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## 1b. Course Overview

#### CSCI 2541 Database Systems & Team Projects

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Slides adapted from ones by Prof. Bhagi Narahari

## Last time...

Structure that is independent of the underlying file formats

Queries to flexibly read, update, and delete information

...this time.

Transactions that provide guarantees about multiuser consistency

## **Queries & Data Independence**

**Queries** to flexibly read, update, and delete information

What this means....

A user of a relational database system should be able to use the database without knowing precisely how data is stored, e.g.

SELECT Name, Reservation FROM Customers WHERE Name= 'Cat Meadows'

The above "query" does not need to know how the data in Customers is stored. Why should you need to worry about that?! Data **Definition** Language (**DDL**) to specify database schema

- What data, and how it is organized (logical level)

Data Manipulation Language (DML) allows users to access or manipulate data as organized by data model procedural DMLs: require user to specify what data and how to get it

non-procedural DMLs: require user to specify what data is needed without specifying how to get it.

Often, one language provides both features (e.g., SQL)

### **Relational DB Query Languages**

**Queries** to flexibly read, update, and delete information



- Relational algebra,
- Relational Calculus,
- Why study formal languages?

Commercial query language: SQL

SQL: "descendent" of SEQUEL; mostly relational

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- has procedural and non-procedural aspects
- Has DDL and DML components

## What is SQL?

**Queries** to flexibly read, update, and delete information

SQL is not a specific database software

It is a standardized query language

 Defines how to create a database schema and issue read/write queries

DBMS software must implement the SQL standard

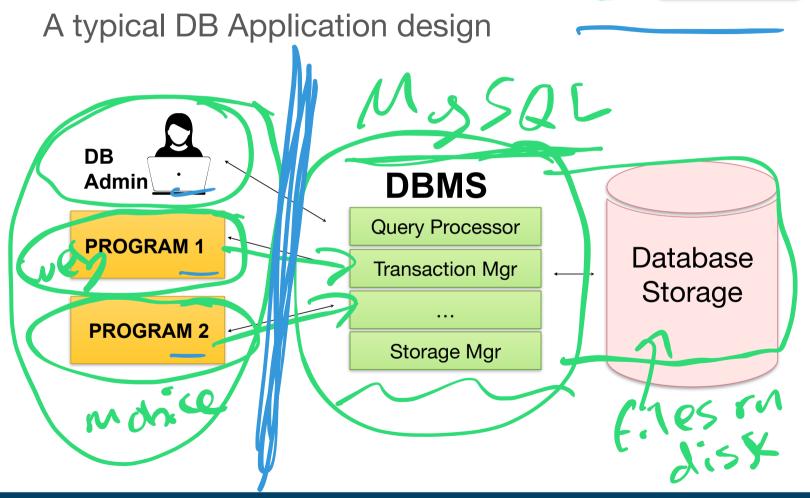
- Plus some of their own extensions
- None actually follow the official ANSI SQL standard precisely...

**Good news**: SQL queries are "cross platform" and will work on many different database systems

Confusing? Curious?

## Connecting to a DB

Transactions that provide multi-user consistency



## DBMS

The data abstraction is provided by the DBMS

 Separation b/w Logical and Physical, Query language parsing, multiuser, etc.

A database management system provides efficient, convenient, and safe multi-user storage and access to massive amounts of persistent data

- **Efficient & Convenient** Able to handle large data sets, complex queries without searching all files and data items, easy to write queries
- Scalability Large/huge data
  - **Persistence & Safety** Data exists after program execution completes, handles loss of power
  - **Multi-user** More than one user can access and update data at the same time while preserving consistency....concept of transactions

## Components of a DBMS

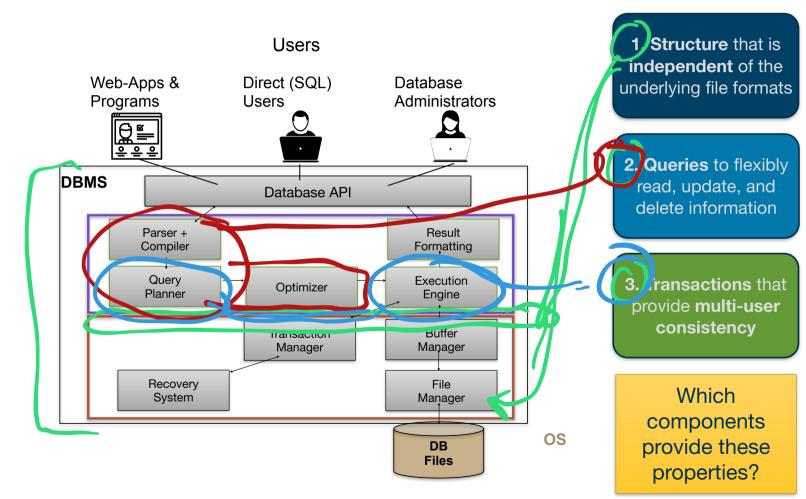
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A DBMS is a complicated software system containing many components:

- Query processor translates user/application queries into low-level data
   manipulations
- Sub-components: query parser, query optimizer
- **Storage manager** maintains storage information including memory Callocation, buffer management, and file storage
  - Sub-components: buffer manager, file manager
  - **Transaction manager** performs scheduling of operations and implements concurrency control algorithms
    - You will learn more about storage management and concurrency in the Operating Systems course... enjoy!

## **DBMS Architecture: Complete Picture**



#### This course is about Database Design...

#### Focus is on design of databases

- Working at the logical level

Internals of DBMS is not the focus in this course

- BUT we will touch upon a few key concepts that make DBMS' work
- DBMS design brings together several key concepts from Computer Science
  - Languages, Compilers/translation, Algorithms, Data structures, Operating systems...

## **Database System Architectures**

There are several different database architectures:

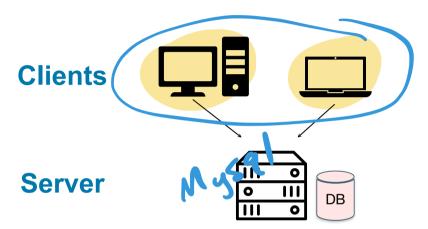
- Embedded architecture DB files and DBMS processing occurs at the clients (e.g. Microsoft Access or SQLite)
  - You might work with this in Systems Programming 3410

- **DB client-server architecture** - dedicated machine running DBMS accessed by remote clients (e.g. MS SQL Server, MySQL, Postgres)

- Multi-Tier client-server architecture - DBMS is bottom tier, second tier is an application server containing business logic, top tier is clients (e.g. Web browser-Apache/Tomcat-Oracle)

- i.e., a LAMP Stack

## **DB Client-Server Architecture**



**Tier 1: Client Application** 

- User Interface
- Business and Data Logic

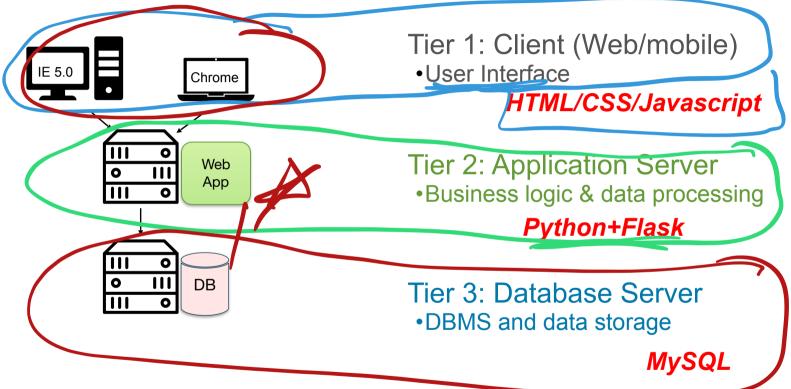
#### Tier 2: Database Server

- Server-side validation
- Data storage/management

Advantages:

- Only one copy of DBMS software on dedicated machine
- Increased performance
- Easier to maintain consistency and manage concurrency

#### **Three-Tier Client-Server Architecture – our approach**



Advantages:

- Reduced client administration and cost using thin web clients.
- Easy to scale architecture and perform load balancing.

## Course Requirements & Logistics...

## **Course Objectives**

Relational database theory and design  $\,\,\smile\,\,$ 

- Concepts of data storage and retrieval

Fluency in SQL and web front, and back-end development

- Working with relational database systems: MySQL
- Python to develop DB connected apps

Software integration experience and team S/W development experience

- Design and deploy a large database application
- Full stack (web) development

Brief introduction to NoSQL database models

## Late Policy

All **group** assignments must be submitted by the deadline; no late work accepted

- Applies to most labs and team projects
- Find a way to get it done; partners will report if work was evenly divided and you will lose points if you did not do your share

For individual assignments you may ask for an extension if needed

- I give the first extension for any reason...
- But you must recognize that submitting late places an extra burden on the staff and disrupts our ability to give feedback to other students

