

CSE 444: Database Internals

Lecture 1 Introduction

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About Me: General

- At UW since January 2006
- PhD from MIT
- Born in Poland
- Grew-up in Poland, Algeria, and Canada

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About Me: Research

- **Past: Stream Processing**
 - Distributed stream processing (Borealis)
 - RFID data management (RFID Ecosystem)
 - Probabilistic event processing (Lahar)
- **Now: Cloud computing and scientific data mgmt**
 - Collaboration with astronomers, oceanographers, etc.
 - Making large-scale data analysis **easier** and **faster**
 - Helping users leverage **cloud computing**
 - Interactions between **pricing** and data management

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Course Goals

- The world is drowning in data!
- Need computer scientists to help manage this data
 - Help domain scientists achieve new discoveries
 - Help companies provide better services (e.g. Facebook)
 - Help governments become more efficient
- This class: **principles of building data mgmt systems**
 - Learn how classical DBMSs are built
 - Learn key principles and techniques
 - Get hands-on experience building a (parallel) DBMS

Course Format

- Lectures MWF, 12:30pm-1:20pm
- Sections: Th 9:30-10:20, 10:30-11:20
 - Content: exercises, tutorials, questions
 - Location: See course website
- Homeworks
 - 6 Labs: programming assignments
 - 6 Homeworks: written assignments
- NO exams: This is a project-oriented course
 - In this course you will learn by doing... so expect to spend a lot of time on the "doing"

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Communication (part 1)

- **Web page:** <http://www.cs.washington.edu/444>
 - Lectures will be available there (see calendar)
 - Homeworks/Labs will be available there
- **Mailing list**
 - Announcements, group discussions
 - You are already subscribed

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Communication (part 2)

- **Message board**
 - **Place to ask questions about the course, labs, homeworks, etc.**
 - **Remember NOT to post any fragment of your code**
- Do NOT send questions by email to the course staff unless
 - You need to discuss a personal matter
 - You want to setup an appointment
 - A question has not been answered on the message board

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Textbook



Main textbook, available at the bookstore:

- *Database Systems: The Complete Book*, Hector Garcia-Molina, Jeffrey Ullman, and Jennifer Widom
Second edition.

See course website for recommended chapters

Most important: COME TO CLASS ! ASK QUESTIONS !

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Other Readings

- See course website ([Calendar.html](#)) for extra readings for some of the lectures: e.g. [MapReduce paper](#).
- Other highly recommended book:
 - *Database Management Systems*, Ramakrishnan & Gerhke
 - Use this book if you do not like the Ullman book

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Grading

- Lab 1, 2, 3, and 5: 40% (10% each)
- Final Lab 4 or Lab 6 (your choice): 15%
- Final project report 10%
- Six written assignments: 35%

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Six Labs

- Lab 1: Build a DBMS that can scan a relation on disk
 - **Part 1 of this lab is due on Friday!**
- Lab 2: Build a DBMS that can run simple SQL queries and also supports data updates
 - There will be a contest for the fastest DBMS
- Lab 3: Add a lock manager (transactions)
- Lab 5: Add a write-ahead log (transactions)

- Lab 4: Add a query optimizer
- Lab 6: Make your DBMS parallel!

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Warning: I will run cheating-detecting software!

About the Labs

Logistics:

- To be done **INDIVIDUALLY!**
- Each lab will take a **significant** amount of time
- Labs build on each other

Purpose

- Hands-on experience building a DBMS
- Deepen your understanding significantly
- We will build a *classical* DBMS
- After graduation, you will build *new-types* of DBMSs
 - Will know the principles and will make your own design choices

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Six Homeworks

- Written assignments
- Help review material learned in class
- Prepare you for the labs
 - One homework before each corresponding lab
- Go beyond what we implement in labs

- To be done **INDIVIDUALLY**

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Exams

- No exams

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Outline (this lecture and next)

- Review of DBMS goals and features

- Review of relational model

- Review of SQL

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DBMS Goals

What is a database management system (DBMS)?

- A DBMS is a software system designed to provide data management service

Why do DBMSs exist?

- Data is valuable
- Managing that data is difficult
 - See next slide for some of the required features
- A DBMS simplifies data management task
- A DBMS facilitates application development

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DBMS Key Features

- Data independence
 - Data model
 - Data definition language
 - Data manipulation language
- Efficient data access
- Data integrity and security
- Data administration
- Concurrency control
- Crash recovery

How to decide what features should go into the DBMS?

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Some Key Data Management Concepts

- Data models: how to describe real-world data
 - Relational, XML, graph data (RDF)
- Schema vs data
- Declarative query languages
 - Say what you want not how to get it
- Data independence
 - Physical: Can change how data is stored on disk without maintenance to applications
- Query compiler and optimizer
- Transactions: isolation and atomicity

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Course Content

Focus: how to build a classical relational DBMS

- Review of the relational model (lecture 1 and 2)
- DBMS architecture and deployments (lecture 3)
- Data storage, indexing, and buffer mgmt (lectures 4-6)
- Query evaluation (lectures 7-9)
- Query optimization (lectures 10-13)
- Transactions (lectures 14-19)
- Parallel query processing (lectures 20-22)
- Replication and distribution (lectures 23-25)
- Database as a service and NoSQL (lectures 26 and 27)

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Relational Model...

- Let's start our review of the relational model...
- We will continue next lecture

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