



Databases





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Why?

A little hands on...

My Clients											
	Name	DOB	Age	Sex	Address	PLZ	City	Country	Civil Status	Religion	Abo-Type
	Tim Smith	04.11.1993	27	male	Main Street 7	10001	New York	US	Single	None	Basic
	Laura Jones	9/23/1988	29	f	Avenue 23	CB22	Duxford	United Kingdom	Married	Christian	Basic
	Bob Goodman	1/18/1972	46	male	Big Street 11A	10200	New York	United States	Divorced	Jewish	Premium
	Diana Kingston	13.06.1989	twenty-eight	female	Wood Road 62	CB22	Duxford	United Kingdom	Single	-	Basc



Why?

Spreadsheet-driven

Library with 1000 books and 50 customers



→ Go digital

- Book-Management
- Client-Data
- Lending-Information
- Dunning, Debt-Collection
- ...



Clear overview?

Consistent?

Multi-user?



Queries?

Spreadsheet Application

Performance?

What tables?



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Multi-user 👍

Clear overview 👍

Consistent 👍

Queries 👍



Database

Performance 👍

What tables 👍



Why? | Pros and Cons

Advantages

- Reduced data redundancy
- Reduced updating errors and increased consistency
- Greater data integrity and independence from applications programs
- Improved data access to users through use of host and query languages
- Improved data security
- Reduced data entry, storage, and retrieval costs
- Facilitated development of new applications program

Disadvantages

- Database systems are complex, difficult, and time-consuming to design
- Substantial hardware and software start-up costs
- Damage to database affects virtually all applications programs
- Extensive conversion costs in moving from a file-based system to a database system
- Initial training required for all programmers and users



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Qualities

- Consistency
- Performance
- Independence
- Abstraction





Qualities | Consistency

- Any given database transaction must change affected data only in allowed ways.
- Any data written to the database must be valid according to all defined rules, including constraints, cascades, triggers, and any combination thereof.

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- Humans are rather inconsistent
- Databases were designed to significantly increase data consistency



Qualities | Consistency

ACID

Atomicity

Requires that each transaction be "all or nothing"

Consistency

Ensures that any transaction will bring the database from one valid state to another.

Isolation

Ensures that the concurrent execution of transactions results in a system state that would be obtained if transactions were executed sequentially.

Durability

Ensures that once a transaction has been committed, it will remain so, even in the event of power loss, crashes, or errors.

