

Database System Internals

Indexing

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Announcements

- **Homework 1:**
 - Due on gradescope 11pm tonight

- **Lab 1 complete:**
 - Due on Jan. 20th

- **544 reading 1:**
 - Due approx. this weekend (these due dates are flexible) by email to me

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Heap File Access Method API

- **Create** or **destroy** a file
- **Insert** a record
- **Delete** a record with a given rid (rid)
 - rid: unique tuple identifier (more later)
- **Get** a record with a given rid
 - Not necessary for sequential scan operator
 - But used with indexes (more next lecture)
- **Scan** all records in the file

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Query Execution How it all Fits

(On the fly) π_{sname} open()

(On the fly) $\sigma_{scity='Seattle' \wedge sstate='WA' \wedge pno=2}$ open()

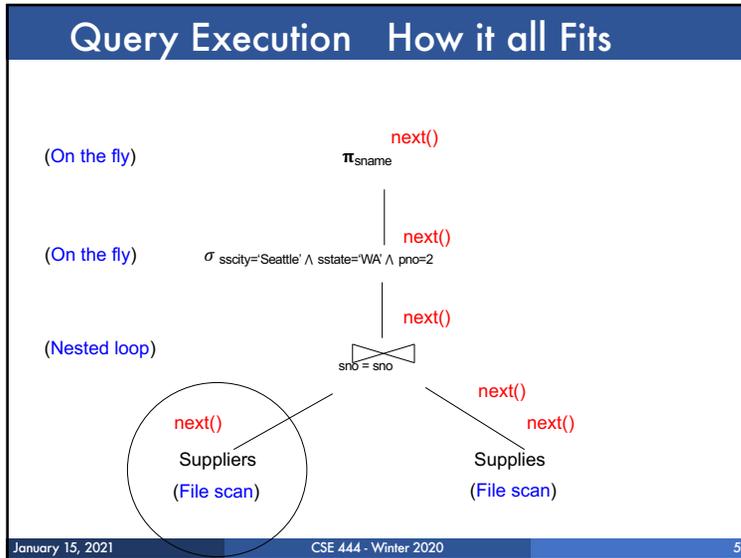
(Nested loop) $sno = sno$ open()

open()
Suppliers
(File scan)

