Database Management System

Unit 1:

What is Data?

Data is a collection of a distinct small unit of information. It can be used in a variety of forms like text, numbers, media, bytes, etc. it can be stored in pieces of paper or electronic memory, etc.

Word 'Data' is originated from the word 'datum' that means 'single piece of information.' It is plural of the word datum.

In computing, Data is information that can be translated into a form for efficient movement and processing. Data is interchangeable.

What is Database?

A **database** is an organized collection of data, so that it can be easily accessed and managed.

You can organize data into tables, rows, columns, and index it to make it easier to find relevant information.

Database handlers create a database in such a way that only one set of software program provides access of data to all the users.

The **main purpose** of the database is to operate a large amount of information by storing, retrieving, and managing data.

There are many **dynamic websites** on the World Wide Web nowadays which are handled through databases. For example, a model that checks the availability of rooms in a hotel. It is an example of a dynamic website that uses a database.

There are many **databases available** like MySQL, Sybase, Oracle, MongoDB, Informix, PostgreSQL, SQL Server, etc.

Modern databases are managed by the database management system (DBMS).

SQL or Structured Query Language is used to operate on the data stored in a database. SQL depends on relational algebra and tuple relational calculus.

A cylindrical structure is used to display the image of a database. 

Evolution of Databases

The database has completed more than 50 years of journey of its evolution from flat-file system to relational and objects relational systems. It has gone through several generations.

The Evolution

File-Based

1968 was the year when File-Based database were introduced. In file-based databases, data was maintained in a flat file. Though files have many advantages, there are several limitations.

One of the major advantages is that the file system has various access methods, e.g., sequential, indexed, and random.

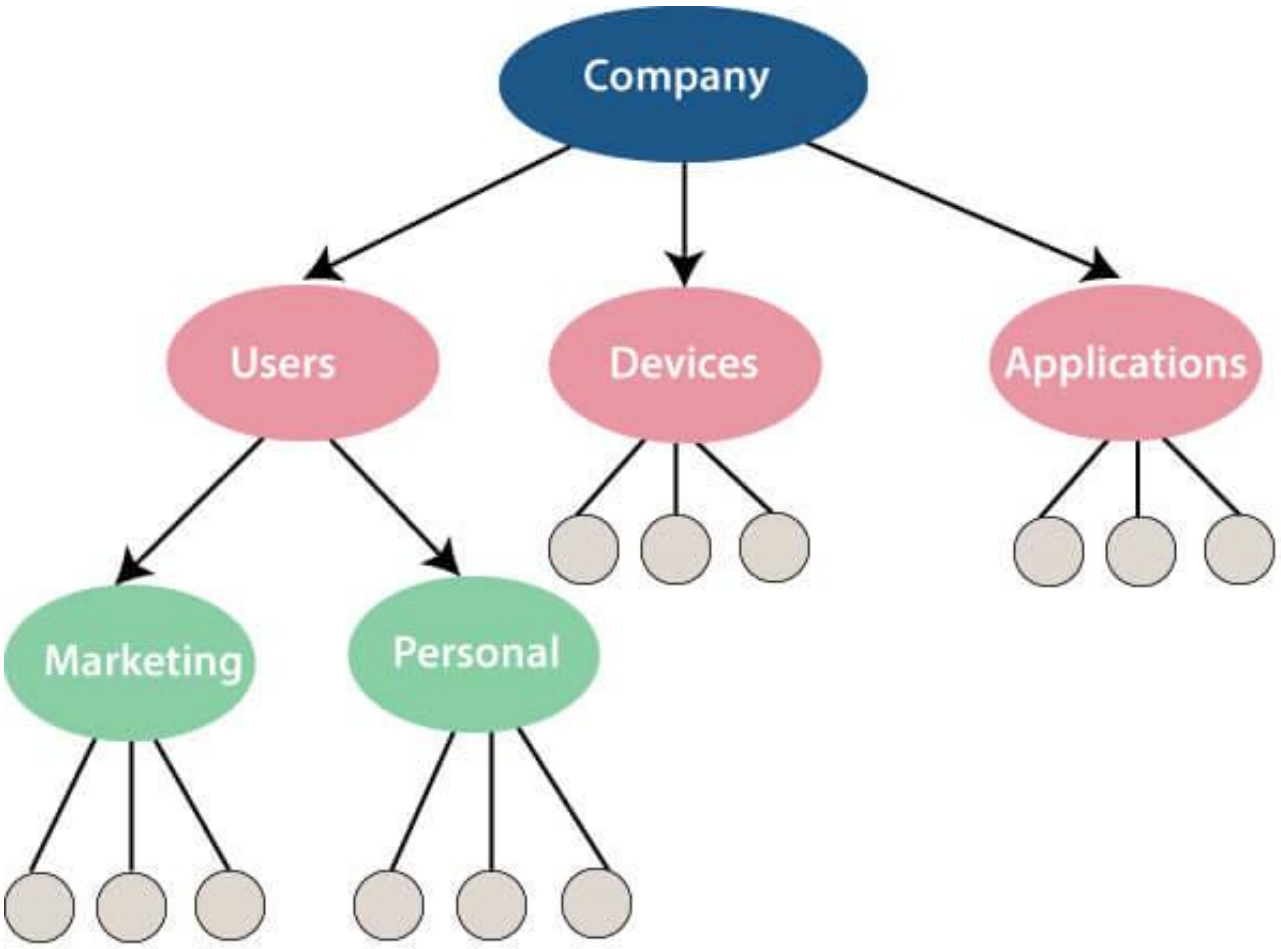
It requires extensive programming in a third-generation language such as COBOL, BASIC.

Hierarchical Data Model

1968-1980 was the era of the Hierarchical Database. Prominent hierarchical database model was IBM's first DBMS. It was called IMS (Information Management System).

In this model, files are related in a parent/child manner.

Below diagram represents Hierarchical Data Model. Small circle represents objects.



Like file system, this model also had some limitations like complex implementation, lack structural independence, can't easily handle a many-many relationship, etc.

Network data model

Charles Bachman developed the first DBMS at Honeywell called Integrated Data Store (IDS). It was developed in the early 1960s, but it was standardized in 1971 by the CODASYL group (Conference on Data Systems Languages).

In this model, files are related as owners and members, like to the common network model.

Network data model identified the following components:

- Network schema (Database organization)
- Sub-schema (views of database per user)
- Data management language (procedural)

This model also had some limitations like system complexity and difficult to design and maintain.

Relational Database

1970 - Present: It is the era of Relational Database and Database Management. In 1970, the relational model was proposed by E.F. Codd.

Relational database model has two main terminologies called instance and schema.

The instance is a table with rows or columns

Schema specifies the structure like name of the relation, type of each column and name.

This model uses some mathematical concept like set theory and predicate logic.

The first internet database application had been created in 1995.

During the era of the relational database, many more models had introduced like object-oriented model, object-relational model, etc.

Cloud database

Cloud database facilitates you to store, manage, and retrieve their structured, unstructured data via a cloud platform. This data is accessible over the Internet. Cloud databases are also called a database as service (DBaaS) because they are offered as a managed service.

Some best cloud options are:

- AWS (Amazon Web Services)
- Snowflake Computing
- Oracle Database Cloud Services
- Microsoft SQL server
- Google cloud spanner

Advantages of cloud database

Lower costs

Generally, company provider does not have to invest in databases. It can maintain and support one or more data centers.

Automated

Cloud databases are enriched with a variety of automated processes such as recovery, failover, and auto-scaling.

Increased accessibility

You can access your cloud-based database from any location, anytime. All you need is just an internet connection.

NoSQL Database

A NoSQL database is an approach to design such databases that can accommodate a wide variety of data models. NoSQL stands for "not only SQL." It is an alternative to traditional relational databases in which data is placed in tables, and data schema is perfectly designed before the database is built.

NoSQL databases are useful for a large set of distributed data.

Some examples of NoSQL database system with their category are:

- MongoDB, CouchDB, Cloudant **(Document-based)**
- Memcached, Redis, Coherence **(key-value store)**
- HBase, Big Table, Accumulo **(Tabular)**

Advantage of NoSQL

High Scalability

NoSQL can handle an extensive amount of data because of scalability. If the data grows, NoSQL database scale it to handle that data in an efficient manner.

High Availability

NoSQL supports auto replication. Auto replication makes it highly available because, in case of any failure, data replicates itself to the previous consistent state.

Disadvantage of NoSQL

Open source

NoSQL is an open-source database, so there is no reliable standard for NoSQL yet.

Management challenge

Data management in NoSQL is much more complicated than relational databases. It is very challenging to install and even more hectic to manage daily.

GUI is not available

GUI tools for NoSQL database are not easily available in the market.

Backup

Backup is a great weak point for NoSQL databases. Some databases, like MongoDB, have no powerful approaches for data backup.

The Object-Oriented Databases

The object-oriented databases contain data in the form of object and classes. Objects are the real-world entity, and types are the collection of objects. An object-oriented database is a combination of relational model features with objects oriented principles. It is an alternative implementation to that of the relational model.

Object-oriented databases hold the rules of object-oriented programming. An object-oriented database management system is a hybrid application.

The object-oriented database model contains the following properties.

Object-oriented programming properties

- Objects
- Classes
- Inheritance
- Polymorphism
- Encapsulation

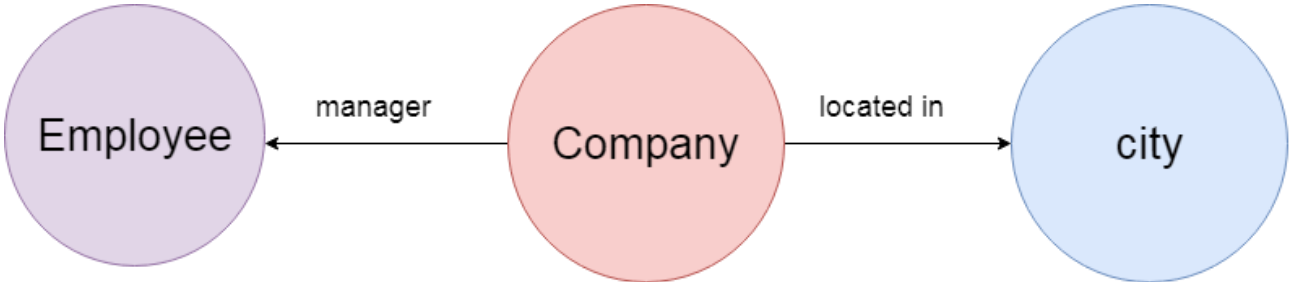
Relational database properties

- Atomicity
- Consistency
- Integrity
- Durability
- Concurrency
- Query processing

Graph Databases

A graph database is a NoSQL database. It is a graphical representation of data. It contains nodes and edges. A node represents an entity, and each edge represents a relationship between two edges. Every node in a graph database represents a unique identifier.

Graph databases are beneficial for searching the relationship between data because they highlight the relationship between relevant data.



Graph databases are very useful when the database contains a complex relationship and dynamic schema.

It is mostly used in **supply chain management**, identifying the source of **IP telephony**.

DBMS (Data Base Management System)

Database management System is software which is used to store and retrieve the database. For example, Oracle, MySQL, etc.; these are some popular DBMS tools.

- DBMS provides the interface to perform the various operations like creation, deletion, modification, etc.
- DBMS allows the user to create their databases as per their requirement.
- DBMS accepts the request from the application and provides specific data through the operating system.
- DBMS contains the group of programs which acts according to the user instruction.
- It provides security to the database.

Advantage of DBMS

Controls redundancy

It stores all the data in a single database file, so it can control data redundancy.

Data sharing

An authorized user can share the data among multiple users.

Backup

It providesBackup and recovery subsystem. This recovery system creates automatic data from system failure and restores data if required.

Multiple user interfaces

It provides a different type of user interfaces like GUI, application interfaces.