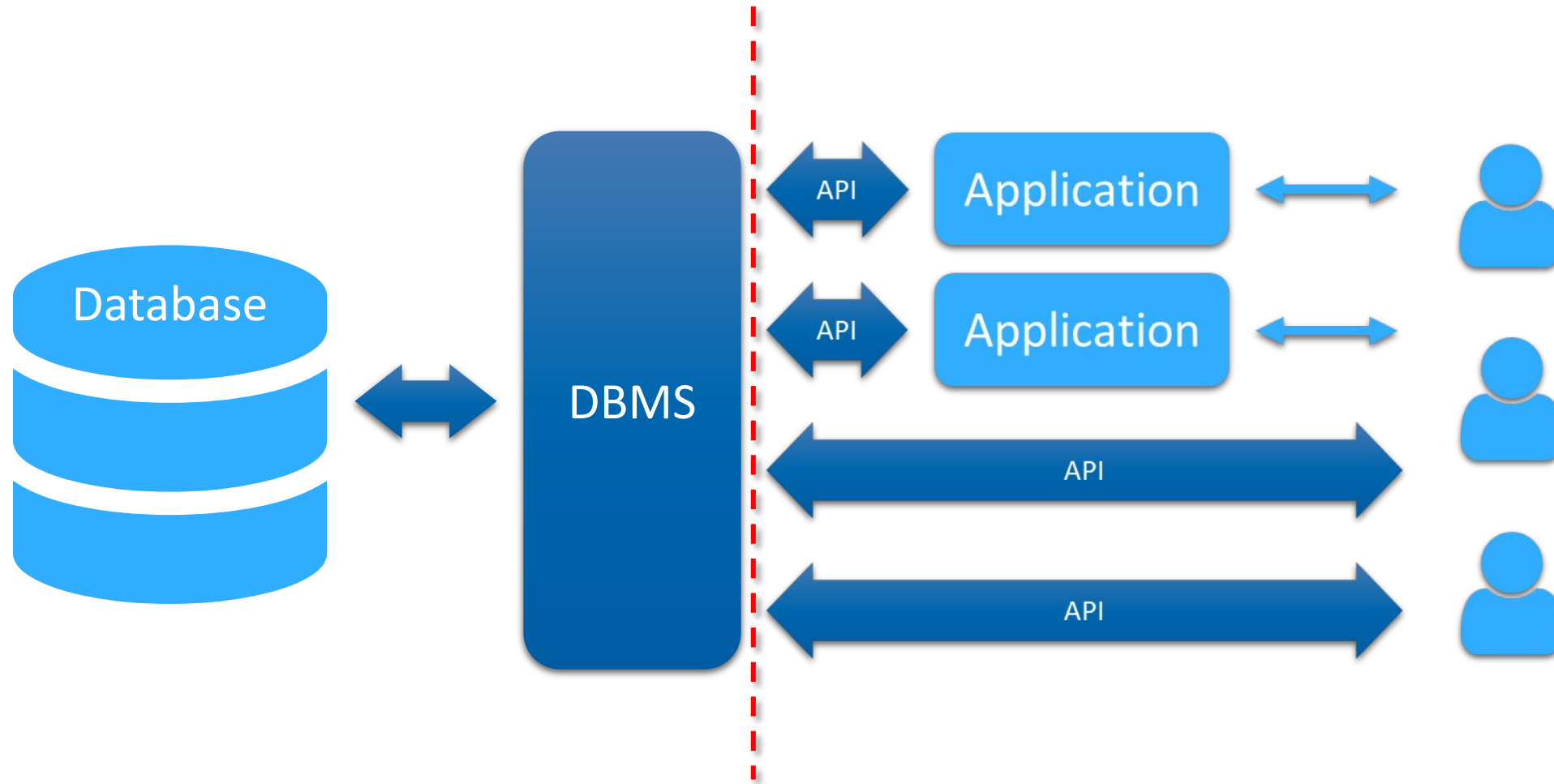


Qualities | Performance

- Performance is not a high priority purpose of a databases
- Database APIs usually come already with the best performance to retrieve, filter, and combine data
- High performance is only achieved if the database concept is fully understood and applied