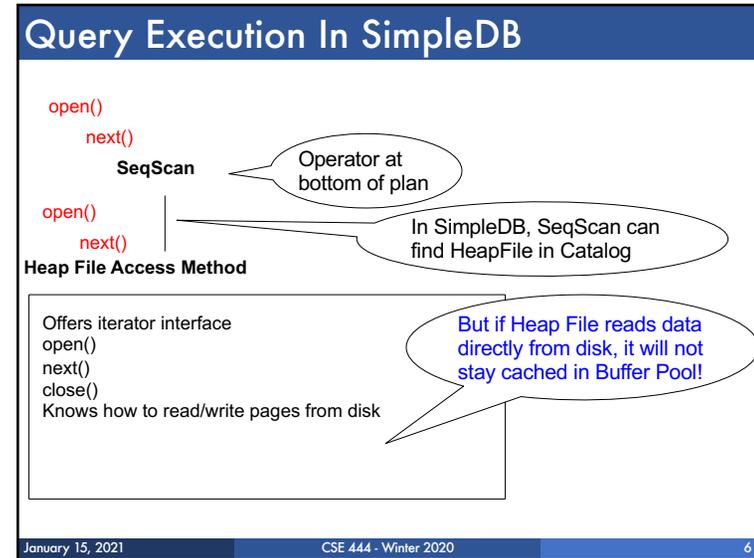
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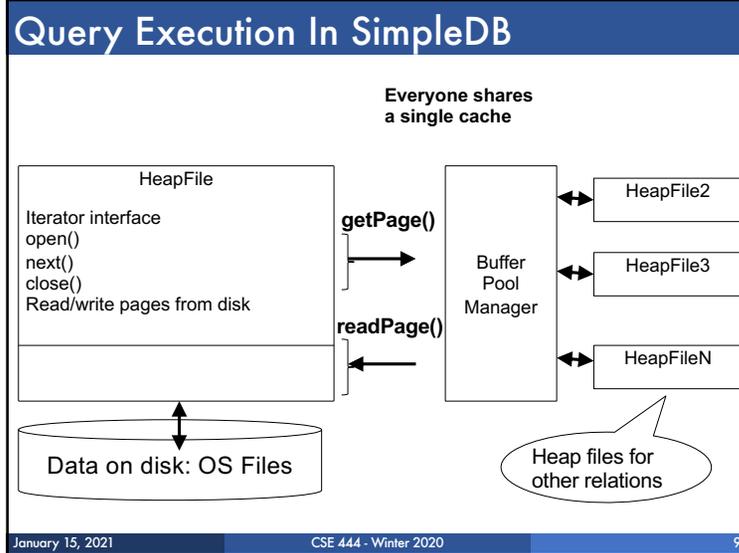
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- ### Iterators in SimpleDB
- SeqScan.java
 - DbFileIterator.java
 - Both have this method:
public Tuple next()
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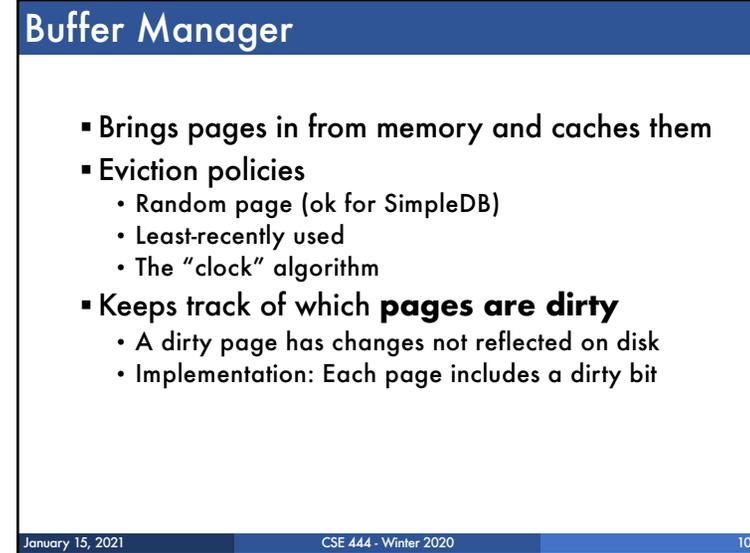
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- ### Iterators in SimpleDB
- How does DbFileIterator.java get its tuples?
 - Needs pages from buffer pool
 - Buffer pool has this method:
getPage()
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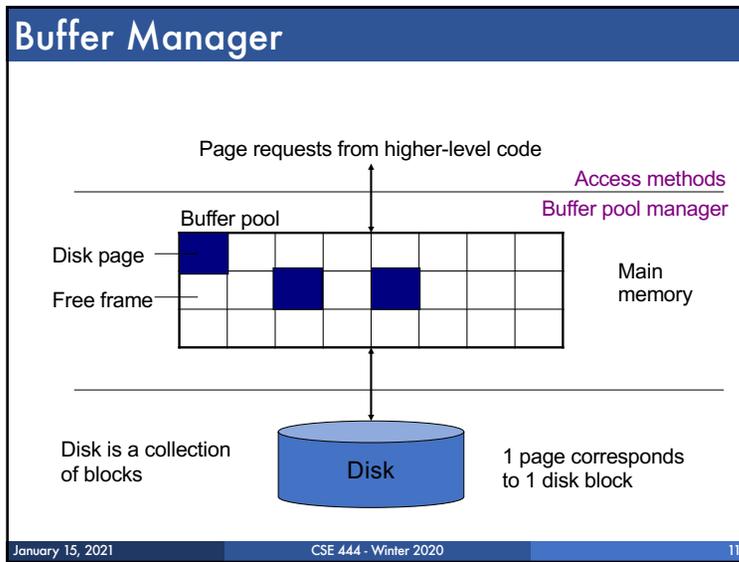
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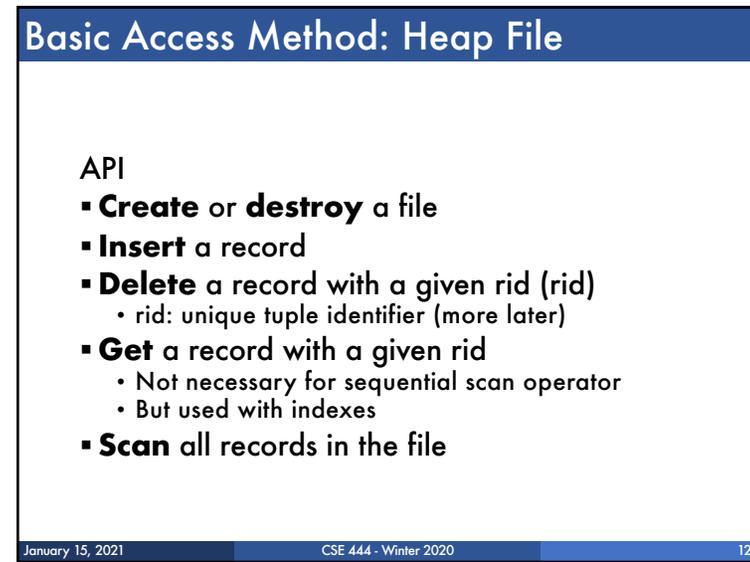
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But Often Also Want....

- **Scan** all records in the file that match a **predicate** of the form **attribute op value**
 - Example: Find all students with GPA > 3.5
- **Critical to support such requests efficiently**
 - Why read all data from disk when we only need a small fraction of that data?
- This lecture and next, we will learn how

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Searching in a Heap File

File is **not sorted** on any attribute

Student(sid: int, age: int, ...)

30	18 ...	} — 1 record
70	21	
20	20	} — 1 page
40	19	
80	19	
60	18	
10	21	
50	22	

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Heap File Search Example

- 10,000 students
- 10 student records per page
- **Total number of pages: 1,000 pages**
- Find student whose sid is 80
 - **Must read on average 500 pages**
- Find all students older than 20
 - **Must read all 1,000 pages**
- **Can we do better?**

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Sequential File

File **sorted on an attribute**, usually on primary key

Student(sid: int, age: int, ...)

