DBMS Architecture

Types of DBMS Architecture

- There are mainly three types of DBMS architecture:
 - One Tier Architecture (Single Tier Architecture)
 - Two Tier Architecture
 - Three Tier Architecture

1-Tier Architecture

1 Tier Architecture in DBMS is the simplest architecture of Database in which the client, server, and Database all reside on the same machine. A simple one tier architecture example would be anytime you install a Database in your system and access it to practice SQL queries. But such architecture is rarely used in production.

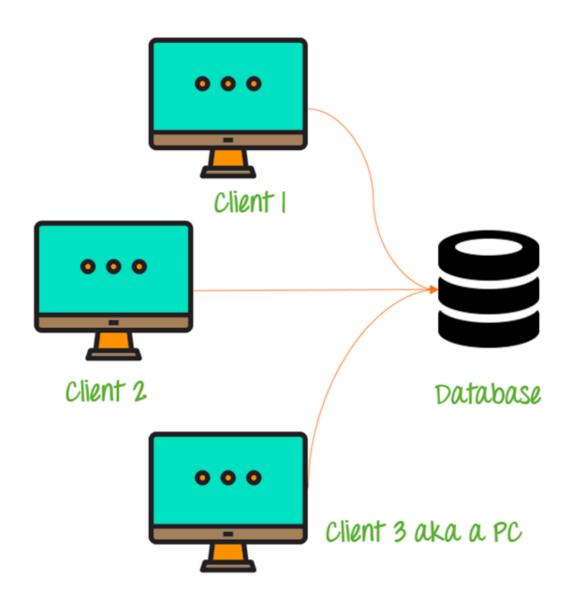


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2-Tier Architecture

A 2 Tier Architecture in DBMS is a Database architecture where the presentation layer runs on a client (PC, Mobile, Tablet, etc.), and data is stored on a server called the second tier. Two tier architecture provides added security to the DBMS as it is not exposed to the end-user directly. It also provides direct and faster communication.

Example:- A Contact Management System



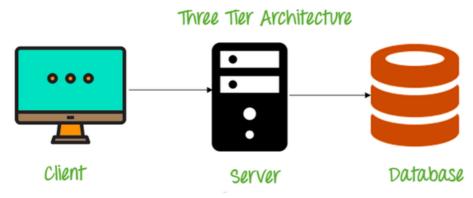
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3-Tier Architecture

A 3 Tier Architecture in DBMS is the most popular client server architecture in DBMS in which the development and maintenance of functional processes, logic, data access, data storage, and user interface is done independently as separate modules. Three Tier architecture contains a presentation layer, an application layer, and a database server.

3-Tier database Architecture design is an extension of the 2-tier client-server architecture. A 3-tier architecture has the following layers:

- 1. Presentation layer (your PC, Tablet, Mobile, etc.)
- 2. Application layer (server)
- 3. Database Server



The goal of Three Tier client-server architecture is:

- To separate the user applications and physical database
- To support DBMS characteristics
- Program-data independence
- Supporting multiple views of the data

Example: Any large website on the internet