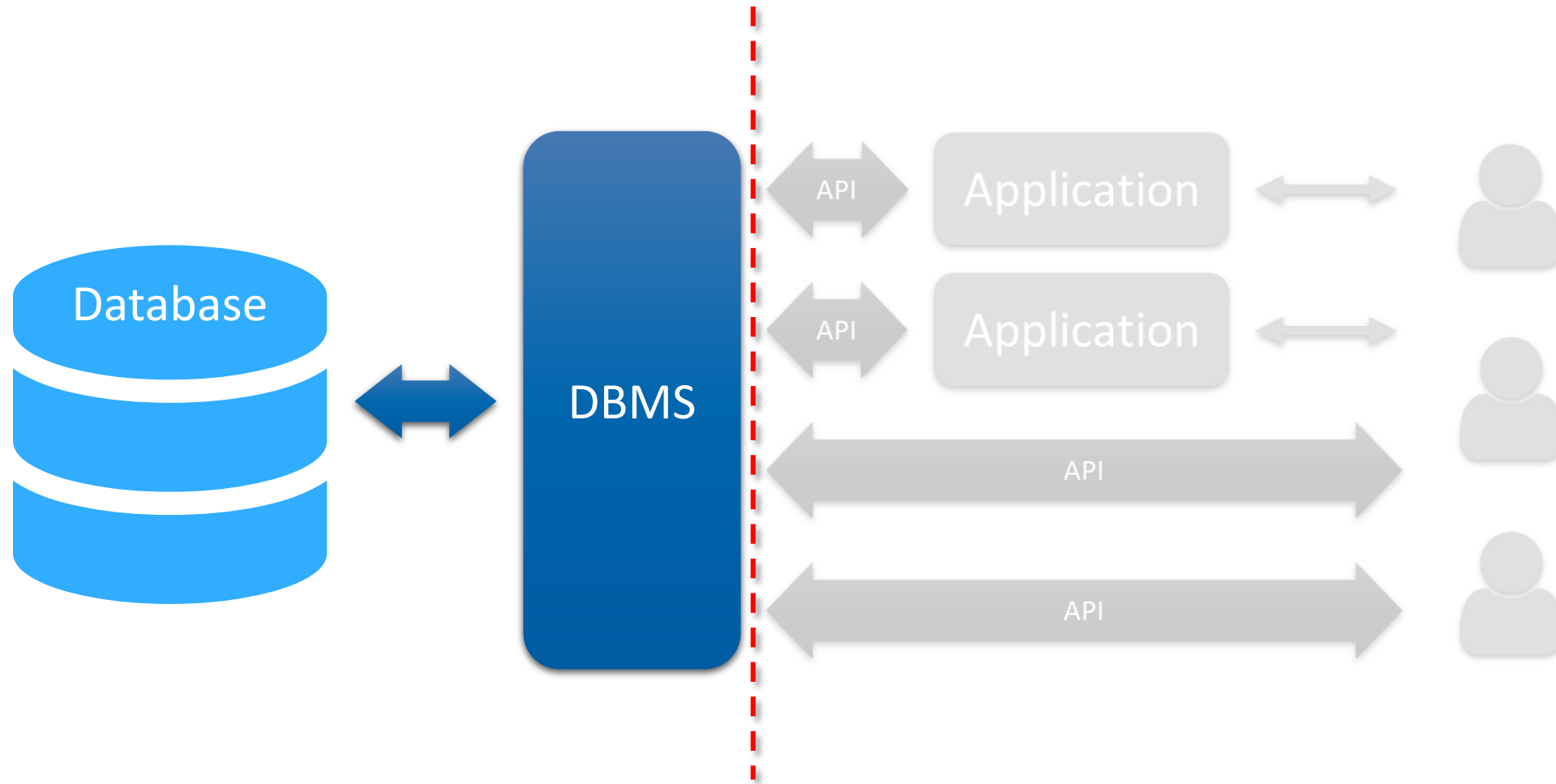


Qualities | Independence





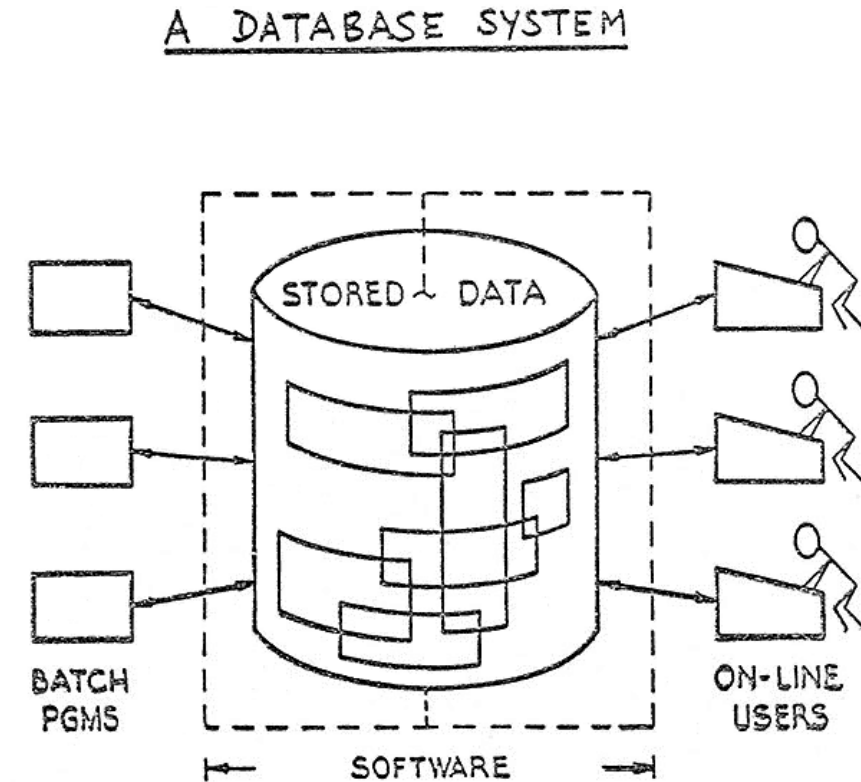
Qualities | Independence





Qualities | Abstraction

In 1970, Edgar F. Codd, an Oxford-educated mathematician working at the IBM San Jose Research Lab, published a paper showing how information stored in large databases could be accessed *without knowing how the information was structured or where it resided in the database*.



