

Database System Internals Data Storage and (more) Buffer Management

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Announcements

- Section this week is open ended work time for Lab1/HW 1
 - Will start with a recap of flow of pages through the HeapFile and BufferPool
 - Definitely make use of this time! It's hard to understand the SimpleDB code at first and having a TA to explain your questions as you work will be helpful.

Important Note

- Lectures show principles, HW + Quizzes test the principles
- You need to think through what you implement in SimpleDB!
 - Try to implement the simplest solutions
- If you are confused, tell us!
 - Sections this week will be extra lab help, Q/A office hours style
- SimpleDB not designed to be bullet-proof software

DBMS Architecture

Admission Control

Connection Mgr

Process Manager

Parser

Query Rewrite

Optimizer

Executor

Query Processor

Access Methods

Buffer Manager

Lock Manager

Log Manager

Storage Manager

Memory Mgr

Disk Space Mgr

Replication Services

Admin Utilities

Shared Utilities

[Anatomy of a Db System.
J. Hellerstein & M. Stonebraker.
Red Book. 4ed.]

Operators: Sequential Scan, etc.

Query Processor

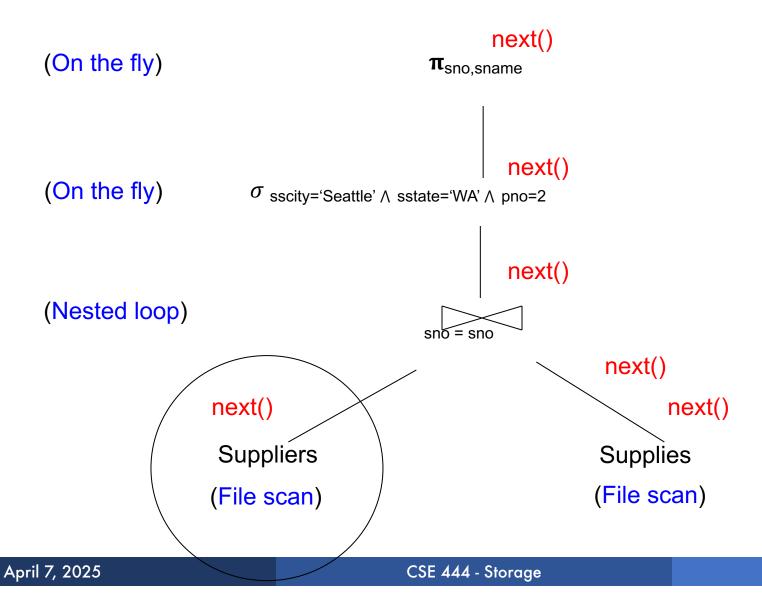
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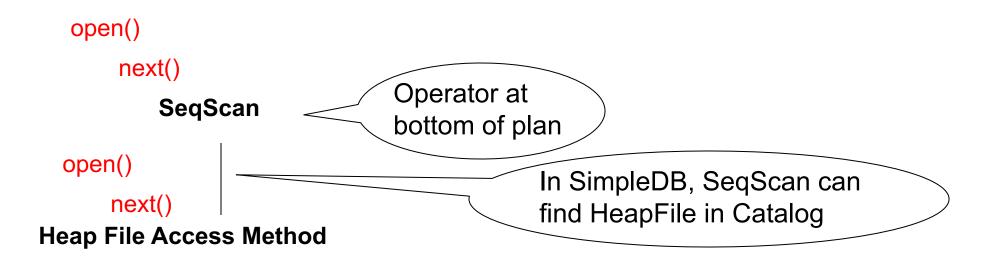
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Data on disk