Disadvantage of DBMS

Size

It occupies large disk space and large memory to run efficiently.

Cost

DBMS requires a high-speed data processor and larger memory to run DBMS software, so it is costly.

Complexity

DBMS creates additional complexity and requirements.

RDBMS (Relational Database Management System)

The word RDBMS is termed as 'Relational Database Management System.' It is represented as a table that contains rows and column.

RDBMS is based on the Relational model; it was introduced by E. F. Codd.

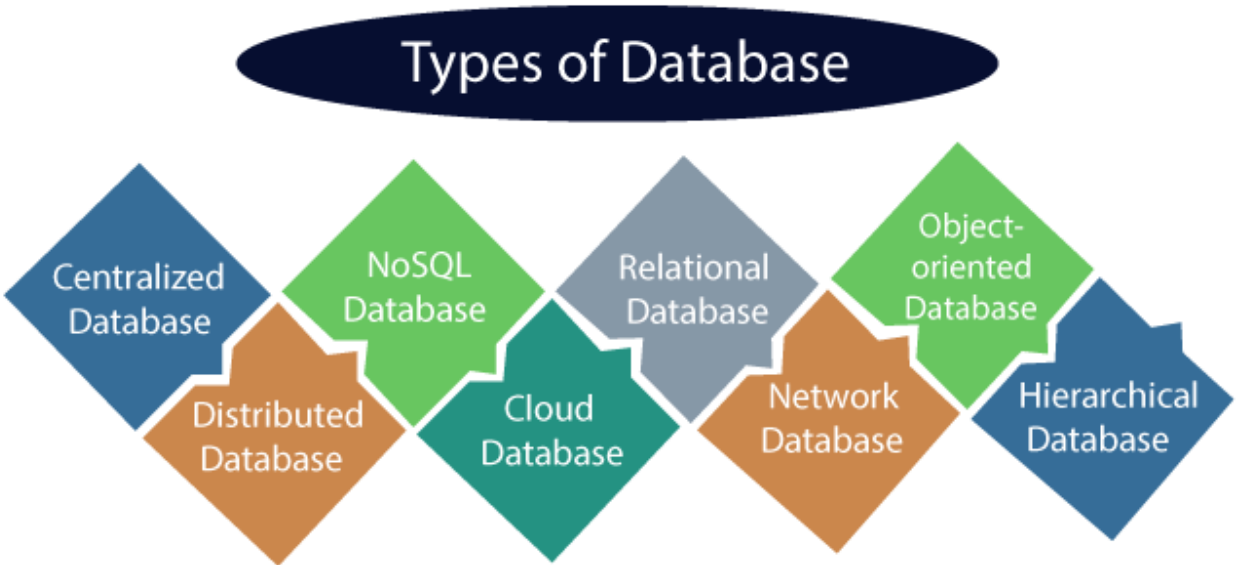
A relational database contains the following components:

- Table
- Record/ Tuple
- Field/Column name /Attribute
- Instance
- Schema
- Keys

An RDBMS is a tabular DBMS that maintains the security, integrity, accuracy, and consistency of the data.

Types of Databases

There are various types of databases used for storing different varieties of data:



1) Centralized Database

It is the type of database that stores data at a centralized database system. It comforts the users to access the stored data from different locations through several applications. These applications contain the authentication process to let users access data securely. An example of a Centralized database can be Central Library that carries a central database of each library in a college/university.

Advantages of Centralized Database

- It has decreased the risk of data management, i.e., manipulation of data will not affect the core data.
- Data consistency is maintained as it manages data in a central repository.
- It provides better data quality, which enables organizations to establish data standards.
- It is less costly because fewer vendors are required to handle the data sets.

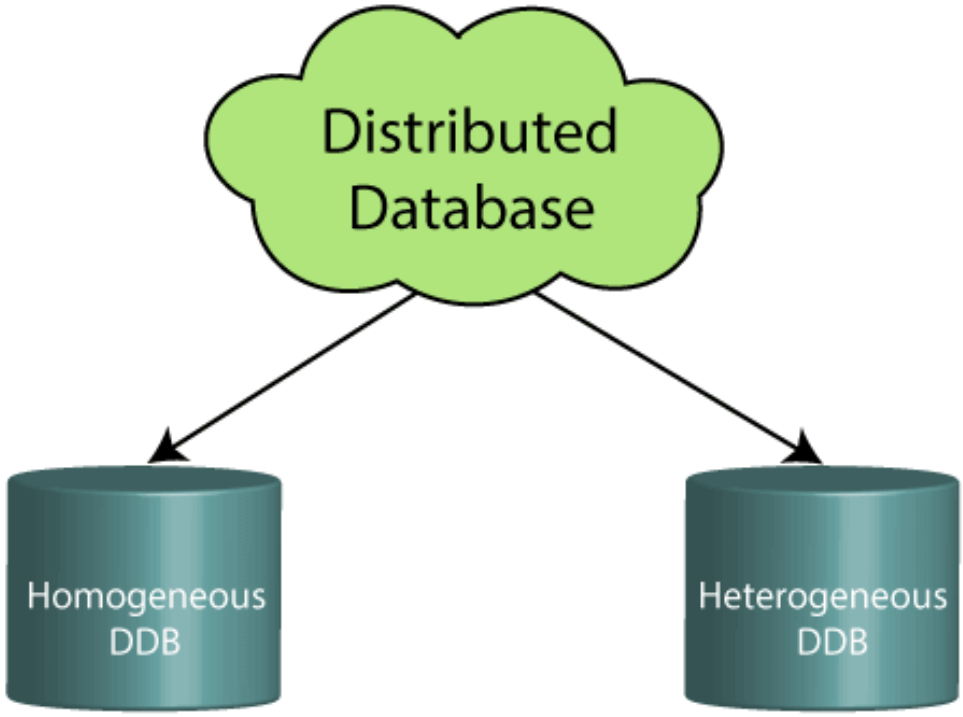
Disadvantages of Centralized Database

- The size of the centralized database is large, which increases the response time for fetching the data.
- It is not easy to update such an extensive database system.
- If any server failure occurs, entire data will be lost, which could be a huge loss.

2) Distributed Database

Unlike a centralized database system, in distributed systems, data is distributed among different database systems of an organization. These database systems are connected via communication links. Such links help the end-users to access the data easily. **Examples** of the Distributed database are Apache Cassandra, HBase, Ignite, etc.

We can further divide a distributed database system into:



- **Homogeneous DDB:** Those database systems which execute on the same operating system and use the same application process and carry the same hardware devices.
- **Heterogeneous DDB:** Those database systems which execute on different operating systems under different application procedures, and carries different hardware devices.

Advantages of Distributed Database

- Modular development is possible in a distributed database, i.e., the system can be expanded by including new computers and connecting them to the distributed system.
- One server failure will not affect the entire data set.

3) Relational Database

This database is based on the relational data model, which stores data in the form of rows(tuple) and columns(attributes), and together forms a table(relation). A relational database uses SQL for storing, manipulating, as well as maintaining the data. E.F. Codd invented the database in 1970. Each table in the database carries a key that makes the data unique from others. **Examples** of Relational databases are MySQL, Microsoft SQL Server, Oracle, etc.

Properties of Relational Database

There are following four commonly known properties of a relational model known as ACID properties, where:

A means Atomicity: This ensures the data operation will complete either with success or with failure. It follows the 'all or nothing' strategy. For example, a transaction will either be committed or will abort.

C means Consistency: If we perform any operation over the data, its value before and after the operation should be preserved. For example, the account balance before and after the transaction should be correct, i.e., it should remain conserved.

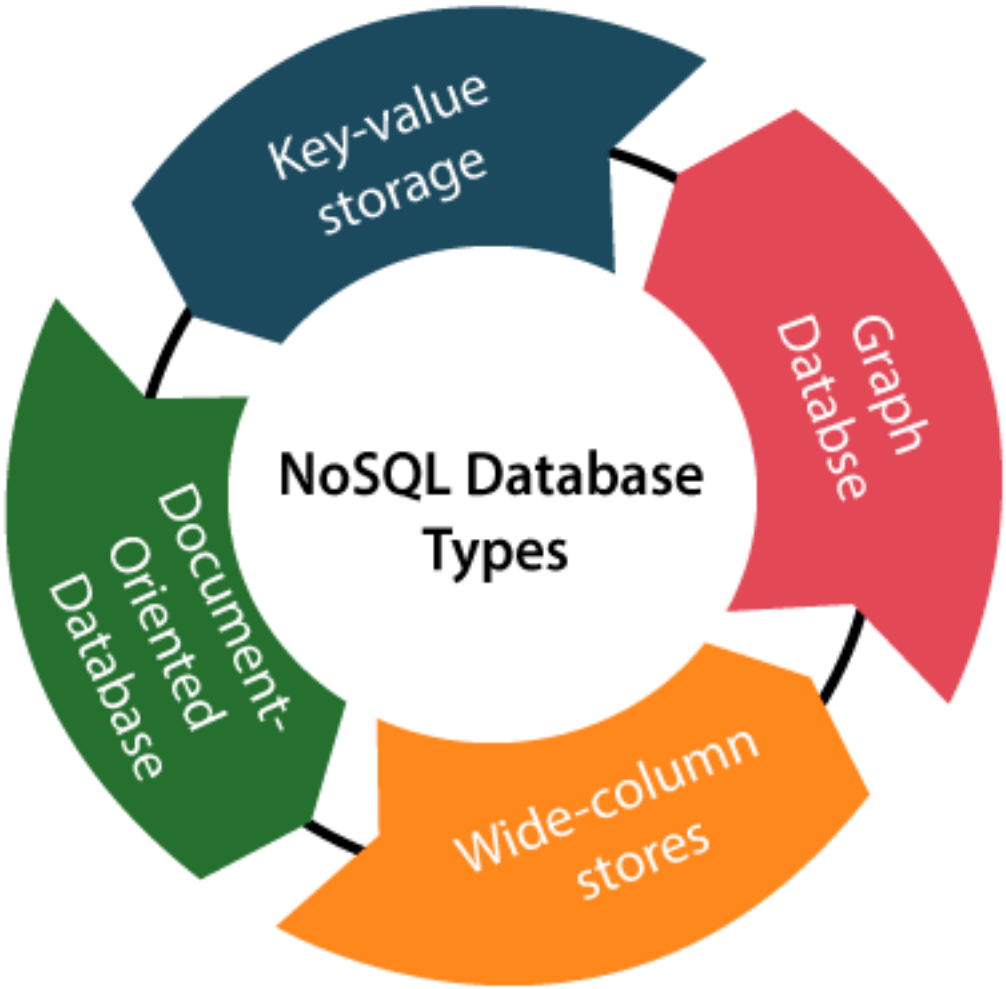
I means Isolation: There can be concurrent users for accessing data at the same time from the database. Thus, isolation between the data should remain isolated. For example, when multiple transactions occur at the same time, one transaction effects should not be visible to the other transactions in the database.

D means Durability: It ensures that once it completes the operation and commits the data, data changes should remain permanent.

4) NoSQL Database

Non-SQL/Not Only SQL is a type of database that is used for storing a wide range of data sets. It is not a relational database as it stores data not only in tabular form but in several

different ways. It came into existence when the demand for building modern applications increased. Thus, NoSQL presented a wide variety of database technologies in response to the demands. We can further divide a NoSQL database into the following four types:



1. **Key-value storage:** It is the simplest type of database storage where it stores every single item as a key (or attribute name) holding its value, together.
2. **Document-oriented Database:** A type of database used to store data as JSON-like document. It helps developers in storing data by using the same document-model format as used in the application code.
3. **Graph Databases:** It is used for storing vast amounts of data in a graph-like structure. Most commonly, social networking websites use the graph database.
4. **Wide-column stores:** It is similar to the data represented in relational databases. Here, data is stored in large columns together, instead of storing in rows.

