Introduction and Database Technology

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DBDM Introduction

- Databases and Data Mining Projects at LIACS
 - Biological and Medical Databases and Data Mining
 - CMSB (Phenotype Genotype), DIAL CGH DB
 - Cyttron: Visualization of the Cell
 - GRID Computing
 - VLe: Virtual Lab e-Science environments
 - DAS3/DAS4 super computer
- Research on Fundamentals of Databases and Data Mining
 - Database integration
 - Data Mining algorithms
 - Content Based Retrieval

DBDM

Databases (Chapters 1-7):

- The Evolution of Database Technology
- Data Preprocessing
- Data Warehouse (OLAP) & Data Cubes
- Data Cubes Computation
- Grand Challenges and State of the Art

DBDM

Data Mining (Chapters 8-11):

- Introduction and Overview of Data Mining
- Data Mining Basic Algorithms
- Mining data streams
- Mining Sequence Patterns
- Graph Mining

DBDM

Further Topics

- Mining object, spatial, multimedia, text and Web data
 - Mining complex data objects
 - Spatial and spatiotemporal data mining
 - Multimedia data mining
 - Text mining
 - Web mining
- Applications and trends of data mining
 - Mining business & biological data
 - Visual data mining
 - Data mining and society: Privacy-preserving data mining

[R] Evolution of Database Technology

Evolution of Database Technology

• 1960s:

 (Electronic) Data collection, database creation, IMS (hierarchical database system by IBM) and network DBMS

1970s:

Relational data model, relational DBMS implementation

1980s:

- RDBMS, advanced data models (extended-relational, OO, deductive, etc.)
- Application-oriented DBMS (spatial, scientific, engineering, etc.)

Evolution of Database Technology

1990s:

Data mining, data warehousing, multimedia databases, and Web databases

2000s

- Stream data management and mining
- Data mining and its applications
- Web technology
 - XML
 - Data integration
 - Social Networks
 - Cloud Computing
 - global information systems

The Future of the Past

- The Past and Future of 1997: Database Systems: A Textbook Case of Research Paying Off. By: J.N. Gray, Microsoft 1997
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Industry Profile (1994) (1/2)

- The database industry \$7 billion in revenue in 1994, growing at 35% per year.
- Second only to operating system software.
- All of the leading corporations are US-based: IBM, Oracle, Sybase, Informix, Computer Associates, and Microsoft
- Specialty vendors: Tandem: fault-tolerant transaction processing systems; AT&T-Teradata: data mining systems

Industry Profile (1994) (2/2)

- Small companies for application-specific databases: -- text retrieval, spatial and geographical data, scientific data, image data, etc.
- Emerging group of companies: object-oriented databases.
- Desktop databases an important market focused on extreme ease-of-use, small size, and disconnected operation.

Worldwide Vendor Revenue Estimates from RDBMS Software, Based on Total Software Revenue, 2006 (Millions of Dollars)

Company	2006	2006 Market Share (%)	2005	2005 Market Share (%)	2005-2006 Growth (%)
Oracle	7,168.0	47.1	6,238.2	46.8	14.9
IBM	3,204.1	21.1	2,945.7	22.1	8.8
Microsoft	2,654.4	17.4	2,073.2	15.6	28.0
Teradata	494.2	3.2	467.6	3.5	5.7
Sybase	486.7	3.2	449.9	3.4	8.2
Other Vendors	1,206.3	7.9	1,149.0	8.6	5.0
Total	15,213.7	100.0	13,323.5	100.0	14.2

Source: Gartner Dataquest (June 2007)

Historical Perspective

36 years of Database Research

Period 1960 - 1996

Historical Perspective (1960-)

- Companies began automating their back-office bookkeeping in the 1960s.
- COBOL and its record-oriented file model were the work-horses of this effort.
- Typical work-cycle:
 - 1. a batch of transactions was applied to the old-tape-master
 - a new-tape-master produced
 - printout for the next business day.
- COmmon Business-Oriented Language (COBOL 2002 standard)



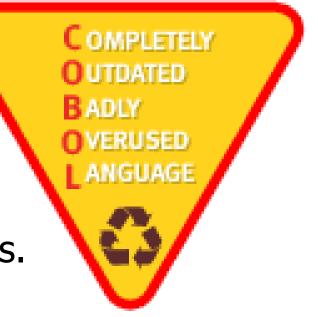


COBOL

A quote by Prof. dr. E.W. Dijkstra, 18 June 1975:

"The use of COBOL cripples the mind; its teaching should, therefore, be regarded as a criminal offence."

But: In 2012 still vacancies available for COBOL programmers.



COBOL

COBOL Code (just an example!)