10	21 ...
20	20
30	18
40	19
50	22
60	18
70	21
80	19

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Sequential File Example

- Total number of pages: 1,000 pages
- Find student whose sid is 80
 - Could do binary search, read $\log_2(1,000) \approx 10$ pages
- Find all students older than 20
 - Must still read all 1,000 pages
- Can we do even better?

- Note: Sorted files are inefficient for inserts/deletes

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Creating Indexes in SQL

```
CREATE TABLE V(M int, N varchar(20), P int);
```

```
CREATE INDEX V1 ON V(N)
```

```
CREATE INDEX V2 ON V(P, M)
```

```
select *
from V
where P=55 and M=77
```

```
select *
from V
where P=55
```

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Outline

- Index structures } Today
- Hash-based indexes } Today
- B+ trees } Next time

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Indexes

- **Index:** data structure that organizes data records on disk to optimize selections on the **search key fields** for the index
- An index contains a collection of **data entries**, and supports **efficient retrieval of all data entries with a given search key value k**
- **Indexes are also access methods!**
 - So they provide the same API as we have seen for Heap Files
 - And efficiently support scans over tuples matching predicate on search key

Index File

Search key: age

18	
18	
19	
19	
20	
21	
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Data File
(sequential file sorted on sid)

10	21
20	20
30	18
40	19
50	22
60	18
70	21
80	19

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Indexes

- **Search key** = can be any set of fields
 - not the same as the primary key, nor a key
- **Index** = collection of data entries
- **Data entry** for key k can be:
 - (k, RID)
 - (k, list-of-RIDs)
 - The actual record with key k
 - In this case, **the index is also a special file organization**
 - Called: "indexed file organization"

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Page Format Approach 2

Header contains slot directory
 + Need to keep track of # of slots
 + Also need to keep track of free space (F)

Slot directory
 Each slot contains
 <record offset, record length>

Can handle variable-length records
 Can move tuples inside a page without changing RIDs
 RID is (PageID, SlotID) combination

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Different Types of Files

- For the data inside base relations:
 - **Heap file** (tuples stored without any order)
 - **Sequential file** (tuples sorted on some attribute(s))
 - **Indexed file** (tuples organized following an index)
- Then we can have additional **index files** that store (key,rid) pairs
- Index can also be a "**covering index**"
 - Index contains (search key + other attributes, rid)
 - Index suffices to answer some queries

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Primary Index

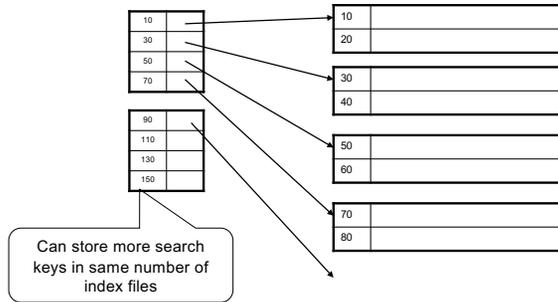
- **Primary index** determines location of indexed records
- **Dense index**: sequence of (key,rid) pairs

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Primary Index

- **Sparse index**



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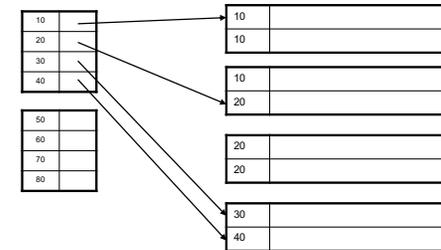
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Primary Index with Duplicate Keys

- **Dense index:**



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Primary Index: Back to Example

- Let's assume all pages of index fit in memory
- Find student whose sid is 80
 - Index (dense or sparse) points directly to the page
 - **Only need to read 1 page from disk.**
- Find all students older than 20
- **How can we make both queries fast?**

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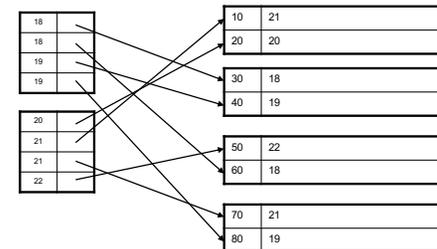
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Secondary Indexes

- Do not determine placement of records in data files
- Always dense (why ?)

