



Hard Disk Drive and Static Indexes

NDBI007: Assignment 1

Task 1

- ❖ Define a data structure for the *Aircraft* record that has the following attributes:
 - ❖ Unique aircraft *identifier (primary key)*
 - ❖ Aircraft *manufacturer identifier* (suppose there are only 4 aircraft manufacturers in the world)
 - ❖ Aircraft *serial number* (not necessary unique value, assigned by the aircraft manufacturer)
 - ❖ In addition, at least *6 more attributes* (e.g., binary, numeric or string values)
 - ❖ E.g., see <https://schema.org/Vehicle>
- ❖ *Draw any diagram* of the proposed data structure and include the size of each attribute (in bytes)
- ❖ Also review the assignments for all tasks to verify that your proposed Airplane data structure meets the requirements from all tasks
 - ❖ I.e., appropriate secondary index selection and bitmap utilization
- ❖ **Points:** 0 (note that the data structure is only required to solve the remaining tasks)

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- ❖ For all the remaining tasks, assume we have 20,000,000 Aircraft records stored in the database
 - ❖ Block size is 4 kB
 - ❖ Pointer size is 4 B
 - ❖ Before the computation, round the size of Aircraft data structure to the lowest higher power of 2

Task 2

- ❖ Propose a static index to search for records about specific aircraft if we have a primary dataset stored sequentially and sorted by the value of the primary key, namely:
 - A) Primary key index
 - B) Secondary key direct index (i.e., appropriately select a secondary key)
 - C) Secondary key indirect index
- ❖ For all cases A), B), and C), determine the *height of the index*, the *number of blocks* in which each level is stored, and the *total size* of the index in MB, and *compare* all indexes with each other
- ❖ In addition, in case B) also *justify the choice* of the attribute to create the *secondary key*
 - ❖ I.e., not all attributes are suitable for use
- ❖ **Points: 2.5**

Task 3

- ❖ Having an index from the task 2A), *determine the time required to read* information about one aircraft from the sequentially stored file on an IBM Deskstar HDD (75 GB)
 - ❖ You may use the following formulas to estimate the time:

$$T = 2 \cdot (s + r + btt) + 2 \cdot r + btt$$

$$btt = \frac{2 \cdot r}{TC} \cdot B$$

- ❖ Most of the required values can be found in the IBM Deskstar HDD white paper (see practical class website)
 - ❖ As for the track capacity, use $TC = 0.3 \text{ MB}$
- ❖ Points: 1

Task 4

- ❖ Propose two *appropriate ways to use a bitmap* to store the values of a selected attribute from the Aircraft data structure
 - ❖ *Justify the choice* of attribute over which to create the bitmap
 - ❖ *Compare the two methods* (e.g., estimate their size in MB, effectivity of read operations etc.)
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- ❖ Points: 1.5

Bonus Task 5

- ❖ Describe how a *reading and writing data in an SSD* works
 - ❖ *Compare* this method with reading and writing data in HDD
 - ❖ Indicate *typical use cases* for HDDs and SSDs
 - ❖ Compare the typical cases and justify your answer
- ❖ When citing any source in your answer, please provide a reference (or a citation) to the literature
- ❖ Points: 1

Submission

- ❖ The solution can be handed in by email or on paper before the beginning of the next practical class
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- ❖ Deadline: By the start of the next practical class where you are *enrolled in SIS*