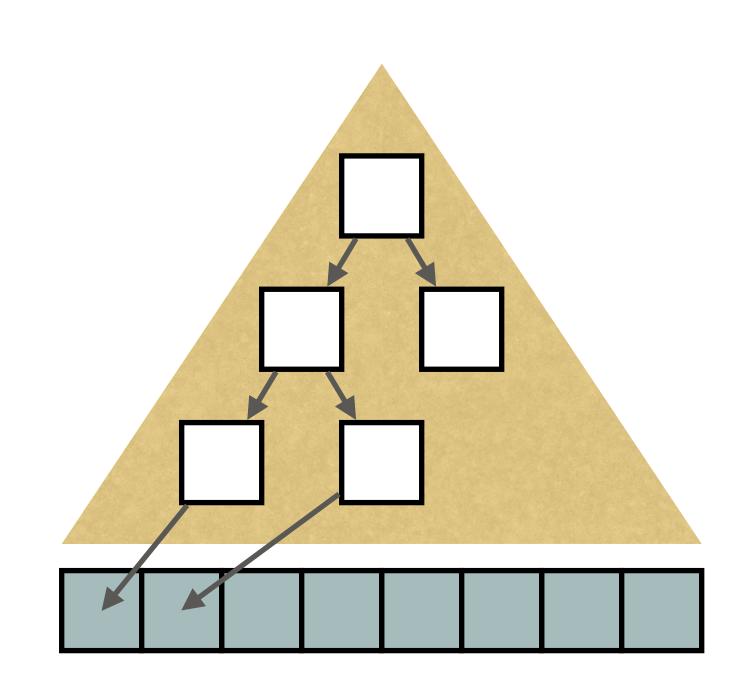


Static Indexes and Bitmaps

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Important Terms

- * B page size in bytes
- * R object (e.g., a record) size in bytes
- * *n* number of objects
- * *b blocking factor*, i.e., the number of objects that fit into a single page
 - * Can be computed as $b = \left| \frac{B}{R} \right|$



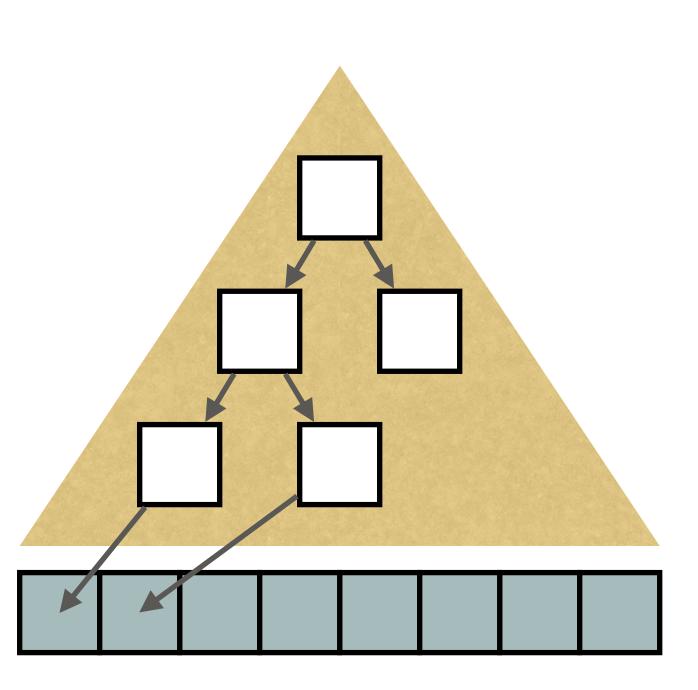
- * h $height\ of\ a\ tree$, that is stored using the blocking factor b
 - * Can be computed as $h = \lceil \log_b n \rceil$

Index Sequential File

- Consists of at least two files
 - * Primary file contains all the data, that are sorted according to a primary key
 - * Index file contains the index of the primary file, built over the primary key
- * Static index is a hierarchical structure of index pages that contains record of type [value of the primary key; pointer to a page]



