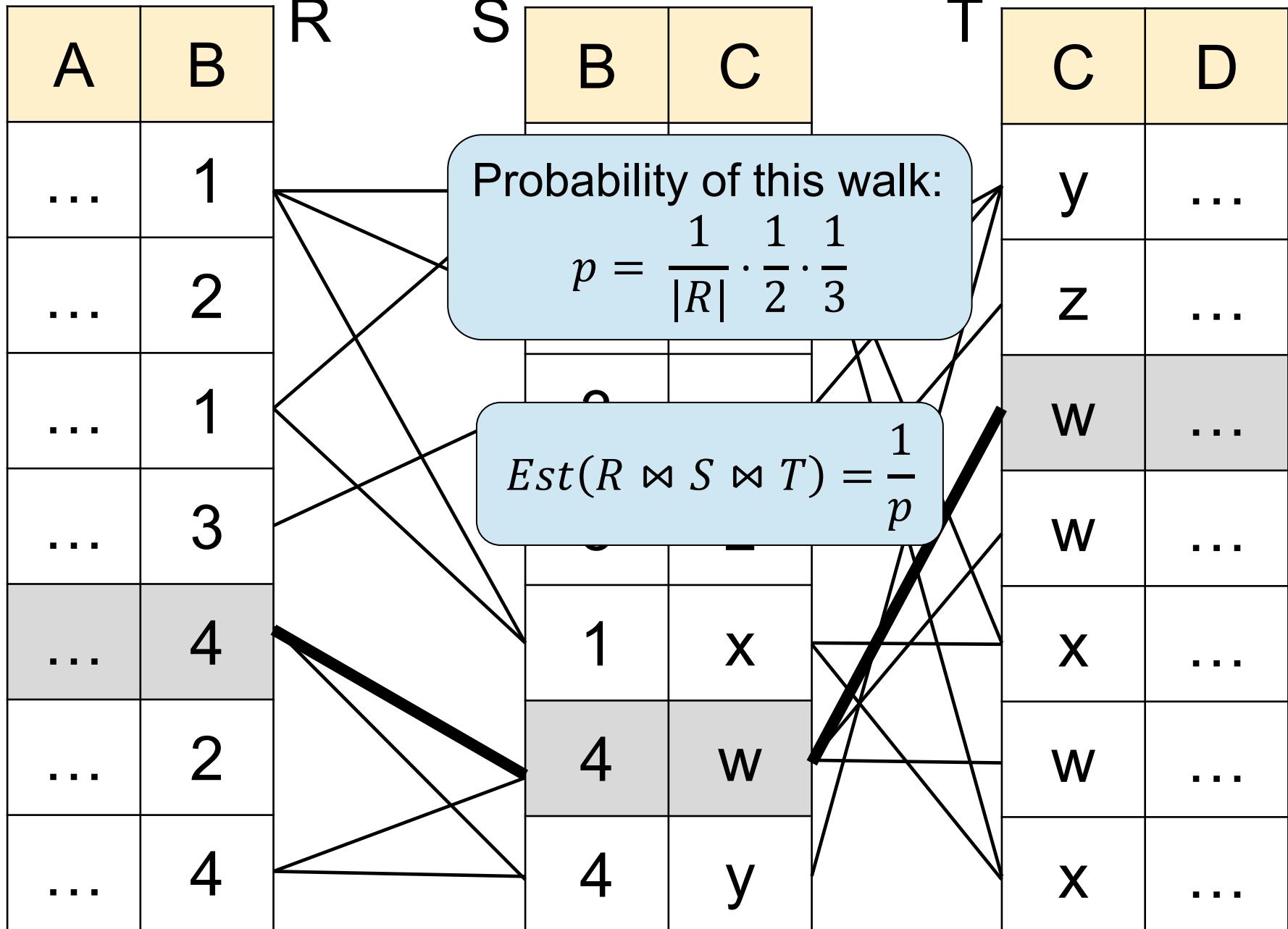
Connections:

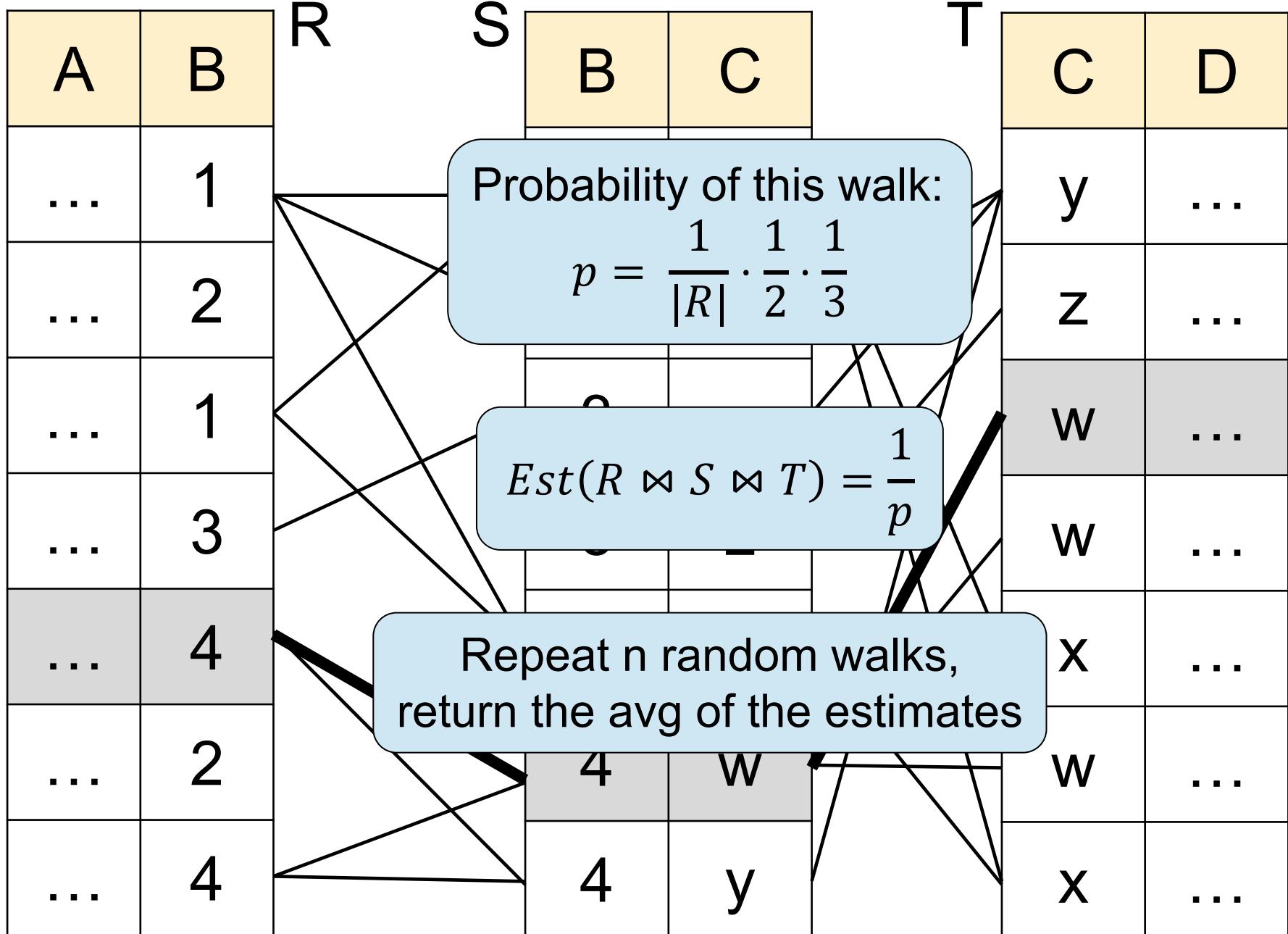
- From Table A's column R, arrows point to Table B's column B (row 1) and column C (row 1).
- From Table A's column S, arrows point to Table B's column B (row 1) and column C (row 1).
- From Table B's column B, arrows point to Table C's column C (row y) and column D (row y).
- From Table B's column C, arrows point to Table C's column C (row z) and column D (row z).
- From Table C's column C, an arrow points to Table C's column D (row w).











Discussion

- Sampling based CE have best precision
- However:
 - Offline samples need to be too large
 - Online samples require access to indices
- Some systems use offline sample for single-table predicates only

Query Optimization

Three major components:

1. Search space last week
2. Cardinality and cost estimation today
3. Plan enumeration algorithms today+Wed.

Two Types of Optimizers

- Heuristic-based optimizers
- Cost-based optimizers (next)

Two Types of Plan Enumeration Algorithms

- Dynamic programming (**in class**)
 - Based on System R [Selinger 1979]
 - *Join reordering algorithm*
- Rule-based algorithm (**will not discuss**)
 - Database of rules (=algebraic laws)
 - Usually: dynamic programming

System R Optimizer

For each subquery $Q \subseteq \{R_1, \dots, R_n\}$, compute best plan:

- Step 1: $Q = \{R_1\}, \{R_2\}, \dots, \{R_n\}$
- Step 2: $Q = \{R_1, R_2\}, \{R_1, R_3\}, \dots, \{R_{n-1}, R_n\}$
- ...
- Step n: $Q = \{R_1, \dots, R_n\}$

Details

For each subquery $Q \subseteq \{R_1, \dots, R_n\}$ store:

- Estimated Size(Q)
 - A best plan for Q : $\text{Plan}(Q)$
 - The cost of that plan: $\text{Cost}(Q)$
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- One plan for each “interesting order”

Details

Step 1: single relations $\{R_1\}$, $\{R_2\}$, ..., $\{R_n\}$

- Consider all possible access paths:
 - Sequential scan, or
 - Index 1, or
 - Index 2, or
 - ...
- Keep optimal plan for each “interesting order”

Details

Step $k = 2 \dots n$:

For each $Q = \{R_{i_1}, \dots, R_{i_k}\}$

- For each $j=1, \dots, k$:
 - Let: $Q' = Q - \{R_{i_j}\}$
 - Let: $Plan(Q') \bowtie R_{i_j} \quad Cost(Q') + CostOf(\bowtie)$
- $Plan(Q), Cost(Q) = \text{cheapest of the above}$
 - Keep separate optimal for “interesting orders”

Discussion

- All database systems implement Selinger's algorithm for join reorder
- For other operators (group-by, aggregates, difference): rule-based
- Many search strategies beyond dynamic programming

Final Discussion

- Query optimizer = critical part of DBMS
- Search space + Size est + Algorithm
- Ideal: find “optimal” plan
- In practice: avoid “very bad plans”
- Successful because:
 - RA is a set-at-a-time language
 - RA is order-independent
- Next time:
How good are they?; New approaches