

Problem 3:

Data I would store in a DBMS versus operating system files:

- Related Data
- Structured Data
- Well Defined Data

Data I would store in operating system files versus a DBMS:

- Unstructured Data
- Arbitrary Data
- Unrelated Data
- General Data

Advantages of a DBMS:

- Consistent
- Durable writing/append to data
- Keeps data structured
- Fewer Privacy risks

Disadvantages of DBMS:

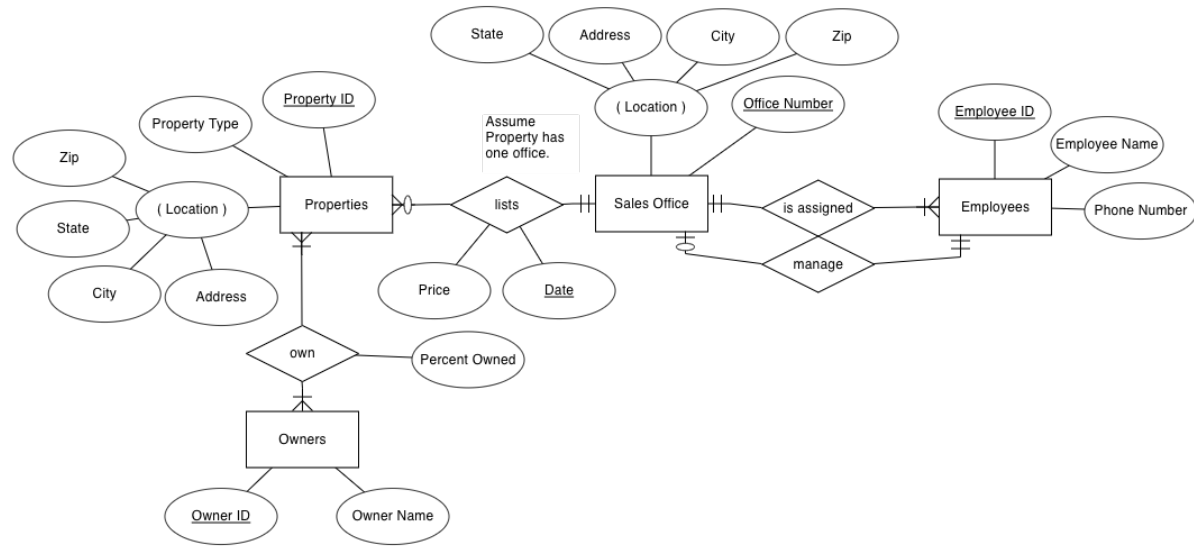
- Expensive to maintain and get
- Require sophisticated protocols to implement reliable storage.
- Size
- Needs more overhead to maintain

Advantages of operating system file storage:

- Cheaper, less overhead required
- Better for data which does not require the extra guarantees provided by a DBMS such as privacy.
- Increased data retrieval techniques due to not being restricted by a DBMS.

Disadvantages of operating system file storage:

- Less Durability (file systems can change easily)
- No redundancy control
- Data is isolated and lacks multiple user interfaces
- Only coordinates physical access



Assume a research facility has at least 1 chemist.

