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Introduction to Databases
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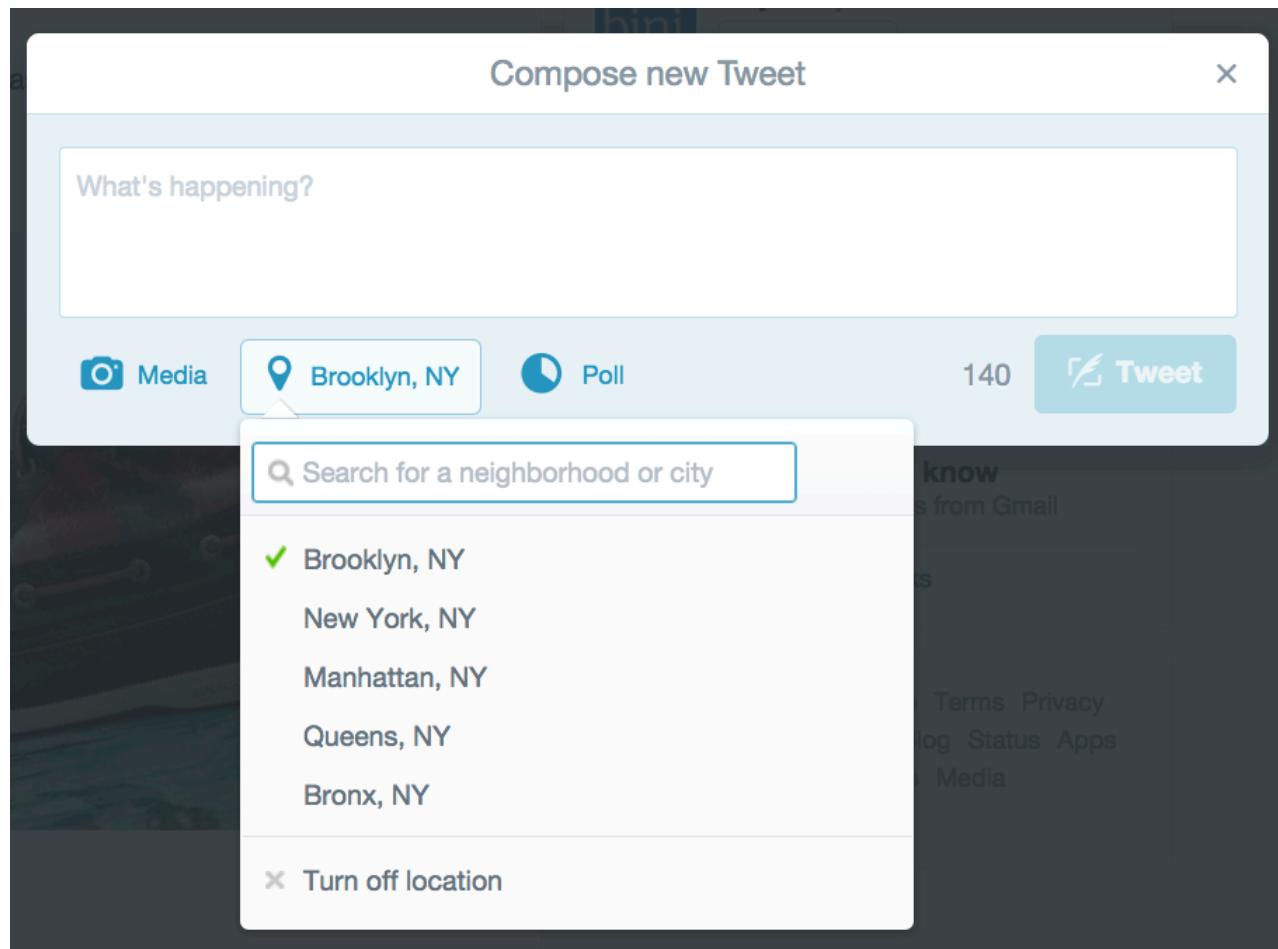
2006-2007: Google NYC

2007-2011: MIT databases

2012-2014: Mitro (failed startup)

2014-Now: Twitter

Twitter Geo data



Administrative details

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Q&A: On Piazza

Office hours: To be announced (Evan: Thursdays)

Homework 0: Due Thursday

Data

Data
is for serious business



IT Executive

Deliver the Real-Time Enterprise

With growing data volumes and aggressive service level expectations, maximize the potential of your IT organization while delivering the real-time enterprise.

