#### **Abstract**

The Shares and Stock details is a mini project that provides a user-friendly, interactive Menu Driven Interface (MDI) based on local file systems. All data is stored in files on disk. This mini project uses file structures to access the files. A file structure is a combination of representations for data in files and operations for accessing the data. A file structure allows applications to read, write, and modify data.

This system is built for fast data processing and display for Companies or their Customers. The database is a collection of company name, customer name and other stock specific data. A customer, when added to the database contains his/her shares in the companies associated to those shares. The mini project is built to help companies and its customers keep track of their shares and stocks. It consists of an effective and easy interface to help the user store and view the data.

The identity of the fields is preserved by separating them with delimiters. Fixing the number of fields in a record does not imply that the size of fields in the record is fixed. The records are used as containers to hold a mix of fixed and variable length fields within a record.

We use a B-Tree of indexes to keep byte offsets for each record in the original file. The byte offsets allow us to find the beginning of each successive record and compute the length of each record. A B-Tree of simple indexes on the primary key is used to provide direct access to data records. Each node in the B-Tree consists of a primary key and reference pair of fields. The primary key field is the SID field while the reference field is the starting byte offset.

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#### **ABBREVATIONS**

MDI - Menu Driven Interface

UI - User Interface

BST - Binary Search Tree

AVL - Adelson-Velskii and Landis

BT - Balanced Tree