Advantages of NoSQL Database

- It enables good productivity in the application development as it is not required to store data in a structured format.
- It is a better option for managing and handling large data sets.
- It provides high scalability.
- Users can quickly access data from the database through key-value.

5) Cloud Database

A type of database where data is stored in a virtual environment and executes over the cloud computing platform. It provides users with various cloud computing services (SaaS, PaaS, IaaS, etc.) for accessing the database. There are numerous cloud platforms, but the best options are:

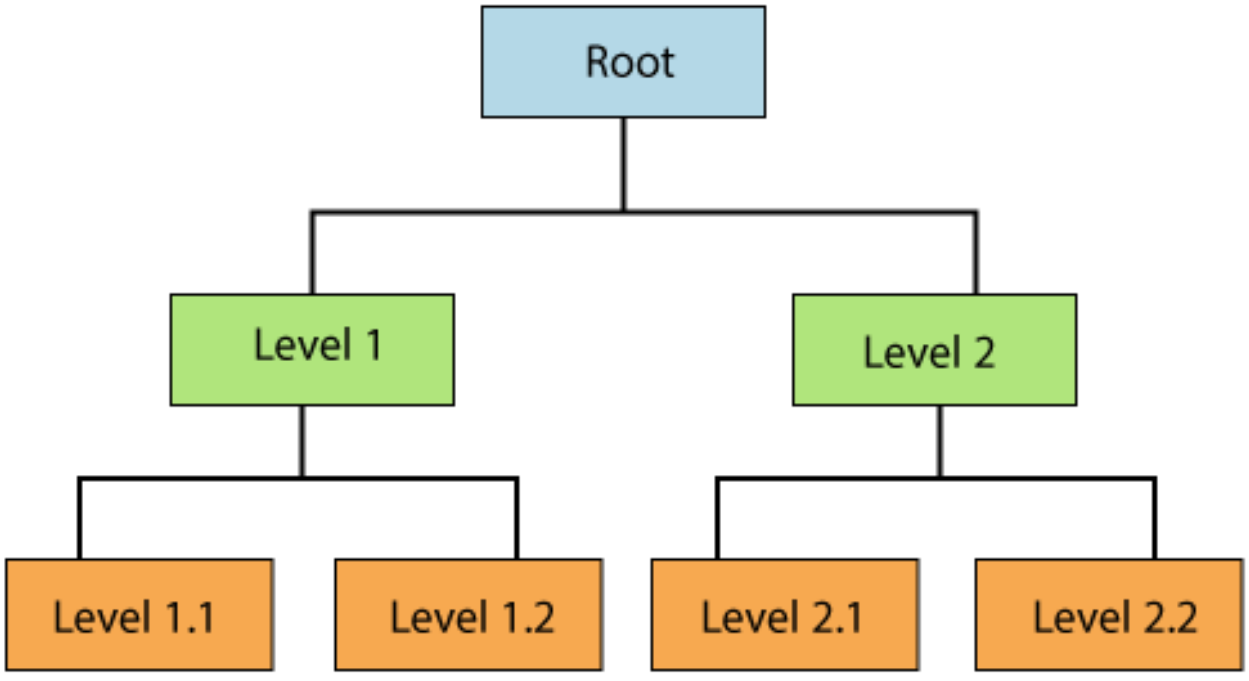
- Amazon Web Services(AWS)
- Microsoft Azure
- Kamatera
- PhonixNAP
- ScienceSoft
- Google Cloud SQL, etc.

6) Object-oriented Databases

The type of database that uses the object-based data model approach for storing data in the database system. The data is represented and stored as objects which are similar to the objects used in the object-oriented programming language.

7) Hierarchical Databases

It is the type of database that stores data in the form of parent-children relationship nodes. Here, it organizes data in a tree-like structure.



Hierarchical Database

Data get stored in the form of records that are connected via links. Each child record in the tree will contain only one parent. On the other hand, each parent record can have multiple child records.

8) Network Databases

It is the database that typically follows the network data model. Here, the representation of data is in the form of nodes connected via links between them. Unlike the hierarchical database, it allows each record to have multiple children and parent nodes to form a generalized graph structure.

9) Personal Database

Collecting and storing data on the user's system defines a Personal Database. This database is basically designed for a single user.

Advantage of Personal Database

- It is simple and easy to handle.
- It occupies less storage space as it is small in size.

10) Operational Database

The type of database which creates and updates the database in real-time. It is basically designed for executing and handling the daily data operations in several businesses. For example, An organization uses operational databases for managing per day transactions.

11) Enterprise Database

Large organizations or enterprises use this database for managing a massive amount of data. It helps organizations to increase and improve their efficiency. Such a database allows simultaneous access to users.

Advantages of Enterprise Database:

- Multi processes are supportable over the Enterprise database.
- It allows executing parallel queries on the system.

What is RDBMS (Relational Database Management System)

RDBMS stands for *Relational Database Management System.*

All modern database management systems like SQL, MS SQL Server, IBM DB2, ORACLE, My-SQL, and Microsoft Access are based on RDBMS.

It is called Relational Database Management System (RDBMS) because it is based on the relational model introduced by E.F. Codd.

How it works

Data is represented in terms of tuples (rows) in RDBMS.

A relational database is the most commonly used database. It contains several tables, and each table has its primary key.

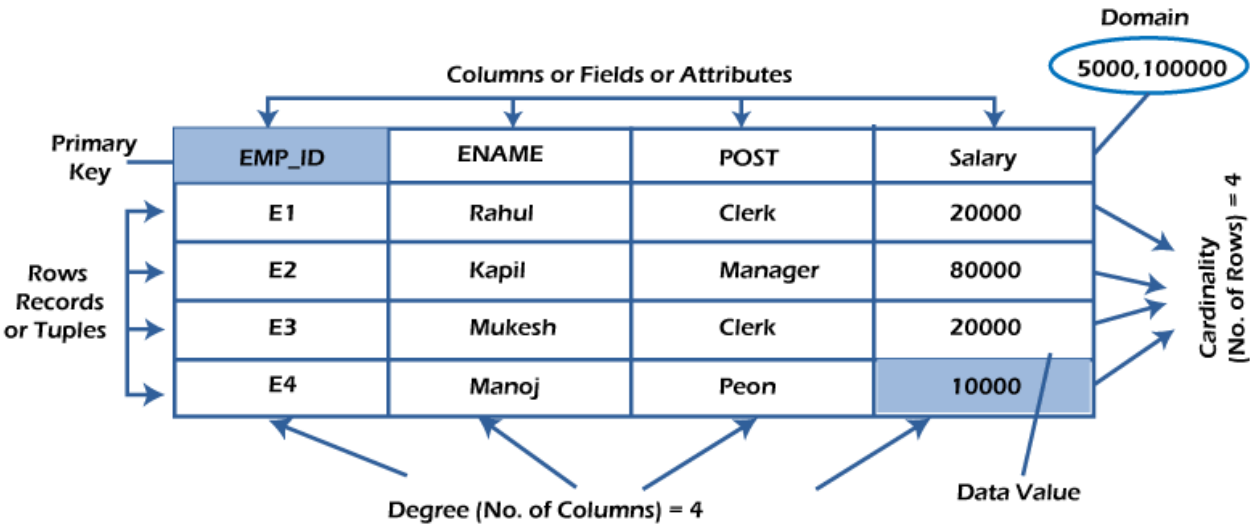
Due to a collection of an organized set of tables, data can be accessed easily in RDBMS.

Brief History of RDBMS

From 1970 to 1972, E.F. Codd published a paper to propose using a relational database model.

RDBMS is originally based on E.F. Codd's relational model invention.

Following are the various terminologies of RDBMS:



What is table/Relation?

Everything in a relational database is stored in the form of relations. The RDBMS database uses tables to store data. A table is a collection of related data entries and contains rows and columns to store data. Each table represents some real-world objects such as person, place, or event about which information is collected. The organized collection of data into a relational table is known as the logical view of the database.

Properties of a Relation:

- Each relation has a unique name by which it is identified in the database.
- Relation does not contain duplicate tuples.
- The tuples of a relation have no specific order.
- All attributes in a relation are atomic, i.e., each cell of a relation contains exactly one value.

A table is the simplest example of data stored in RDBMS.

Let's see the example of the student table.

ID	Name	AGE	COURSE
1	Ajeet	24	B.Tech
2	aryan	20	C.A
3	Mahesh	21	BCA
4	Ratan	22	MCA
5	Vimal	26	BSC

What is a row or record?

A row of a table is also called a record or tuple. It contains the specific information of each entry in the table. It is a horizontal entity in the table. For example, The above table contains 5 records.

Properties of a row:

- No two tuples are identical to each other in all their entries.
- All tuples of the relation have the same format and the same number of entries.
- The order of the tuple is irrelevant. They are identified by their content, not by their position.

Let's see one record/row in the table.

ID	Name	AGE	COURSE
1	Ajeet	24	B.Tech

What is a column/attribute?

A column is a vertical entity in the table which contains all information associated with a specific field in a table. For example, "name" is a column in the above table which contains all information about a student's name.

Properties of an Attribute:

- Every attribute of a relation must have a name.
- Null values are permitted for the attributes.
- Default values can be specified for an attribute automatically inserted if no other value is specified for an attribute.
- Attributes that uniquely identify each tuple of a relation are the primary key.

What is data item/Cells?

The smallest unit of data in the table is the individual data item. It is stored at the intersection of tuples and attributes.

Properties of data items:

- Data items are atomic.
- The data items for an attribute should be drawn from the same domain.

In the below example, the data item in the student table consists of Ajeet, 24 and Btech, etc.

ID	Name	AGE	COURSE
1	Ajeet	24	B.Tech

Degree:

The total number of attributes that comprise a relation is known as the degree of the table.

For example, the student table has 4 attributes, and its degree is 4.

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1	Ajeet	24	B.Tech
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Cardinality:

The total number of tuples at any one time in a relation is known as the table's cardinality. The relation whose cardinality is 0 is called an empty table.

For example, the student table has 5 rows, and its cardinality is 5.

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Domain:

The domain refers to the possible values each attribute can contain. It can be specified using standard data types such as integers, floating numbers, etc. **For example**, An attribute entitled Marital_Status may be limited to married or unmarried values.

NULL Values

The NULL value of the table specifies that the field has been left blank during record creation. It is different from the value filled with zero or a field that contains space.

Data Integrity

There are the following categories of data integrity exist with each RDBMS:

Entity integrity: It specifies that there should be no duplicate rows in a table.

Domain integrity: It enforces valid entries for a given column by restricting the type, the format, or the range of values.

Referential integrity specifies that rows cannot be deleted, which are used by other records.

User-defined integrity: It enforces some specific business rules defined by users. These rules are different from the entity, domain, or referential integrity.

Difference between DBMS and RDBMS

Although DBMS and RDBMS both are used to store information in physical database but there are some remarkable differences between them.

The main differences between DBMS and RDBMS are given below:

No.	DBMS	RDBMS
1)	DBMS applications store **data as file**.	RDBMS applications store **data in a tabular form**.
2)	In DBMS, data is generally stored in either a hierarchical form or a navigational form.	In RDBMS, the tables have an identifier called primary key and the data values are stored in the form of tables.
3)	**Normalization is not** present in DBMS.	**Normalization is** present in RDBMS.
4)	DBMS does **not apply any security** with regards to data manipulation.	RDBMS **defines the integrity constraint** for the purpose of ACID (Atomocity, Consistency, Isolation and Durability) property.
5)	DBMS uses file system to store data, so there will be **no relation between the tables**.	in RDBMS, data values are stored in the form of tables, so a **relationship** between these data values will be stored in the form of a table as well.