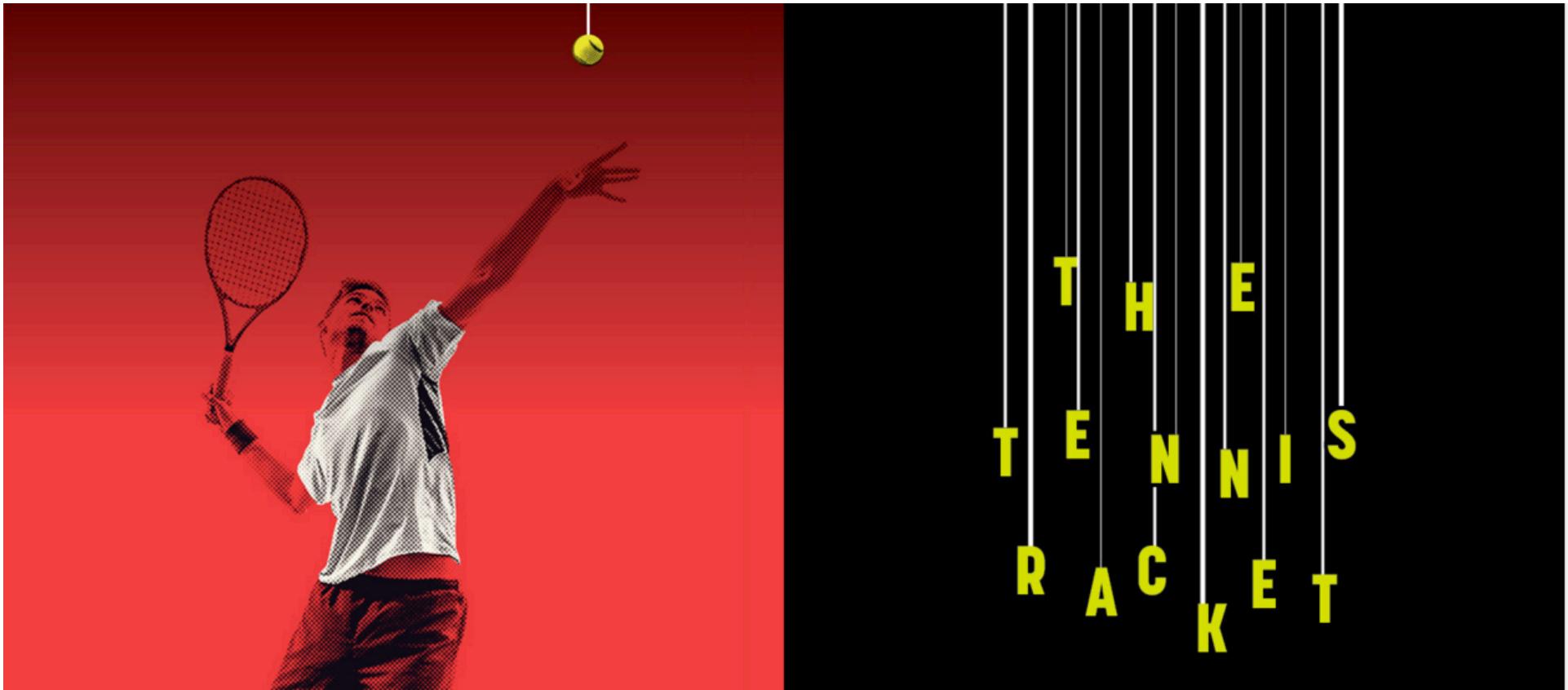
More for IT Executives



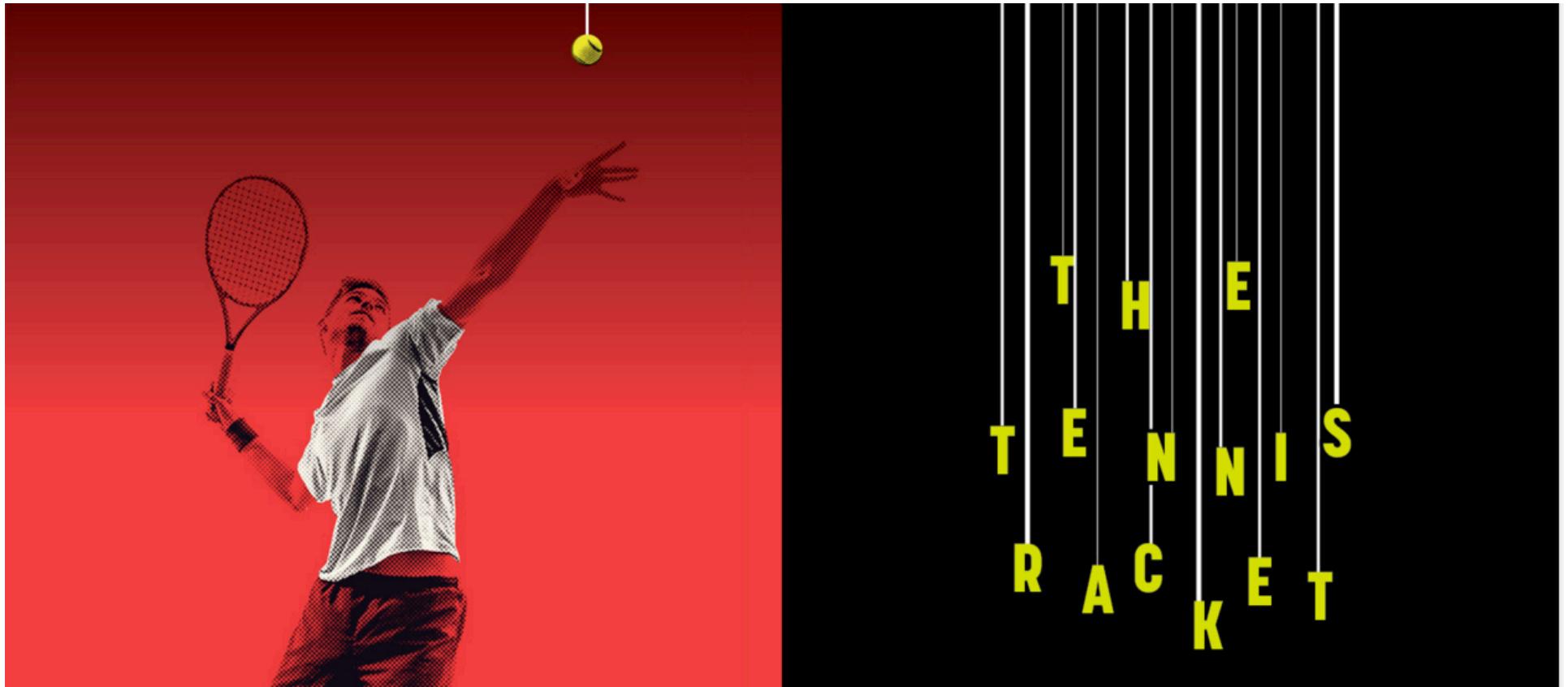
- Are you unlocking the full potential of your database infrastructure?
- Are you unleashing the full potential of your database professionals?
- Does your data seamlessly meet availability, security, and compliance requirements?
- Does your database enable competitive business operations and analytics?

Data
is at the center of most things.

Data
is at the center of *everything*



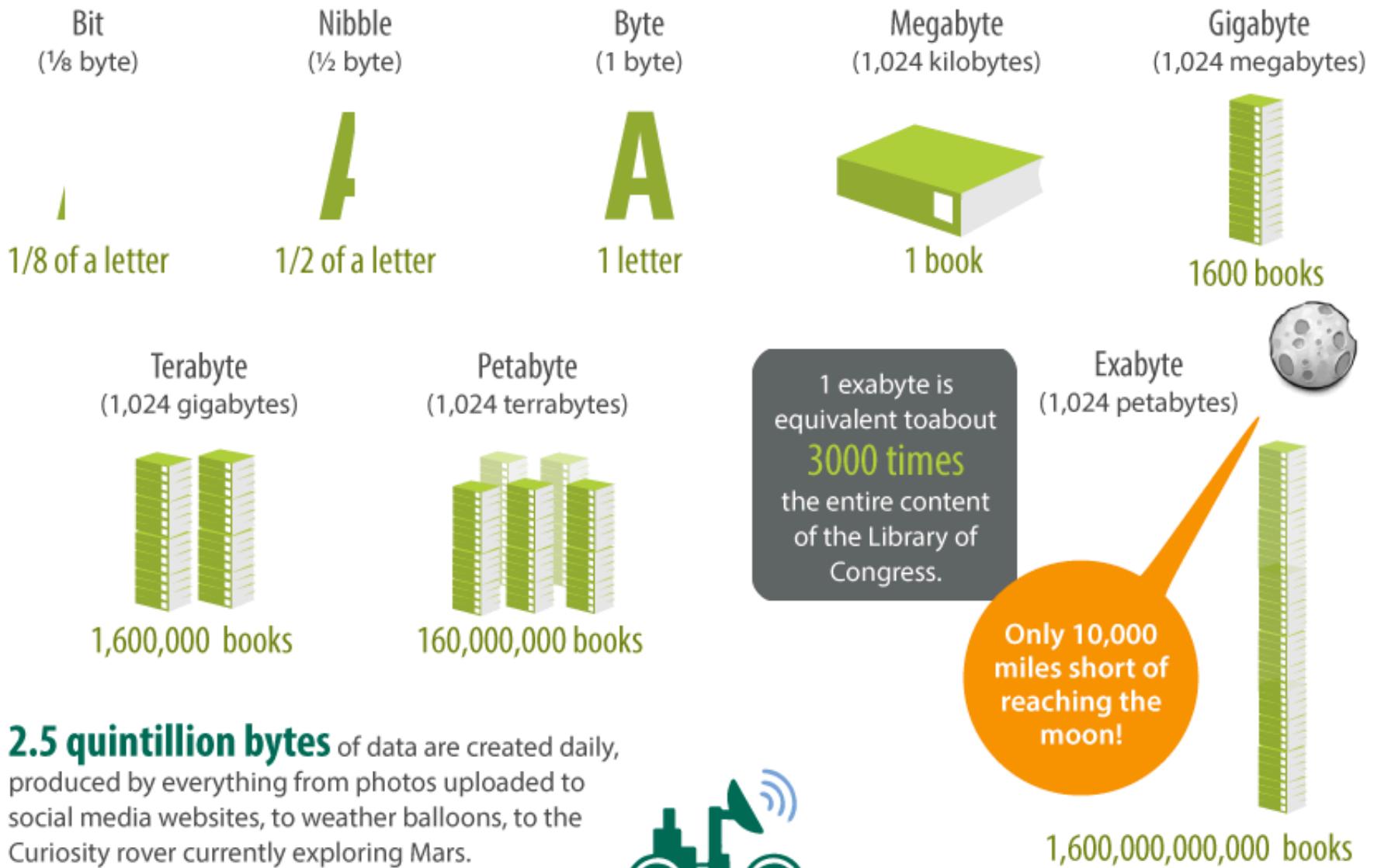
**Betting worth billions. Elite players. Violent threats.
Covert messages with Sicilian gamblers. And suspicious
matches at Wimbledon. Leaked files expose match-fixing
evidence that tennis authorities have kept secret for
years.**



A BUZZFEED NEWS / BBC
INVESTIGATION

The investigation into men's tennis by BuzzFeed News and the BBC is based on a cache of leaked documents from inside the sport – the Fixing Files – as well as an original analysis of the betting activity on 26,000 matches and interviews across three continents with gambling and match-fixing experts, tennis officials, and players.

