



CITS1402 Relational Database Management Systems

Week 6—System Development Life Cycle



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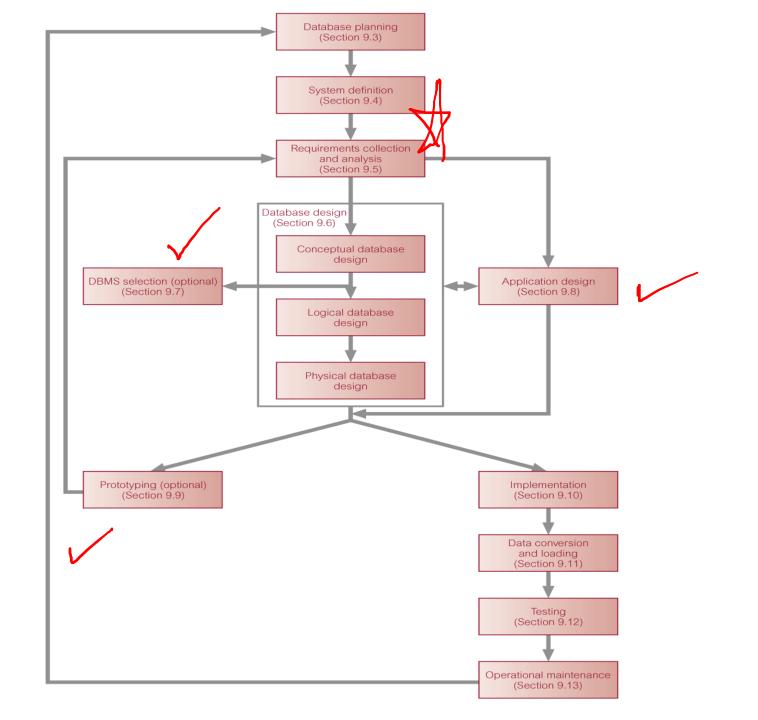
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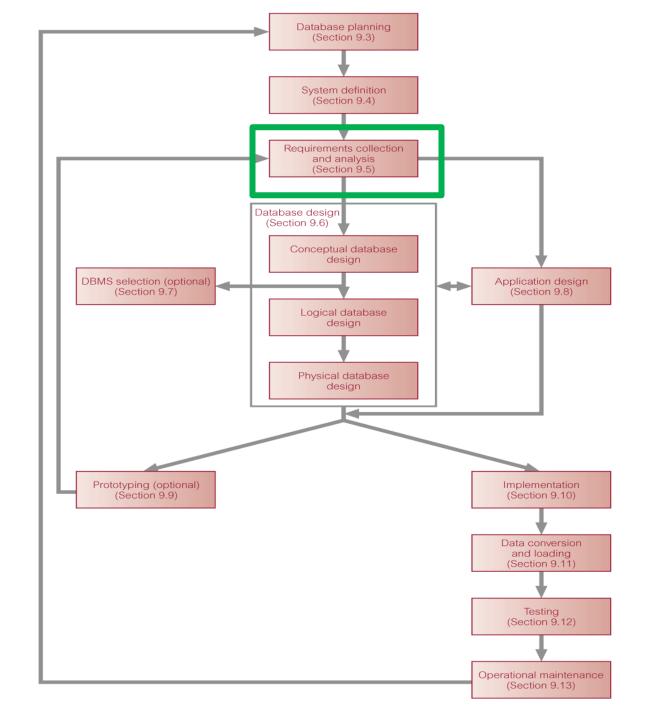
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Requirements Collection and Analysis

Information is gathered for each major user view including:

a description of data used or generated,

details of how data is to be used/generated;

any additional requirements for new database system.

Information is analyzed to identify requirements to be included in new database system.

Described in the requirements specification.

