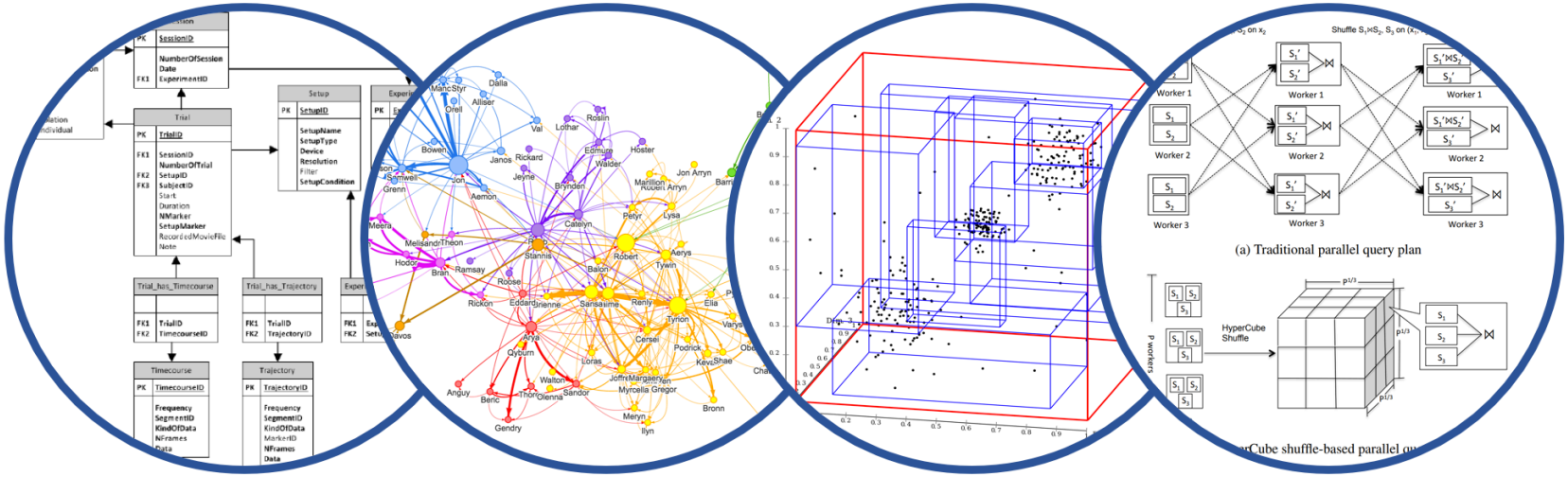

Database System Internals

Query Execution and Algorithms

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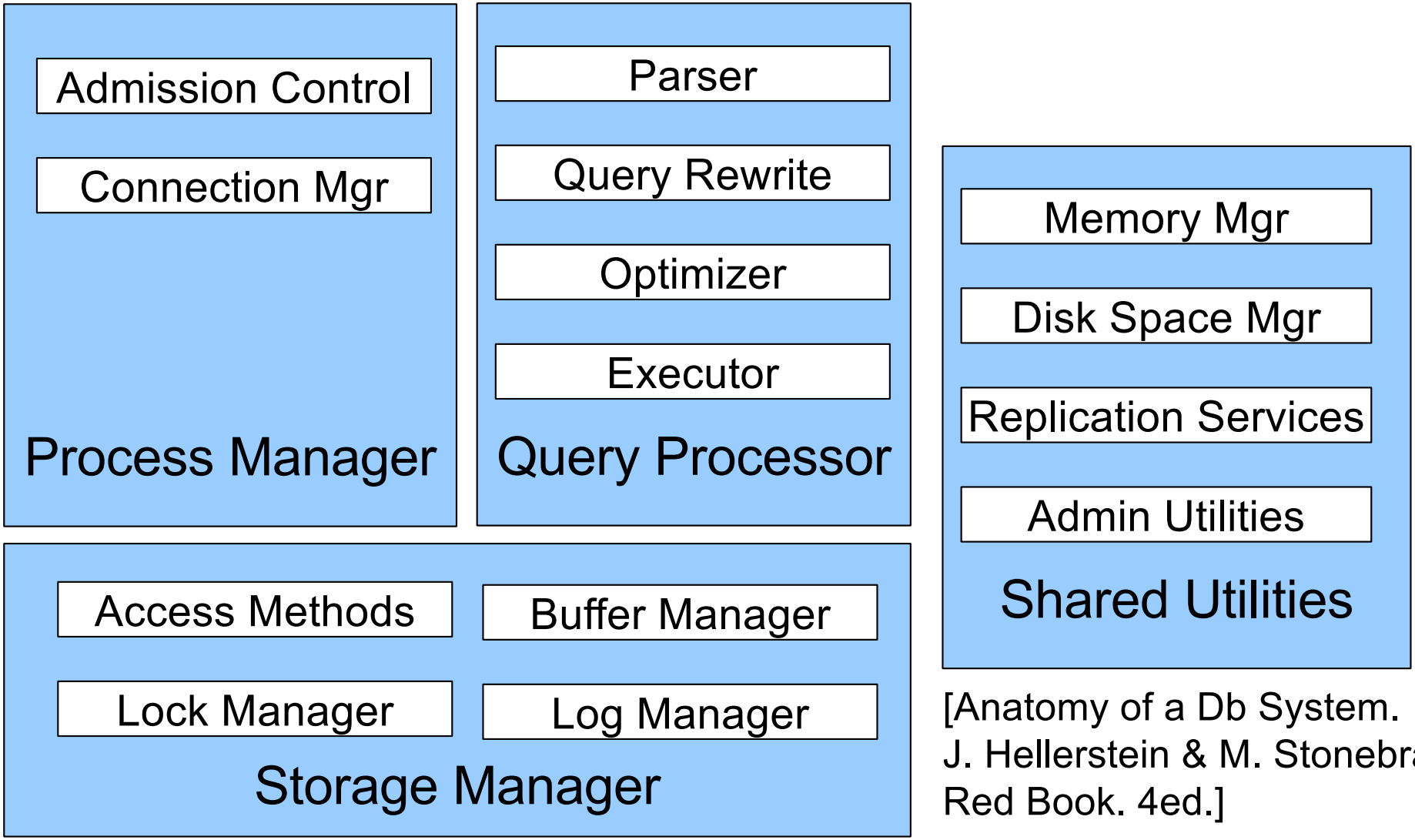
Announcements

- Lab1 due on Wednesday
- HW2 released, due Monday, 4/25

What We Have Learned So Far

- Overview of the architecture of a DBMS
- Access methods
  - Heap files, sequential files, Indexes (hash or B+ trees)
- Role of buffer manager
- Practiced the concepts in hw1 and lab1

DBMS Architecture



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Query Processor

- Query optimization: find a good plan
- Query execution: execute the plan

We start with execution and analyze its cost.
That will inform how to optimize.

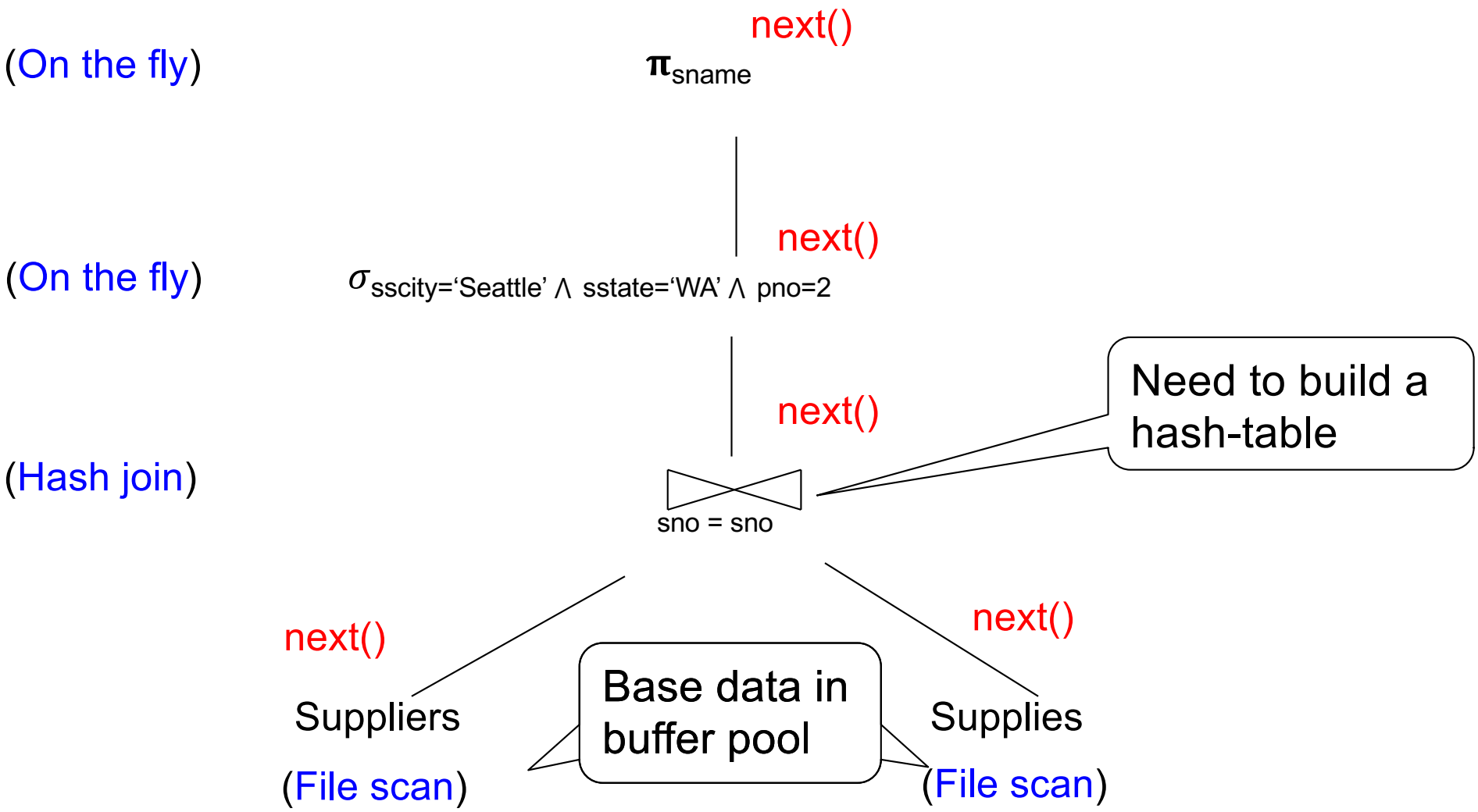
Query Execution Summary

SQL query transformed into physical plan

- Access path selection for each relation
- Implementation choice for each operator
- Scheduling decisions for operators:
  - Single-threaded or parallel
  - Pipelined or materialized

Operators given a limited amount of memory

Pipelined Query Execution



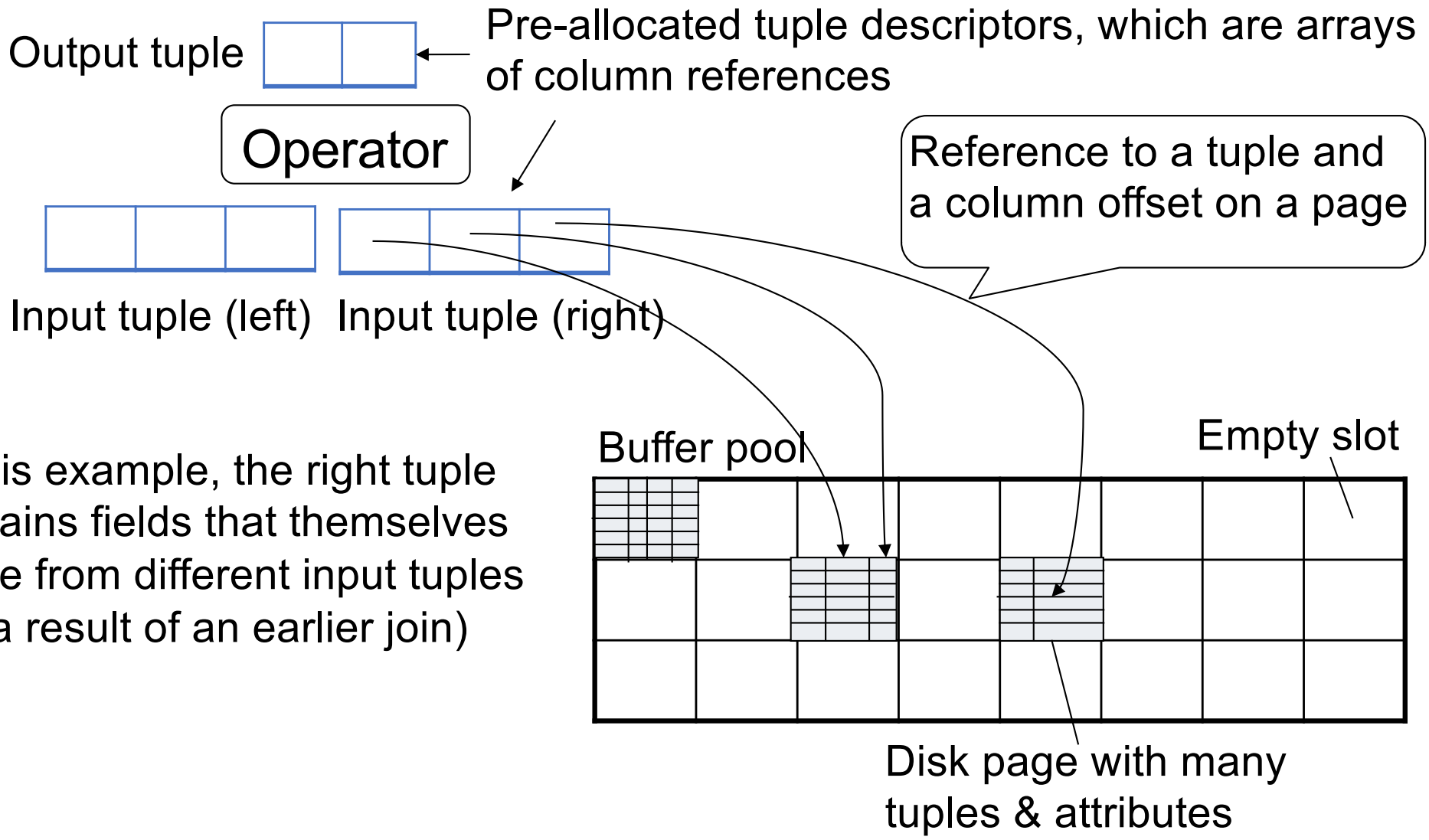
Memory Management

Each operator:

- Pre-allocates heap space for input/output tuples
  - Option 1, BP-tuples: pointers to data in buffer pool
  - Option 2, M-tuples: new tuples on the heap
- Allocates memory for its internal state
  - On heap

DMBS **limits** how much memory each operator, or each query can use

BP-tuples (option 1)



In this example, the right tuple contains fields that themselves come from different input tuples (as a result of an earlier join)

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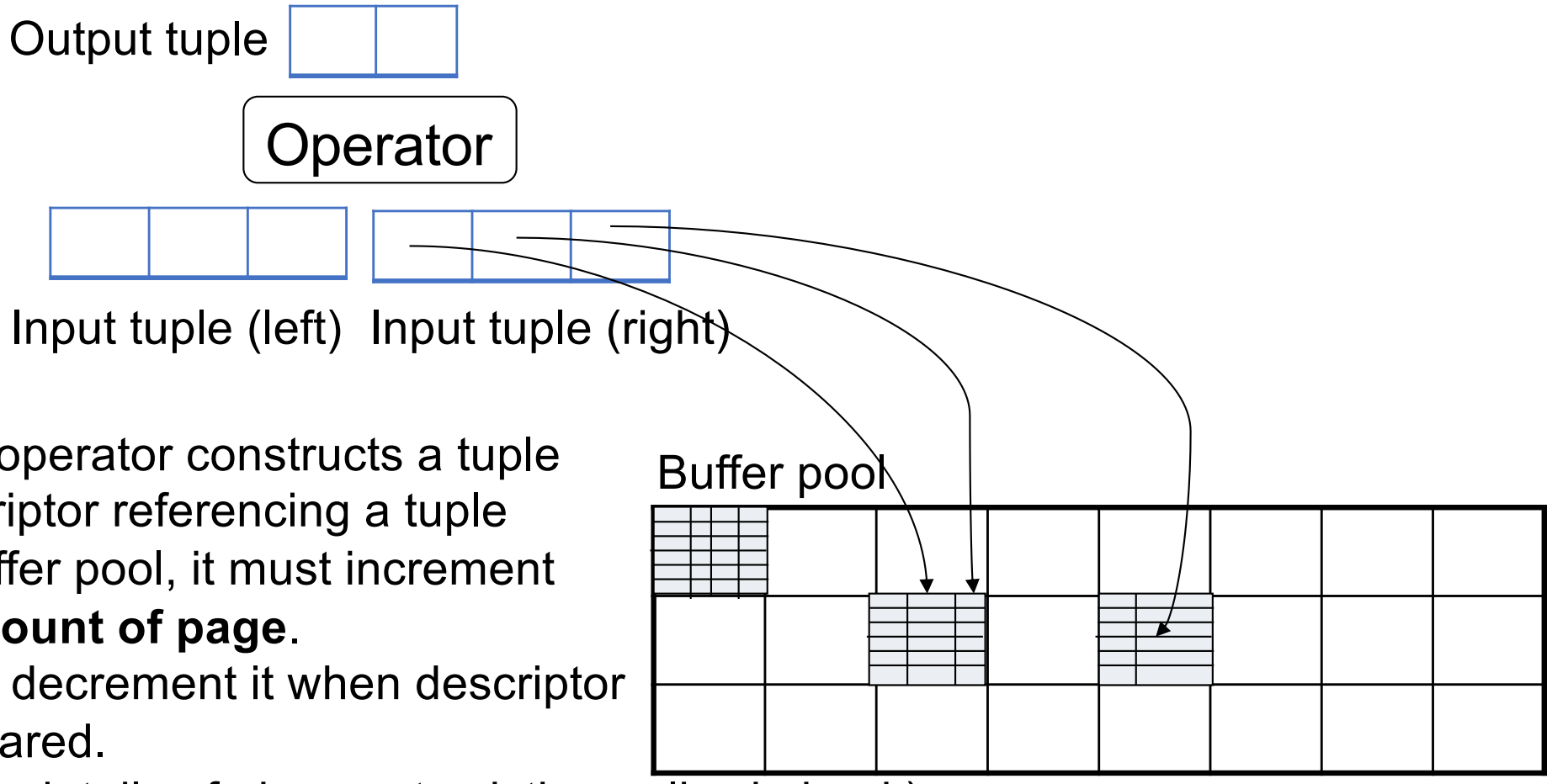
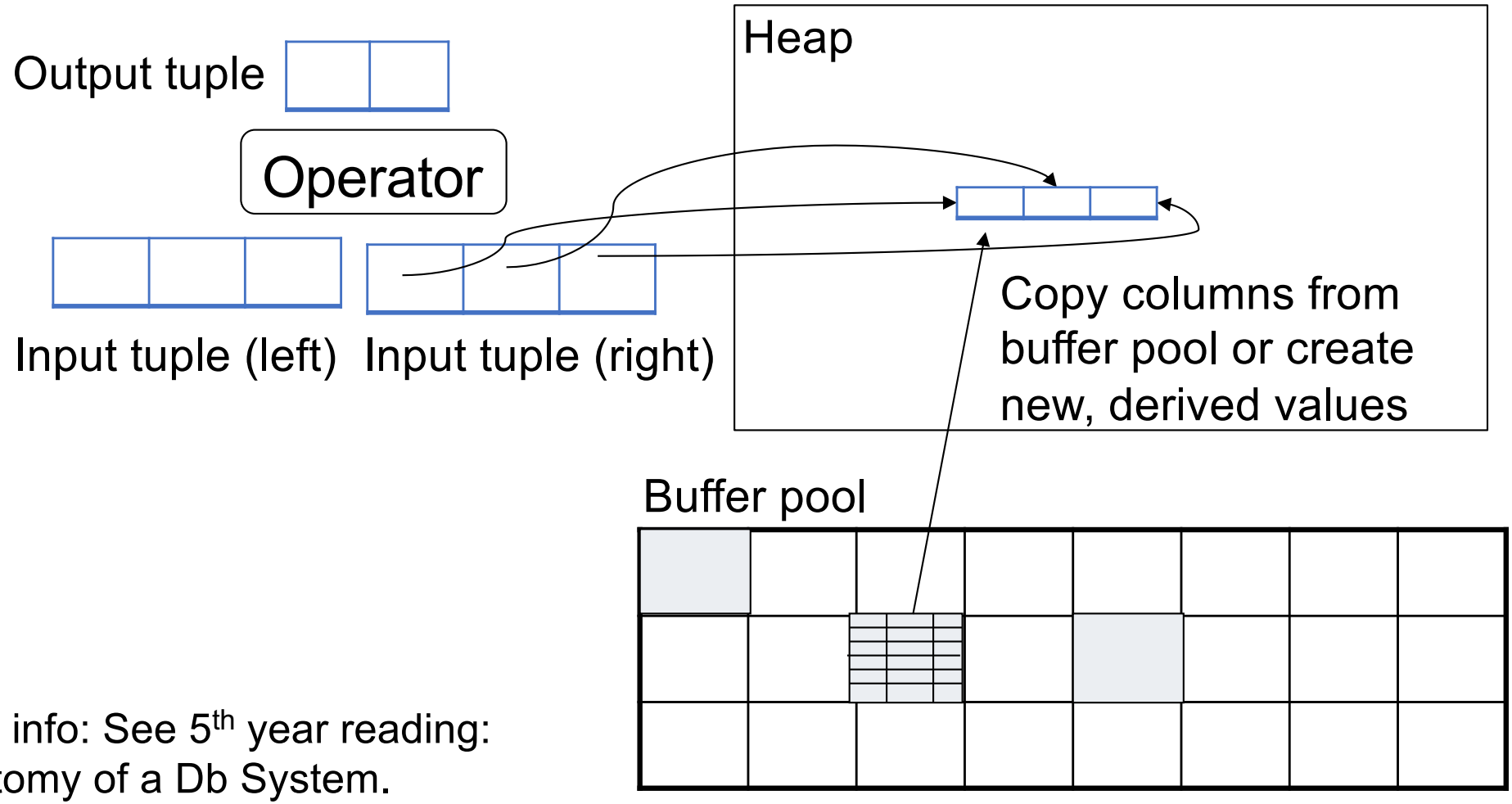


If an operator constructs a tuple descriptor referencing a tuple in buffer pool, it must increment **pin count of page**.
Then decrement it when descriptor is cleared.
(more details of pin count eviction policy in book)

M-Tuples (option 2)



More info: See 5th year reading:
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Discussion

Buffer-Pool tuples (BP-tuples)

- Pros: don't copy the data (great performance)
- Cons:
  - Need to pin pages in the BP
  - Cannot compute new values:
    SELECT pid, price*quantity FROM ...

Heap-tuples, or memory-tuples (M-tuples)

- Pros
  - No need to pin pages (except short period – why?)
  - Can represent new values: price*quanity
- Cons: data copying can degrade performance

Operator Algorithms (Quick review from 344 today & new algorithms next time)

Operator Algorithms

Design criteria

- Cost: IO, CPU, Network
- Memory utilization
- Load balance (for parallel operators)

Cost Parameters

- **Cost = total number of I/Os**
  - This is a simplification that ignores CPU, network

- **Parameters:**
  - **B(R)** = # of blocks (i.e., pages) for relation R
  - **T(R)** = # of tuples in relation R
  - **V(R, a)** = # of distinct values of attribute a
    - When **a** is a key, **V(R,a) = T(R)**
    - When **a** is not a key, **V(R,a)** can be anything < **T(R)**

Convention

- Cost = the cost of reading operands from disk
- Cost of writing the final result to disk is *not included*; need to count it separately when applicable

Outline

- **Join operator algorithms**
  - One-pass algorithms (Sec. 15.2 and 15.3)
  - Index-based algorithms (Sec 15.6)
  - Two-pass algorithms (Sec 15.4 and 15.5)

- Note about readings:
  - In class, we discuss only algorithms for joins
  - Other operators are easier: book has extra details

Join Algorithms

- Hash join
- Nested loop join
- Sort-merge join

Hash Join

Hash join: $R \bowtie S$

- Scan R, build buckets in main memory
- Then scan S and join
- Cost: B(R) + B(S)

- One-pass algorithm when $B(R) \leq M$

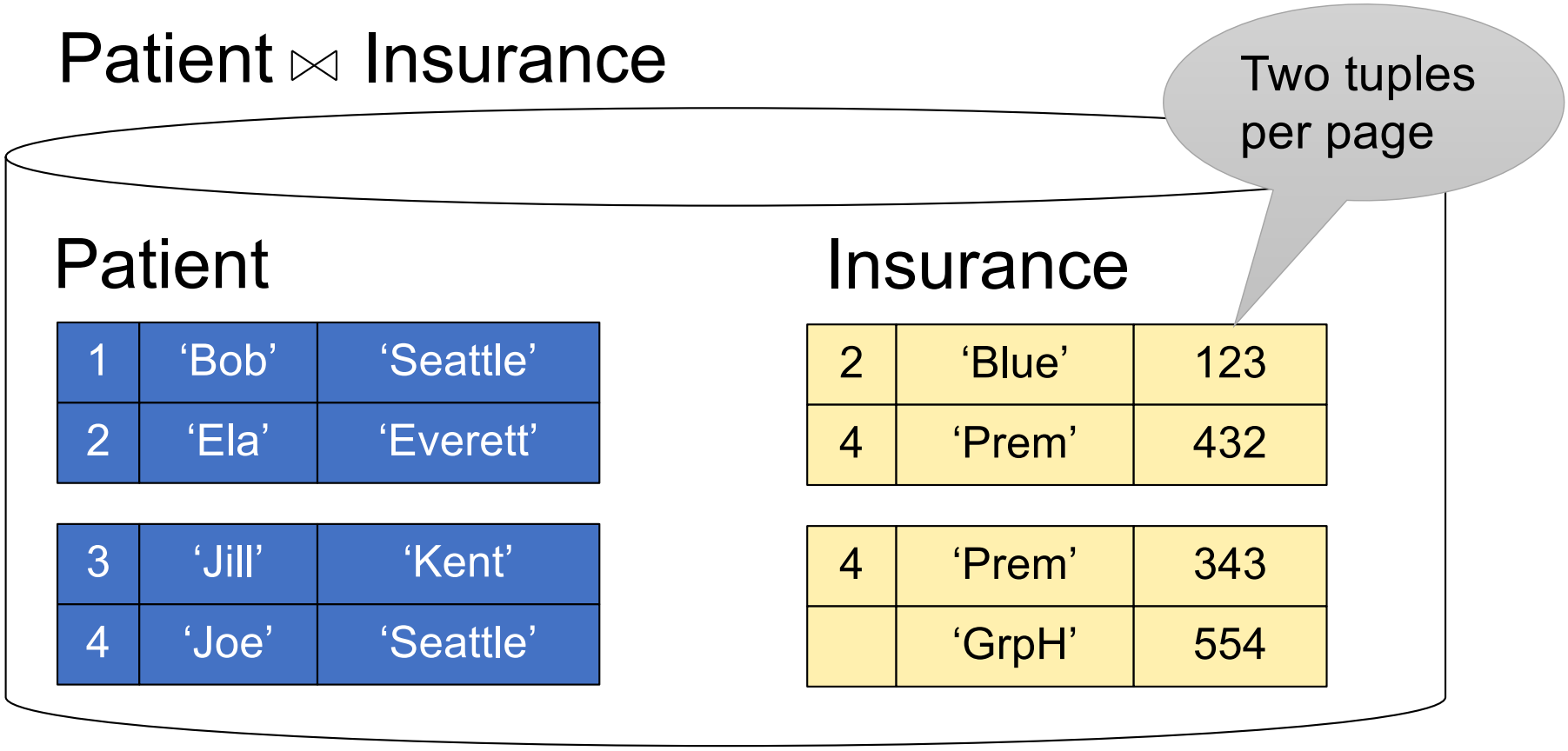
Note: the *inner* relation is the relation on which we build the hash table
- Usually this is the *right* relation, i.e. S.
- But the following slides choose the *left* relation, i.e. R

Hash Join Example

Patient(pid, name, address)

Insurance(pid, provider, policy_nb)

