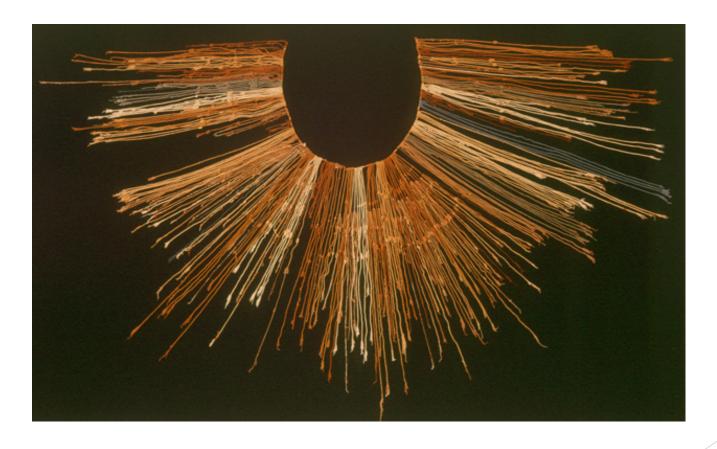
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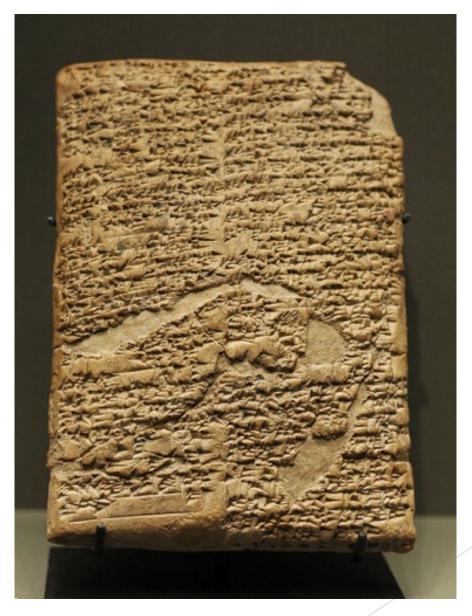
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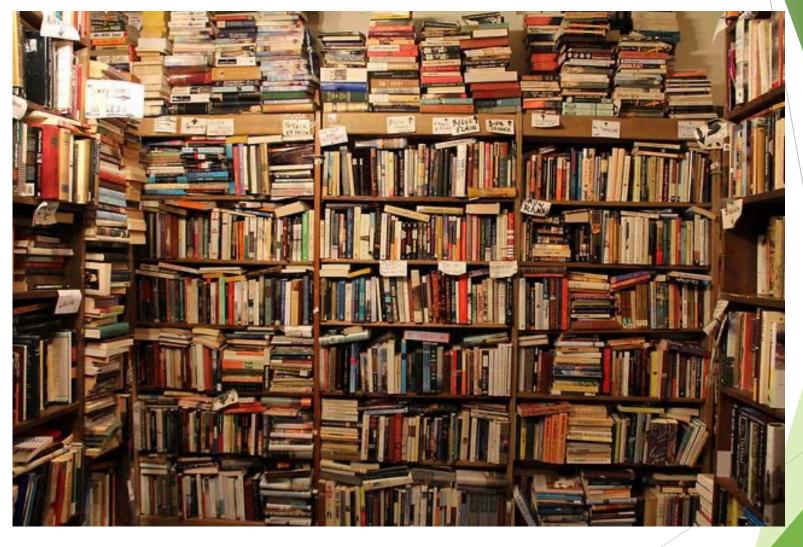
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Quipu (5000 years ago) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Quipu



Code of Hammurabi (~3500 years ago)



Books (~2000 years ago)



3.5-inch disk (~30 years ago)





Data Warehouse (now)

90% of all data has been created in the last two years.

Data Management and Information Processing

To Understand Data Managing and Processing...

- ► How data is stored?
- ► How data is represented?
- ► How to process data?
- ► How to query data?
- ► How to design the "data relation"?

Part I: Data Fundamentals



Data Representation and Storage

- ▶ All data ends up being stored as 0's and 1's.
 - ▶ Include numbers, text, ...

Data grows in large scale.





▶ We need to build structure in data!