Data Sizes



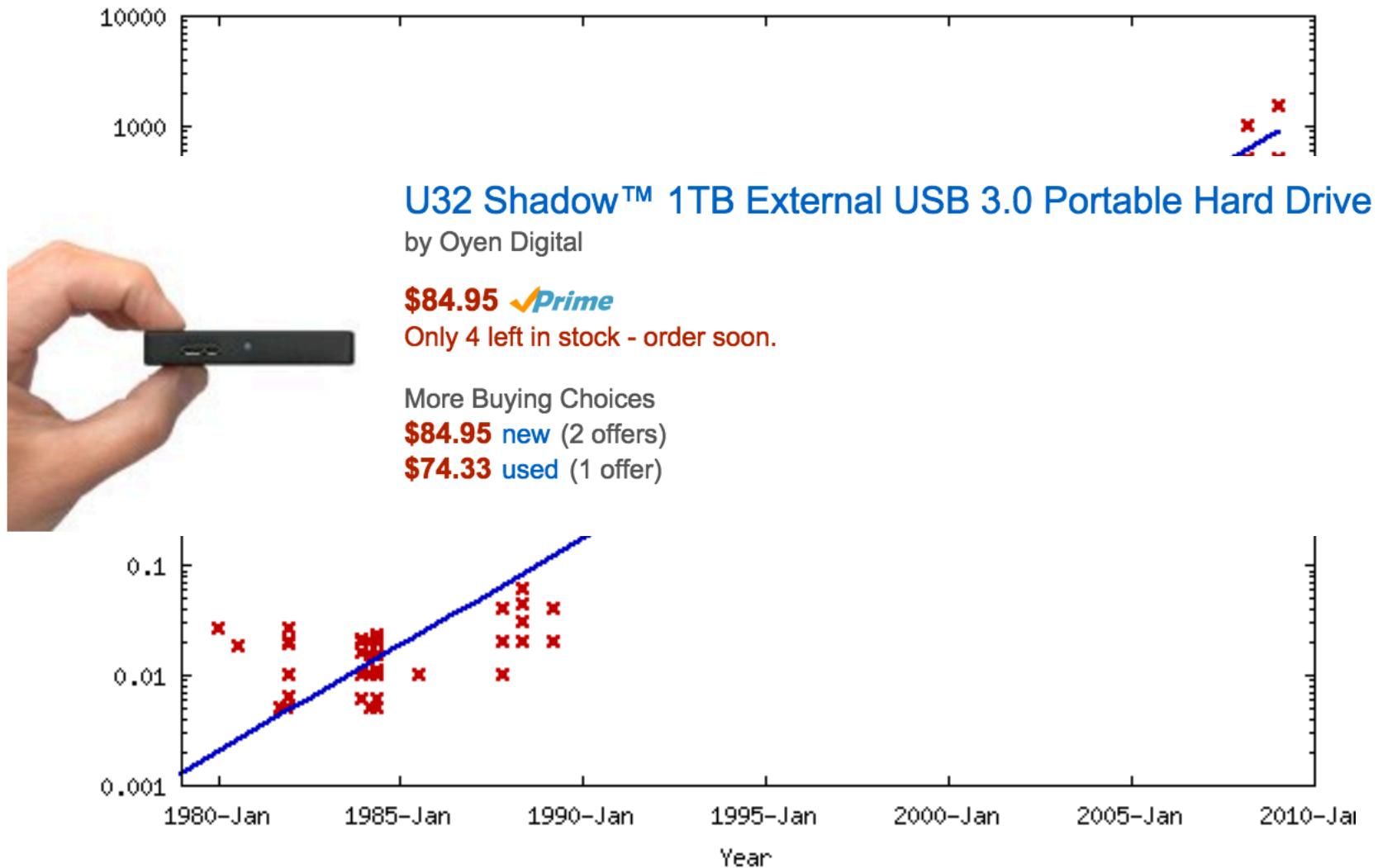
Bigger Than Big Data

How did we get here?

Data was *Expensive*



Data is Cheap



Data was *Manual*

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June 11 Geo A. Kelly
June 16 Mrs. Chas. Long Jr
June 16 Nellora Wright
June 16 Charity A. Bowes
" " Mrs. M. A. Carpenter
" " Mr & Mrs Carpenter
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July 10 J. W. Gennings
July 10 Millicent Gennings
Walt Kuhn
July 11 Mrs. Paul & Daughters
Mrs Ralph Peters
" " Mrs. A. H. Favours
" " Mrs. J. A. Miller
" " Mrs. J. G. Morris
" " Mrs. O. J. Vista
" " Mary B. Rossman
Mrs. Hadden Hoffman
Mrs. Key & Young
Mrs. A. S. Whitney
Mrs. F. L. St. Germain
" " Mrs. J. H. Peterson

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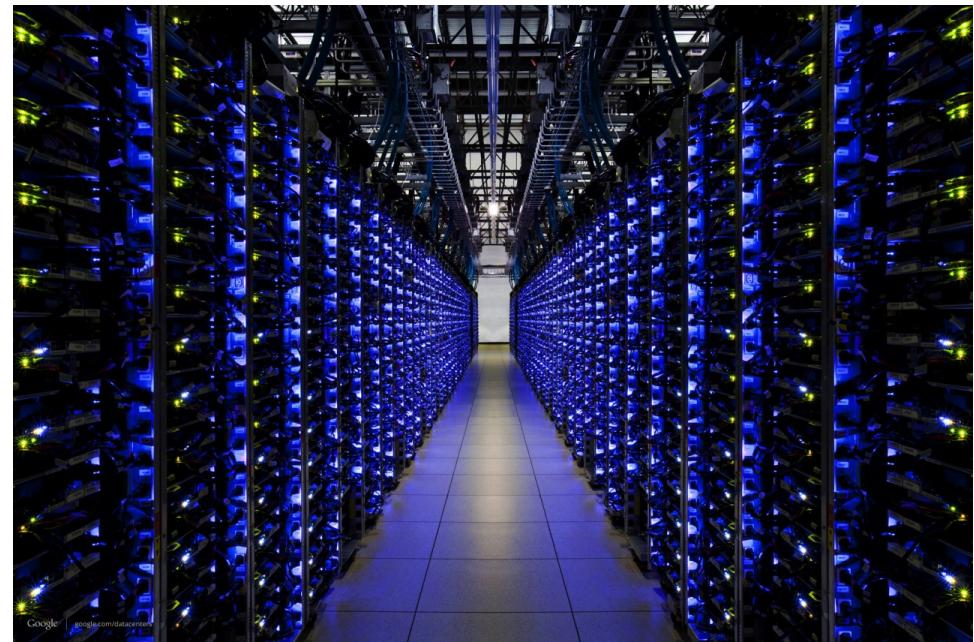
Data is Automated

Physical devices



Data is Automated

Physical devices
Software logs



Data is *Ubiquitous*

Physical devices

Software logs

Phones



Data is *Ubiquitous*

Physical devices

Software logs

Phones

GPS/Cars



Data is *Everywhere*

Physical devices

Software logs

Phones

GPS/Cars

Internet of *Things*



All this data, what are we doing with it?

What are we doing with data?

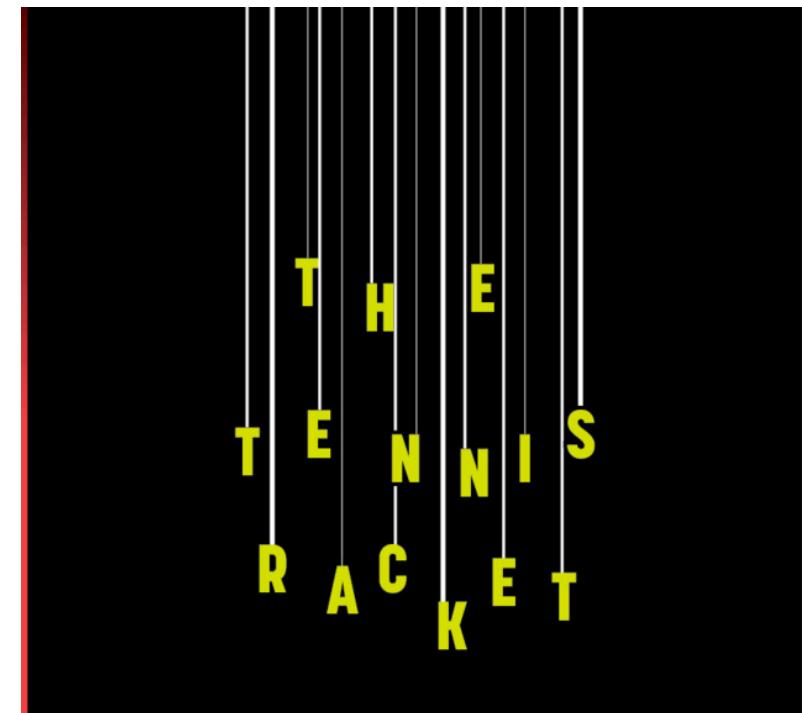
Health



What are we doing with data?

Health

Investigative Journalism



What are we doing?

Health Investigative Journalism

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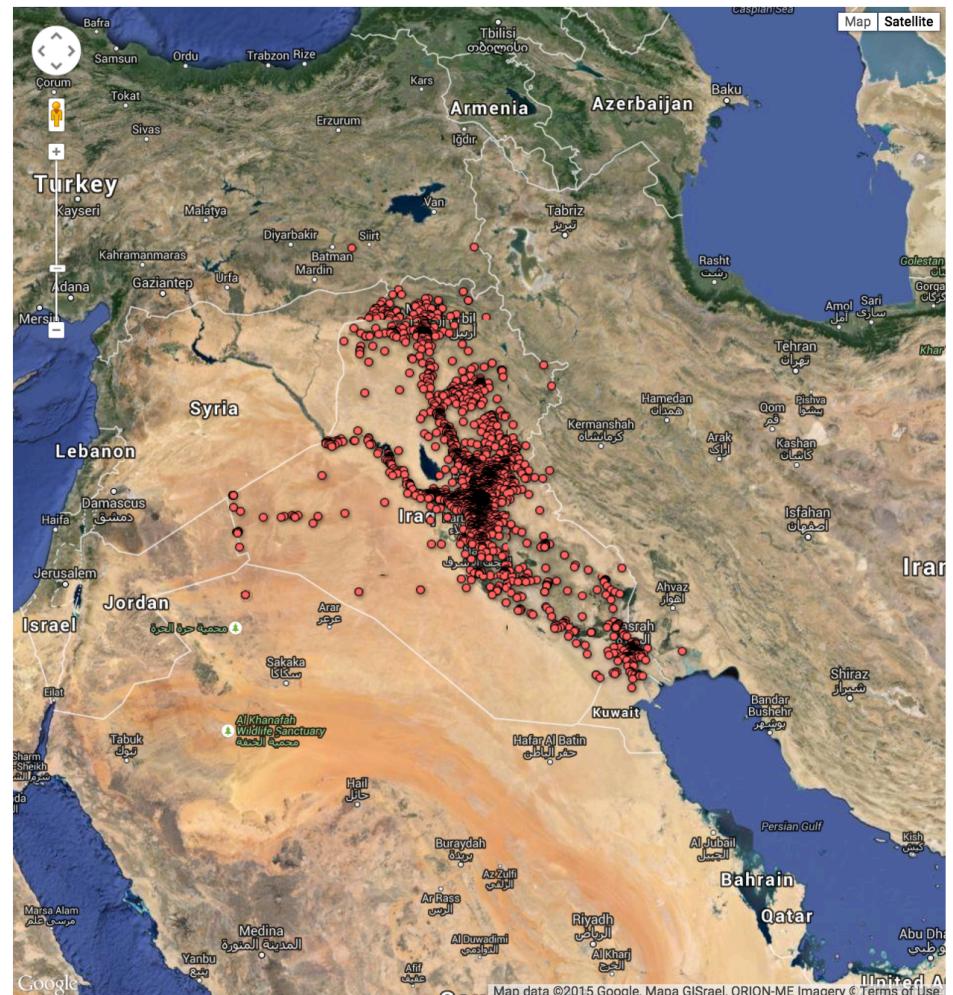
DATA BLOG
Facts are sacred

