

Spreadsheets and Databases

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Spreadsheets

Documents for organizing data in **rows** and **columns**. This alignment can make it easy to give the computer processing instructions - e.g. sum this **column**. Data is in a **cell**. Cells can be identified by column and row.

a/1	b	c	d	e
2				
3		c3		
4				
5				

Spreadsheet software

- Libre Office Calc (Free)
- Microsoft Excel (Purchase/Subscription)
- Google Sheets (Free with Google Account)
- Mac Numbers (Free with Mac purchase)

Cells

- Building block of a spreadsheet
- Can hold different types of data
 - Raw numbers
 - Dates
 - Percents
 - Text
 - Currency
- Can hold “formulas”

	A	B	C	D	E
1					
2	\$100,020.00	5	12/12/2023	5%	
3					

Automatic	
Plain text	
Number	1,000.12
Percent	10.12%
Scientific	1.01E+03
Accounting	\$ (1,000.12)
Financial	(1,000.12)
Currency	\$1,000.12
Currency rounded	\$1,000
Date	9/26/2008
Time	3:59:00 PM
Date time	9/26/2008 15:59:00
Duration	24:01:00
Custom currency	
Custom date and time	
Custom number format	

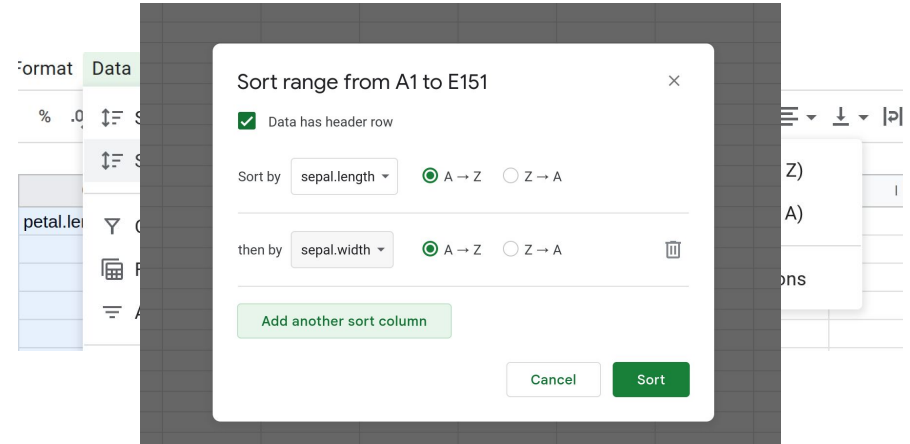
Rows and Columns

- Technically, they are interchangeable
- However, we live in a society
- Columns should be headings
 - Categories
- Rows
 - Values for these categories

	A	B	C	D	E
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica
6	4.5	2.3	1.3	0.3	Setosa
7	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	Versicolor
8	6.3	2.3	4.4	1.3	Versicolor
9	5	2.3	3.3	1	Versicolor
10	4.9	2.4	3.3	1	Versicolor
11	5.5	2.4	3.8	1.1	Versicolor
12	5.5	2.4	3.7	1	Versicolor
13	5.6	2.5	3.9	1.1	Versicolor
14	6.3	2.5	4.9	1.5	Versicolor
15	5.5	2.5	4	1.3	Versicolor
16	5.1	2.5	3	1.1	Versicolor
17	4.9	2.5	4.5	1.7	Virginica
18	6.7	2.5	5.8	1.8	Virginica
19	5.7	2.5	5	2	Virginica
20	6.3	2.5	5	1.9	Virginica

Sorting Data

- Sorting Data can be beneficial
 - See trends
 - Get quick info
- Sort by heading or column
- Can sort by multiple
 - Sort by Column A first
 - If there is a tie, sort by Column C,
 - Etc.