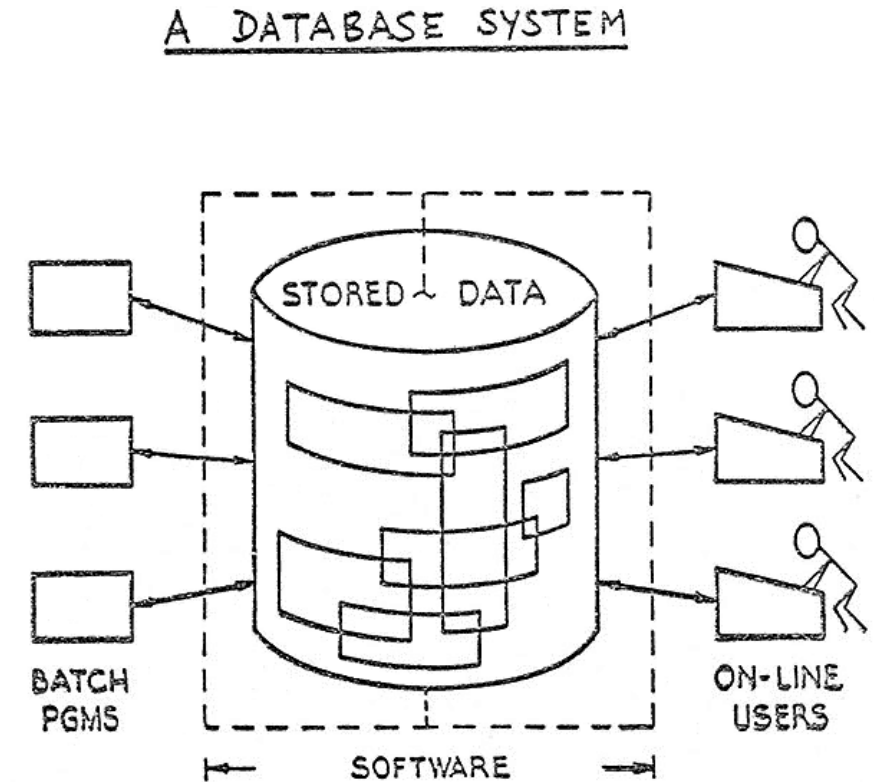


Qualities | Abstraction

Data in a database is still stored in files. However, the user does not have to know how and where the data is stored, or how the data is organized in the files.

The database-management systems creates an abstraction layer to access data.

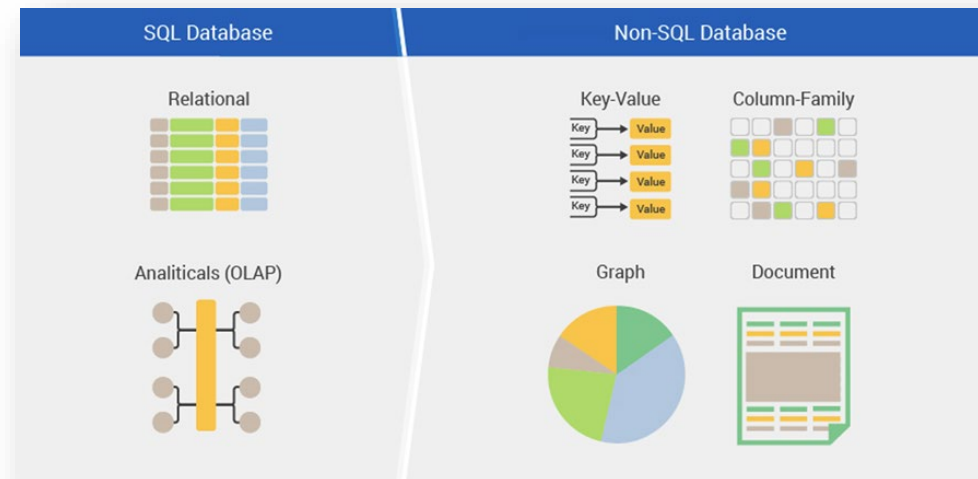
Just give me all the data that fulfills the required conditions





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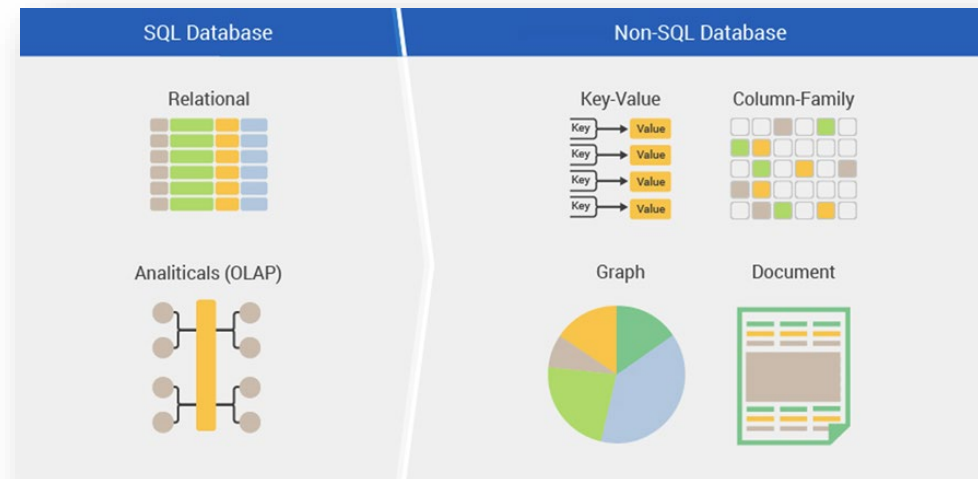
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Types

- Relational
- Analytical
- Key-Value
- Column-Family
- Graph
- Document





Types | Relational

How Relational Databases Work

Computerized databases help people store and track huge amounts of information. The smallest unit of information in a database is called a **field**. Fields are grouped together to form **records**. Records are then grouped together to form **tables**.

