# CSE 444: Database Internals 

Lecture 9<br>Query Plan Cost Estimation

## Announcements

- Lab 2 / part 1 due tonight 11 pm
- Homework 2 due Wednesday 11pm
- Quiz section slides are posted


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## Database Statistics

- Collect statistical summaries of stored data
- Estimate size (=cardinality) in a bottom-up fashion
- This is the most difficult part, and still inadequate in today's query optimizers
- Estimate cost by using the estimated size
- Hand-written formulas, similar to those we used for computing the cost of each physical operator


## Database Statistics

- Number of tuples (cardinality) $T(R)$
- Indexes, number of keys in the index $\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{R}, \mathrm{a})$
- Number of physical pages B(R)
- Statistical information on attributes
- Min value, Max value, V(R,a)
- Histograms
- Collection approach: periodic, using sampling


## Size Estimation Problem

```
Q = SELECT list
FROM R1, ..., Rn
WHERE cond \({ }_{1}\) AND cond \({ }_{2}\) AND . . . AND cond \({ }_{k}\)
```

Given $T(R 1), T(R 2), \ldots, T(R n)$
Estimate T(Q)
How can we do this? Note: doesn't have to be exact.

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## Selectivity Factor

- Each condition cond reduces the size by some factor called selectivity factor
- Assuming independence, multiply the selectivity factors


## Example

| $R(A, B)$ | $Q=S E L E C T ~ *$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $S(B, C)$ | FROM R, $S, T$ |
| T(C,D) | WHERE R.B=S.B and $S . C=T . C$ and $R . A<40$ |

$T(R)=30 k, T(S)=200 k, T(T)=10 k$
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$A: T(Q)=30 k * 200 k * 10 k * 1 / 3 * 1 / 10 * 1 / 2=10^{12}$

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- Selectivity $=1 / V(R, A)$
- $\mathrm{A}<\mathrm{C}$
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- Selectivity $=(c-\operatorname{Low}(R, A)) /(\operatorname{High}(R, A)-\operatorname{Low}(R, A))$
- $A=B$

$$
/^{*} R \bowtie_{A=B} S * /
$$

- Selectivity $=1 / \max (\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{R}, \mathrm{A}), \mathrm{V}(\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{A}))$
- (will explain next)


## Assumptions

- Containment of values: if $\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{R}, \mathrm{A})<=\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{B})$, then all values R.A occur in S.B
- Note: this indeed holds when $A$ is a foreign key in $R$, and $B$ is a key in $S$
- Preservation of values: for any other attribute C , $V\left(R \bowtie_{A=B} S, C\right)=V(R, C) \quad(o r V(S, C))$
- Note: we don't need this to estimate the size of the join, but we need it in estimating the next operator


## Selectivity of $R \bowtie_{A=B} S$

Assume $\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{R}, \mathrm{A})<=\mathrm{V}(\mathrm{S}, \mathrm{B})$

- A tuple $t$ in $R$ joins with $T(S) / V(S, B)$ tuple(s) in $S$
- Hence $T\left(R \bowtie_{A=B} S\right)=T(R) T(S) / V(S, B)$

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T\left(R \bowtie_{A=B} S\right)=T(R) T(S) / \max (V(R, A), V(S, B))
$$

## Size Estimation for Join

Example:

- $T(R)=10000, T(S)=20000$
- $V(R, A)=100, V(S, B)=200$
- How large is $R \bowtie_{A=B} S$ ?
(In class...)


## Complete Example

Supplier(sid, sname, scity, sstate) Supply(sid, pno, quantity)

- Some statistics
- T(Supplier) = 1000 records
- T(Supply) = 10,000 records
- B(Supplier) = 100 pages
- B(Supply) = 100 pages
- V(Supplier,scity) = 20, V(Suppliers,state) $=10$
- V(Supply,pno) $=2,500$
- Both relations are clustered
- $\mathrm{M}=11$


## Computing the Cost of a Plan

- Estimate cardinality in a bottom-up fashion
- Cardinality is the size of a relation (nb of tuples)
- Compute size of all intermediate relations in plan
- Estimate cost by using the estimated cardinalities


## Physical Query Plan 1

(On the fly)
$\pi$ sname $\quad$ Selection and project on-the-fly
-> No additional cost.
(On the fly)
$\sigma$ scity=‘Seattle’ ^sstate=‘WA' $\wedge$ pno=2
(Nested loop)


Total cost of plan is thus cost of join:
= B(Supplier) $+\mathrm{B}($ Supplier)*B(Supply)
= $100+100$ * 100
$=10,100 \mathrm{I} / \mathrm{Os}$
Supply
(File scan)

## Physical Query Plan 2

(On the fly)
$\pi$ sname
(Sort-merge join)
(Scan write to T1)
(a) $\sigma_{\text {scity='Seattle' } \wedge s s t a t e=' W A ' ~}^{\text {' }}$

Supplier
(File scan)
(d) Total cost

$$
=100+100 * 1 / 20 * 1 / 10(a)
$$

$$
+100+100 * 1 / 2500(b)
$$

$$
+2 \text { (c) }
$$

$$
+0 \text { (d) }
$$

Total cost $\approx 204$ I/Os (Scan
(b) $\sigma_{p n o=2} \underset{\text { wite }}{ }$ to T2)

## Supply

(File scan)

## Plan 2 with Different Numbers

(d)

Total cost

## What if we had: <br> $\pi$ sname <br> 10K pages of Supplier 10K pages of Supply (Sort-merge join) <br> 

$=10000+50(\mathrm{a})$
$+10000+4$ (b)
$+3^{*} 50+4$ (c)
+0 (d)
(Scan
write to T1)
(a) $\sigma_{\text {scity='Seattle' } \wedge s s t a t e=' W A ' ~}^{\text {' }}$

Supplier
(File scan)
Total cost $\approx 20,208 \mathrm{I} / \mathrm{Os}$ (Scan
(b) $\sigma_{p n o=2} \underset{\text { wite }}{ }$ to T2)

Need to do a two-
Supply
(File scan)


## Histograms

- Statistics on data maintained by the RDBMS
- Makes size estimation much more accurate (hence, cost estimations are more accurate)


## Histograms

## Employee(ssn, name, age)

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Estimate $=25000 / 50=500$ Estimate $=25000 * 6 / 50=3000$

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| Estimate $=1 * 80+5 * 500=2580$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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- Compressed
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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 Histograms

- Defines bucket boundaries in an optimal way, to minimize the error over all point queries
- Computed rather expensively, using dynamic programming
- Modern databases systems use V-optimal histograms or some variations


## Difficult Questions on Histograms

- Small number of buckets
- Hundreds, or thousands, but not more
- WHY?
- Not updated during database update, but recomputed periodically
- WHY?
- Multidimensional histograms rarely used - WHY?

