



## Intro to Relational Technologies



## Database Vs. File Systems Approaches

- ❑ Abstraction
  - Data
  - Execution
- ❑ Reliability
- ❑ Efficiency/Performance



## Data Abstraction

- ❑ Data are structured in a way meaningful to applications
- ❑ **Data Model:**
  - A collection of high-level data description constructs that hide low-level storage details
- ❑ **The Relational / Object-Relational Model:**
  - Is the most widely used data model today
  - Main construct is a **relation**: table of records
  - Every relation has a **schema**:
    - Relation name
    - Names of fields
    - Types of fields

## Example

	<i>SID</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>GPA</i>
Record or Tuple	546007	Peter	18	3.8
	546100	Bob	19	3.65
	546500	Bill	20	3.7

Diagram labels: "Attribute or Field" points to the header row. "Schema" points to the table structure. "Record or Tuple" points to the data rows.

- ❑ Schema:
  - Students (*sid*: string, *name*: string, *age*: integer, *gpa*: real)
- ❑ State: Actual data at a given point in time

## Database Languages

### □ Data Definition Language (DDL):

- Define schemas
- Define **Integrity Constraints**
  - Example: unique *SIDs*
- More...

### □ Data Manipulation Language (DML):

- To ask questions = **Query**
  - Example: Which students have GPA > 3.75?
- To create and modify data

### □ SQL: Most widely used database language



## Relation Schema

STUDENTS	<i>SID</i>	<i>LName</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Major</i>	Schema
	123	Smith	John	3	CS	←
	395	Aiken	Mary	4	CS	

### ◆ What is the meaning?

- A **relation schema** *R* specifies
  - The name of the relation
  - the attribute names  $A_i$  of *R*
  - the domain  $D_i$  (data type + format) for each attribute  $A_i$
- data type is a set of **atomic data** values:
  - no attribute is a set-valued (**1st Normal Form**, 1-NF)
  - no attribute is composite
- format specify the representation of a data value

## DDL Example: SQL Table Schema

Schema of STUDENTS(*SID*, *Name*, *Major*, *GPA*)

```
CREATE TABLE STUDENTS
(  SID  INTEGER,
   Name CHAR(20),
   Class INTEGER,
   Major CHAR(4),
   CONSTRAINT STUDENT_PK
   PRIMARY KEY (SID)
);
```

## SQL Insert

```
INSERT INTO Students  
VALUES (123, 'John', 3, 'CS');
```

```
INSERT INTO Students  
VALUES (124, 'Mary', 3, 'CS');
```

### Students

SID	Name	Class	Major
123	John	3	CS
124	Mary	3	CS
999	Newman	1	CS

## DML: SQL Select Statement

- Complete form:

```
SELECT [DISTINCT | ALL] attribute-list  
FROM table-list  
WHERE selection-condition  
GROUP BY grouping-attribute(s)  
HAVING grouping-condition  
ORDER BY {attribute ASC | DESC} pairs
```

## Sample SQL Queries

### Q1

```
□ SELECT *  
FROM STUDENTS  
WHERE Class = 3;
```

### Q1 RESULT

SID	Name	Class	Major
123	John	3	CS
124	Mary	3	CS

### Q2

```
□ SELECT SID, Name, Major  
FROM STUDENTS  
WHERE Class = 1;
```

### Q2 RESULT

SID	Name	Major
999	Newman	CS

## Class DB Technologies

- PostgreSQL (Personal Installation)
- Oracle Server (class3.cs.pitt.edu)
- DataGrip (SQL IDE)
- Install PostgreSQL & DataGrip following the instructions on the handout & test them by creating the STUDENTS table and running the sample SQL queries.

## Agenda for 1st Recitation

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### □ When & Where

- Aug 30<sup>th</sup>, Friday, 11:00 - 11:50 am
- Aug 30<sup>th</sup>, Friday, 2:00 - 2:50 pm
- @ 6110 Sennott Square Building

### □ What

- Helping with installation of PostgreSQL and DataGrip on your local machine