# B561 Advanced Database Concepts 

§0 Introduction
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Hope you will not ask me again after this course :) I am learning together with you.

What does a typical undergrad database course cover?

## How to represent data?

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| Title | Year | Length | Type |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Star Wars | 1977 | 124 | color |
| Mighty Ducks | 1991 | 104 | color |
| OR? |  |  |  |
| Wayne's World | 1992 | 95 | color |



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## How to operate on data?

Given the data, say, a set of tables, how to answer queries?
Difficulty: Queries may depend crucially on the data in all tables.
Product

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| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Gizmo | 19.99 | Gadgets | GizmoWorks |
| Powergizmo | 29.99 | Gadgets | GizmoWorks |
| SingleTouch | 149.99 | Photography | Canon |
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Q: Find all products under price 200 manufactured in Japan?

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- SQL

SELECT x.PName, $x$.Price FROM Product $x$, Company $y$
WHERE $x$.Manufacturer $=y$.CName
AND y.Country='Japan'
AND $x$.Price $\leq 200$

- Relational Algebra
$\pi_{\text {PName, Price }}$
$\left(\sigma_{\text {Price }} \leq 200 \wedge\right.$ Country='Japan' $\left(\right.$ Product $\bowtie_{\text {Manufacturer }}=C$ Name Company $\left.)\right)$


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Most notably, two kinds of index structures are essential to database performance:

1. B-trees.

## 2. External hash tables.

For example, hash tables may speed up relational operations that involve finding all occurrences in a relation of a particular value.

## How to make a good operation plan?

How to optimize the orders of the operations?
$R(A, B, C, D), S(E, F, G)$
Find all pairs $(x, y), x \in R, y \in S$ such that
(1) $x . D=y \cdot E$, (2) $x \cdot A=5$ and (3) $y \cdot G=9$
$\sigma_{A=5 \wedge G=9}\left(R \bowtie_{D=E} S\right)=\sigma_{A=5}(R) \bowtie_{D=E} \sigma_{G=9}(S)$

Q: Use the LHS or RHS?

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We will talk about how transactions are implemented using locking and timestamp mechanisms.

This knowledge is useful in database programming, e.g., it makes it possible in some cases to avoid (or reduce) rollbacks of transactions, and generally make transactions wait less for each other.

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## And you need math!!

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What's more in this course?

## Advanced topics

Beyond "SQL, Relational Algebra, Data Models,
Storage, Views and Indexing, Query Processing, Query
Optimization, Transaction Recovery, Concurrency
Control"
I will give you a taste of

1. Data Privacy (Data Suppression, Differential
Privacy)
2. External Memory a.k.a. I/O-Efficient
Algorithms (Sorting, List Ranking)
3. Streaming Algorithms (Sampling, Heavy Hitters,
Distinct Elements)
4. Data Integration / Cleaning (Deduplication)
5. MapReduce

## Other important topics in databases

More but probably will not cover

1. Tree-based data models e.g., XML
2. Graph-based data models e.g., RDF
3. Spatial databases
4. Parallel and Distributed databases partly covered in MapReduce
5. Social Networks
6. Uncertainty in databases etc.

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We will also have some student presentations at the end of the course

## Resources

- Main reference book (we will go beyond this)
- Database Systems: The Complete Book by Hector Garcia-Molina, Jeff Ullman and Jennifer Widom, 2nd Edition

DATABASE

- Other reference books (undergrad textbooks ... )
- Database Management Systems by Ramakrishnan and Guhrke, 3rd Edition

- Database System Concepts by UllSilberschatz, Korth and Sudarshan, 6th Edition



## Resources (cont.)

- Other reference books (cont.):
- Readings in Database Systems "Red book" Hellerstein and Stonebraker, eds., 4th Edition (Will be one of our readings)

- Foundations of Databases: The Logical Level "Alice book" by Abiteboul, Hull, Vianu
- Concurrency Control and Recovery in Database

${ }^{a}$ http://research.microsoft.com/en-us/people/philbe/ ccontrol.aspx


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- Algorithms and Data Structures for External Memory ${ }^{\text {a }}$ by Vitter
${ }^{a}$ http://www.ittc.ku.edu/~jsv/Papers/Vit.IO_book.pdf
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These are surely not enough, and sometimes dated. Do you want to learn more? Reading original papers! In fact, some of my slides are directly from VLDB toturials

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- Le Liu
- Yifan Pan
- Ali Varamesh
- Prasanth Velamala

Office hours: Posted on course website

## Grading

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## Reading assignment

One or a group of two read some ( 1 to $+\infty$ ) papers/surveys/articles and write a report ( 4 pages for one, and 8 pages for a group of two) on what you think of the articles you read (not just a repeat of what they have said).

Topics can be found in redbook http://redbook.cs.berkeley.edu/bib4.html, and more topics on the course website "More reading topics" (google the papers / surveys yourself; contact AI if you cannot find it).

Selected students/groups (volunteer first) will give 25 mins talks ( 20 mins presentation $+5 \mathrm{mins} \mathrm{Q} \& \mathrm{~A}$ ) in class. The best $1 / 3$ individuals/groups will get a bonus in their final grades. A penalty will be given if you agree to give a talk but cannot do at the end, while the quality of the talk is irrelevant.

LaTeX: Highly recommended tools for assignments/reports

1. Read wiki articles: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LaTeX
2. Find a good LaTeX editor.
3. Learn how to use it, e.g., read "A Not So Short Introduction to LaTeX 2e" (Google it)

## Prerequisite

Participants are expected to have a background in algorithms and data structures. For example, have taken

1. C241 Discrete Structures for Computer Science
2. C343 Data Structures
3. B403 Introduction to Algorithm Design and Analysis or equivalent courses, and know some basics of databases.

## Frequently asked questions

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- I haven't taken B403 "Introduction to Algorithm Design and Analysis" or equivalent courses. Can I take the course? Or, will this course fit me?

Generally speaking, this is an advanced course. It will be difficult if you do not have enough background. You can take into consideration the touch-base exam.

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Seriously, it is not just SQL programming.

Read "The relational model is dead, SQL is dead, and I don't feel so good myself'

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Nature '08


CACM '08


Economist '10

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- RAM model does not fit
- A processor and an infinite size memory
- Probing each cell of the memory has a unit cost



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A good reading topic

Popular models for big data (see another slides)

## Summary for the introduction

- We have discussed topics that will be covered in this course
- We have introduced some models for big data computation.
- We have talked about the course plan and assessment.


## Thank you! Questions?

A few introductory slides are based on Rasmus Pagh's slides
http://www.itu.dk/people/pagh/ADBT06/