Wikileaks Iraq war logs: every death mapped

The Wikileaks Iraq war logs provide us with a unique picture of every death in Iraq. These are those events mapped using Google Fusion tables

• Download the data from the Datablog

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What are we doing with data?

Health

Investigative Journalism

Recommendations



What are we doing with data?

Health

Technology | Business | Finance



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Kashmir Hill, FORBES STAFF

Welcome to *The Not-So Private Parts* where technology & privacy collide

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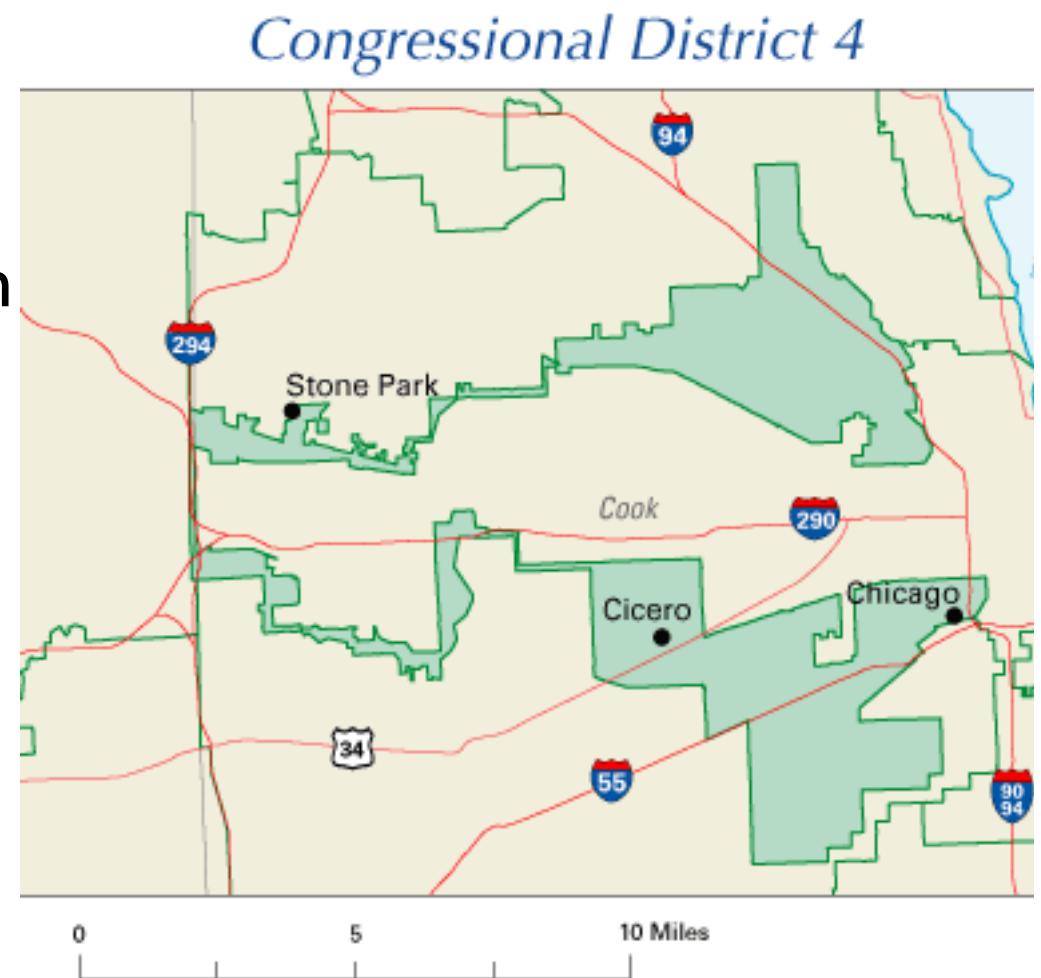
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The screenshot shows a news article from TIME magazine. At the top, there is a dark header bar with a menu icon (three horizontal lines), the word "TIME" in white, and a "Subscribe" button. Below the header, the text "2012 ELECTION" is written in blue. The main title of the article is "Inside the Secret World of the Data Crunchers Who Helped Obama Win", displayed prominently in large, bold, black font. Underneath the title, a subtitle reads: "Data-driven decisionmaking played a huge role in creating a second term for the 44th President and will be one of the more closely studied elements of the 2012 cycle".

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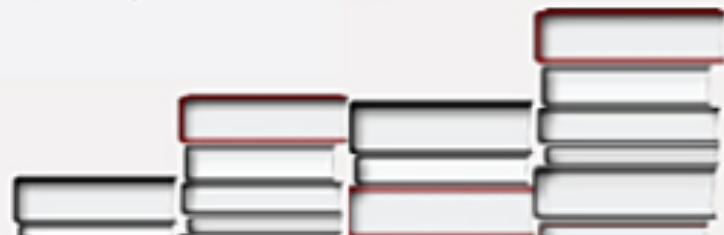
Politics

Surveillance

Every day, the NSA intercepts and stores **1.7 billion** emails, phone calls, texts, and other electronic communications.



That's equivalent to **138 million books**, every 24 hours.



What are we doing with data?

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Identity



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India's Ambitious National Identification Program

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The Unique Identification Authority of India has been charged with implementing a nationwide program to register and assign a unique 12-digit ID to every Indian resident—some 1.2 billion people—by 2020. In a new case, Professor Tarun Khanna and HBS India Research Center Executive Director Anjali Raina discuss the complexities of this massive data management project.

“YOU ARE BASICALLY DENIED ALMOST EVERYTHING IF YOU CAN'T PROVE WHO YOU ARE.”

What data?

What data?

Fake data



What data?

Fake data

Biased data

What data?

Fake data

Biased data

Incorrect data

What data?

Fake data

Biased data

Incorrect data

Mixed data

Reservation

About

Menu

Reviews

SIDES

Fruit Plate \$7 S

Patatas Bravas, Spicy-Tangy Sauce and \$9 H
Rosemary Aioli

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Making government & politics more accountable & transparent .

Data will be crucial to
how we live
as individuals and as a society



Spot the database









Search Locations



Recent Cities

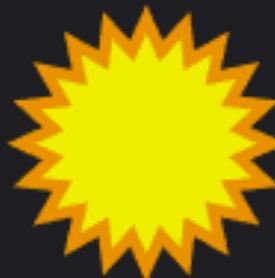
Cambridge, MA

New York, NY

(●) Upper West Side

82 °F

Feels like 82°



82°

69°

10%



75°

71°

68°

71°

80°

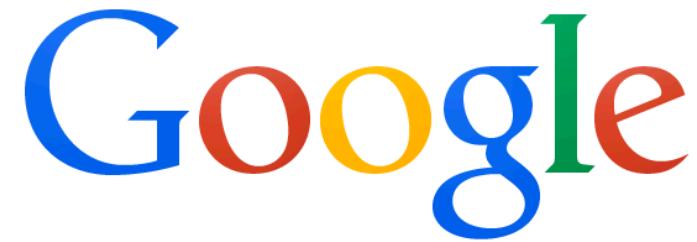
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Trends · Change

#GOPDebate
Five Things To Watch For, While Watching The GOP Debate
64.7K Tweets about this trend

#Ashes2015
Australia 60 all out: Stats and facts that will leave you bamboozled
122K Tweets about this trend

CS 4

2012-01-04 00:01:23,180 INFO org.apache.hadoop.hdfs.server.datanode.DataNode: Receiving
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Is this a Database?