Flat-file databases take all the information from all the records and store everything in one table. This works fine when you have a small number of records related to a single topic, such as a person's name and phone number, but if you have hundreds or thousands of records, each with a number of fields, the database quickly becomes difficult to use.

Relational databases separate this mass of information into numerous **tables**. All the columns in each table should be about one topic, such as "student information," "class information," or "trainer information."

The tables for a relational database are linked to each other through the use of **keys**. Each table may have one **primary key** and any number of **foreign keys**. A foreign key is simply a primary key from one table that has been placed in another table.

The most important rules for designing relational databases are called **Normal Forms**. When databases are designed properly, huge amounts of information can be kept under control. This lets you **query** the database (search for information) and quickly get the answer you need.

Field

Record

Table

SID	SFName	SLName	SteleNumber	CID	Cname	TID	Trainer	TrnTeleNumber
1	Mary	Hinkle	555.123.4567	101	Data Basics	T01	Charles Hill	555.987.6543
2	Paul	Litz	555.258.8963	101	Data Basics	T01	Charles Hill	555.987.6542
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Primary Key

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Foreign Key

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Query: "What students are taking classes from trainer CHARLES HILL?"

Answer:

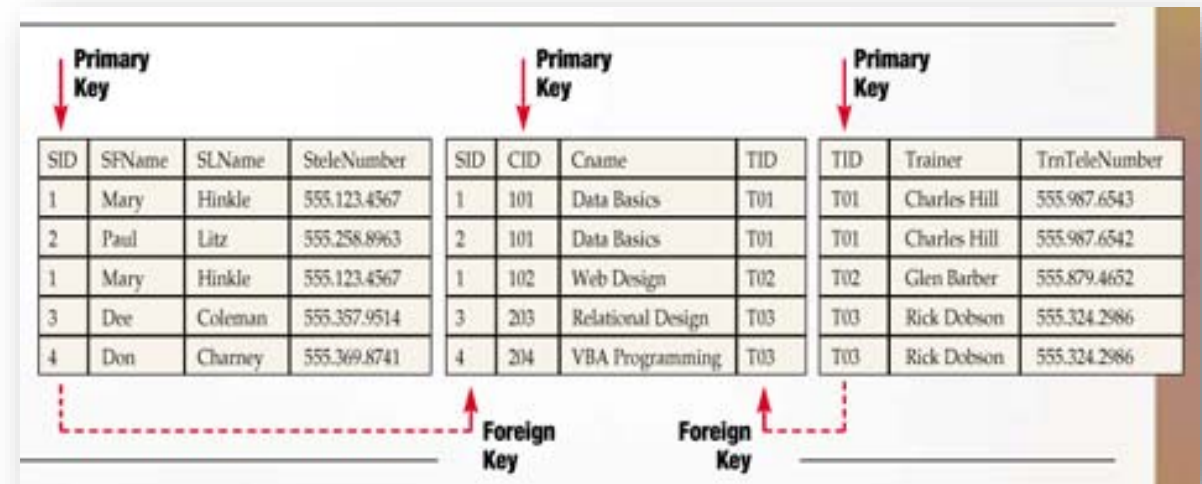
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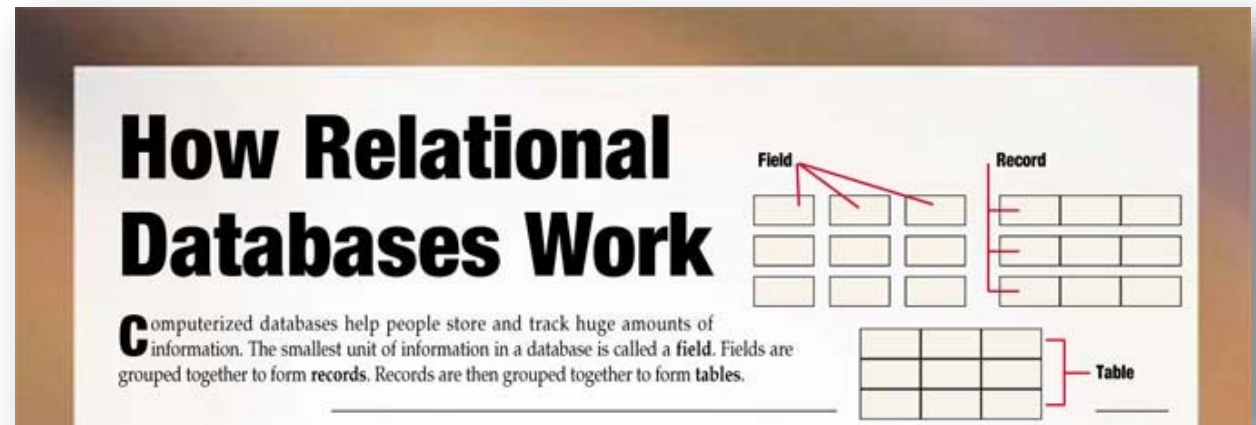
- Data is stored in *records*
- Records contain one or many *attributes* (single value)
- Each record contains a unique *key*
- Records are linked to each other by using the keys





