Introduction to Management Information Systems

# Software

Computer Systems

### Learning objectives

- explain the purpose of software applications in different categories;
- describe the features found in a variety of modern applications software packages;
- identify some of the advantages and disadvantages associated with a variety of common applications;
- describe some of the ways in which applications software supports the activities of a business organization.

next week - software

## 1. make a list of things that your OS does

- what operating system (OS) do you have on your device?
  - what exactly does this do?

## 2. make a list of apps and what they do / are

- what application software (apps) do you have on your device?
  - what are these?
  - e.g. social network, financial app, calendar, clock, etc.

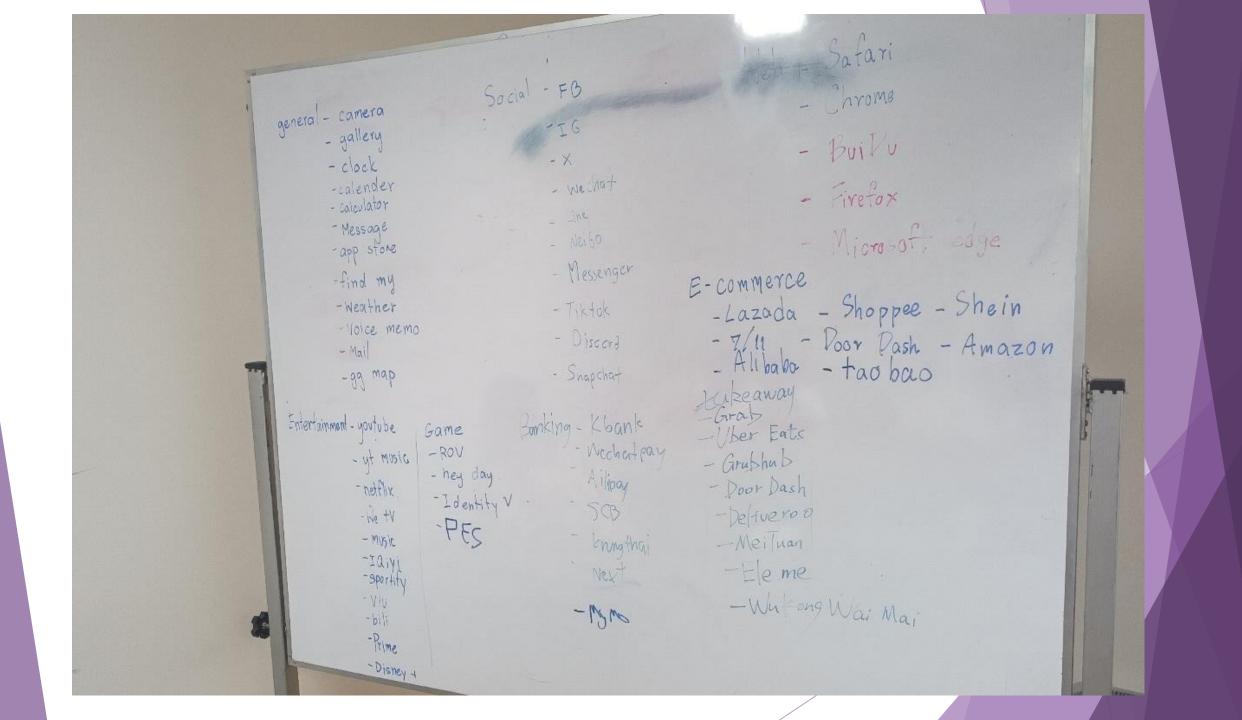
what does you device need to manage?

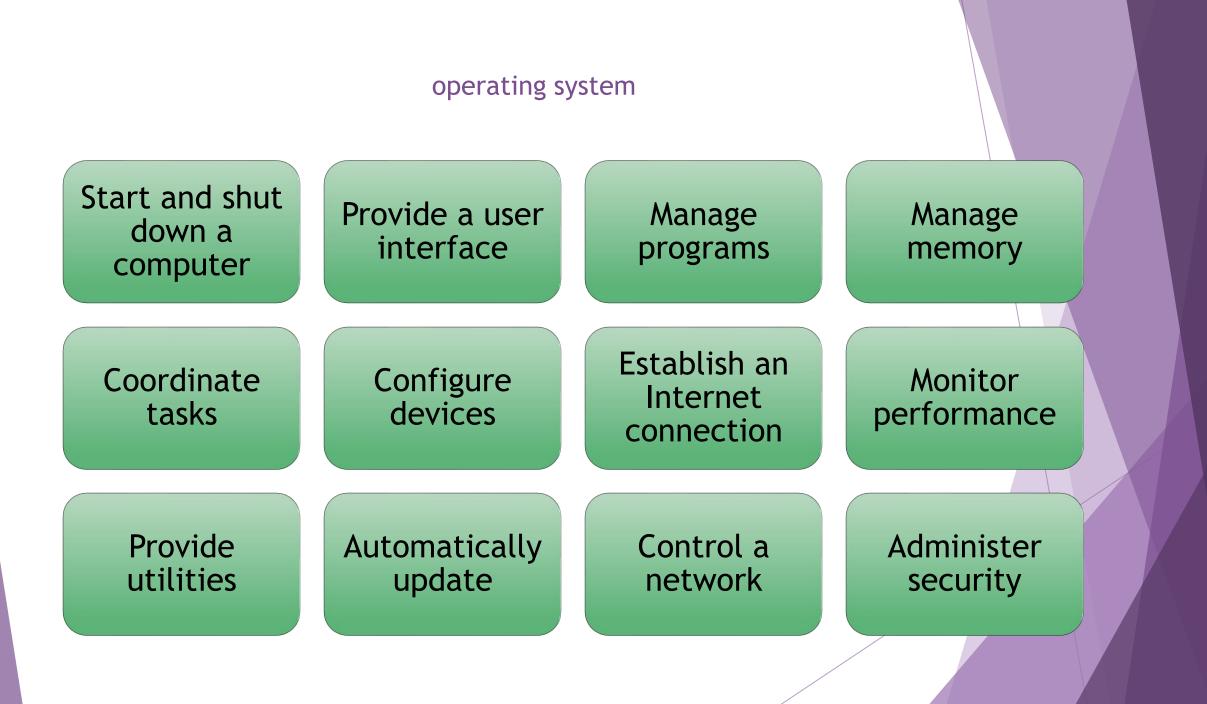
- what came on your device (PC/tablet/phone)?
- what systems do you use?
- Do you, or your device, organize, manage, open/close, switch on/off, read, write, interact, output or switch things?
  - give examples