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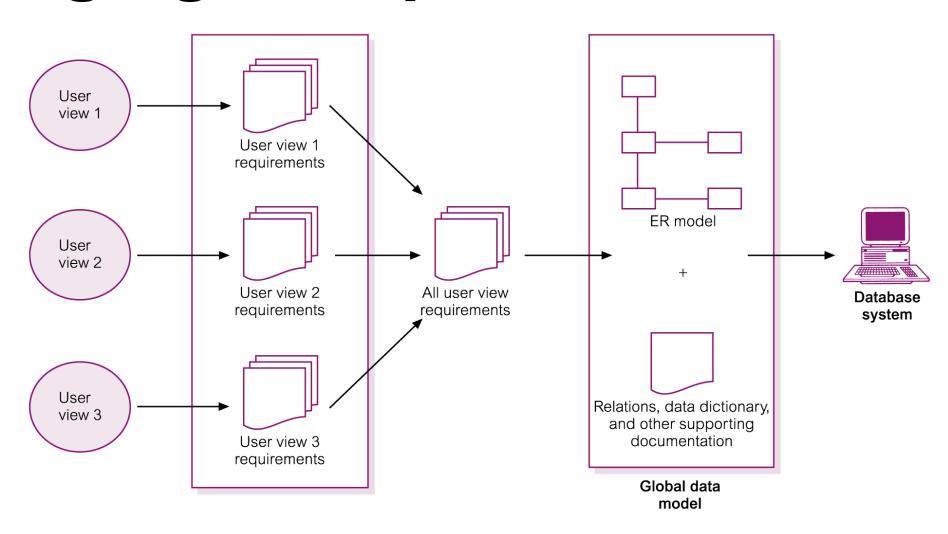
Requirements Collection and Analysis

Another important activity is deciding how to manage the requirements for a database system with multiple user views.

Three main approaches:

- centralized approach;
- view integration approach;
- combination of both approaches.

Centralized Approach to Managing Multiple User Views



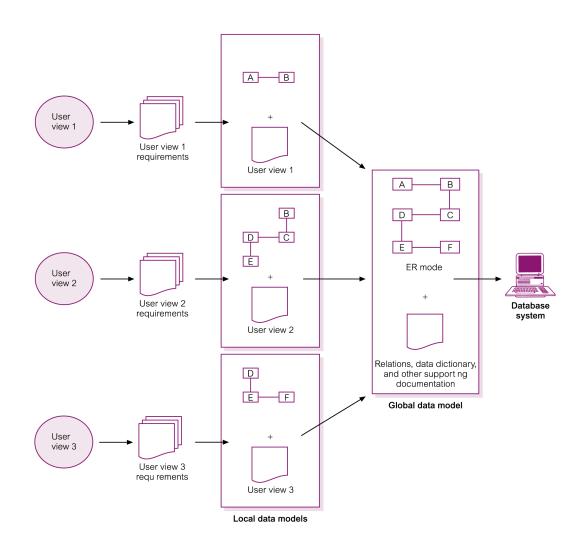
Requirements Collection and Analysis

Centralized approach

Requirements for each user view are merged into a single set of requirements.

A data model is created representing all user views during the database design stage.

View Integration Approach to Managing Multiple User Views



Requirements Collection and Analysis

View integration approach

Data model representing single user view (or a subset of all user views) is called a local data model.

Each model includes diagrams and documentation describing requirements for one or more but not all user views of database.

Local data models are then merged at a later stage during database design to produce a global data model, which represents all user views for the database.

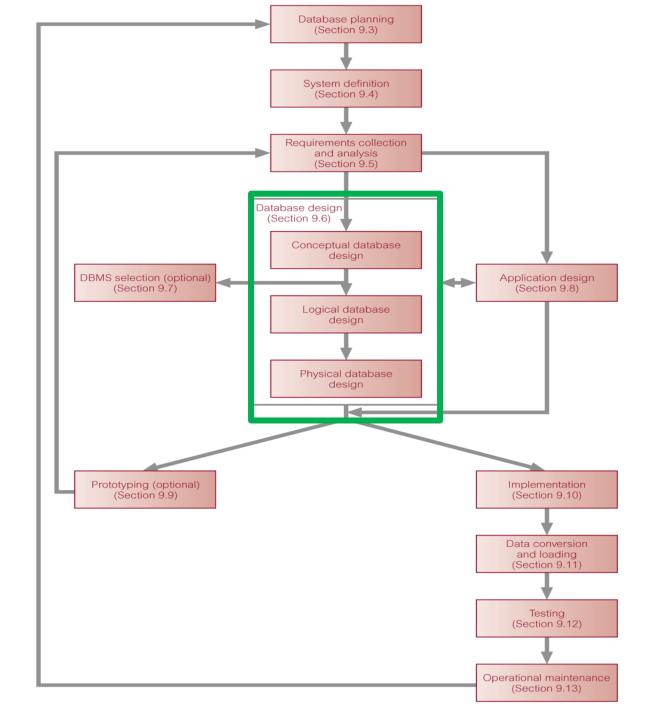
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Process of creating a design for a database that will support the enterprise's mission statement and mission objectives for the required database system.

