Example: Associative Arrays

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An environment can be expressed as an associative array, e.g.:

Making a Connection

 With the DB library imported and the array \$myEnv available:

\$myCon = DB::connect(\$myEnv);
 Function connect
 in the DB library

Class is Connection because it is returned by DB::connect()

Executing SQL Statements

- Method query applies to a Connection object
- It takes a string argument and returns a result
 - Could be an error code or the relation returned by a query

Example: Executing a Query

Find all the bars that sell a beer given by the variable \$beer Method Concatenation application \$beer = 'Od.Cl.'; in PHP \$result = \$myCon->query("SELECT bar FROM Sells" "WHERE beer = '\$beer';"); Remember this variable is replaced by its value.

Cursors in PHP

- The result of a query *is* the tuples returned
- Method fetchRow applies to the result and returns the next tuple, or FALSE if there is none

Example: Cursors

```
while ($bar = $result->fetchRow())
{
   // do something with $bar
}
```

Example: Tuple Cursors

\$bar = "C.Ch."; \$menu = \$myCon->query("SELECT beer, price FROM Sells WHERE bar = '\$bar';"); while (\$bp = \$result->fetchRow()) { print \$bp[0] . " for " . \$bp[1]; }

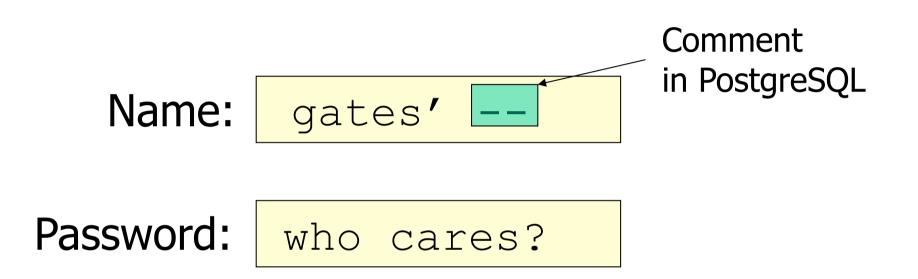
An Aside: SQL Injection

- SQL queries are often constructed by programs
- These queries may take constants from user input
- Careless code can allow rather unexpected queries to be constructed and executed

Example: SQL Injection

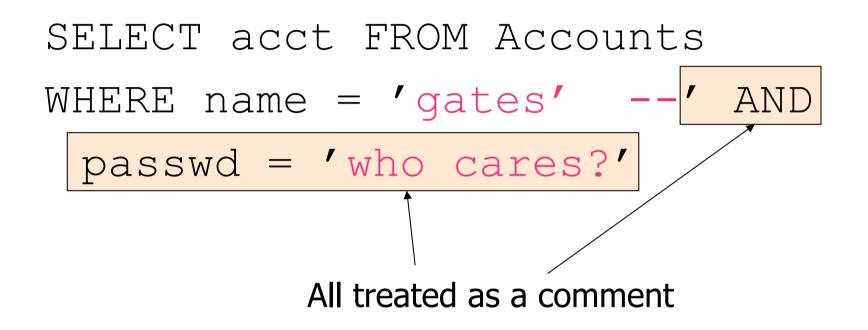
- Relation Accounts(name, passwd, acct)
- Web interface: get name and password from user, store in strings n and p, issue query, display account number
- \$result = \$myCon->query(
- "SELECT acct FROM Accounts WHERE
 - name = `\$n' AND passwd = `\$p';");

User (Who Is Not Bill Gates) Types



Your account number is 1234-567

The Query Executed



Summary 8

More things you should know:

- Stored Procedures, PL/pgsql
- Declarations, Statements, Loops,
- Cursors, Tuple Variables
- Three-Tier Approach, JDBC, PHP/DB

Database Implementation

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Isn't implementing a database system easy?

