

DATABASE ISSUES

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Reference

- MongoDB Design
<https://www.mongodb.com/docs/manual/data-modeling/>

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Project Observations

- No requirement for enormous amounts of data
- Processing done one state at a time
- Most (all?) GUI data stored on server
- No graded requirement to support simultaneous multiple users (i.e., multiple simultaneous states) although your design should assume multiple simultaneous users
- Most client requests can be handled from memory
- Conclusions
 - Primary data requirement is for data persistence between invocations of your system
 - Importance of data caching

Your sequence diagrams should show approach to data caching

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Project DB Approaches

- NoSQL (MongoDB)
 - Simple interface
 - JSON-like storage
 - Question of access time to load a state
 - Possible use of in-memory MongoDB
- Relational DB – good fit with an ORM (Object Relational Mapping) approach to simplify DB design
- File system, backed with a DBMS
 - Simple approach
 - DBMS provides pointers to files (easier maintenance)

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DB Component of Design Review

- 30-minute reviews begin the week of 11/17
- For a MongoDB, you will
 - Show structure of your data (**complete**) using a list of collections and a schema for each collection
 - Discuss your approach to queries from different collections
- For a relational DB, you will show
 - Structure of your data (**complete**) using a relational DB diagram
 - Sample DB in 3NF
 - Use of a persistence layer (e.g., JPA) in your sequence diagrams
- DB Data for at least one of your detailed states and one other state

You can store some data (e.g., GeoJSON) in your file system if you have a path to it stored in your DB

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Relational DB Approach

- Use MySQL or any other DBMS you are familiar with
- ORM allows you to structure your DB based on your Java class design
- You can use
 - CS server – might have performance problems at end of semester
 - Your own server (e.g., on your laptop)
 - External server – risk of non-availability during final presentation

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MongoDB Design Issue

- Will each GUI use case return a single JSON with all the needed data?
- Or will you issue a series of requests for the use case
- Example – GUI-2 Display State
 - Use case requires state map, zoom level, center point (lat/long), EAVS geographical unit boundaries (for a detailed state), CVAP % (if political detailed state), and GUI-3, GUI-4, GUI-5

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MongoDB

- In the Design Review, you need to be prepared to show all the MongoDB collections you have defined
- If you intend to aggregate data from multiple collections in response to a GUI request, you need to be prepared to discuss the technique you will use to retrieve and aggregate the data

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MongoDB Schema - Collection Example ...

```
const equipmentModelSchema = new Schema({
  modelName: { type: String, required: true, unique: true },
  equipmentType: {
    type: String,
    enum: ['BMD', 'OPTICAL_SCANNER', 'E_POLLBOOK', 'DRE_NO_VVPAT',
    'DRE_WITH_VVPAT', 'HAND_COUNT'],
    required: true
  },
  ...
```

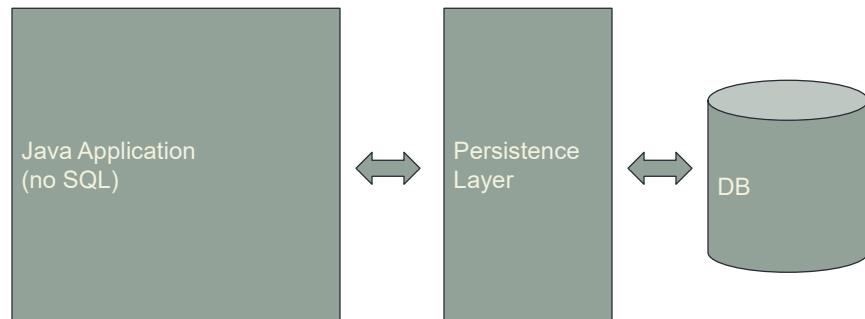
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... MongoDB Schema - Collection Example

```
  manufacturer: String,
  firstManufactured: Number,
  lastManufactured: Number,
  isActive: Boolean,
  OS: String,
  firmwareVersion: String,
  batteryLife: Number,      // hours (if relevant)
  scanningRate: Number,     // sheets/sec (if relevant)
  hasVVPAT: Boolean,        // for DREs (if relevant)
  paperCapacity: Number,    // sheets (if relevant)
  certificationLevel: String, // e.g. "federal", "state", "none"
  securityRisks: String,    // comments about security
  equipmentNotes: String
}, {});
```