Main approaches include:

Top-down – entities and relationships

Bottom-up – attributes first

Inside-out – major entities first

Mixed

Main purposes of data modeling include:

to assist in understanding the meaning (semantics) of the data;

to facilitate communication about the information requirements.

Building data model requires answering questions about entities, relationships, and attributes.

A data model ensures we understand:

- each user's perspective on the data;
- nature of the data itself, independent of its physical representations; 🎢
- use of data across user views.

Criteria to Produce an Optimal Data Model

Structural validity

Consistency with the way the enterprise defines and organizes information.

Simplicity

Ease of understanding by IS professionals and non-technical users.

Expressibility

Ability to distinguish between different data, relationships between data,

and constraints.

Nonredundancy

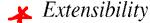
Exclusion of extraneous information; in particular, the representation of

any one piece of information exactly once.

Shareability

Not specific to any particular application or technology and thereby usable

by many.



Ability to evolve to support new requirements with minimal effect on

existing users.



Integrity

Consistency with the way the enterprise uses and manages information.

Diagrammatic representation

Ability to represent a model using an easily understood diagrammatic

notation.

Three phases of database design:

Conceptual database design

Logical database design

Physical database design

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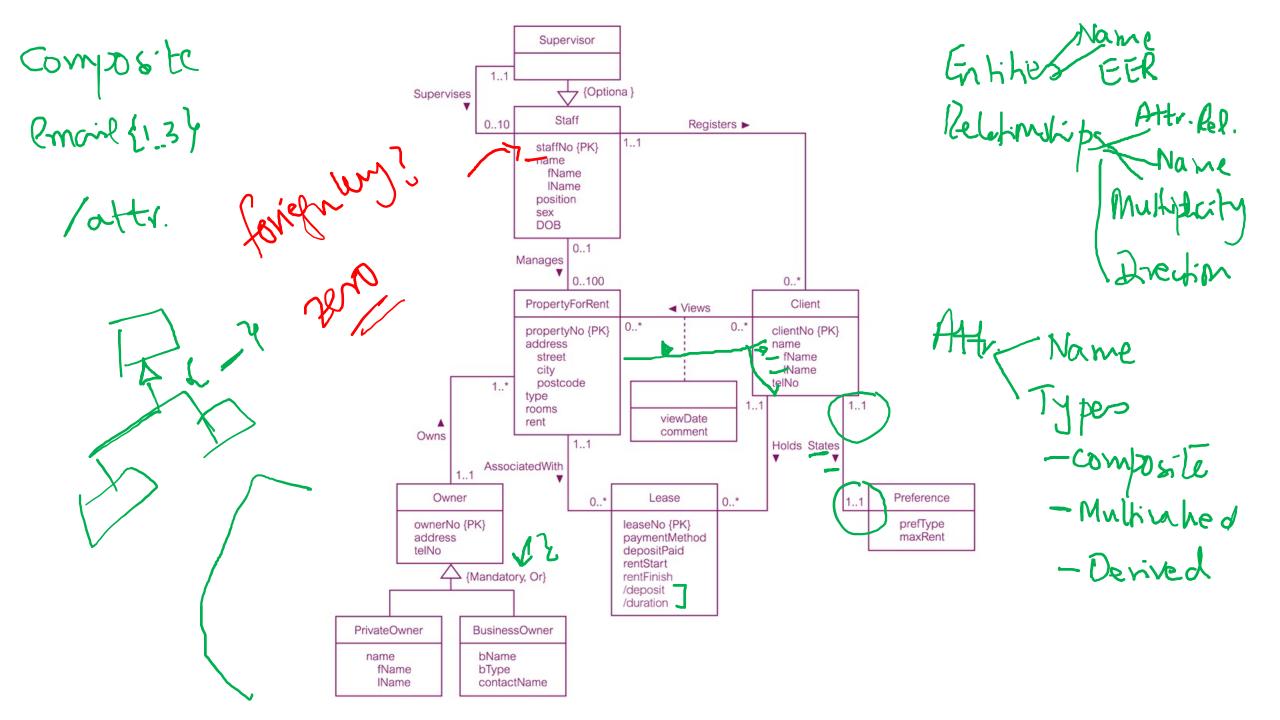
Physical database design

Conceptual Database Design

Process of constructing a model of the data used in an enterprise, independent of all physical considerations.