Patient ⋈ Insurance



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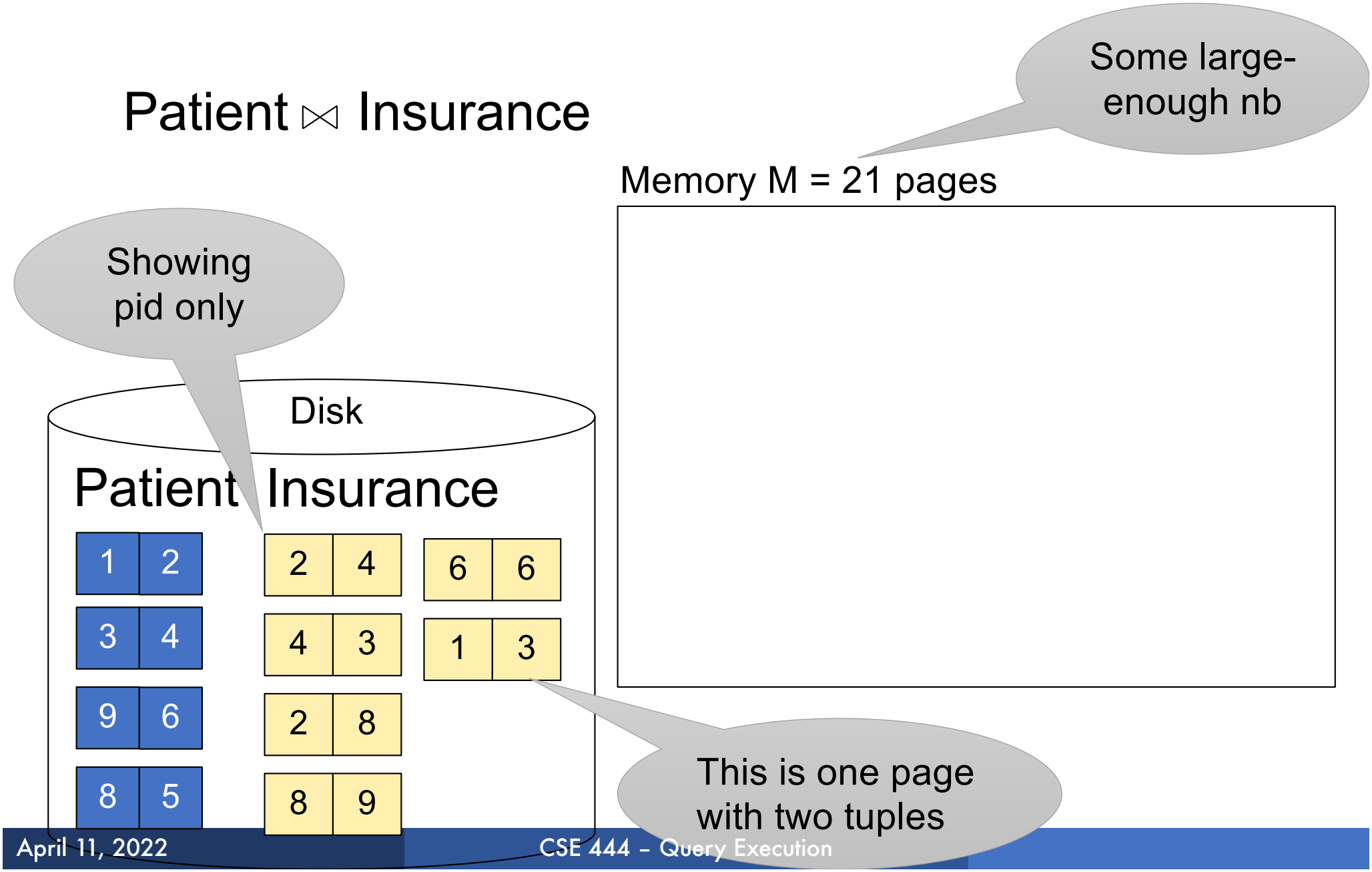

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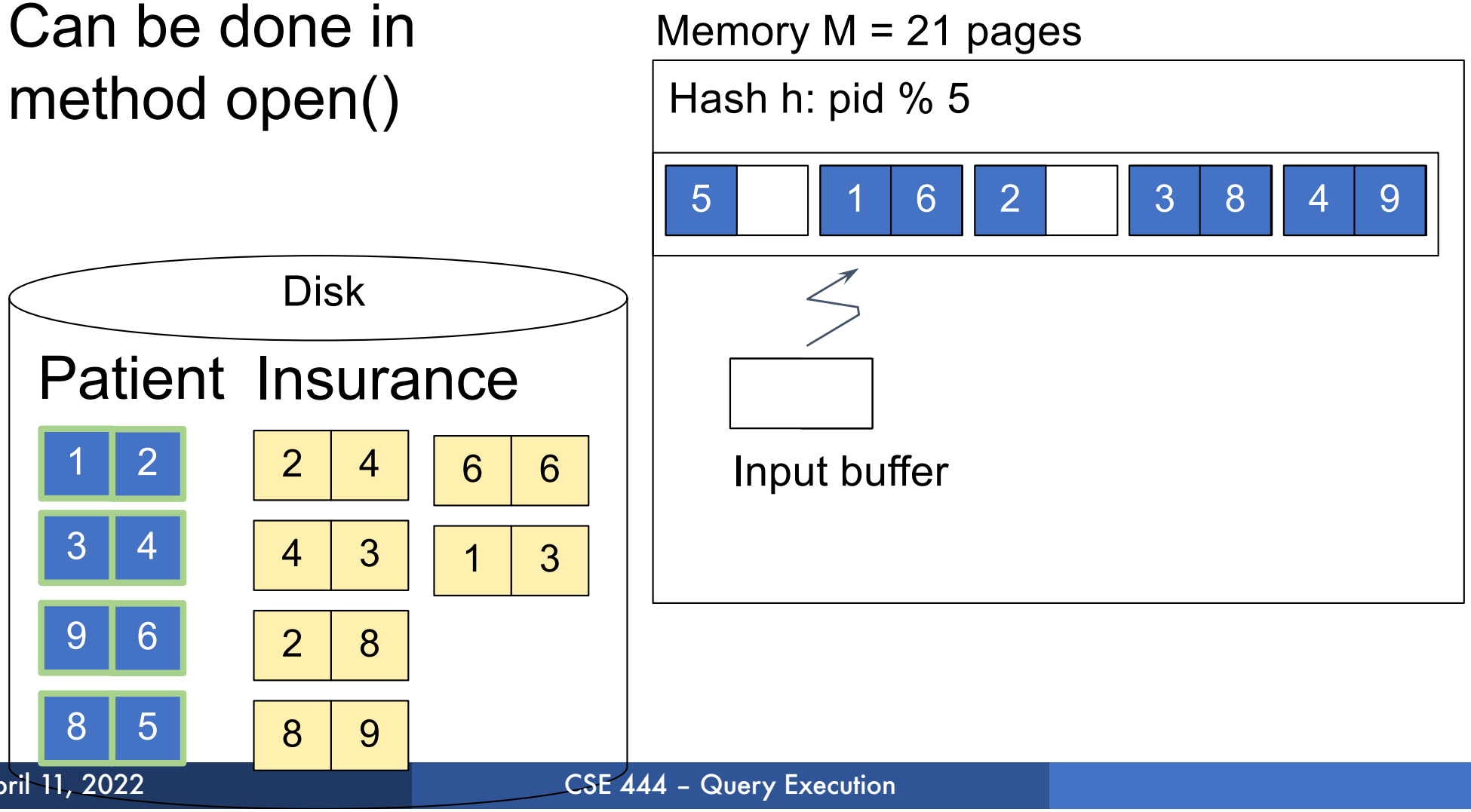
Step 1: Scan Patient and build hash table in memory

Can be done in method open()



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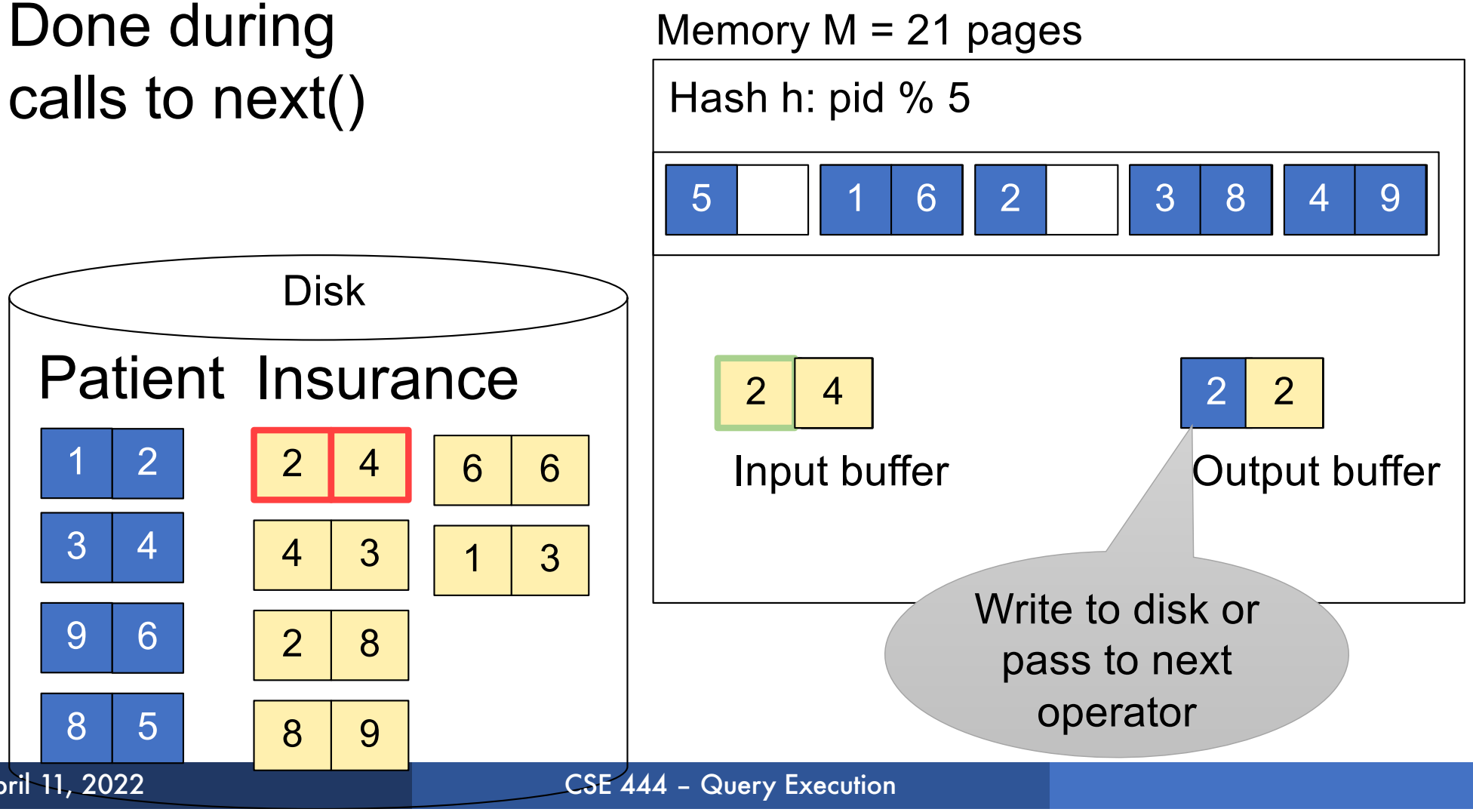

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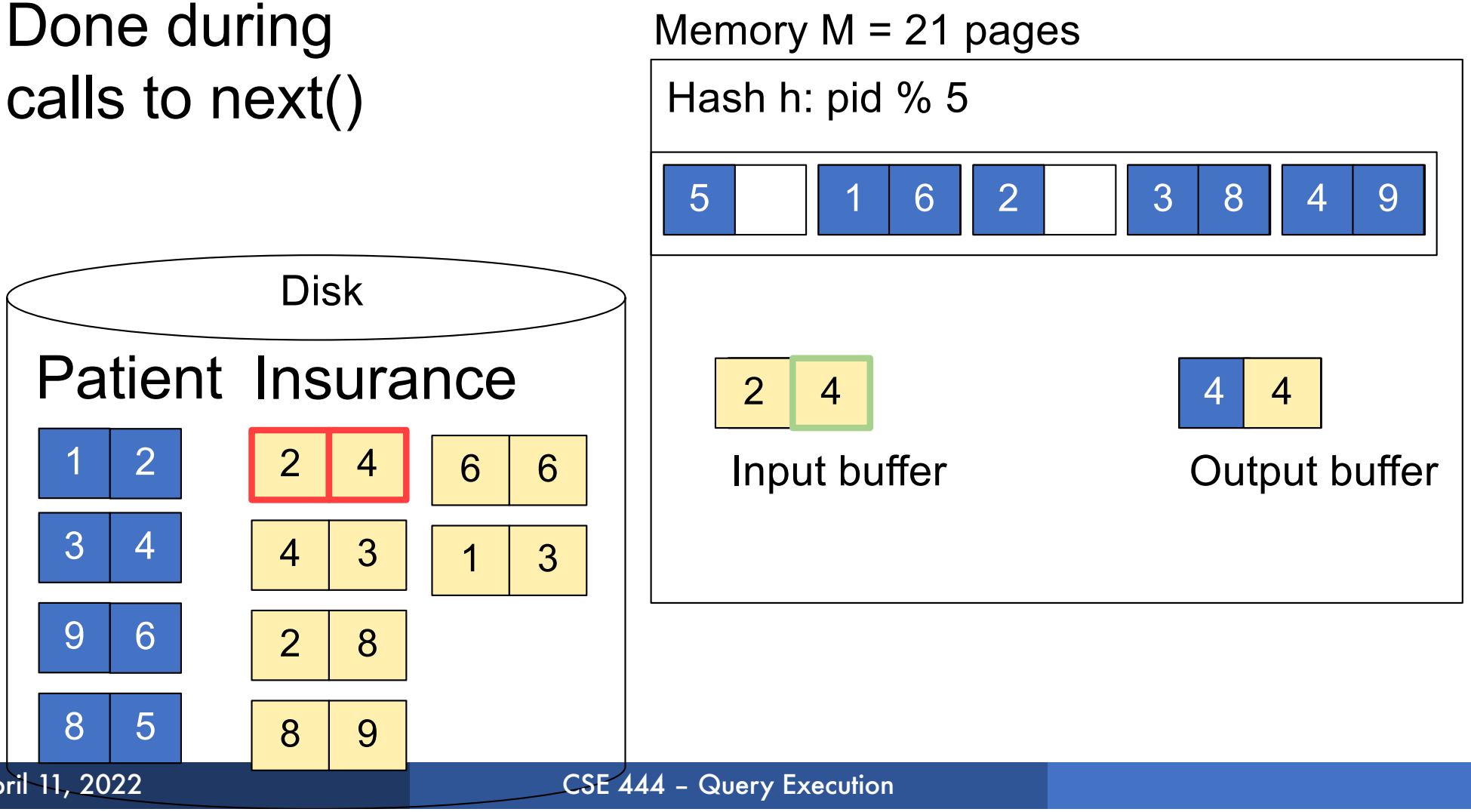