### what has been put on your device?

- what is now on your device (PC/tablet/phone)?
- what did you put on?
- Every day, what do you use on your phone?
  - watch
  - communicate
  - organize
  - learn
  - enjoy

# results





Information System

1. people 2. hardware 3. software 4. communications 5. data

### what is software?

a series of detailed electronic instructions

- that tell the computer how to perform a task
- that control the operation of a computer system
- translated into binary instructions (0s & 1s) for the processor
- form programs which are developed by computer programmers

software

# system software and application software

# System Software

# System Software

serves as the interface between

- ▶ the user,
- the application software,
- and the computer's hardware



system software

consists of the programs that control or maintain the operations of the computer and its devices

Operating systems (OS)

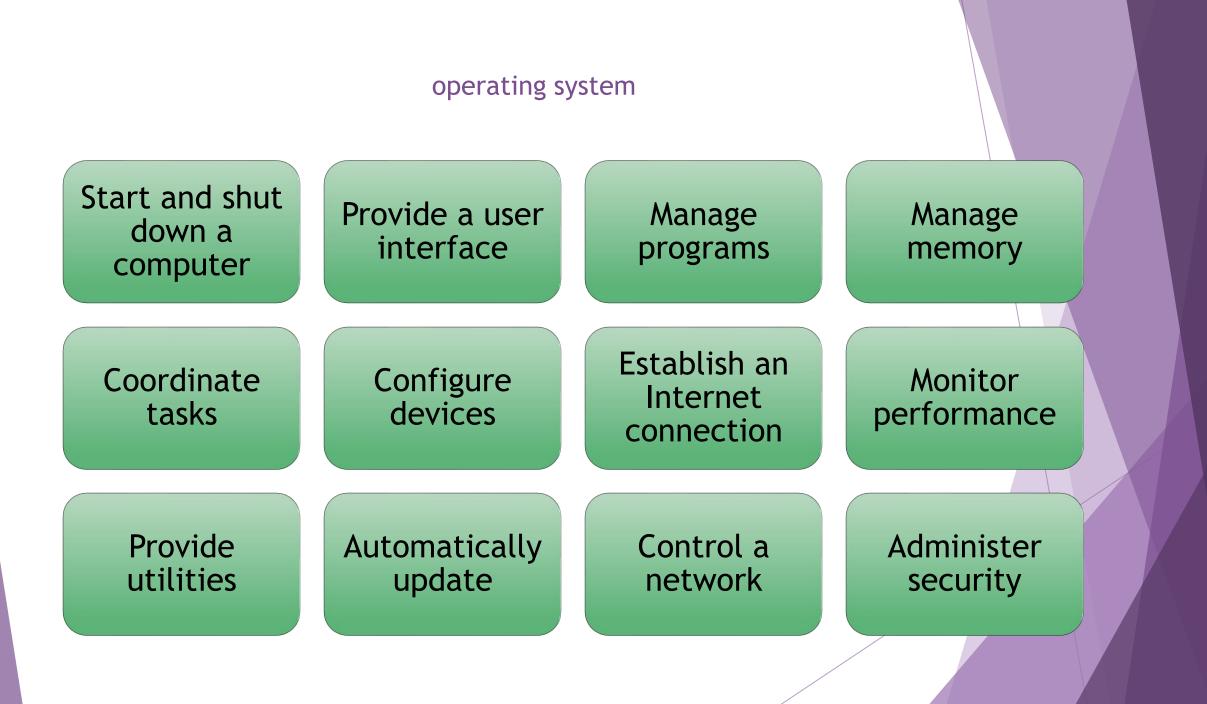
► system management

Utility programs

► system maintenance

## operating system

"a set of programs containing instructions that work together to coordinate all the activities among computer hardware resources"

