

Management Information Systems

Database and Information Management

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File organization concepts

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 - Database: Group of related files
 - File: Group of records of same type
 - Record: Group of related fields
 - Field: Group of characters as word(s) or number
 - Describes an entity (person, place, thing on which we store information)
 - Attribute: Each characteristic, or quality, describing entity
 - E.g., Attributes Date or Grade belong to entity COURSE



Student Database

Database	COURSE			FINANCIAL File	
		PERSO File			
	COURSE				
File	Student_ID	Course	Date	Grade	
'	39044	IS 101	F06	B+	
	59432	IS 101	F06	A	
	64029	IS 101	F06	С	
Record	Student_ID	Course	Date	Grade	
riecord	39044	IS 101	F06	B+	
Field	IS 101 (Course field)				
Byte	0100 1001 (Letter I in ASCII)				
Bit	О				

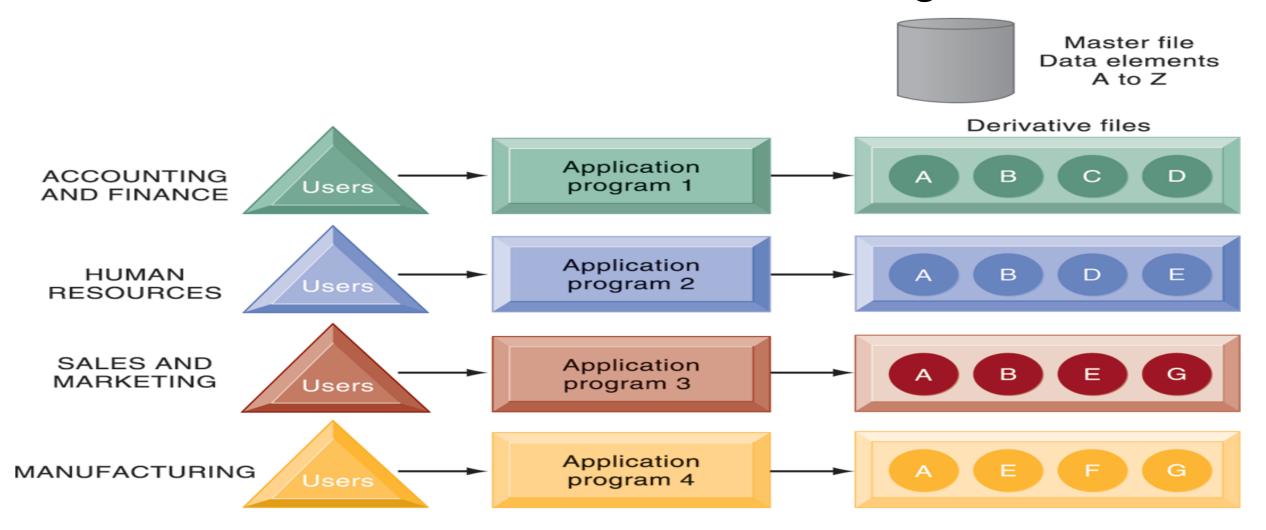


Problems with the traditional file environment

- Data redundancy:
 - Presence of duplicate data in multiple files
- Data inconsistency:
 - Same attribute has different values
- Program-data dependence:
 - When changes in program requires changes to data accessed by program
- Lack of flexibility
- Poor security
- Lack of data sharing and availability