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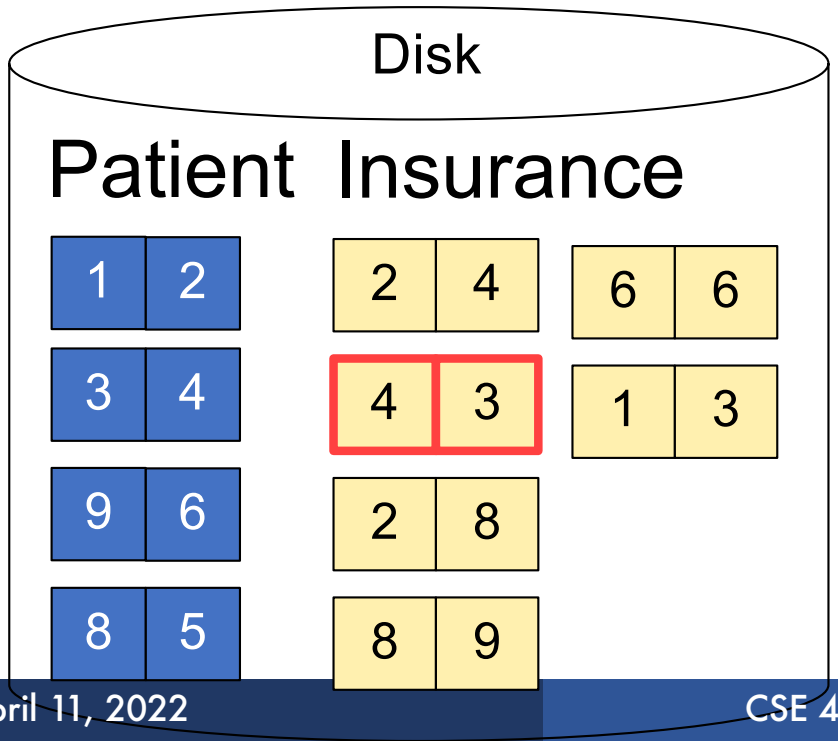

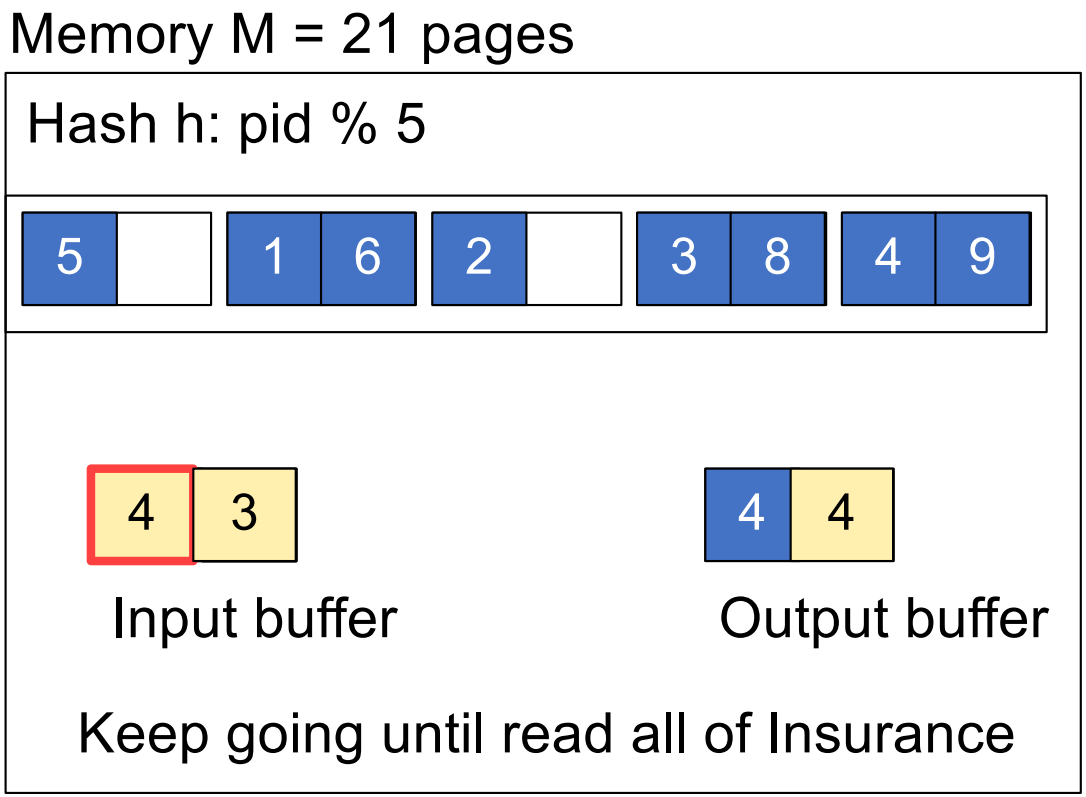

Cost: B(R) + B(S)

Discussion

- Hash-join is the workhorse of database systems

- The hash table is built on the heap, not in BP;
  hence it is not organized in pages,
  but pages are still convenient to think about it

- Hash-join works great when:
  - The inner table fits in main memory
  - The hash function is good (never write your own!)
  - The data has no skew (discuss in class…)

Nested Loop Joins

- Tuple-based nested loop R ⋈ S
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- Multiple-pass since S is read many times

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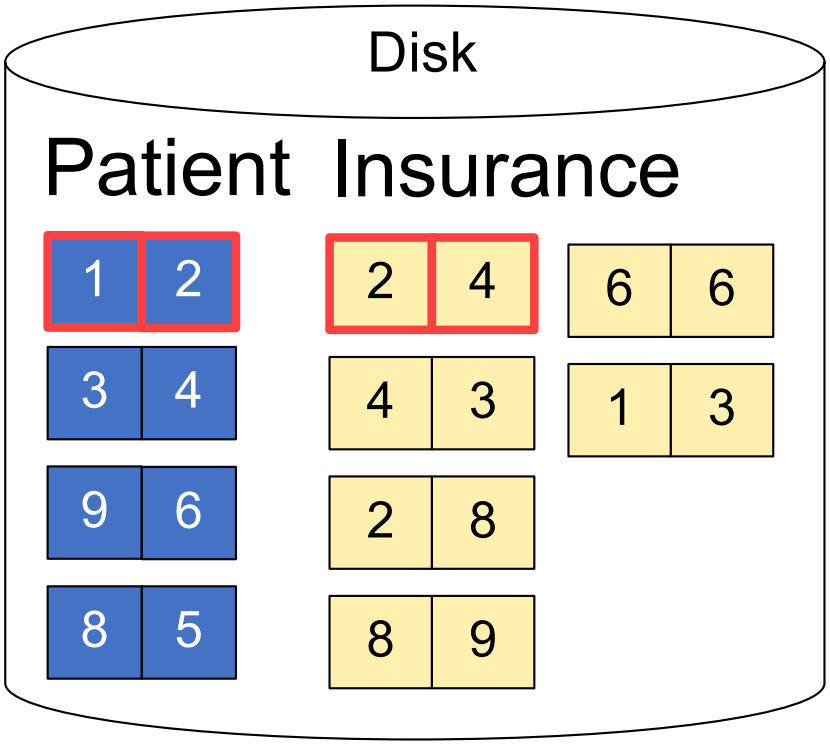

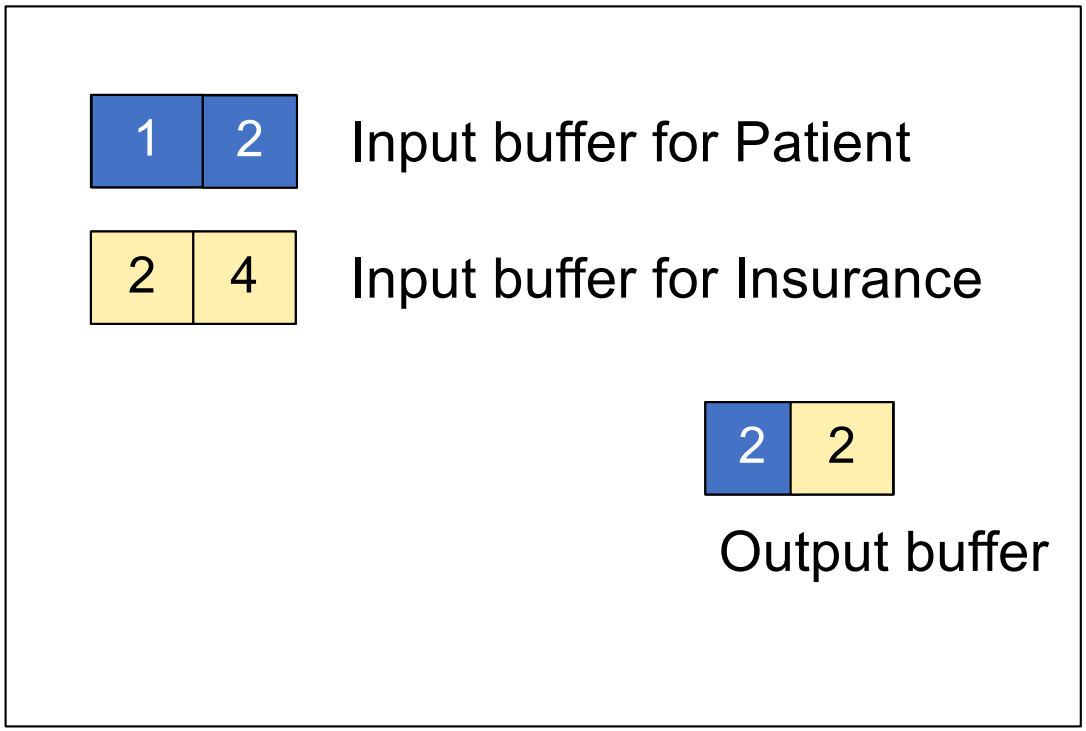

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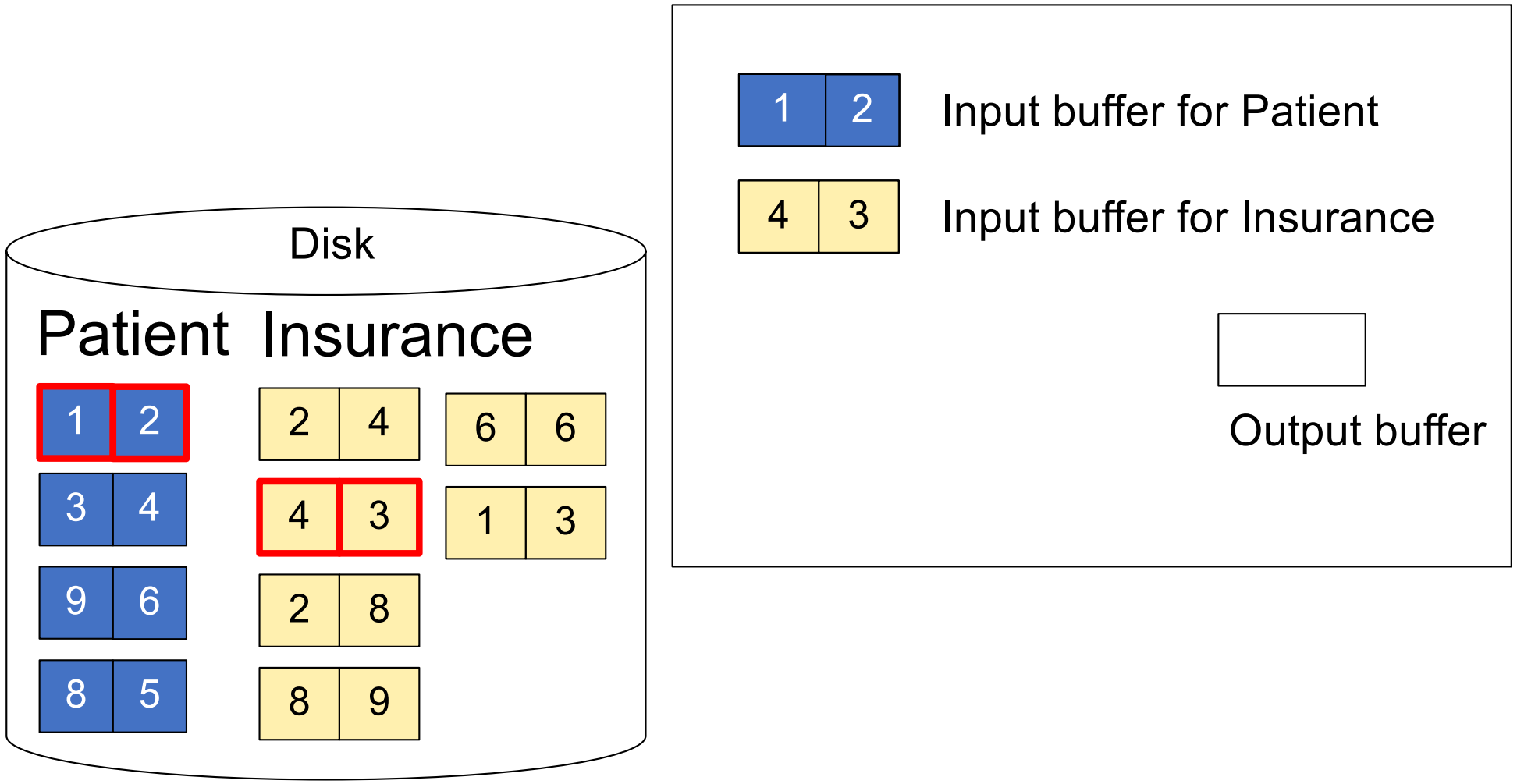