Filtering Data

- Isolates specific sections of the data
- Filters are boolean formulas
 - $X = (\text{sepal.length} > 5)$
 - $Y = (\text{petal.length} < 4)$
 - $X \wedge Y$

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety	
11	5.5	2.4	3.8	1.1	Versicolor	
12	5.5	2.4	3.7	1	Versicolor	
13	5.6	2.5	3.9	1.1	Versicolor	
16	5.1	2.5	3	1.1	Versicolor	
21	5.7	2.6	3.5	1	Versicolor	
26	5.2	2.7	3.9	1.4	Versicolor	
28	5.8	2.7	3.9	1.2	Versicolor	
52	5.6	2.9	3.6	1.3	Versicolor	
109	5.1	3.3	1.7	0.5	Setosa	
118	5.4	3.4	1.7	0.2	Setosa	
121	5.2	3.4	1.4	0.2	Setosa	
122	5.4	3.4	1.5	0.4	Setosa	
123	5.1	3.4	1.5	0.2	Setosa	
127	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	Setosa	
128	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.3	Setosa	
129	5.2	3.5	1.5	0.2	Setosa	
130	5.5	3.5	1.3	0.2	Setosa	
137	5.4	3.7	1.5	0.2	Setosa	
138	5.1	3.7	1.5	0.4	Setosa	
139	5.3	3.7	1.5	0.2	Setosa	
140	5.7	3.8	1.7	0.3	Setosa	
141	5.1	3.8	1.5	0.3	Setosa	
142	5.1	3.8	1.9	0.4	Setosa	
143	5.1	3.8	1.6	0.2	Setosa	
146	5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	Setosa	
147	5.4	3.9	1.3	0.4	Setosa	
148	5.8	4	1.2	0.2	Setosa	
149	5.2	4.1	1.5	0.1	Setosa	
150	5.5	4.2	1.4	0.2	Setosa	
151	5.7	4.4	1.5	0.4	Setosa	
152						

Formula Basics

- A formula defines how a cell will be calculated
- Begins with “=”
 - This tells software “I’m a formula”
- Made up of some combination of:
 - Hardcoded values (42, -2, 3.1415, etc.)
 - Cell references (A1, B12, etc.)
 - Functions (+, -, Average(), etc.)

	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety	
2	5		2	3.5	1 Versicolor	=2*A2+C2

F2	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety	
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	13.5

Keyboard shortcuts

- Ctrl + (Key) may do something helpful
 - It may be Cmd + (Key) if you have a Mac
 - Ctrl + (Key) means click Ctrl and then (Key), don't click the + key
 - Unless it's Ctrl + +
- Ctrl + C = Copies the selected thing
- Ctrl + V = Pastes the selected thing
- Ctrl + X = Cuts the selected thing
- Ctrl + Z = Undoes last action
 - Can be pressed multiple times
- Ctrl + Shift + Z = Redoes last undid thing
- Ctrl + D = Copies cell down selected rows

Repeating Formulas

F2		<i>fx</i>	=2*A2+C2				
	A	B	C	D	E	F	
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety		
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	13.5	
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor		
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor		
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica		

F2 is selected

Repeating Formulas

F2 ∇ *fx* =2*A2+C2

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety	
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	13.5
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor	
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor	
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica	

Ctrl + C copies it

Dashed border shows its selected by clipboard

Repeating Formulas

F3 *fx* =2*A3+C3

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety	
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	13.5
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor	16
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor	
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica	

Ctrl + V pastes it

Repeating Formulas

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety	
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	13.5
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor	16
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor	
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica	

Select F3, hold shift, hit down twice (or click F5)

Now F3 through F5 is selected

Repeating Formulas

F3:F5		<i>fx</i>	=2*A3+C3				
	A	B	C	D	E	F	
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety		
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	13.5	
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor	16	
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor	16.9	
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica	17	

Ctrl + D copies formula from F3 to selected cells

Formulas over Ranges

- Some formulas operate over ranges
 - Sum, Average, Min, Max, etc.
- Ranges can be
 - Values across a Row (A1:A10)
 - Values across a Column (A1:F1)
 - Both (A1:F10)
 - A set of cells (A1, B3, F7)

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with a formula bar containing '=S'. A dropdown menu is open, showing options: SEC (Secant of an angle provided in radians.), SIN, and SIGN. The spreadsheet data is as follows:

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety	
2		5	2	3.5	1 Versicolor	62.2
3		6	2.2	4	1 Versicolor	
4		6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5 Versicolor	
5		6	2.2	5	1.5 Virginica	
6		4.5	2.3	1.3	0.3 Setosa	
7		5.5	2.3	4	1.3 Versicolor	
8		6.3	2.3	4.4	1.3 Versicolor	

The formula bar shows the formula '=SUM(A2:D6)' and the result '62.2' is displayed in cell F2. A navigation bar at the bottom of the dropdown menu indicates 'Tab to accept' and '↑ ↓ to navigate'.