Types | Relational

- The most popular database type
- Records are stored in tables
- Allows many-to-many relationships
- Use the standardized query language SQL

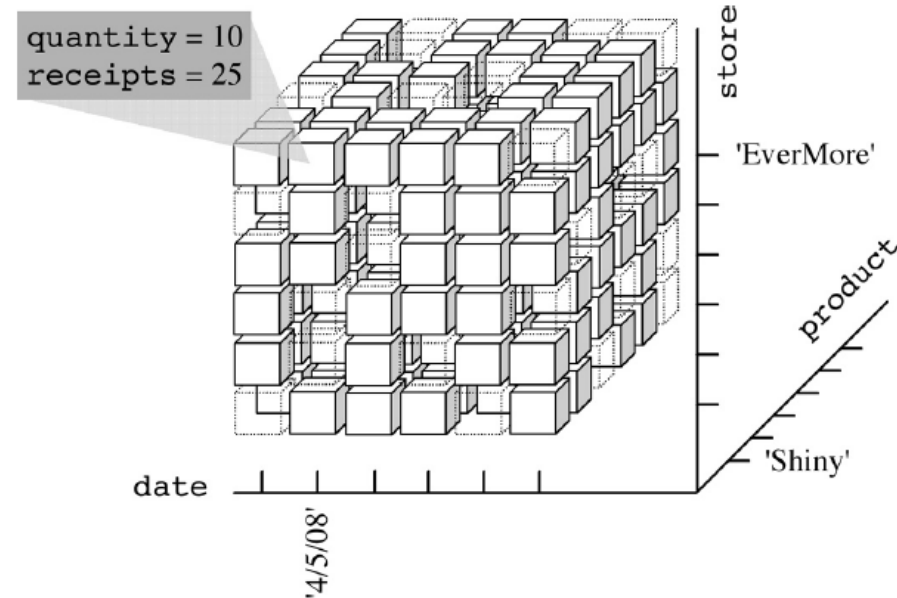




Types | Analytical

Also relational databases but...

- Model is question-driven (i.e. optimized for a predefined analysis)
- Data is stored in tables representing multidimensional data cubes
- Database is not normalized
- Used in a classical data warehouses
- Used for OLAP (see next slide)

