# ITIS 313 Data and Information Management



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- Understand the role of databases and database management systems in managing organizational data and information.
- Use at least one conceptual data modeling technique (such as entityrelationship modeling) to capture the information requirements for an enterprise domain.
- Understand the purpose and principles of normalizing a relational database structure.
- Use the data definition, data manipulation, and data control language components of SQL in the context of one widely used implementation of the language.

## **Course objectives**

- Understand the concept of database transaction and apply it appropriately to an application context.
- Understand the role of databases and database management systems in the context of enterprise systems.
- Understand the key principles of data security and identify data security risk and violations in data management system design.
- Understand the core concepts of data quality and their application in an organizational context.
- Understand how structured, semi-structured, and unstructured data are all essential elements of enterprise information and knowledge management.

## **Course Content**

Week	Knowledge Unit	Topics Covered	
1	Introduction	Database approach , Types of database management systems, Basic file processing concepts ,Physical data storage concepts , and File organizations techniques issues	
2, 3	Data Model	Conceptual data model , Logical data model , and Physical data model	
4,5	Database languages and administration	SQL: DDL, DML, and DCL Data and database administration	
6,7	DBMS	Using a DBMS from an application development environment Use of DBMS in an enterprise system context	
8, 9	Data security management	Basic data security principles Data security implementation	
10	Data quality management	Data quality principles , Data quality audits, and Data quality improvement	
11,12	Business intelligence	On-line analytic processing , Data warehousing, and Data mining	

# **Work and Grading**

- Homework assignments
- Midterms, Final
- Labs
- Participation can help on margins
- Academic honesty policy





## Data vs. Information

#### Data

- Raw facts
  - Raw data Not yet been processed to reveal the meaning
- Building blocks of information
- Data management
  - Generation, storage, and retrieval of data

#### Information

- Produced by processing data
- Reveals the meaning of data
- Enables **knowledge** creation
- Should be accurate, relevant, and timely to enable good decision making

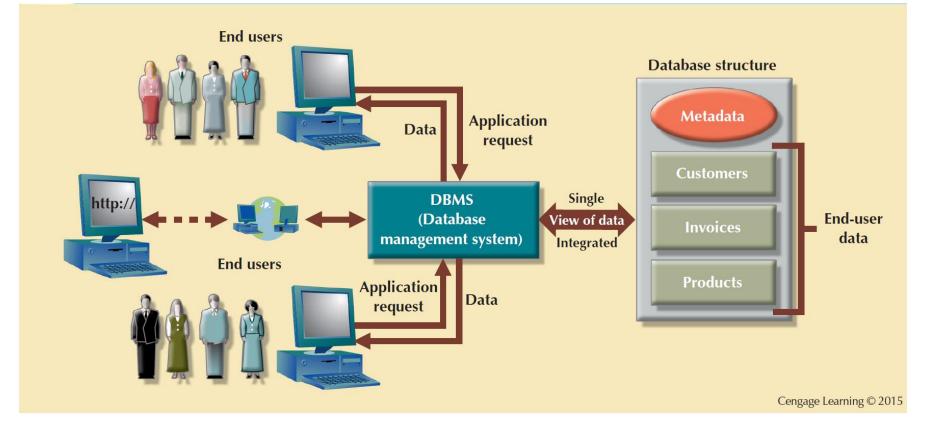
## Database

- Shared, integrated computer structure that stores a collection of:
  - End-user data Raw facts of interest to end user
  - Metadata: Data about data, which the end-user data are integrated and managed
    - Describe data characteristics and relationships
- Database management system (DBMS)
  - Collection of programs
  - Manages the database structure
  - Controls access to data stored in the database

## Role of the DBMS

- Intermediary between the user and the database
- Enables data to be shared
- Presents the end user with an integrated view of the data
- Receives and translates application requests into operations required to fulfill the requests
- Hides database's internal complexity from the application programs and users

# Figure 1.2 - The DBMS Manages the Interaction between the End User and the Database



## Advantages of the DBMS

- Better data integration and less data inconsistency
  - Data inconsistency: Different versions of the same data appear in different places
- Increased end-user productivity
- Improved:
  - Data sharing
  - Data security
  - Data access
  - Decision making
    - **Data quality**: Promoting accuracy, validity, and timeliness of data

- Single-user database: Supports one user at a time
  - Desktop database: Runs on PC
- Multiuser database: Supports multiple users at the same time
  - Workgroup databases: Supports a small number of users or a specific department
  - Enterprise database: Supports many users across many departments

Types of Databases

- Centralized database: Data is located at a single site
- Distributed database: Data is distributed across different sites
- Cloud database: Created and maintained using cloud data services that provide defined performance measures for the database

- General-purpose databases: Contains a wide variety of data used in multiple disciplines
- Discipline-specific databases: Contains data focused on specific subject areas