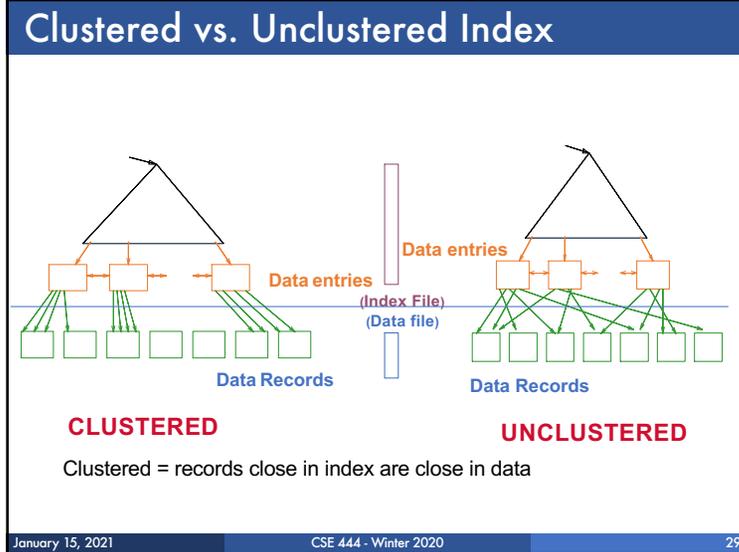


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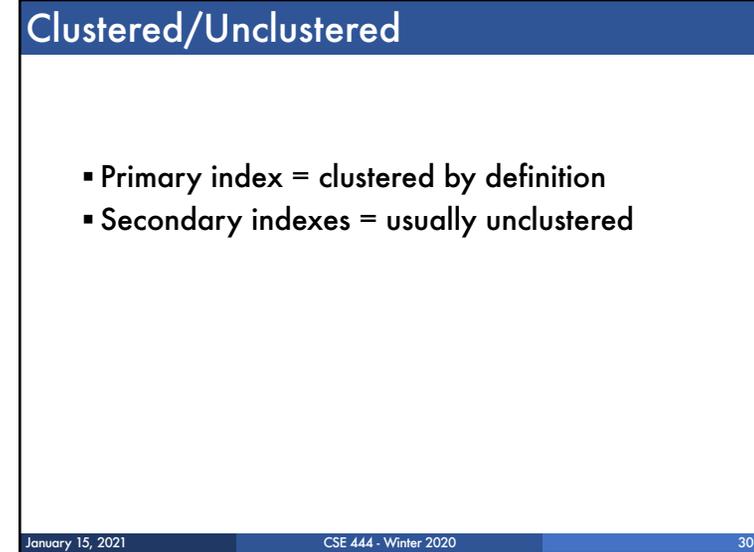
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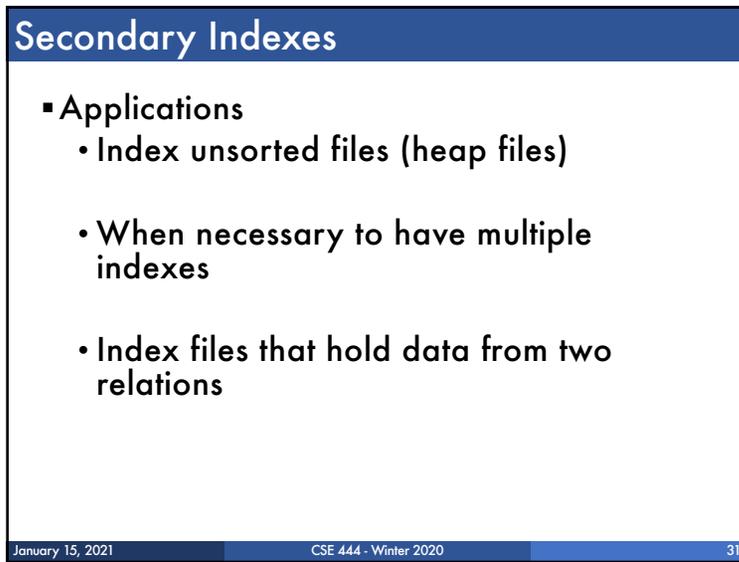
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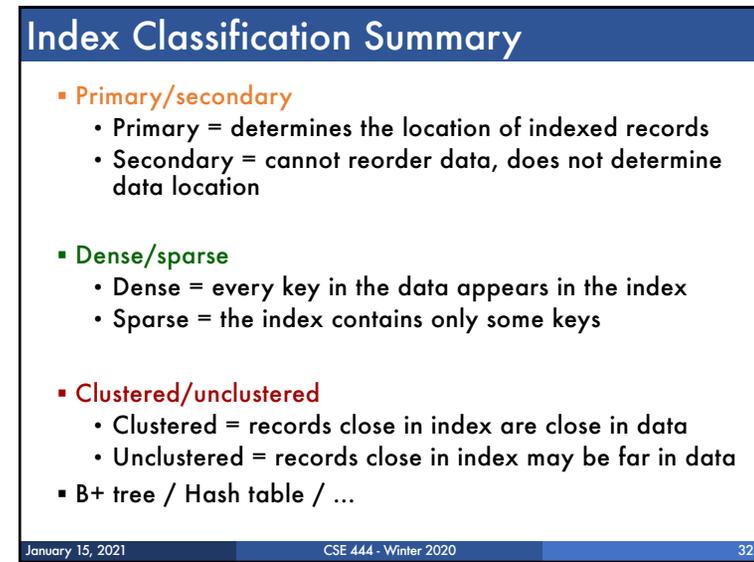
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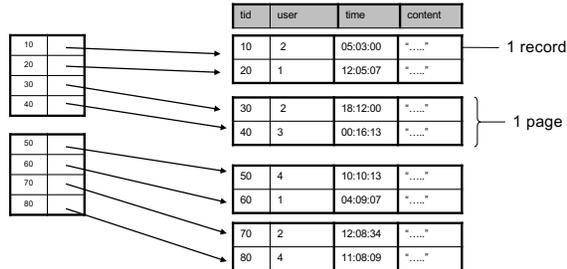