## **Async Attendance**

We prefer you attend lectures/labs "live"

- If you cannot do this, contact me this week
- Once we are back on campus, we will have a way for quarantined students to participate remotely
- You need to find a way to stay engaged!
  - Asking or answering questions in class is the easiest
  - Post questions to slack under each class's thread
  - Look for bonus activities in #engage

## **Course Requirements: Grading**

Exam (midterm): 22.5%

- Based on lectures and labs. Around Week 6-7

Homework, Lab Assignments: 25%

- Programming and written homework
- In-Lab/Class exercises given out during class and equivalent to a "quiz"

#### Team Project: 37.5%

- Phase 1 (15%) + Phase 2 (22.5%)
- No final exam BUT final project demos are required
- To pass project, your demos have to work...NO broken websites!

#### Team Contribution: 10%

How well do you work with others in labs and projects

#### Engagement: 5%

- Participation in class or online with a variety of bonus opportunities
- Usually limited to 2 points per week; Need 15 points for full credit

Grades curved (and scaled as percentage of highest score in class)

Approximate grading method after curving and scaling

A- to A: 90-100% B- to B+ : 80 to < 90 C- to C+: 70 to < 80 D-: >60

## **The Project**

A significant part of your grade for the course is a large database systems project

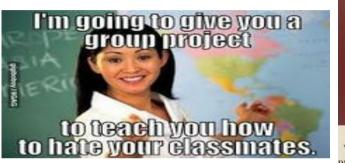
In the project you will design & implement a database system

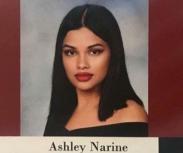
- Full stack development:
  - Front End (HTML/CSS & optional Javascript)
  - Application server in Python
  - DBMS backend MySQL
- All the above are useful (high demand) skills
  - Note that limited background will be given on web programming (seek help from TAs)

The project will involve working in teams of 2 to 4

Larger teams must develop projects with more features

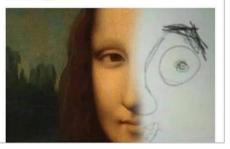
## Why do we have team projects





Ashley Narine When I die, I want the people I did group projects with to lower me into the ground so they can let me down one last time.

You make half of the assignment and I'll make the other half and then we'll join them together



Real World: Teamwork and S/W development in teams is the default!

- Communication
- Collaboration
- Conflict resolution
- Using tools to enable collaborative SW dev

#### **Team Project: Requirements & Expectations**

#### Project broken into 2 phases:

- Phase 1: teams to build an application assigned to your team
   Phase 2: Work in new teams to integrate different applications and produce the final project
  - Take what you built in Phase 1 and integrate with systems built by others....
  - This requires integration and NOT redesign

You HAVE to deliver a working project...else Zero

#### Teamwork Assessment...part of your grade!

#### You have to work in teams

- Each team member required to 'produce' equitable
- Teamwork will be assessed...
  - Not all team members may get the same grade on the project!
  - You must bring teamwork issues to attention of the instructor
  - If you do not contribute your fair portion of Phase 1, then you may be required to complete Phase 2 on your own

The second half of the course will have one session (lecture or a lab) dedicated to teamwork check-ins each week

- Instruction team will meet with each team, and assess if the weekly deliverables are being met by each team member

If you cannot commit time each week to working on the team project then please drop the course!

## **Academic Integrity Policy**

No collaboration on homework/programming assignments

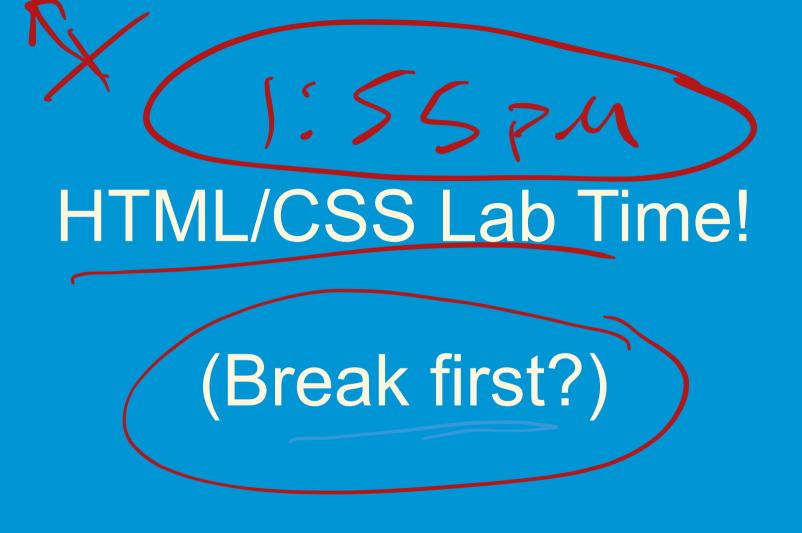
- Including external resources, tutors, online help
- Okay to clarify questions for a classmate
- Okay to share a 1-2 line code snippet example
- Not okay to share solutions or solution code