Traditional File Processing



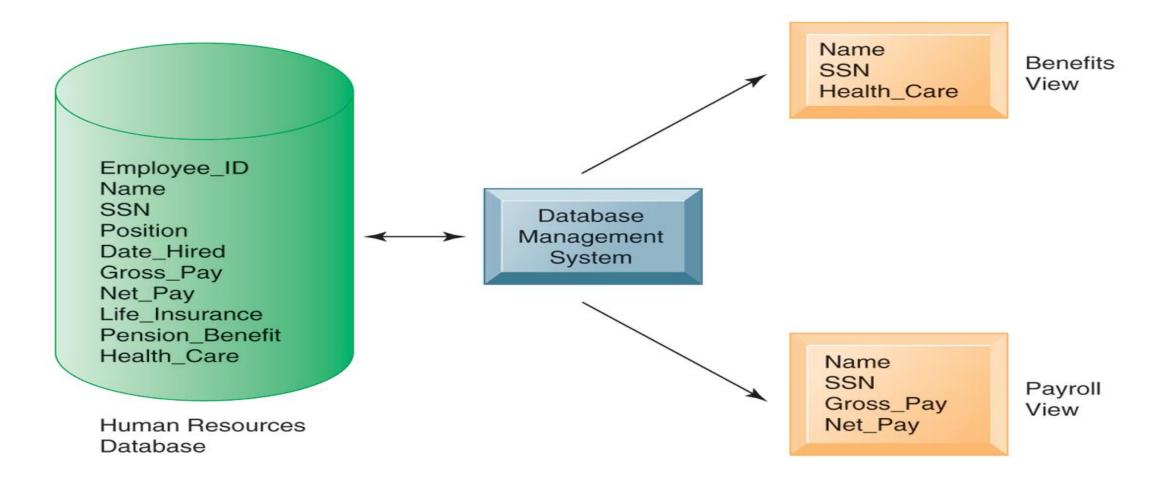


Database Approach

- Database
 - Serves many applications by centralizing data and controlling redundant data
- Database management system (DBMS)
 - Interfaces between applications and physical data files
 - Solves problems of traditional file environment
 - Controls redundancy
 - Eliminates inconsistency
 - Uncouples programs and data
 - Enables organization to centrally manage data and data security



HR DATABASE WITH MULTIPLE VIEWS



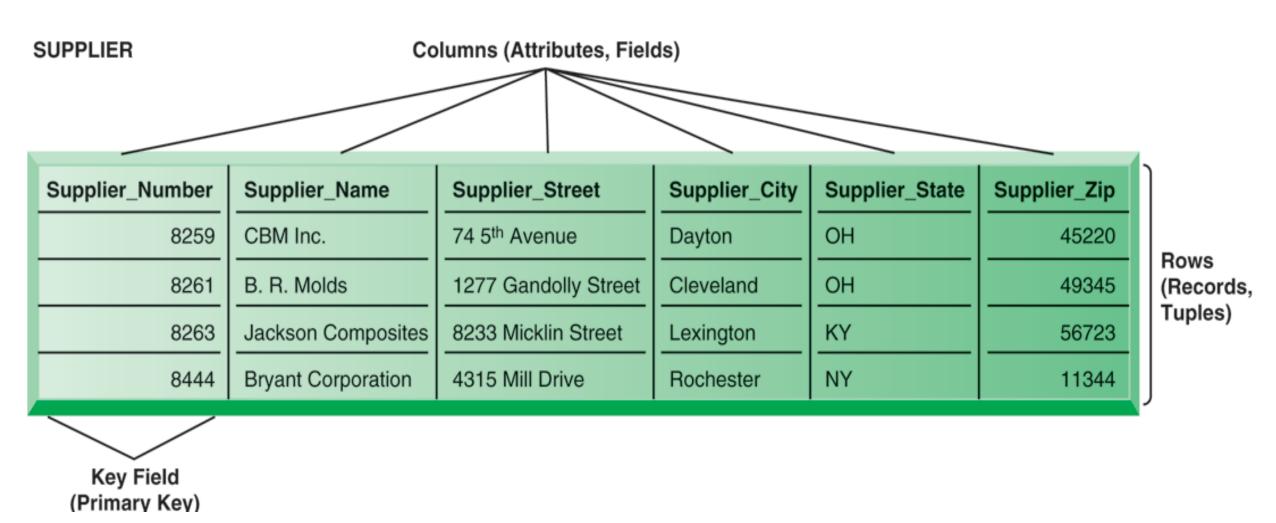


Database Approach

- Relational DBMS
 - Represent data as two-dimensional tables called relations or files
 - Each table contains data on entity and attributes
- Table: grid of columns and rows
 - Rows (tuples): Records for different entities
 - Fields (columns): Represents attribute for entity
 - Key field: Field used to uniquely identify each record
 - Primary key: Field in table used for key fields
 - Foreign key: Primary key used in second table as look-up field to identify records from original table



Relational Database Table





Relational Database Table (Cont...)

