

Introduction to Databases

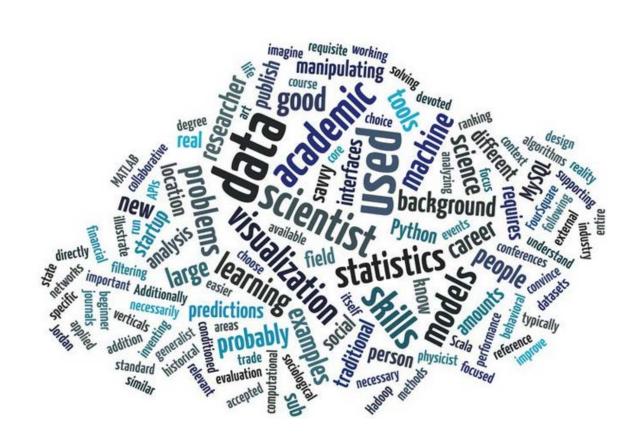
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What is Data?

 Data is a collection of facts in a raw or unorganized form





What is Information?

- Information is data that is specific and organized for a purpose
- Data presented within a context gives it meaning and relevance
- This leads to an increase in understanding and decrease in uncertainty





What is a Database?

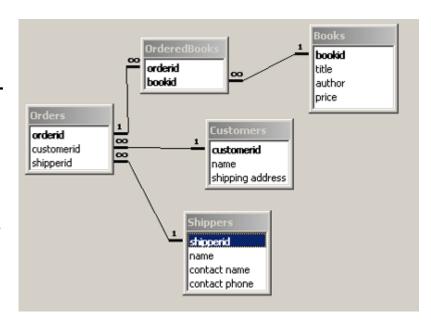
- A database is an organized or structured repository of data that allows for the easy retrieval, update and analysis of information
- Databases are usually organized as a group of linked data files (aka tables)





What is a Relational Database?

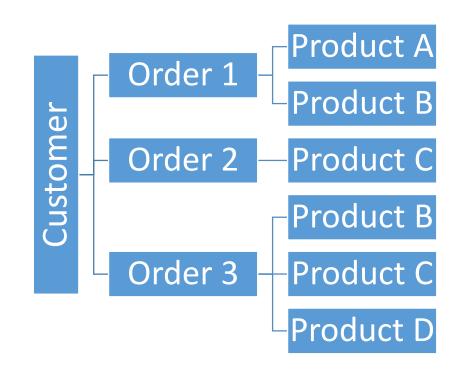
- A relational database is a collection of data items organized as a set of formallydescribed tables
- Data can be accessed or reassembled in many different ways without having to reorganize the database tables.
- The relational database was invented by E. F. Codd at IBM in 1970.





What is a Hierarchical Database?

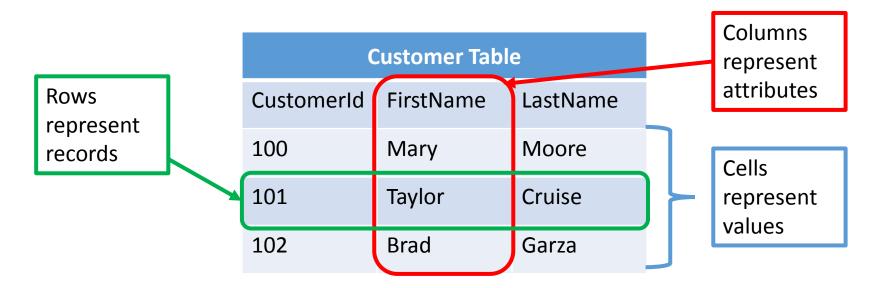
- Organizes data with multiple one to many relationships.
- One parent can have many children but children are allowed only one parent.
- Pros
 - Faster to query against
- Cons
 - Duplicate data
 - Cannot represent many to many relations in a single database





What is a Table?

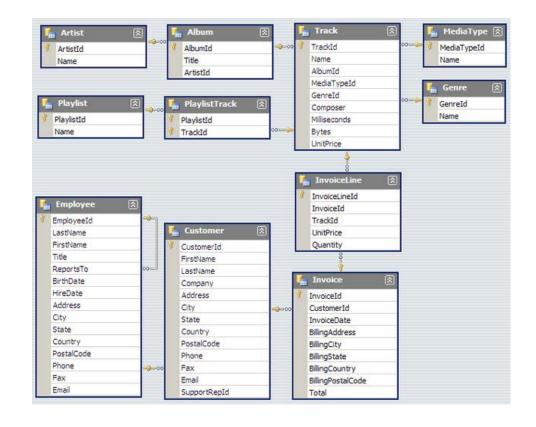
- Tables are where data is stored in a database
- All tables have columns and may have zero or more rows
- Data can be read or "queried" from a table using a SELECT statement
- Data can also be inserted, updated and deleted from a table





What is an Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD)?

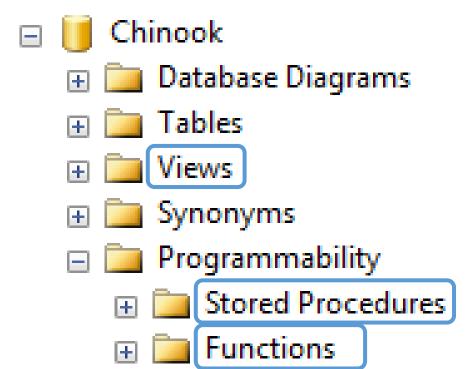
- An ERD is a visual diagram that shows the relationships between tables in a database
- An ERD helps identify where data is stored and how it relates to other data





Other Database Objects

- Views
 - Act like tables
 - Can reference data from multiple sources
- Stored Procedures
 - Container for SQL code
 - Multiple complex statements can be contained in a single stored procedure
- User Defined Functions
 - Snippets of reusable code





What is SQL Server?