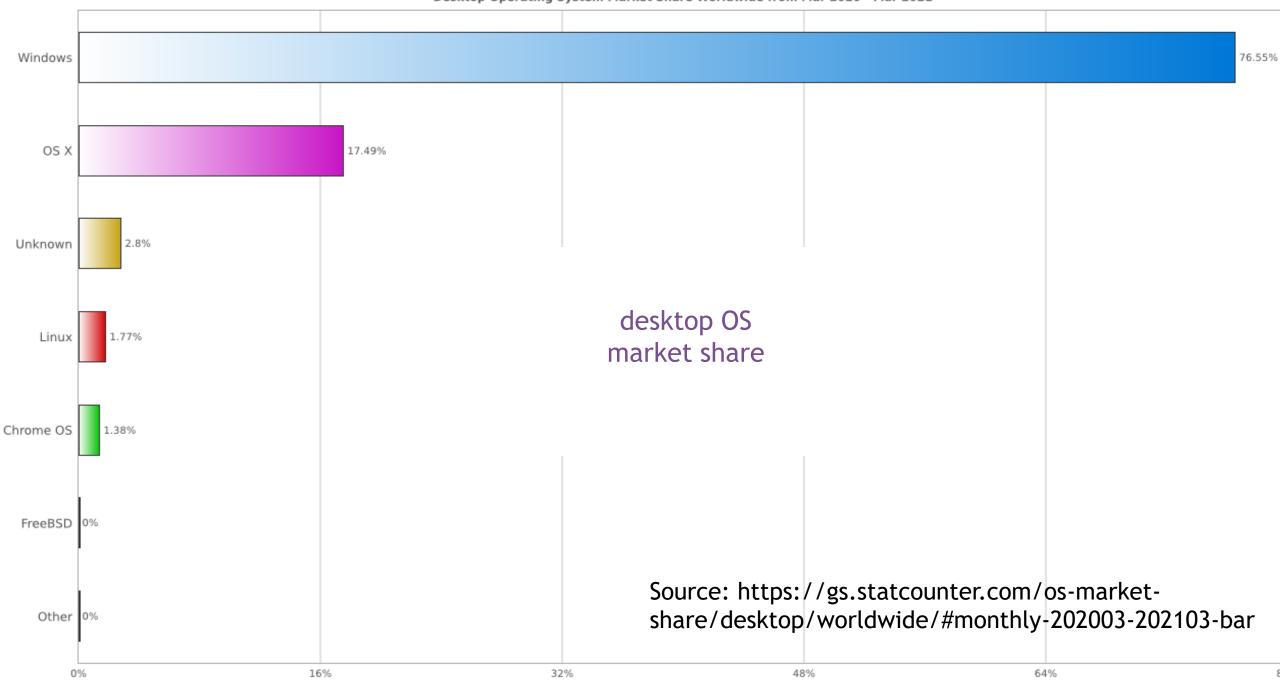


operating system

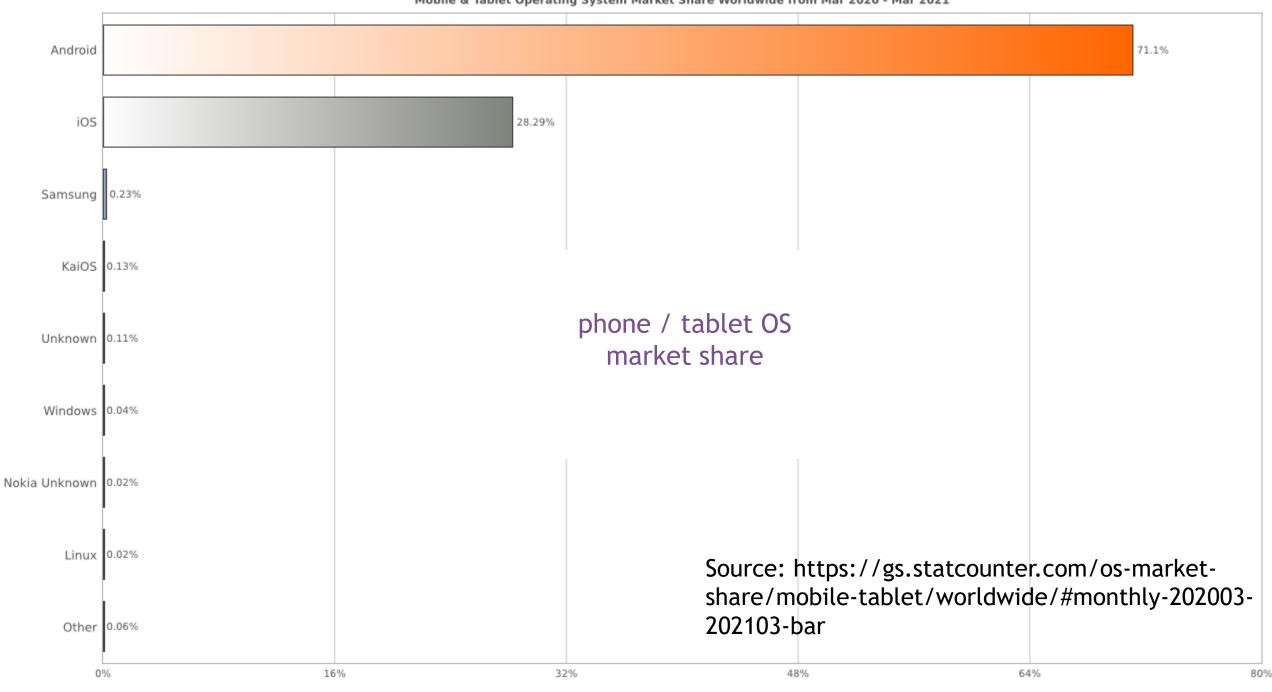
others:

handle input data and instructions perform file management control access to storage manage devices (e.g. printers) deal with errors, e.g. displaying error messages

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#### network system software

### network OS

- runs on a server
- gives the server the capability to manage
  - data, users, groups,
  - security, applications, and
  - other networking functions.
- allow shared file and printer access among multiple computers
- ▶ e.g. Windows Server & Novell's Netware

### network system software

### advantages

- highly stable
- security
- easy to upgrade
- remote access

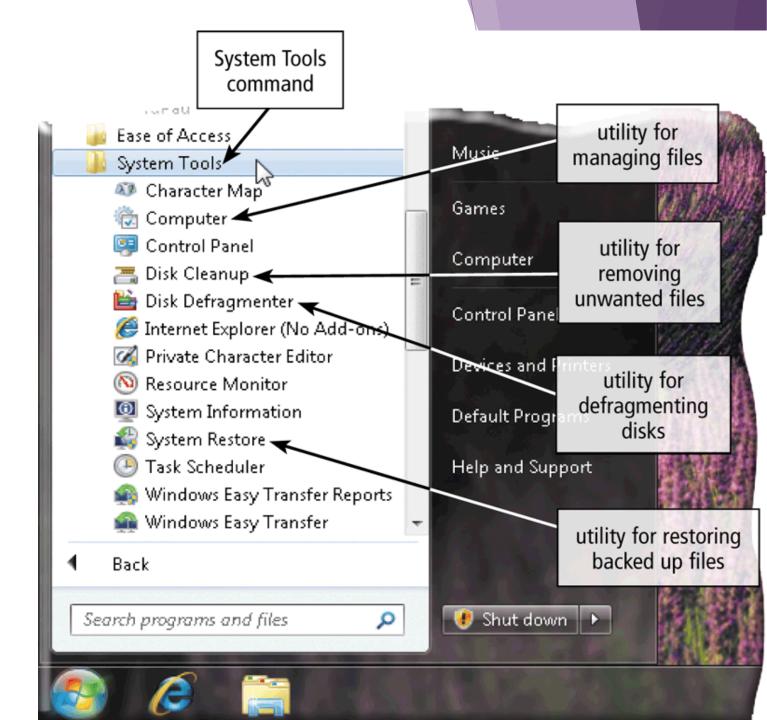
### disadvantages

- high cost
- reliance on central system
- needs regular maintenance & upgrades

# utility programs

"allows a user to perform maintenance-type tasks"

Virus protection Data compression File defragmentation Disk scanner & disk cleanup Backup Data recovery



# **Application Software**

Application software consists of programs designed to make users more productive and/or assist with personal tasks

To make business activities more efficient

To assist with graphics and multimedia projects

To support home, personal, and educational tasks

To facilitate communications

Application Software

## **Creating Files**

- Document files using word processing
- Worksheet files using spreadsheets
- Database files using database management programs (DBMS)

## **Business Software**

Business software is application software that assists people while performing business activities

Word Processing	Spreadsheet	Database	Presentation
Note Taking	Personal Information Manager	Business Software for Phones	Business Software Suites
Project Management	Accounting	Document Management	Enterprise Computing Software

# **Application Software**

#### Business

- Word Processing
- Spreadsheet
- Database
- Presentation
- Note Taking
- Personal Information Manager (PIM)
- Business Software for Phones
- Business Software Suite
- Project Management
- Accounting
- Document Management
- Enterprise Computing

#### **Graphics and Multimedia**

- Computer-Aided
- Design (CAD)
  Desktop Publishing
- (for the Professional)
  Paint/Image Editing
- (for the Professional)
- Photo Editing (for the Professional)
- Video and Audio Editing (for the Professional)
- Multimedia Authoring
- Web Page Authoring



#### Home/Personal/Educational

- Software Suite (for Personal Use)
- Personal Finance
- Legal
- Tax Preparation
- Desktop Publishing (for Personal Use)
- Paint/Image Editing (for Personal Use)
- Photo Editing and Photo Management (for Personal Use)
- Clip Art/Image Gallery
- Video and Audio Editing (for Personal Use)
- Home Design/Landscaping
- Travel and Mapping
- Reference and Educational
- Entertainment

