

Relational Databases and Anomalies

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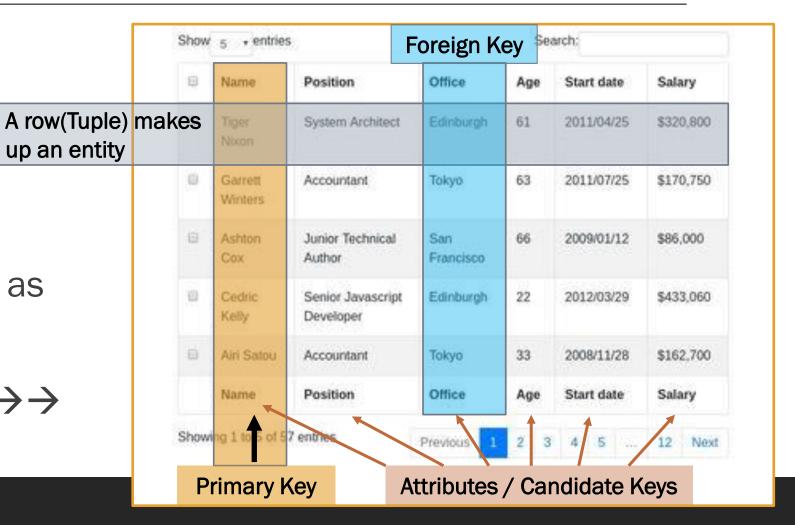
A Relational Database is made up of a collection of **tables** that each store a specific set of structured data. A table contains a collection of rows (tuples) and columns (attributes). Each column in the table stores a certain type of data.

Databases – Instances/Users

https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/sql/relational-databases/databases/databases?view=sql-server-ver15

There are one or more
schemas within a
database. Within each
schema there are
database objects such as
tables and views.

This is a *table*. $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$



DBMS (Database Management System)

https://www.tutorialspoint.com/dbms/dbms_overview.htm

- <u>Data</u> is a collection of facts and figures that can be processed to produce information.
- A Database is a collection of related data.
- A DBMS stores data so that it is easier to retrieve and insert.

If we have data about grades of all students, we can extrapolate average grades and highest grades.

Primary Key

Last Name	Birthday	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Final Grade
Smith	June 7, 1987	100	98	89	95.67
Jones	October 5, 1986	75	89	84	82.67
Garcia	December 15, 1986	99	97	100	98.67
Kim	February 28, 1987	50	68	42	53.33
Washington	May 4, 1987	85	87	79	83.67
Hernandez	October 8, 1986	74	72	81	75.67
Gates	March 21, 1987	32	54	67	51.00
Papert	April 26, 1987	84	92	81	85.67
Kennedy-Onassis	January 18, 1987	92	90	88	90.00
Smith	February 8, 1987	72	65	99	78.67

DBMS - Benefits

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Relation-based tables – A Relational DBMS allows **entities** and **relations** among them to form **tables**.

<u>Separation of data and application</u> – A database is separated from its data. A database is an <u>active</u> entity, whereas data on which the database works is said to be <u>passive</u>.

<u>Less redundancy</u> – DBMS follows the rules of *normalization*, which splits a relation when any of its attributes has redundancy.

Consistency – Consistency is the state where every relation in a database is **persisted**.

<u>Query Language</u> – DBMS (or RDBMS) is equipped with query language (usually **SQL**), which makes it more efficient to retrieve and manipulate data.

<u>ACID Properties</u> – A DBMS follows the concepts of **Atomicity**, **Consistency**, **Isolation**, and **Durability**. <u>Isolation Levels</u> – A DBMS supports a multi-user environment and applies restrictions on the access and manipulation of data in parallel.