Repeating Formulas Over Ranges

	A	B	C	D	E	F	
F2							
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety	2.875 ×	
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	=AVERAGE(A2:D2)	
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor		
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor		
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica		
6							

Repeating Formulas Over Ranges

F2:F5		<i>fx</i>	=AVERAGE(A2:D2)				
	A	B	C	D	E	F	
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety		
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	2.875	
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor		
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor		
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica		

Repeating Formulas Over Ranges

	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety	
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	2.875
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor	3.3
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor	3.6
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica	3.675

Repeating Formulas Over Ranges

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety			
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	=AVERAGEIF(E\$2:E\$151, E2,A\$2:A\$151)		
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor			
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor			
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica			
6	4.5	2.3	1.3	0.3	Setosa			
7	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	Versicolor			
8	6.3	2.3	4.4	1.3	Versicolor			


Repeating Formulas Over Ranges

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
F2								
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety			
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	5.936		
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor			
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor			
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica			
6	4.5	2.3	1.3	0.3	Setosa			
7	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	Versicolor			
8	6.3	2.3	4.4	1.3	Versicolor			
9	-	-	-	-	-			

Repeating Formulas Over Ranges

F5 fx =AVERAGEIF(E\$2:E\$151, E5, A\$2:A\$151)

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety			
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	5.936		
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor			
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor			
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica	6.588		
6	4.5	2.3	1.3	0.3	Setosa			
7	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	Versicolor			
8	6.3	2.3	4.4	1.3	Versicolor			
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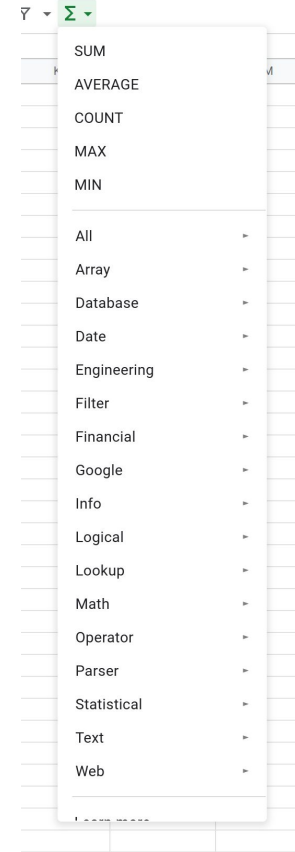


Repeating Formulas Over Ranges

F6		fx		=AVERAGEIF(E\$2:E\$151, E6, A\$2:A\$151)				
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width	variety			
2	5	2	3.5	1	Versicolor	5.936		
3	6	2.2	4	1	Versicolor			
4	6.2	2.2	4.5	1.5	Versicolor			
5	6	2.2	5	1.5	Virginica	6.588		
6	4.5	2.3	1.3	0.3	Setosa	5.006		
7	5.5	2.3	4	1.3	Versicolor			
8	6.3	2.3	4.4	1.3	Versicolor			
9	-	-	-	-	-			

Some Helpful functions

- Logical Operators
 - And, Or, ExOR
 - Can be helpful with other functions
- If Operators
 - **COUNTIF(s), SUMIF, MAXIF**
 - Using logical operators, can selectively apply
- The list goes on
 - Use Google to find a function that matches your needs
 - “Excel find cell matching value”



Databases

Database

Definition - Database

An organized collection of data stored and accessed electronically

Disclaimer:

We are talking about
“relational databases”

Spreadsheet vs Database

Conceptually no difference.

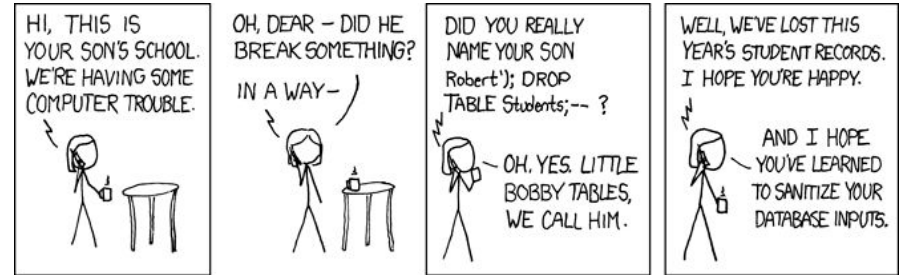


Spreadsheets vs Databases

- Single user
 - Single file
 - Library of common functions
 - Row and column limits low (relatively)
- Multiple users, as well as possible use by external applications
 - Multiple files... can include files as an element!
 - Common functions, plus a library of programmable functions, plus a built-in processing oriented programming language
 - Much larger data within a particular cell, many more possible rows of data, binary files
 - Tools provided for more complex analysis
 - Space for large amounts of data is used more efficiently