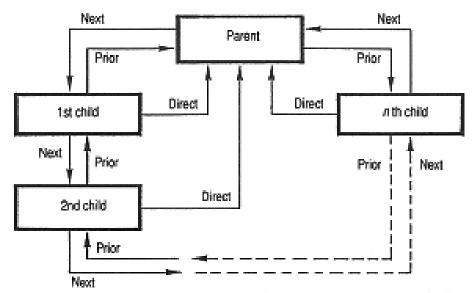
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     03 LW-LOAN-ERROR-FLAG
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                                     PIC 9(06)V9(02) COMP.
     03 LW-LOAN-AMT
     03 LW-INT-RATE
                                               PIC 9(02)V9(02) COMP.
     03 LW-NBR-PMTS
                                     PIC 9(03)
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     03 LW-PMT-AMT
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     03 LW-INT-PMT
                                     PIC 9(06)V9(02) COMP.
     03 LW-TOTAL-PMTS
                                     PIC 9(06)V9(02) COMP.
     03 LW-TOTAL-INT
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   004000-COMPUTE-PAYMENT.
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     MOVE 0 TO LW-LOAN-ERROR-FLAG.
     IF (LW-LOAN-AMT ZERO)
        OR
       (LW-INT-RATE ZERO)
        OR
       (LW-NBR-PMTS ZERO)
        MOVE 1 TO LW-LOAN-ERROR-FLAG
        GO TO 004000-EXIT.
      COMPUTE LW-INT-PMT = LW-INT-RATE / 1200
        ON SIZE ERROR
          MOVE 1 TO LW-LOAN-ERROR-FLAG
          GO TO 004000-EXIT.
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Historical Perspective (1970's)

- Transition from handling transactions in daily batches to systems that managed an on-line database that could capture transactions as they happened.
- At first these systems were ad hoc
- Late in the 60's, "network" and "hierarchical" database products emerged.
- A network data model standard (DBTG) was defined, which formed the basis for most commercial systems during the 1970's.
- In 1980 DBTG-based Cullinet was the leading software company.

Network Model

 hierarchical model: a tree of records, with each record having one parent record and many children



A closed chain of records in a navigational database model (e.g. CODASYL), with next pointers, prior pointers and direct pointers provided by keys in the various records.

 network model: each record can have multiple parent and child records, i.e. a lattice of records

Historical Perspective

DBTG problems:

- DBTG used a procedural language that was
 - low-level
 - record-at-a-time
- The programmer had to navigate through the database, following pointers from record to record
- If the database was redesigned, then all the old programs had to be rewritten

The "relational" data model



- The relational model unified data and metadata => only one form of data representation.
- A non-procedural data access language based on algebra or logic.
- The data model is easier to visualize and understand than the pointers-and-records-based DBTG model.
- Programs written in terms of the "abstract model" of the data, rather than the actual database design => programs insensitive to changes in the database design.

The "relational" data model success

- Both industry and university research communities embraced the relational data model and extended it during the 1970s.
- It was shown that a high-level relational database query language could give performance comparable to the best record-oriented database systems. (!)
- This research produced a generation of systems and people that formed the basis for IBM's DB2, Ingres, Sybase, Oracle, Informix and others.

The "relational" data model success

SQL

- The SQL relational database language was standardized between 1982 and 1986.
- By 1990, virtually all database systems provided an SQL interface (including network, hierarchical and object-oriented database systems).

Ingres at UC Berkeley in 1972 (1/2)

Inspired by Codd's work on the relational database model, (Stonebraker, Rowe, Wong, and others) a project that resulted in:

- the design and build of a relational database system
- the query language (QUEL)
- relational optimization techniques
- a language binding technique
- storage strategies
- pioneering work on distributed databases

Ingres at UC Berkeley in 1972 (2/2)

The academic system evolved into Ingres from Computer Associates.

Nowadays: PostgreSQL; also the basis for a new object-relational system.

Further work on:

- distributed databases
- database inference
- active databases (automatic responsing)
- extensible databases.

IBM: System R (1/2)

- Codd's ideas were inspired by the problems with the DBTG network data model and with IBM's product based on this model (IMS).
- Codd's relational model was very controversial:
 - too simplistic
 - could never give good performance.
- IBM Research chartered a 10-person effort to prototype a relational system => a prototype, System R (evolved into the DB2 product)

IBM: System R (2/2)

- Defined the fundamentals on:
 - query optimization,
 - data independence (views),
 - transactions (logging and locking), and
 - security (the grant-revoke model).
- SQL from System R became more or less the standard.
- The System R group further research:
 - distributed databases (project R*) and
 - object-oriented extensible databases (project Starburst).

