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#### Chapter 11 **Databases**

#### **Computer Concepts 2014**



#### **Chapter Contents**

- Section A: File and Database Concepts
- Section B: Data Management Tools
- Section C: Database Design
- Section D: SQL
- Section E: Database Security

#### **FastPoll True/False Questions** Answer A for True and B for False

- ▶ 110100 Predictive data entry produces data warehouses and OLAPs.
- > 110200 The simplest model for storing data is a flat
- ≥ 110300 A fixed-length field contains field names and record types.
- > 110400 An ERD shows relationships and cardinality.
- ▶ 110500 The most popular business database model is based on a relational database.

#### **FastPoll True/False Questions** Answer A for True and B for False

- > 110600 Spreadsheet software is optimized for working with relational data.
- ➤ 110700 Database software such as Microsoft Access provides an option to produce HTML formatted reports.
- ▶ 110800 XML is a database model that combines flat files and relational database models.
- ▶ 110900 BLOB and SQL are data types.

#### 11 FastPoll True/False Questions **Answer A for True and B for False**

- ≥ 111000 The goal of normalization is to reduce data redundancy.
- > 111100 Sorting a database is the same as indexing
- ➤ 111200 Databases transmitted over the Web can be encrypted using HTML.
- > 111300 A database audit can sometimes identify unauthorized intrusion attempts.

Section A: File and Database Concepts

- Database Basics
- Database Models

#### 11 Question

- 112100 The plots for several recent movies revolve around the government's use of what technology to identify terrorists based on spending habits and other data stored in commercial and government databases?
  - >A. Predictive analytics
  - ▶B. Executive dashboards
  - ➤C. ERDs
  - ▶D. Data cubes

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#### 11 Database Basics

- A database is a collection of information
  - Typically stored as computer files
- The tasks associated with creating, maintaining, and accessing the information in databases are referred to as data management, file management, or database management



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#### 11 Database Basics

- > Databases can be used in a variety of ways
  - > Collect and store data
  - ▶ Update data
  - > Organize and output data
  - Distribute data
  - > Find data
  - > Analyze data



A query-by-example inferface displays a form and formulate a query based on what the use enters.

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#### 11 Database Basics

- Data mining refers to the process of analyzing existing database information to discover previously unknown and potentially useful information, including relationships and patterns
  - > Data warehouse
  - > Predictive analytics

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## 11 Database Basics

- OLAP (online analytical processing) allows decision makers to quickly get answers to complex queries
  - > Executive dashboard software
  - Big data



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#### 11 Database Models

- An unstructured file has a unique structure and contains different kinds of data
- > A structured file uses a uniform format to store data
- The underlying structure of a database is referred to as a database model

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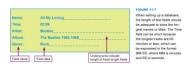
#### **Database Models**

> The simplest model for storing data is a flat file that consists of a single, two-dimensional table of data elements



#### **Database Models**

- > A field contains the smallest unit of meaningful information
- > Each field has a unique field name
- > Variable-length field vs. fixed-length field



#### **Database Models**

- > A record is a collection of data fields
- > The template for a record is referred to as a record type
- > A record that contains data is referred to as a record occurrence



## **Database Models**

- > A relationship is an association between data that is stored in different record types
  - Cardinality
    - > One-to-many relationship
    - Many-to-many relationship
    - > One-to-one relationship

#### **Database Models**

- > Cardinality refers to the number of associations that can exist between two record types
- > The relationship between record types can be depicted graphically with an entity-relationship diagram



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## **Database Models**

> A hierarchical database allows one-to-one and oneto-many relationships, linked in a hierarchical structure



#### 11 Database Models

A network database uses a mesh-like structure to offer the additional capacity to define many-to-many relationships



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#### 11 Database Models

A relational database stores data in a collection of related tables

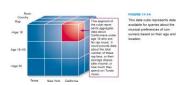


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## 11 Database Models

A dimensional database organizes relationships over three or more dimensions



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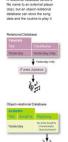
An object database stores data as objects, which can be grouped into classes and defined by attributes and methods



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11 Database Models

The term object-relational database is used to describe a variety of technologies that combine objectoriented and relational concepts



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11 Section B: Data Management Tools