Data model is built using the information in users' requirements specification.

Conceptual data model is source of information for logical design phase.



Logical Database Design

Process of constructing a model of the data used in an enterprise based on a specific data model (e.g. relational)

But independent of a particular DBMS and other physical considerations.

Conceptual data model is refined and mapped on to a logical data model.

Relations for the Staff user views of *DreamHome*

Staff (staffNo, fName, IName, position, sex, DOB, supervisorStaffNo) Primary Key staffNo Foreign Key supervisorStaffNo references Staff(staffNo)	PrivateOwner (ownerNo, fName, IName, address, telNo) Primary Key ownerNo
BusinessOwner (ownerNo, bName, bType, contactName, address, telNo) Primary Key ownerNo Alternate Key bName Alternate Key telNo	Client (clientNo, fName, IName, telNo, prefType, maxRent, staffNo) Primary Key clientNo Foreign Key staffNo references Staff(staffNo)
PropertyForRent (propertyNo, street, city, postcode, type, rooms, rent, ownerNo, staffNo) Primary Key propertyNo Foreign Key ownerNo references PrivateOwner(ownerNo) and BusinessOwner(ownerNo) Foreign Key staffNo references Staff(staffNo)	Viewing (clientNo, propertyNo, dateView, comment) Primary Key clientNo, propertyNo Foreign Key clientNo references Cl ent(clientNo) Foreign Key propertyNo references PropertyForRent(propertyNo)
Lease (leaseNo, paymentMethod, depositPaid, rentStart, rentFinish, clientNo, propertyNo) Primary Key leaseNo Alternate Key propertyNo, rentStart Alternate Key clientNo, rentStart Foreign Key clientNo references Client(clientNo) Foreign Key propertyNo references PropertyForRent(propertyNo) Derived deposit (PropertyForRent.rent*2) Derived duration (rentFinish – rentStart)	

Physical Database Design

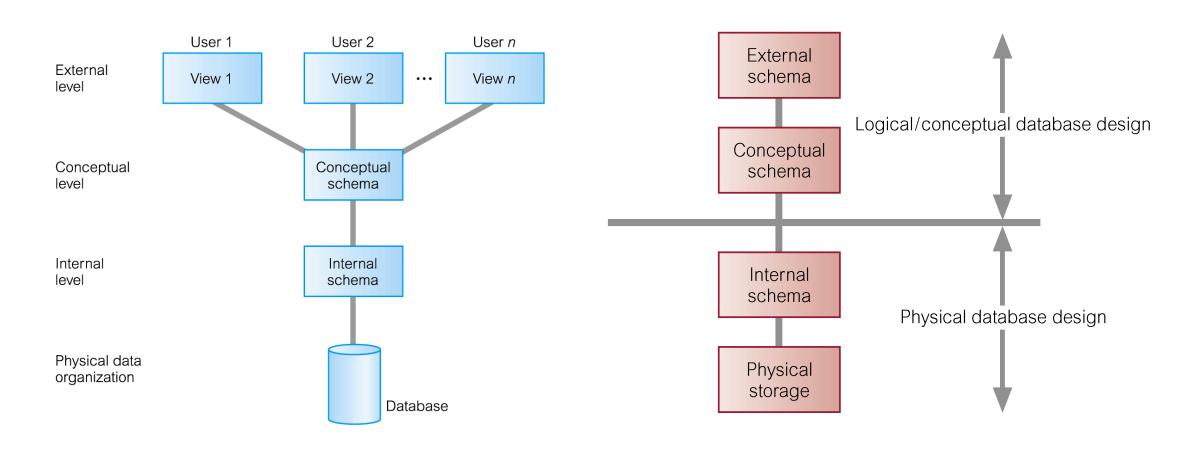
Process of producing a description of the database implementation on secondary storage.