No collaboration between teams on team projects

 within team each team member must have clear role -- i.e., clearly partitioned tasks for each team member

Most semesters, at least one student fails my class because of cheating. Several students have been suspended from the university; none returned.





#### **General Format and Expectations**

- Hands on practical experience on the techniques described in lecture.
  - Usually intro slides, guided coding, then a group lab activity
- Lab exercises are generally due 24 hours after lab
  - Extra time this week since you are figuring things out
- Queries and code submitted are expected to work. If it doesn't run you will not get credit.

## HTML & CSS

# HTNL

# Hypertext





## Markup Language

A human readable language system that uses tags to write and format the elements in a document.

## HTML = Hypertext + Markup Language

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A language that uses tags and attributes to define the content (Links, Text, and images) of a webpage.

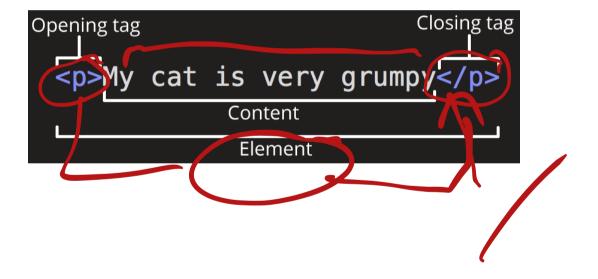
#### What does HTML actually do?

- Invented in 1989 as a way to create web pages for the internet.
- Uses HTML tags and attributes to define documents.
- **Tags** are used to create elements on a page and are signified by an opening tag <> and a closing tag </>.

Hello this is my paragraph

Attributes are used to describe the characteristics of an HTML element in greater detail.

Hello this is my paragraph.



#### A basic html webpage XML, 350N <!DOCTYPE html> <html> <head> <title>Page Title</title> </head> **My First Heading** <body> My first paragraph. <h1>My First Heading</h1> My first paragraph. </body> </html>

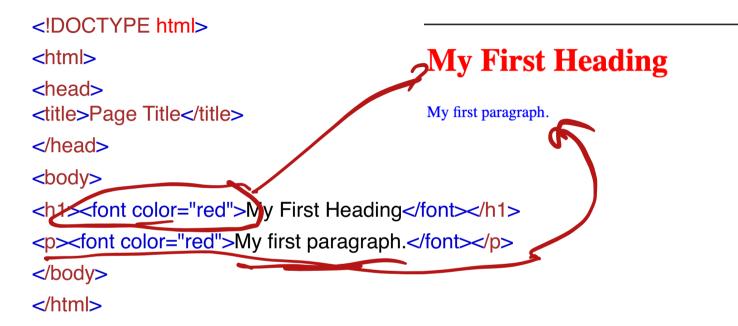
# But wait, how do we make it look good?

# CSS: Cascading Style Sheets

#### **CSS: Cascading Style Sheets**

- CSS is the language of design.
- It's what controls the color, textures, and layout of a web page
- Use it to control how elements are displayed on a page both in location and in how they look.

## The old, awful way



#### **Abstraction: The Key Concept of CS**

- Abstraction allows us to separate out components so they aren't tightly tied to each other
  - Java Virtual Machine separates code from underlying HW so you can run same program on any machine
  - DBMS separates physical implementation of data storage/indexing from the logical schema/query interface
  - HTML and CSS separates content and style
- Why is this so powerful and useful???