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Relational Persistence Layer Architecture



You can use your Java annotation to 1) define your DB table structure or 2) adapt your object mapping to your existing DB structure

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An Entity

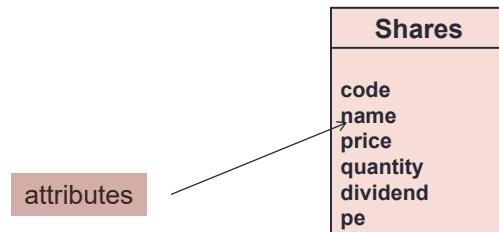
- Usually corresponds to something concrete in the domain of the application
- Represented by a rectangle
- An instance is a particular occurrence of an entity (corresponds to a row in a DB table)



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Attributes

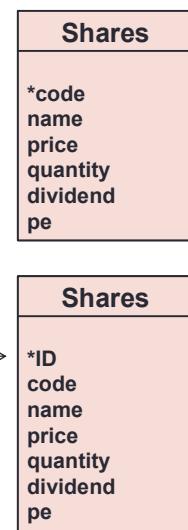
- Also referred to as properties
- An attribute is a discrete data element that describes an entity
- Attribute names should be meaningful



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Identifiers (Primary Keys)

- Every instance of an entity (think row of a table) must be uniquely identified
- An identifier (primary key) can be one or more attributes
- Better to use an identifier that does not relate to a domain attribute (guaranteed uniqueness)
- A leading asterisk denotes an identifier $\xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}}$ (sometimes, another notation is used, e.g., PK)



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DB Naming Conventions

- No universal standard
- Good to be consistent within a project
- Camel case used frequently

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CSE416 DB Naming Conventions

- Options
 - Camel case for table names (upper cc) and column names (lower cc)
 - All caps for table names with underscore (_) as a separator
- Table names – plural (unlike OO convention)
- Column names – singular
- Primary key field – ID
- Avoid acronyms and abbreviations except where well known (e.g., PI for Principal Investigator)

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The Building Blocks

- Entity
- Attribute
- Relationship

Remember our notation is plural entity name in upper camel case and singular attribute names in lower camel case

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graph LR
    EN[Entity name] --> S[Shares]
    S --> A[attributes]
    A --> L[code  
name  
price  
quantity  
dividend  
pe]
  
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Relationships

- ERD and RDM show relationships between entities
 - 1-1
 - 1-many
 - Recursive
- ERD shows
 - Many-many
 - No foreign keys
- RDM usually shows
 - Associative entity (in-between table)
 - Foreign keys

Workbench uses more of a DB model style (not an ERD)

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Normalization

- A theoretical foundation for the relational model
- Application of a series of rules that gradually improve the design
 - Minimize redundancy
 - Minimize dependency
- Objectives*
 - Free the collection of relations from undesirable insertion, update and deletion dependencies
 - Isolate data so that additions, deletions, and modifications of a field can be made in just one table and then propagated through the rest of the database

* Wikipedia

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Normal Forms

- Based on rules about relationships among the columns of a table
- Removes data redundancies that can cause update anomalies
- A classification of relations
 - 1NF
 - 2NF
 - 3NF
 - BCNF
 - 4NF
 - 5NF

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Data Redundancy

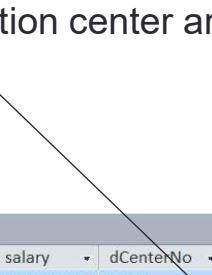
- Major aim of relational database design is to group columns into tables to:
 - minimize data redundancy and
 - reduce file storage space required by implemented base tables

Problems associated with data redundancy are illustrated in the example on the following slides

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StaffDistributionCenters Table

- Note the details of a distribution center are repeated for every employee (not normal form)



