

Big Data

Relational DB & Graph DB

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❖ RDB (Relational Database)

- Representative database used in all software applications since the 80s
- Structured data is stored in tables
- Columns define data types
- Rows are collections of same data types from different datasets

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❖ RDB (Relational Database)

- Relational Information
 - Relations between one dataset Table to another Table are indicated through Table Primary-Key attributes referred through Foreign-key columns

Relational DB vs. Graph DB

❖ GDB (Graph Database)

- Database that uses graph structures
- Database graph that uses Vertexes (datasets/metadata) and Edges (relationship)
- Graph databases support
 - Semantic queries with nodes
 - Edges and properties to represent and store data

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❖ GDB (Graph Database)

- Vertexes (nodes) represent an Entity or Attribute (Metadata)
- Edges (links) represent the Relationship of the Vertexes
- Relationships records are organized based on type, features, direction, correlation, statistics, etc.

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❖ Metadata

- Data that provides information about other data
- Metadata Types
 - Descriptive Metadata
 - Structural Metadata
 - Administrative Metadata

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❖ Metadata

▪ Metadata Types

- Descriptive Metadata
 - Data & information on data resources and purposes
 - Method of data discovery, identification, and verification
 - Example: Title, Abstraction, Programmers, Authors, Sources, Keywords, etc.

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❖ Metadata

▪ Metadata Types

- Structural Metadata
 - Data & information on dataset containers
 - Specifics on Categories, Types, Versions, Relationships, Statistics, Characteristics
 - Method of data container collection or creation
 - Dataset compounding basis objects
 - **Example: File > Chapters > Sections > Subsections > Tables > Elements**

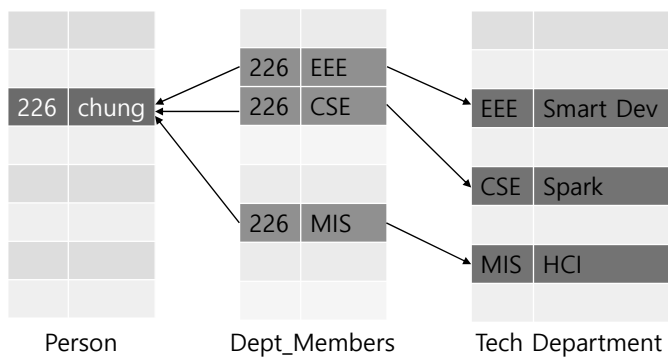
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❖ Metadata

- Metadata Types
 - Administrative Metadata
 - Data & information on resource management and administration
 - Method of dataset collection or creation
 - Dataset type and file technical information
 - User access permission and administration
 - Resource management methods and policies

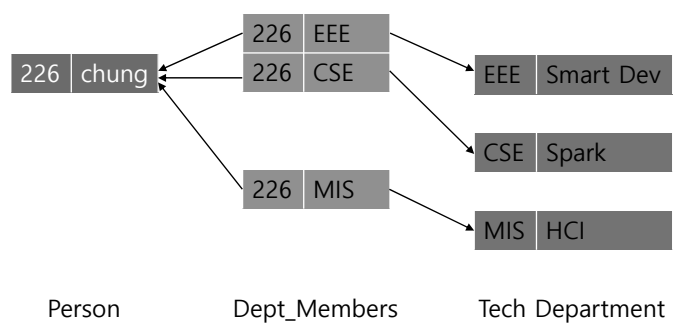
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❖ RDB & GDB Representations



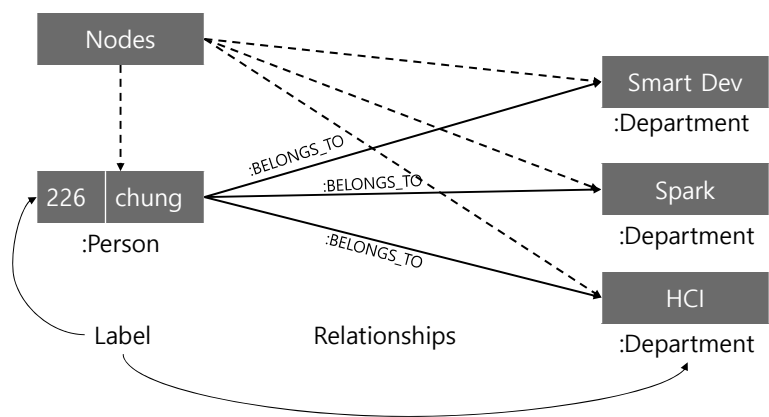
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❖ RDB & GDB Representations



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❖ RDB (Relational Database) Data Analysis

- When a Query is received, dataset Joins are computed by matching Primary-Keys and Foreign-Keys of the Tables
- Join tables are made to record the Many-to-Many relationships

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❖ RDB (Relational Database) Data Analysis

- Join process requires a lot of shuffling and sorting operations, which are complex and time consuming, thus should not be used too frequently

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❖ Join

- Process of combining related datasets based on common fields
- Essential process in database/dataset merging and data analysis
- Types of Join
 - NLJ (Nested Loop Join)
 - HJ (Hash Join)

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❖ NLJ (Nested Loop Join)

- Simplest Join method
- Uses nested loops to Join two Tables
- Nested loops based Joining process
 - For each row in the inner table, all rows of the outer table are read in order in the Join process

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❖ NLJ (Nested Loop Join)

- Time complexity increases significantly for larger Table
- Multiple Table Joining is processed two Tables at a time

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❖ HJ (Hash Join)

- HT (Hash Table) of the smaller Table is made and used in the Joining process
- HT is saved on the in-memory (RAM) or SSD for fast access

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❖ HJ (Hash Join)

- The small (and quickly accessible) HT is used in the lookup process of traversing the larger Table in the Join process
- HJ is much faster than NLJ (Nested Loop Join)

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❖ Hash Table (Hash Map)

- Data structure that builds an associative array of abstract data (from a larger dataset)
- More efficient than Search Trees and Lookup Tables

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❖ Hash Table (Hash Map)

- Used to map keys to values
- Hash Functions are used to compute indexes into values (an array of buckets/slots) which are placed in the Hash Table

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❖ GDB (Graph Database) Data Analysis

- For a Join (Shuffle, Sort) operation, the database just uses this list and has direct access to the connected nodes, eliminating the need for a complex and time consuming search & match operation

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❖ GDB (Graph Database) Data Analysis

- Pre-materializing relationships into database structures
- Faster response to Queries
- More expressive of data relations
- Much simpler to understand than RDBs
- Easier to use in Analysis & M&S (Modeling & Simulation)

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❖ Why GDB is better than RDB for Connected data?

- Connected data requires a lot of Join processes to analyze its numerous interconnected relations
- GDB data is not placed into a RDB RT (Relational Table), which uses predefined types of Structured data

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❖ Why GDB is better than RDB for Connected data?

- GDB data attributes can be added and removed as needed
- When Semi-structured data is placed into a RDB RT (Relational Table), much data will be lost (filtered out) and many columns of the RT will be empty (null)

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❖ Why GDB is better than RDB for Connected data?

- Since GDB has no predefined structure, data modeling is easier in GDBs
- In RDBs, for highly connected data, SQL query programming (syntax) is complex and difficult as the number of Joins has to increase
- Can we change an RDB in a GDB?

Yes!



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