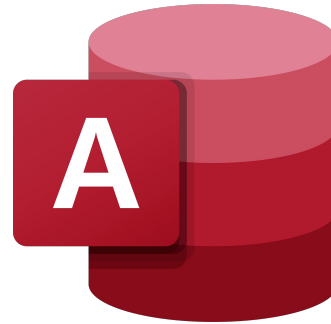
Tables

- Databases consist of “Tables”
- Roughly equivalent to a spreadsheet
- Tables consist of
 - Columns/Fields - The header
 - Name
 - Date of birth
 - Location of Birth
 - Row - Individual entry in database



Database Management System (DBMS)

- Provides a way to
 - Store
 - Access
 - Update
- Support multiple users at once
- Support authorization levels
- Support distributed storage
- Enforce a “schema”
 - The way in which tables are connected



Database setup

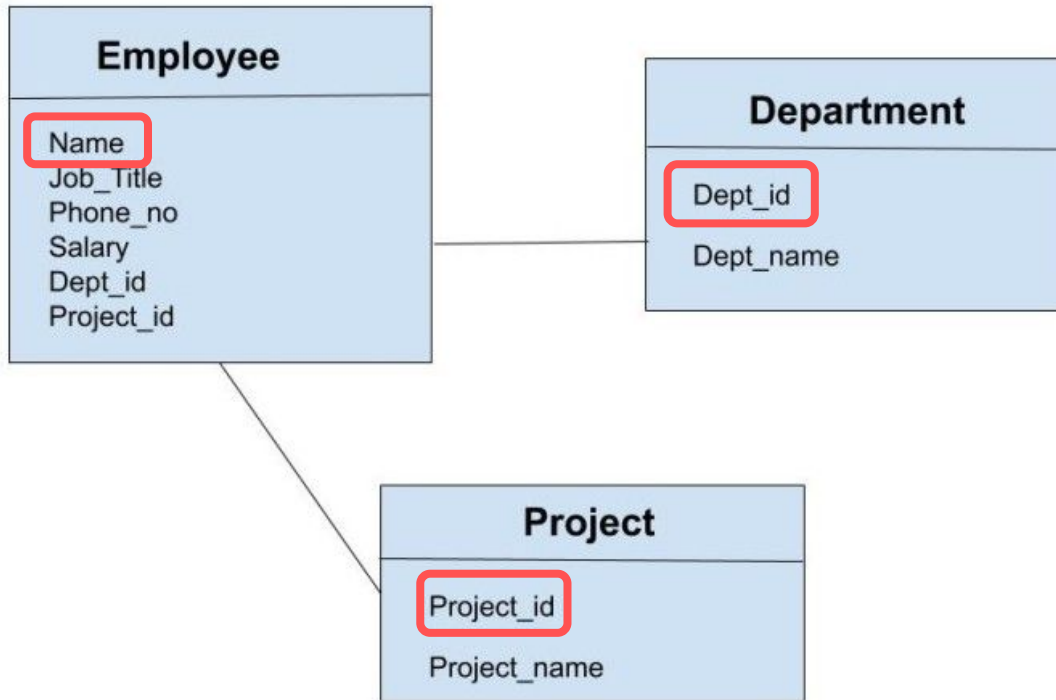
- Requires an understanding of what the database is
 - What information is being stored
 - What kind of data is stored
 - Name (Text)
 - Salary (Number)
 - Date (Formatted Number)
 - Can add constraints to fields
 - Is is optional?
 - Should we sort it based on this field?
 - Each table should have a “primary key”

Primary Key

- A field used to identify specific data points
 - Typically not directly tied to data
- Allows connecting different tables
- Primary Key can differ (and probably should) between tables

ID	First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth
1	Michael	Jordan	2/17/1963
2	Michael	Jordan	2/9/1987

Schema Example



Schema

How do we manipulate
the database?