Part II: Simple Data Processing using Pandas

- Very lightweight, intuitive to use
- Similar to array access, allow indexing
- Very easy to hook up with other components
- Sufficient for most small-scale projects

```
import pandas
flights = pandas.read_csv("flights.csv")
flights = flights[flights['dest'] == "ORD"]
flights = flights[['carrier', 'dep_delay', 'arr_delay']]
```

There are things you cannot do with it

- Complex data models
 - ► Every row in a table has a fixed number of columns
 - Can't model one-to-many and many-to-many relationships
 - ➤ You can try using multiple spreadsheet tabs or multiple matrices for different types of data, but linking them is difficult
- Enforce data integrity constraints
- ► Keep data and analysis separate

Insight: data are not just numbers

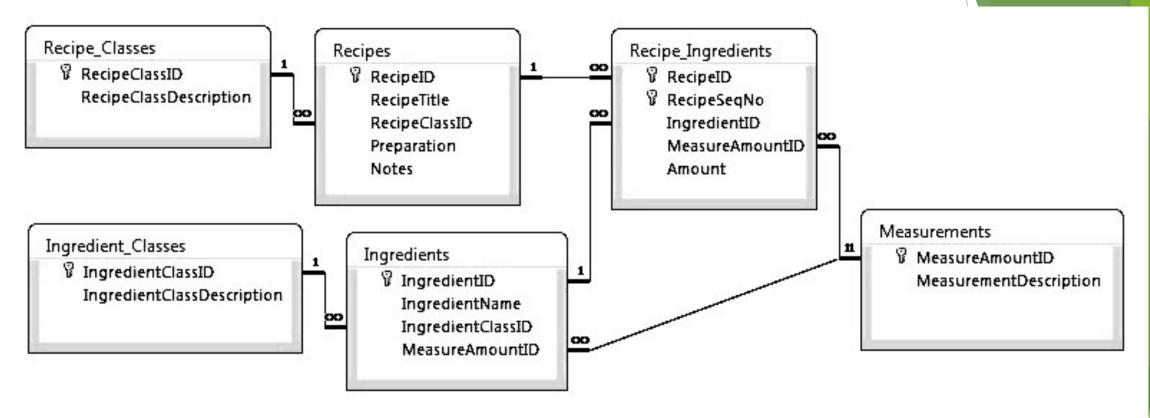
- "Simple" data sets are just arrays or matrices of numbers:
 - ► Time-series of stock price data
 - ► Matrix of pixel colors in an image
 - ▶ 3D "matrix" of atmospheric temperatures in a weather simulation.
- Complex data also represent relationships
 - ► For example, the course scheduling information at Northwestern
 - ▶ It's not just a sequence of numbers.
 - ▶ It's a complex web of students, professors, courses, classrooms, grades, etc.
 - ▶ This course will teach you how to handle such data.

Part III: SQL

- More structured data
- Easy to manage complicated relationship in data

- ▶ Focus of this course.
 - ▶ More than half of the lectures will be on SQL

SQL database example



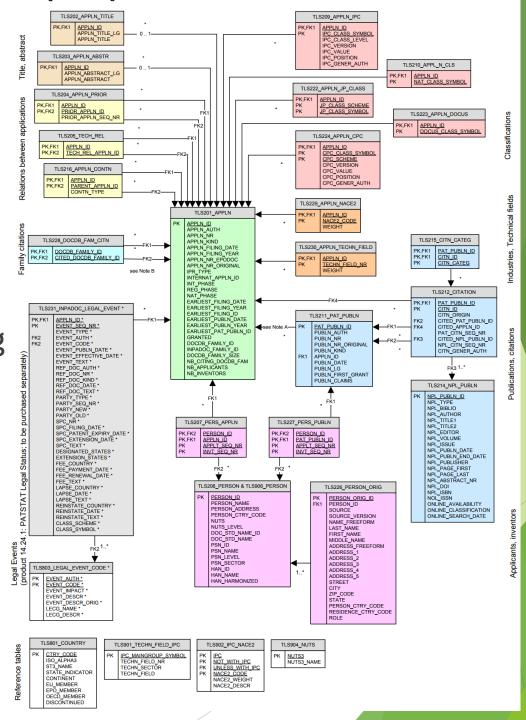
- This is the data schema.
 - ▶ Refers to how it's organized, not the recipe data itself.
- First design the structure of the data, then fill it in.

Questions to be answered from the recipe DB

- ► How many steps are in the "Chocolate chip cookie" recipe?
- What are the titles of the recipes that have seafood ingredients?
- ▶ Do any recipes use the same ingredient twice?
- ▶ Which recipe has the greatest number of steps?
- Etc.

PATSTAT: European Patent Office's International Patent Database

- > 28 cross-referenced tables
- 6 DVDs of data
- > 119GB of CSV files after unzipping
- This example has both complex structure and lots of data entries.



The Goal: Easy & Clean Descriptive Analytics

Answer a wide variety of complex questions using the same database:

▶ Where did our 10 biggest customers live in 2007?

This is code in the SQL language.

- ► How many widgets are left in stock?
- ▶ What is the average price of the chairs we sell?

After taking this course

- You will be able to have a better understanding on how computer store and process data.
- ► You will be able to use appropriate tools to manage and process data, quickly.