#### **Communications**

Web Browser

RSS Aggregator

E-Mail

Office Professional 2010

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- Blogging
- Instant Messaging
- Newsgroup/Message Board
- Chat Room
  FTP
- Text, Picture, Video Messaging
- VoIP

Video Conferencing

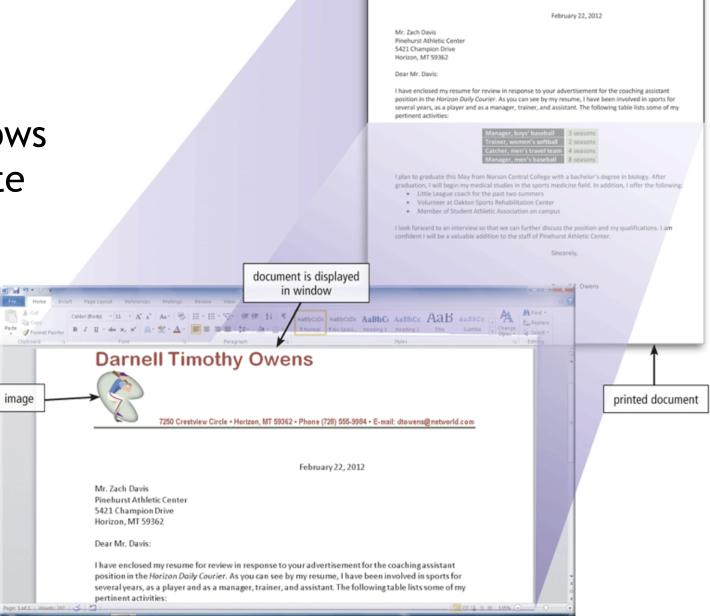


Application Software

### Exchanging files

- Importing: getting data from another source and then converting it into a compatible format
- Exporting: transforming data into a format that can be used in another program

## Word processing software allows users to create and manipulate documents



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- Enter text and numbers
- Insert images
- Perform other tasks

# **Create** a document

## Edit a document

- Make changes to existing content
- Inserting, deleting, cutting, copying, and pasting

### Change appearance

- Font
- Font size

# Format a document

### Formatting

- ► Font
  - ► The typeface, size, and color of the text you use
  - ► Also lets you specify underlined, italic, or bold
- Spacing & Columns
  - Choose the line spacing (single- or double-spaced, or other)
  - Choose single-column or multi-columned text for your document
- ► Margins & Justification
  - Indicate width of left, right, top, and bottom margins
  - Justify text left, right, or center

Headers, footers, page numbers

A header is text printed at the very top of the page

A footer is text (like page number) at the page bottom

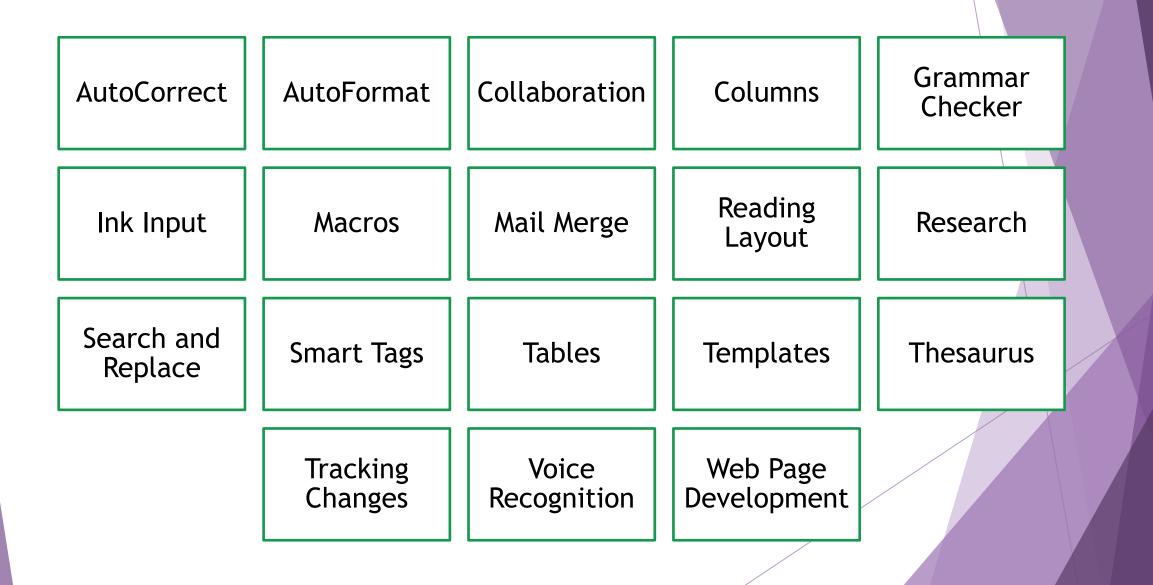
Other Formatting

- You can specify borders, shading, tables, and footnotes
- You can also import graphics, such as clip art