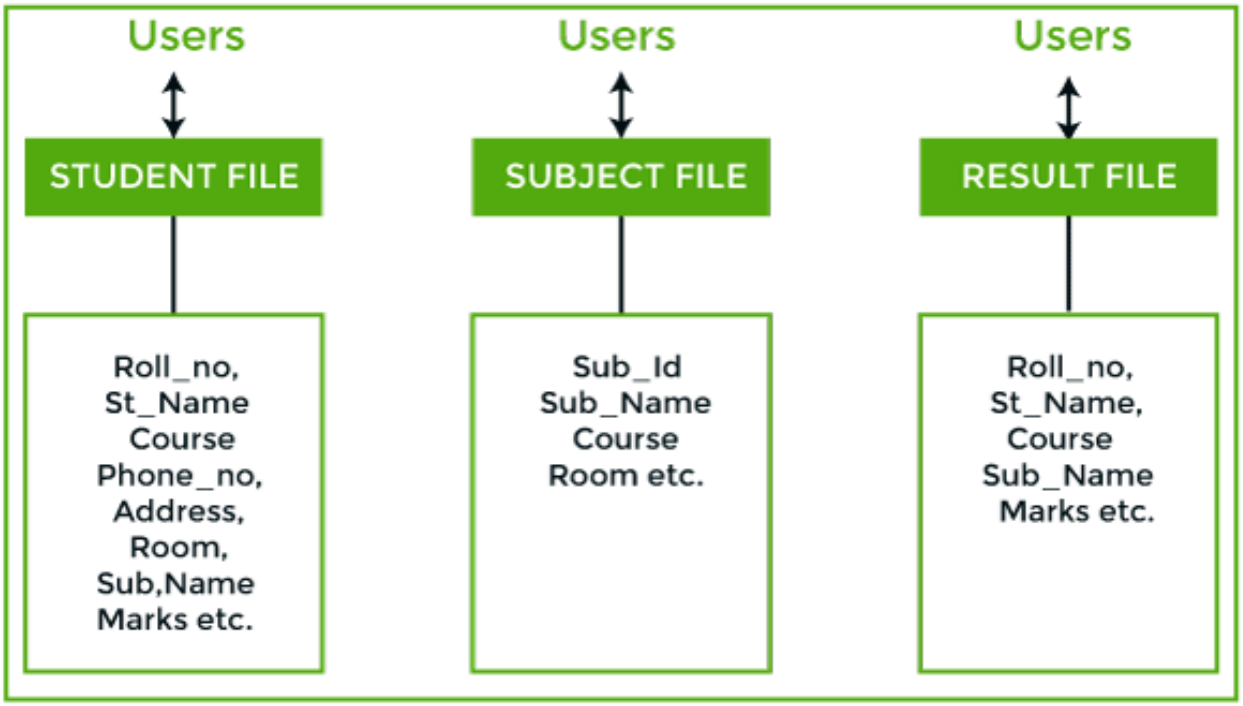
6)	DBMS has to provide some uniform methods to access the stored information.	RDBMS system supports a tabular structure of the data and a relationship between them to access the stored information.
7)	DBMS **does not support distributed database**.	RDBMS **supports distributed database**.
8)	DBMS is meant to be for small organization and **deal with small data**. it supports **single user**.	RDBMS is designed to **handle large amount of data**. it supports **multiple users**.
9)	Examples of DBMS are file systems, **xml** etc.	Example of RDBMS are **mysql**, **postgre**, **sql server**, **oracle** etc.

After observing the differences between DBMS and RDBMS, you can say that RDBMS is an extension of DBMS. There are many software products in the market today who are compatible for both DBMS and RDBMS. Means today a RDBMS application is DBMS application and vice-versa.

Difference between File System and DBMS

File System Approach

File based systems were an early attempt to computerize the manual system. It is also called a traditional based approach in which a decentralized approach was taken where each department stored and controlled its own data with the help of a data processing specialist. The main role of a data processing specialist was to create the necessary computer file structures, and also manage the data within structures and design some application programs that create reports based on file data.



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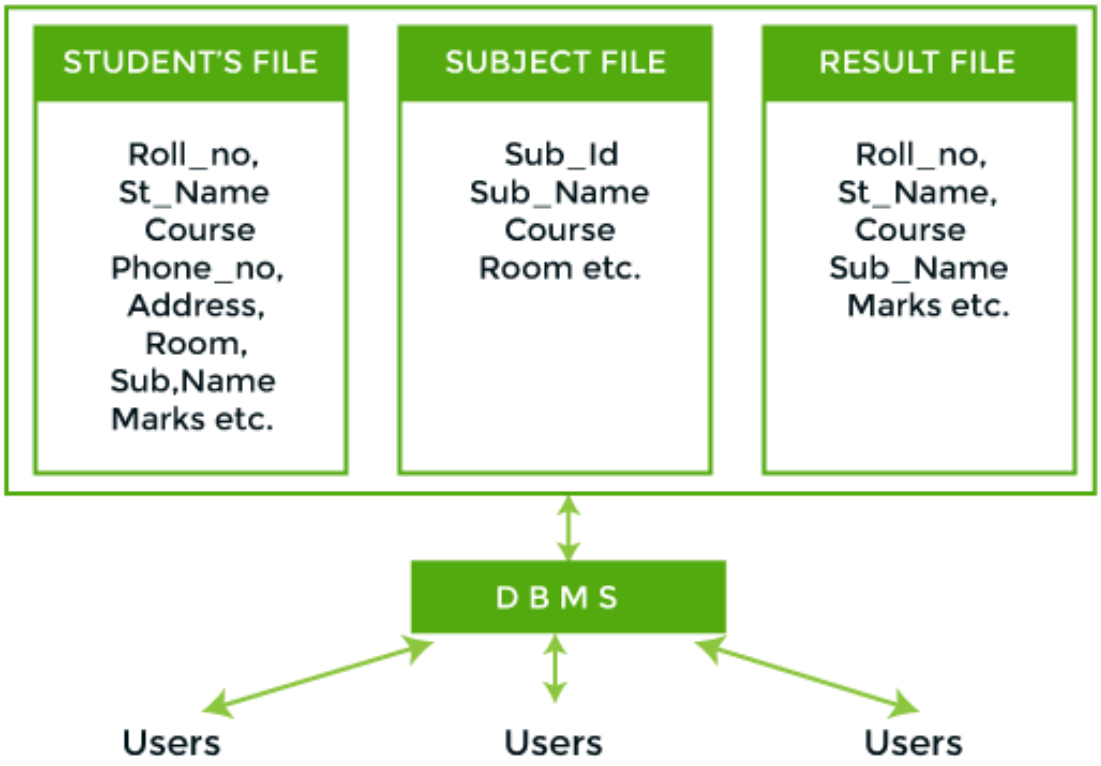
Consider an example of a student's file system. The student file will contain information regarding the student (i.e. roll no, student name, course etc.). Similarly, we have a subject file that contains information about the subject and the result file which contains the information regarding the result.

Some fields are duplicated in more than one file, which leads to data redundancy. So to overcome this problem, we need to create a centralized system, i.e. DBMS approach.

DBMS:

A database approach is a well-organized collection of data that are related in a meaningful way which can be accessed by different users but stored only once in a system. The various operations performed by the DBMS system are: Insertion, deletion, selection, sorting etc.



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In the above figure, duplication of data is reduced due to centralization of data.

There are the following differences between DBMS and File systems:

Basis	DBMS Approach	File System Approach
Meaning	DBMS is a collection of data. In DBMS, the user is not required to write the procedures.	The file system is a collection of data. In this system, the user has to write the procedures for managing the database.
Sharing of data	Due to the centralized approach, data sharing is easy.	Data is distributed in many files, and it may be of different formats, so it isn't easy to share data.
Data Abstraction	DBMS gives an abstract view of data that hides the details.	The file system provides the detail of the data representation and storage of data.
Security and Protection	DBMS provides a good protection mechanism.	It isn't easy to protect a file under the file system.

Recovery Mechanism	DBMS provides a crash recovery mechanism, i.e., DBMS protects the user from system failure.	The file system doesn't have a crash mechanism, i.e., if the system crashes while entering some data, then the content of the file will be lost.
Manipulation Techniques	DBMS contains a wide variety of sophisticated techniques to store and retrieve the data.	The file system can't efficiently store and retrieve the data.
Concurrency Problems	DBMS takes care of Concurrent access of data using some form of locking.	In the File system, concurrent access has many problems like redirecting the file while deleting some information or updating some information.
Where to use	Database approach used in large systems which interrelate many files.	File system approach used in large systems which interrelate many files.
Cost	The database system is expensive to design.	The file system approach is cheaper to design.
Data Redundancy and Inconsistency	Due to the centralization of the database, the problems of data redundancy and inconsistency are controlled.	In this, the files and application programs are created by different programmers so that there exists a lot of duplication of data which may lead to inconsistency.
Structure	The database structure is complex to design.	The file system approach has a simple structure.

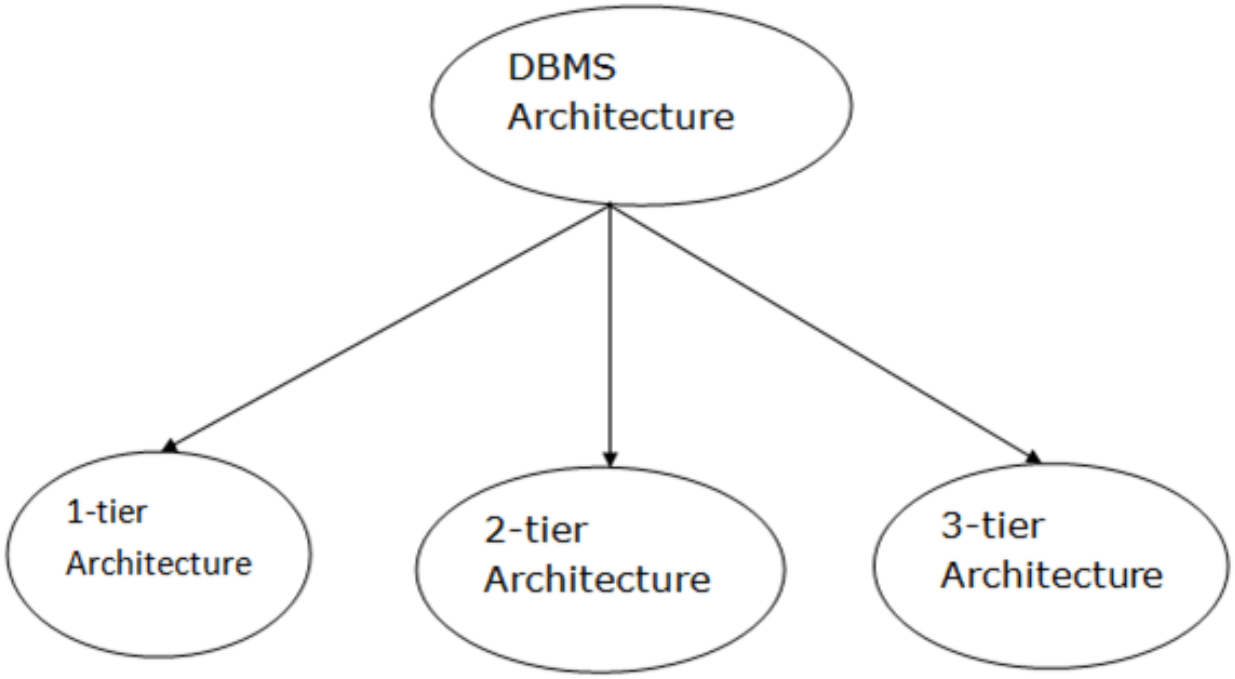
Data Independence	In this system, Data Independence exists, and it can be of two types. Logical Data Independence Physical Data Independence	In the File system approach, there exists no Data Independence.
Integrity Constraints	Integrity Constraints are easy to apply.	Integrity Constraints are difficult to implement in file system.
Data Models	In the database approach, 3 types of data models exist: Hierarchal data models Network data models Relational data models	In the file system approach, there is no concept of data models exists.
Flexibility	Changes are often a necessity to the content of the data stored in any system, and these changes are more easily with a database approach.	The flexibility of the system is less as compared to the DBMS approach.
Examples	Oracle, SQL Server, Sybase etc.	Cobol, C++ etc.