- Store relations
- Parse statements
- Print results
- Change relations

Introducing the

DanDB 3000

Database Management System

- The latest from DanLabs
- Incorporates latest relational technology
- Linux compatible

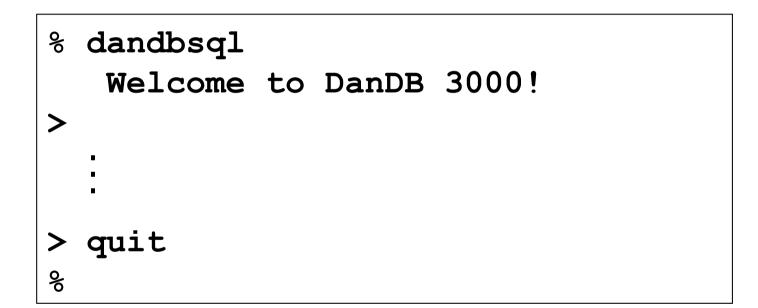
- Relations stored in files (ASCII)
- Relation R is in /var/db/R
- Example:

Peter # Erd.We. Lars # Od.Cl. .

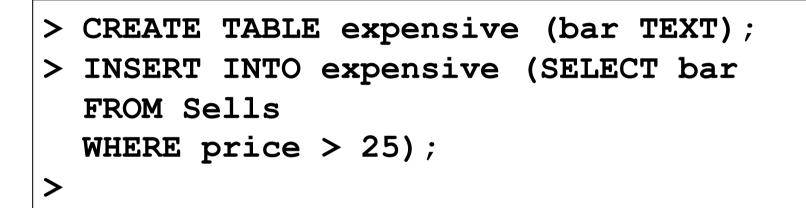
- Directory file (ASCII) in /var/db/directory
- For relation R(A,B) with A of type
 VARCHAR(n) and B of type integer:
 R # A # STR # B # INT

Example:

Favorite # drinker # STR # beer # STR Sells # bar # STR # beer # STR #



```
> SELECT drinker AS snob
  FROM Favorite, Sells
  WHERE Favorite.beer = Sells.beer
    AND price > 25;
  snob
  ######
  Peter
  (1 rows)
>
```



Create table with expensive bars

- To execute "SELECT * FROM R WHERE condition":
- 1. Read /var/db/dictionary, find line starting with "R #"
- 2. Display rest of line
- 3. Read /var/db/R file, for each line:
 - a. Check condition
 - b. If OK, display line

- To execute "CREATE TABLE S (A1 t1, A2 t2);":
 - 1. Map t1 and t2 to internal types T1 and T2
 - 2. Append new line "S # A1 # T1 # A2 # T2" to /var/db/directory
- To execute "INSERT INTO S (SELECT * FROM R WHERE condition);":
 - 1. Process select as before
 - 2. Instead of displaying, append lines to file /var/db/S

- To execute "SELECT A, B FROM R, S WHERE condition;":
 - 1. Read /var/db/dictionary to get schema for R and S
 - 2. Read /var/db/R file, for each line:
 - a. Read /var/db/S file, for each line:
 - i. Create join tuple
 - ii. Check condition
 - iii. Display if OK

- Tuple layout on disk
 - Change string from `Od.Cl.' to `Odense Classic' and we have to rewrite file
 - ASCII storage is expensive
 - Deletions are expensive
- Search expensive no indexes!
 - Cannot find tuple with given key quickly
 - Always have to read full relation

- Brute force query processing
 - Example:

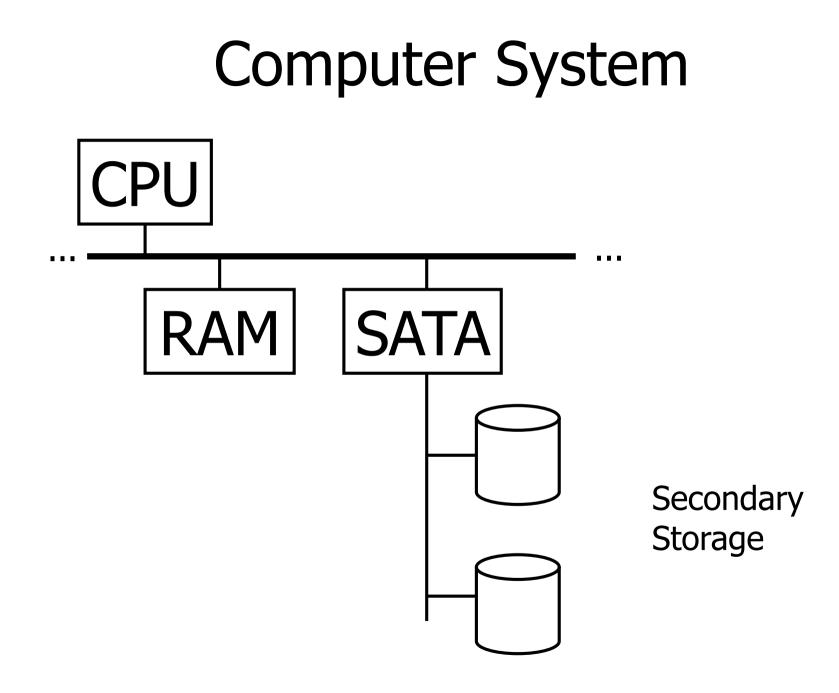
SELECT * FROM R,S WHERE R.A=S.A AND S.B > 1000;

