

# Information Management II

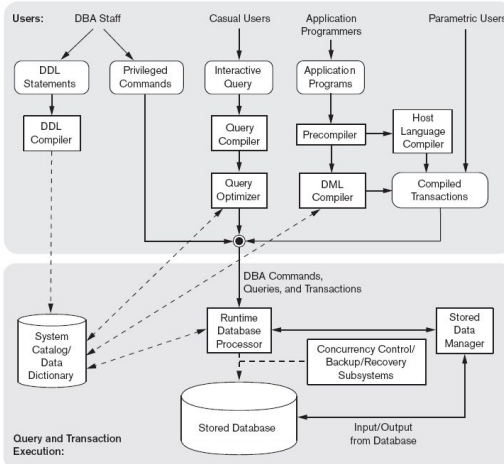
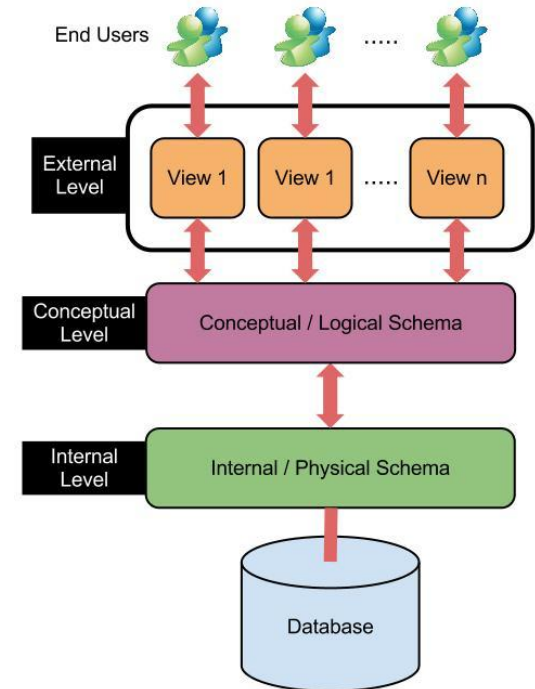
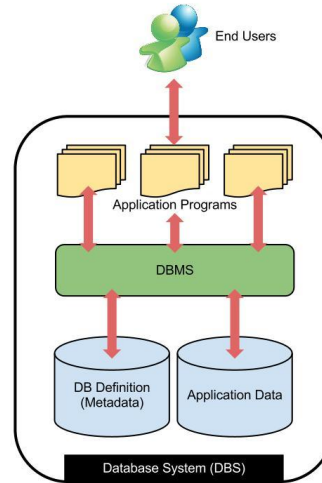
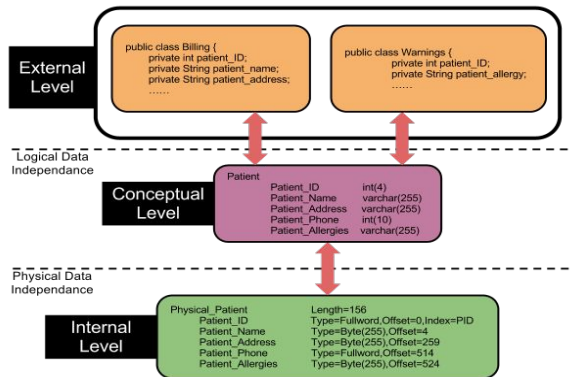
## 2. Database Architecture

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# Today's Lecture



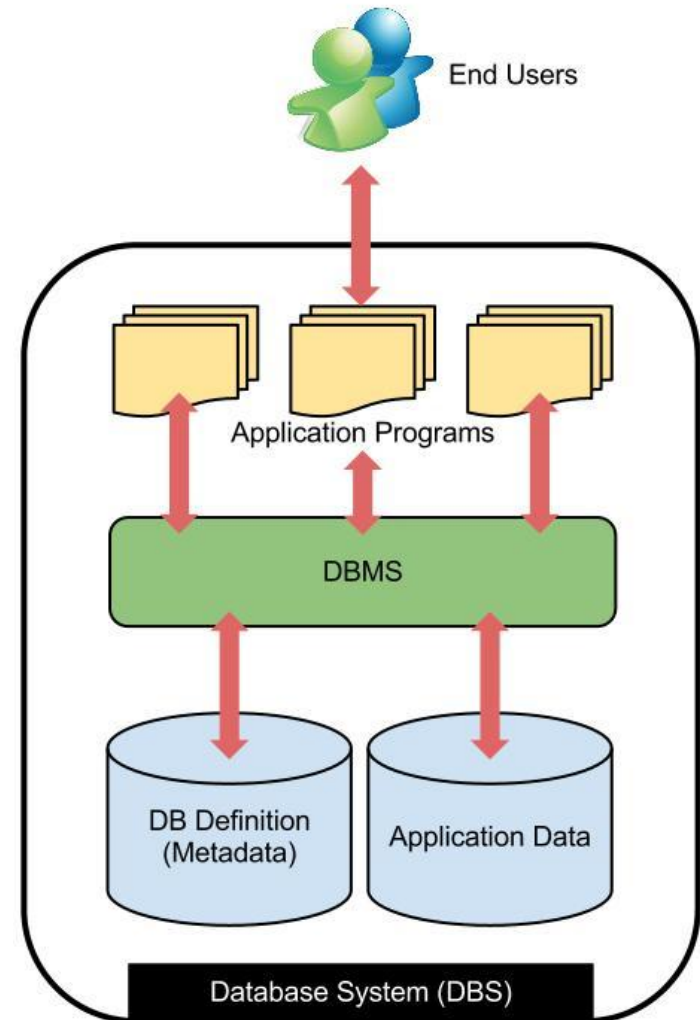
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# Database Systems

# Database Systems

- Database System (DBS)
  - DBMS
    - application data
    - associated metadata
  - DB
    - application data
    - associated metadata
  - Application programs
- Metadata and data are stored separately



# DBMS Architecture

- Database users are provided an abstract view of the data by hiding certain details of how it is physically stored
- DBMS describe Databases at three levels:
  - Internal (Physical) Level
  - Conceptual (Logical) Level
  - External (View) Level
- This is commonly referred to as the “three-level DBMS architecture”