The database research agenda of the **1980's**Extending Relational Databases

- geographically distributed databases
- parallel data access.
- Theoretical work on distributed databases led to prototypes which in turn led to products.
 - Note: Today, all the major database systems offer the ability to distribute and replicate data among nodes of a computer network.
- Execution of each of the relational data operators in parallel => hundred-fold and thousand-fold speedups.
 - Note: The results of this research appear nowadays in the products of several major database companies. Especially beneficial for data warehousing, and decision support systems; effective application in the area of OLTP is challenging.

USA funded database research period 1970 - 1996:

- Projects at UCLA => Teradata
- Projects at CCA (SDD-1, Daplex, Multibase, and HiPAC):
 - distributed database technology
 - object-oriented database technology
- Projects at Stanford:
 - deductive database technology
 - data integration technology
 - query optimization technology.
- Projects at CMU:
 - general transaction models
 - = > Transarc Corporation.

- Database systems continue to be a key aspect of Computer Science & Engineering.
- Representing knowledge within a computer is one of the central challenges of the field.
- Database research has focused primarily on this fundamental issue.

(1/4)

- There continues to be active and valuable research on:
 - Representing and indexing data,
 - adding inference to data search: inductive reasoning
 - compiling queries more efficiently,
 - executing queries in parallel

(2/4)

There continues to be active and valuable research on:

- integrating data from heterogeneous data sources,
- analyzing performance, and
- extending the transaction model to handle long transactions and workflow (transactions that involve human as well as computer steps).
- The availability of very-large-scale (tertiary) storage devices has prompted the study of models for queries on very slow devices.

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- Unifying object-oriented concepts with the relational model.
- New datatypes (image, document, drawing) are best viewed as the methods that implement them rather than the bytes that represent them.
- By adding procedures to the database system, one gets active databases, data inference, and data encapsulation. The object-oriented approach is an area of active research.

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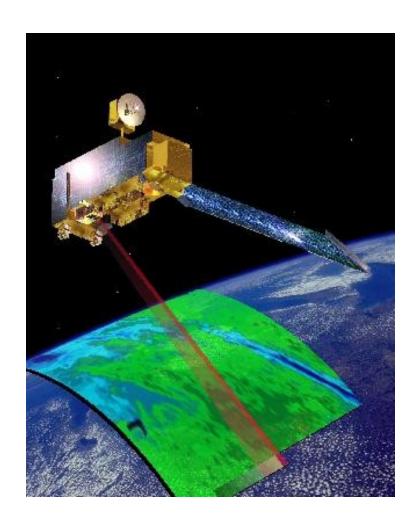
New Database Applications (1996)

- EOSDIS (Earth Observing System Data and Information System)
- Electronic Commerce
- Health-Care Information Systems
- Digital Publishing
- Collaborative Design

EOSDIS (Earth Observing System) Data and Information System)

Challenges:

- Providing on-line access to petabyte-sized databases and managing tertiary storage effectively.
- Supporting thousands of information consumers with very heavy volume of information requests, including ad-hoc requests and standing orders for daily updates.
- Providing effective mechanisms for browsing and searching for the desired data,



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Electronic Commerce

Heterogeneous information sources must be integrated. For example, something called a "connector" in one catalog may not be a "connector" in a different catalog

 "schema integration" is a well-known and extremely difficult problem.

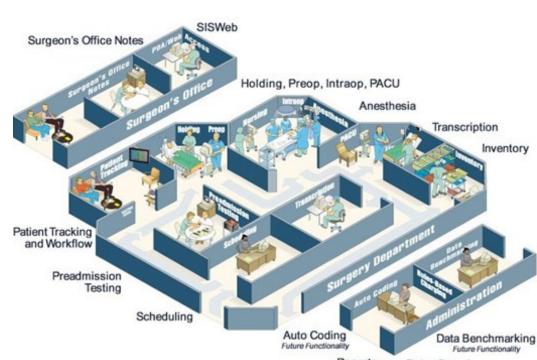
Electronic commerce needs:

- Reliable
- Distributed
- Authentication
- Funds transfer.



Health-Care Information Systems

Transforming the health-care industry to take advantage of what is now possible will have a major impact on costs, and possibly on quality and ubiquity of care as well.



Problems to be solved:

- Integration of heterogeneous forms of legacy information.
- Access control to preserve the confidentiality of medical records.
- Interfaces to information that are appropriate for use by all health-care professionals.

