# Data Models

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# **Types of Database Model**

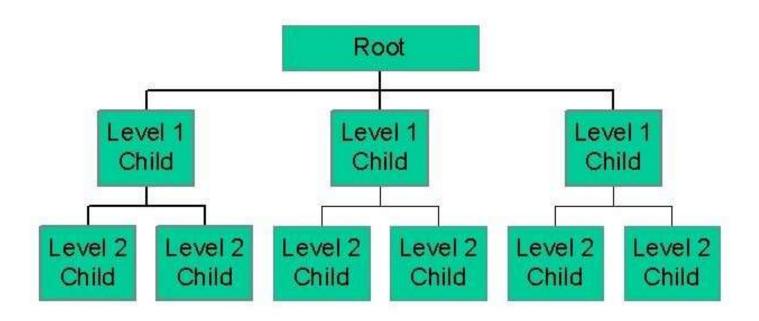
There are four common types of database model that are useful for different types of data or information.

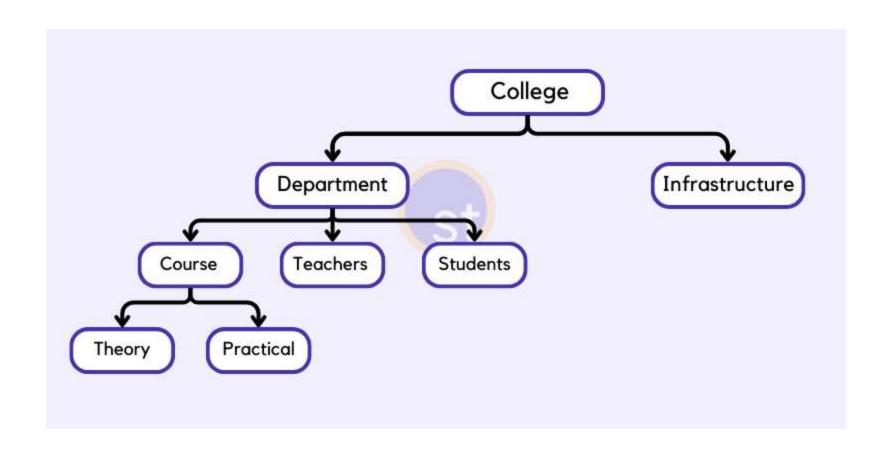
- Hierarchical database model.
- Network model.
- Relational model.
- Object-oriented database model.

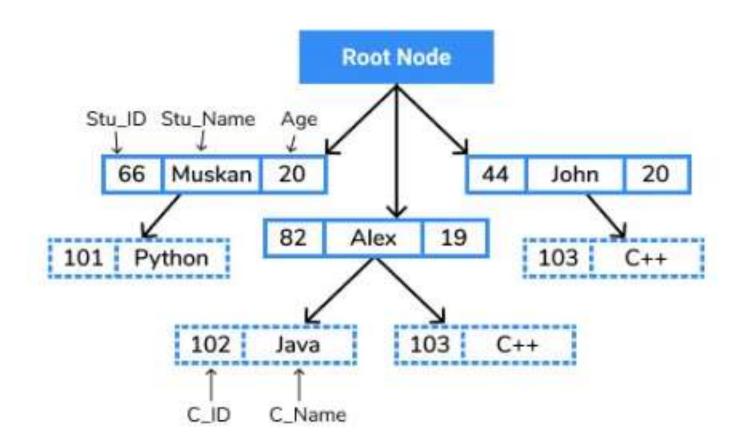
# **Hierarchical Data Model**

- It is the oldest type of the data model. It was developed by IBM in 1968.
- It organizes data in the tree-like structure.
- It contains nodes which are connected by branches or links.
- The topmost node is called the root node.
- If there are multiple nodes appear at the top level, then these can be called as root segments.
- Each node has exactly one parent.
- One parent may have many child.
- This type of Database model is rarely used nowadays.