- Operational database: Designed to support a company's day-to-day operations
- Analytical database: Stores historical data and business metrics used exclusively for tactical or strategic decision making
  - Data warehouse: Stores data in a format optimized for decision support

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- Online analytical processing (OLAP)
  - Enable retrieving, processing, and modeling data from the data warehouse
- Business intelligence: Captures and processes business data to generate information that support decision making

- Unstructured data: It exists in their original state
- Structured data: It results from formatting
  - Structure is applied based on type of processing to be performed
- Semistructured data: Processed to some extent
- Extensible Markup Language (XML)
  - Represents data elements in textual format

## Database Design

- Focuses on the design of the database structure that will be used to store and manage end-user data
- Well-designed database
  - Facilitates data management
  - Generates accurate and valuable information
- Poorly designed database causes difficult-to-trace errors

## Evolution of File System Data Processing



Accomplished through a system of file folders and filing cabinets



#### **Computerized File Systems**

**Data processing (DP) specialist**: Created a computer-based system that would track data and produce required reports



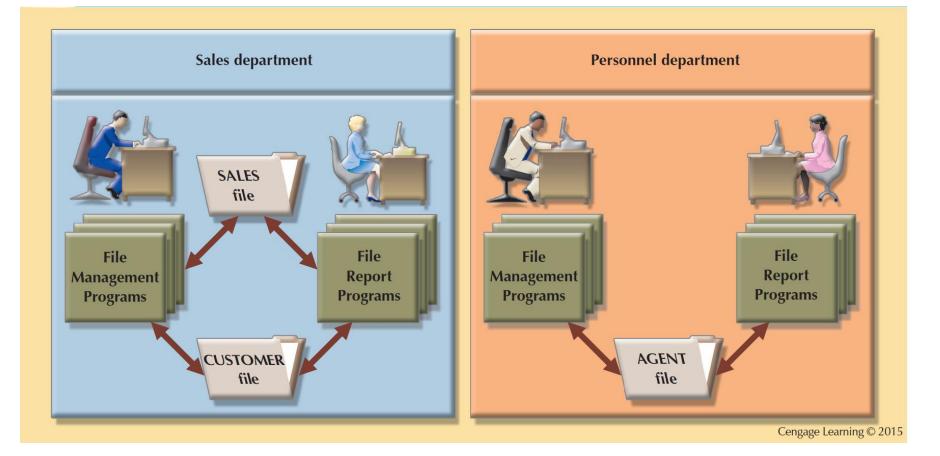
Includes spreadsheet programs such as Microsoft Excel

### Table 1.2 - Basic File Terminology

TERM	DEFINITION
Data	Raw facts, such as a telephone number, a birth date, a customer name, and a year-to-date (YTD) sales value. Data have little meaning unless they have been organized in some logical manner.
Field	A character or group of characters (alphabetic or numeric) that has a specific meaning. A field is used to define and store data.
Record	A logically connected set of one or more fields that describes a person, place, or thing. For exam- ple, the fields that constitute a record for a customer might consist of the customer's name, address, phone number, date of birth, credit limit, and unpaid balance.
File	A collection of related records. For example, a file might contain data about the students currently enrolled at Gigantic University.

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## Figure 1.6 - A Simple File System



## Problems with File System Data Processing

Lengthy development times

Difficulty of getting quick answers

Complex system administration

Lack of security and limited data sharing

#### Extensive programming

## Structural and Data Dependence

- Structural dependence: Access to a file is dependent on its own structure
  - All file system programs are modified to conform to a new file structure
- Structural independence: File structure is changed without affecting the application's ability to access the data

## Structural and Data Dependence

- Data dependence
  - Data access changes when data storage characteristics change
- Data independence
  - Data storage characteristics is changed without affecting the program's ability to access the data
- Practical significance of data dependence is difference between logical and physical format

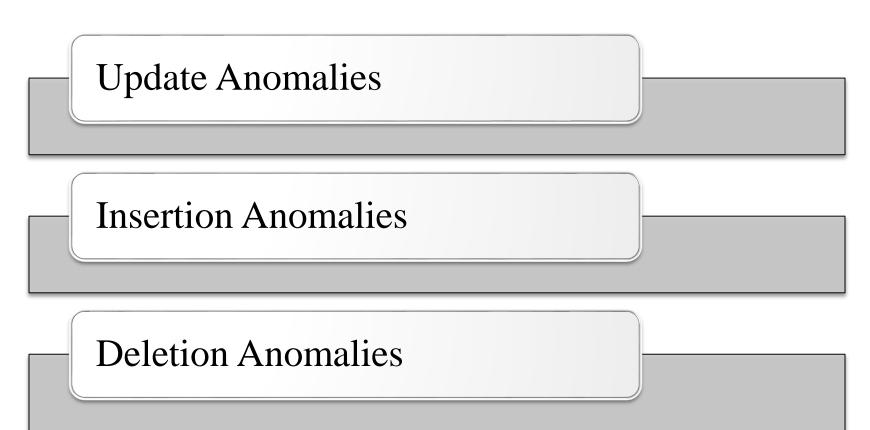
## Data Redundancy

- Unnecessarily storing same data at different places
- Islands of information: Scattered data locations
  - Increases the probability of having different versions of the same data