# DBMS Architecture

## 3-Level DBMS Architecture



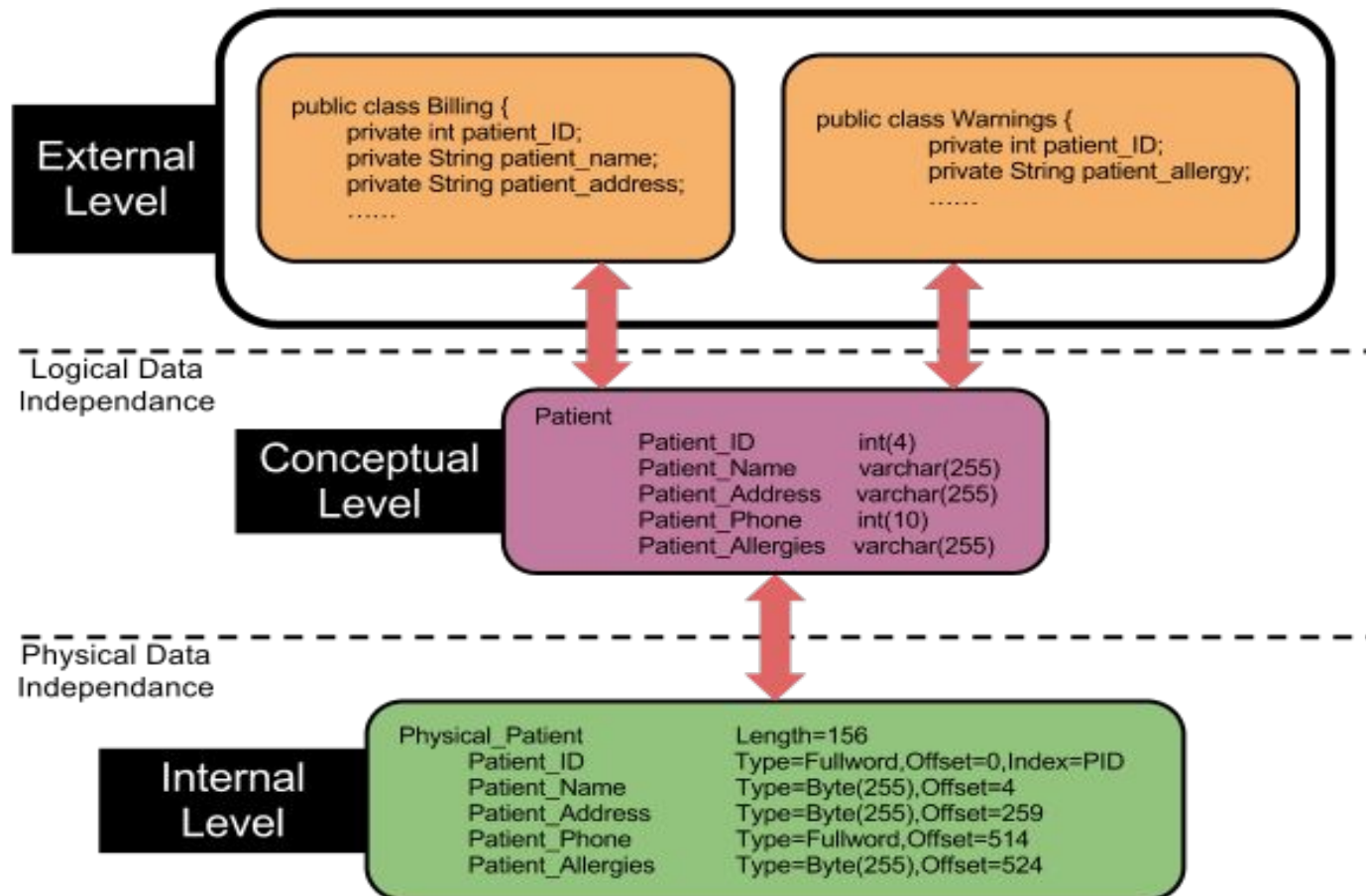
# Database Schemas

# Schemas

- Each level of the architecture consists of one or more views of the underlying data
- Views are described by *schemas* (meta-data)
- A DB consists of:
  - physical data
  - an internal schema (aka physical schema)
  - a conceptual schema (aka logical schema)
  - several external schemas