## **Separating Style from Content**

<!DOCTYPE html>

<html>

<head>

<title>Page Title</title>

k rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" href="styles.css" >

</head>

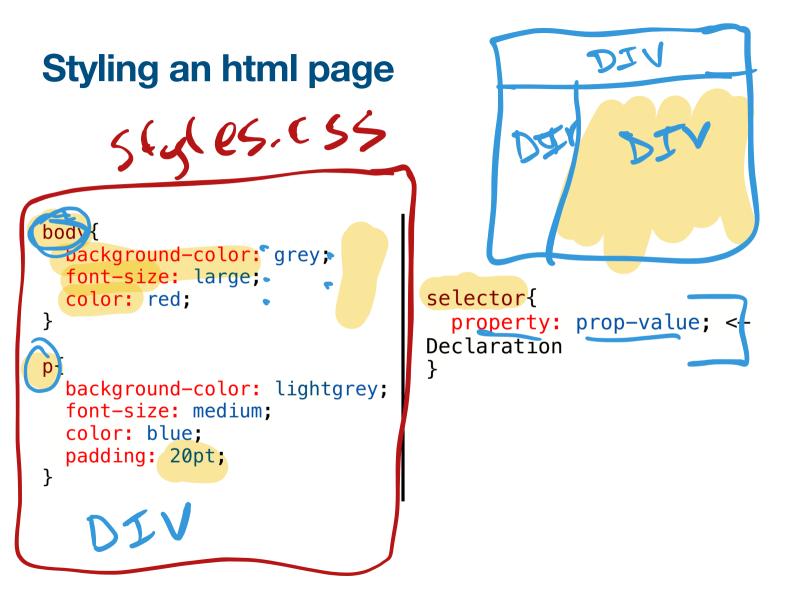
<body>

<h1>My First Heading</h1>

My first paragraph.

</body>

</html>



## Styling an html page

```
body{
   background-color: grey;
   font-size: large;
   color: red;
}
p{
   background-color: lightgrey;
   font-size: medium;
   color: blue;
   padding: 20pt;
}
```





- You can specify CSS styling based on tags, classes, and ids.
- Add an id to a tag if you want to be able to style that specific element only:
  - •
- Add a class to a tag if you want to style multiple elements on a page:
  - •

#### **Classes vs ID's**

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Use id's to style a specific element that appears only once and classes to style elements that appear repeatedly.

#### **Styling Classes and Id's**

beckground - img: color: blue; padding: 20pt; } #style\_only\_this\_one{ background-color: lightgrey; font-size: medium; 4 Class color: blue; padding: 20pt; } .style all paragraphs{ background-color: lightgrey; font-size: medium; color: blue; padding: 20pt; }

#### **CSS Inheritance**

- CSS is called cascading because of inheritance.
- When multiple rules conflict with each other, styles cascade downwards thus applying only the last rule.

```
h1{
   color: red;
}
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   color: blue;
}
```

What color will h1 elements be on the page?

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```

Because of inheritance only the last rule is applied. The heading is blue.

#### **CSS Specificity**

- CSS rules with more specific selectors override CSS rules with less specific selectors regardless of order.
- The rules of specificity are as follows:
  - The least specific is an element tag:
  - Using a class will override an element tag style: .myHeader
  - Using ar id will override both a class and an element tag style: #myTitle
  - Using an in-line style on a tag will override anything else (generally should avoid this since it breaks abstraction)

# Lab Activities

**Pre-Lab1 Hello World Wide Web**: basics of HTML tags, nesting, validation and DOM

not graded, due today for participation point

- Jab1 Practice Student Roster: try to make a page with a list of student names
  - Team A: not graded, see what you can figure out!
- Lab1 Practice Lots of Tags: walk through of most common HTML tags and CSS
  - not graded, follow along as we discuss
- Lab1 Student Bios: work in a small group to make a website with CSS styling
  - Team B: DUE Tuesday 1/18 at 11:59PM (usually will be a shorter deadline)
- HW1 Python Training & Exercises: work on your own to learn the basic syntax of python
  - DUE Tuesday 1/18 at 11:59PM

#### **Replit Lab Process**

- Join the breakout room with your team number
- Say hello to your partner(s)
- ONE member should click the project on repl and CREATE a new team
- The other members should JOIN the team created by the first member (look for their repl username)
- Work on the lab together!
  - Be nice! Let everyone contribute!
- Click Submit when you are done
  - You can edit and submit again until the deadline

#### Teams

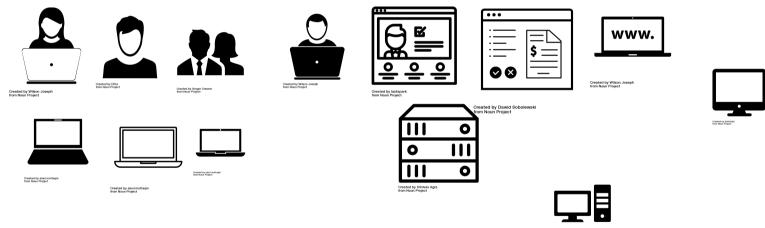
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