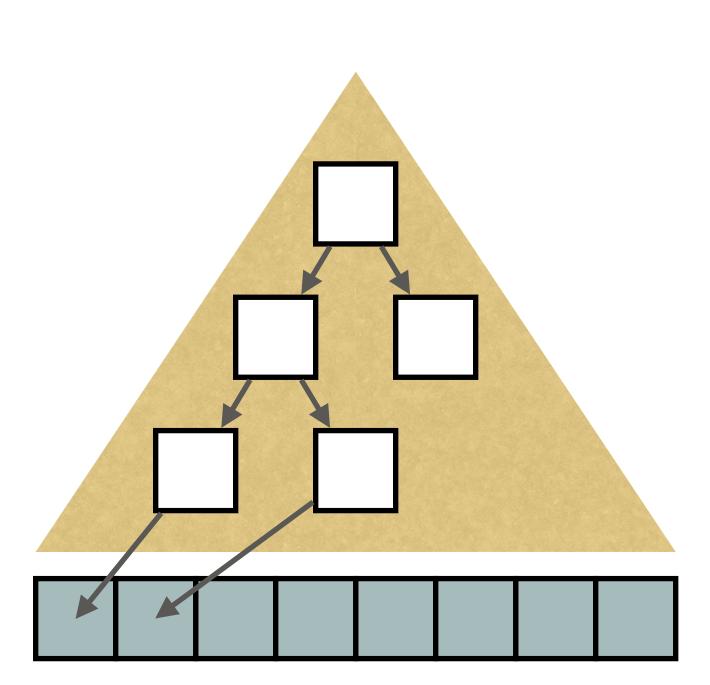
- Primary key, non-primary (secondary) key
- Direct index
- Indirect index



Primary Key Index

- * In sequential file, the *primary key* is *sorted* based on the primary key*
 - * It is exploited in the primary index structure as it enables *omit one* level of the index

- * The primary key index record consists of two values
 - * Value of the primary key (e.g., 5 B)
 - Pointer to a page 4 B
- Total size of a record is 9 B
 - * The size is fixed for all records
 - Only one the last level of the index the pointers point not to another index page, but to a page of the primary file



Exercise 2.1: Primary Key Index

- * Build primary key index for a sequential file that contains 12,000,000 student records (of size 256 B)
 - Determine index height and compute the size of every index level
- * You will have to compute *blocking factor* b for the primary file in order to determine *number of blocks* N
 - * Remember that the index (bottom) level points directly into the primary file
- You will have to compute blocking factor for the primary index
 - Suppose page size equal to 4 kB and record size 9 B
- The number of pages on the next level can be computed as

$$n_{PAGES, L=i} = \begin{bmatrix} n_{PAGES, L=i-1} \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

Primary Key Index: Access to Hard Drive

- * If the index is stored in external memory, it requires h+1 hard drive accesses to get a record based on a primary key
- * The first two index levels are small so we keep them in the *main memory* to save external memory accesses
 - * Therefore, we need only h-1 hard drive accesses to retrieve a record
- * In real applications, the whole primary index is commonly kept in the primary memory (RAM)
 - * The primary key is typically small (4-8 B)
 - The retrieval of a record based on the primary key requires only 1 access to the external memory
 - * The presence of primary index in main memory is also utilized by the indirect indexes

Primary Key Direct Index

- Primary file cannot be sorted by keys of multiple indexes
- The sample depicts the primary key index for the database for ID*
- * To see how this structure works we can query for Tomas
 - * The query is ID = 3
 - We start at page 5 (index root)
 - Then we go to page 3 (we follow the highest lowest ID value)
 - * From page 3 to the page 1 (the same principle as before)
 - We find Tomas on the page 1

ID	firstName	secondName		
O	Pavel	Straka		
1	Karel	Zeman		
2	Jitka	Nováková		
3	Tomáš	Zelený		
4	Karel	Svoboda		
5	Zuzana	Novotná		

2nd level index

PAGE: 5
ID PAGE
0 3
4 4

1st level index

PAGE: 3
ID PAGE
0 0
2 1

PAGE: 0
ID FIRSTNAME

O PAVEL

primary file

PAGE: 4
ID PAGE
4 2

PAGE: 1 ID FIRSTNAME 2 JITKA 3 TOMÁŠ

PAGE: 2 ID FIRSTNAME 4 KAREL 5 ZUZANA

^{*} Note, that we use different page size in pictures just to save space and make picture simpler

Non-Primary Key Direct Index

 We try to apply the same process to build a direct index for a non-primary key attribute, i.e., firstName

- However, this approaches does not work, i.e., the index is broken
- * It can be easily demonstrated by a simple query for Karel
 - * We start at page number 5 (root of the index)
 - * Here, we take the largest smaller key, i.e., Pavel, and we go to page 3
 - In page 3, we repeat the same process, this time Jitka is the largest smaller key. Jitka stands for page number 1
 - But in this way we fail to retrieve Karel on page 0

ID	firstName	secondName		
0	Pavel	Straka		
1	Karel	Zeman		
2	Jitka	Nováková		
3	Tomáš	Zelený		
4	Karel	Svoboda		
5	Zuzana	Novotná		