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Ex1. Primary Dense Index (tid)



- **Dense:** an "index key" for every database record
 - (In this case) every "database key" appears as an "index key"
- **Primary:** determines the location of indexed records
- Also, **Clustered:** records close in index are close in data

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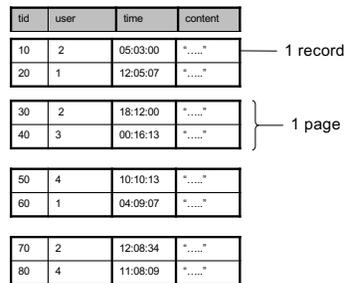
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Clustered Index can be made Sparse
(normally one key per page)

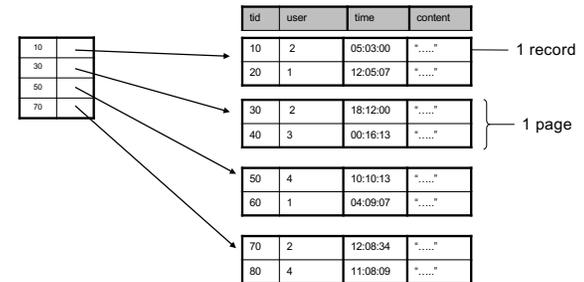
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Ex2. Draw a primary sparse index on "tid"



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Ex2. Primary Sparse Index (tid)



- Only one index file page instead of two

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Large Indexes

- What if index does not fit in memory?
- **Would like to index the index itself**
 - Hash-based index
 - Tree-based index

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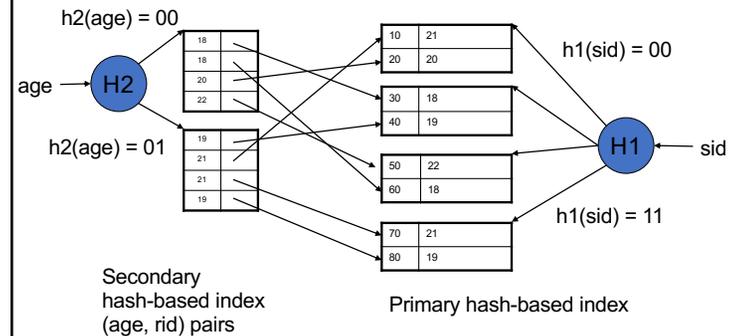
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Hash-Based Index

Good for point queries but not range queries



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Tree-Based Index

- How many index levels do we need?
- Can we create them automatically? **Yes!**
- **Can do something even more powerful!**

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B+ Trees

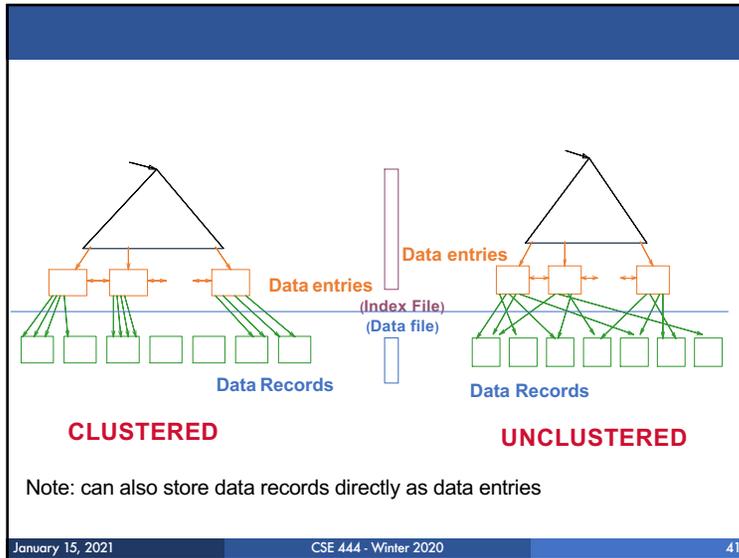
- **Search trees**
- **Idea in B Trees**
 - Make 1 node = 1 page (= 1 block)
- **Idea in B+ Trees**
 - Keep tree balanced in height – dynamic rather than static
 - Make leaves into a linked list : facilitates range queries

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B+ Trees Basics

- Parameter $d = \text{the degree}$
- Each node has $d \leq m \leq 2d$ keys (except root)
- Each node also has $m+1$ pointers

Left pointer of k : to keys $< k$

Right pointer of k : to keys $\geq k$

Keys $k < 30$ Keys $30 \leq k < 120$ Keys $120 \leq k < 240$ Keys $240 \leq k$

- Each leaf has $d \leq m \leq 2d$ keys:

Data records 40 50 60 70 Next leaf

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B+ Trees Properties

- For each node except the root, maintain 50% occupancy of keys
- Insert and delete must rebalance to maintain constraints