- ➤ Data Management Software
- > Database Management Systems
- > Databases and the Web
- > XML

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#### 11 Question

- 112200 Most people have purchased merchandise from Amazon.com and similar online stores. What technology do these sites use to describe merchandise and handle customer shopping carts?
  - >A. Static Web publishing
  - ➤ B. Spreadsheet data management
  - ➤C. Server-side programming
  - ➤D. E-commerce client software

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#### 11 Data Management Software



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#### 11 Data Management Software

Spreadsheet software usually provides tools for working with flat files. Q Learn how to use the data features within



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# 11 Data Management Software

- > It is possible to enter data as ASCII text file
- > Custom data management software
- > Data dependence vs. data independence

Data independence is a draigs concept based on the deal that databases are most flexible when programs that monipulate a database are not too lightly led to the structure of fields, records, cellulations, and



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# Database Management Systems

- Software designed to manage data stored in a database
  - > XML DBMS
  - ➤ OODBMS
  - > RDBMS

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# Database Management Systems

Database client software allows any remote computer or network workstation to access data in a database



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Database Management Systems

> Multiple users can interact with the same database



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## 11 Databases and the Web

- > The Web allows access to many databases
  - > Static Web publishing
  - > Dynamic Web publishing
    - >Server-side program

11 Databases and the Web



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11 Databases and the Web

HTML forms can collect data, as well as specifications for a query



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#### **Databases and the Web**

- > The process of sending data to a database requires several data handoffs
  - Server-side script



**XML** 

> Markup language that allows field tags, data, and tables to be incorporated into a Web document



## **XML**

- Language used to specify a standard structure of fields and records
- > Data in an XML document is searchable
- > XML is portable, but not optimized for many common database operations
  - Consider storing data in a relational database, managing it with RDBMS software, and generating XML documents for exchanging data over the Web

#### **Section C: Database Design**

- Defining Fields
- Normalization
- Organizing Records
- > Designing the Interface
- Designing Report Templates
- Loading Data

#### Question

- > 112300 Most commercial databases store data in a series of tables, rather than in a single flat file. Why?
  - ➤A. To reduce data redundancy
  - B. To maintain unique sort keys
  - >C. To enable field validation rules
  - D. To avoid case sensitivity

#### **Defining Fields**

- The term database structure refers to the arrangement of fields, tables, and relationships in a database
- Break data into fields just by using common sense and considering how people might want to access the data
- > Use a primary key field to make each record unique
- Use appropriate data types for each field

# **Defining Fields**



#### **Defining Fields**

- > A computed field is a calculation that a DBMS performs during processing and temporarily stores in a memory location
- Uppercase and lowercase are not always treated the same
  - Case sensitive database
- Use field formats to show what the data is supposed to look like when it's entered
- Use field validation rules to filter data

#### **Normalization**

- > Process that helps save storage space and increase processing efficiency
  - > Minimizes data redundancy

## **Organizing Records**

- > Records can be organized in different ways, depending on use
- Sorting
  - > A table's sort order refers to the order in which records are stored on disk
  - Sort key
- Database index
  - > Similar to the index in a book

#### **Organizing Records**



> Arrange fields in a logical order

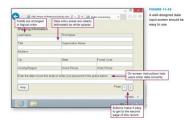
**Designing the Interface** 

- Provide visual clues to the entry areas
- > Entry areas should appear in a consistent position relative to their labels
- Provide a quick way to move through the fields in order

#### 11 Designing the Interface

- Use scrolling or create multiple screens, if necessary
- Provide buttons or other easy-to-use controls for moving from one record to another
- > Supply on-screen instructions

11 Designing the Interface



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#### 11 Designing Report Templates

- Report generators are used to specify the content and format for a database report
- A report template contains the outline or general specifications for a report



# Designing Report Templates

- > Supply only the information required
- > Present information in a usable format
- Information should be timely
- Information should be presented in a clear, unambiguous format
- Present information in the most appropriate format for the audience

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## 11 Loading Data

- > Data can be loaded into a database by:
  - > Using generic data entry tools
  - Using a customized data entry module
- A conversion routine converts the data from its current format into a format that can be automatically incorporated into the new database

#### 11 Section D: SQL

- > SQL Basics
- > Adding Records
- Searching for Information
- Updating Fields
- Joining Tables

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#### 11 Question

- > 112400 How does SQL relate to a typical computer user?
  - A. Because search engines like Google are databases, you can use SQL to make advanced searches.
  - ➤ B. You can use SQL to get beyond the main menu option on e-commerce sites like the iTunes store.
  - C. You can use SQL to find music at free file sharing sites.
  - D. Knowing how a query language works can help you understand how databases work behind the scenes.