DBMS Architecture

- The DBMS design depends upon its architecture. The basic client/server architecture is used to deal with a large number of PCs, web servers, database servers and other components that are connected with networks.
- The client/server architecture consists of many PCs and a workstation which are connected via the network.

- DBMS architecture depends upon how users are connected to the database to get their request done.

Types of DBMS Architecture



Database architecture can be seen as a single tier or multi-tier. But logically, database architecture is of two types like: **2-tier architecture** and **3-tier architecture**.

1-Tier Architecture

- In this architecture, the database is directly available to the user. It means the user can directly sit on the DBMS and uses it.
- Any changes done here will directly be done on the database itself. It doesn't provide a handy tool for end users.
- The 1-Tier architecture is used for development of the local application, where programmers can directly communicate with the database for the quick response.

2-Tier Architecture

- The 2-Tier architecture is same as basic client-server. In the two-tier architecture, applications on the client end can directly communicate with the database at the server side. For this interaction, API's like: **ODBC**, **JDBC** are used.
- The user interfaces and application programs are run on the client-side.

- The server side is responsible to provide the functionalities like: query processing and transaction management.
- To communicate with the DBMS, client-side application establishes a connection with the server side.

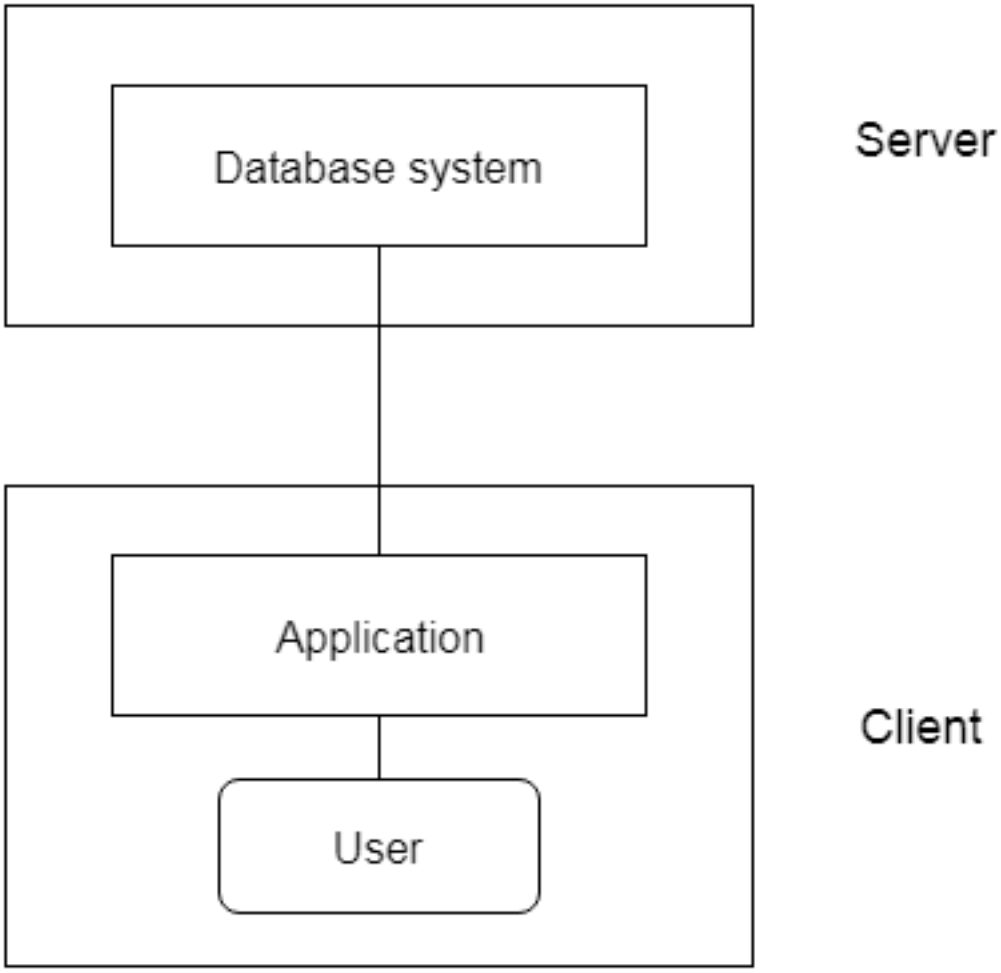


Fig: 2-tier Architecture

3-Tier Architecture

- The 3-Tier architecture contains another layer between the client and server. In this architecture, client can't directly communicate with the server.
- The application on the client-end interacts with an application server which further communicates with the database system.
- End user has no idea about the existence of the database beyond the application server. The database also has no idea about any other user beyond the application.
- The 3-Tier architecture is used in case of large web application.

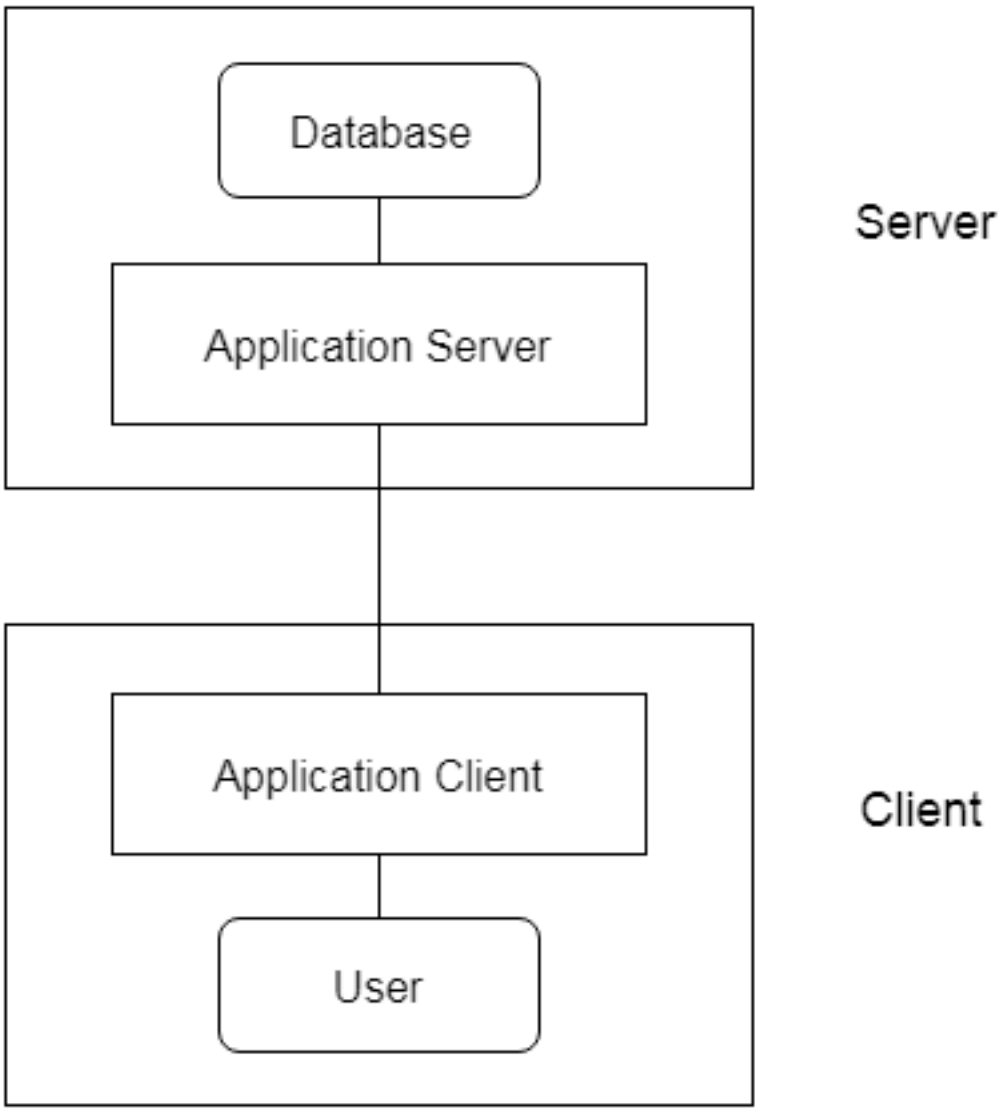
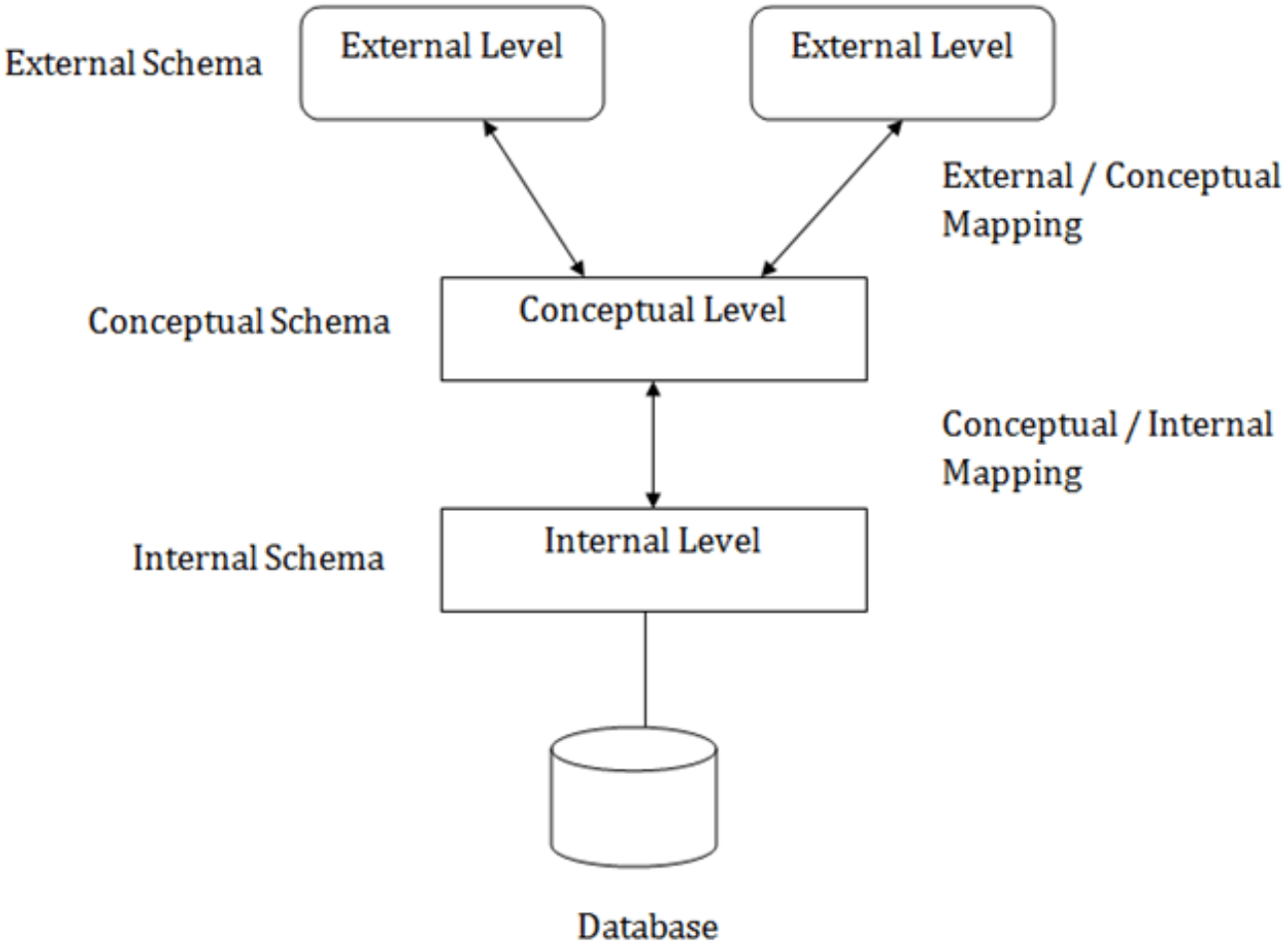


Fig: 3-tier Architecture

Three schema Architecture

- The three schema architecture is also called ANSI/SPARC architecture or three-level architecture.
- This framework is used to describe the structure of a specific database system.
- The three schema architecture is also used to separate the user applications and physical database.
- The three schema architecture contains three-levels. It breaks the database down into three different categories.