Recap: Query Execution



Recap: Execution In SimpleDB



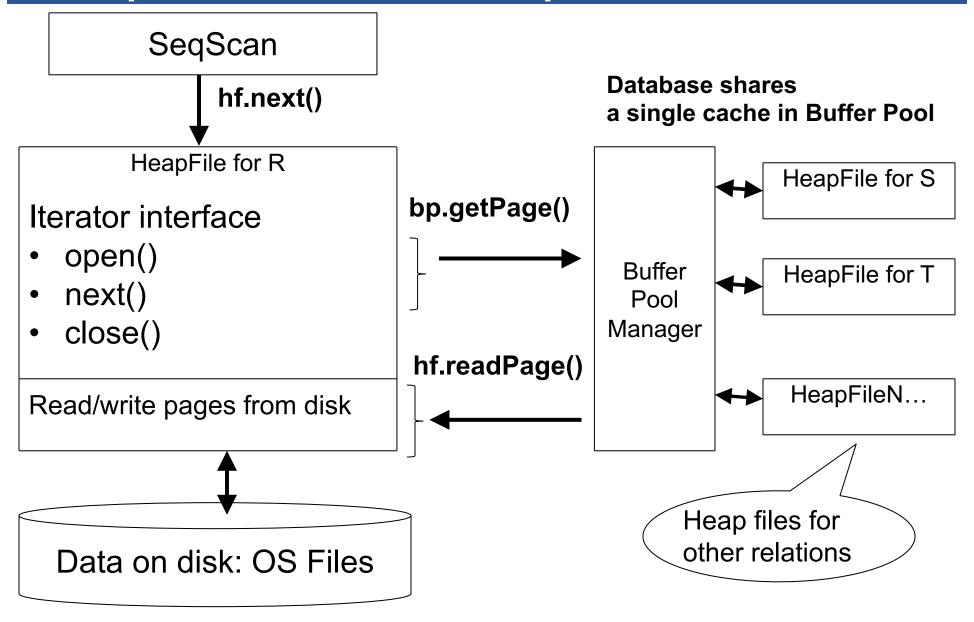
Offers iterator interface

- open()
- next()
- close()

Knows how to read/write pages from disk

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Recap: Execution In SimpleDB



Today: Starting at the Bottom

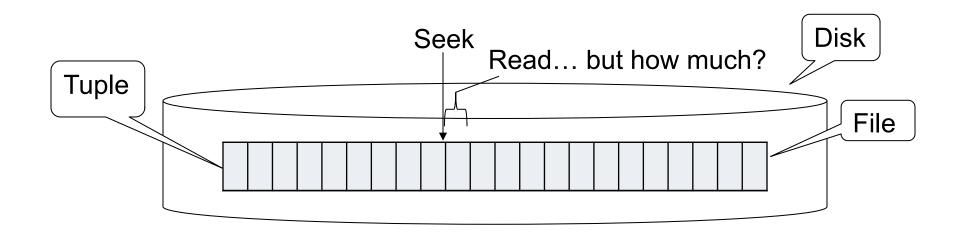
Consider a relation storing tweets:

Tweets(tid, user, time, content)

How should we store it on disk?

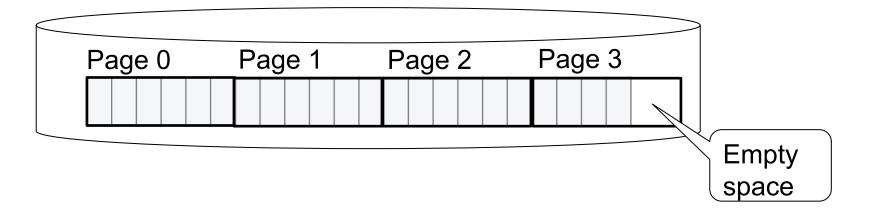
Design Exercise

- One design choice: One OS file for each relation
 - Alternative: SQLite uses one file for whole database
 - Alternative: some DBMSs use disk drives directly
- An OS file provides an API of the form
 - Seek to some position (or "skip" over S bytes)
 - Read/Write B bytes



First Principle: Work with Pages

- Reading/writing to/from disk
 - Seeking takes a long time!
 - Reading sequentially is fast
- Solution: Read/write pages of data



Continuing our Design

Key questions:

- How do we organize pages into a file?
- How do we organize tuples within a page?

Start with: how could we store some tuples on a page? Let's first assume all tuples are of the same size:

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Needed by indexes and transactions

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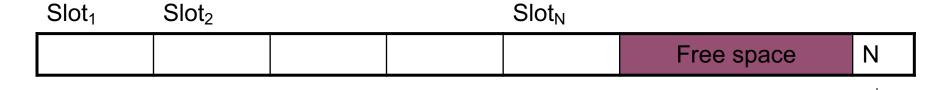
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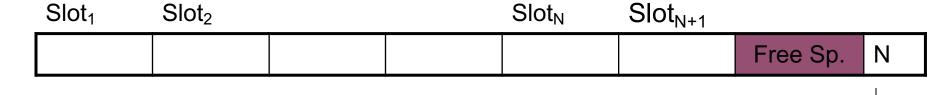
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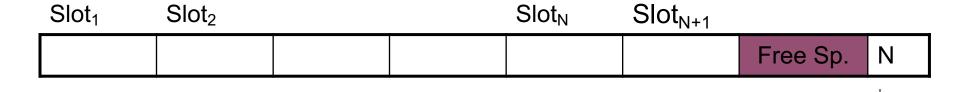
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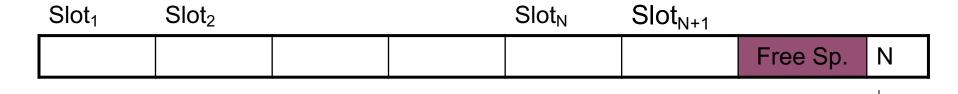
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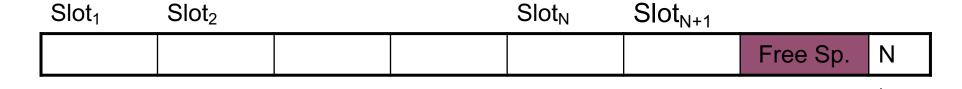
Cannot move records! (Why?)

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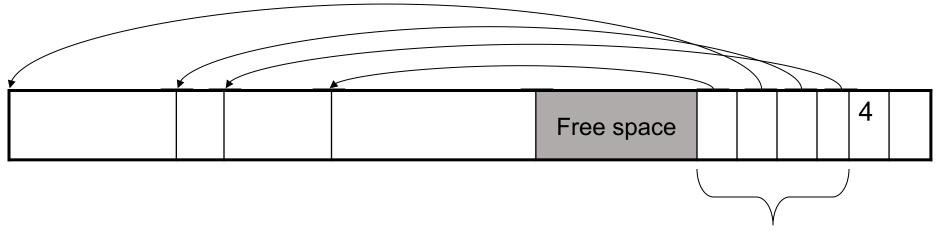
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How do we handle variable-length records?

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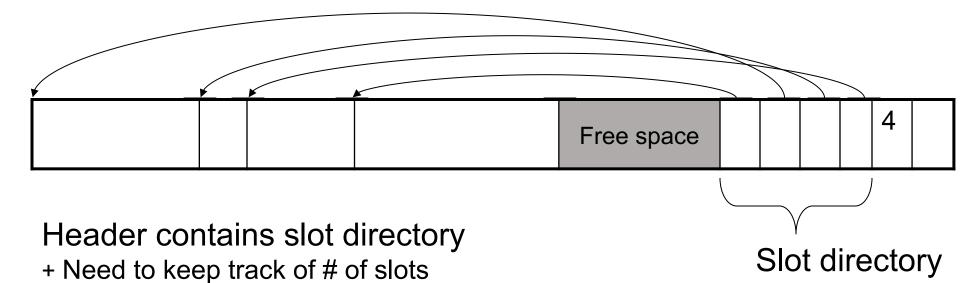
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Slot directory

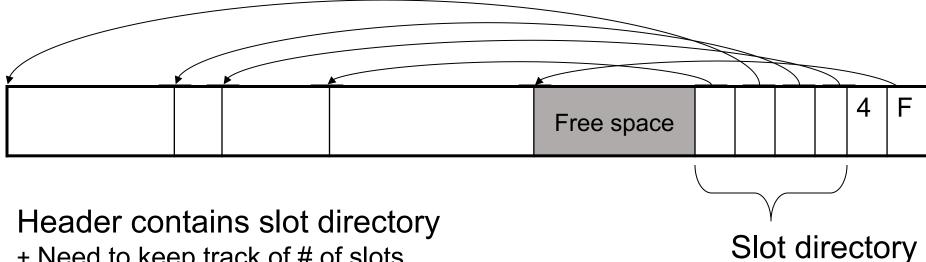
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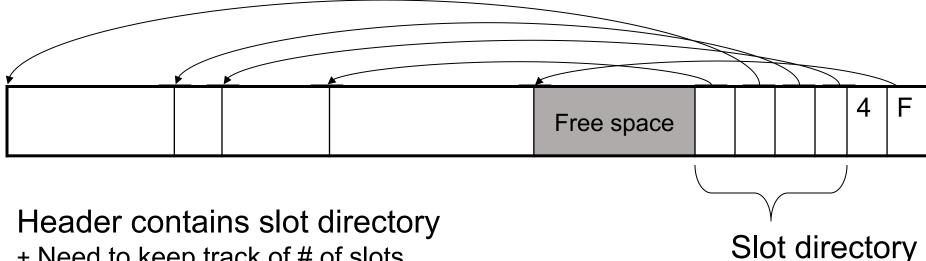
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Can handle variable-length records Can move tuples inside a page without changing RIDs RID is (PageID, SlotID) combination

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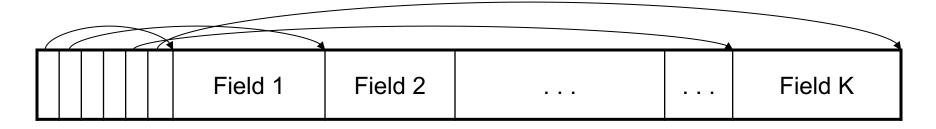
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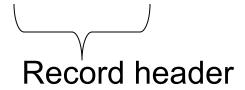
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Information about field lengths and types is in the catalog

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Variable length records





Remark: NULLS require no space at all (why?)

LOB

- Large objects
 - Binary large object: BLOB
 - Character large object: CLOB
- Supported by modern database systems
- E.g. images, sounds, texts, etc.
- Storage: attempt to cluster blocks together

Continuing our Design

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Now, how should we group pages into files?

Heap File Implementation 1

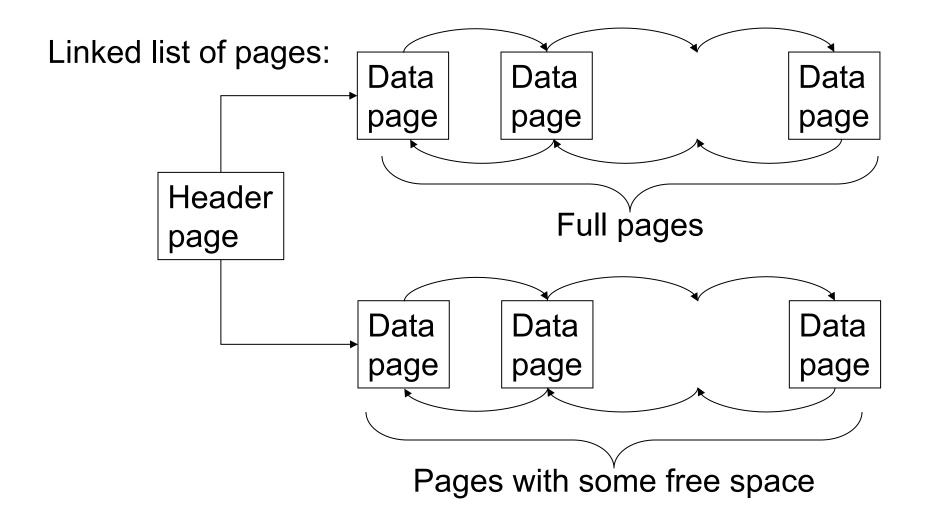
A sequence of pages (implementation in SimpleDB)

| Data | |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|
| page | |

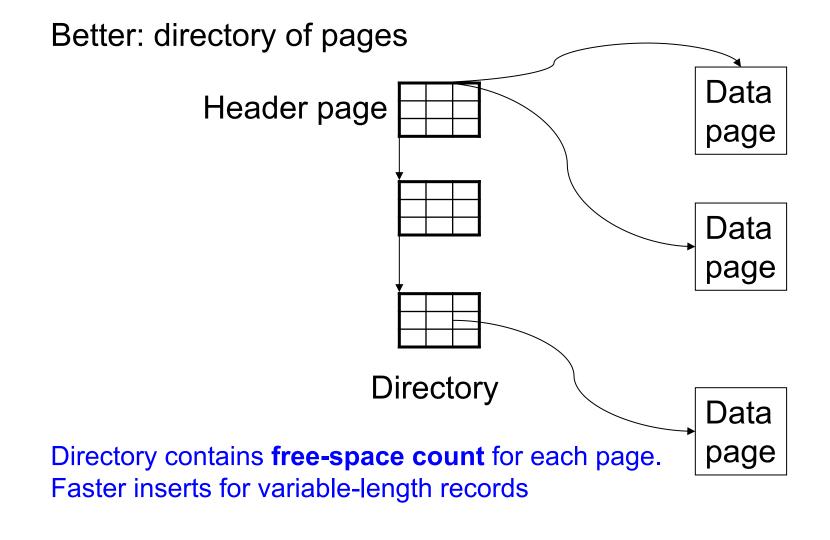
Some pages have space and other pages are full Add pages at the end when need more space

Works well for small files
But finding free space requires scanning the file...

Heap File Implementation 2



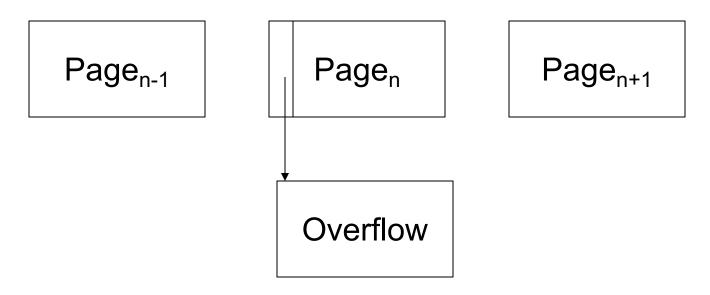
Heap File Implementation 3



Modifications: Insert Tuple

- File is unsorted (= heap file)
 - add it wherever there is space (easy ©)
 - add more pages if out of space
- File is sorted
 - Is there space on the right page?
 - Yes: we are lucky, store it there
 - Is there space in a neighboring page?
 - Look 1-2 pages to the left/right, shift records
 - If anything else fails, create overflow page

Overflow Pages



After a while the file starts being dominated by overflow pages: time to reorganize

Modifications: Deletions

- Free space by shifting records within page
 - Be careful with slots
 - RIDs for remaining tuples must NOT change
- May be able to eliminate an overflow page

Modifications: Updates

- If new record is shorter than previous, easy ©
- If it is longer, need to shift records
 - May have to create overflow pages

Continuing our Design

We know how to store tuples in a heap file

How do heap files interact with rest of engine?

How Components Fit Together

Operators: Sequential Scan, etc.

Query Processor

Operators view relations as collections of records

Access Methods: HeapFile, etc.

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The access methods worry about how to organize these collections

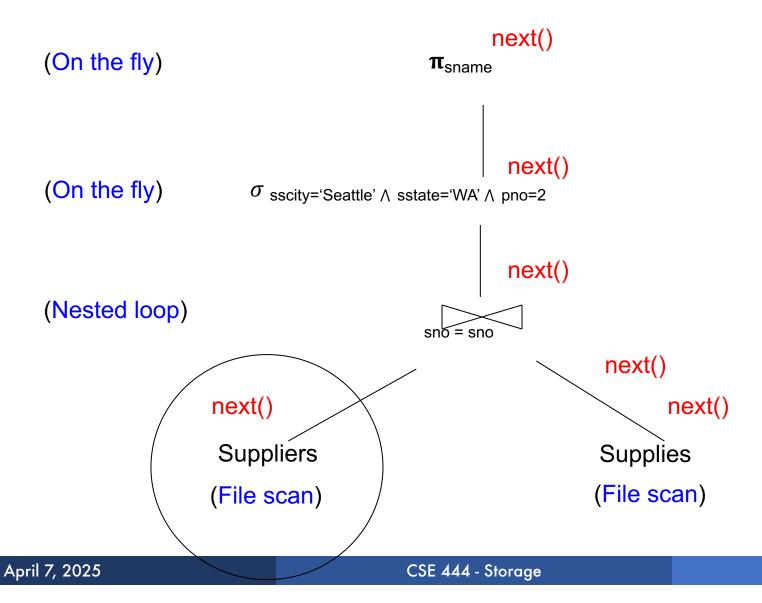
Disk Space Mgr

Data on disk

Heap File Access Method API

- Create or destroy a file
- Insert a record
- Delete a record with a given rid
 - rid: unique tuple identifier
- 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

Query Execution



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open()

next()

SeqScan

Operator at bottom of plan

open()

next()

In SimpleDB, SeqScan can find HeapFile in Catalog

Heap File Access Method
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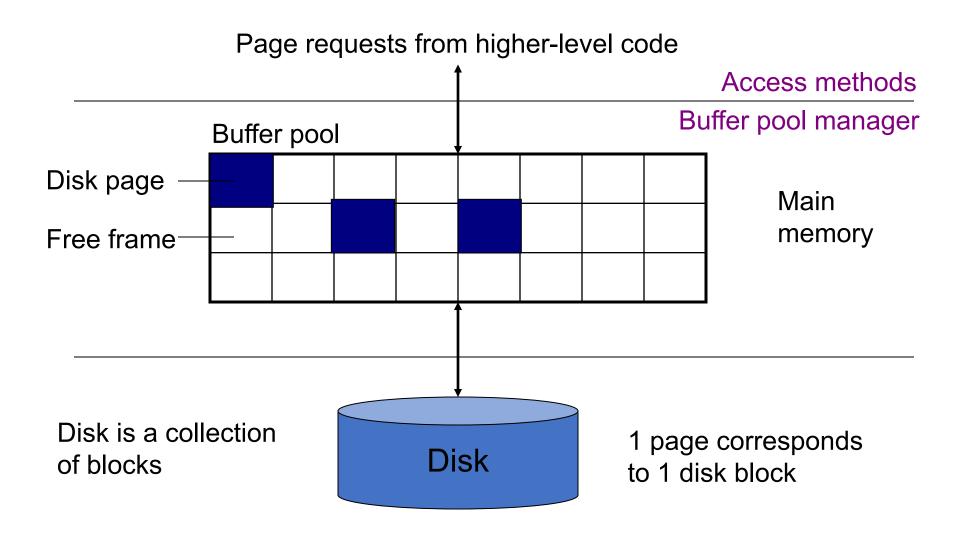
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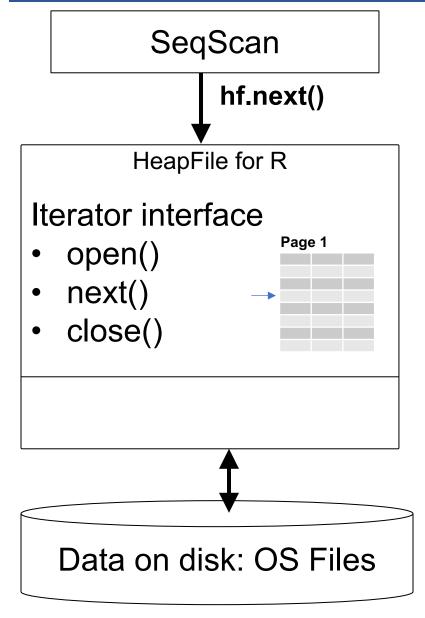
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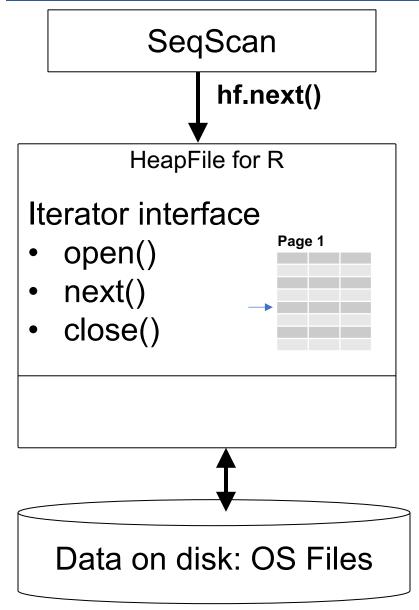
- Brings pages in from memory and caches them
- Eviction policies
 - Random page (ok for SimpleDB)
 - Least-recently used (LRU)
 - The "clock" algorithm
- Keeps track of which pages are dirty
 - A dirty page has changes not reflected on disk
 - Implementation: Each page includes a dirty bit