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the treehip

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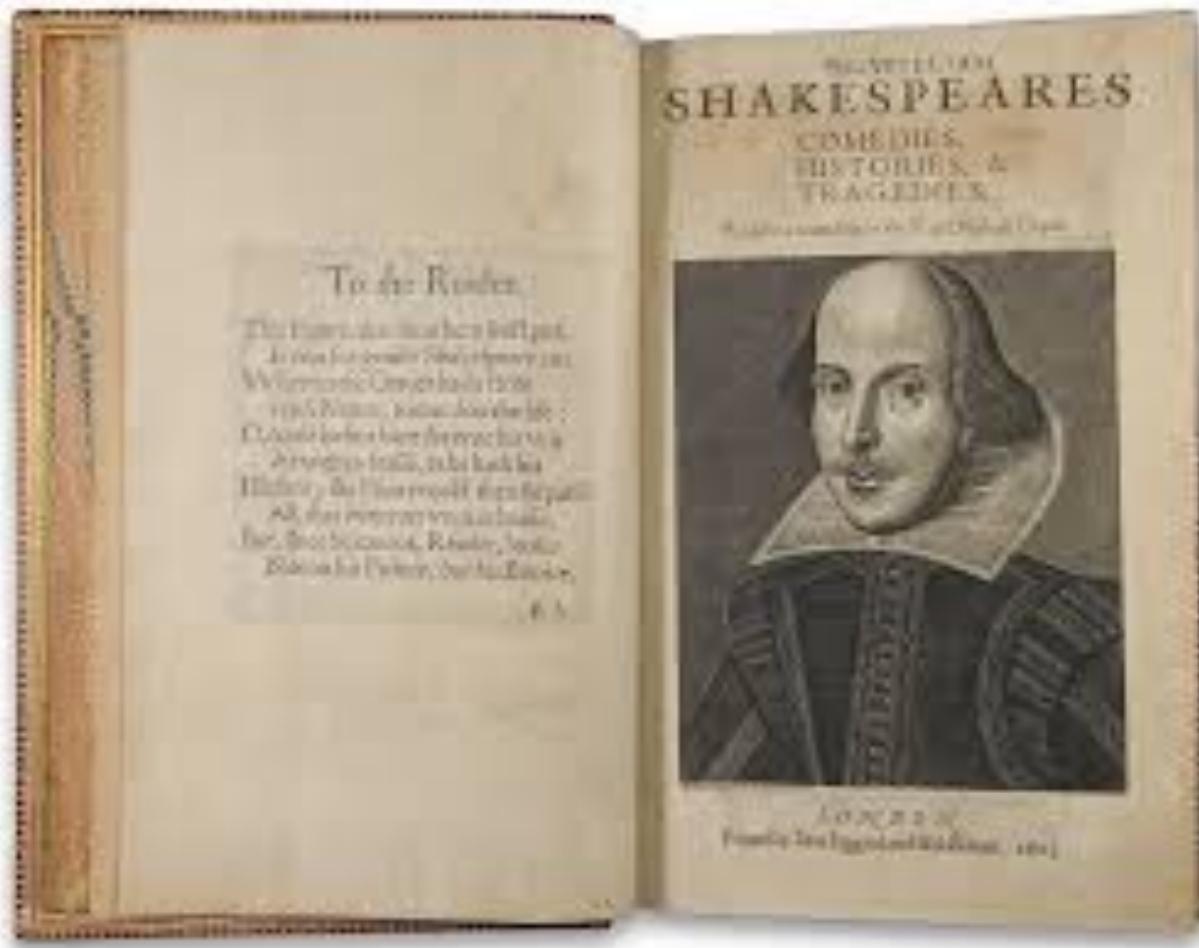
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SALES_DATA_TABLES.xlsx - Microsoft Excel

The screenshot shows a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet titled "SALES_DATA_TABLES.xlsx". The spreadsheet contains a single sheet with data from row 1 to 29. The columns are labeled A through O. The data includes columns for ID, BRAND, MODEL, YYYYMM, REGION, D_MODEL_ID, D_MONTH_ID, D_REGION_ID, SALES_UNITS, and MM/YYYY. The data shows sales for Alfa Romeo Giulietta in the Netherlands from February 2012 to January 2013.

| | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J | K | L | M | N | O |
|----|------|------------|----------------------|--------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|---------|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | ID | BRAND | MODEL | YYYYMM | REGION | D_MODEL_ID | D_MONTH_ID | D_REGION_ID | SALES_UNITS | MM/YYYY | | | | | |
| 2 | 1000 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 147 | 201202 | Netherlands | 1000 | 1001 | 1000 | 1 | Feb-12 | | | | | |
| 3 | 1001 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 147 | 201203 | Netherlands | 1000 | 1002 | 1000 | 1 | Mar-12 | | | | | |
| 4 | 1002 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201201 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1000 | 1000 | 24 | Jan-12 | | | | | |
| 5 | 1003 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201202 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1001 | 1000 | 15 | Feb-12 | | | | | |
| 6 | 1004 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201203 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1002 | 1000 | 14 | Mar-12 | | | | | |
| 7 | 1005 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201204 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1003 | 1000 | 3 | Apr-12 | | | | | |
| 8 | 1006 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201205 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1004 | 1000 | 7 | May-12 | | | | | |
| 9 | 1007 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201206 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1005 | 1000 | 5 | Jun-12 | | | | | |
| 10 | 1008 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201207 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1006 | 1000 | 3 | Jul-12 | | | | | |
| 11 | 1009 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201208 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1007 | 1000 | 2 | Aug-12 | | | | | |
| 12 | 1010 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201209 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1008 | 1000 | 1 | Sep-12 | | | | | |
| 13 | 1011 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201210 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1009 | 1000 | 1 | Oct-12 | | | | | |
| 14 | 1012 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201211 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1010 | 1000 | 1 | Nov-12 | | | | | |
| 15 | 1013 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201301 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1012 | 1000 | 1 | Jan-13 | | | | | |
| 16 | 1014 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo 159 | 201302 | Netherlands | 1001 | 1013 | 1000 | 4 | Feb-13 | | | | | |
| 17 | 1015 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo Giulietta | 201201 | Netherlands | 1002 | 1000 | 1000 | 278 | Jan-12 | | | | | |
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| 21 | 1019 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo Giulietta | 201205 | Netherlands | 1002 | 1004 | 1000 | 142 | May-12 | | | | | |
| 22 | 1020 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo Giulietta | 201206 | Netherlands | 1002 | 1005 | 1000 | 174 | Jun-12 | | | | | |
| 23 | 1021 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo Giulietta | 201207 | Netherlands | 1002 | 1006 | 1000 | 56 | Jul-12 | | | | | |
| 24 | 1022 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo Giulietta | 201208 | Netherlands | 1002 | 1007 | 1000 | 62 | Aug-12 | | | | | |
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| 29 | 1027 | Alfa Romeo | Alfa Romeo Giulietta | 201301 | Netherlands | 1002 | 1012 | 1000 | 107 | Jan-13 | | | | | |

| Dewey # | 10 Main Classes | Kinds of Books |
|----------------|---------------------------|--|
| 000-099 | General Works | encyclopedias, almanacs, record books, such as Guinness |
| 100-199 | Philosophy and Psychology | paranormal phenomena, such as ghosts, ethics, how we think |
| 200-299 | Religion | mythology, religions |
| 300-399 | Social Science | government, holidays, folklore, fairy tales, education, community |
| 400-499 | Language | English and foreign languages, sign language, dictionaries |
| 500-599 | Natural Science | math, chemistry, biology, weather, rocks, plants, animals in nature |
| 600-699 | Applied Science | inventions, health, drugs, transportation, cooking, pets |
| 700-799 | Fine Arts and Recreation | crafts, art, drawing, painting, music, games, TV, movies, sports |
| 800-899 | Literature | short stories, poetry, plays, jokes, riddles (fiction could be here) |
| 900-999 | History and Geography | countries, flags, historical events, biographies (92 or 920) |

What is a Database?

Structured data

What is a Database?

Lots of
Structured data

Database Management System (DBMS)

A system to **store, manage** and **access** databases

Database Management System (DBMS)

System to **safely** and **reliably** store lots of **persistent** structured data and is **convenient** for **multiple** users to **efficiently** access and modify.

Is a program a DBMS?

Java/Python/Javascript etc

Data stored in variables (RAM)

Very fast access

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Java/Python/Javascript etc

Data stored in variables (RAM)

Very fast access

What about crashes? Restarts?

Is Excel a DBMS?

Visually access/modify/compute over data cells

Click save to store persistently

Is Excel a DBMS?

Visually access/modify/compute over data cells

Click save to store persistently

What about sharing? Huge tables? Multiple tables?

Is the file system a DBMS?

Manages files that are persistently stored on disk

Open/read/seek/write access to files

Access via file names

Access control via permissions

Is the file system a DBMS?