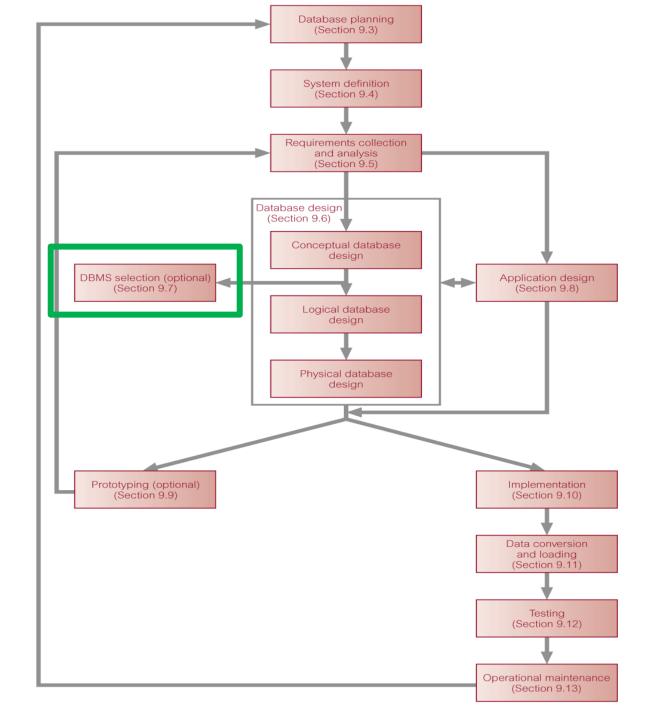
Describes base relations, file organizations, and indexes used to achieve efficient access to data.

Also describes any associated integrity constraints and security measures.

Tailored to a specific DBMS system.

Three-Level ANSI-SPARC Architecture and Phases of Database Design





DBMS Selection

Selection of an appropriate DBMS to support the database system.

Undertaken at any time prior to logical design provided sufficient information is available regarding system requirements.

DBMS Evaluation Features

Data definition	Physical definition
Primary key enforcement	File structures available
Foreign key specification	File structure maintenance
Data types available	Ease of reorganization
Data type extensibility	Indexing
Domain specification	Variable length fields/records
Ease of restructuring	Data compression
Integrity controls	Encryption routines
View mechanism	Memory requirements
Data dictionary	Storage requirements
Data independence	
Underlying data model	
Schema evolution	
Accessibility	Transaction handling
Query language: SQL2/SQL:2003/ODMG	Backup and recovery routines
compliant	Checkpointing facility
Interfacing to 3GLs	Logging facility
Multi-user	Granularity of concurrency
Security	Deadlock resolution strategy
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Advanced transaction models

Parallel query processing

Office Access controls

Authorization mechanism

DBMS Evaluation Features

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Performance measuring 4GL/5GL tools
Tuning CASE tools

Load/unload facilities Windows capabilities

User usage monitoring Stored procedures, triggers, and rules

Database administration support Web development tools

Other features

Upgradability Interoperability with other DBMSs and other systems

Vendor stability Web integration

User base Replication utilities

Training and user support Distributed capabilities

Documentation Portability

Operating system required Hardware required Cost Network support

Online help Object-oriented capabilities

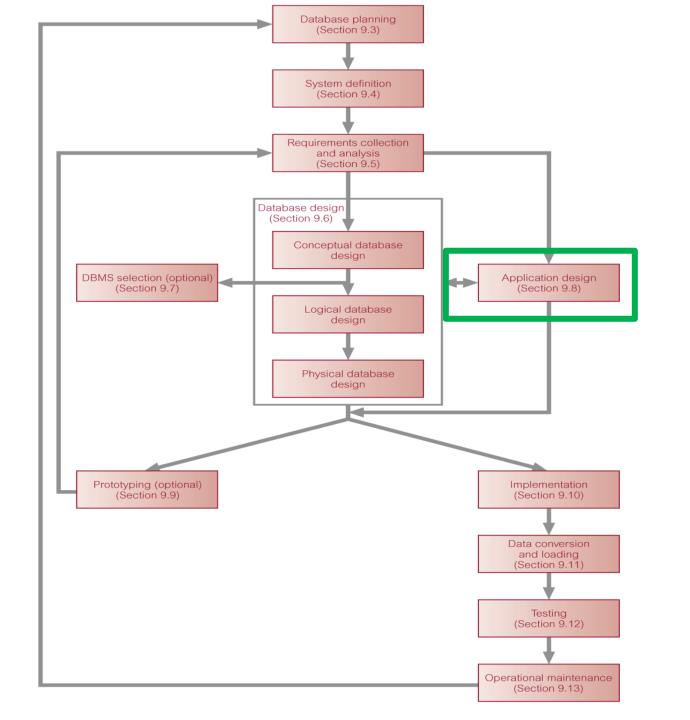
Standards used Architecture (2- or 3-tier client/server)