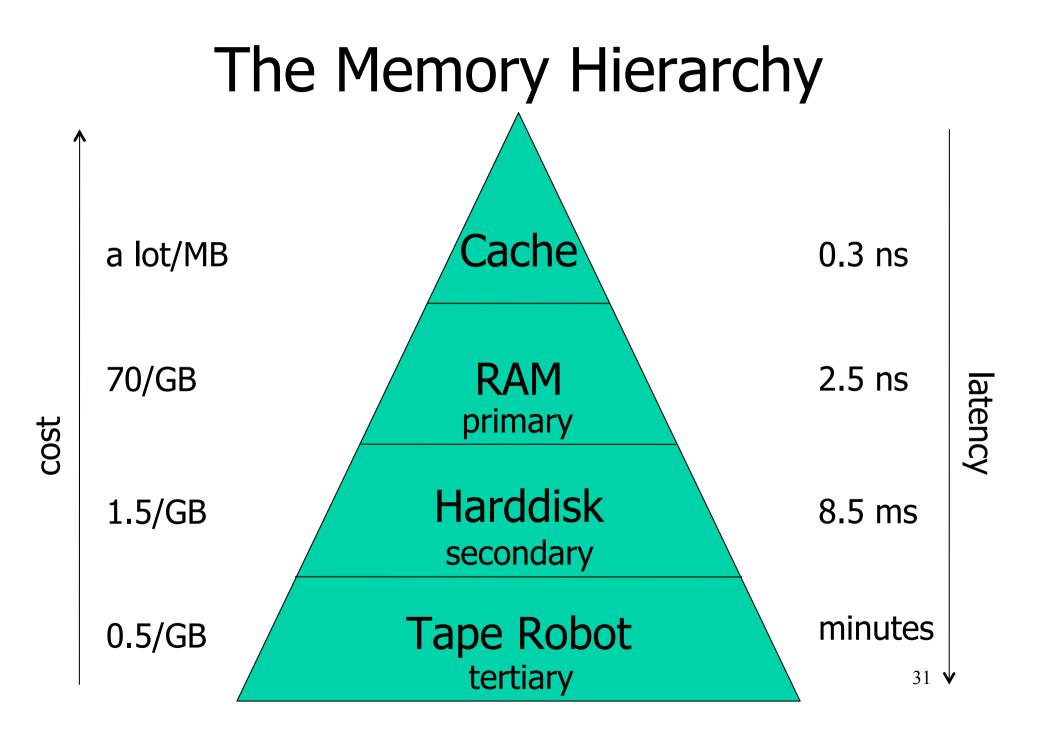
- Do select first?
- Natural join more efficient?
- No concurrency control

- No reliability
 - Can lose data
 - Can leave operations half done
- No security
 - File system insecure
 - File system security is too coarse
- No application program interface (API)
 - How to access the data from a real program?

- Cannot interact with other DBMSs
 - Very limited support of SQL
- No constraint handling etc.
- No administration utilities, no web frontend, no graphical user interface, ...
- Lousy salesmen!

