# REVOLUTION OF DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM: A LITERATURE SURVEY

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### **ABSTRACT**

Database technology is a very essential need to meet several requirements of software engineering applications in a satisfactory manner. Database technology has undergone revolutionary transformations over time. Every era brings with it a new set of issues and challenges for databases. As a result, people have been encouraged to develop a variety of DBMSs, and numerous database management systems are being implemented.

To analyze various kinds of DBMSs, their features, and properties, the authors performed a literature survey. The main aim of this survey is to discuss various database management systems from 1960 to 2022. This research presents the literature on various DBMSs in depth. Additionally, this paper includes the advantages and disadvantages of different database management systems. This survey will help researchers explore various research issues with awareness of the presented systems.

Keywords: Modern database system, NoSQL, NewSQL, ORDBMS, OODBMS, RDBMS

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Data is essential for any modern software application, and databases are the most frequent means for applications to store and handle data. A database is a collection of well-organized data stored in a structured manner, with well-defined interrelationships.

To maintain large databases, tools that are reliable, secure, and easy-to-use are required. A Database Management System (DBMS) is software that provides the facility to access, create, update, and delete databases. According to H. F. Korth, a DBMS is an assembly of interrelated data and a set of programs to update or retrieve that data [31].

Figure 1: Database Management System

Databases have evolved from traditional relational databases to advanced systems like NoSQL, NewSQL, and distributed databases due to web and cloud technologies. These systems can handle structured, semi-structured, and unstructured data, collectively known as modern database systems.

Various surveys exist regarding DBMS evolution [63][97][99][100], but a systematic literature survey covering multiple DBMS types, features, advantages, disadvantages, and research trends is needed.

# 2. Methodology

This study employs a mix of qualitative and quantitative methods:

- · Qualitative: Literature surveys to locate publications on existing DBMSs using platforms like ACM Digital Library, Scopus, WoS, and Google Scholar.
- · Quantitative: Statistical data is analyzed using

computational tools and methods like cross-tabulation.

### 3. Background

From the 1960s onwards, various database technologies emerged, including:

- Hierarchical Database Management System (DBMS)
- Network DBMS
- Relational DBMS (RDBMS)
- · Object-Oriented DBMS (OODBMS)
- · Object-Relational DBMS (ORDBMS)
- NoSQL
- NewSQL

### 3.1 Hierarchical DBMS

Developed in the 1960s by IBM, hierarchical databases store information in a tree-like form. Each child record has one parent, and records are linked together. Popular example: IBM IMS.

## 3.2 Network DBMS

Invented by Charles Bachman in 1969 (CODASYL DBMS). Network DBMS allows multiple parent-child relationships. Example: Integrated Data Store (IDS).

# 3.3 Relational DBMS (RDBMS)

E. F. Codd (1970) introduced the relational model. Information is stored in tables (relations), rows (tuples), and columns (attributes). Examples: MySQL, Oracle, SQL Server.

3.4 Object-Oriented DBMS (OODBMS)

Integrates object-oriented programming with DBMS. Supports complex data and relationships directly as objects.

3.5 Object-Relational DBMS (ORDBMS)

Bridges relational and object-oriented databases. Adds object features to RDBMS. Examples: IBM DB2, Oracle Database. 3.6 NoSQL

Non-relational, schema-less DBMS for large, flexible data. Examples: MongoDB, CassandraDB.

3.7 NewSQL

Combines scalability of NoSQL with ACID compliance of traditional RDBMS. Examples: VoltDB, MemSQL, NuoDB.

4. Literature Survey

A survey of DBMS research shows trends, key papers, and evolution of database technologies. Key findings include:

- Hierarchical and network DBMSs are less explored.
- · RDBMS has the highest research volume.
- OODBMS and ORDBMS were widely studied 1990–2010.
- NoSQL research increased post-2000.
- NewSQL emerged in 2011 with 13 notable studies.

Table 1: Collected Research Work (DBMS vs Research References)

DBMS	Research Work References
Hierarchical DBMS	[2],[3],[8],[14],[30]
Network DBMS	[15],[16],[17],[20],[98]
Relational DBMS	[21],[22],[29],[31],[37],[105]
OODBMS	[4],[27],[35],[71]
ORDBMS	[34],[67],[95]
NoSQL	[6],[7],[10],[101]
NewSQL	[5],[11],[24],[102]

**Table 2: Data Models and Products** 

DBMS Product		Data Model	
Hierarchical DBMS	IBM IMS, RDM	Hierarchical	
Network DBMS	IDS, IDMS Network		
Relational DBMS	MySQL, Oracle, SQL Server, IBM DB2	Relational	
OODBMS	Realm, Objectivity/DB	Object-Oriented	
ORDBMS	IBM DB2, Oracle DB	Object-Relational	
NoSQL	MongoDB, Cassandra	Schema-less, Scalable	
NewSQL	VoltDB, MemSQL, NuoDB	ER Model / UML	

**Table 3: Pros and Cons** 

DBMS	Pros	Cons	
Hierarchical DBMS	Easy-to-understand, tree structure support	No many-to-many, data redundancy	
Network DBMS	Supports many-to-many, flexible	Limited independence, less security	
RDBMS	Reduced redundancy, high integrity Cannot handle unstructured data		
OODBMS	Data abstraction, inheritance Lacks persistence, rollback		
ORDBMS	OO modeling, OOP features	Complex system, ambiguous relations	
NoSQL	Horizontal scalability, flexible	ACID not guaranteed	
NewSQL	Scalable, ACID compliant	New, less mature	

**Table 4: Research Work Distribution** 

DBMS	Concurrency	Security	Query Processing	Design & Features
Hierarchical	1	0	2	3
Network	0	1	2	2
RDBMS	1	1	8	15
OODBMS	1	0	3	10
ORDBMS	1	0	1	5
NoSQL	1	1	3	16
NewSQL	2	0	1	11

# 5. ANALYSIS

Tables 1-4 show features, pros/cons, products, and research trends for DBMSs. Observations:

- Hierarchical and Network DBMS have limited research.
- RDBMS is widely used, but less suitable for massive unstructured data.
- NoSQL and NewSQL need further development, especially for ACID compliance and reliability.

# 6. DISCUSSION

- RDBMS remains the most researched system.
- OODBMS and ORDBMS research declined after 2010.
- NoSQL gained popularity post-2000, and NewSQL post-2011.
- Concurrency control and security need more research.

### 7. CONCLUSION

This survey presents a comprehensive view of DBMS evolution. Key points:

- Hierarchical and Network DBMS are outdated and underexplored.
- RDBMS is widely used but cannot handle modern massive datasets.
- NoSQL and NewSQL need development for ACID compliance, reliability, and scalability.
- Future research should focus on security, concurrency, and modern database requirements.

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