Version management Performance

Extensibile query optimization Transaction throughput

Scalability Maximum number of concurrent users

Support for analytical tools XML support



Application Design

Design of user interface and application programs that use and process the database.

Database design and application design are parallel activities.

Includes two important activities:

- transaction design;
- user interface design.

Application Design - Transactions

An action, or series of actions, carried out by a single user or application program, which accesses or changes content of the database.

Should define and document the high-level characteristics of the transactions required.

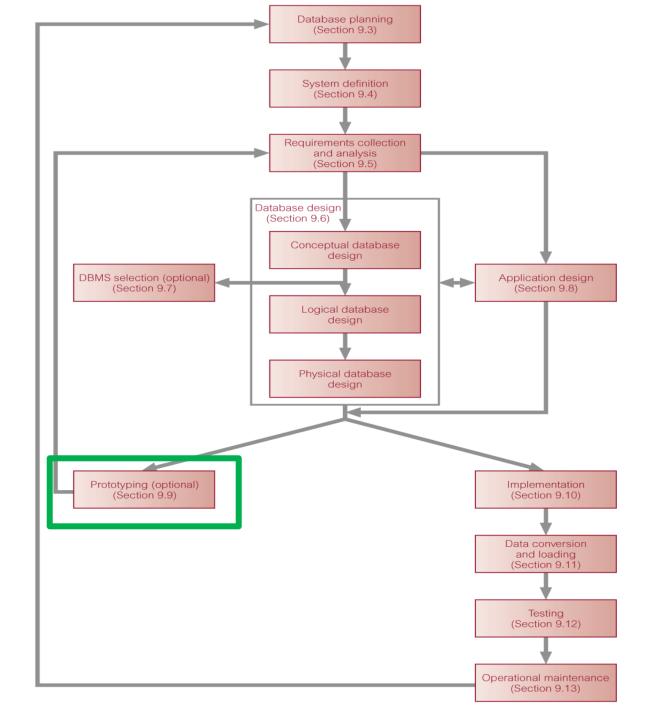
Application Design - Transactions

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Important characteristics of transactions:
  data to be used by the transaction;
  functional characteristics of the transaction;
  output of the transaction;
  importance to the users;
  expected rate of usage.

Three main types of transactions:
  retrieval,
  update, and
  mixed.
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Application Design - Transactions

- (a) List the details of branches in a given city.
- (b) Identify the total number of branches in each city.
- (c) List the name, position, and salary of staff at a given branch, ordered by staff name.
- (d) Identify the total number of staff and the sum of their salaries.
- (e) Identify the total number of staff in each position at branches in Glasgow.
- (f) List the name of each Manager at each branch, ordered by branch address.
- (g) List the names of staff supervised by a named Supervisor.
- (h) List the property number, address, type, and rent of all properties in Glasgow, ordered by rental amount.
- (i) List the details of properties for rent managed by a named member of staff.