You and a friend edit the same text file
Save at the same time
What happens?

1. Your changes survive
2. Friend's changes survive
3. Both changes survive
4. No changes survive
5. ¯_(ツ)_/¯

Is the file system a DBMS?

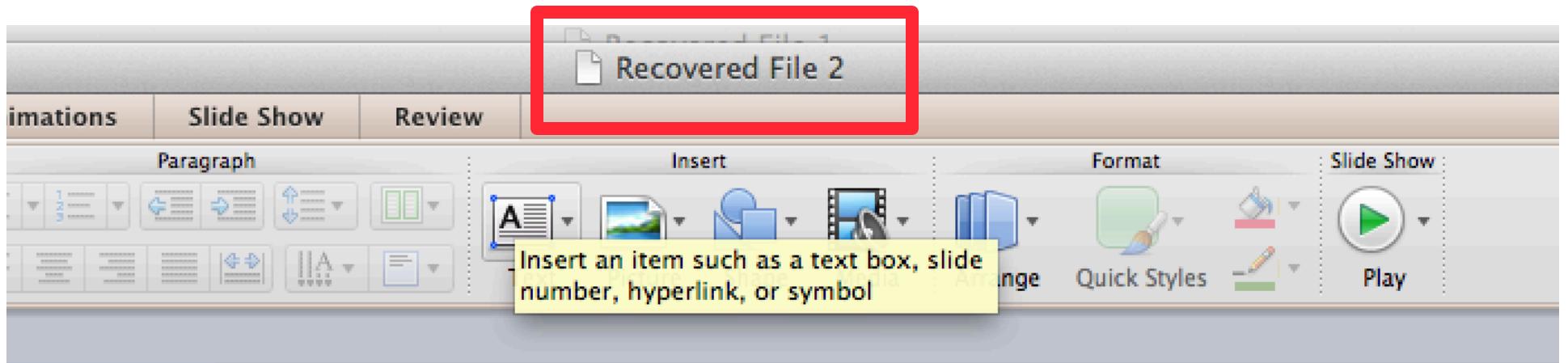
You edit a text file

Computer crashes

What happens?

1. All changes survive
2. No changes survive
3. Changes from last save survive
4. _(ツ)_/

Is the file system a DBMS?



The screenshot shows a Microsoft Office ribbon interface. The 'Insert' tab is highlighted with a red box. A tooltip below the 'Insert' tab says: "Insert an item such as a text box, slide number, hyperlink, or symbol". The ribbon also includes tabs for Animations, Slide Show, Review, Paragraph, Format, and Slide Show.

Recovered File 2

Animations Slide Show Review

Paragraph Insert Format Slide Show

Insert an item such as a text box, slide number, hyperlink, or symbol

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Introduction to Databases

Want Guarantees from DBMS

You want to write a hot new app on a DBMS.
What do you *not* want to worry about?

Failures disk, machine, human, corruption

Lots of users

Ad-hoc data access

Data formats csv? tsv? custom format?

Database Management System (DBMS)

System to **safely** and **reliably** store **lots** of **persistent** structured data that is **convenient** for **multiple** users to **efficiently** access and modify.

Database Management System (DBMS)

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Safe | Consistent and correct data after failures |
| Reliable | 99.99+% Uptime |
| Lots | >>RAM (terabytes) |
| Persistent | Lives longer than one program/process |
| Convenient | Physical Independence. Declarative. |
| Multiple Users | Concurrent access. Access control. |
| Efficient | Fast: 100k+ queries / sec |

DBMSes in the Wild

Classic Relational

\$\$: Oracle, IBM, Microsoft, Teradata, EMC, etc

Free: MySQL, PostgreSQL

New Relational

In-Memory, Column-store, Streaming

Non-traditional

Search (Google, Bing, Lucene), Scientific, Geographic

NoSQL

Big Data: Hadoop, Spark, etc

Key-value: Mongo, BerkeleyDB, Cassandra, etc

DBMS-as-a-Service

Microsoft Azure, Amazon Redshift/RDS, etc...

Encompasses most of CS

| | |
|-----------|--|
| OS | DBMS directly manages hardware |
| Languages | SQL is a domain specific language |
| Theory | Algorithms, models, NP-complete |
| AI/ML | Knowledge Discovery |
| Logic | Relational Algebra = 1 st order logic |

Good time to learn!

Cloud programmer

Data science

Data engineer

Machine learning engineer



DATA

Data Scientist: The Sexiest Job of the 21st Century

by Thomas H. Davenport and D.J. Patil

FROM THE OCTOBER 2012 ISSUE

2 Key Concepts

Data Independence

Declarative Languages

Serve to insulate application programmers
from the system implementation

Data Independence

External Schema

Describe how users see data

External Schema

Conceptual Schema

Describes logical structure

Conceptual Schema

Physical Schema

Describes files and indexes

Physical Schema

“Data”

Example App: Guuber

Users(**uid int**, name str, age int)

Drivers(**did int**, name str)

Rides(**uid int**, **did int**, distance float, drive_time float)



Data Independence

| UID | Name | Age |
|-----|--------------|-----|
| 0 | Eugene Wu | 17 |
| 1 | Luis Gravano | 20 |
| 2 | Ken Ross | 30 |

0,Eugene Wu,17
1,Luis Gravano,20
2,Ken Ross,30

CSV File

What is the number of adults?

Data Independence

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CSV File

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n = 0
for line in csv_file:
    attributes = line.split(",")
    if attributes[2] >= 18:
        n += 1
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Data Independence

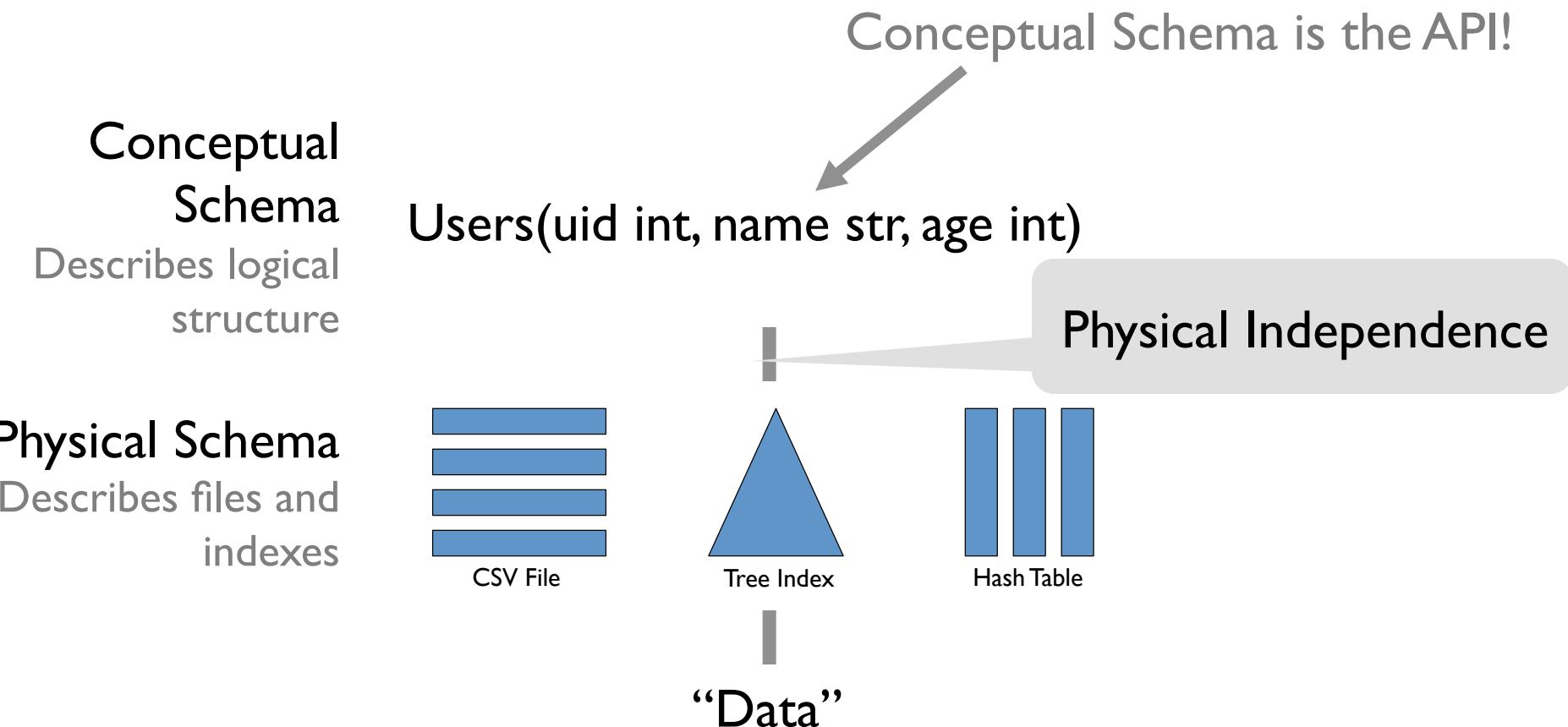
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0,1,2
Eugene Wu,Luis ...
17,20,30