Data Storage



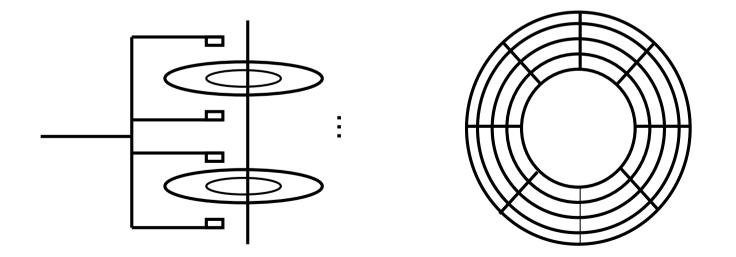


DBMS and Storage

- Databases typically too large to keep in primary storage
- Tables typically kept in secondary storage
- Large amounts of data that are only accessed infrequently are stored in tertiary storage
- Indexes and current tables *cached* in primary storage

Harddisk

- N rotating magenetic platters
- 2xN heads for reading and writing
- track, cylinder, sector, gap

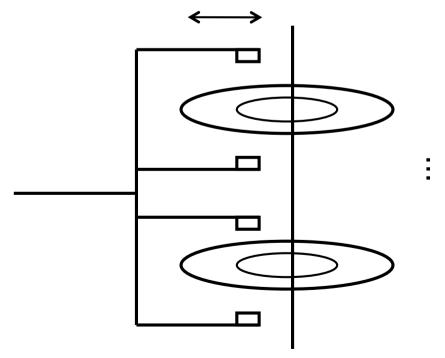


Harddisk Access

- access time: how long does it take to load a block from the harddisk?
- seek time: how long does it take to move the heads to the right cylinder?
- rotational delay: how long does it take until the head gets to the right sectors?
- transfer time: how long does it take to read the block?
- access = seek + rotational + transfer