- SQL Server is Microsoft's name for their database server product
- There are several versions of SQL Server available from SQL Server Express which is used for desktops, to SQL Server Enterprise which is used by large corporations
- The difference between versions lies primarily in the amount of CPU and Memory available for use, as well as special abilities available only in the Enterprise version





What is T-SQL?

- Stands for Transact-Structured Query Language
- Is Microsoft's version of the SQL language
- T-SQL conforms to the ANSI (American National Standards Institute) compliance standards for SQL
- Has additional some additional functionality unique to T-SQL

```
SELECT DISTINCT
    Country, State
    , CASE
        WHEN Country IN('Brazil', 'Argentina', 'Chile') THEN 'South America'
        WHEN Country = 'USA' THEN
            CASE
                WHEN State IN ('CA','NV','WA') THEN 'USA-West'
                WHEN State IN ('MA','NY') THEN 'USA-Northeast'
                WHEN State IN ('TX','AZ') THEN 'USA-Southwest'
                ELSE 'USA-Other'
        WHEN Country IN('Canada') THEN 'North America'
        WHEN Country = 'India' THEN 'Asia'
        WHEN Country = 'Australia' THEN Country
        ELSE 'Europe'
        END Region
FROM Customer
ORDER BY
   Country DESC, Region, State
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SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS)

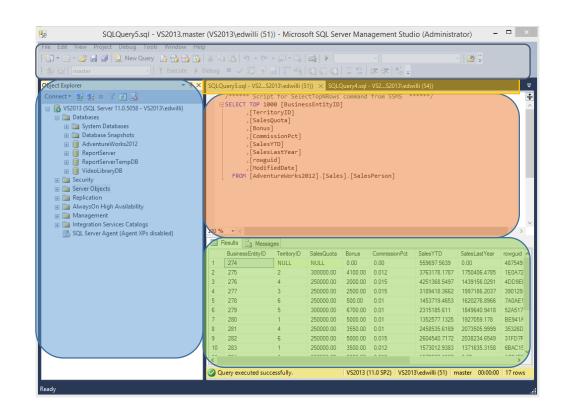
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 (SSMS) is a client tool used for connecting to your SQL Servers
- You can connect to a local server on your desktop or to a remote server.
- SSMS is a free download from Microsoft.





SQL Server Management Studio Layout

- Management Studio screen is divided into various menus, windows and tabs
 - Menu bar
 - Across the top in grey
 - Object Explorer
 - Left side in blue
 - Query window
 - Tabs
 - Top yellow
 - Editor Window
 - Middle orange
 - Result Window
 - Bottom green





Management Studio Menu Bar

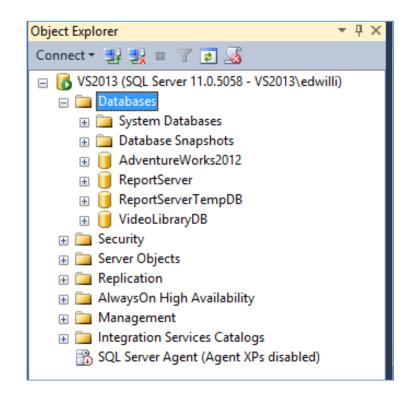


- The menu bar contains buttons and menus for interacting with your database and SQL scripts
- Hovering over a button will activate a tool tip showing the button description and its keyboard shortcut (if it has one)
- NOTE: Several buttons on the menu are for administrative features we won't be discussing in this course



Management Studio Object Explorer

- The Object Explorer displays the objects present in your SQL Server
- Clicking the plus sign will expand the display to show child objects contained within the parent object
- Right clicking on an object will display a menu relative to interacting with that object
- It is possible to connect to more than one SQL Server within Management Studio by clicking on the "Connect" button





Management Studio Editor Window

- SQL you want to execute is typed or copied into this window
- Clicking the "Execute" button on the menu bar, or pressing F5 executes the script
- Tabs are displayed directly above the editor window

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/****** Script for SelectTopNRows command from SSMS 

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| SELECT TOP 1000 [BusinessEntityID]

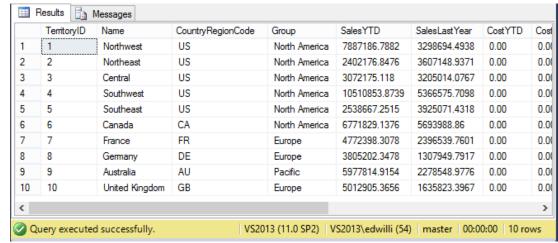
| , [TerritoryID]
| , [SalesQuota]
| , [Bonus]
| , [CommissionPct]
| , [SalesYTD]
| , [SalesLastYear]
| , [rowguid]
| , [ModifiedDate]

FROM [AdventureWorks2012].[Sales]|.[SalesPerson]
```



Management Studio Results Window

- Results of the SQL script execution (if any) are displayed here
- A text view is available in addition to the grid view
- The lower right corner displays information about the session
 - The user who executed the script
 - The database it ran on
 - Time it took to complete
 - Number of rows returned





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