Query Languages

- Domain-Specific Language (DSL)
- “Query” the database
 - Please database, do X for me
- Defines how to
 - Update database
 - Retrieve information from database
- Common examples
 - SQL (Structured Query Language)
 - XQuery (XML Query)



Retrieving Data

SELECT <i><columns></i>	5.
FROM <i><table></i>	1.
WHERE <i><predicate on rows></i>	2.
GROUP BY <i><columns></i>	3.
HAVING <i><predicate on groups></i>	4.
ORDER BY <i><columns></i>	6.
OFFSET	7.
FETCH FIRST	8.

Retrieving Data

```
SELECT *  
FROM Book  
WHERE price > 100.00  
ORDER BY title;
```

Retrieving Data (Subqueries)

```
SELECT isbn,  
        title,  
        price  
FROM Book  
WHERE price < (SELECT AVG(price) FROM Book)  
ORDER BY title;
```

Updating the Database

```
CREATE TABLE example(  
  column1 INTEGER,  
  column2 VARCHAR(50),  
  column3 DATE NOT NULL,  
  PRIMARY KEY (column1, column2)  
);
```

Updating the Database

```
INSERT INTO example  
  (column1, column2, column3)  
VALUES  
  ('test', 'N', NULL);
```

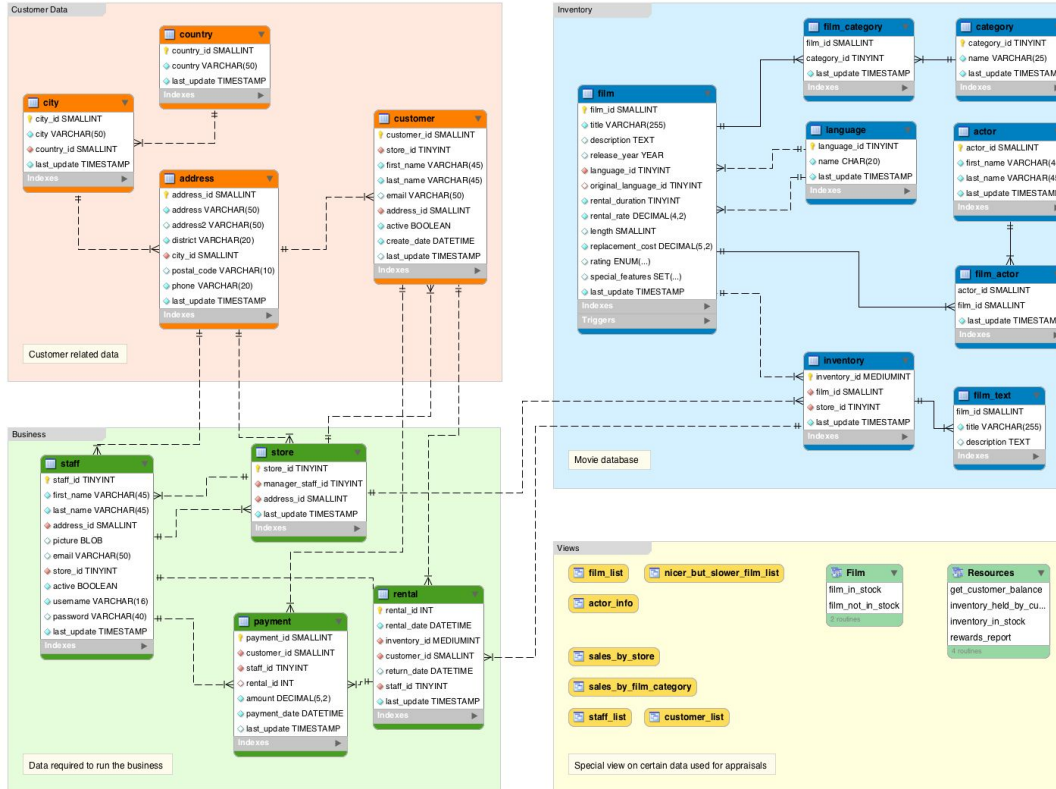

Updating the Database

```
UPDATE example  
  SET column1 = 'updated value'  
  WHERE column2 = 'N';
```

Updating the Database

```
DELETE FROM example  
WHERE column2 = 'N';
```

Databases get complicated



NoSQL

- “Non-SQL”
- Several Types
 - Key-Value
 - Document Storage
 - Graph
- Sacrifice structure for flexibility
- Typically scales better
 - Speed
 - Space