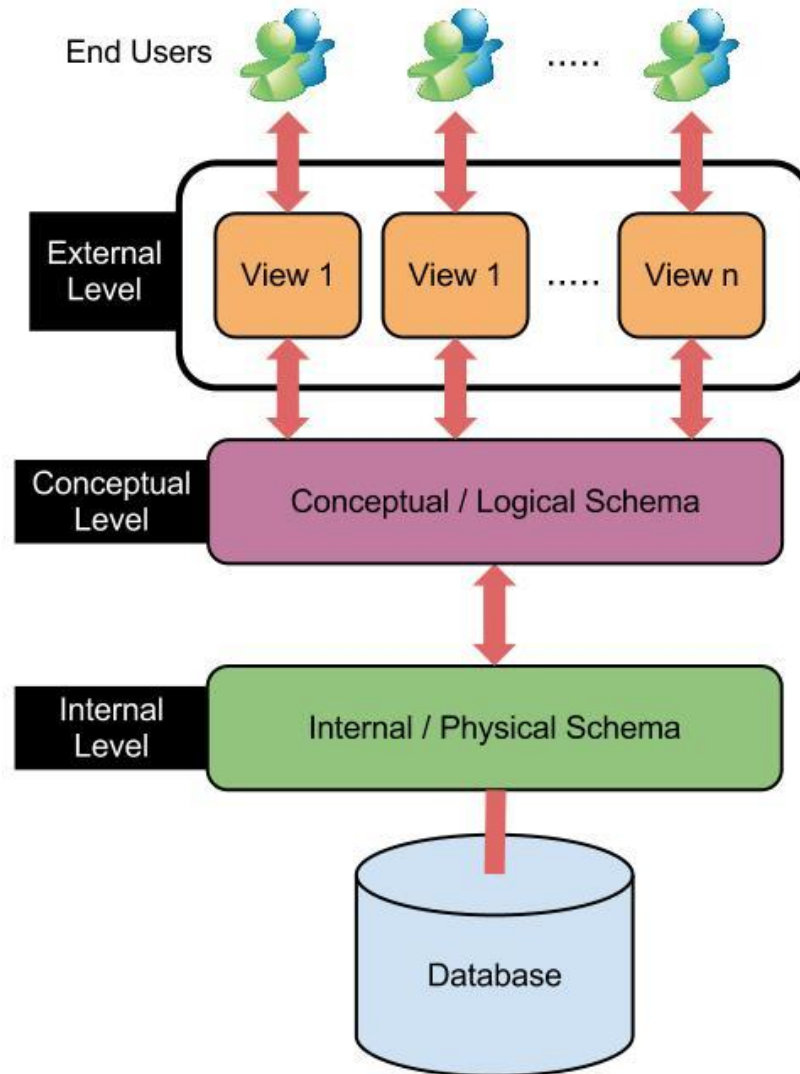


# Example Schema Levels



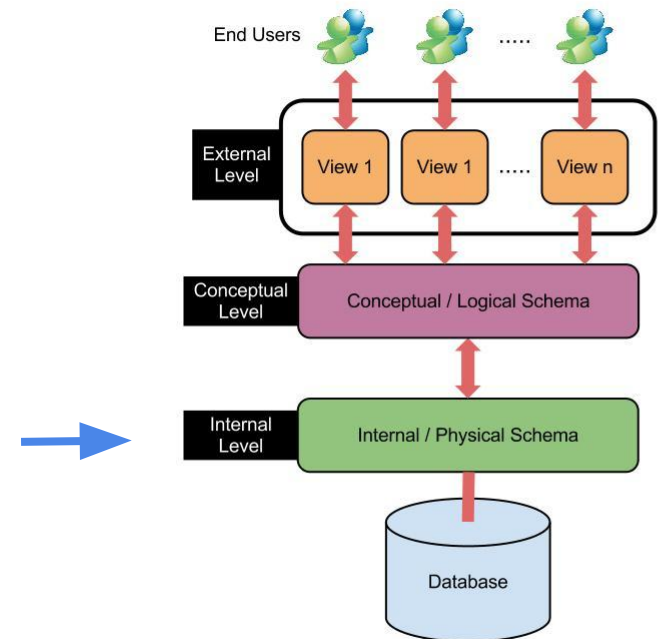
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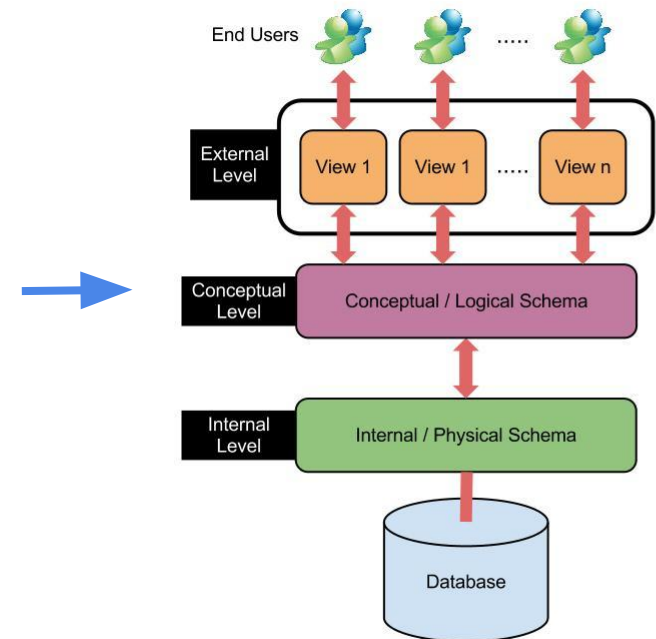
# DBMS Architecture

- Internal or Physical level
  - The *lowest* level of data abstraction
  - Internal Schema describes how the data is physically stored and organized on the storage medium
  - Various aspects are considered to achieve optimal runtime performance and storage space utilization, including:
    - storage space allocation techniques
    - access paths such as indexes
    - data compression and encryption techniques



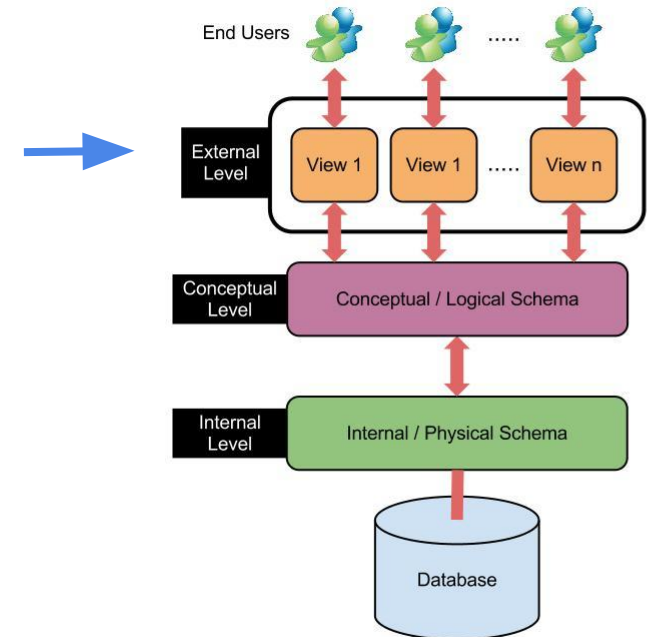
# DBMS Architecture

- Conceptual or Logical level
  - Deals with the logical structure of the entire database
  - Conceptual Schema describes what data is stored in the database and the relationships among the data *without any concern for the physical implementation*
  - This is the *overall view* of the database and includes all the information that is going to be represented in the database

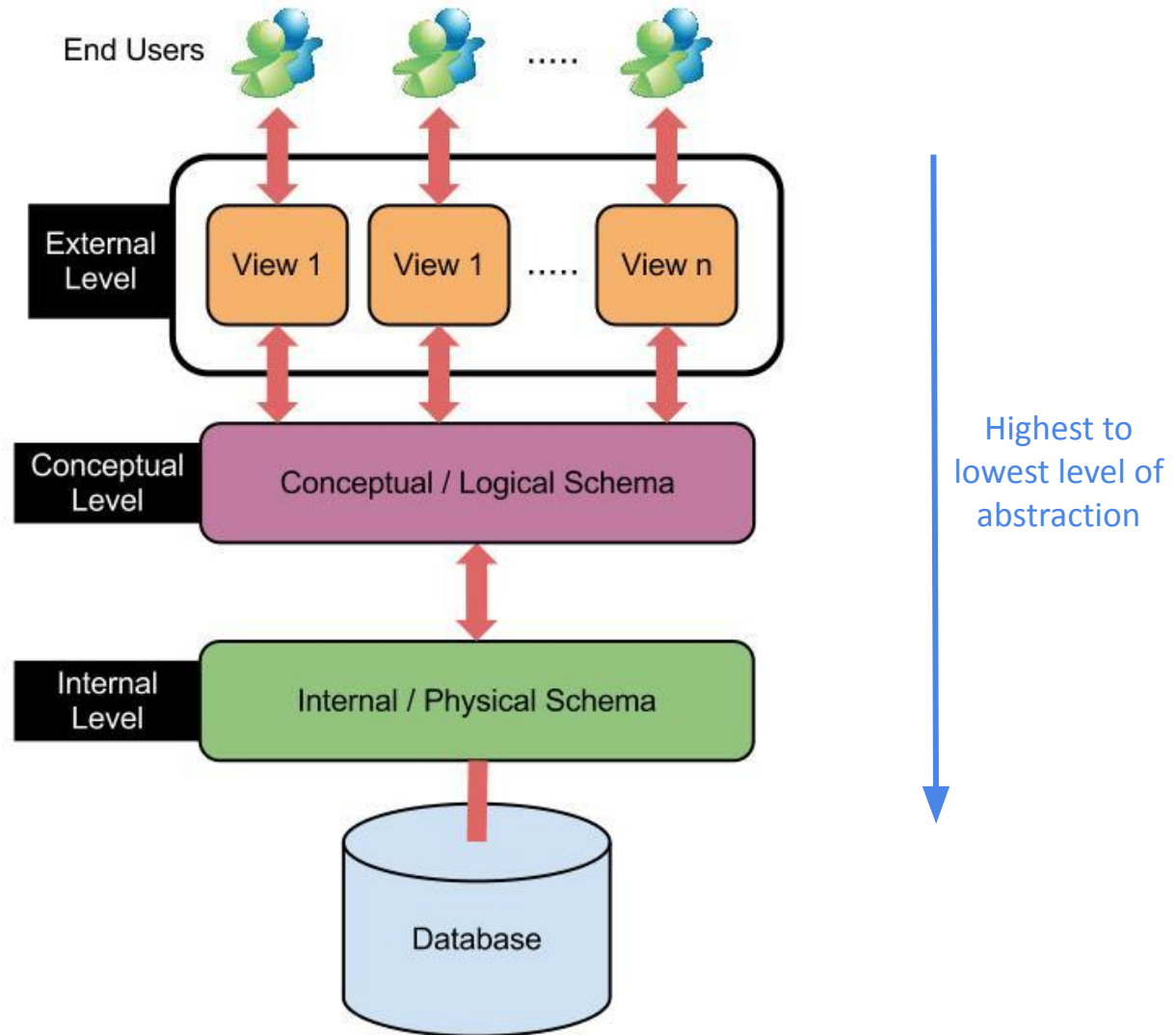


# DBMS Architecture

- External or View level
  - The highest level of abstraction that deals with the *user's view* of the database
  - Most users and applications do not require access to the entire data stored in the database
  - External Schemas (or User Views) describe a part of the database for a particular group of users or applications
  - This is a powerful and flexible security mechanism, as parts of the database are hidden from certain users
    - the user is not aware of the existence of any attributes that are missing from the view