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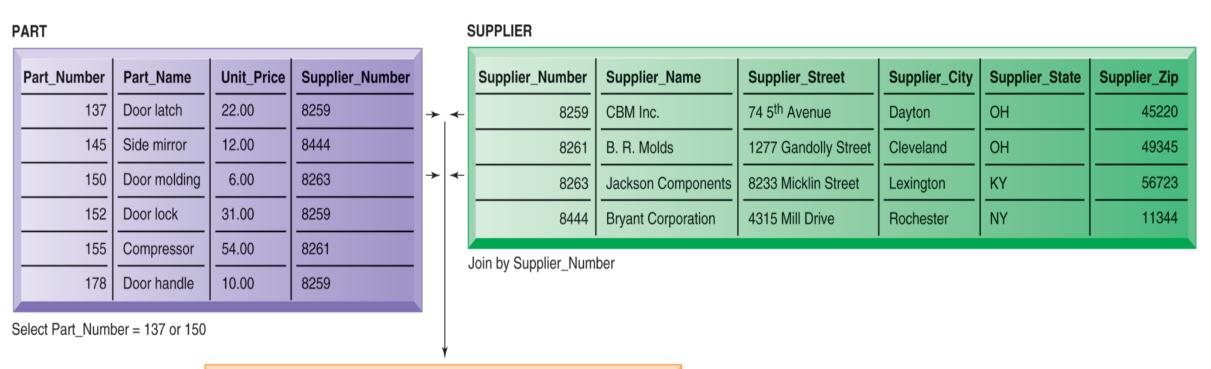


Operations of a Relational DBMS

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 - Three basic operations used to develop useful sets of data
 - SELECT: Creates subset of data of all records that meet stated criteria
 - **JOIN**: Combines relational tables to provide user with more information than available in individual tables
 - **PROJECT**: Creates subset of columns in table, creating tables with only the information specified



THE THREE BASIC OPERATIONS OF A RDBMS



Part_Number	Part_Name	Supplier_Number	Supplier_Name
137	Door latch	8259	CBM Inc.
150	Door molding	8263	Jackson Components

Project selected columns

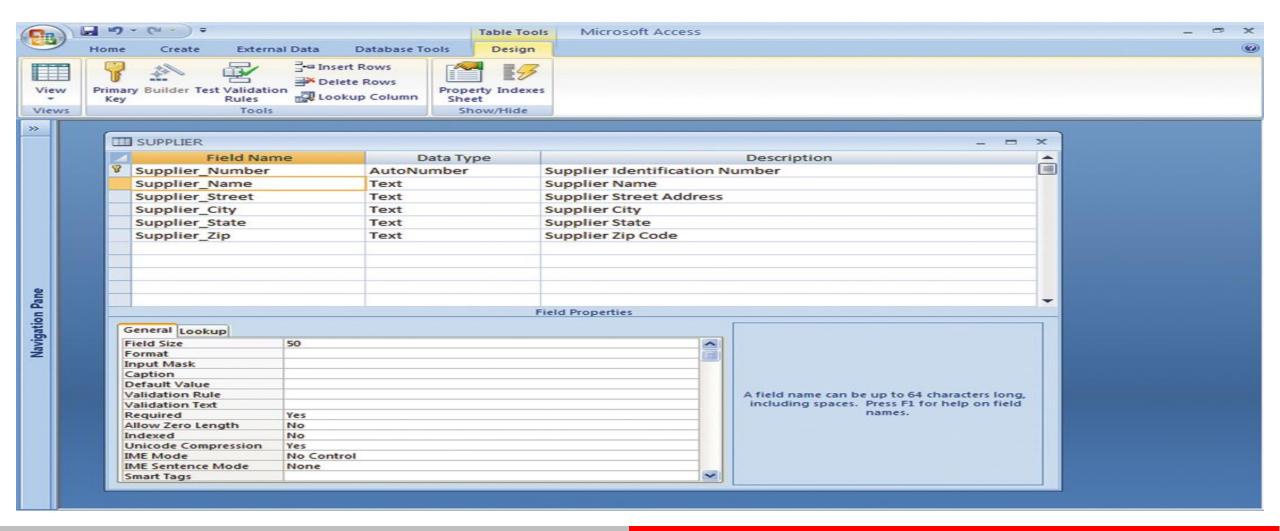


Capabilities of Database Management Systems

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 - Data definition capability: Specifies structure of database content, used to create tables and define characteristics of fields
 - Data dictionary: Automated or manual file storing definitions of data elements and their characteristics
 - Data manipulation language: Used to add, change, delete, retrieve data from database
 - Structured Query Language (SQL)
 - Microsoft Access user tools for generation SQL
 - Many DBMS have report generation capabilities for creating polished reports (Crystal Reports)



Database Approach





Three Key Techniques for Decision Making

- 1. Data warehousing
- Data mining
- 3. Tools for accessing internal databases through the Web