Default Settings

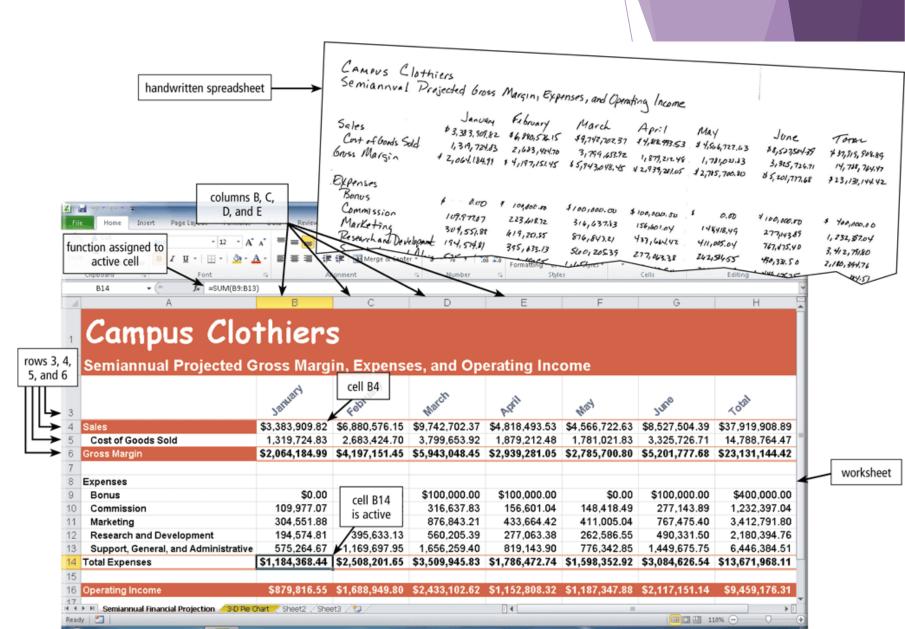
These are the settings automatically used by the program unless you change them

### word processing features



### **Business Software**

Spreadsheet software allows users to organize data in rows and columns and perform calculations



### Spreadsheets

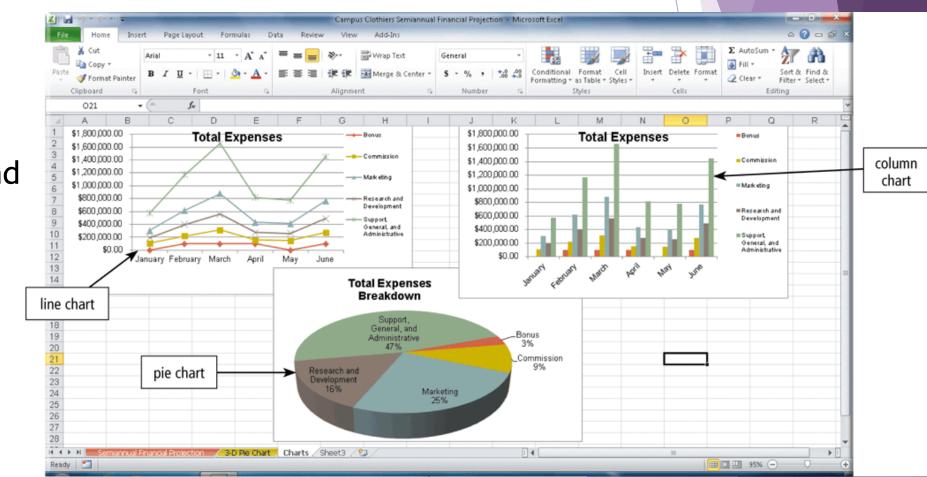
Organized into columns and rows on a worksheet

- Labels are descriptive text
- Cells are where a row and a column meet
- Cell address is the position of the cell
- Range is a group of adjacent cells
- Values are numbers or dates entered into a cell
- Cell pointer shows where data is to be entered

### spreadsheets

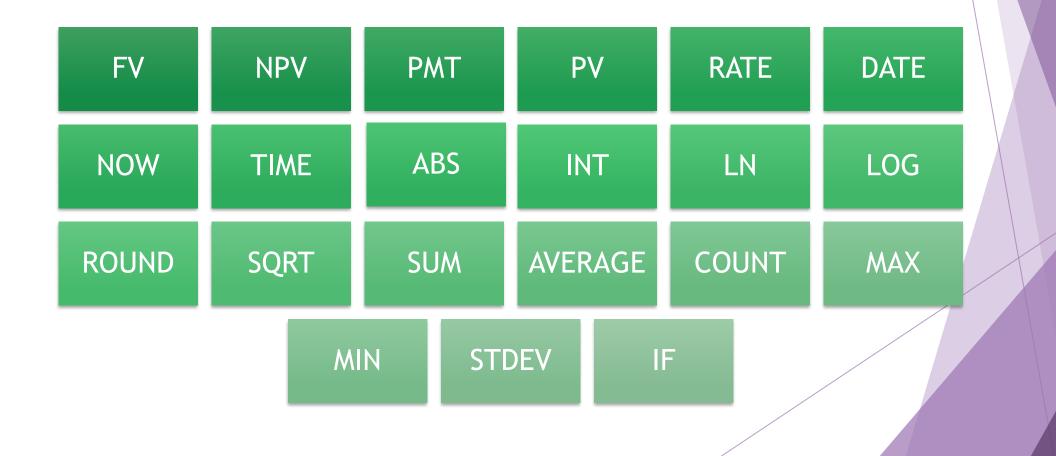
### Charting depicts data in a spreadsheet in graphical form