# DBMS Architecture

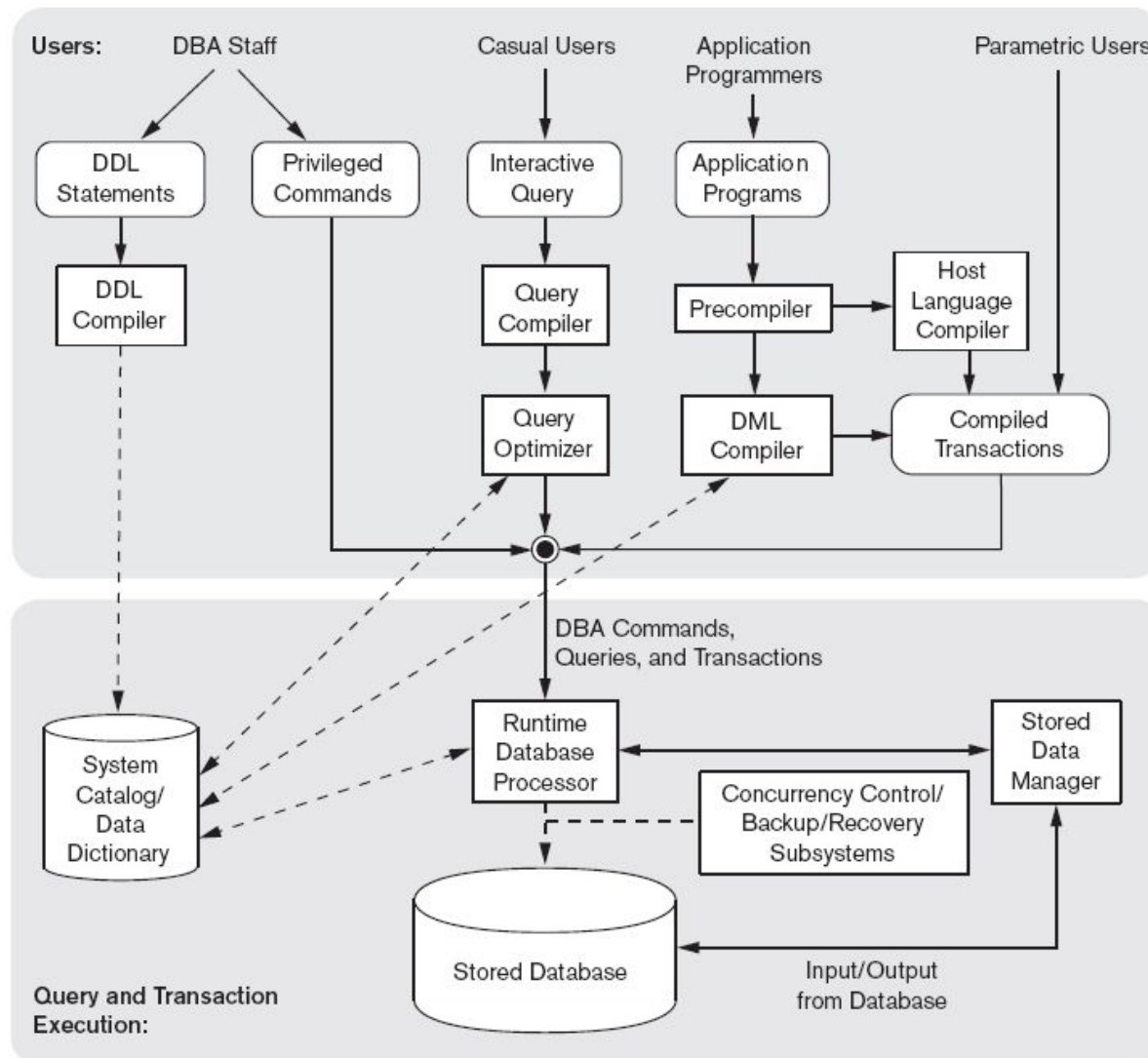




# DBMS Components

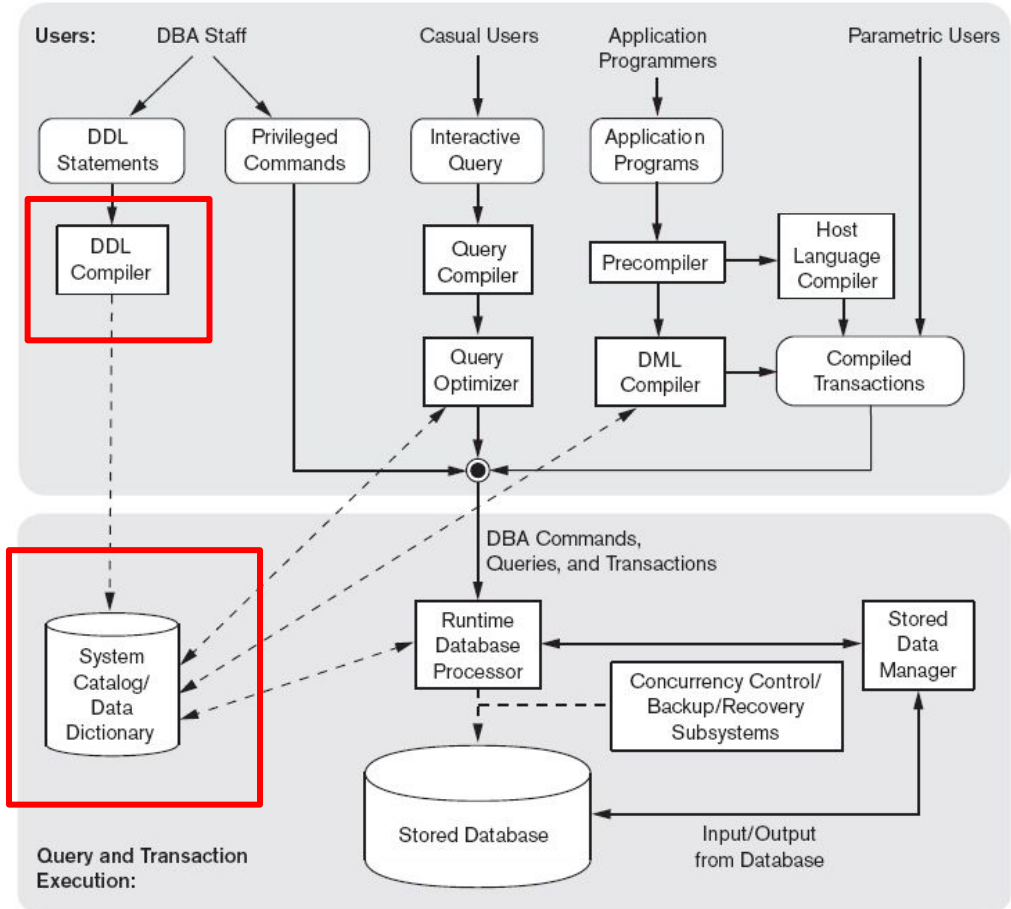


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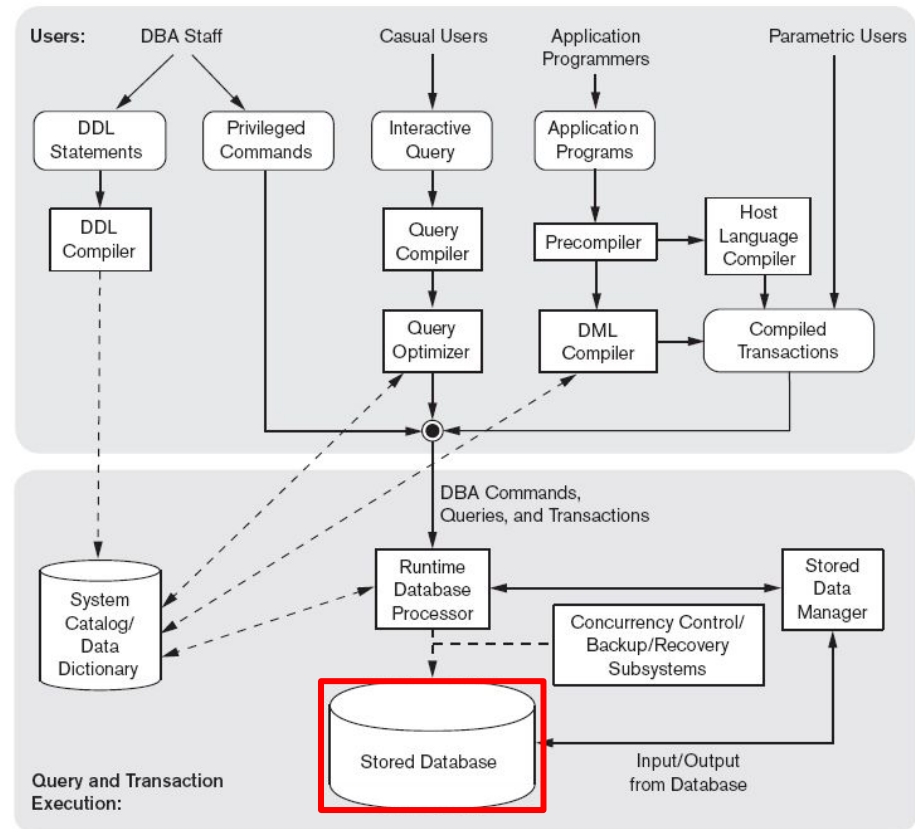
# DBMS DDL Components

- **DDL compiler** processes schema definitions and stores them in catalogue