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 if attributes[2] >= 18:
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Data Independence



Data Independence

Users(uid int, name str, age int)

“Welcome back Mr. Wu”

Data Independence

Users(uid int, **fname str**, **lname str**, age int)

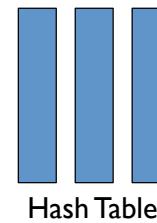
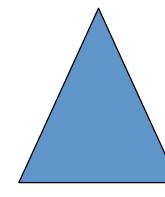
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Data Independence

Conceptual Schema
Describes logical structure

Users(uid int, name str, age int)

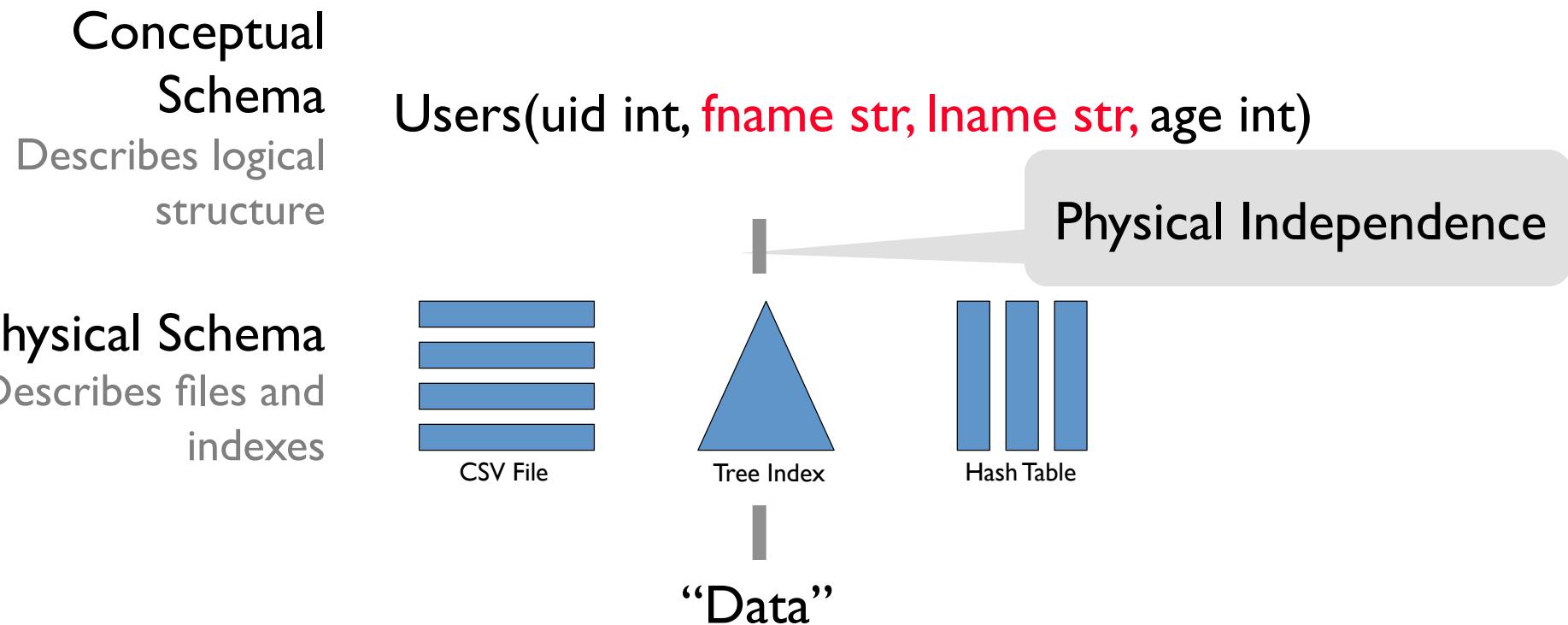
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Physical Independence

“Data”

Data Independence



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Describes files and indexes

View 1

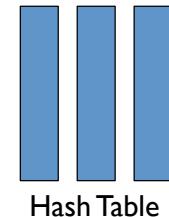
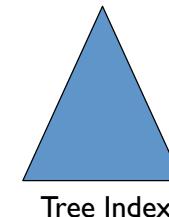
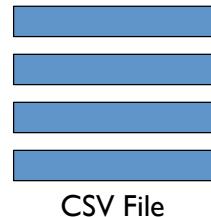
View 2

View 3

Logical Independence

Users(uid int, **fname str, lname str, age int**)

Physical Independence



“Data”

Data Independence

Physical Independence

Protection from changes in physical structure of data

Logical Independence

Protection from changes in logical structure of data

One of most important properties of a DBMS

Declarative

What you want,

“Get me a sandwich”

Go to store and buy BLT

Make PB&J

Get Falafel delivered

not how to do it.

“Take two slices of wheat
bread out of the 2nd shelf, put
them next to each other...”

What if on 1st shelf?

Out of wheat bread?

No counter space?

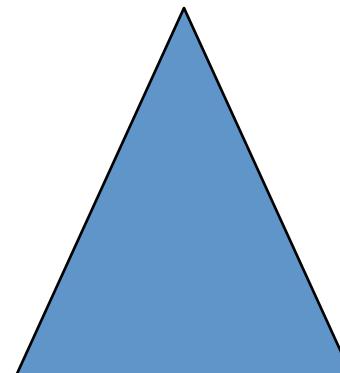
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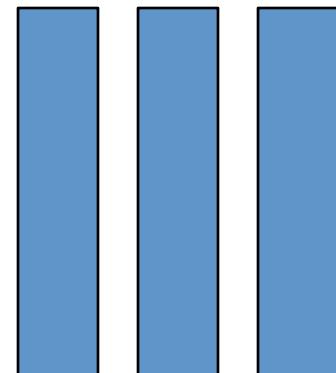
DBMS



CSV File



Tree Index



Hash Table

Declarative

“I want W4111 instructors for Spring 2016”

DBMS

Node

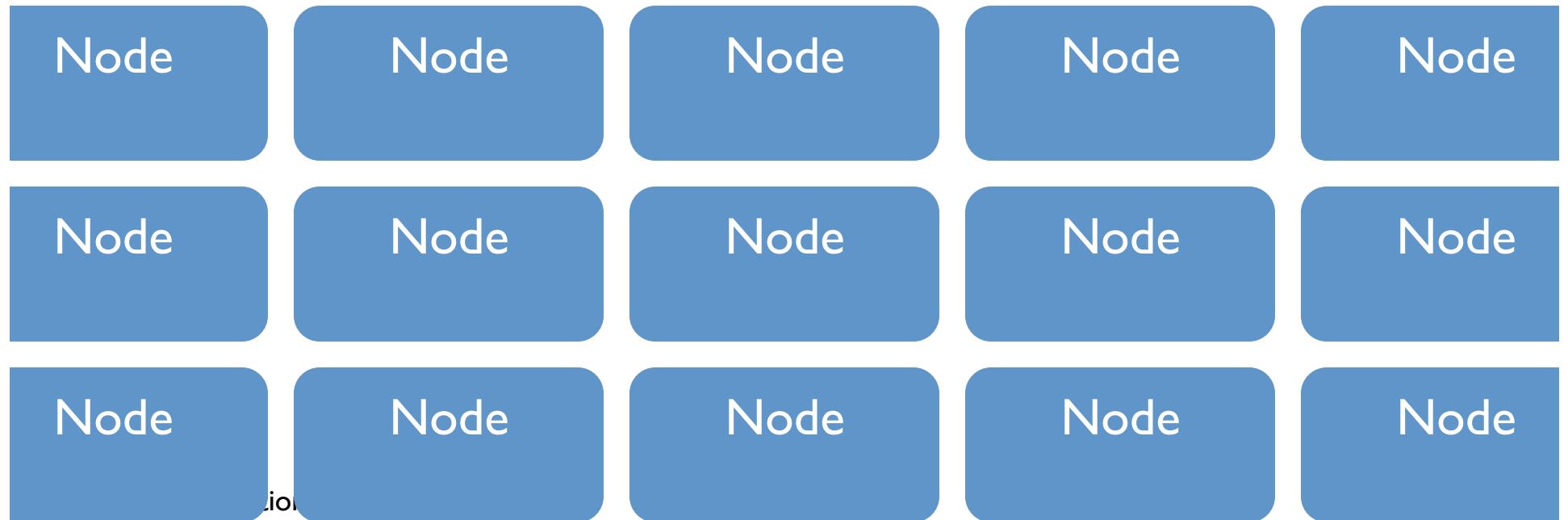
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Node

Declarative

“I want all highly rated fast drivers”

DBMS



Classic Components in Databases

Durability (Recovery and Logs)

Transactions

Concurrency Control

Atomicity

Durability (Write-Ahead Log)