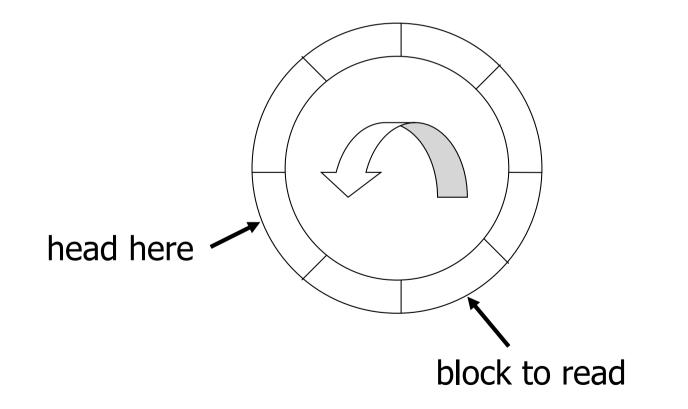
Seek Time

 average seek time = ½ time to move head from outermost to innermost cylinder



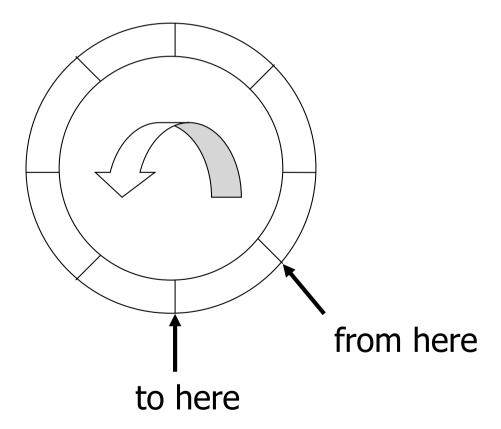
Rotational Delay

• average rotational delay = $\frac{1}{2}$ rotation



Transfer Time

Transfer time = 1/n rotation when there are n blocks on one track

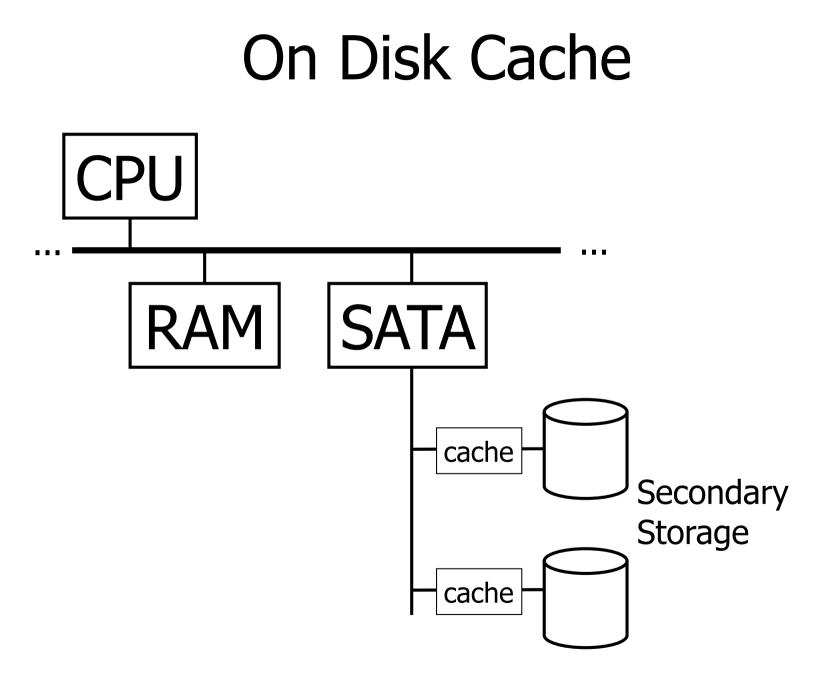


Access Time

- Typical harddisk:
 - Maximal seek time: 10 ms
 - Rotational speed: 7200 rpm
 - Block size: 4096 bytes
 - Sectors (512 bytes) per track: 1600 (average)
- Average access time: 9.21 ms
 - Average seek time: 5 ms
 - Average rotational delay: 60/7200/2 = 4.17 ms
 - Average transfer time: 0.04 ms

Random vs Sequential Access

- Random access of blocks: 1/0.00921s * 4096 byte = 0.42 Mbyte/s
- Sequential access of blocks:
 120/s * 200 * 4096 byte = 94 Mbyte/s
- Performance of the DBMS dominated by number of random accesses



Problems with Harddisks

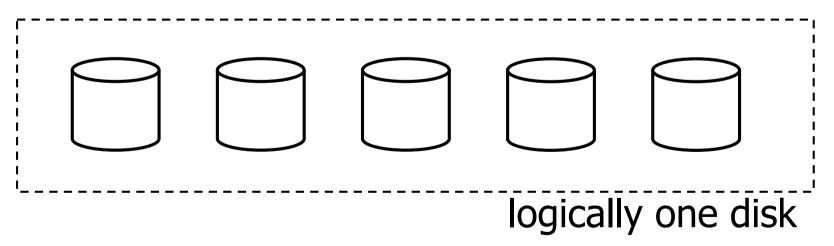
- Even with caches, harddisk remains bottleneck for DBMS performance
- Harddisks can fail:
 - Intermittent failure
 - Media decay
 - Write failure
 - Disk crash
- Handle intermittent failures by rereading the block in question

Detecting Read Failures

- Use checksums to detect failures
- Simplest form is parity bit:
 - 0 if number of ones in the block is even
 - I if number of ones in the block is odd
 - Detects all 1-bit failures
 - Detects 50% of many-bit failures
 - By using n bits, we can reduce the chance of missing an error to 1/2ⁿ

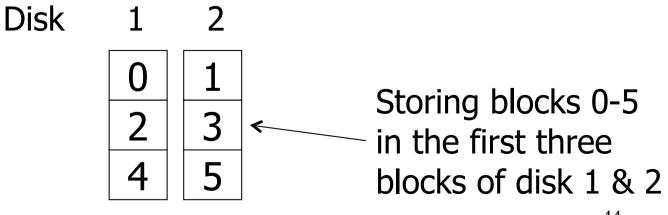
Disk Arrays

- Use more than one disk for higher reliability and/or performance
- RAID (Redundant Arrays of Independent Disks)