ID	StaffNo	staffName	position	salary	dCenterNo	dAddress	dTelNo
1	S1500	Tom Daniels	Manager	\$48,000.00	D0001	8 Jefferson Way, Portland, OR 97201	503-555-3618
2	S0003	Sally Adams	Assistant	\$30,000.00	D0001	8 Jefferson Way, Portland, OR 97201	503-555-3618
3	S0010	Mary Martinez	Manager	\$51,000.00	D0002	City Center Plaza, Seattle, WA 98122	206-5556756
4	S3250	Robert Chin	Assistant	\$33,000.00	D0002	City Center Plaza, Seattle, WA 98122	206-5556756
5	S2250	Sally Stern	Manager	\$48,000.00	D0004	2 W. El Camino, San Francisco, CA 94087	822-555-3131
6	S0415	Art Peters	Manager	\$42,000.00	D0003	14 - 8th Avenue, New York, NY 10012	212-371-3000

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Update Anomalies

- Tables that contain redundant information may potentially suffer from update anomalies
- Types of update anomalies include:
 - Insertion – how do you insert details of a new distribution center that has no employees?
 - Deletion – when we delete the last employee in a distribution center, we lose the information about the distribution center
 - Modification – changes to a distribution center must be made for all records containing that distribution center

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Better Design

Staff		DistributionCenters	
ID	staffNo	ID	dCenterNo
1	S1500	1	D0001
2	S0003	2	D0002
3	S0010	3	D0003
4	S3250	4	D0004
5	S2250		
6	S0415		

Staff		DistributionCenters	
ID	dCenterNo	dAddress	dTelNo
1	D0001	8 Jefferson Way, Portland, OR 97201	503-555-3618
2	D0002	City Center Plaza, Seattle, WA 98122	206-5556756
3	D0003	14 - 8th Avenue, New York, NY 10012	212-371-3000
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First Normal Form (1NF)

- All rows must have the same number of columns
- Single valued attributes only

No universal agreement as to what would disqualify a table from being in 1NF

Customer			
Customer ID	First Name	Surname	Telephone Number
123	Robert	Ingram	555-861-2025
456	Jane	Wright	555-403-1659
789	Maria	Fernandez	555-808-9633

Typical violation of 1NF

Resist the temptation to include repeated fields as CSV text

Example – Table not 1NF

Staff	DistributionCenters	dAddress	dTelNo
1 D0001	8 Jefferson Way, Portland, OR 97201	503-555-3618, 503-555-3619	
2 D0002	City Center Plaza, Seattle, WA 98122	206-5556756	
3 D0003	14 - 8th Avenue, New York, NY 10012	212-371-3000	
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Repeated field

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Converting to 1NF

DistributionCenters			
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Replace a repeating group with a foreign key relationship

DistributionCenters1NF		
ID	dCenterNo	dAddress
1	D0001	8 Jefferson Way, Portland, OR 97201
2	D0002	City Center Plaza, Seattle, WA 98122
3	D0003	14 - 8th Avenue, New York, NY 10012
4	D0004	2 W. El Camino, San Francisco, CA 94087

DistributionCentersTelephones			
ID	dCenterID	dTelNo	
1	1	1 503-555-3618	
2	2	1 503-555-3619	
3	3	2 206-5556756	
4	4	3 212-371-3000	
5	5	4 822-555-3131	

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Second Normal Form (2NF)

- Violated when a non-key column is a fact about part of the primary key
- A column is not fully functionally dependent on the primary key
 - customer-credit in this case

Mainly applies to tables with multiple natural keys

order	itemno	customerid	quantity	customer-credit
	12	57	25	OK
	34	679	3	POOR

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Third Normal Form (3NF)

- Violated when a non-key column is a fact about another non-key column, restated as
 - A column is not fully functionally dependent on the primary key

stock		
stock code	nation	exchange rate
MG	USA	0.67
IR	AUS	0.46

Exchange rate is a fact about a nation

Example - not 3NF

Values in staffNo, staffName, position and salary are determined from ID

Values in dAddress and dTelNo can be determined from dCenterNo

StaffDistributionCenter								
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Conclusion

- Be prepared for your design review