- **Catalogue** contains information such as:
  - Names and Sizes of Files
  - Names and Data Type of Data Items
  - Storage details
  - Mapping information among Schemas
  - Constraints
  - ....



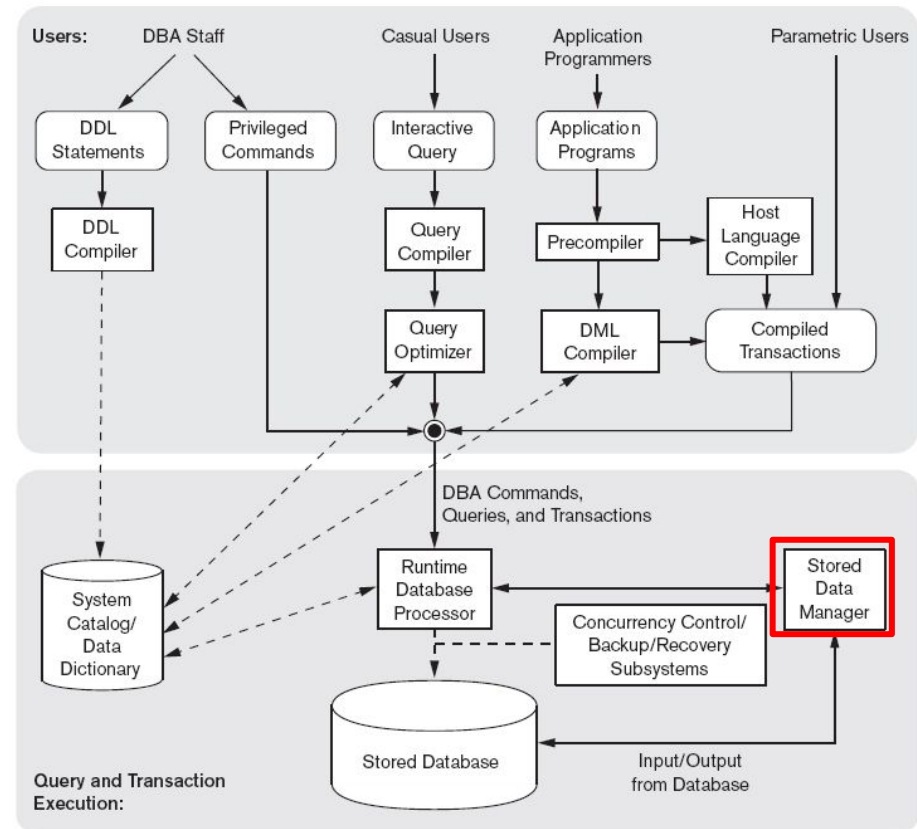
# DBMS Storage & Physical Database Components