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Searching a B+ Tree

- Exact key values:
 - Start at the root
 - Proceed down, to the leaf
- Range queries:
 - Find lowest bound as above
 - Then sequential traversal

Select name
From Student
Where age = 25

Select name
From Student
Where 20 ≤ age
and age ≤ 30

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B+ Tree Example

$d = 2$

Find the key 40

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B+ Tree Design

- How large d ? Make one node fit on one block
- Example:
 - Key size = 4 bytes
 - Pointer size = 8 bytes
 - Block size = 4096 bytes

(e.g. $d = 2$)

- $2d \times 4 + (2d+1) \times 8 \leq 4096$
- $d = 170$

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B+ Trees in Practice

- Typical order: 100. Typical fill-factor: 67%.
 - average fanout = 133
- Typical capacities
 - Height 4: $133^4 = 312,900,700$ records
 - Height 3: $133^3 = 2,352,637$ records
- Can often hold top levels in buffer pool
 - Level 1 = 1 page = 8 Kbytes
 - Level 2 = 133 pages = 1 Mbyte
 - Level 3 = 17,689 pages = 133 Mbytes

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Insertion in a B+ Tree

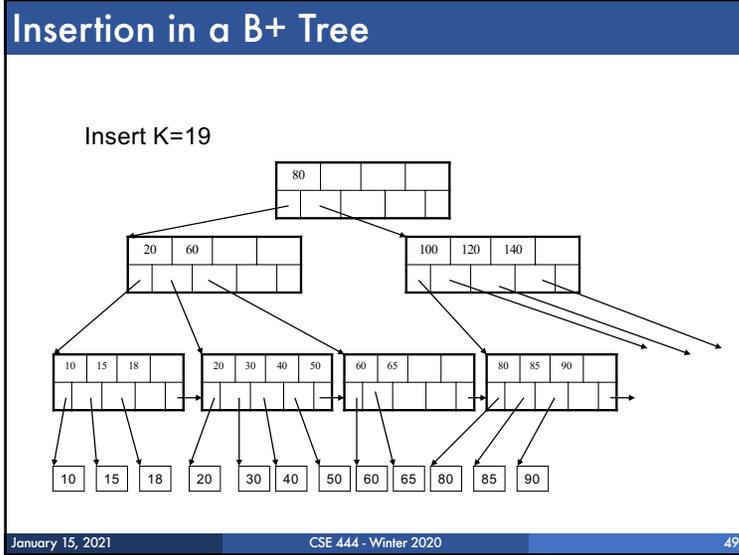
Insert (K, P)

- Find leaf where K belongs, insert
- If no overflow ($2d$ keys or less), halt
- If overflow ($2d+1$ keys), split node, insert in parent:

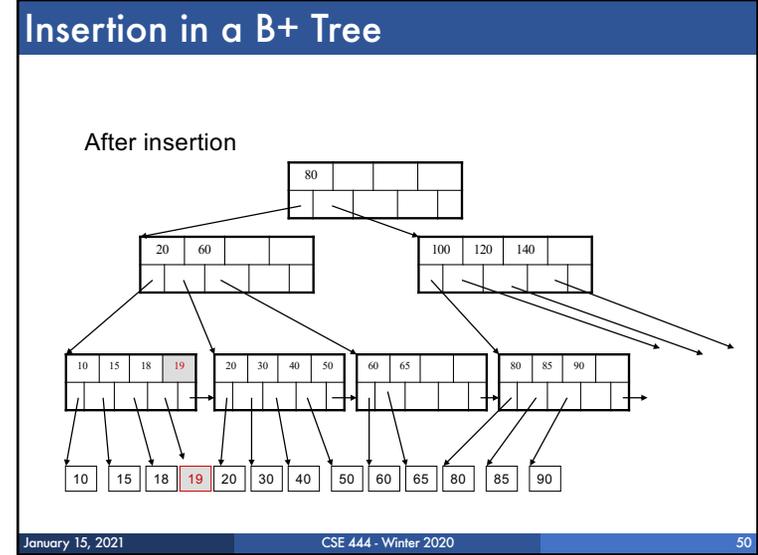
- If leaf, also keep K3 in right node
- When root splits, new root has 1 key only