## Hierarchical database model







### Advantages

- Efficient storage for data that have a clear hierarchy
- Parent/ child relationship promotes conceptual simplicity & data integrity
- It is efficient with 1: M relationships
- It promotes data sharing

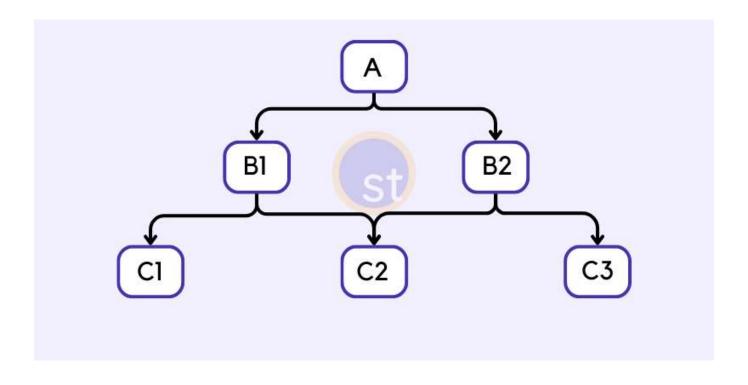
### Disadvantages

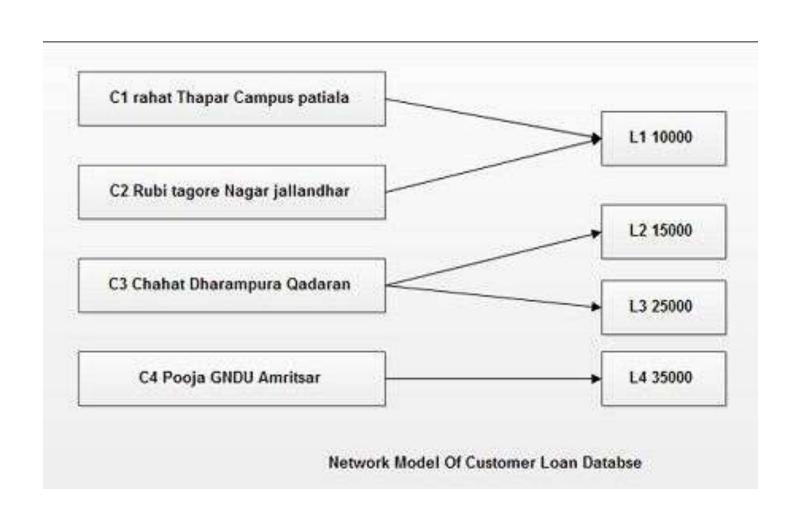
- It is complex to implement
- It is difficult to manage
- There are implementation limitations ( no M: N relationships)
- There is no DDL & DML
- There is lack of standards

# **Network Data Model**

- It is the advance version of the hierarchical data model.
- To organize data it uses directed graphs instead of the tree-structure.
- In this child can have more than one parent.
- It uses the concept of Records and Sets.
- A network structure allows 1:1 (one: one), I: M (one: many), M: M (many: many) relationships.

- A relationship is a set.
- Each set is made up of at least two types of records: an owner record (equivalent to parent in the hierarchical model) and a member record (similar to the child record in the hierarchical model).





### Advantages

- Represents complex data relationships better than hierarchical models
- It handles more relationship types, such as M: N & multi-parent
- Data access is more flexible than hierarchical model
- Improved database performance
- It include DDL & DML

### Disadvantages

- System complexity limits efficiency
- Navigational system yields complex implementation & management
- Structural changes requires changes in all application programs
- Database contains a complex array of pointers that thread through a set of records
- Put heavy pressure on programmers
- Networks can become chaotic unless planned carefully

# Difference between Hierarchical Data

Difference between included bata		
<b>Model and Network Data Model</b>		
Hierarchical Data Model	Network Data Model	

many relations.

data item.

It implements 1:1, 1:n and also many to

Searching for a record is easy because of the

availability of multiple access paths to reach

To organize records, it uses graphs.

There is no insertion anomaly.

There is no deletion anomaly.

It implements 1:1 and 1:n relations.

To organize records, it uses tree structure.

To search for a record, firstly one need

to visit parent record before retrieving a

Insertion anomaly exits in this model i.e.

child node cannot be inserted without the

Deletion anomaly exists in this model i.e.