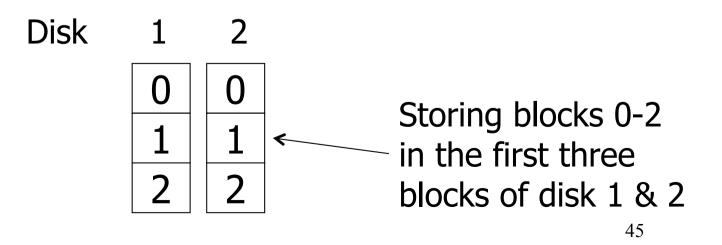
RAID 0

- Alternate blocks between two or more disks ("Striping")
- Increases performance both for writing and reading
- No increase in reliability



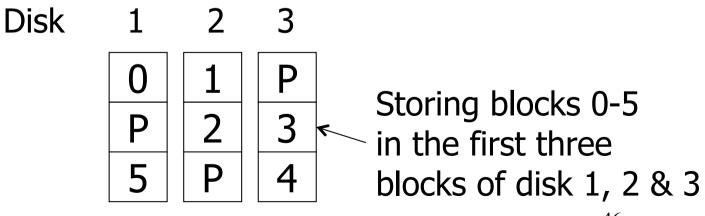
RAID 1

- Duplicate blocks on two or more disks ("Mirroring")
- Increases performance for reading
- Increases reliability significantly



RAID 5

- Stripe blocks on n+1 disks where for each block, one disk stores parity information
- More performant when writing than RAID 1
- Increased reliability compared to RAID 0



RAID Capacity

- Assume disks with capacity 1 TByte
- RAID 0: N disks = N TByte
- RAID 1: N disks = 1 TByte
- RAID 5: N disks = (N-1) TByte
- RAID 6: N disks = (N-M) TByte

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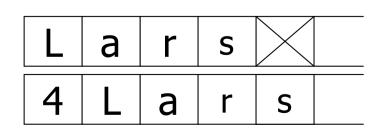
Storage of Values

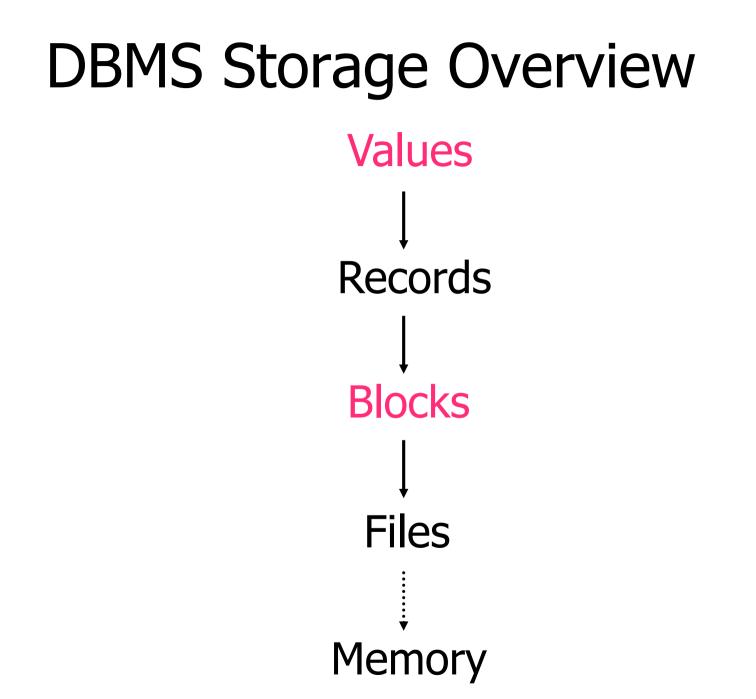
- Basic unit of storage: Byte _____
- Real: n bits for mantissa, m for exponent
- Characters: ASCII, UTF8, ...
- Boolean: 00000000 and 1111111

Storage of Values

Dates:

- Days since January 1, 1900
- DDMMYYYY (not DDMMYY)
- Time:
 - Seconds since midnight
 - HHMMSS
- Strings:
 - Null terminated
 - Length given





Record

- Collection of related data items (called Fields)
- Typically used to store one tuple
- Example: Sells record consisting of
 - bar field
 - beer field
 - price field

