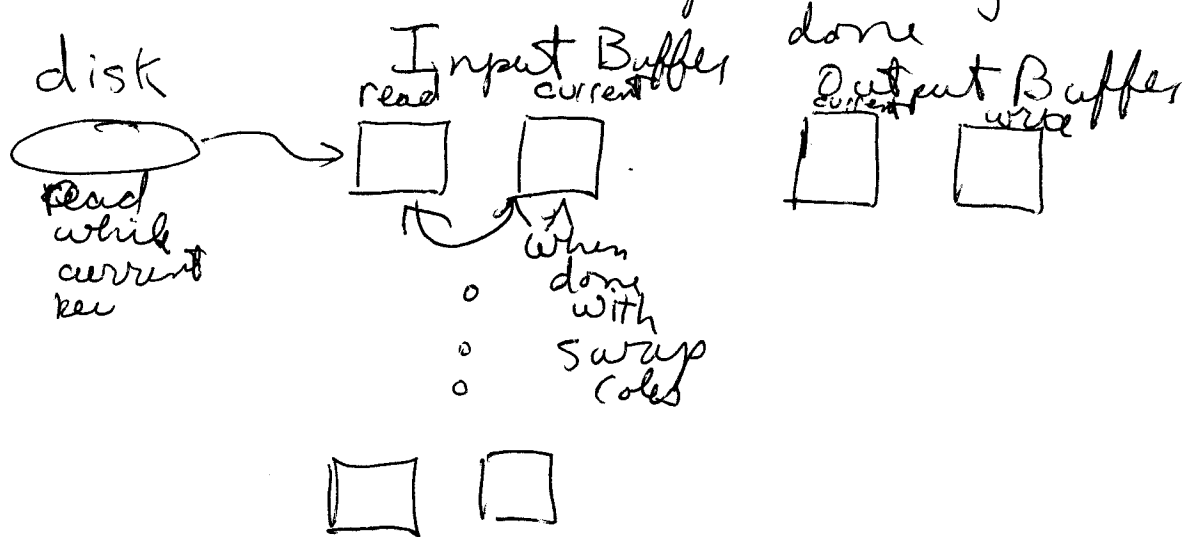


Double Buffering

Idea: want to avoid having to suspend computations while an I/O request is being filled

Want to keep CPU busy while I/O's being



End External Sorting

Start Query Evaluation & System Catalog

System Catalog - the database the DBMS uses to maintain information about itself. i.e., what tables, indexes, users the DBMS is managing

Other names for system catalog are the data dictionary, catalog tables, or just catalog. ← Oracle

What kind of information is stored?

For each table:

Its table name, the file name (or some identifier) and the file structure (heap file)

The attribute name and type of each of its attributes

The index name of each index on the table

The integrity constraints on the table

For each index:

The index name & structure (ex B⁺-index)
The search key attributes

For each view:

Its view name & definition

Info about users - won't take too much about
Some Statistics about tables & indexes also stored:

(only occasionally updated)
cardinality: number of tuples in a rel. n .

Size: number of pages in a table

Index Cardinality: # distinct keys in an index

Index Size: # of leaf pages used to store index

Index height: number of non leaf level

Index Range: high & low key

Oracle data dictionary has three categories of views in its data dictionary: all, user, & DBA. all - all object user has privilege on. user-owned by user DBA - for administrators

EX) Can query a ~~catalog~~ catalog like any other view!

```
SELECT *  
FROM ALL_CATALOG  
WHERE OWNER = "POLLETT";
```

↑ all objects I am allowed to see owned by Pollett

Information about columns in a table can be discovered using

```
USER_TAB_COLUMNS
```

About tables...

```
USER_TABLES
```

About indexes...

```
USER_INDEXES
```

About views...

```
USER_VIEWS
```

To force recalculation of statistics of a table can use

```
ANALYZE TABLE MY_TABLE
```

```
COMPUTE STATISTICS;
```

~~123~~ 123 + 45 * 69 T 65 * 32 + + 90
123
0