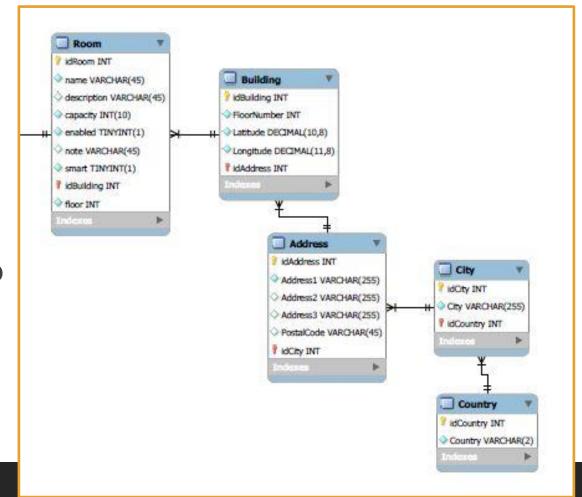
Database – Schema Diagram

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A database **schema** is the skeleton structure that represents the logical view of the entire database. It defines how the data is organized and the **relations** among them.

It displays all the *constraints* that are to be applied on the data.

A **schema diagram** contains a descriptive detail of the database.

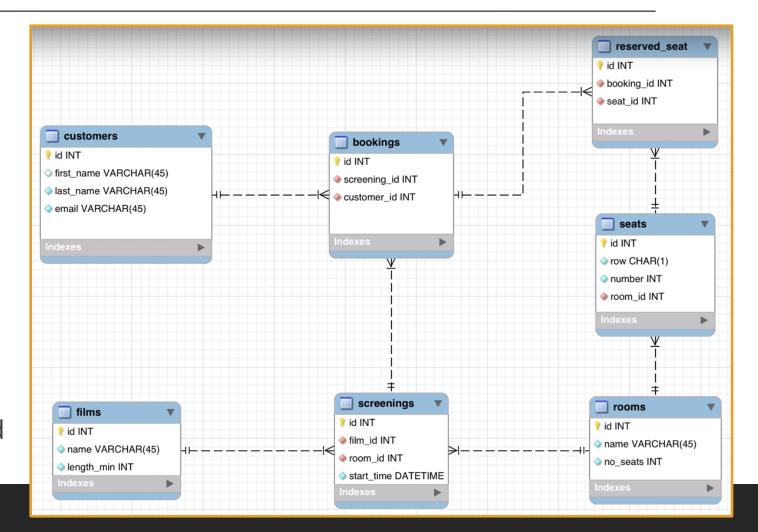


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Red Color means FK

- Solid Shape == NOT NULL
 Constraint
- Empty Color Outline == NULL
 - Golden key == PK
 - Red Key == PK also FK
 - Blue Diamond == NOT NULL Constraint
 - Red Diamond == NOT NULL and is a FK.

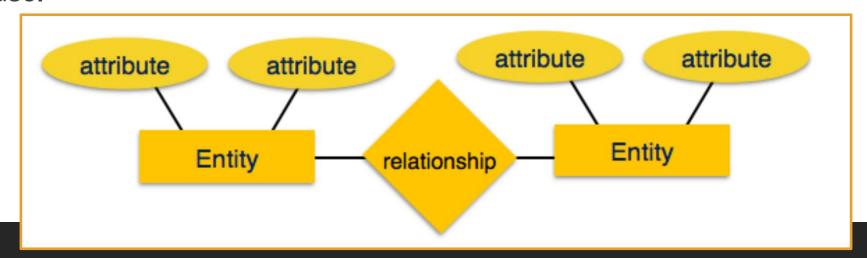


Database – Entity-Relationship Models

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Data models define the structure of a database. **Data Models** are **entities** that abstract the data from a **DBMS** into a more human readable format. **Data models** define how data is connected to each other and how they are processed and stored inside the database.

An *Entity-Relationship (ER) Model* is based on the notion of real-world entities and the relationships between them. An *ER Model* is used for the <u>conceptual design</u> of a database.



