

# Introduction



# Why taking this course??

- “What is the use of all the courses I have taken so far?”
  - This course uses a lot of the basics introduced in the 200/300 level courses
- “I want to work in an interdisciplinary environment”
  - Be an application developer working with people from other areas (e-commerce, science, administration, law, etc. etc.)
- “I love the internals of how computers and systems work”
  - Be a database administrator or a DBS developer: a DBMS is an entire operating system and more
- “I want to work with computer languages, human-computer interaction, multimedia, logic, communication, distributed systems, knowledge management -- It’ s all there

# Example Applications

- What data would you store in a database system (DBS, DBMS, RDBMS)?

# University Data and its use

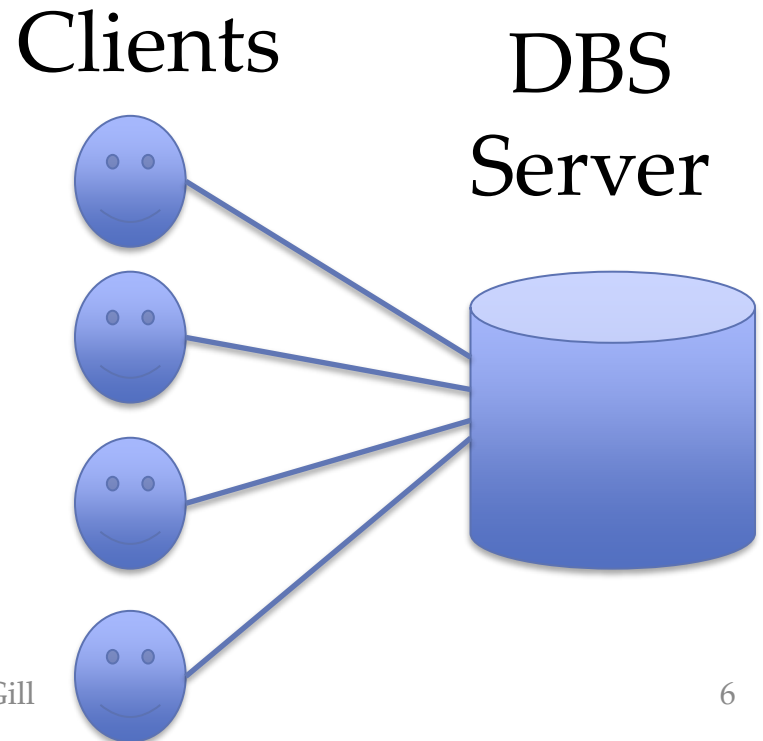
- What information is stored?
  - Provide at least 5 classes
- How is the data used?
  - Provide at least 3 queries (information that you want to retrieve from the system)
  - Provide at least 3 modifying actions (actions that insert data or modify data)
- Why cumbersome to do this with files?

# Working with Data

- Defining a Schema
  - Inserting Data/Updating Data
  - Querying Data
  - Application Programming
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- Focus: Relational data and **SQL**
  - Other data models:
    - Differences and similarities with SQL

# Database Management System

- Complex software system
- storage, management and manipulation of data, mostly data that follows “some” structure
- Well-structured data model: relational, graph, semi-structured, object-oriented
- Powerful **data-centric** interface
  - Define structure of data
  - Insert/change data
  - Advanced queries
- Efficiency
- Concurrency
- Persistence



# Database Systems?

- PostgreSQL
- MariaDB
- DB2
- Oracle

# Relational Data Model

## Cartoon Characters

Sid (int)	FirstName (string)	LastName (string)	...
123	Bugs	Bunny	
124	CardCapturer	Sakura	
125	Dora	The Explorer	