- The physical Database is usually stored on Hard Disk



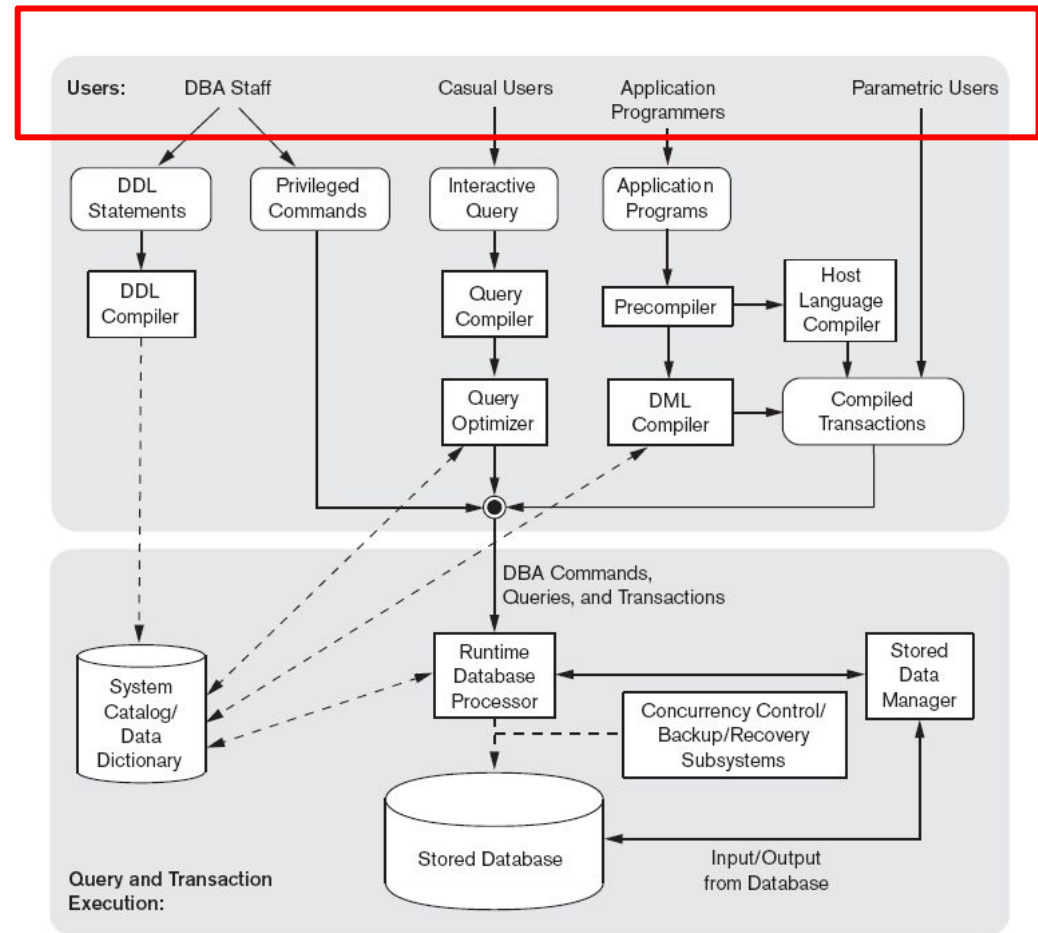
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- The physical Database is usually stored on Hard Disk
  - The OS controls disk access
- The **Stored Data Manager (SDM)** controls access to DBMS information on disk
  - including buffer management



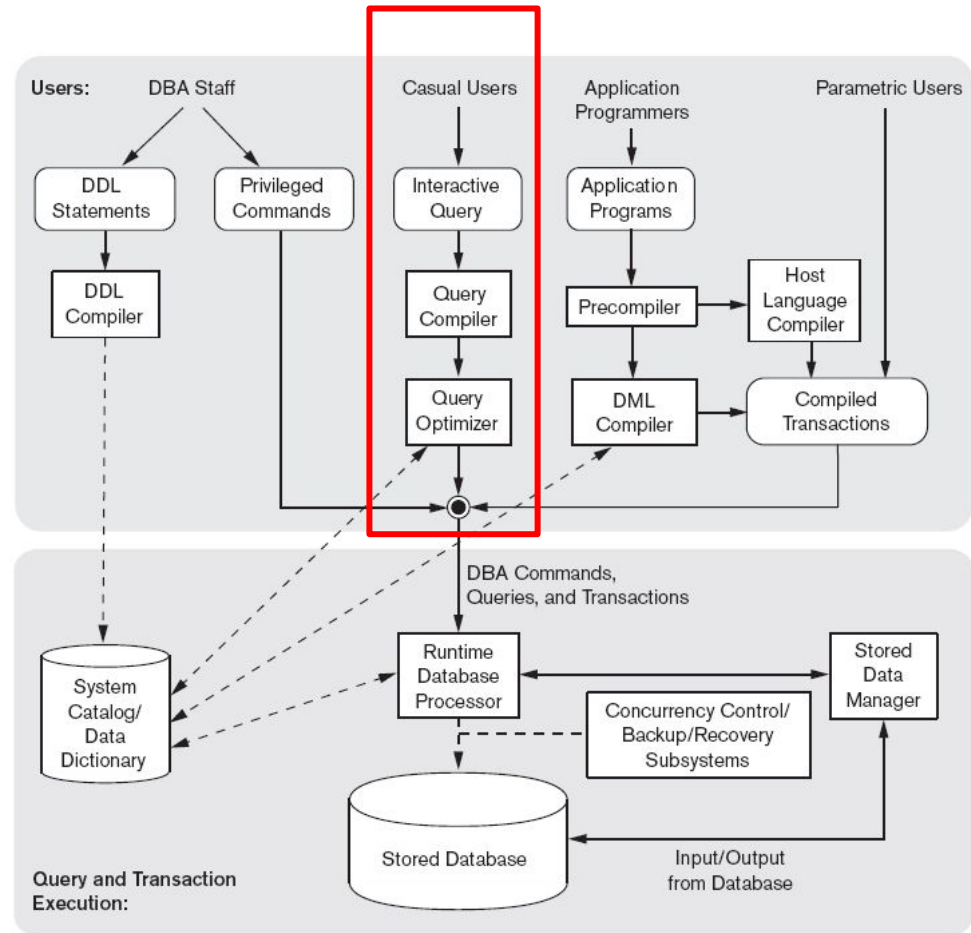
# DBMS User Interface Components

- DBMS Users
  - Casual Users
  - Application Programmers
  - Parametric Users
  - DBA Staff
- Different Interfaces are ordinarily used by each type of user



# DBMS Interactive Query Components

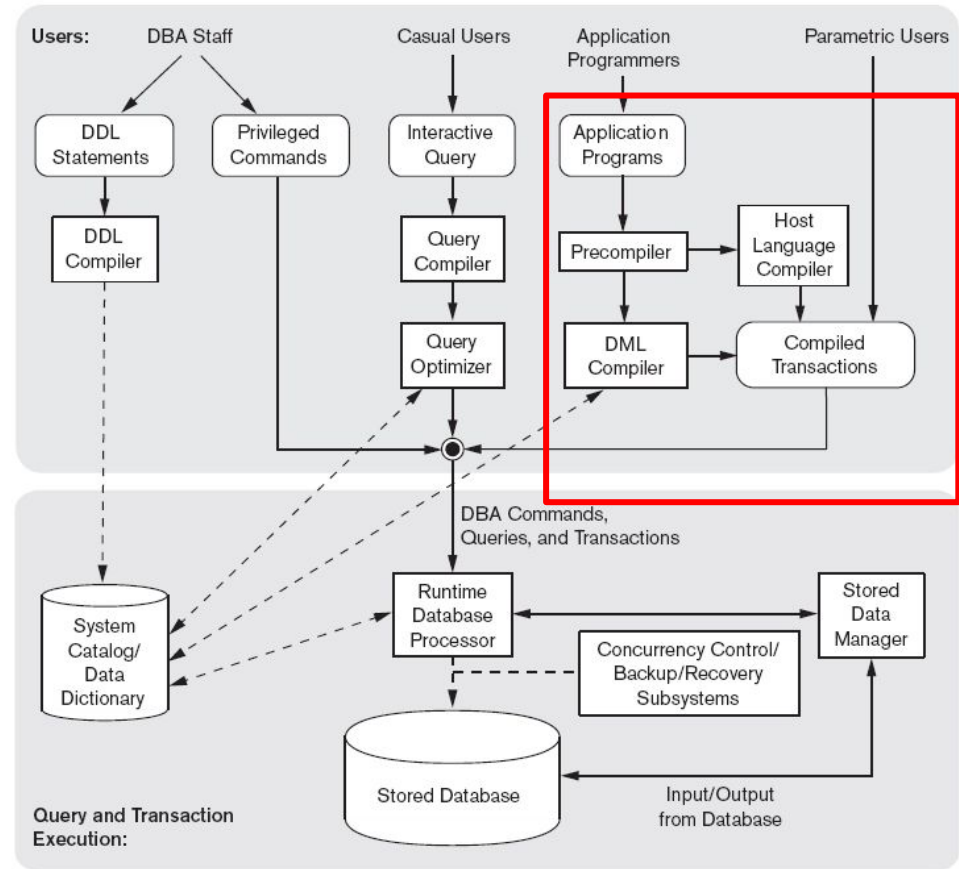
- Casual Users use an **Interactive Query Interface**
- The **Query Compiler** parses and validates the submitted query
- The internal query is then processed for **Query Optimization**
  - Consults the DBMS Catalogue
  - Generates Executable Code