- ▶ Column,
- ► Bar,
- Pie &
- Scatter charts, and
- Line graphs



### spreadsheets

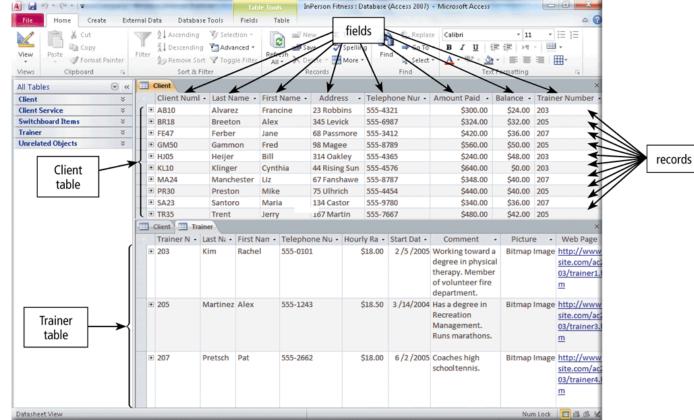
### A function is a predefined formula that performs common calculations



## A database is a collection of data organized in a manner that allows access, retrieval, and use of that data

Database software allows users to

- create,
- access, and
- manage a database



### Database Software

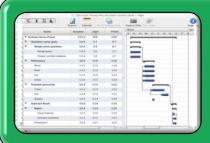
### Relational database:

data organized into related tables

- rows (records) & columns (fields)
- Primary key is field used to identify records (e.g. student ID)
- Keys are field used to index data
- Query to display records

### Presentation software allows users to create visual aids for presentations to communicate ideas, e.g. PowerPoint





**Project management software** allows a user to plan, schedule, track, and analyze the events, resources, and costs of a project

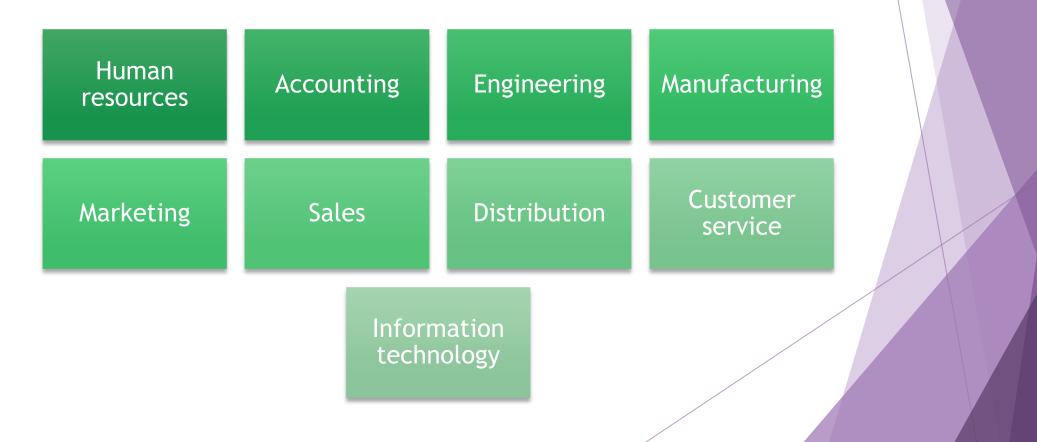


Accounting software helps companies record and report their financial transactions



**Document management software** provides a means for sharing, distributing, and searching through documents by converting them into a format that can be viewed by any user

## Enterprises typically require special computing solutions for various functional units



### Specialty Software

Portable Document Format (PDF)

- A file format
- developed by Adobe Systems
- text, graphic, and formatting information
- from variety of applications on different platforms,
- used extensively on web

### Specialty Software

Graphic File Formats

- .jpeg (Joint Photographic Experts Group) images
- .png (Portable Network Graphics) icons, transparency
- ▶.gif (Graphic Interchange Format) animation
- ▶.bmp (bit-map)
- tiff (Tagged Image File Formats) -high-resolution images to print

### **Popular Graphics and Multimedia Software**

Application Software	Manufacturer	Program Name	
Computer-Aided Design (CAD)	Autodesk	AutoCAD	
	Chief Architect	Chief Architect	
	Microsoft	Visio	
Desktop Publishing (for the Professional)	Adobe	InDesign	
	Corel	Ventura	
	Quark	QuarkXPress	
Paint/Image Editing (for the Professional)	Adobe	Illustrator	
	Corel	Painter	
	Microsoft	Expression Design	
Photo Editing (for the Professional)	Adobe	Photoshop	
	Arcadia	PhotoPerfect Ultimate	
	Nik Software	Nik Professional Suite	
Video and Audio Editing (for the Professional)	Adobe	Audition Premiere Pro Soundbooth	
	Avid Technology	Avid Media Composer	
	Cakewalk	SONAR	
	Sony	ACID Pro	
Multimedia Authoring	Adobe	Director	
	Agilix	GoCourse	
	SumTotal Systems	ToolBook Instructor	
Web Page Authoring	Adobe	Dreamweaver Fireworks Flash	
	Microsoft	Expression Web SharePoint Designer	