The three-schema architecture is as follows:



In the above diagram:

- It shows the DBMS architecture.
- Mapping is used to transform the request and response between various database levels of architecture.
- Mapping is not good for small DBMS because it takes more time.
- In External / Conceptual mapping, it is necessary to transform the request from external level to conceptual schema.
- In Conceptual / Internal mapping, DBMS transform the request from the conceptual to internal level.

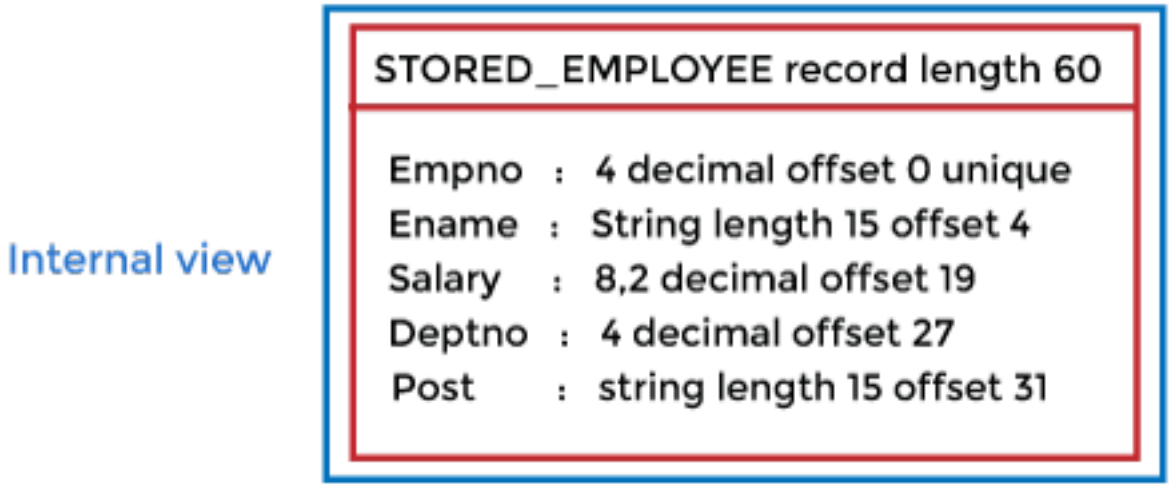
Objectives of Three schema Architecture

The main objective of three level architecture is to enable multiple users to access the same data with a personalized view while storing the underlying data only once. Thus it separates the user's view from the physical structure of the database. This separation is desirable for the following reasons:

- Different users need different views of the same data.

- The approach in which a particular user needs to see the data may change over time.
- The users of the database should not worry about the physical implementation and internal workings of the database such as data compression and encryption techniques, hashing, optimization of the internal structures etc.
- All users should be able to access the same data according to their requirements.
- DBA should be able to change the conceptual structure of the database without affecting the user's
- Internal structure of the database should be unaffected by changes to physical aspects of the storage.

1. Internal Level

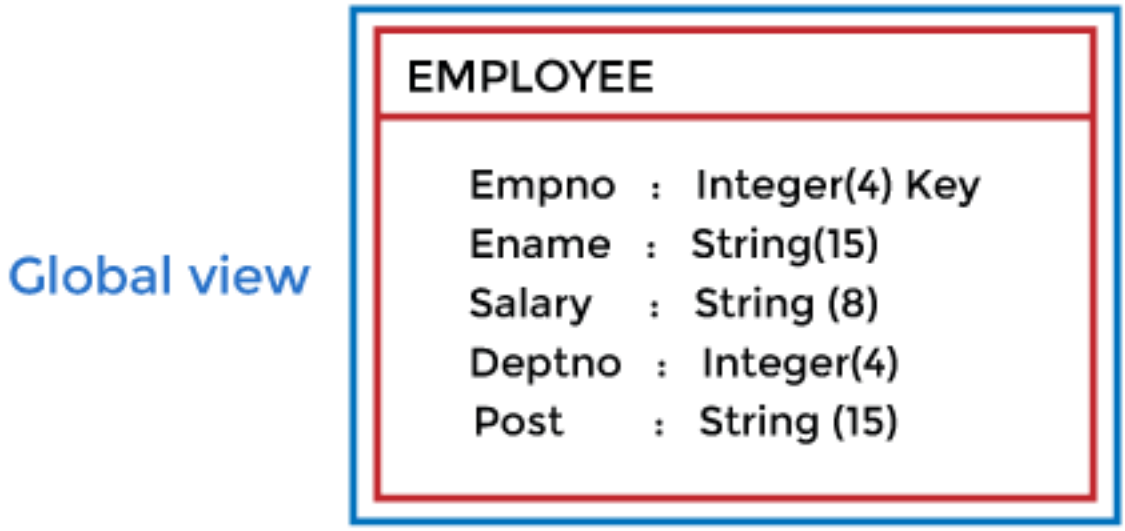


- The internal level has an internal schema which describes the physical storage structure of the database.
- The internal schema is also known as a physical schema.
- It uses the physical data model. It is used to define that how the data will be stored in a block.
- The physical level is used to describe complex low-level data structures in detail.

The internal level is generally is concerned with the following activities:

- Storage space allocations.
  For Example: B-Trees, Hashing etc.
- Access paths.
  For Example: Specification of primary and secondary keys, indexes, pointers and sequencing.
- Data compression and encryption techniques.
- Optimization of internal structures.
- Representation of stored fields.

2. Conceptual Level



- The conceptual schema describes the design of a database at the conceptual level. Conceptual level is also known as logical level.
- The conceptual schema describes the structure of the whole database.
- The conceptual level describes what data are to be stored in the database and also describes what relationship exists among those data.
- In the conceptual level, internal details such as an implementation of the data structure are hidden.
- Programmers and database administrators work at this level.

3. External Level

- At the external level, a database contains several schemas that sometimes called as subschema. The subschema is used to describe the different view of the database.
- An external schema is also known as view schema.
- Each view schema describes the database part that a particular user group is interested and hides the remaining database from that user group.
- The view schema describes the end user interaction with database systems.

Mapping between Views

The three levels of DBMS architecture don't exist independently of each other. There must be correspondence between the three levels i.e. how they actually correspond with each other. DBMS is responsible for correspondence between the three types of schema. This correspondence is called Mapping.

There are basically two types of mapping in the database architecture:

- Conceptual/ Internal Mapping
- External / Conceptual Mapping

Conceptual/ Internal Mapping

The Conceptual/ Internal Mapping lies between the conceptual level and the internal level. Its role is to define the correspondence between the records and fields of the conceptual level and files and data structures of the internal level.

External/ Conceptual Mapping

The external/Conceptual Mapping lies between the external level and the Conceptual level. Its role is to define the correspondence between a particular external and the conceptual view.

Data Models

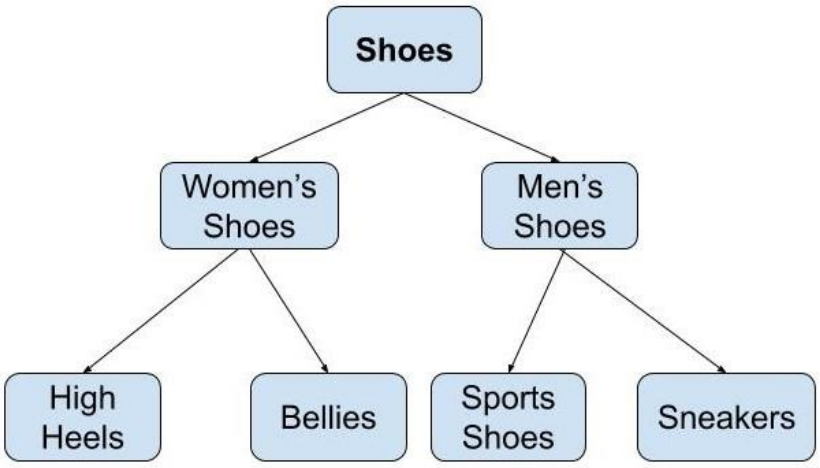
Data Model gives us an idea that how the final system will look like after its complete implementation. It defines the data elements and the relationships between the data elements. Data Models are used to show how data is stored, connected, accessed and updated in the database management system. Here, we use a set of symbols and text to represent the information so that members of the organisation can communicate and understand it. Though there are many data models being used nowadays but the Relational model is the most widely used model. Apart from the Relational model, there are many other types of data models about which we will study in details in this blog. Some of the Data Models in DBMS are:

1. Hierarchical Model
2. Network Model
3. Entity-Relationship Model
4. Relational Model
5. Object-Oriented Data Model
6. Object-Relational Data Model
7. Flat Data Model
8. Semi-Structured Data Model
9. Associative Data Model
10. Context Data Model

Hierarchical Model

Hierarchical Model was the first DBMS model. This model organises the data in the hierarchical tree structure. The hierarchy starts from the root which has root data and then

it expands in the form of a tree adding child node to the parent node. This model easily represents some of the real-world relationships like food recipes, sitemap of a website etc. ***Example:*** We can represent the relationship between the shoes present on a shopping website in the following way:



Hierarchical Model

Features of a Hierarchical Model

1. ***One-to-many relationship:*** The data here is organised in a tree-like structure where the one-to-many relationship is between the datatypes. Also, there can be only one path from parent to any node. ***Example:*** In the above example, if we want to go to the node *sneakers* we only have one path to reach there i.e through men's shoes node.

2. ***Parent-Child Relationship:*** Each child node has a parent node but a parent node can have more than one child node. Multiple parents are not allowed.

3. ***Deletion Problem:*** If a parent node is deleted then the child node is automatically deleted.

4. ***Pointers:*** Pointers are used to link the parent node with the child node and are used to navigate between the stored data. *Example:* In the above example the ' *shoes* ' node points to the two other nodes ' *women shoes* ' node and ' *men's shoes* ' node.