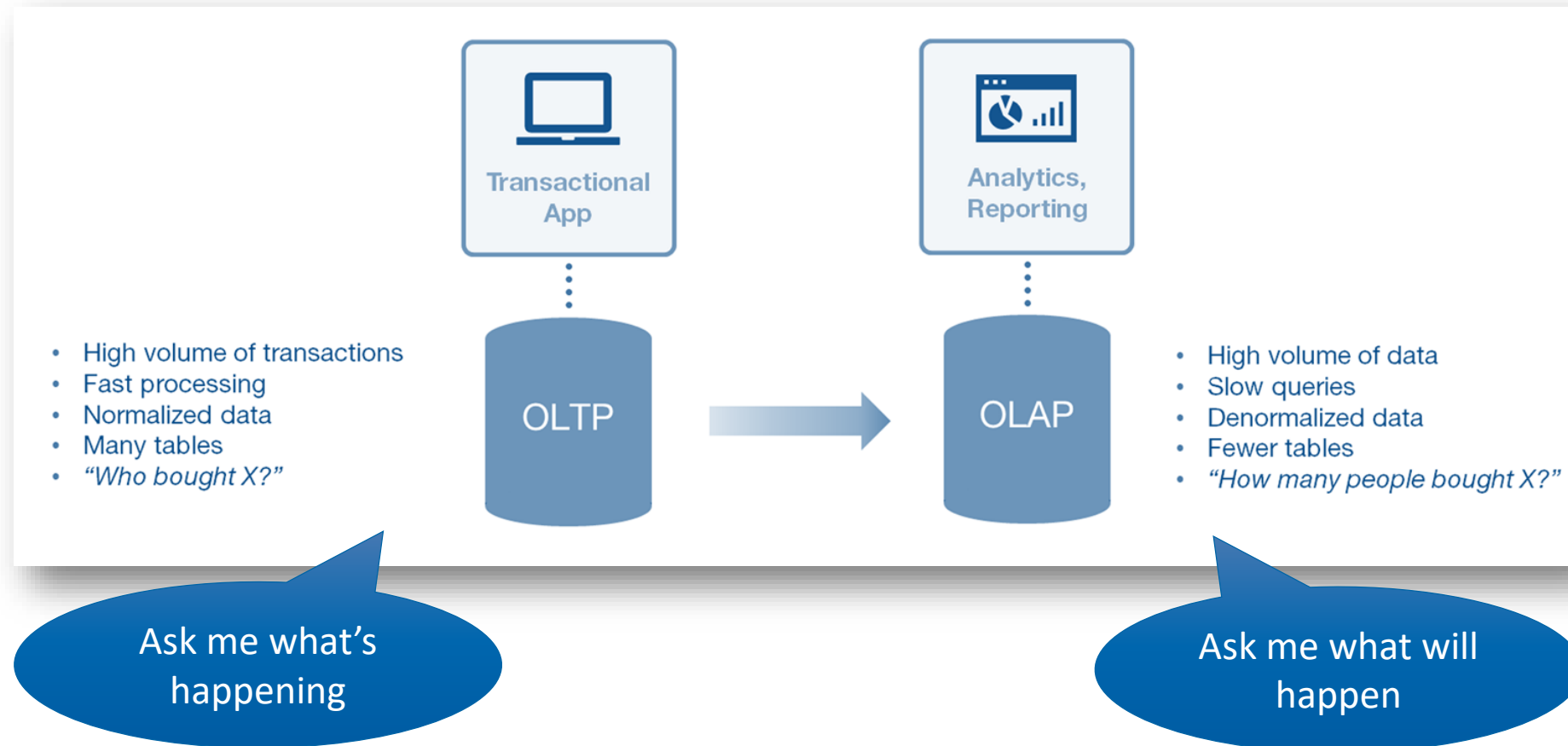




Types | Analytical

On-Line Transaction Processing

On-Line Analytical Processing





Types | Key-Value

- Data is stored in a key-value pair
- Similar to a dictionary (as in Python)
- Keys must be unique, single identifiers
- Values can be anything (single value, object, record, file, etc.)
- The value's datatype is not known to the database
- There are no database managed relationships

Key	Value
K1	AAA,BBB,CCC
K2	AAA,BBB
K3	AAA,DDD
K4	AAA,2,01/01/2015
K5	3,ZZZ,5623



Types | Column-Family

- Data is stored in tables
- Records are modeled as rows
- Attributes are stored in columns

PERSON TABLE					
row key	personal_data		demographic		...
PersonID	Name	Address	BirthDate	Gender	...
1	H. Houdini	Budapest, Hungary	1926-10-31	M	
2	D. Copper	New Jersey, USA	1956-09-16	M	
3	Merlin	Stonehenge, England	1136-12-03	F	
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but...



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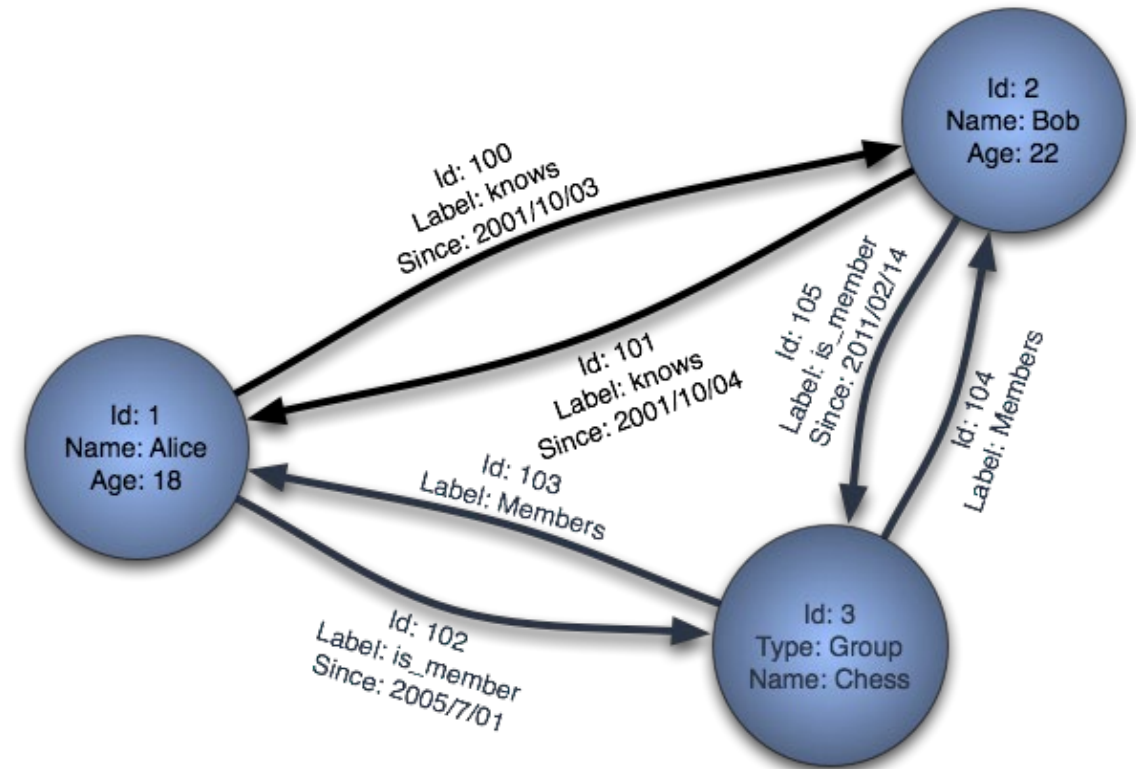
- Columns are grouped in column families
- Only column families have to be defined on creation
- New columns can be added on-the-fly on a record-basis
- Data is stored column-wise
- There are no database managed relationships