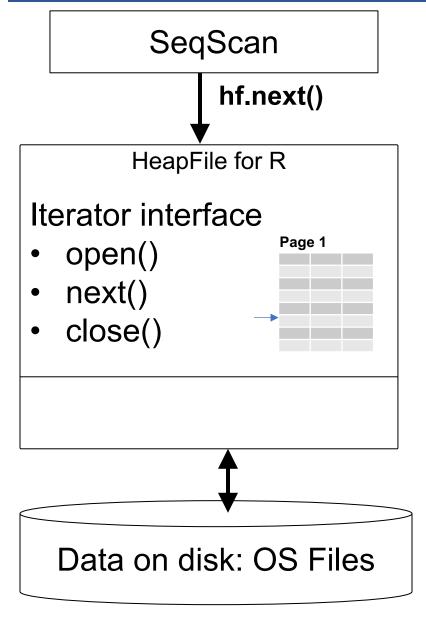
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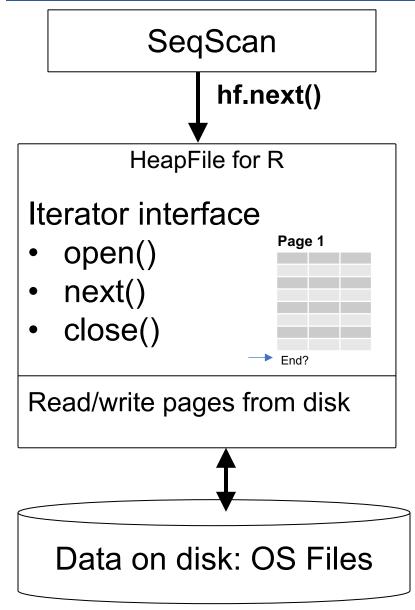


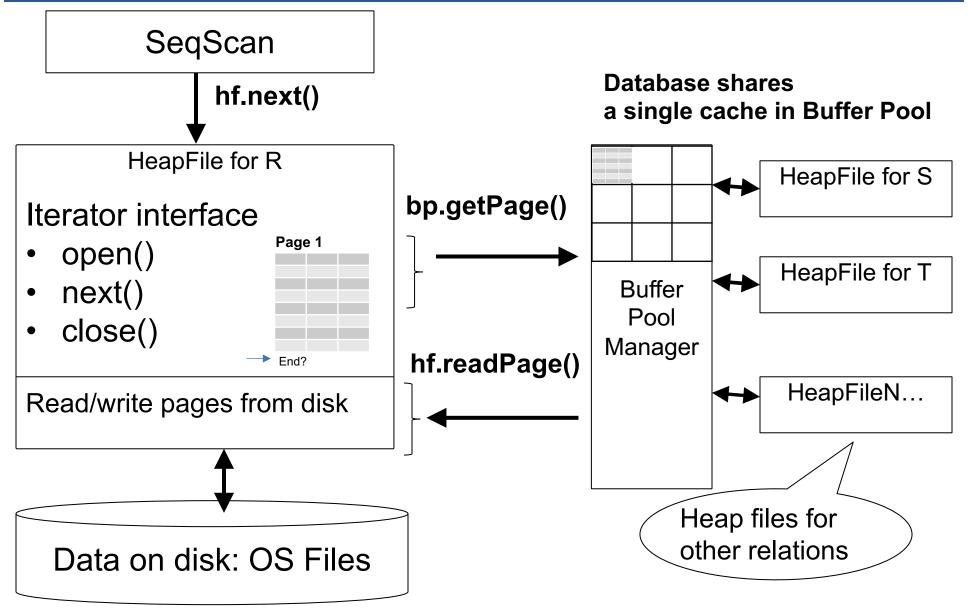
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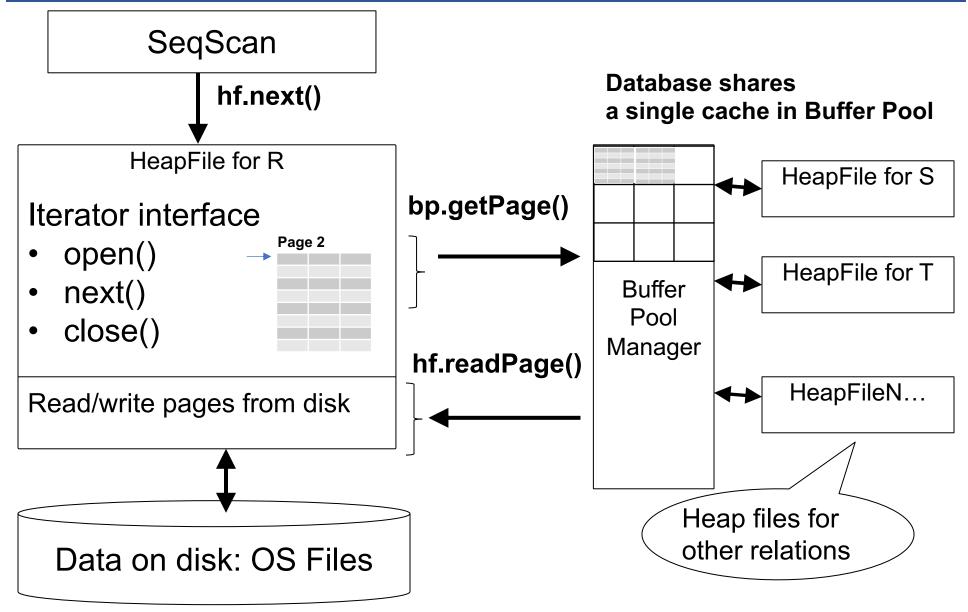