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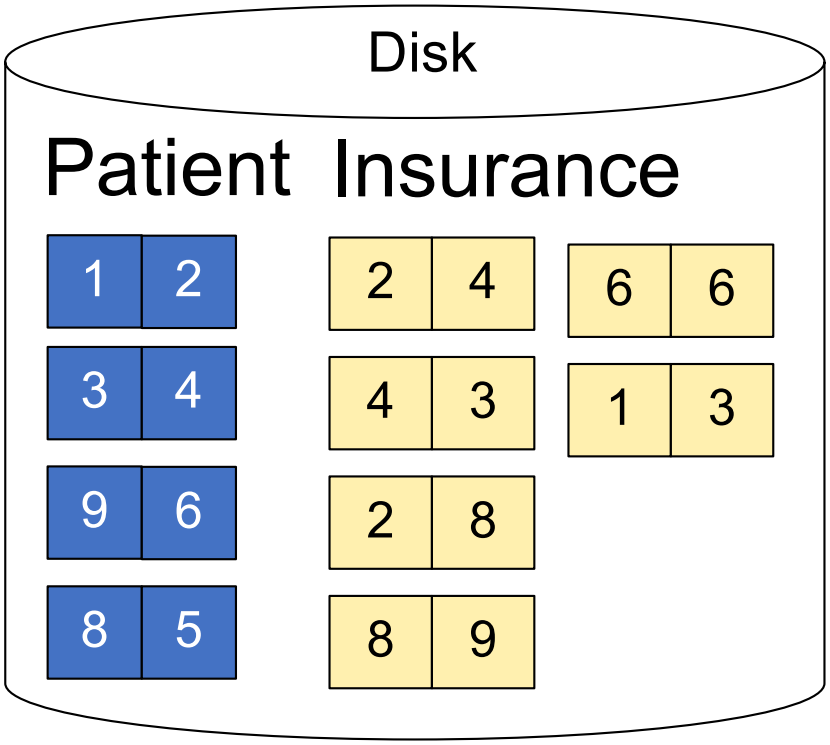

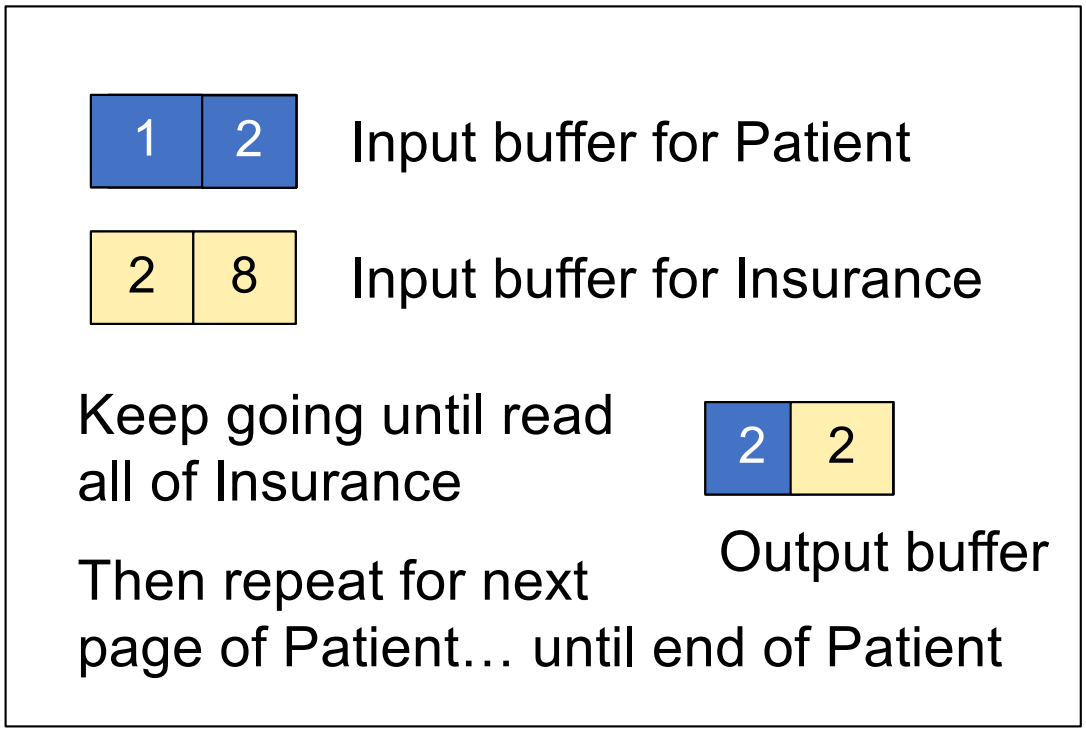

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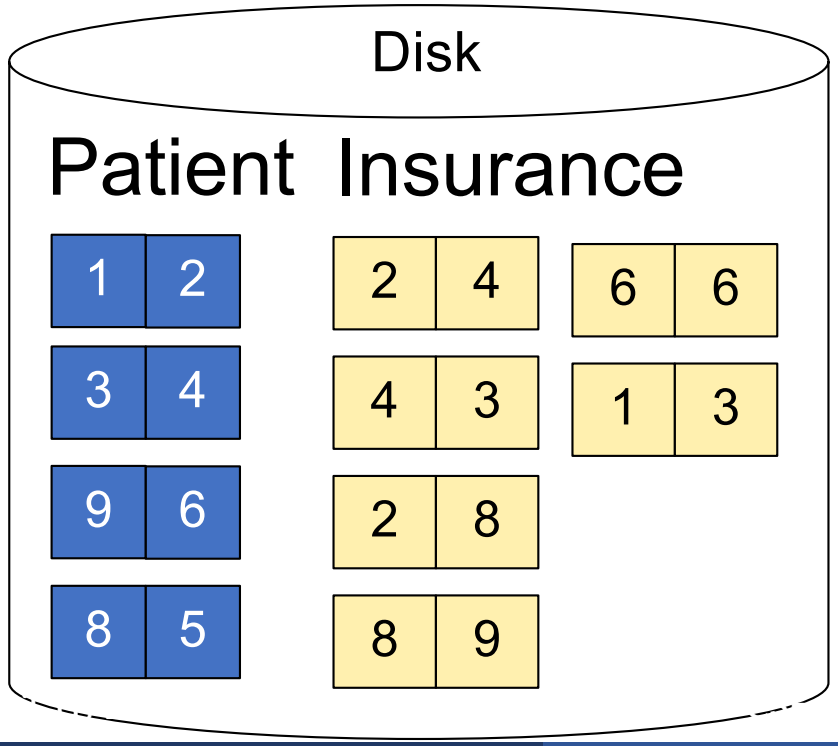

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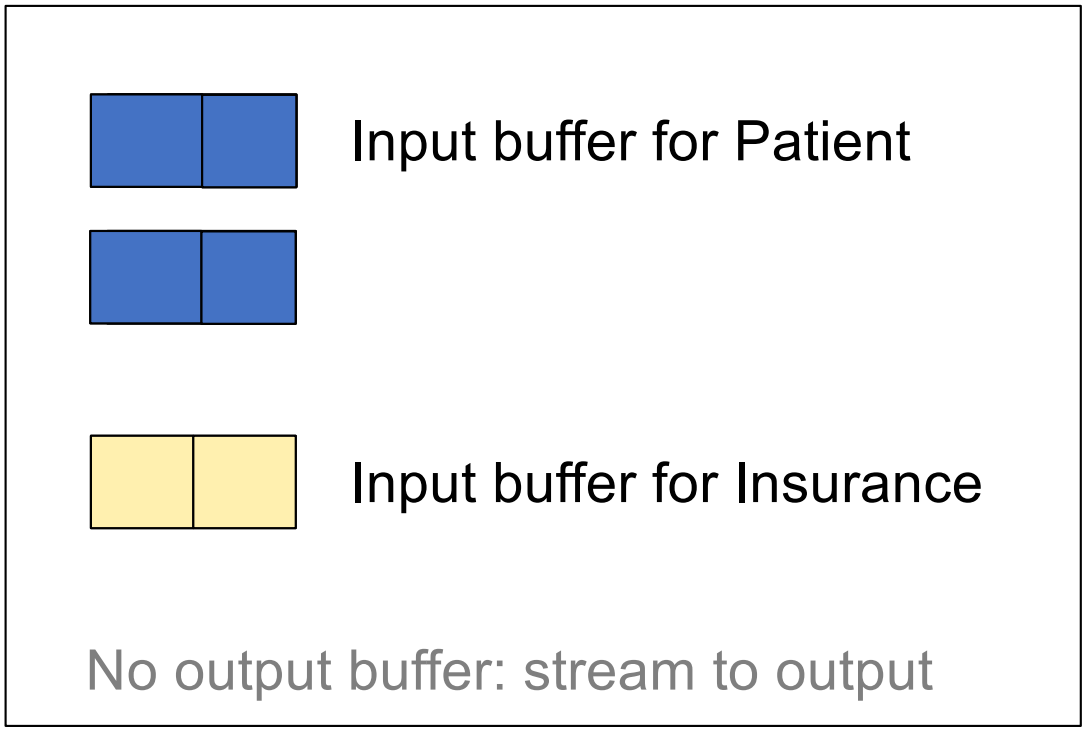

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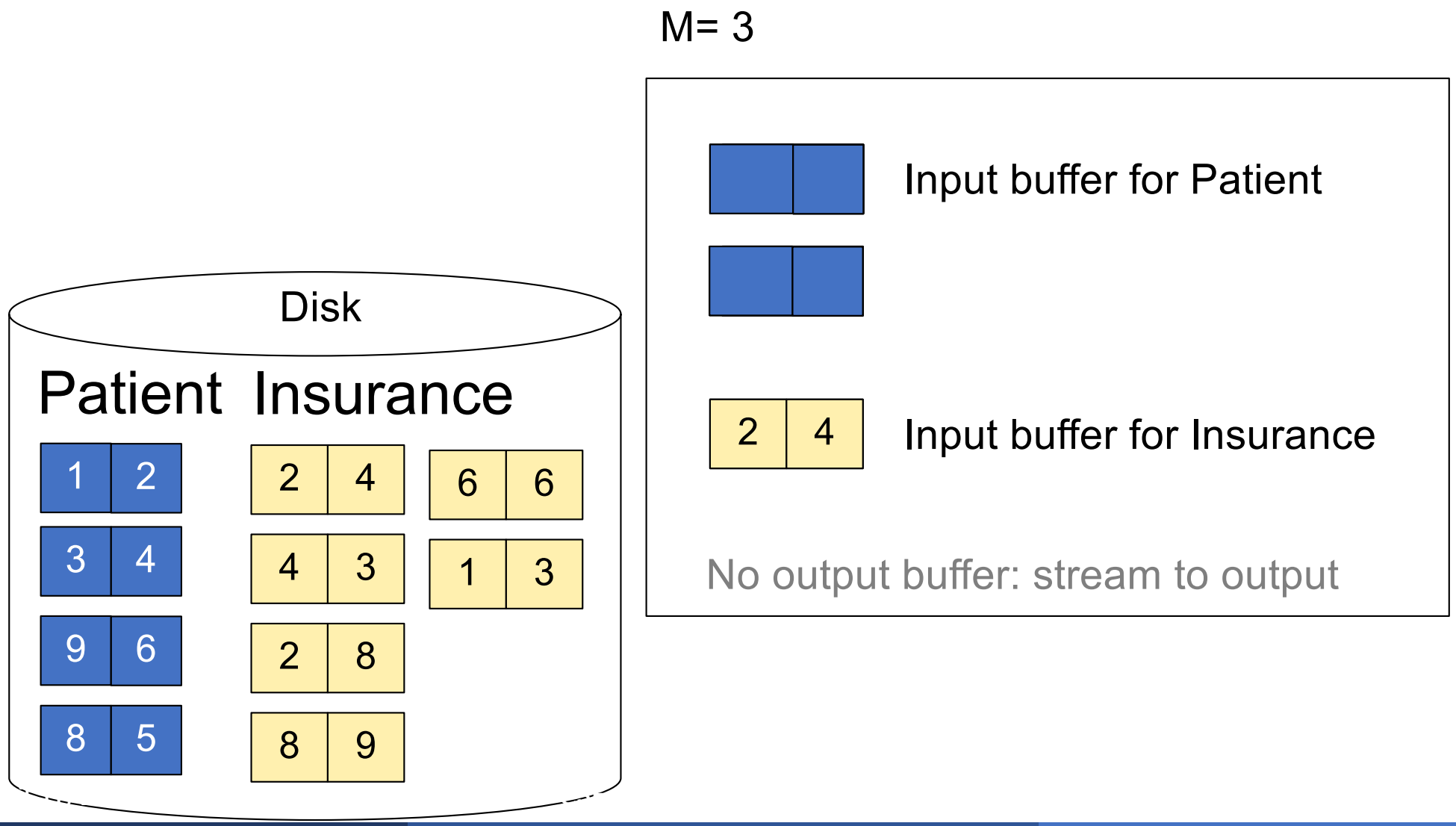

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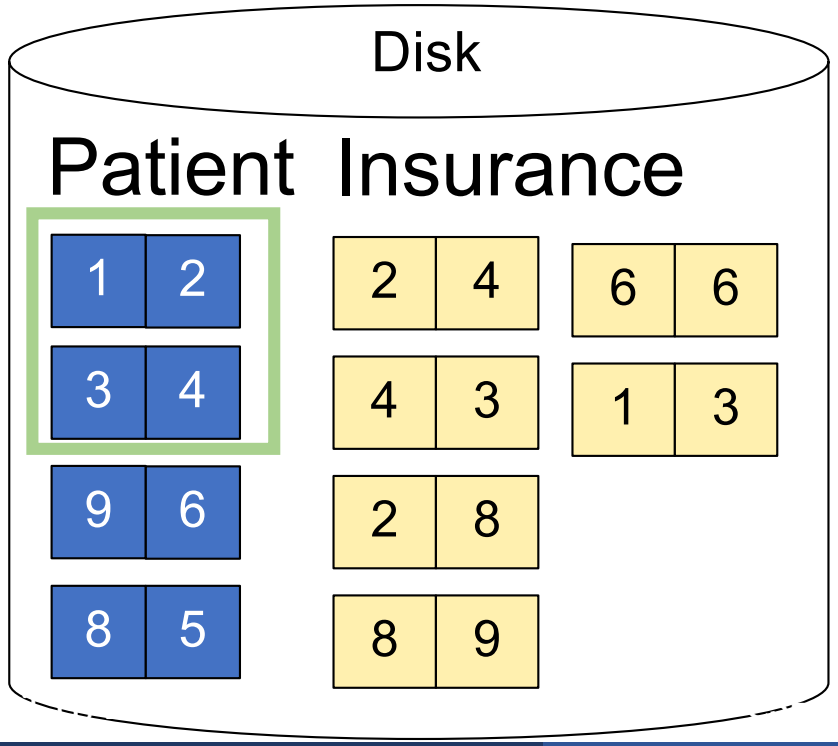