Record Metadata

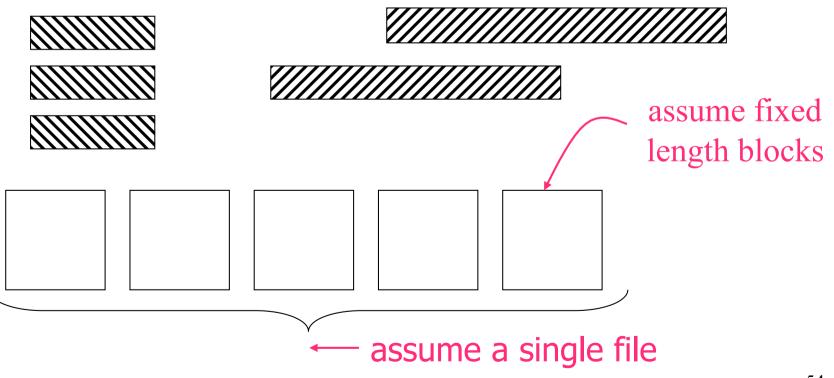
- For fixed-length records, schema contains the following information:
 - Number of fields
 - Type of each field
 - Order in record
- For variable-length records, every record contains this information in its header

Record Header

- Reserved part at the beginning of a record
- Typically contains:
 - Record type (which Schema?)
 - Record length (for skipping)
 - Time stamp (last access)

Files

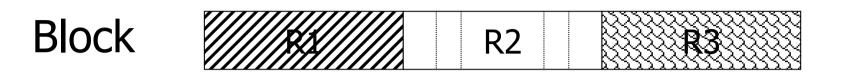
- Files consist of blocks containing records
- How to place records into blocks?



Files

- Options for storing records in blocks:
 - 1. Separating records
 - 2. Spanned vs. unspanned
 - 3. Sequencing
 - 4. Indirection

1. Separating Records



- a. no need to separate fixed size recs.
- b. special marker
- c. give record lengths (or offsets)
 - i. within each record
 - ii. in block header

2. Spanned vs Unspanned

Unspanned: records must be in one block



Spanned: one record in two or more blocks

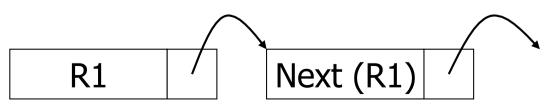
- Unspanned much simpler, but wastes space
- Spanned essential if record size > block size

3. Sequencing

- Ordering records in a file (and in the blocks) by some key value
- Can be used for binary search
- Options:
 - a. Next record is physically contiguous

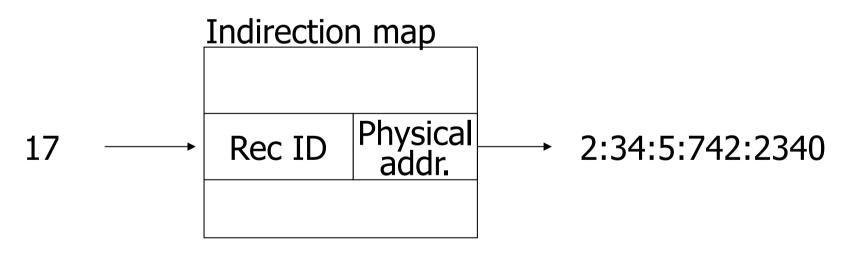


b. Records are linked



4. Indirection

- How does one refer to records?
 - a. Physical address (disk id, cylinder, head, sector, offset in block)
 - b. Logical record ids and a mapping table



Tradeoff between flexibility and cost

Modification of Records

How to handle the following operations on the record level?

- 1. Insertion
- 2. Deletion
- 3. Update

1. Insertion

- Easy case: records not in sequence
 - Insert new record at end of file
 - If records are fixed-length, insert new record in deleted slot
- Difficult case: records are sorted
 - Find position and slide following records
 - If records are sequenced by linking, insert overflow blocks

2. Deletion

- a. Immediately reclaim space by shifting other records or removing overflows
- b. Mark deleted and list as free for re-use
- Tradeoffs:
 - How expensive is immediate reclaim?
 - How much space is wasted?

Problem with Deletion

Dangling pointers:

