Indexes

- B-tree index
- Bitmapped index
- Bitmapped join index

All DBMSs provide variations of b-trees for indexing

A data warehousing DBMS will likely provide these, or variations, on these

B-tree structures

- Most used access structure in database systems.
- There are b-trees, b+-trees, b*-trees, etc.
- B-trees and their variations are:
 - balanced
 - very good in environments with mixed reading and writing operations, concurrency, exact searches and range searches
 - provide excellent performance when used to find a few rows in big tables
 - are studied in ACS-3902

Consider the following Customer table

Cust_id	gender	province	phone
22	М	Ab	(403) 444-1234
44	М	Mb	(204) 777-6789
77	F	Sk	(306) 384-8474
88	F	Sk	(306) 384-6721
99	М	Mb	(204) 456-1234

Province:

Mb ... rows 2, 5

Sk ... rows 3, 4

Ab ... row 1

Gender:

M ... rows 1, 2, 5

F ... rows 3, 4

- Suppose for a relation R the cardinality of attribute A is c and so we can represent the values existing for A as a₁, a₂, ... a_c
- Then, if we have a bitmap index for R on attribute A there are *c* bit arrays, b₁, b₂, ... b_c, one for each value of attribute A: b_i is the bit array corresponding to value a_i
- Consider b_k

if the i^{th} row of R contains the value a_K for attribute A, then the i^{th} bit of b_k is 1

otherwise the ith bit of b_k is 0

• If we construct a bitmapped index for Customer on Gender we would have two bit arrays of 5 bits each

	m		1	1	0	0	1
	f		0	0	1	1	0
or:							
	m	f					
	1	0					
	1	0					
	0	1					
	0	1					
	1	0					

• If we construct a bitmapped index for Customer on Province we would have three bit arrays of 5 bits each:

Ab	1	0	0	0	0	
Mb	0	1	0	0	1	
C1-						What values appear in this
SK	•	•	•	•	•	vector?

•Consider a query Select Customer.name, Sum(s.amount) From Sales s Inner Join Customer c On (...) where c.gender =M and c.province = Mb Group by Customer.name

How could the query access plan utilize bit map indexes?



•Consider the where clause that selects rows of Customer c.gender =M and c.province = Mb

By *and*ing the two bit arrays for gender=M and province=Mb, the dbms knows which rows of Customer to join to Sales

In our case, two rows of Customer are involved instead of the whole Customer table.

In general, a join index is a structure containing index entries (attribute value, row pointers), where the attribute values are in one table, and the row pointers are to related rows in another table

Consider



Customer

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Sales

row	<u>Cust_id</u>	<u>Store_id</u>	Date_id	Amount
1	22	1	90	100
2	44	2	7	150
3	22	2	33	50
4	44	3	55	50
5	99	3	55	25

Example (Oracle): to create a bitmapped join index on Sales using the province attribute of Customer:

CREATE BITMAP INDEX cust_sales_bji ON Sales(Customer.province) FROM Sales, Customer WHERE Sales.cust_id = Customer.cust_id;

There are three province values in Customer. The join index will have three entries where each has a province value and a bitmap:

Mb	01011
Ab	$1\ 0\ 1\ 0\ 0$
Sk	00000

The bitmap join index shows that rows 2, 4, 5 of the Sales fact table are rows for customers with province = Mb

The bitmap join index shows that rows 1, 3 of the Sales fact table are rows for customers with province = Ab The bitmap join index shows that no rows of the Sales fact table are rows for customers with province = Sk

A bitmap join index could be used to evaluate the following query. In this query, the CUSTOMER table does not need to be accessed; the query can be executed using only the bitmap join index and the Sales table.

SELECT SUM(Sales.dollar_amount) FROM Sales, Customer WHERE Sales.cust_id = Customer.cust_id AND Customer.province = Mb;

The bitmap index will show that rows 2, 4, 5 of the Sales fact table are rows for customers with province = Mb

HOBI and Time-HOBI

Reference:

Time-HOBI: Indexing Dimension Hierarchies by Means of Hierarchically Organized Bitmaps; Chmiel, Morzy, Wrembel; DOLAP '10; October 30, 2010; Toronto, Ontario, Canada

See sections 3, 4 & 5.1, 5.2

Bit-Sliced Index (ignore till further notice)

Consider a numeric attribute c of a relation R.

Suppose n is the number of bits needed in the binary coding of values of c.

- Suppose R has m tuples.
- Let B be a bit matrix of n columns and m rows where $b_{i,j}$ is 1 if the coding of c in the ith tuple has the jth bit on.

Each column of B is stored separately.

Bit-Sliced Index

Consider the following Customer table

Cust_id	age	province	phone
22	20	Ab	(403) 444-1234
44	21	Mb	(204) 777-6789
77	22	Sk	(306) 384-8474
88	23	Sk	(306) 384-6721
99	40	Mb	(204) 456-1234

A bit-sliced index on age for Customer:

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Bit-Sliced Index

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22	20	Ab	(403) 444-1234
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A bit-sliced index on age for Customer:

Calculate the average age without using the Customer dimension:

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Bit-Sliced Index

Similarly suppose there is a bit-sliced index on Sales based on the quantity attribute.

- To find the total sales quantity without going to the data (i.e. using the index only)
 - Examine the columns one by one... Accumulate a sum over the columns B_i, i=0, 1, 2, ...:
 - For column i, count number of bits on, multiply by 2^i
- To find those sales where the quantity is > 63
 - Examine column B_6 to determine if the bit is on