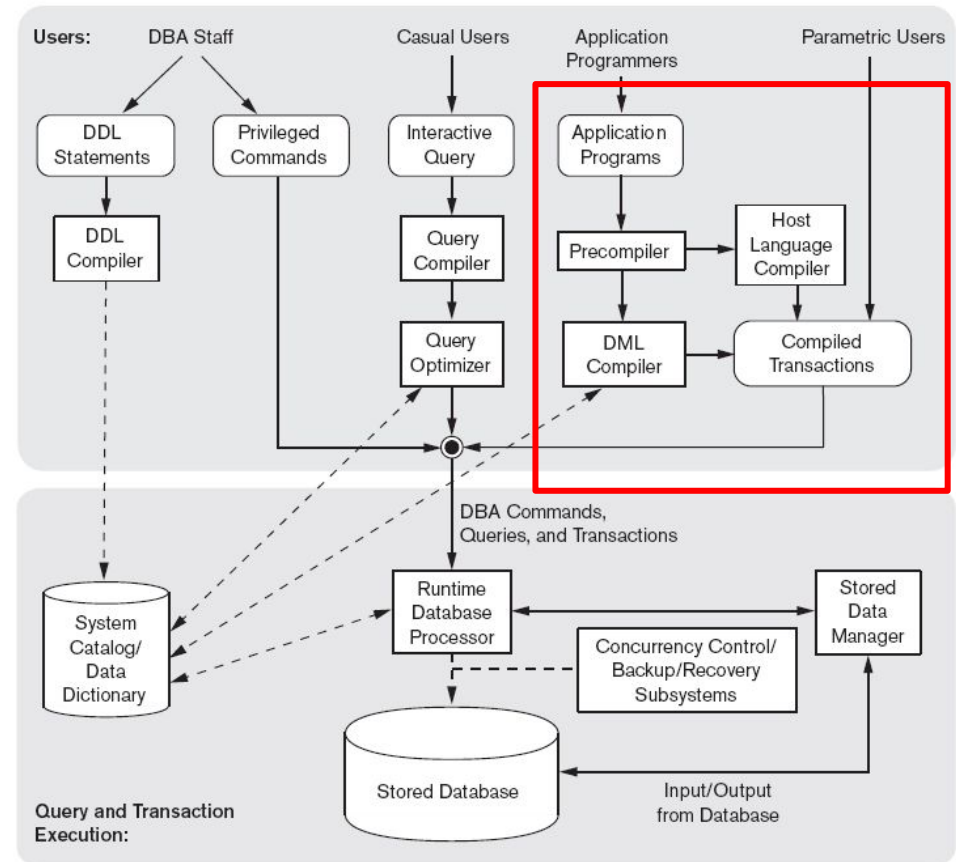
# DBMS Programmer Interface Components

- Application Programmers write programs (Java, C++ etc.) which need to access a DB
- The **Precompiler** extracts DML commands from the host language program
- The extracted commands are sent to the **DML Compiler**
- The rest of the program is sent to the **Host Language Compiler**



# DBMS Compiled Application Components

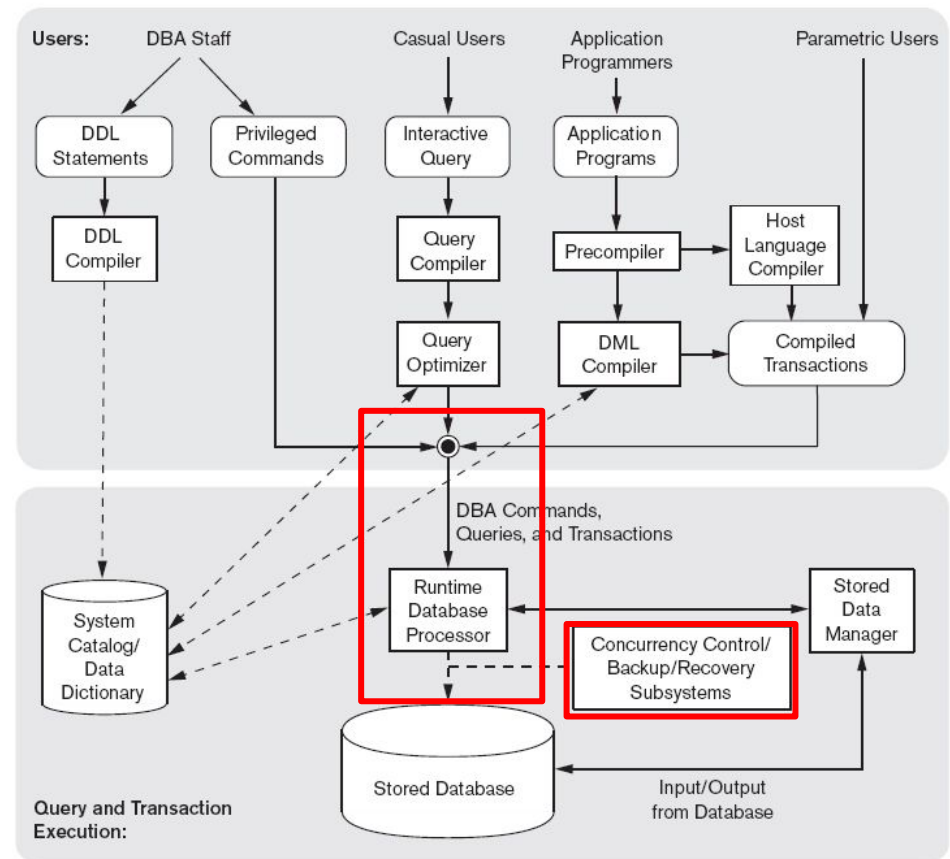
- Object code for DML commands and the rest of the program are linked forming a **canned transaction**
  - The executable code of a canned transaction calls the run-time processor
  - Canned transactions are used by parametric users