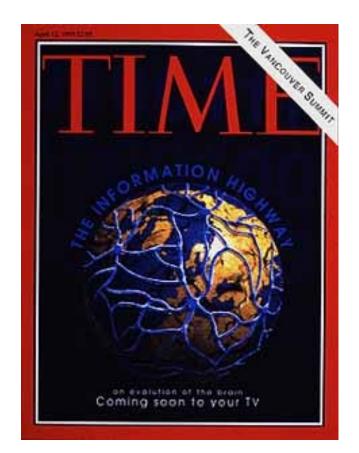
Digital Publishing

- Management and delivery of extremely large bodies of data at very high rates. Typical data consists of very large objects in the megabyte to gigabyte range (1996)
- Delivery with real-time constraints.
- Protection of intellectual property, including costeffective collection of small payments and inhibitions against reselling of information.
- Organization of and access to overwhelming amounts of information.

The Information Superhighway

Databases and database technology will play a critical role in this information explosion. Already Webmasters (administrators of World-Wide- Web sites) are realizing that they are database administrators...





Support for Multimedia Objects (1996)

- Tertiary Storage (for petabyte storage)
 - Tape silos
 - Disk juke-boxes
- New Data Types
 - The operations available for each type of multimedia data, and the resulting implementation tradeoffs.
 - The integration of data involving several of these new types.
- Quality of Service
 - timely and realistic presentation of the data?
 - gracefully degradation service? Can we interpolate or extrapolate some of the data? Can we reject new service requests or cancel old ones?
- Multi-resolution Queries
 - Content Based Retrieval
- User Interface Support





New Research Directions (1996)

- Problems associated with putting multimedia objects into DBMSs.
- Problems involving new paradigms for distribution of information.
- New uses of databases
 - Data Mining
 - Data Warehouses
 - Repositories
- New transaction models
 - Workflow Management
 - Alternative Transaction Models
- Problems involving ease of use and management of databases.

Conclusions of the Forum (1996)

The database research community

- has a foundational role in creating the technological infrastructure from which database advancements evolve.
- New research mandate because of the explosions in hardware capability, hardware capacity, and communication (including the internet or "web" and mobile communication).
- Explosion of digitized information require the solution to significant new research problems:
 - support for multimedia objects and new data types
 - distribution of information
 - new database applications
 - workflow and transaction management
 - ease of database management and use

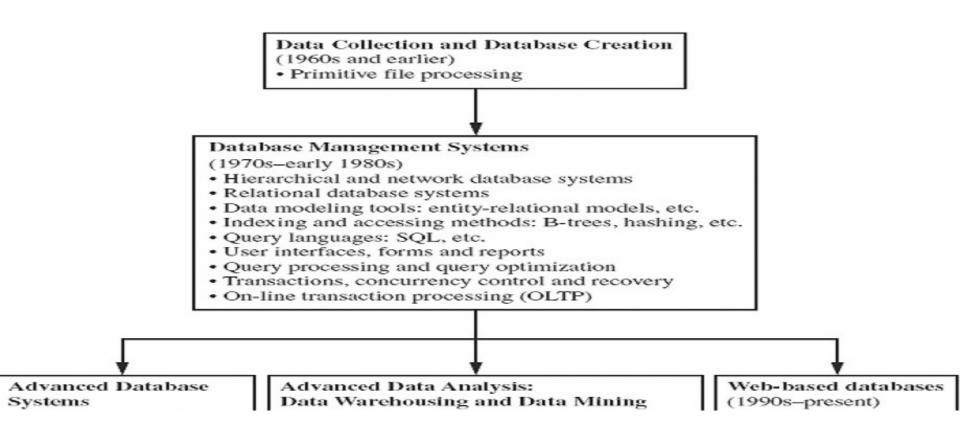
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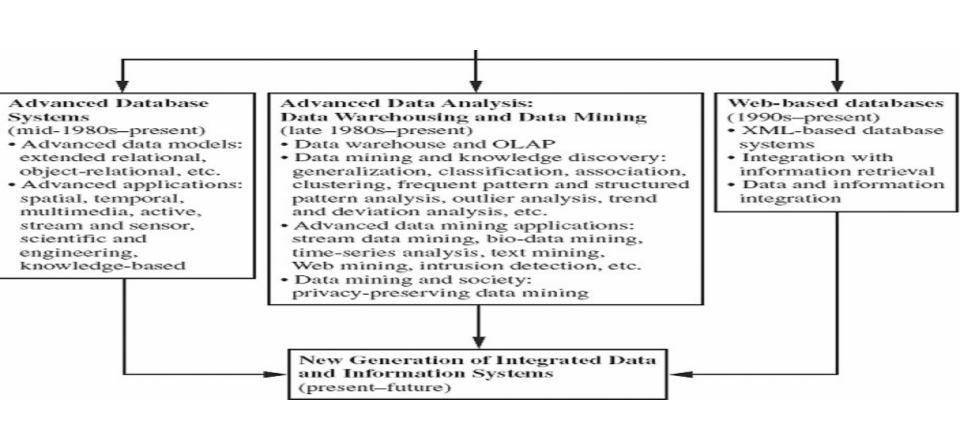
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DBDMS Services Overview



DBDMS Services Overview



DBMS: "One size fits all."