## Graphics and Multimedia Software

## **Graphics and Multimedia Software**





Desktop publishing software



### **Graphics and Multimedia Software**



Professional photo editing software



Video and audio editing software













## Personal paint/image editing software



# Personal photo editing software





# Video and audio editing software



# Home design/landscaping software



## Travel and mapping software



## Reference software



## Educational software



Entertainment software

## Web Applications

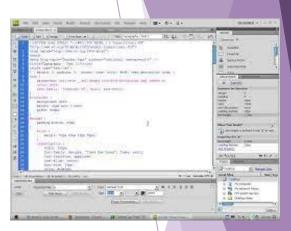
### allows users to access and interact with software from any computer or device that is connected to the Internet

### **Popular Web Applications**

Program Name	Type of Application Software	
Britannica.com	Reference	
Dictionary.com	Reference	
Flickr	Photo Editing and Photo Management	
Gmail	E-Mail	
Google Docs	Productivity Suite	
Google Earth	Travel and Mapping	
Google Maps	Travel and Mapping	
MSN Encarta	Reference	
Office Web Apps	Productivity Suite	
Photoshop Express	Photo Editing	
Picnik	Photo Editing	
TaxACT Online	Tax Preparation	
TurboTax Online	Tax Preparation	
Windows Live Calendar	Personal Information Manager	
Windows Live Hotmail	E-Mail	
YouSendIt	File Transfer and E-Mail	

## Application Software for Communications

Web Browser	E-Mail			ant aging	Chat Room
Text, Picture, Video Messaging	RSS Aggregator		Blogging		Newsgroup/ Message Board
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### web browser software

- Mozilla Firefox
- Google Chrome
- Safari
- ► Opera
- Microsoft Edge
- ▶ Others e.g. duckduckgo, tor, ecosia

web 2.0

'social web' user-generated content

Technologies:

e.g., wikis, blogs, podcasts, self-publishing
Communication:

social networks,

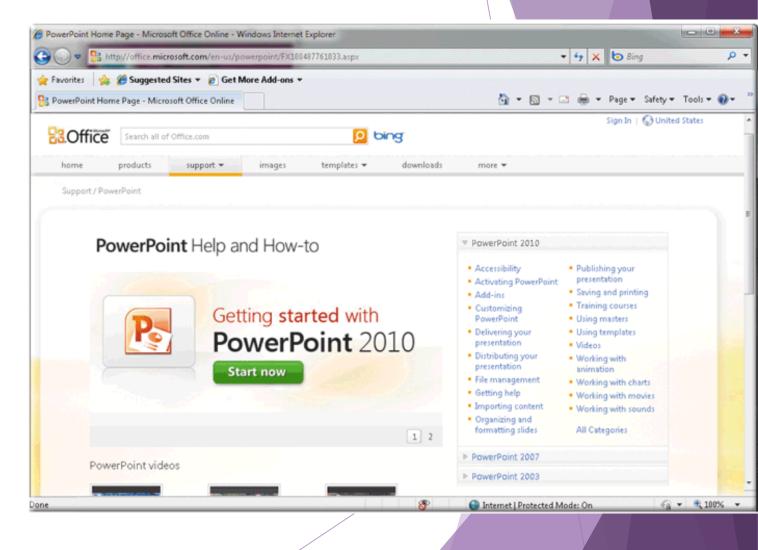
crowd-sourcing

### content management system (CMS)

- helps users create, manage, and modify content on a website
- is a tool that helps you build a website without needing to write all the code
- Example: Wordpress
  - ▶ used to create & maintain websites

## Learning Tools for Application Software

Web-based Help provides updates and more comprehensive resources to respond to technical issues about software



## Learning Tools for Application Software

### Web-based training

application software on the Web

### Distance learning (DL)

delivery of education at different location



Application Software

Tutorials: helps you learn to use the product Documentation: describes a product to users,

- ▶user guide
- reference manual

### Purchasing Software

- 1. Commercial Software
  - license must be purchased
- 2. Public-domain software
  - Not copyrighted legal to copy
- 3. Shareware
  - Copyrighted download for free, then pay if you use it
- 4. Freeware
  - Copyrighted -available for free or fee optional
- 5. Rentalware
  - Copyrighted leased

### Licensed Software

- Site license
  - all computers at a specific location
- Concurrent-user license
  - specified number of copies
  - May have license-monitoring software
- Multiple-user license
  - number of people who use the software
- Single-use license
  - Limits the software to one user at a time

### Other Software

- Pirated software
  - obtained illegally
  - violation of copyright
- Abandonware
  - no longer being sold or supported
  - 95 years copyright from date of publication
- Custom software
  - custom-made for company

Thank you! any questions?