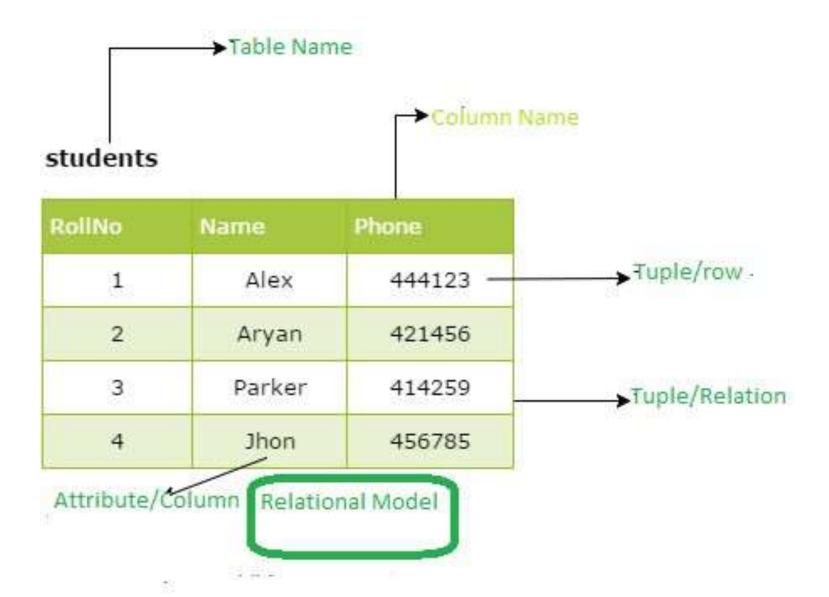
it is difficult to delete the parent node.

child record.

parent node.

# **Relational Database**

- A relational database is developed by E. F. Codd in 1970.
- In this model, data ias well as relationships are organized in two-dimensional tables called relations.
- A relation is a table with rows and columns.
- The named columns of the relation are called as attributes
- The domain is the set of values the attributes can take.



student_id	name	age
1	Akon	17
2	Bkon	18
3	Ckon	17
4	Dkon	19

subject_id	name	teacher
1	Java	Mr. J
2	Python	Miss Py
3	JavaScript	Mrs. JS
4	C#	Mr. C

student_id	subject_id	marks
1	1	98
1	2	77
2	1	76
3	2	88

### Advantages:

- Changes in a table's structure do not affect data access or application programs
- Tabular view substantially improves conceptual simplicity
- Have referential integrity controls ensure data consistency
- RDBMS isolates the end- users from physical level details

### Disadvantages:

- Conceptual simplicity gives relatively untrained people the tools to use a good system poorly
- It may promote "islands of information" problems as individuals and departments can easily develop their own applications

# **Object Oriented Model**

- An object database is a system in which information is represented in the form of objects as used in object-oriented programming.
- This model is based on the object-orientedprogramming language concept.

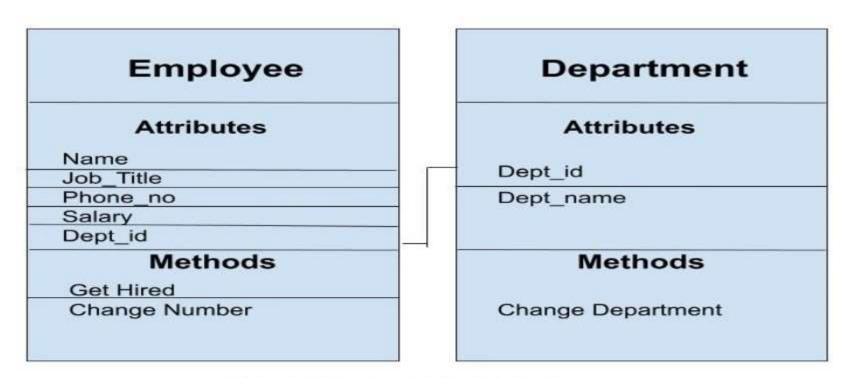
- It models both data and relationships in a single structure known as object
- An object includes information about relationships between facts within object, as well as information about its relationships with other objects
- An object is an abstract of a real world entity
- A class is a collection of similar objects with shared structure and methods

### Advantages:

- Semantic content is added
- Support for complex objects
- Visual representation includes semantic content
- Inheritance promotes data integrity

### Disadvantages:

- It is a complex navigational system
- High system overheads slow transactions
- Slow development of standards caused vendors to supply their own enhancements, thus eliminating a widely accepted standard



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