Single code line with all DBMS Services solves:

- Cost problem: maintenance costs of a single code line
- Compatibility problem: all applications will run against the single code line
- Sales problem: easier to sell a single code line solution to a customer
- Marketing problem: single code line has an easier market positioning than multiple code line products

DBMS: "One size fits all."

 To avoid these problems, all the major DBMS vendors have followed the adage "put all wood behind one arrowhead".

In this paper it is argued that this strategy has failed already, and will fail more dramatically off into the future.

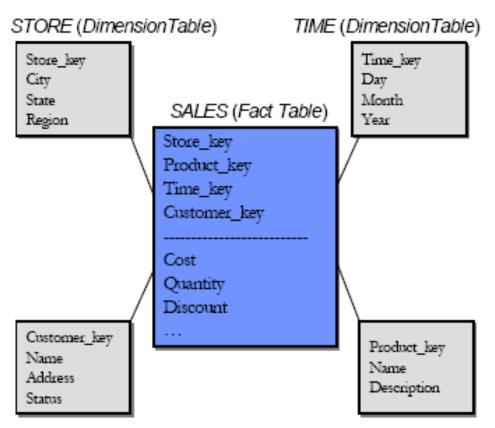
- In the early 1990's, a new trend appeared: Enterprises wanted to gather together data from multiple operational databases into a data warehouse for business intelligence purposes.
- A typical large enterprise has 50 or so operational systems, each with an on-line user community who expect fast response time.
- System administrators were (and still are) reluctant to allow business-intelligence users onto the same systems, fearing that the complex ad-hoc queries from these users will degrade response time for the on-line community.
- In addition, business-intelligence users often want to see historical trends, as well as correlate data from multiple operational databases. These features are very different from those required by on-line users.

Data warehouses are very different from Online Transaction Processing (OLTP) systems:

- OLTP systems have been optimized for updates, as the main business activity is typically to sell a good or service.
- In contrast, the main activity in data warehouses is adhoc queries, which are often quite complex.
- Hence, periodic load of new data interspersed with adhoc query activity is what a typical warehouse experiences.

The standard wisdom in data warehouse schemas is to create a fact table:

"who, what, when, where" about each operational transaction.



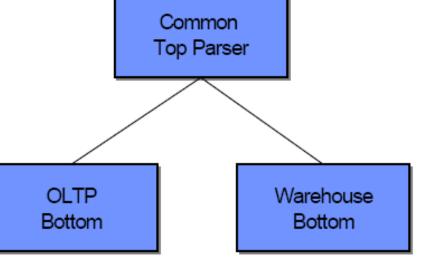
- Data warehouse applications run much better using bit-map indexes
- OLTP (Online Transaction Processing) applications prefer B-tree indexes.
- materialized views are a useful optimization tactic in data warehousing, but not in OLTP worlds.

As a first approximation, most vendors have a

 warehouse DBMS (bit-map indexes, materialized views, star schemas and optimizer tactics for star schema queries) and

 OLTP DBMS (B-tree indexes and a standard cost-based optimizer), which are united by a common parser

		Bitmaps	
Index	Gender	F	М
1	Female	1	0
2	Female	1	0
3	Unspecified	0	0
4	Male	0	1
5	Male	0	1
6	Female	1	0



Emerging Applications

Some other examples that show:

Why conventional DBDMs will not perform on the current emerging applications.

Emerging Sensor Based Applications

 Sensoring Army Battalion of 30000 humans and 12000 vehicles => x.10^6 sensors

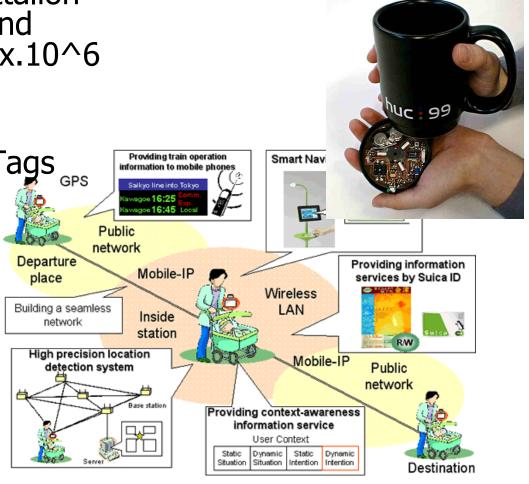
Monitoring Traffic

Amusements Park Tags

Health Care

Library books

Etc.