Database – Entity-Relationship Models

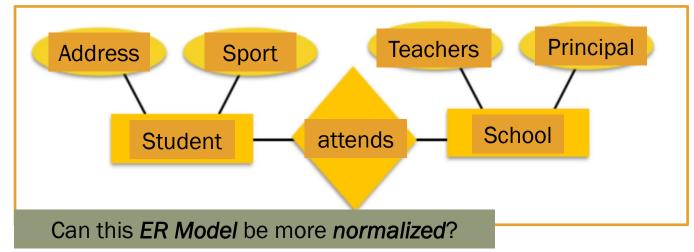
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- Entity a real-world thing having properties called attributes.
- Attribute the details about an entity.
- **Relationship** The logical association among entities. Relationships are mapped with entities in various ways.

"Mapping cardinalities" defines the number of associations between two

entities.

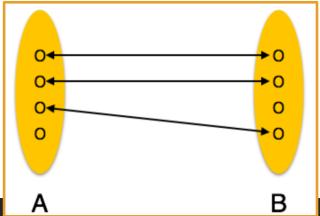
- Mapping cardinalities
 - one to one
 - one to many
 - many to many

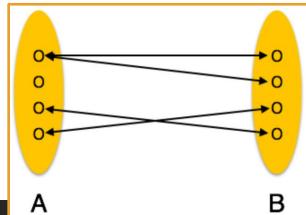


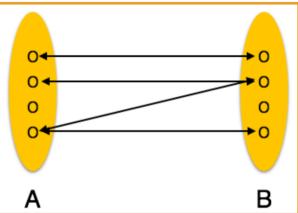
Database – Relationships

https://www.tutorialspoint.com/dbms/er_model_basic_concepts.htm

Cardinality				
<u>One-to-one</u>	<u>One-to-many</u>	Many-to-many		
One entity from entity set A can be associated with at most one entity of entity set B and vice versa.	One entity from entity set A can be associated with more than one entities of entity set B. However, an entity from entity set B can be associated with at most one other entity	One <i>entity</i> from A can be associated with more than one <i>entity</i> from B and vice versa. Use a Cross-Reference Table.		







Relational Databases - Concepts

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<u>Tables</u> – "relations" are saved in table format. This format stores the relation among **entities**. A table has rows and columns, where rows represent **entities** and columns represent **attributes**.

<u>Tuple</u> – A single row of a **table**, which contains a single record for that **entity** is called a **tuple**.

<u>Relation schema</u> – A relation schema describes the relation name (table name), attributes, and their names.

<u>Primary Key</u> – Each row has one (or more) attributes, chosen as **Primary keys**. These identify the row in the **table** uniquely.

<u>Composite Key</u> - Multiple Candidate Keys that together form the Primary Key.

<u>Index</u> - A unique number given to each *tuple* in a *table* to serve as the *Primary Key*.

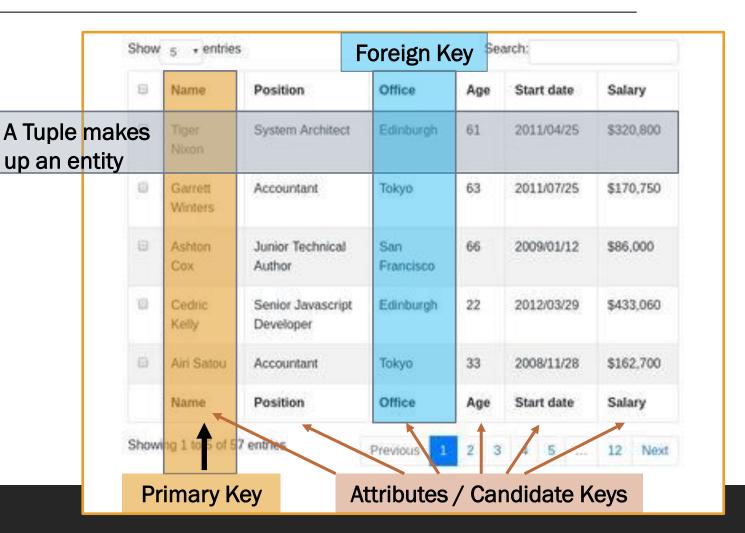
Databases – Primary and Candidate Keys

https://www.tutorialspoint.com/dbms/er_model_basic_concepts.htm https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/ef/core/modeling/keys?tabs=data-annotations

Candidate Key – An attribute of an entity. An entity set may have more than one candidate key.