▶ Intermediary between

the database client software and the database itself

**SQL Basics** 



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11 SQL Basics

Command Description Example

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11 Adding Records

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11 Searching for Information

SELECT Album, AlbumCover FROM Albums WHERE Artist = 'Jefferson Airplane'

- The AND, OR, and NOT Boolean operators are used to perform complex queries
- The use of parentheses indicates the part of the query to perform first

Updating Fields

UPDATE Albums
SET InStock = InStock – 1
WHERE Album = 'G.I. Blues'

- Global updates change the data in more than one record at a time
  - > Works only for records with similar characteristics

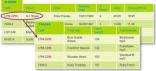
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## 11 Joining Tables

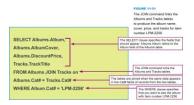
Joining tables in SQL allows you to create relationships between tables

> Records in the Albums table and Tracks table both include a Day field. When the data in the Day field when the data in the bed fields is the same, the records refer to the same onthy—in this case, an Elvia Presley album called GJ. Stury.



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11 Joining Tables



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# 11 Section E: Database Security

- Database Vulnerabilities
- Database Security Measures
- Database Security Regulations
- > What Individuals Can Do

## 11 Question

- 112500 If you are a hacker trying to get your hands on a database with lots of social security numbers, what is the easiest way to do it?
  - A. Hack into the database of an ATM.
  - B. Steal a government computer, preferably a notebook that's been left unattended.
  - C. Tap into HIPAA.
  - D. Hack into a local business that has an unsecured wireless connection.

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#### 11 Database Vulnerabilities

- Databases are vulnerable to physical theft, hacking, and unauthorized access
  - > Databases can be stolen without going missing
- There is hardly a person in America who is not in at least one computer database
  - > Privacy is viewed as an inherent right
  - > Importance of data accuracy
  - > Data should be kept secure

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#### Database Security Measures

- Today's computers are under assault from hackers and natural disasters
- Security measures include encryption, access controls, data security policies, and intrusion monitoring
- Encryption can make data in a database unintelligible to a hacker
- The process of decrypting database information in response to a query typically increases the amount of time necessary to process each query

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## 11 Database Security Measures

- An access control limits access to systems, such as computer databases
  - Control who accesses the database
  - Control how users interact with the database
    - User privileges
    - Data view



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#### 11 Database Security Measures

- To minimize vulnerabilities caused by employee inattention, organizations can formulate database use policies
- A database audit is a procedure that monitors and records user activity within a database



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## 11 Database Security Regulations

- International e-commerce makes database security a global concern; many countries have enacted laws to protect personal data stored on databases
  - > European Union's Privacy Directive
  - Canada's Personal Information Protection and Electronics Document Act
  - > U.S. Privacy Act of 1974
  - ➤ USA PATRIOT Act
  - ➤ Video Privacy Protection Act
  - > Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act 1996
  - > Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act 1999

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#### 11 What Individuals Can Do

- The key to minimizing your risk is to be vigilant about the information you divulge
  - > Know when data is being collected
  - > Find out how data is being used
  - > Find out what data is retained
  - > Supply only the data that is required
  - Opt-out when possible
  - Protect your passwords
  - Don't trade your privacy
  - Use antivirus software
  - Do not reply to spam
  - > Before registering, check the site's privacy policy

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# 11 What Individuals Can Do





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#### What Do You Think?

- 113100 Should your government continue to develop and deploy data mining techniques designed to identify terrorists?
  - A. Yes B. No C. Not sure
- 113200 Are you concerned about your personal data being included in government data mining operations?
  - A. Yes
- B. No
- C. Not sure
- 113300 Do you think that governments should apologize to and compensate individuals who are inappropriately harmed by data mining operations?
  - A. Yes
- B. No
- C. Not sure

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