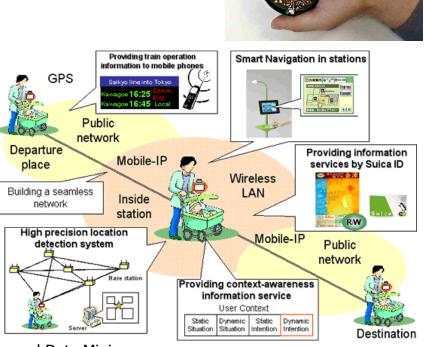


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Emerging Sensor Based Applications

There is widespread speculation that conventional DBMSs will not perform well on this new class of monitoring applications.

For example: Linear Road, traditional solutions are nearly an order of magnitude slower than a special purpose stream processing engine



Example: An existing application: financial-feed processing

Most large financial institutions subscribe to feeds that deliver real-time data on market activity, specifically:

- News
- consummated trades
- bids and asks
- etc.

For example:

- Reuters
- Bloomberg
- Infodyne

Example: An existing application: financial-feed processing

Financial institutions have a variety of applications that process such feeds. These include systems that

- produce real-time business analytics,
- perform electronic trading,
- ensure legal compliance of all trades to the various company and SEC rules
- compute real-time risk and market
- exposure to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates.

The technology used to implement this class of applications is invariably "roll your own", because no good off-the-shelf system software products exist.

Example: An existing application: financial-feed processing

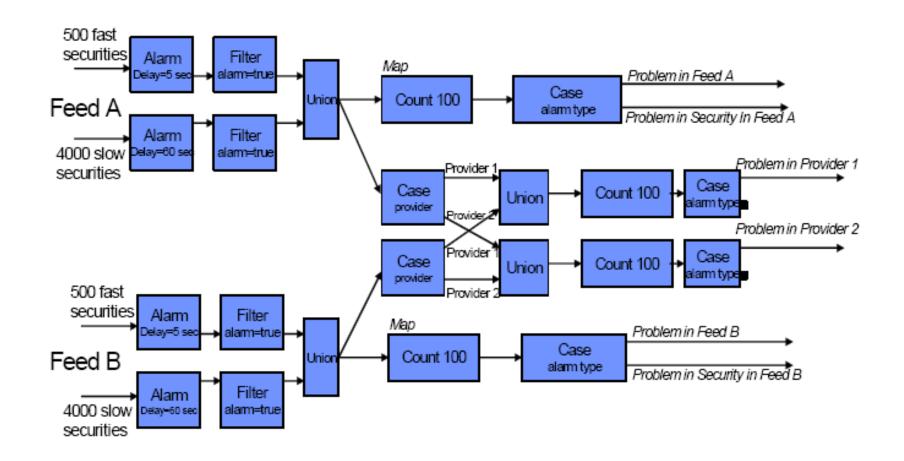
Example Detect Problems in Streaming stock ticks:

 Specifically, there are 4500 securities, 500 of which are "fast moving".

Defined by rules:

- A stock tick on one of these securities is late if it occurs more than five seconds after the previous tick from the same security.
- The other 4000 symbols are slow moving, and a tick is late if 60 seconds have elapsed since the previous tick.

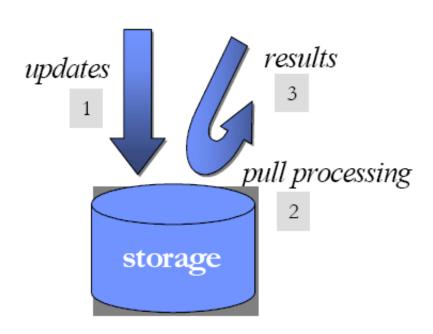
Stream Processing



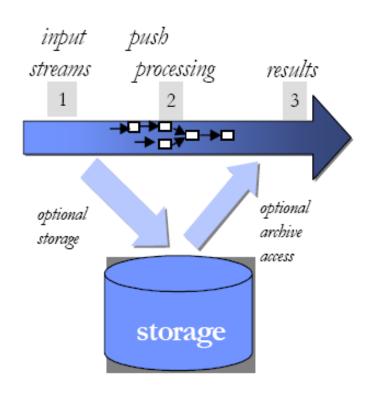
Performance

- The example application was implemented in the StreamBase stream processing engine (SPE) [5], which is basically a commercial, industrialstrength version of Aurora [8, 13].
- On a 2.8Ghz Pentium processor with 512 Mbytes of memory and a single SCSI disk, the workflow in the previous figure can be executed at 160,000 messages per second, before CPU saturation is observed.
- In contrast, StreamBase engineers could only get 900 messages per second from an implementation of the same application using a popular commercial relational DBMS.