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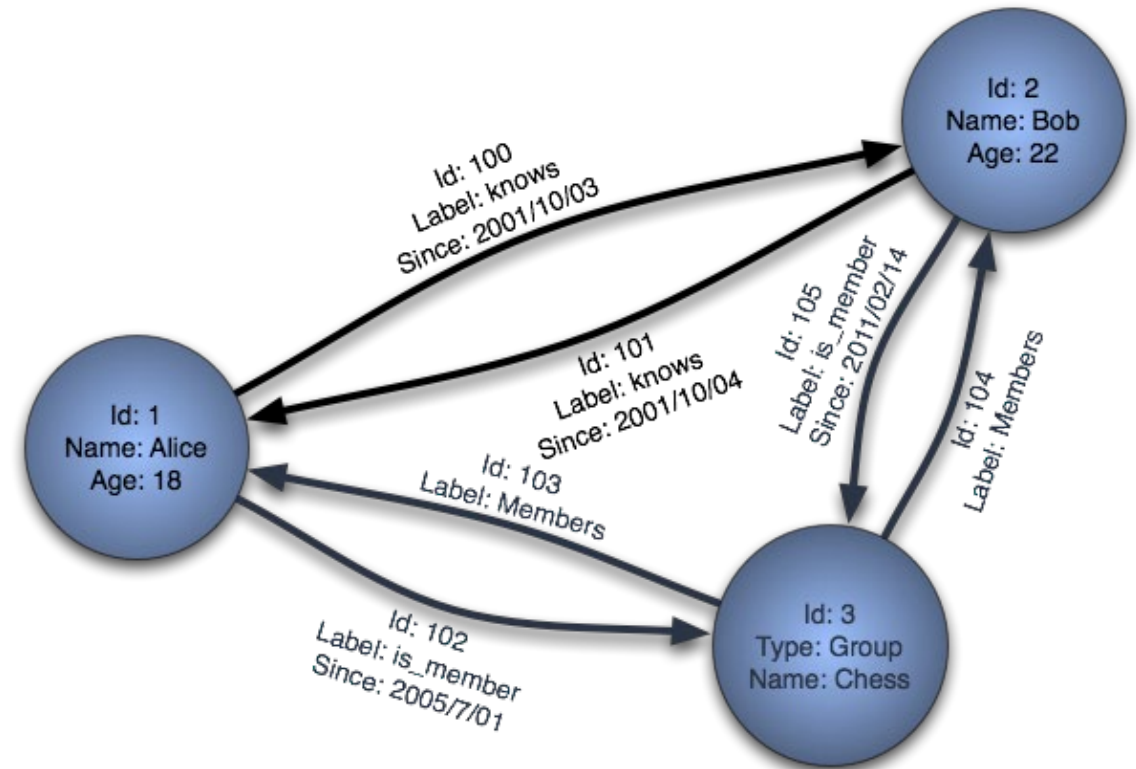
- Data is stored in nodes
- Nodes contain one or many properties (key-value-pairs)
- Relationships are modeled as directed edges
- Edges contain one or many properties (key-value-pairs)
- Nodes and edges have a label and an ID





Types | Graph

- Allow simple and fast retrieval of complex structures
- Semantic queries
- Needs special query language (e.g. SPARQL)
- Popularity is growing





Types | Document

- Data is stored in documents with a given data format
- Indexing based on document properties (filenames are irrelevant)
- Document structure is not fixed
- Allows defining rules based on the content
- There are no database managed relationships

```
Customer Document

"customer" =
{
  "id": "Customer:1",
  "firstName": "John",
  "lastName": "Wick",
  "age": 25,
  "address": {
    "country": "US",
    "city": "New York",
    "state": "NY",
    "street": "21 2nd Street",
  },
  "hobbies": [ Football, Hiking ],
  "phoneNumbers": [
    {
      "type": "Home",
      "number": "212 555-1234"
    },
    {
      "type": "Office",
      "number": "616 565-6789"
    }
  ]
}
```