2nd level index

PAGE: 5
FIRSTNAME PG
PAVEL 3
KAREL 4

1st level index

PAGE: 3
FIRSTNAME PG
PAVEL 0
JITKA 1

primary file

PAGE: 0
ID FIRSTNA
0 PAVEL
1 KADEI

PAGE: 4
FIRSTNAME PG
KAREL 2

PAGE: 1 ID FIRSTNAME 2 JITKA 3 TOMÁŠ

PAGE: 2
ID FIRSTNAME
4 KAREL
5 ZUZANA

Non-Primary Key Direct Index (Correct)

- * Solution: Additional level between the index and the primary file
 - * I.e., zero level index
- Query for Karel once again:
 - We start on page 8 (index root)
 - We continue on page 6 (Jitka) and then on page 3
 - * Here, we see the first record for Karel, then we scan the following index page until we reach a higher key
 - Hence, we get Karel on page 0 as well as Karel on page 2
- * The 0th level is a copy of given key with pointer to the respective page
 - This level is sorted by the key and it is basically a very this replication of a primary file
- Note: The "zero level index" is used in the case of non-sequential file with index
 - The primary file is not sorted by any property

ID	firstName	secondName	-	
0	Pavel	Straka		
1	Karel	Zeman		
2	Jitka	Nováková		
3	Tomáš	Zelený		
4	Karel	Svoboda		
5	Zuzana	Novotná		

2nd level index

JITKA TOMÁŠ 1st level index

FIRSTNAME PG

PAGE: 3 FIRSTNAME PG **KAREL**

PAGE: 4 FIRSTNAME PG **KAREL PAVEL**

PAGE: 5 FIRSTNAME PG TOMÁŠ ZUZANA

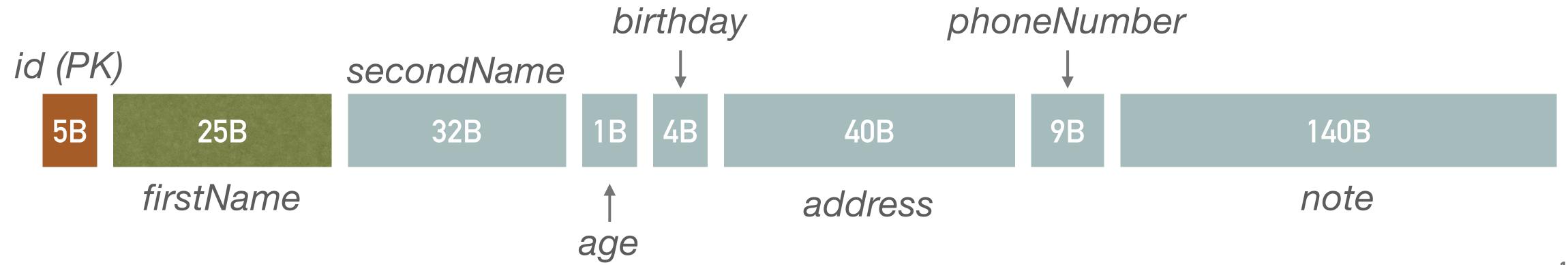
Oth level index primary file

> **FIRSTNAME PAVEL**

FIRSTNAME KAREL

Exercise 2.2: Direct Index

- Build direct index on firstName for a sequential file that contains 12,000,000 student records
 - Suppose that index record is 25 B + 4 B (size of key + size of the pointer) and page size is 4 kB
 - * Determine index height and compute the size of every index level
 - * Compare the structure with primary key index structure
 - * I.e., number of levels, sizes of levels, total size of index (in MB)