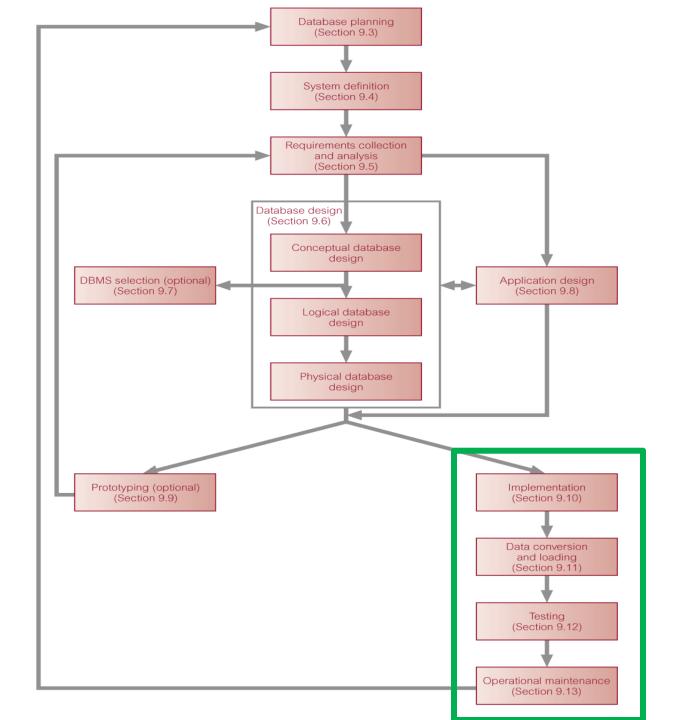


Prototyping

Building working model of a database system.

Purpose

- to identify features of a system that work well, or are inadequate;
- to suggest improvements or even new features;
- to clarify the users' requirements;
- to evaluate feasibility of a particular system design.



Implementation

Physical realization of the database and application designs.

Use DDL to create database schemas and empty database files.

Use DDL to create any specified user views.

Use 3GL or 4GL to create the application programs. This will include the database transactions implemented using the DML, possibly embedded in a host programming language.

Data Conversion and Loading

Transferring any existing data into new database and converting any existing applications to run on new database.

Only required when new database system is replacing an old system.

DBMS normally has utility that loads existing files into new database.

May be possible to convert and use application programs from old system for use by new system.

Testing

Process of running the database system with intent of finding errors.

Use carefully planned test strategies and realistic data.

Testing cannot show absence of faults; it can show only that software faults are present.

Demonstrates that database and application programs appear to be working according to requirements.

Testing

Should also test usability of system.

Evaluation conducted against a usability specification.

Examples of criteria include:

Learnability;

Performance;

Robustness;

Recoverability;

Adaptability.

Operational Maintenance

Process of monitoring and maintaining database system following installation.

Monitoring performance of system.

if performance falls, may require tuning or reorganization of the database.

Maintaining and upgrading database application when required

Incorporating new requirements into database application.

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CASE Tools

Computer-Aided Software Engineering

Support provided by CASE tools include:

- data dictionary to store information about database system's data;
- design tools to support data analysis;
- tools to permit development of corporate data model, and conceptual and logical data models;
- tools to enable prototyping of applications

CASE Tools

Provide following benefits:

Standards

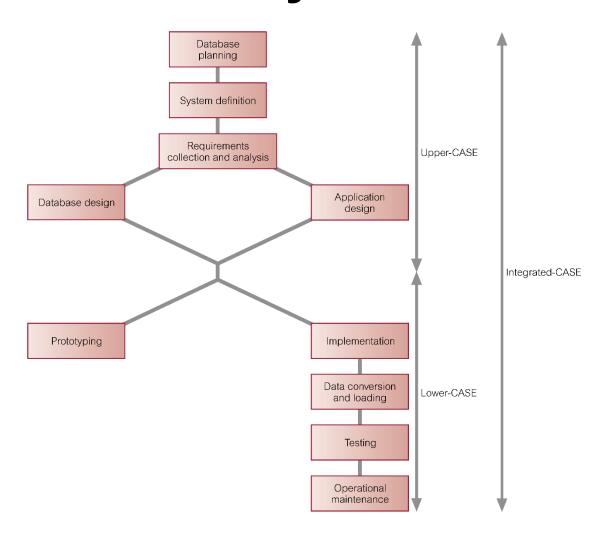
Integration

Support for standard methods

Consistency

Automation

CASE Tools and Database System Development Lifecycle



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Data Administration and Database Administration

The Data Administrator (DA) and Database Administrator (DBA) are responsible for managing and controlling the corporate data and corporate database, respectively.

DA is more concerned with early stages of database system development lifecycle Planning, Conceptual and Logical Modelling

DBA is more concerned with later stages.

Physical, Maintenance, Tuning

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