## Data Redundancy Implications

- Poor data security
- Data inconsistency
- Increased likelihood of data-entry errors when complex entries are made in different files
- **Data anomaly**: Develops when not all of the required changes in the redundant data are made successfully

## Types of Data Anomaly



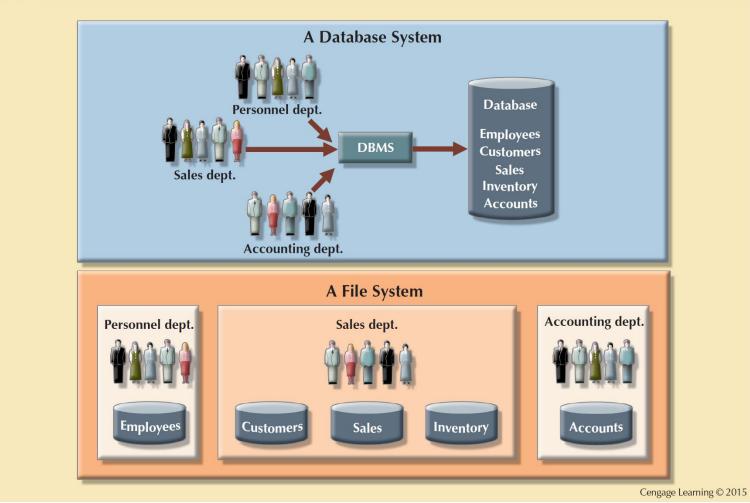
## Lack of Design and Data-Modeling Skills

- Evident despite the availability of multiple personal productivity tools being available
- Data-modeling skills is vital in the data design process
- Good data modeling facilitates communication between the designer, user, and the developer

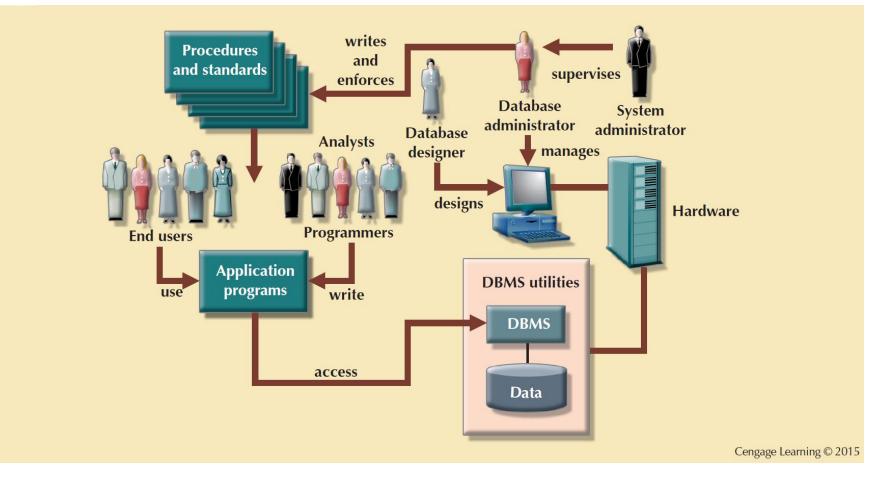
## Database Systems

- Logically related data stored in a single logical data repository
  - Physically distributed among multiple storage facilities
- DBMS eliminates most of file system's problems
- Current generation DBMS software:
  - Stores data structures, relationships between structures, and access paths
  - Defines, stores, and manages all access paths and components

# Figure 1.8 - Contrasting Database and File Systems



### Figure 1.9 - The Database System Environment



## **DBMS** Functions

Data dictionary management

• Data dictionary: Stores definitions of the data elements and their relationships

Data storage management

• **Performance tuning**: Ensures efficient performance of the database in terms of storage and access speed

Data transformation and presentation

• Transforms entered data to conform to required data structures

Security management

• Enforces user security and data privacy

## **DBMS** Functions

#### Multiuser access control

• Sophisticated algorithms ensure that multiple users can access the database concurrently without compromising its integrity

#### Backup and recovery management

• Enables recovery of the database after a failure

#### Data integrity management

• Minimizes redundancy and maximizes consistency

## **DBMS** Functions

Database access languages and application programming interfaces

- **Query language**: Lets the user specify what must be done without having to specify how
- Structured Query Language (SQL): De facto query language and data access standard supported by the majority of DBMS vendors

Database communication interfaces

• Accept end-user requests via multiple, different network environments

## Disadvantages of Database Systems

Increased costs	)
Management complexity	)
Maintaining currency	
Vendor dependence	)
Frequent upgrade/replacement cycles	