Advantages of Hierarchical Model

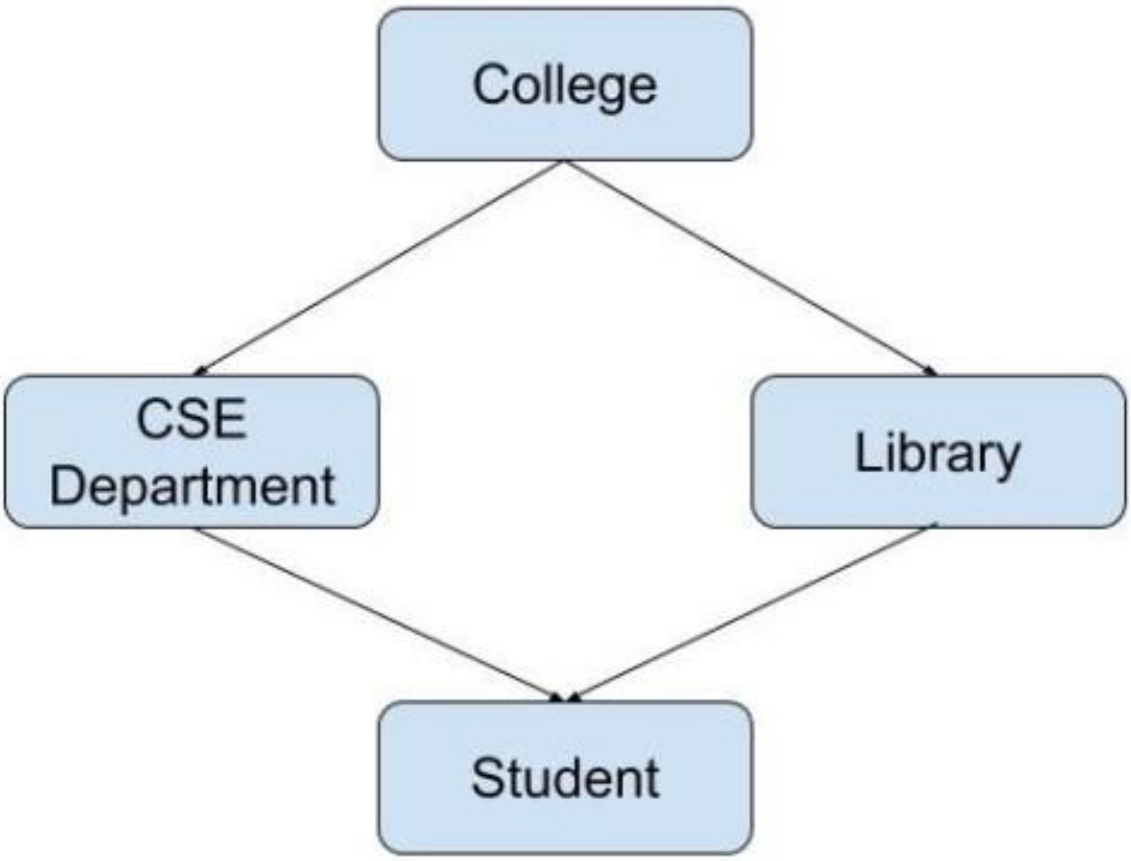
- It is very simple and fast to traverse through a tree-like structure.
- Any change in the parent node is automatically reflected in the child node so, the integrity of data is maintained.

Disadvantages of Hierarchical Model

- Complex relationships are not supported.
- As it does not support more than one parent of the child node so if we have some complex relationship where a child node needs to have two parent node then that can't be represented using this model.
- If a parent node is deleted then the child node is automatically deleted.

Network Model

This model is an extension of the hierarchical model. It was the most popular model before the relational model. This model is the same as the hierarchical model, the only difference is that a record can have more than one parent. It replaces the hierarchical tree with a graph. ***Example:*** In the example below we can see that node student has two parents i.e. CSE Department and Library. This was earlier not possible in the hierarchical model.



Network Model

Features of a Network Model

1. ***Ability to Merge more Relationships:*** In this model, as there are more relationships so data is more related. This model has the ability to manage one-to-one relationships as well as many-to-many relationships.

2. ***Many paths:*** As there are more relationships so there can be more than one path to the same record. This makes data access fast and simple.

3. ***Circular Linked List:*** The operations on the network model are done with the help of the circular linked list. The current position is maintained with the help of a program and this position navigates through the records according to the relationship.

Advantages of Network Model

- The data can be accessed faster as compared to the hierarchical model. This is because the data is more related in the network model and there can be more than one path to reach a particular node. So the data can be accessed in many ways.

- As there is a parent-child relationship so data integrity is present. Any change in parent record is reflected in the child record.

Disadvantages of Network Model

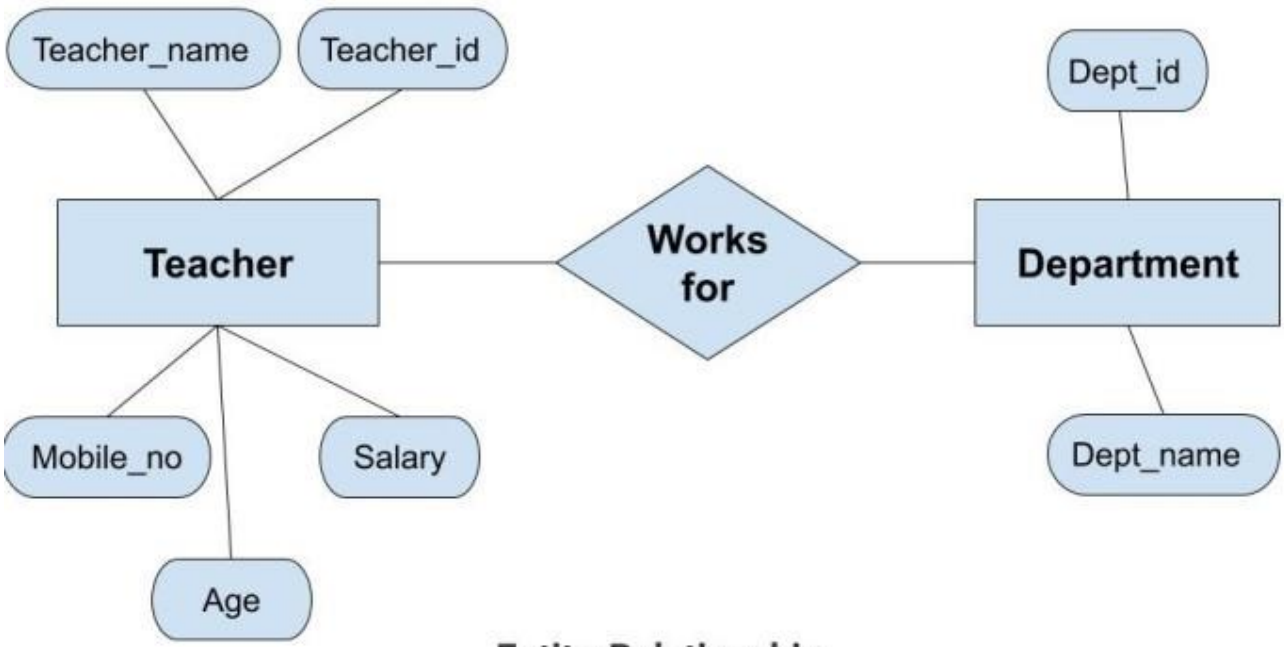
- As more and more relationships need to be handled the system might get complex. So, a user must be having detailed knowledge of the model to work with the model.
- Any change like updation, deletion, insertion is very complex.

Entity-Relationship Model

Entity-Relationship Model or simply ER Model is a high-level data model diagram. In this model, we represent the real-world problem in the pictorial form to make it easy for the stakeholders to understand. It is also very easy for the developers to understand the system by just looking at the ER diagram. We use the ER diagram as a visual tool to represent an ER Model. ER diagram has the following three components:

- ***Entities:*** Entity is a real-world thing. It can be a person, place, or even a concept. *Example:* Teachers, Students, Course, Building, Department, etc are some of the entities of a School Management System.
- ***Attributes:*** An entity contains a real-world property called attribute. This is the characteristics of that attribute. *Example:* The entity teacher has the property like teacher id, salary, age, etc.
- ***Relationship:*** Relationship tells how two attributes are related. *Example:* Teacher works for a department.

Example:



Entity-Relationship Model

In the above diagram, the entities are Teacher and Department. The attributes of ***Teacher*** entity are Teacher_Name, Teacher_id, Age, Salary, Mobile_Number. The attributes of entity ***Department*** entity are Dept_id, Dept_name. The two entities are connected using the relationship. Here, each teacher works for a department.

Features of ER Model

- ***Graphical Representation for Better Understanding:*** It is very easy and simple to understand so it can be used by the developers to communicate with the stakeholders.
- ***ER Diagram:*** ER diagram is used as a visual tool for representing the model.
- ***Database Design:*** This model helps the database designers to build the database and is widely used in database design.

Advantages of ER Model

- ***Simple:*** Conceptually ER Model is very easy to build. If we know the relationship between the attributes and the entities we can easily build the ER Diagram for the model.
- ***Effective Communication Tool*** : This model is used widely by the database designers for communicating their ideas.
- ***Easy Conversion to any Model*** : This model maps well to the relational model and can be easily converted relational model by converting the ER model to the table. This model can also be converted to any other model like network model, hierarchical model etc.

Disadvatages of ER Model

- ***No industry standard for notation:*** There is no industry standard for developing an ER model. So one developer might use notations which are not understood by other developers.
- ***Hidden information:*** Some information might be lost or hidden in the ER model. As it is a high-level view so there are chances that some details of information might be hidden.

Relational Model

Relational Model is the most widely used model. In this model, the data is maintained in the form of a two-dimensional table. All the information is stored in the form of row and columns. The basic structure of a relational model is tables. So, the tables are also called *relations* in the relational model. ***Example:*** In this example, we have an Employee table.

Emp_id	Emp_name	Job_name	Salary	Mobile_no	Dep_id	Project_id
AfterA001	John	Engineer	100000	9111037890	2	99
AfterA002	Adam	Analyst	50000	9587569214	3	100
AfterA003	Kande	Manager	890000	7895212355	2	65

EMPLOYEE TABLE

Features of Relational Model

- ***Tuples*** : Each row in the table is called tuple. A row contains all the information about any instance of the object. In the above example, each row has all the information about any specific individual like the first row has information about John.

- ***Attribute or field:*** Attributes are the property which defines the table or relation. The values of the attribute should be from the same domain. In the above example, we have different attributes of the *employee* like Salary, Mobile_no, etc.

Advnatages of Relational Model

- ***Simple:*** This model is more simple as compared to the network and hierarchical model.

- ***Scalable:*** This model can be easily scaled as we can add as many rows and columns we want.

- ***Structural Independence:*** We can make changes in database structure without changing the way to access the data. When we can make changes to the database structure without affecting the capability to DBMS to access the data we can say that structural independence has been achieved.

Disadvantages of Relational Model

- ***Hardware Overheads:*** For hiding the complexities and making things easier for the user this model requires more powerful hardware computers and data storage devices.

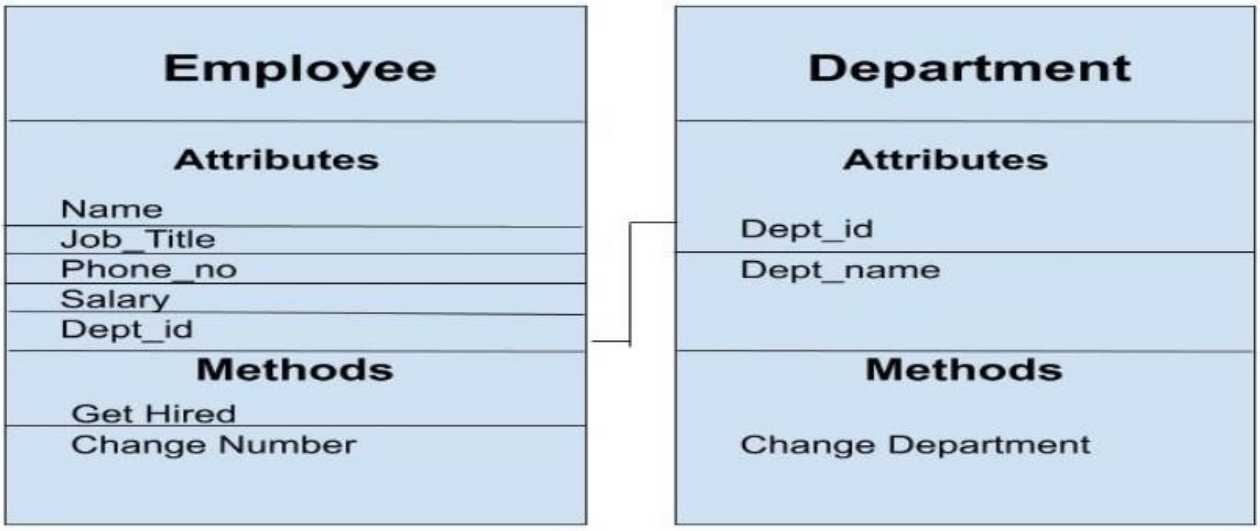
- ***Bad Design:*** As the relational model is very easy to design and use. So the users don't need to know how the data is stored in order to access it. This ease of design can lead to the development of a poor database which would slow down if the database grows.

