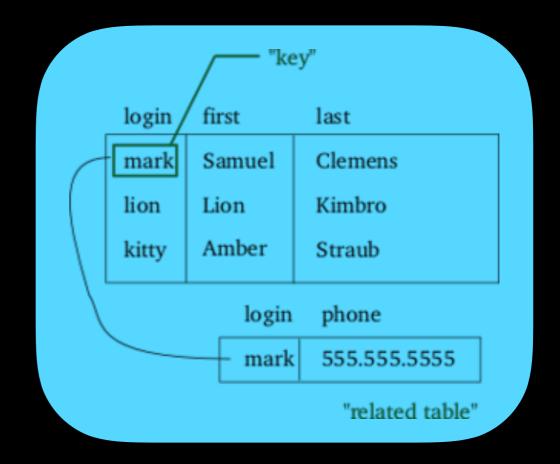
RELATIONAL DATABASES

- Relational databases emerged in the 70s to store data according to a schema that allows data to be displayed as tables with rows and columns.
- RDBMSs (Relational Database Management Systems) all provide functionality for reading, creating, updating, and deleting data, typically using Structured Query Language (SQL) statements.
- SQL is a database management language for relational databases.



NOSQL/NON-RELATIONAL DATABASES

- As web applications became increasingly complex, NoSQL databases are an increasingly popular alternative to relational databases.
- The critical difference between NoSQL and relational databases is that RDBMS schemas rigidly define how all data inserted into the database must be typed and composed.
- By contrast, see the image to your right: It can allow unstructured and semi-structured data to be stored and manipulated.

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