# CSE 444: Database Internals

Lecture 1
Introduction

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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, 2:30pm-3:20pm

- Sections: Th 9:30-10:20, 10:30-11:20

- Homeworks
  – 6 Labs + 6 Homeworks

- Quizzes:
  – 4 short quizzes in class

## Communication (part 1)

- Web page: http://www.cs.washington.edu/444
  – Lectures/Sections will be available there
  – Homeworks/Labs will be available there

- Mailing list
  – Announcements, group discussions
  – Your @uw.edu address is already subscribed

## Communication (part 2)

Message Board:
- Ask questions about the course, labs, homeworks

- Do not post any fragments of your code

- Do **not** send questions by email unless
  – You need to discuss a personal matter
  – You want to setup an appointment
  – A question has not been answered on the board

## Textbooks

Recommended textbook (pick one)

- Database Management Systems. **Third Ed**. Ramakrishnan and Gehrke. McGraw-Hill.

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

  See course website for recommended chapters   7

## Other Readings

- See Website

- There is a section on reading assignments for 544M only

## Grading CSE444

- Labs:  40%

- Final project report 10%

- Six written assignments: 30%

- Four lab quizzes 20%

Acks: SimpleDB lab series originally developed by Prof. Sam Madden at MIT. We work with them on improving/extending.

## Six Labs

- Lab 1: Build a DBMS that can scan a relation on disk
  - **RELEASED!  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

- Lab 3: Add a lock manager (transactions)
- Lab 4: Add a write-ahead log (transactions)

- Lab 5: Add a query optimizer (not this quarter)
- Lab 6: Make your DBMS parallel

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
- In class we will discuss some *new-types* of DBMSs

## Six Homeworks

- Homework 1 has been released! Due next week
- 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**

## Quizzes

- One quiz in class for each of labs 1-4
- Test lab understanding
  - **No notes. No code. Answer from memory**
  - Likely only one or two open-ended questions
  - Example: "Explain how data is stored in SimpleDB"
  - Grades:
    - 4: Strength! Exceptional understanding and explanations
    - 3: You got it!
    - 2: Developing knowledge
    - 0: Did not show up or wrote nothing

## Late Days

- Total of **4 late-days**
- Use in 24-hour chunks on hws or labs
- **At most 2 late-days per assignment**

- **No late-days can be applied to the final project due during finals week**

## Outline (this lecture and next)

- Review of DBMS goals and features

- Review of relational model

- Review of SQL

## Review: DBMS

- What is a database? Give examples
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- What is a database management system? Give examples
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## Review: DBMS

- What is a database? Give examples
  - A collection of related files
  - E.g. payroll, accounting, products
- What is a database management system? Give examples
  - A big C program written by someone else that manages the database; PostgreSQL, Oracle, …
  - In 444 you are that "someone else", implementing SimpleDB

## Review: Data Model

- What is a data model?
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- What is the relational data model?

## Review: Data Model

- **What is a data model?**
  - A mathematical formalism for data

- **What is the relational data model?**
  - Data is stored in tables (aka relations)
  - Data is queried via relational queries
  - Queries are *set-at-a-time*

## Review: Transactions

- **What is a transaction?**
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- **What properties do transactions have?**

## Review: Transactions

- **What is a transaction?**
  - A set of instructions that must be executed all or nothing

- **What properties do transactions have?**
  - ACID
  - Better: Serialization, recovery

## Review: Data Independence

The application should not be affected by changes of the physical storage of data

- Indexes
- Physical organization on disk
- Physical plans for accessing the data
- Parallelism: multicore, distributed

## Some Key Data Management Concepts

- Data models: Relational, XML, graph data (RDF)
- Schema v.s. 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

## 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 7-8)
- Query optimization (lectures 9-12)
- Transactions (lectures 13-19)
- Parallel query processing (lectures 20-22)
- Replication and distribution (lectures 23-25)
- Database as a service and NoSQL (lectures 26-28)

# Relational Model...

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