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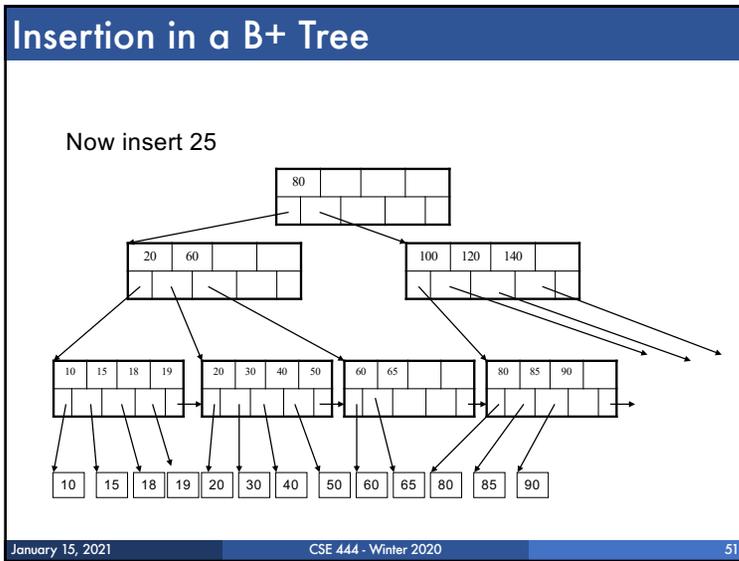
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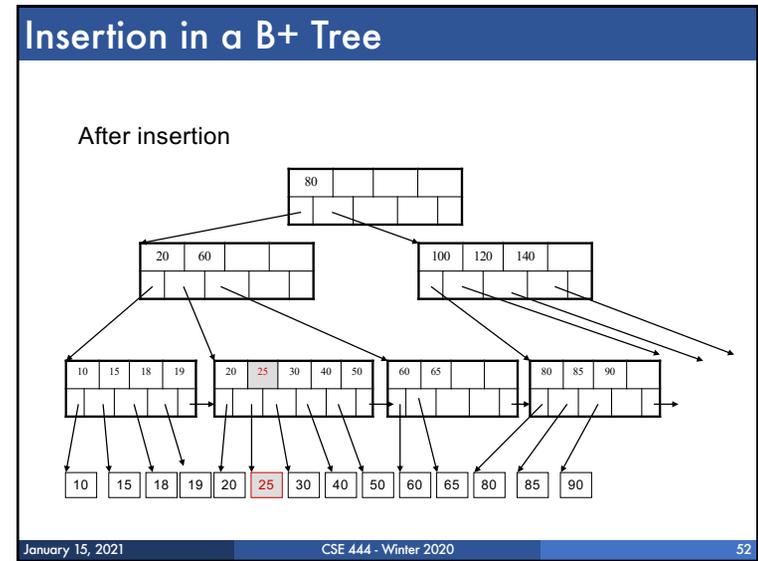
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Insertion in a B+ Tree

But now have to split !

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Insertion in a B+ Tree

After the split

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Deletion in a B+ Tree

Delete (K, P)

- Find leaf where K belongs, delete
- Check for capacity
- If leaf below capacity, search adjacent nodes (left first, then right) for extra tuples and rotate them to new leaf
- If adjacent nodes at 50% full, merge
- Update and repeat algorithm on parent nodes if necessary

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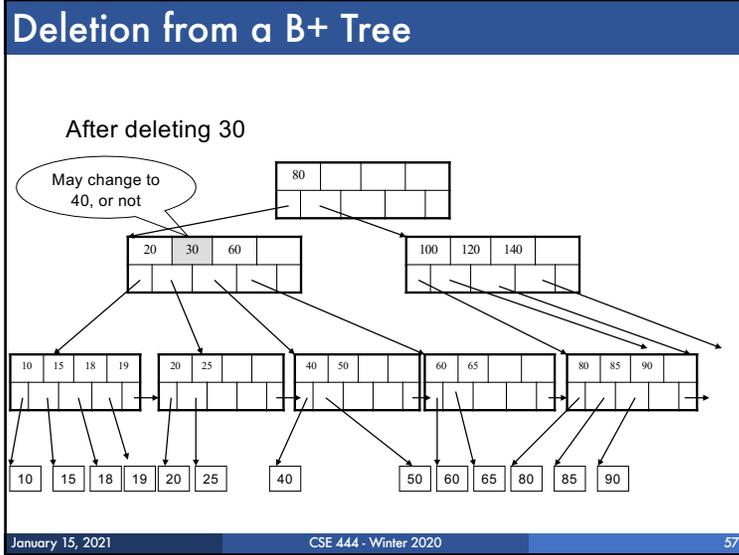
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Deletion from a B+ Tree