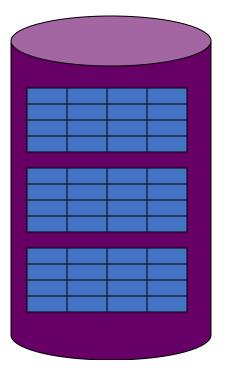


Pushing Updates to Disk

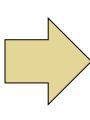
- When inserting a tuple, HeapFile inserts it on a page but does not write the page to disk
- When deleting a tuple, HeapFile deletes tuple from a page but does not write the page to disk
- The buffer manager worries when to write pages to disk (and when to read them from disk)
- When need to add new page to file, HeapFile adds page to file on disk and then reads it through buffer manager

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Alternate Design: Column Store



Rows stored contiguously on disk (+ tuple headers)

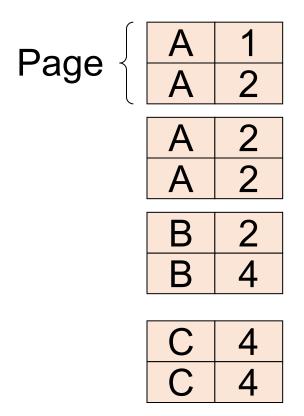


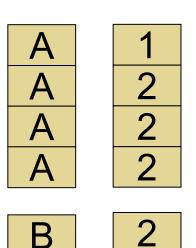
Columns stored contiguously on disk (no headers needed)

Column Store Illustration

Row-based (4 pages)

Column-based (4 pages)





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C-Store also

avoids large

tuple headers

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Column Store Example

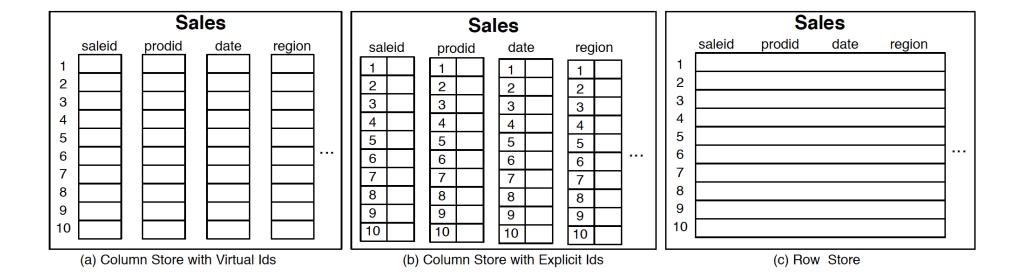


Figure 1.1: Physical layout of column-oriented vs row-oriented databases.

The Design and Implementation of Modern Column-Oriented Database Systems Daniel Abadi, Peter Boncz, Stavros Harizopoulos, Stratos Idreos, Samuel Madden. Foundations and Trends® in Databases (Vol 5, Issue 3, 2012, pp 197-280)

Conclusion

- Row-store storage managers are most commonly used today for OLTP systems
- They offer high-performance for transactions
- But column-stores win for analytical workloads
- They are widely used in OLAP
- [Optional] Final discussion: OS vs DBMS
 - OS files vs DBMS files
 - OS buffer manager vs DBMS buffer manager