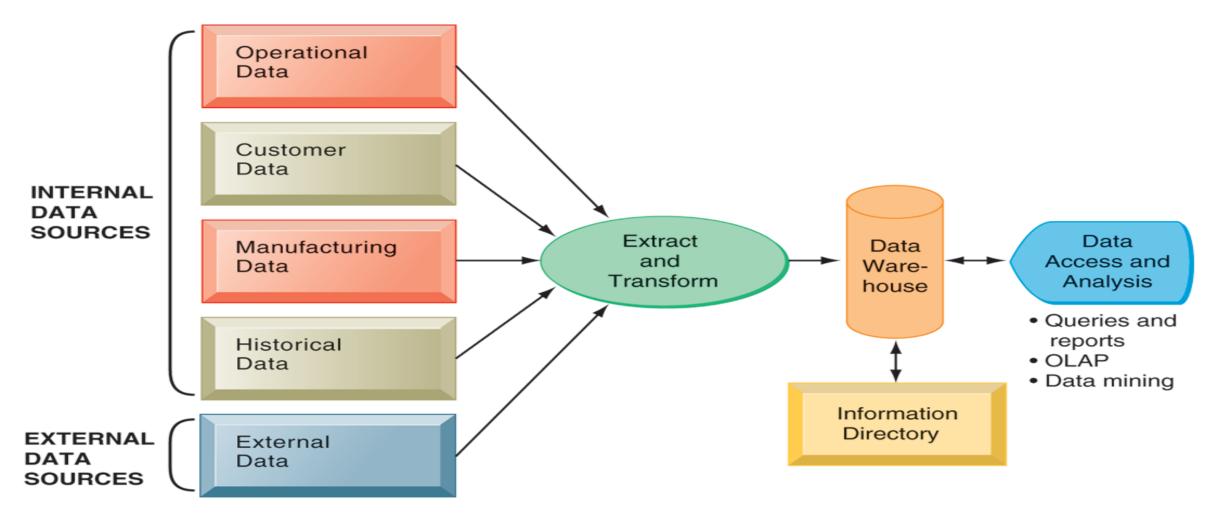


Data Warehouse

- Stores current and historical data from many core operational transaction systems
- Consolidates and standardizes information for use across enterprise, but data cannot be altered
- Data warehouse system will provide query, analysis, and reporting tools



COMPONENTS OF A DATA WAREHOUSE





Data Mining

- More discovery driven than OLAP
- Finds hidden patterns, relationships in large databases and infers rules to predict future behavior
- E.g., Finding patterns in customer data for one-to-one marketing campaigns or to identify profitable customers.

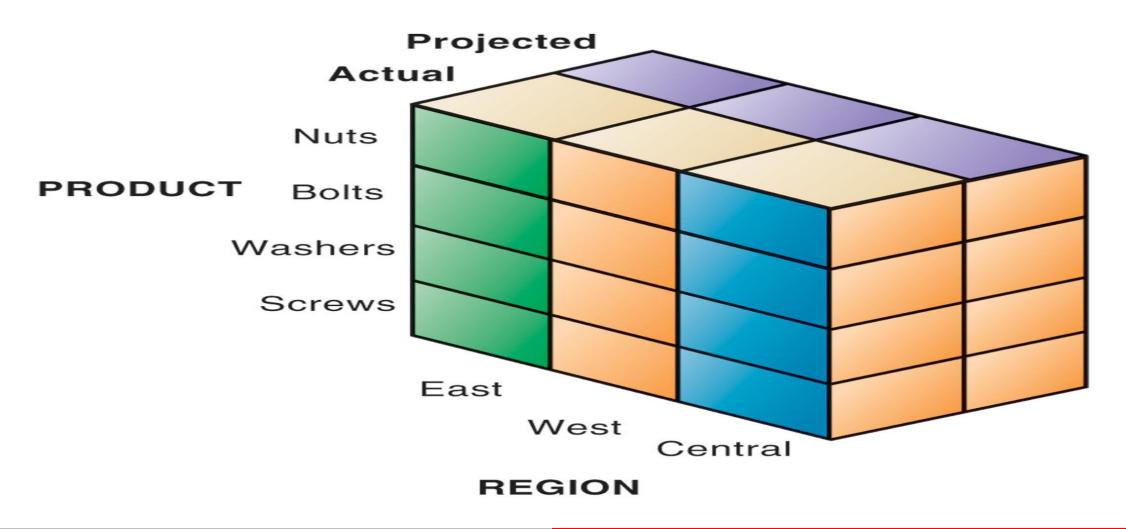


Online analytical processing (OLAP)

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 - Supports multidimensional data analysis
 - Viewing data using multiple dimensions
 - Each aspect of information (product, pricing, cost, region, time period) is different dimension
 - E.g., how many washers sold in the East in June compared with other regions?
 - OLAP enables rapid, online answers to ad hoc queries



MULTIDIMENSIONAL DATA MODEL









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