# DBMS Runtime Components

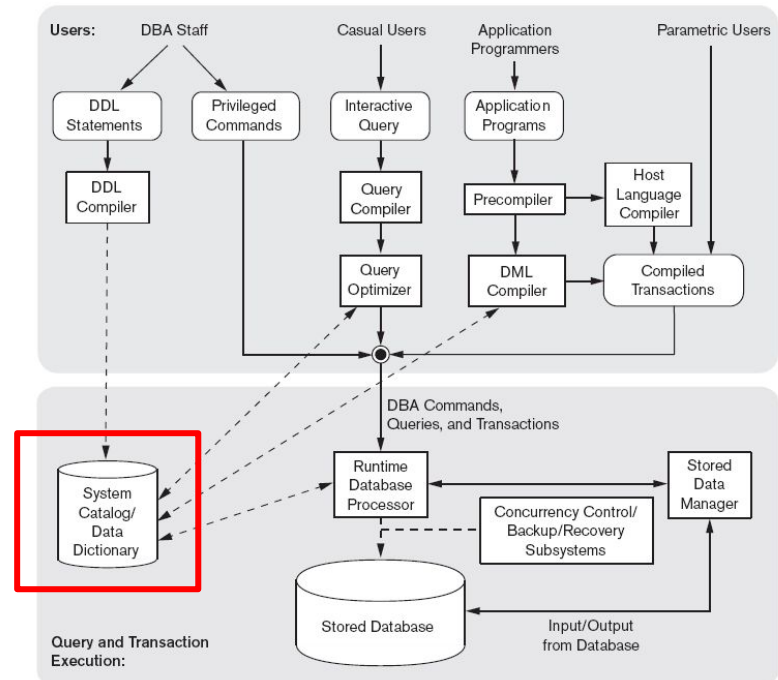
- **Run-time Database Processor** handles all Database access at run-time:
  - Privileged Commands
  - Executable Queries
  - Canned Transactions
- Utilises and Updates the Catalogue
- May be responsible for Buffer Management
- Manages **Concurrency Control** and **Backup and Recovery** as part of Transaction Management



# System Catalog & Data Dictionary

# System Catalogue and Data Dictionary

- The DDL, and hence the system catalogue, are primarily concerned with *syntactic* definition of the data
- Data Dictionaries augment the internal DBMS catalogue with *semantic* support
  - Accessed directly by users (i.e. DBA)
  - Catalogue accessed by the DBMS



# System Catalogue and Data Dictionary Examples

## System Catalog: Example

### •SQLite

```
select * from sqlite_master;
```

type	name	tbl_name	rootpage	sql
table	User	User	2	CREATE TABLE User ( UID CHAR(20), Name CHAR(50), ...
index	sqlite_aut	User	3	
table	Event	Event	4	CREATE TABLE Event ( EID CHAR(20), Name CHAR(50), ...
index	sqlite_aut	Event	5	
table	Participat	Participat	6	CREATE TABLE ParticipateIn ( EID CHAR(20), UID CH...
index	sqlite_aut	Participat	7	

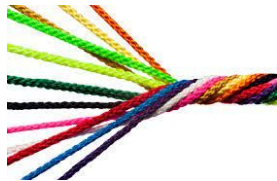
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## DATA DICTIONARY (METADATA)

Column	Data Type	Description
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- The majority of DBMS have an **integrated** Data Dictionary
- Data Dictionary is an integral part of DBMS
  - Documents the meta-data that is managed by the DBMS
- It is generally fully active
  - accessed at run-time by DBMS software

# Independent Data Dictionary systems



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 Dataedo

- Independent, free-standing system performing its own data management functions
- Normally *passive*
  - No run-time link between the Data Dictionary and the DBMS
  - Hence DBMS has to have its own System Catalogue
- Often generates metadata automatically for a variety of DBMS in the form of DDL
  - Helps to ensure consistency of metadata between the Data Dictionary and the System catalogue

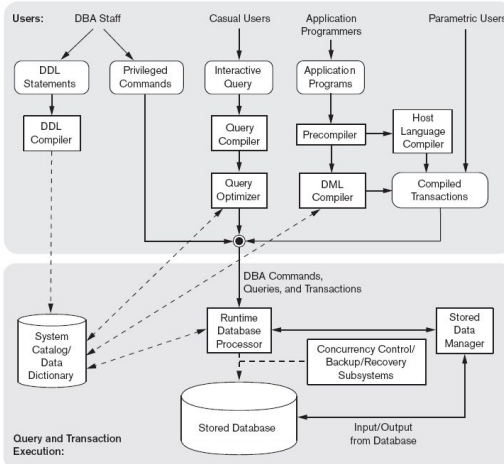
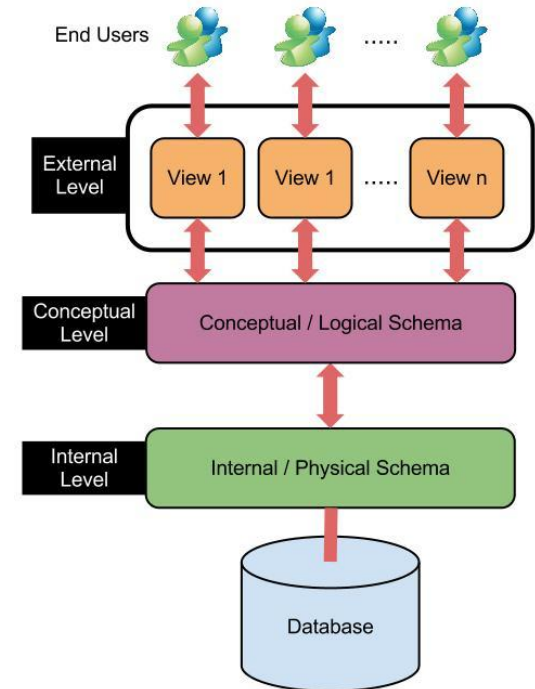
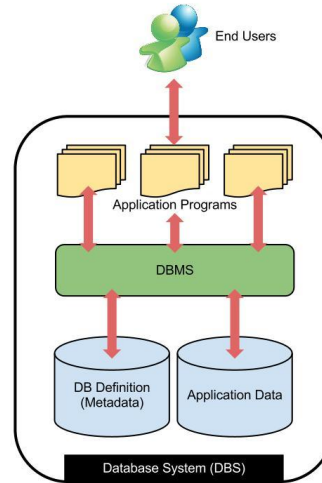
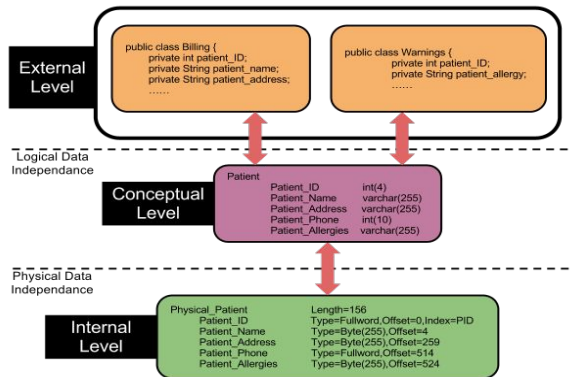


# Data Dictionary System

A fully functional Data Dictionary System (DDS) should store and manage:

- a) Descriptions of the **database schemas**
- b) Detailed information on **physical database design**
  - Storage structures
  - Access paths
  - File and record sizes
- c) Descriptions of the types of **database users**, their **responsibilities** and their **access rights**
- d) High-level descriptions of **transactions, applications** and the **relationships of users to transactions**
- e) The **relationship between database transactions** and the **data items** referenced by them
- f) **Usage statistics** such as frequencies of queries and transactions and access counts to different portions of the database
- g) The **history** of any changes made to the database and applications, and documentation that describes the reasons for these changes

# In Summary



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