Why?: Outbound vs Inbound Processing

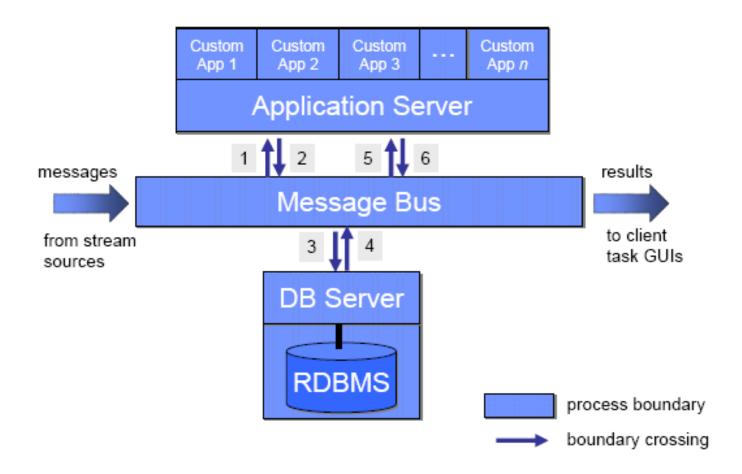


RDBMS (Outbound Processing)



StreamBase (Inbound Processing)

Inbound Processing



Outbound vs Inbound Processing

- DBMSs are optimized for outbound processing
- Stream processing engines are optimized for inbound processing.
- Although it seems conceivable to construct an engine that is either an inbound or an outbound engine, such a design is clearly a research project.

Other Issues: Correct Primitives for Streams

Select avg (salary) From employee Group by department

Count 100 same as

Map
F.evaluate:
cnt++
if (cnt % 100 != 0) if !suppress emit lo-alarm
else emit drop-alarm
else emit hi-alarm, set suppress = true

- SQL systems contain a sophisticated aggregation system, whereby a user can run a statistical computation over groupings of the records from a table in a database. When the execution engine processes the last record in the table, it can emit the aggregate calculation for each group of records.
- However, streams can continue forever and there is no notion of "end of table". Consequently, stream processing engines extend SQL with the notion of time windows.
- In StreamBase, windows can be defined based on clock time, number of messages, or breakpoints in some other attribute.

Other Issues: Integration of DBMS Processing and Application Logic (1/2)

- Relational DBMSs were all designed to have clientserver architectures.
- In this model, there are many client applications, which can be written by arbitrary people, and which are therefore typically untrusted.
- Hence, for security and reliability reasons, these client applications are run in a separate address space from the DBMS.

Other Issues: Integration of DBMS Processing and Application Logic (2/2)

- In an embedded processing model, it is reasonable to freely mix
 - application logic
 - control logic and
 - DBMS logic

This is what StreamBase does.

Other Issues: High Availability

- It is a requirement of many stream-based applications to have high availability (HA) and stay up 7x24.
- Standard DBMS logging and crash recovery mechanisms are ill-suited for the streaming world
- The obvious alternative to achieve high availability is to use techniques that rely on Tandem-style process pairs
- Unlike traditional data-processing applications that require precise recovery for correctness, many stream-processing applications can tolerate and benefit from weaker notions of recovery.

Other Issues: Synchronization

- Traditional DBMSs use ACID transactions between concurrent transactions submitted by multiple users for example to induce isolation. (heavy weight)
- In streaming systems, which are not multi-user, a concept like isolation can be effectively achieved through simple critical sections, which can be implemented through light-weight semaphores.

ACID = Atomicity, Consistency, Isolation (transactions can be executed in isolation), Durability

One Size Fits All?



One Size Fits All? Conclusions

- Data warehouses: store data by column rather than by row; read oriented
- Sensor networks: flexible light-way database abstractions, as TinyDB; data movement vs data storage
- Text Search: standard RDBMS too heavy weight and inflexible
- Scientific Databases: multi dimensional indexing, application specific aggregation techniques
- XML: how to store and manipulate XML data

The Fourth Paradigm

eScience

and the

www.fourthparadigm.org (2009)

Four Science Paradigms (J.Gray, 2007)

- Thousand years ago: science was empirical describing natural phenomena
- Last few hundred years:
 theoretical branch using models, generalizations
- Last few decades:
 a computational branch simulating complex phenomena
- Today:

data exploration (eScience) unify theory, experiment, and simulation

- Data captured by instrumentsOr generated by simulator
- Processed by software
- Information/Knowledge stored in computer
- Scientist analyzes database / files using data management and statistics



$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{4\pi G\rho}{3} - K \frac{c^2}{a^2}$$



The eScience Challenge

Novel Tools needed for:

- Data Capturing
- Data Curation
- Data Analysis
- Data Communication and Publication Infrastructure