Relation = Table

tuple = row

attribute = column header

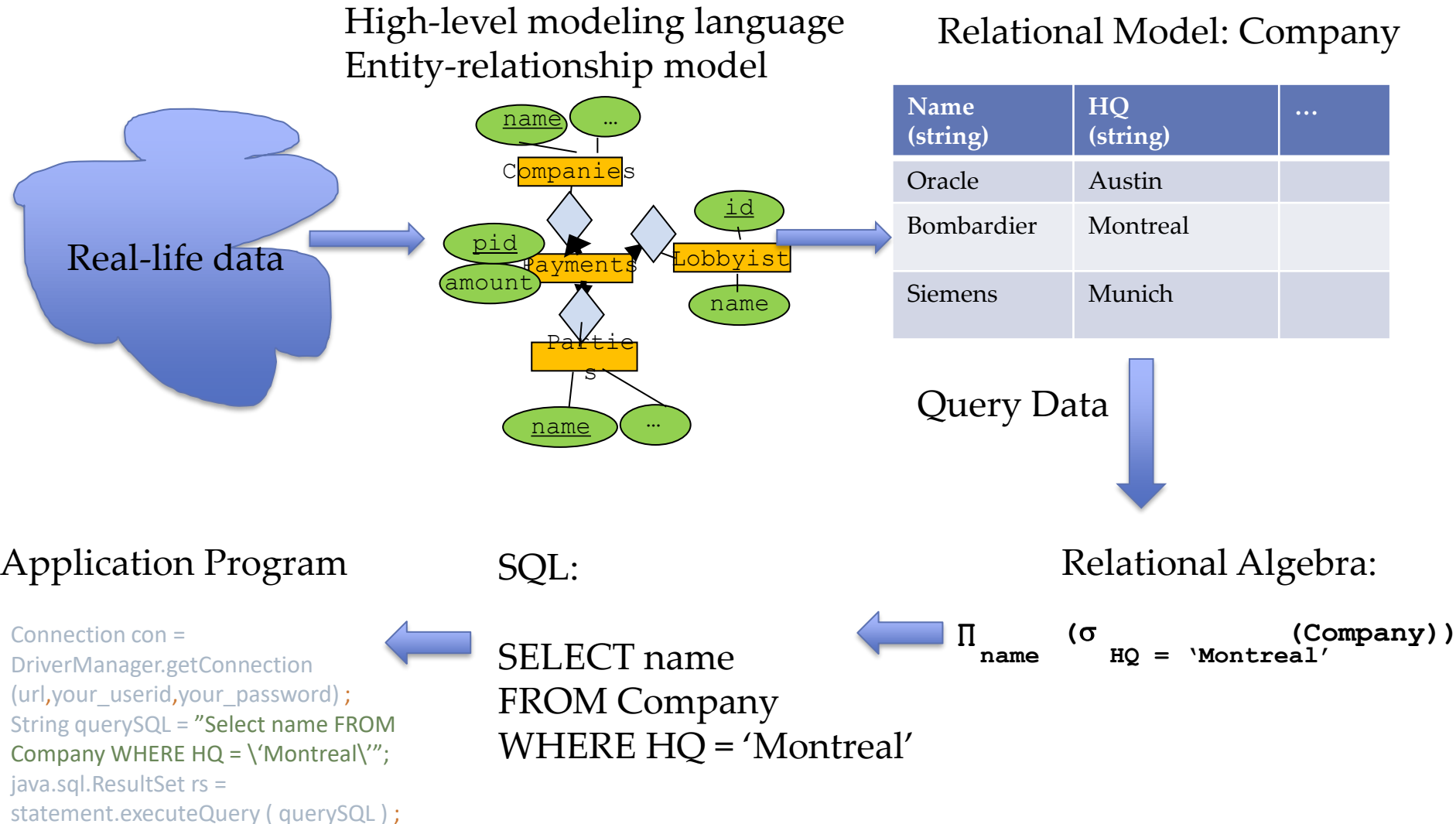
Simple, powerful, mathematically sound



# Data Models covered

- Semantic data model
  - (Entity Relationship) ER
- Relational
- Graph

# First part of the course



# Internals of a DBS

Query Optimization  
And Execution

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Relational Operators

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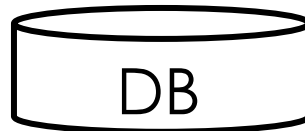
Files and  
Access Methods

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Buffer Management

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Disk Space  
Management



# Transaction Management

- Managing updates
- Handle concurrent access
- Handle failures

# Emphasis of the Course

- **Design** of databases
- **Use** of a database
- **Internals**
- Database technology is continuously evolving
  - Understand what are the fundamental concepts of any database system

# Database Systems and Data Analytics

- Transform basic data into valuable knowledge
- In 2002 a statistician in Target came up with a list of 25 products in the shopping cart that could give an indication of someone being pregnant.
- Big Data Analytics is emerging as an important trend in analyzing and containing health issues like spread of epidemics. (Eg. COVID, Ebola in West Africa)

# Data Analytics