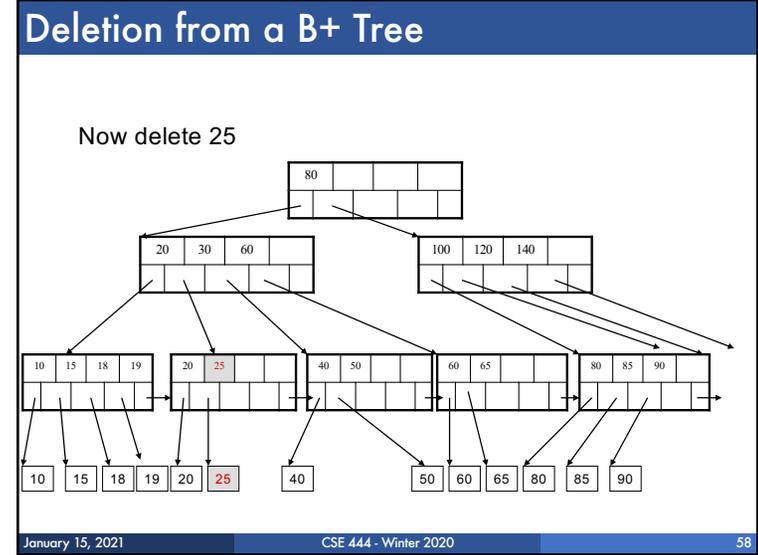
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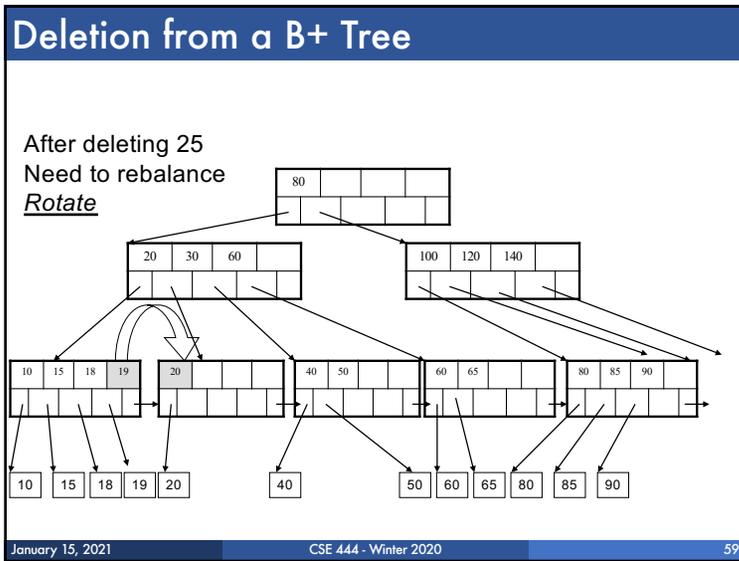
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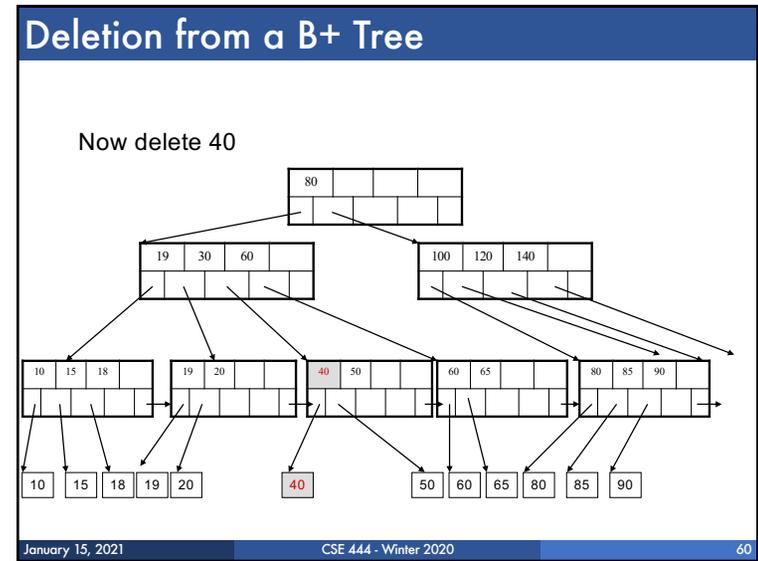
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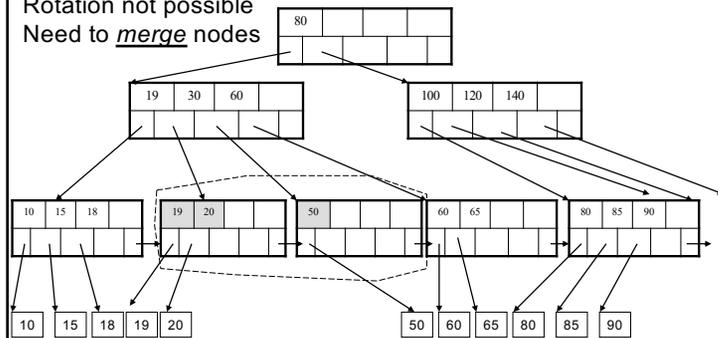
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Deletion from a B+ Tree

After deleting 40
Rotation not possible
Need to merge nodes



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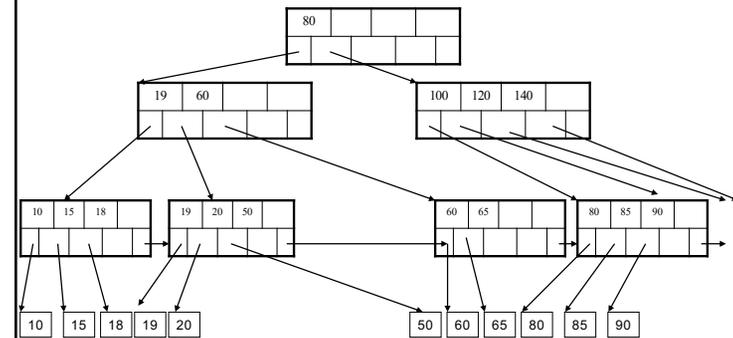
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Deletion from a B+ Tree

Final tree



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Summary on B+ Trees

- **Default index structure on most DBMSs**
- Very effective at answering 'point' queries:
productName = 'gizmo'
- Effective for range queries:
50 < price AND price < 100
- Less effective for multirange:
50 < price < 100 AND 2 < quant < 20

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