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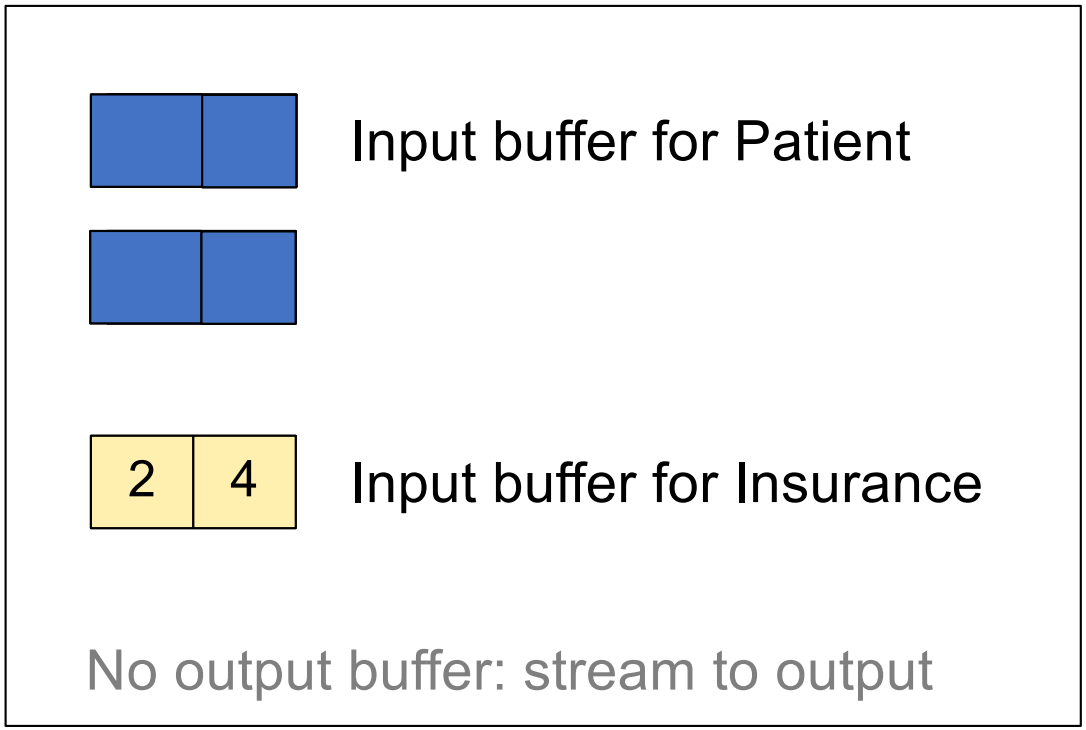

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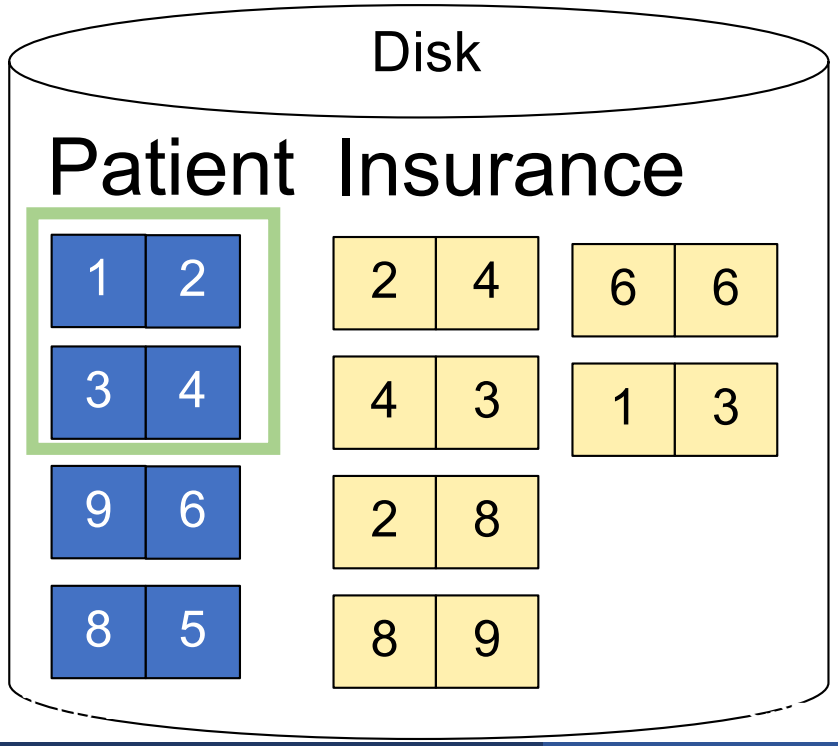

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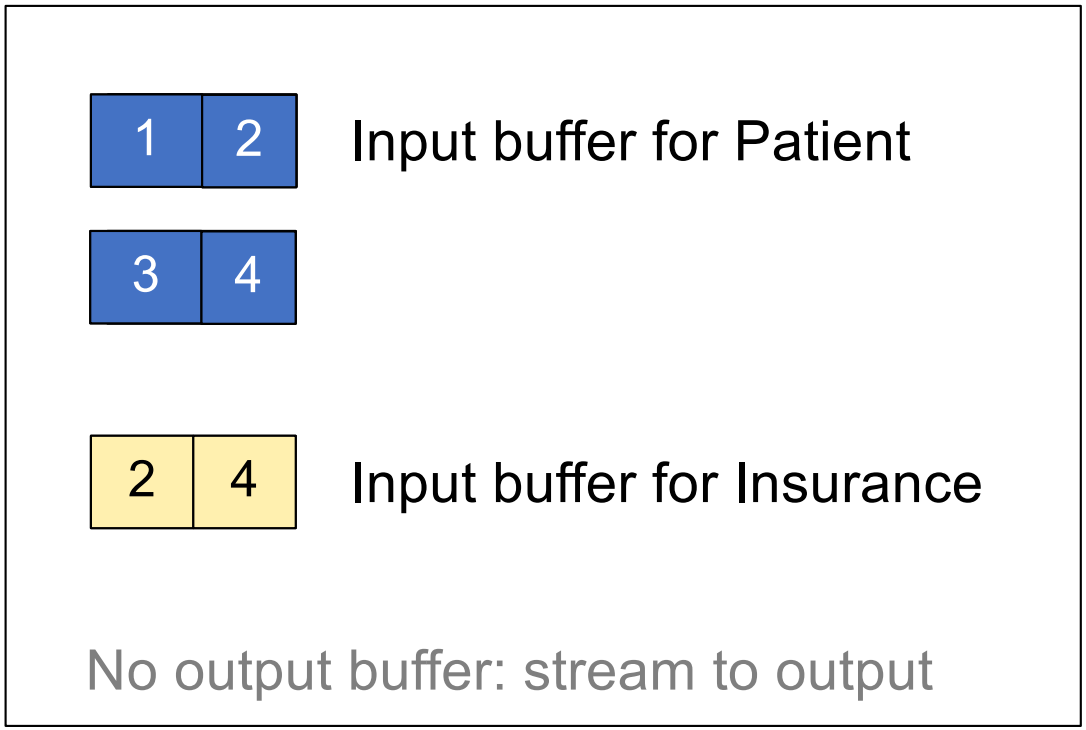

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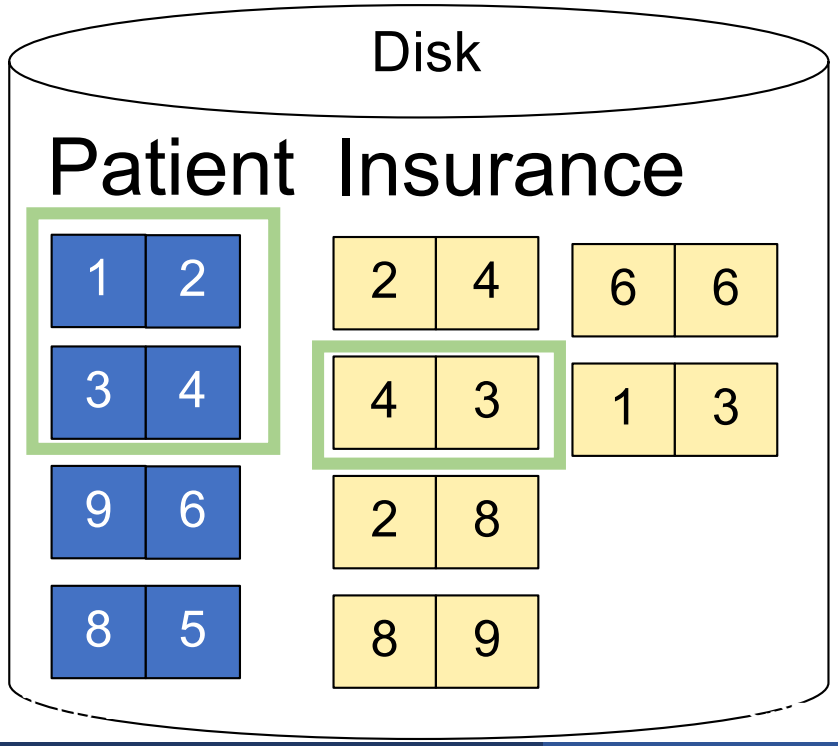

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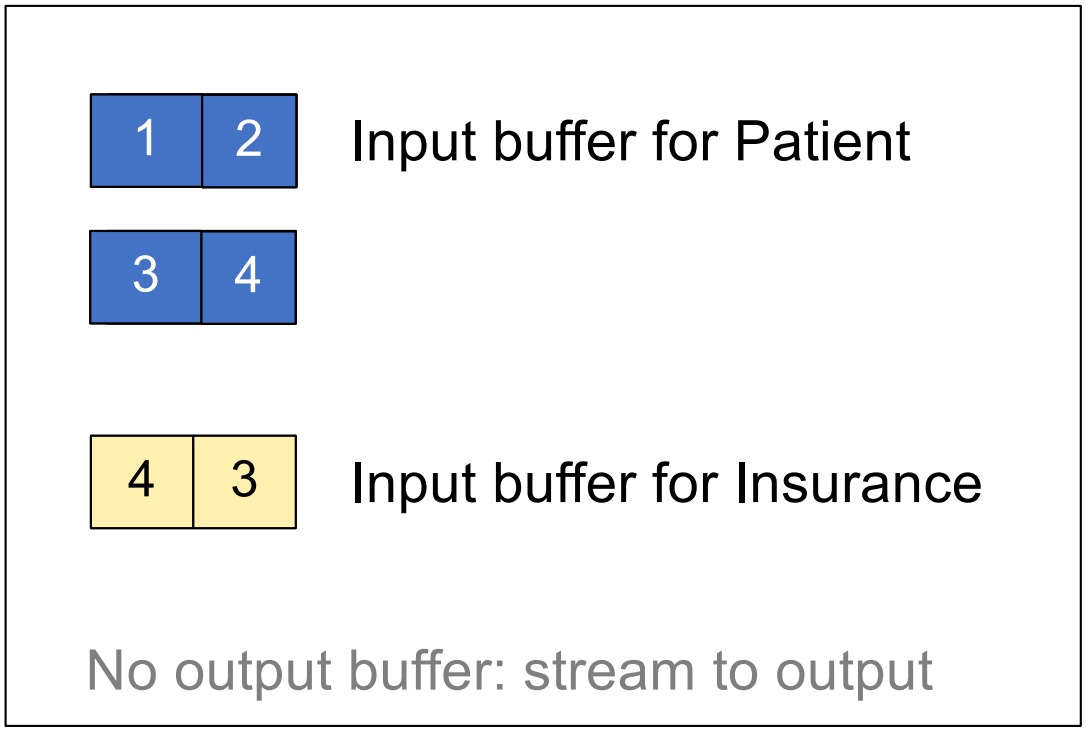

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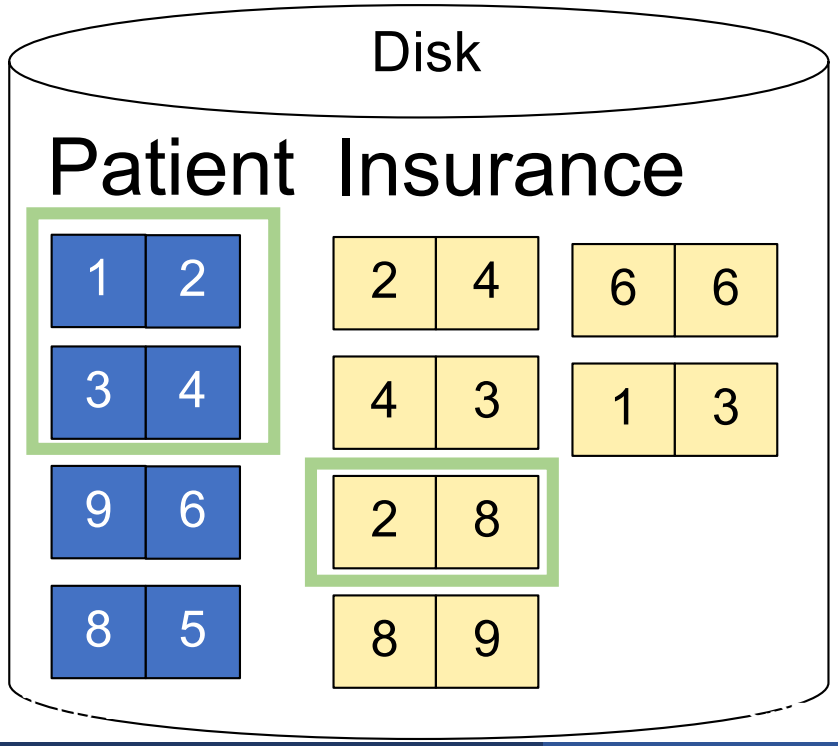

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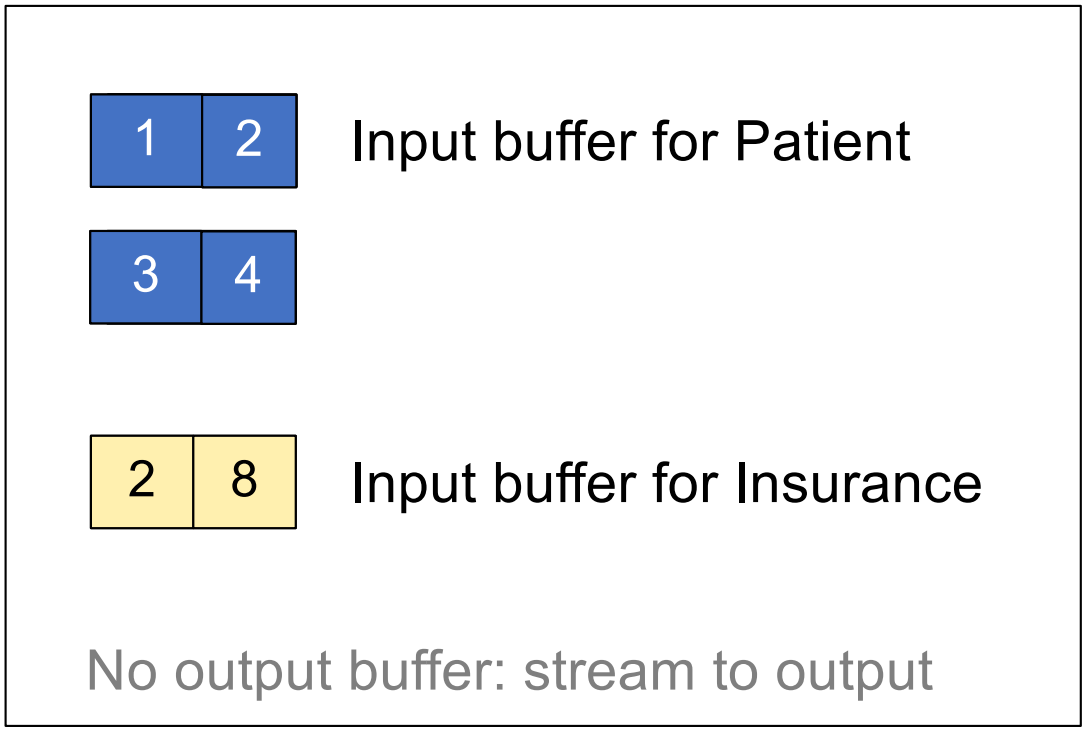

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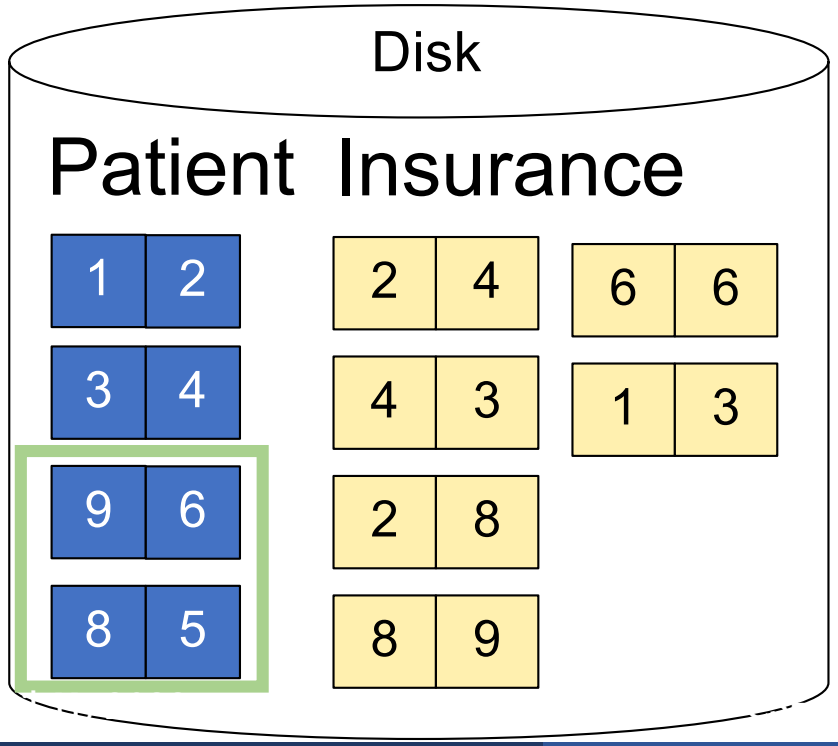

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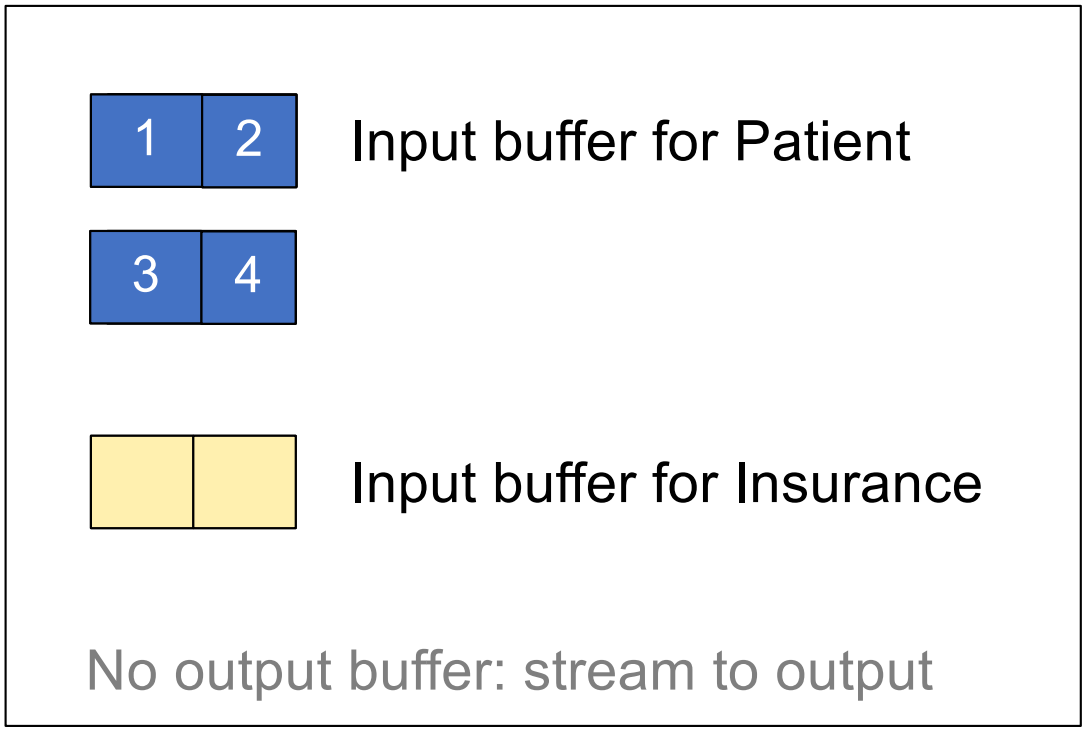

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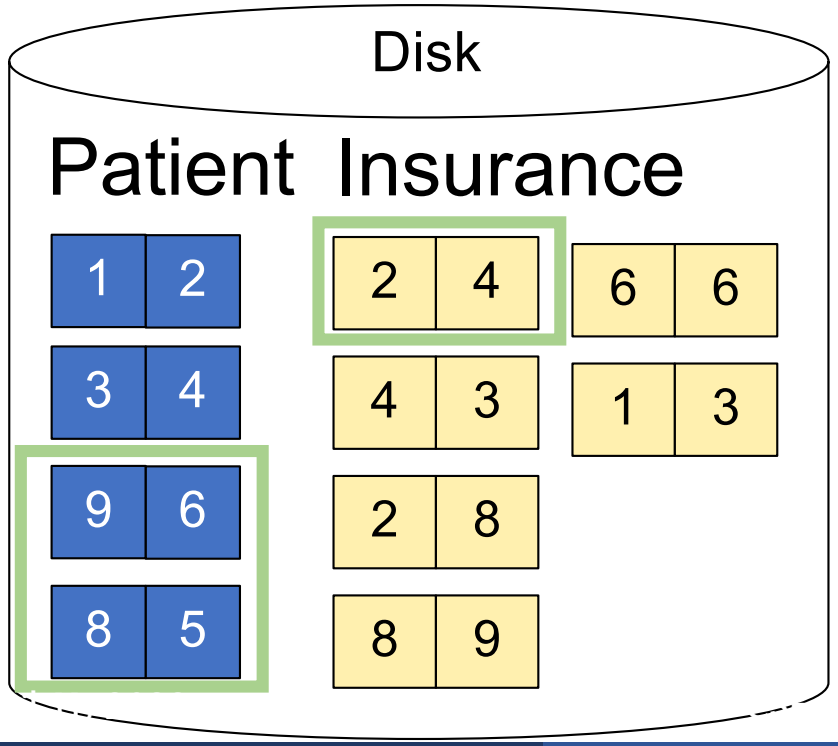

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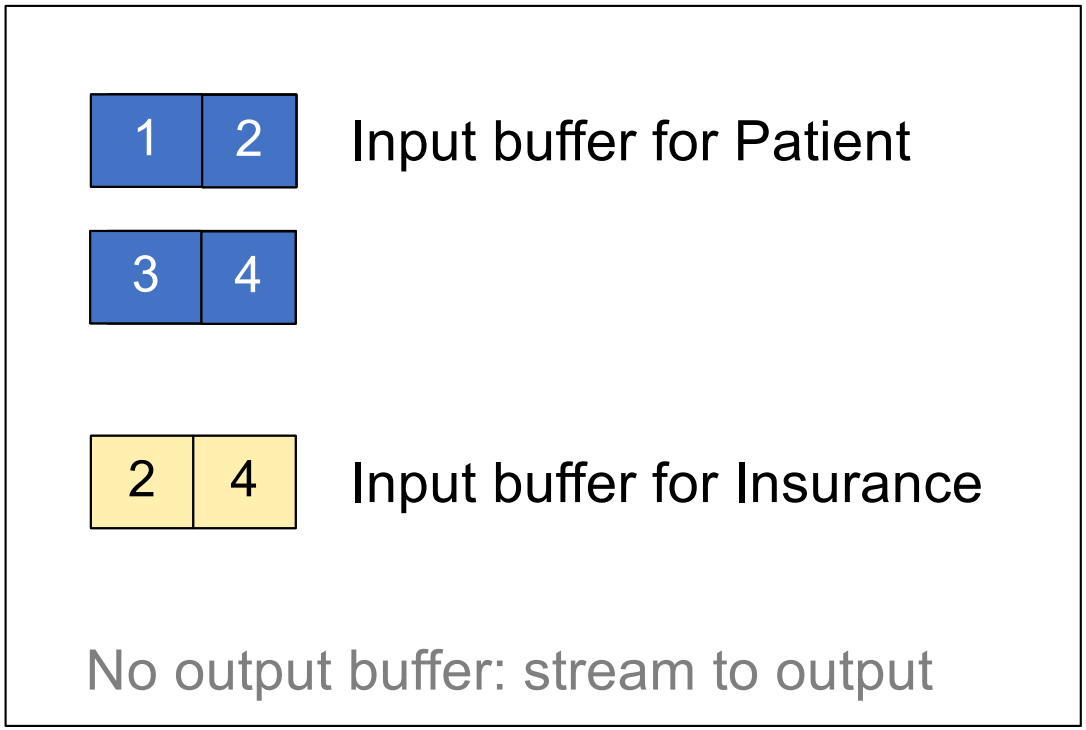

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Discussion

R ⋈ S: R=outer table, S=inner table

- Tuple-based nested loop join is never used
- Page-at-a-time nested loop join:
  - Usually combined with index access to inner table
  - Efficient when the outer table is small
- Block memory refinement nested loop
  - Usually builds a hash table on the outer table
  - Efficient when the outer table is small

Sort-Merge Join

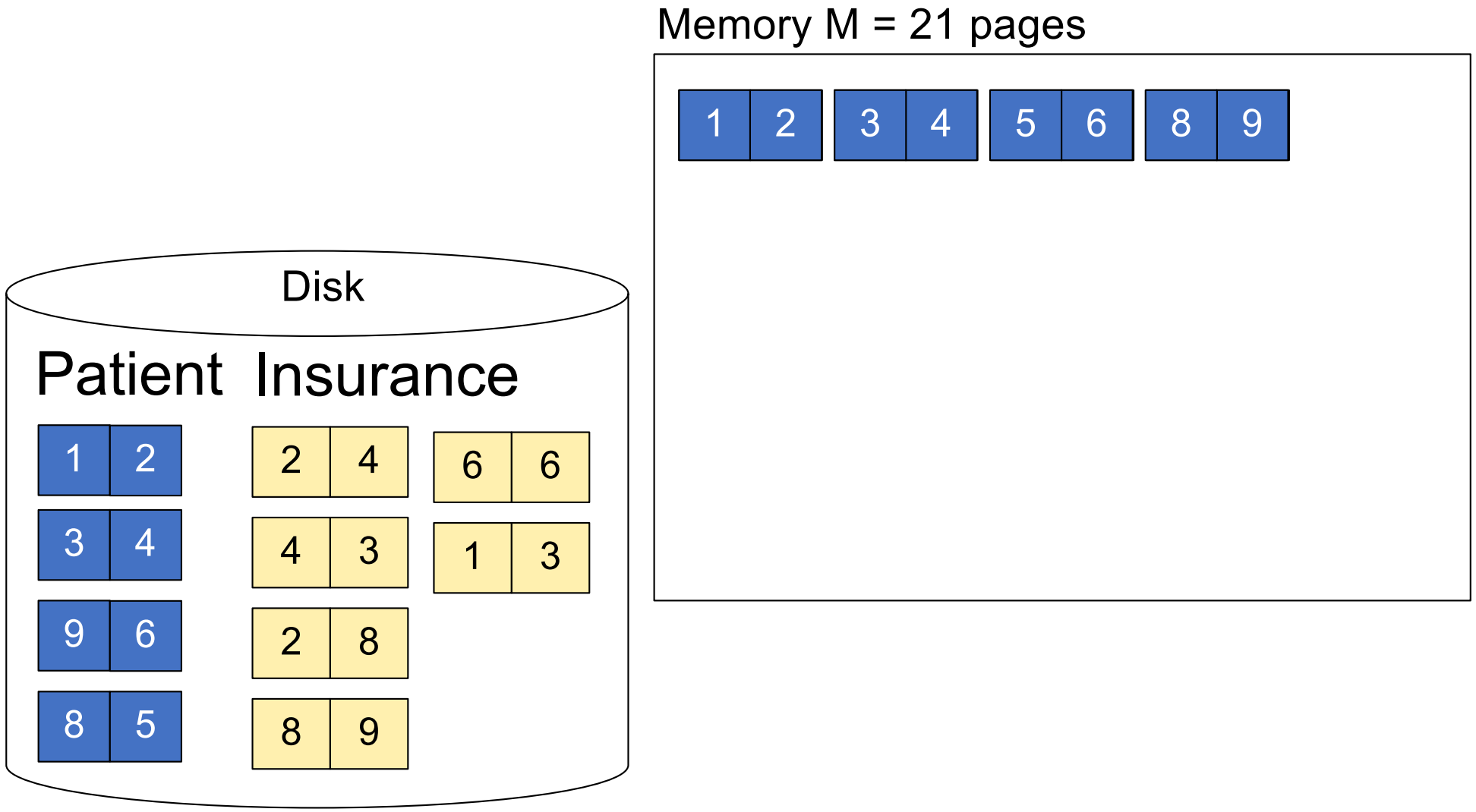
Sort-merge join: $R \bowtie S$

- Scan R and sort in main memory
- Scan S and sort in main memory
- Merge R and S

- Cost: B(R) + B(S)
- One pass algorithm when B(S) + B(R) <= M
- Typically, this is NOT a one pass algorithm,
  - We'll see the multi-pass version next lecture

Sort-Merge Join Example

Step 1: Scan Patient and sort in memory



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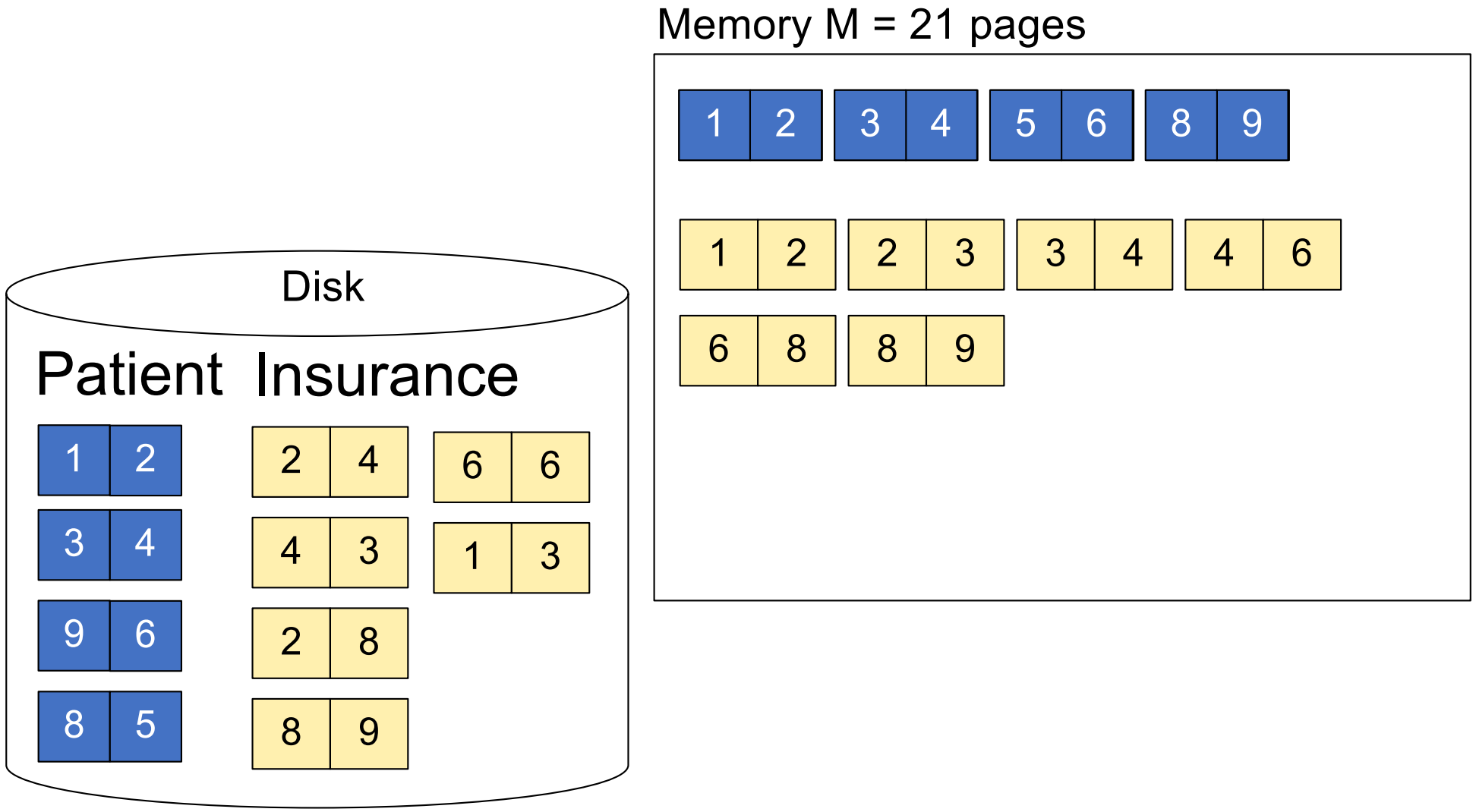

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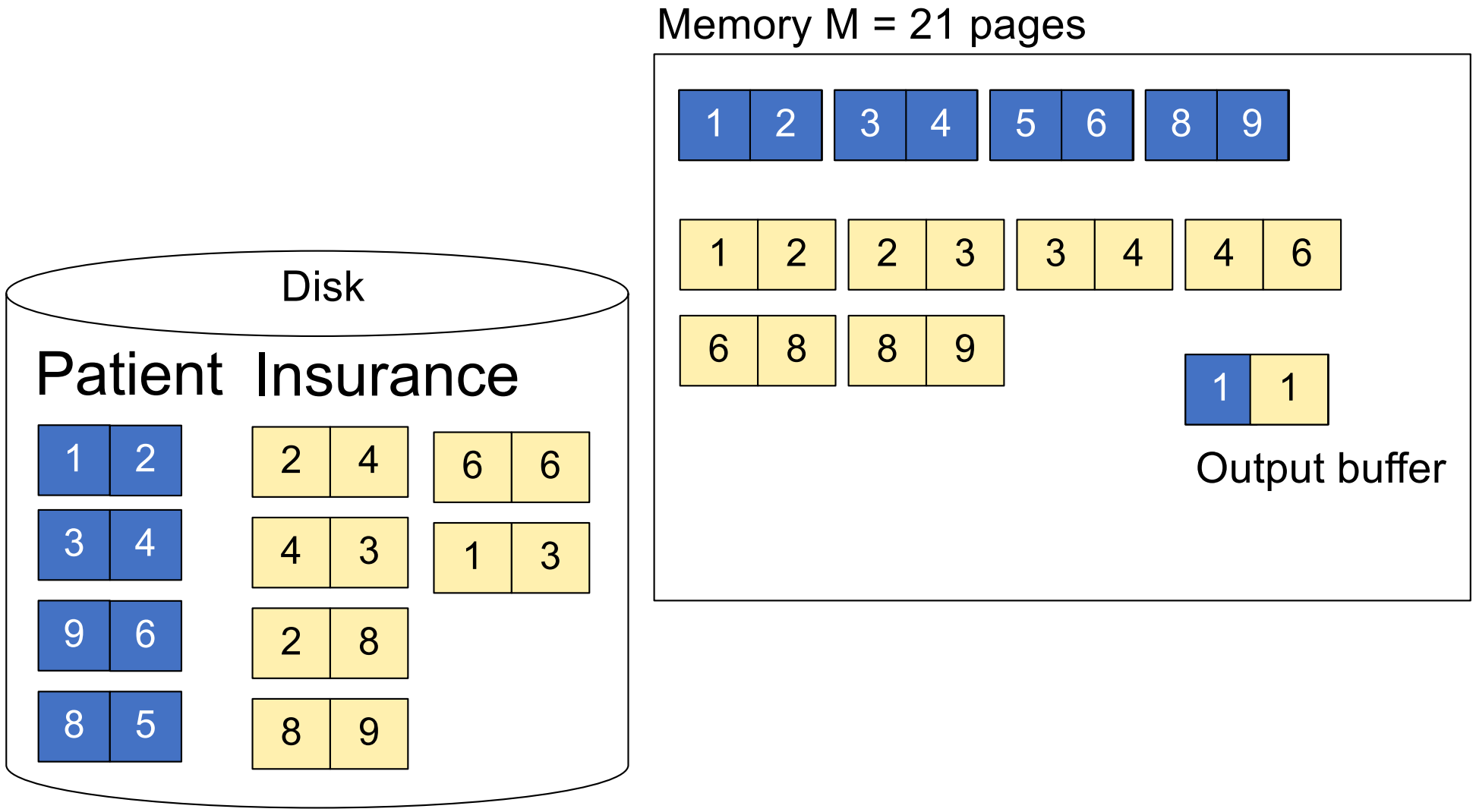

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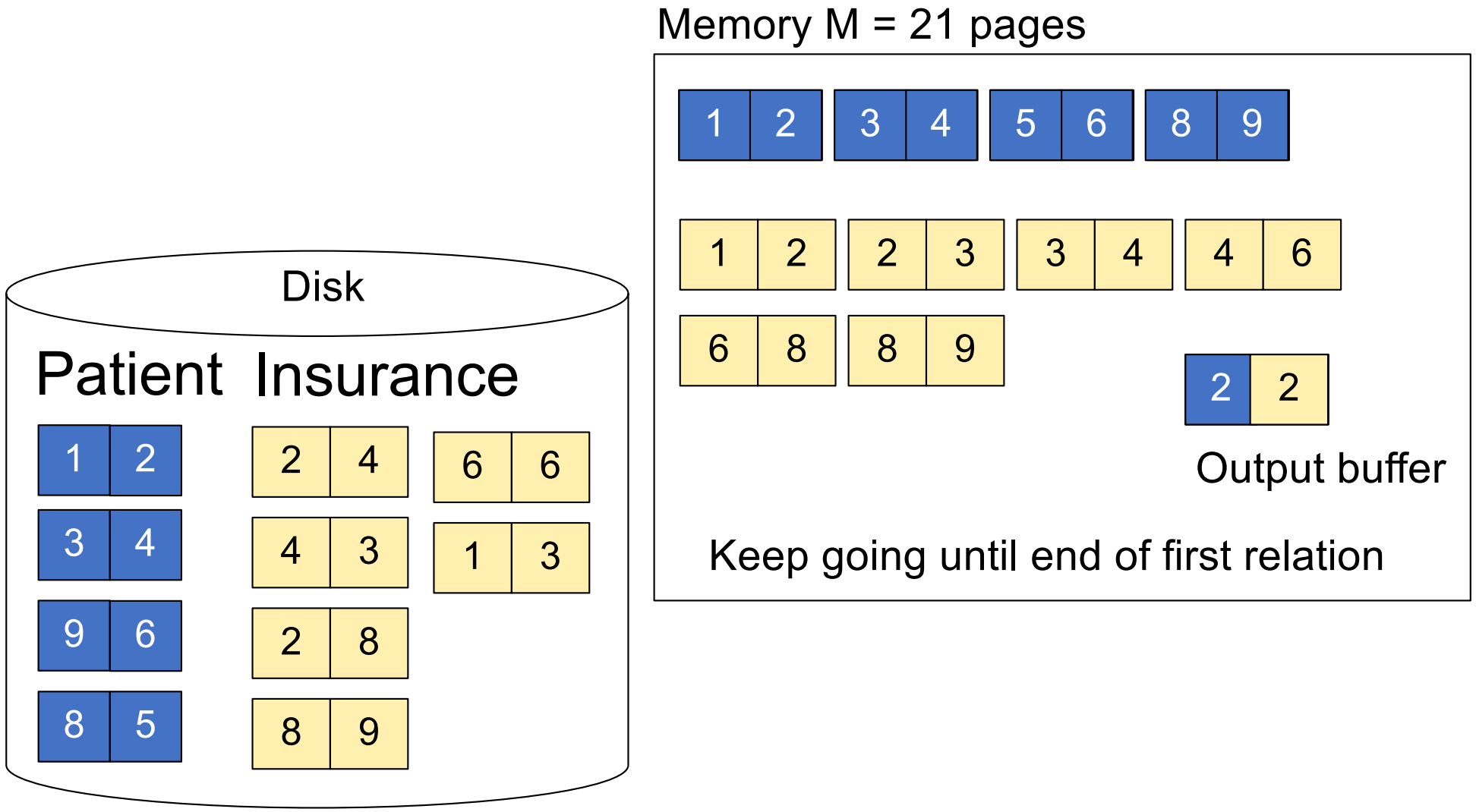

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Note: we ignore I/O cost for index pages

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V(R, a) = 20

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- Table scan:
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  - If index is clustered: B(R)/V(R,a) = 100 I/Os
  - If index is unclustered: T(R)/V(R,a) = 5,000 I/Os

Index Based Selection

- Example:

B(R) = 2000
T(R) = 100,000
V(R, a) = 20

cost of $\sigma_{a=v}(R)$ = ?

- Table scan: B(R) = 2,000 I/Os
- Index based selection:
  - If index is clustered: B(R)/V(R,a) = 100 I/Os
  - If index is unclustered: T(R)/V(R,a) = 5,000 I/Os

Lesson: Don't build unclustered indexes when V(R,a) is small !

Index Nested Loop Join

$R \bowtie S$

- Assume S has an index on the join attribute
- Iterate over R, for each tuple fetch corresponding tuple(s) from S

- Cost:
  - If index on S is clustered: B(R) + T(R)B(S)/V(S,a)
  - If index on S is unclustered: B(R) + T(R)T(S)/V(S,a)