After crash: Want data to be accessible

Idea: Write modifications to a *log*, then apply to data structures

Each record allows redo/undo entire action

Transaction: Execution of a DB Program

Def: *atomic* (indivisible) sequence of DBMS actions

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Begin;  
<read Evan's account>  
<deduct from Evan's account>  
<increase Eugene's account>  
Commit; (or Abort;)
```

Transaction: Execution of a DB Program

Def: *atomic* (indivisible) sequence of DBMS actions

Each fully executed transaction must leave DB in
consistent state if DB is consistent before transaction

Concurrency Control

Concurrently running multiple user programs needed for good performance

Disks and networks are slow. Keep CPU working

Use multiple CPUs

Concurrency can cause inconsistencies

- e.g., check cleared while account balance being computed.
- *Really* hard to ensure correctness

DBMS hides concurrency: write “single user” program

Scheduling Concurrent Transactions

Transactions T_1, \dots, T_n are run concurrently

Equivalent to a *serial* ordering (as if no concurrency)

Locks: T_i requests and waits for lock before read/write.

e.g., T_i locks the database, updates, then releases

e.g., T_i locks the table, updates, then releases

e.g., T_i locks rows, updates, then releases

Will talk about how this works later in course.

Atomicity

Def: Xact fully completes, or never happened
even after failures e.g., crashes

Record all actions Xact did during execution in a log

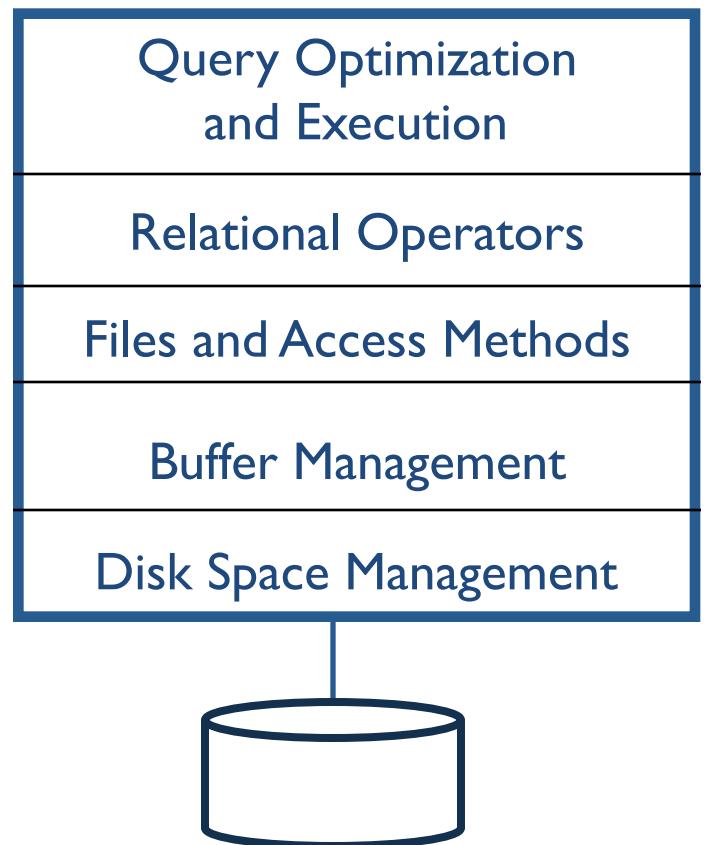
1. **Write ahead logging:** before making any change, ensure the change is safely recorded in log
2. After failure, read log and undo any incomplete Xacts

Classic Structure of a DBMS

These layers must consider concurrency control and recovery

Typical layered architecture
DBMS, not OS, manages
memory and disk

Doesn't show concurrency
control & recovery components



Database Courses at Columbia

COMS W4111 - Intro to Databases

Prerequisites: CS3137 or CS3134; fluency in Python

Intro to DBMSes

Data Models Entity-relation, Relational, ...

Relational Algebra

SQL

Applications + SQL cursors, APIs, embedded ...

Normalization

Peek at DBMS internals:

Storage and indexing

Query optimization

Transaction Processing

COMS W4112-Database Sys. Impl.

Storage Methods and Indexing

Query Processing and Optimization for 1NF Relations,
including external sorting

Materialized Views and Use in Query Optimization

Query Processing and Optimization for ORDBMSs

Transaction Processing and Recovery

Parallel & Distributed DBMSes: Query Proc. and
Optimization

Parallel and Distributed Databases: Transaction Processing

Performance Considerations Beyond I/Os

COMS E6111-Advanced Databases

Prerequisites: CS4111; fluency in Java or Python

Information Retrieval

Web Search

Distributed Information Retrieval and Web Search

Data Mining

Data Warehousing, OLAP, Decision Support

Information Extraction

Scalable Visualization and Interaction

Supporting data analysis

Exploration, explanation and exhibition techniques

Administrivia

Next Up

Set up your environment on the cloud

HW0 is out.

Due by Thursday 8:40 AM

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Class Resources

Class web page

<http://www.cs.columbia.edu/~coms4111>

Discussion board

piazza (linked from courseworks/website)

Announcements from class staff:

CourseWorks → [@columbia.edu email](mailto:@columbia.edu)

Your TAs

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Mengqing Wang

Jincheng Li

Sania Arif

All TA office hours in CS TA Room (see class web page)
TA office hours will be posted on class web page

Class Information: Prerequisites

COMS W3134 - *Data Structures in Java* or
COMS W3137 - *Data Structures and Algorithms*

(equivalent courses taken elsewhere are acceptable as well)

Fluency in **Python**

You need permission from the instructor if you don't have the prerequisites.

Class Information: Lectures

Mondays and Wednesdays

2:30 - 4 p.m.

833 Mudd

(here)

Grading Information

Midterm: 15%

Midterm 2: 40% (last day of class)

HW: 15% (4 HWs equally weighed)

Project I: 15%

Project 2: 5%

Median grade: B+ or slightly higher.

Alternative or make-up exams will not be given.

All homework assignments are equally weighted.

Project I has higher weight than Project 2.

Exam Dates

Midterm 1: in class

Midterm 2: last day of class, in class

If you cannot make the midterms,
do not take this course

Homework

Homeworks usually due at 8:40AM of due date (before class)
No extensions or exceptions.

Three grace late days for hws throughout the semester.

After using all grace days, **25% grade deduction** per late day.

Check full details on web site.

Projects (more details soon)

Two projects.

Teams of two

Run on Microsoft Azure cloud infrastructure

Get CS account if your team doesn't have a computer

Language is Python

Project 1

Model and build your own database web application

Explore “traditional” relational database features.

Project 2

TBD

Projects (cont.)

No extensions or exceptions for project submission.

3 grace late days total for project.

After using all grace days, 25% grade deduction per late day.

Check full details on web site.

Collaboration Policy

Read Syllabus on course site for allowed conduct

CS Dept academic honesty policies

<http://www.cs.columbia.edu/education/honesty>

We will not tolerate *any* cheating

Collaboration Policy

Discussing lectures and course material strongly encouraged

Homework and exams are *individual*. No exceptions

Any libraries or code however minor must be disclosed.

Projects are done in teams; no collaboration between teams.

Contact the instructor right away if you have any questions or are falling behind.

Textbook

Raghu Ramakrishnan, Johannes Gehrke: *Database Management Systems*, 3rd edition, McGraw-Hill, 2002

Available from

Bookculture bookstore 536 W. 112th St.

Online retailers

Upperclass-persons

On reserve in Engineering Library

Contests and Rewards

“A+ letter-and-lunch” reward

Students who earn an A+ will get

Personal letter of congratulations from the instructor.

Lunch at Faculty House with instructor and A+ students

Top candidates for cs4111 TA positions in the future.

Project I contest

Four best projects chosen as contest winners.

Winners get:

Option to discuss and demo your project in class.

10% boost in your Project I grade.

On-going Feedback

Please provide feedback throughout the course.

- What is useful or confusing in lecture
- Thoughts about software stack
- Thoughts about assignments

Email me, come to office hours, talk to staff or:

On-going Feedback

Use form on website

The image shows a feedback form titled "Feedback form" with a light gray background. At the top, there is a message: "Please share your comments and suggestions for the course!". Below this, a red asterisk indicates a required field: "* Required". The first section is labeled "Feedback *". The question "Share what worked or what was confusing/difficult" is followed by a large text input area. The second section is labeled "Improvements". The question "What change would you suggest to improve things?" is followed by another large text input area.

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Share what worked or what was confusing/difficult

Improvements

What change would you suggest to improve things?

Slides borrow material from
Prof. Gravano
Prof. Hellerstein & Franklin@Cal
Prof. Madden & Stonebraker@MIT

(and by transitivity Raghu Ramakrishnan and Johannes Gehrke)

Useful info

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DO HOMEWORK 0!



What's happening?



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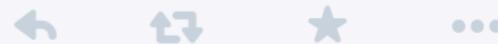
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