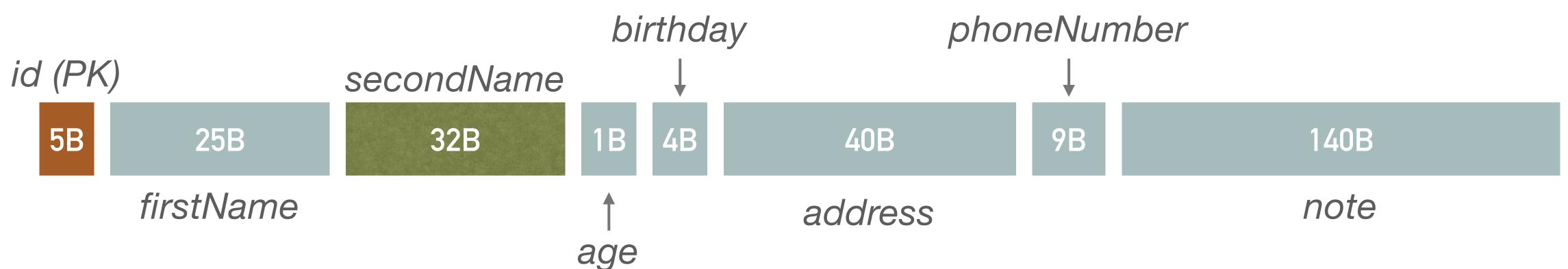


Indirect Index

- * Direct indexing and primary index share one disadvantage
 - In the case of any modification (records shuffling) in the primary file, the first (zero) level must be updated
- The solution is indirect indexing that does not point to the primary file pages
 - * It points to the primary keys, i.e., indirect index can be described as a map from some property to a primary key
 - In addition, indirect index does not point to the file directly, therefore it is not affected by modifications of the primary file
 - * As the primary index is commonly stored in primary memory (RAM), we just need to read pages from the indirect index and retrieve pages from the primary file
- * Although the first level is slightly larger than that of a direct index, the main advantage is that an indirect index does not need to be updated in case od primary file movements

Exercise 2.3: Indirect Index

- Build indirect index on secondName for a sequential file that contains 12,000,000 student records
 - * Note that first level records and other level records differ in its size
 - * First level: 32 B + 5 B (secondName key size + primary key size)
 - * Other level: 32 B + 4 B (secondName key size + pointer to another page)
 - * Determine index height and compute the size of every index level



Searching in Index From Multiple Attributes

- * Two properties can be concatenated (e.g., firstName and secondName)
 - Enables us to search for both of the attributes at once
 - Attribute ordering in the index is fixed
 - * E.g., firstName followed by secondName does not allow us to search for secondName followed by firstName

Bitmaps

- * Note: Having 50 percent men and 50 percent women in our database, usage of previous indices is not effective at all
 - * We prefer bitmaps with database sequential scan over hierarchical index
- * Bitmap consists of multiple columns
- * Each column is stored in separate page
 - * Pages are stored sequentially, allowing effective reading
- * A value of a given column is represented by a single bit
 - * E.g., having page size 4 kB, we can store $4{,}096 \cdot 8 = 32{,}768$ values in every page
 - * Useful for attributes having *small domain*, e.g., traditional concept of gender (male, female)
- * Bitmaps allow effective evaluation of logical operations over columns (T = 1, F = 0)
- * Based on the value distribution, we may also consider some *compression* (e.g., RLE compression*)

ID	isMale	isFemale
0	1	O
1	1	0
2	0	1
3	1	0
4	1	0
5	0	1

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Example 2.4: Bitmaps for Birthdays

 Birthday (day, month) can be represented in different ways using bitmaps

One column for each day in year

- Positives:
 - * One column is read to get all people having birthday in a certain day
 - * We can easily add information about other important day for a price of just another single column
- Negatives:
 - * Bitmap takes a lot of space, i.e., $366 \cdot 367 \cdot 4 \cdot 2^{10} \approx 524.7 \ MB$
 - * Compression may decrease the size but read time increases as we need to decompress bitmap

ID	01/01		07/03		31/12
0	1	• • •	0	* * *	0
1	1	* * *	0	* * *	0
2	0	* * *	1	* * *	0
3	0	* * *	1	* * *	0
4	1	* * *	0	* * *	0
5	0	* * *	0	* * *	1

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Example 2.4: Bitmaps for Birthdays (Continued)

Two sets of bitmaps

- * One for day (31) and other for months (12)
- * We need a single AND operation to read this

- * Positives:
 - * Smaller size, i.e., $43 \cdot 367 \cdot 4 \cdot 2^{10} \approx 61.6 \ MB$
- * Negatives:
 - * We have to *read two columns* to get information about birthdays in a given day

ID	1		7		31
0	1	• • •	0	• • •	0
1	1	• • •	0	• • •	0
2	0	• • •	1	* * *	0
3	0	* * *	1	* * *	0
4	1	• • •	0	• • •	0
5	0	* * *	0	• • •	1

ID	1		3		12
0	1	• • •	0	• • •	0
1	1	• • •	0	* * *	0
2	0	* * *	1	* * *	0
3	0	* * *	1	* * *	0
4	1	• • •	0	* * *	0
5	0	* * *	0	• • •	1

month

day

Example 2.4: Bitmaps for Birthdays (Continued)

Binary representation of a day in a year

- Number 366 can be saved into 9 bits
 - * E.g., 01/01 = 000 000 001, 02/01 = 000 000 010, 01/02 = 000 100 000

- * Positives:
 - * Much smaller size, i.e., $9 \cdot 367 \cdot 4 \cdot 2^{10} \approx 12.9 \ MB$
- * Negatives:
 - * We have to *read all columns* to find all birthdays in a certain day

ID	9		3	2	1
0	1	• • •	0	1	0
1	1	• • •	0	1	1
2	0	* * *	1	0	0
3	0	* * *	1	0	1
4	1	* * *	1	1	0
5	0	* * *	1	1	1

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