Gray's Laws Database-centric Computing in Science

How to approach data engineering challenges related to large scale scientific datasets^[1]:

- Scientific computing is becoming increasingly data intensive.
- The solution is in a "scale-out" architecture.
- Bring computations to the data, rather than data to the computations.
- Start the design with the "20 queries."
- Go from "working to working."
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Novel Subjects

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- MapReduce (Hadoop), Crowdsourcing, and Mining
- Information Integration and Information Retrieval
- Schema Mapping, Data Exchange, Disambiguation of Named Entities
- GPU Based Architecture and Column-store indexing

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 - Spatial web data management
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 - Low latency
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- Stock data
- Security monotoring
- Recently: personal data stream analysis

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- Web databases
- Mobility
- Data Semantics and Data Mining
- Parallel and Distributed Databases
- Graphs
- String and Sequence Processing
- Privacy
- Probabilistic Databases
- Data Flow; Hardware; Indexing; Query Optimization; Streams;...

VLDB 2012 Spatial Queries

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On the
Spatiotemporal
Burstiness of Terms.



- Burst identification
- Spatial, temporal
- Unusual high frequency of document streams observed in a short time frame queried from a spatially localized area
- Ranked lists of influential documents with spatiotemporal impact.

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[1] CDAS: A Crowdsourcing Data Analytics System

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Let people execute small tasks such as labeling and tagging images, lookup of phone numbers, computer jo compare items for joining and sorting

Human Intelligent Task worker worker application computer job worker

Image taken from [1].

Example: Amazon's Mechanical Turk (MTurk)
Dataset processing with humans: MTurk programmatic interface for redesigning the workflow

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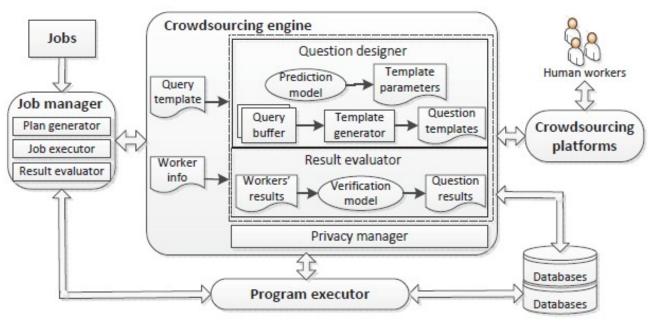


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VLDB2012 Big Data

- A. Labrinidis, H.V. Jagadish, Challenges and Opportunities with Big Data. (Panel Session)
- Google: estimated to have contributed 54 billion \$ to the US economy in 2009
- What is Big Data?
- Is size the only thing that matters?
- Challenges
 - Data acquisition: how to filter and compress without leaving out important stuff?
 - Automatic meta data generation, important for downstream analysis
 - Multiple and Changing Analysis Pipelines

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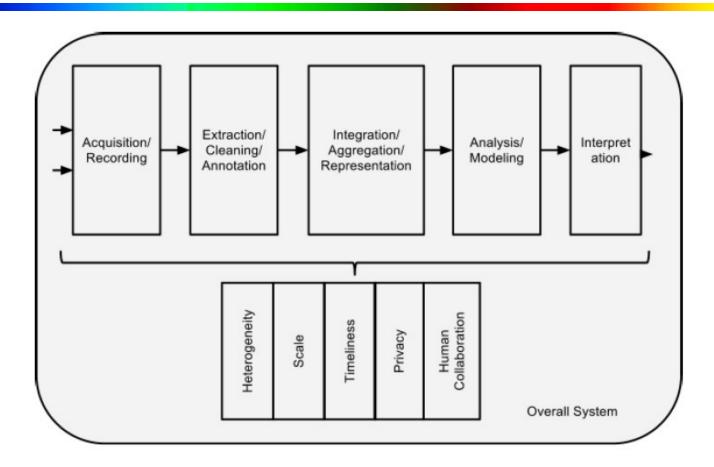


Figure 1: The Big Data Analysis Pipeline. Major steps in analysis of big data are shown in the flow at top. Below it are big data needs that make these tasks challenging.

Figure from: D. Agrawal et al. Challenges an Opportunities with Big Data, http://cra.org/ccc/dosc/init/bigdatawhitepaper.pdf, March 2012

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A. El Abbadi, M.F. Mokbel, Social Networks and Mobility in the Cloud (Panel Session)

Promises for the future of computing:

- Social Networks
- Mobility
- Cloud

Questions to the panel (a selection):

- Are these only buzz words?
- Privacy a show stopper?
- Is data too big to manage coherently?
- Is it ethical to use all the data in any way we want?
- Is Map-Reduce paradigm the ultimate computational model?
- What are killer applications?