But all these disadvantages are minor as compared to the advantages of the relational model. These problems can be avoided with the help of proper implementation and organisation.

Object-Oriented Data Model

The real-world problems are more closely represented through the object-oriented data model. In this model, both the data and relationship are present in a single structure known

as an object. We can store audio, video, images, etc in the database which was not possible in the relational model (although you can store audio and video in relational database, it is advised not to store in the relational database). In this model, two are more objects are connected through links. We use this link to relate one object to other objects. This can be understood by the example given below.



Object_Oriented_Model

In the above example, we have two objects Employee and Department. All the data and relationships of each object are contained as a single unit. The attributes like Name, Job_title of the employee and the methods which will be performed by that object are stored as a single object. The two objects are connected through a common attribute i.e the Department_id and the communication between these two will be done with the help of this common id.

Data model Schema and Instance

- The data which is stored in the database at a particular moment of time is called an instance of the database.
- The overall design of a database is called schema.
- A database schema is the skeleton structure of the database. It represents the logical view of the entire database.
- A schema contains schema objects like table, foreign key, primary key, views, columns, data types, stored procedure, etc.
- A database schema can be represented by using the visual diagram. That diagram shows the database objects and relationship with each other.
- A database schema is designed by the database designers to help programmers whose software will interact with the database. The process of database creation is called data modeling.

A schema diagram can display only some aspects of a schema like the name of record type, data type, and constraints. Other aspects can't be specified through the schema diagram.

For example, the given figure neither show the data type of each data item nor the relationship among various files.

In the database, actual data changes quite frequently. For example, in the given figure, the database changes whenever we add a new grade or add a student. The data at a particular moment of time is called the instance of the database.

STUDENT

Name	Student_number	Class	Major

COURSE

Course_name	Course_number	Credit_hours	Department

PREREQUISITE

Course_number	Prerequisite_number

SECTION

Section_identifier	Course_number	Semester	Year	Instructor

GRADE_REPORT

Student_number	Section_identifier	Grade

Data Independence

- Data independence can be explained using the three-schema architecture.
- Data independence refers characteristic of being able to modify the schema at one level of the database system without altering the schema at the next higher level.

There are two types of data independence:

1. Logical Data Independence

- Logical data independence refers characteristic of being able to change the conceptual schema without having to change the external schema.
- Logical data independence is used to separate the external level from the conceptual view.

- If we do any changes in the conceptual view of the data, then the user view of the data would not be affected.
- Logical data independence occurs at the user interface level.

2. Physical Data Independence

- Physical data independence can be defined as the capacity to change the internal schema without having to change the conceptual schema.
- If we do any changes in the storage size of the database system server, then the Conceptual structure of the database will not be affected.
- Physical data independence is used to separate conceptual levels from the internal levels.
- Physical data independence occurs at the logical interface level.

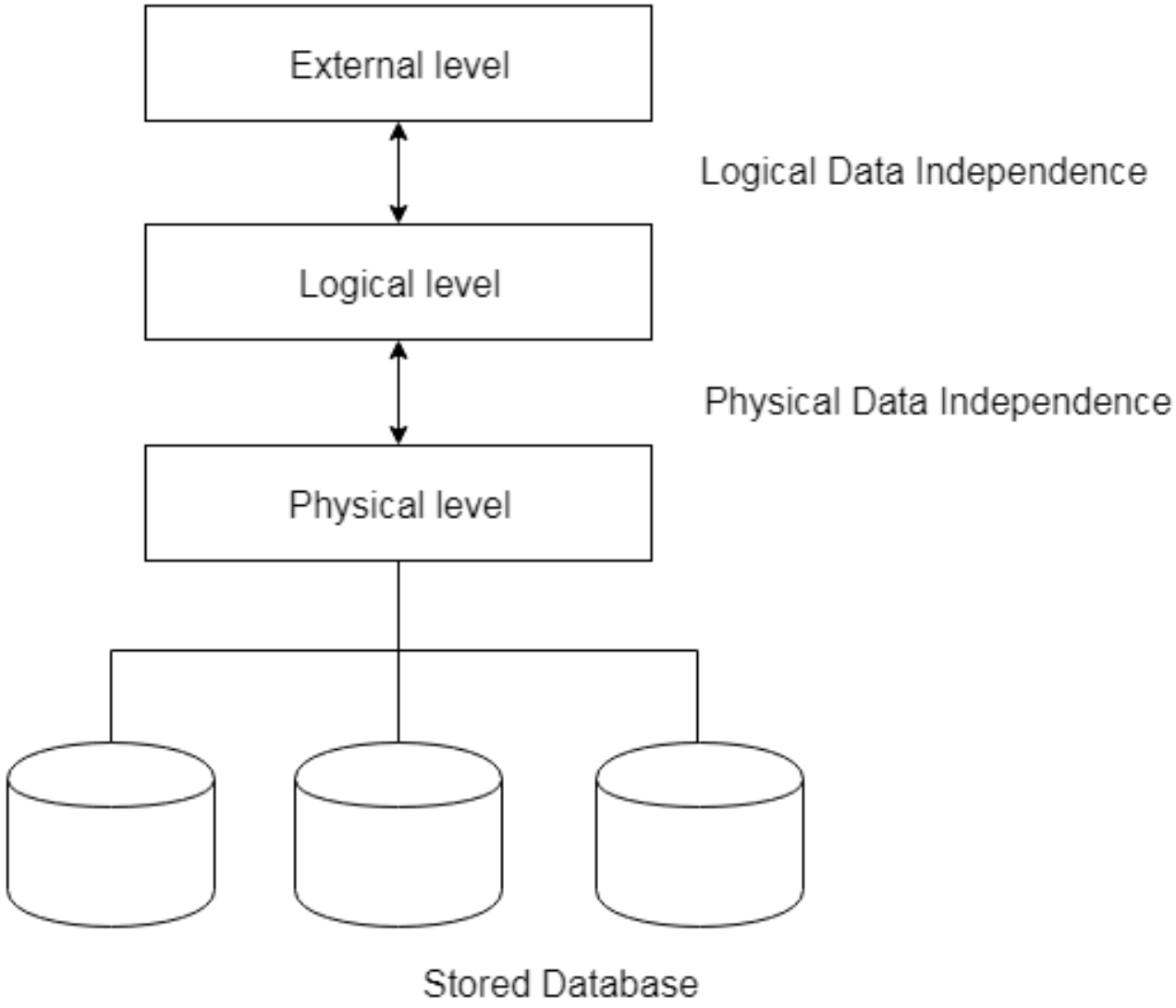
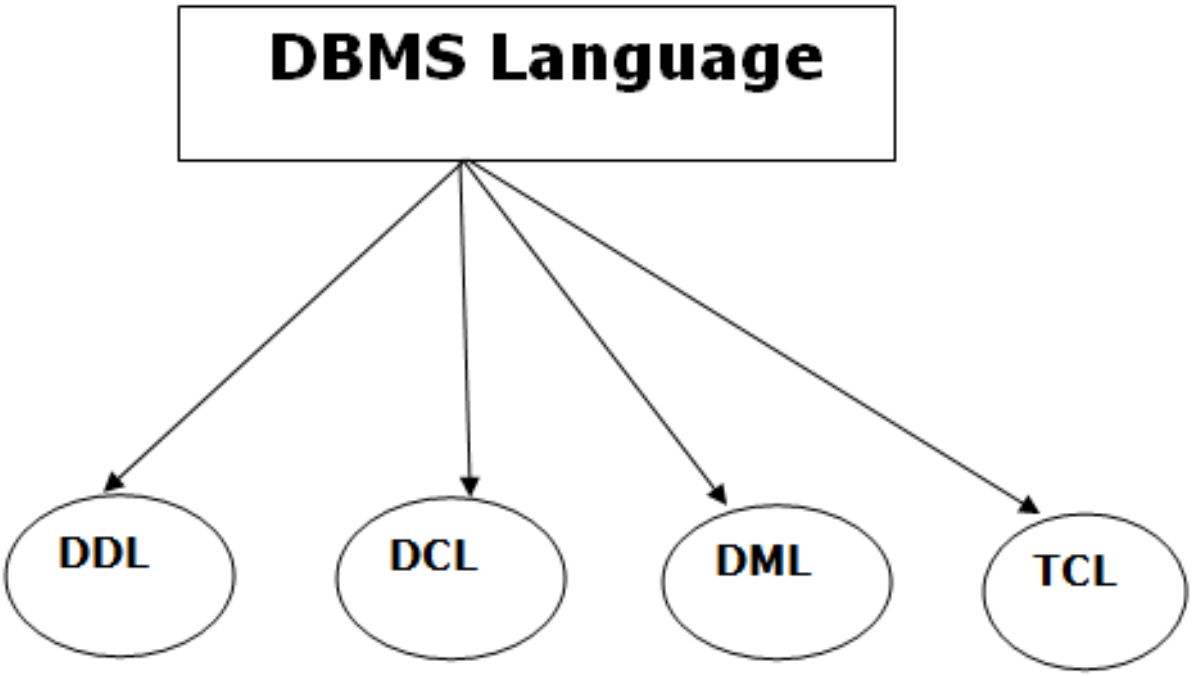


Fig: Data Independence

Database Languages in DBMS

- A DBMS has appropriate languages and interfaces to express database queries and updates.
- Database languages can be used to read, store and update the data in the database.

Types of Database Languages



1. Data Definition Language (DDL)

- **DDL** stands for **D**ata **D**efinition **L**anguage. It is used to define database structure or pattern.
- It is used to create schema, tables, indexes, constraints, etc. in the database.
- Using the DDL statements, you can create the skeleton of the database.
- Data definition language is used to store the information of metadata like the number of tables and schemas, their names, indexes, columns in each table, constraints, etc.

Here are some tasks that come under DDL:

- **Create:** It is used to create objects in the database.
- **Alter:** It is used to alter the structure of the database.
- **Drop:** It is used to delete objects from the database.
- **Truncate:** It is used to remove all records from a table.
- **Rename:** It is used to rename an object.
- **Comment:** It is used to comment on the data dictionary.

These commands are used to update the database schema that's why they come under Data definition language.

2. Data Manipulation Language (DML)

DML stands for **D**ata **M**anipulation **L**anguage. It is used for accessing and manipulating data in a database. It handles user requests.

Here are some tasks that come under DML:

- **Select:** It is used to retrieve data from a database.
- **Insert:** It is used to insert data into a table.
- **Update:** It is used to update existing data within a table.
- **Delete:** It is used to delete all records from a table.
- **Merge:** It performs UPSERT operation, i.e., insert or update operations.
- **Call:** It is used to call a structured query language or a Java subprogram.
- **Explain Plan:** It has the parameter of explaining data.
- **Lock Table:** It controls concurrency.

3. Data Control Language (DCL)

- **DCL** stands for **D**ata **C**ontrol **L**anguage. It is used to retrieve the stored or saved data.
- The DCL execution is transactional. It also has rollback parameters.
- (But in Oracle database, the execution of data control language does not have the feature of rolling back.)

Here are some tasks that come under DCL:

- **Grant:** It is used to give user access privileges to a database.
- **Revoke:** It is used to take back permissions from the user.

There are the following operations which have the authorization of Revoke:

CONNECT, INSERT, USAGE, EXECUTE, DELETE, UPDATE and SELECT.

4. Transaction Control Language (TCL)

TCL is used to run the changes made by the DML statement. TCL can be grouped into a logical transaction.

Here are some tasks that come under TCL:

- **Commit:** It is used to save the transaction on the database.
- **Rollback:** It is used to restore the database to original since the last Commit.