<u>Primary Key</u> – A <u>Candidate</u> <u>Key</u> chosen to uniquely identify the <u>entity</u> set(<u>tuple</u>).

Foreign Key – The Primary Key of another table. Used to represent to other entity.



Database - Keys in Entity Framework

https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/ef/core/modeling/keys?tabs=data-annotations

A **key** serves as a unique identifier for each **entity** instance. Most **entities** in **EF** have one **key** which maps to the concept of a **Primary Key** in relational databases. It is possible for an **entity** to have no keys. **Entities** can also have additional **keys** (Alternate **Keys**) beyond the **Primary Key**. By default, any property named **Id** or **<type** name>**Id** will be automatically configured by **EF**

as the *Primary Key* of an *entity*.

You can force configure any single property to be the Primary Key of an entity.

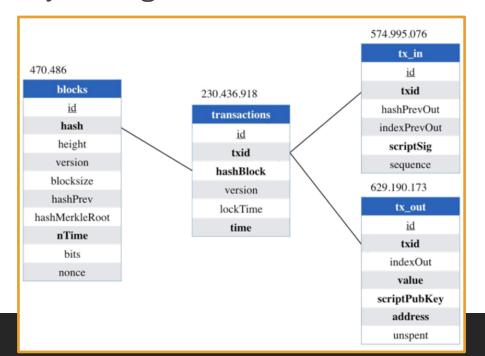
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class Car
{
    [Key]
    public string LicensePlate { get; set; }

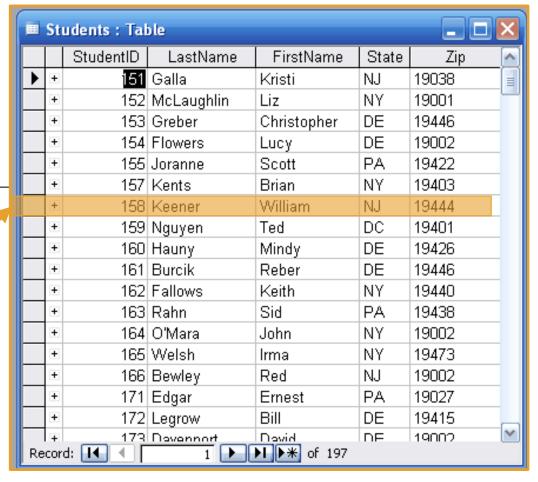
    public string Make { get; set; }
    public string Model { get; set; }
}
```

Relational Databases

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Relational_database#RDBMS

A *RDBMS* allows *entities* to form *tables* with *relations* between them. You could understand the architecture of a database just by looking at the *table* names.





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Relational Databases - Constraints

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Key Constraints	Domain Constraints	Referential Integrity Constraints
Candidate Keys must uniquely identify an entity. A Candidate	Every attribute must have a	A Foreign Key refers to a Primary key of a different table.
Key can not have NULL values.	specific range of values.	If a <i>tuple</i> has a <i>Foreign Key</i> , that <i>PK</i> must exist.

Databases – Anomalies

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If a Database has inconsistent data, it will incur *anomalies*. A DB with *anomalies* can give inconsistent data.

There are three types of anomalies:

- *Update anomaly* If data items are not linked to each other properly, when one data item is updated, a few instances may get updated properly while a few others are left with old values
- **Deletion anomaly** When a record is deleted, but linked parts of it were left undeleted because of unawareness or when deletion deletes other data unintentionally.
- *Insertion anomaly* When data is inserted into a record that does not exist or cannot be inserted without an unrelated data.