

# 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.

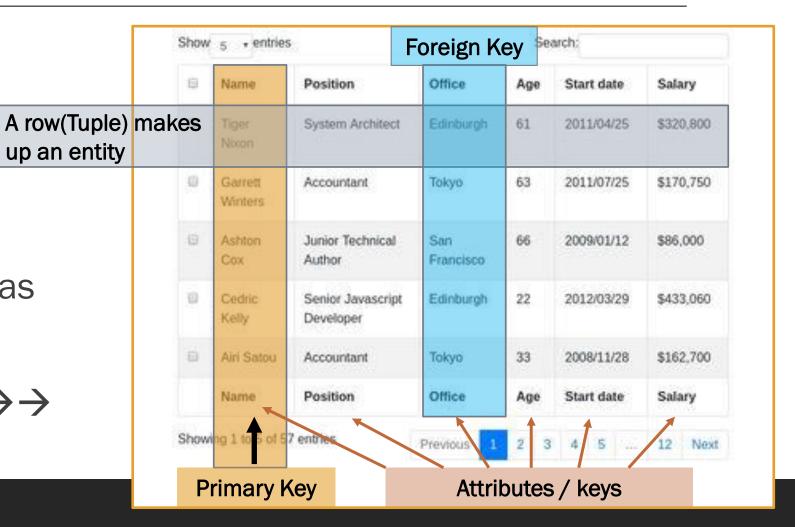
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#### Databases – Instances/Users

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*.  $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$ 



#### 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 in such a way that it becomes easier to retrieve and manipulate.

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 |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
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| Garcia          | December 15, 1986 | 99      | 97      | 100     | 98.67       |
| Kim             | February 28, 1987 | 50      | 68      | 42      | 53.33       |
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| Gates           | March 21, 1987    | 32      | 54      | 67      | 51.00       |
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#### 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.

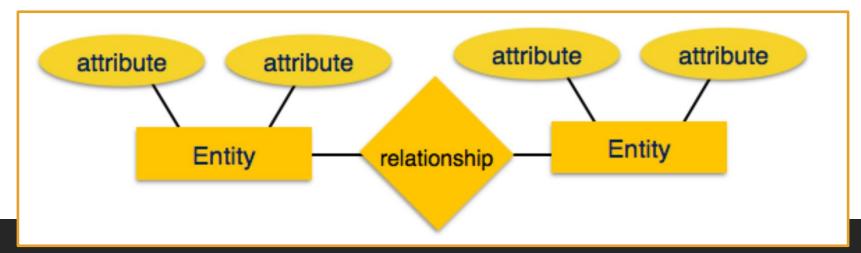
#### Database – Entity-Relationship Models

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**Data models** define the structure of a database. **Data Models** are **entities** that introduce abstraction in a **DBMS**.

**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 – Schema Diagram

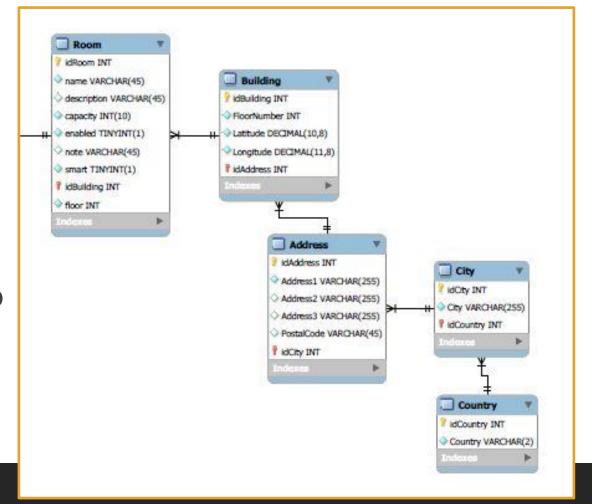
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A database **schema** is the skeleton structure that represents the logical view of the entire database.

It defines how the data is organized and how the *relations* among them are associated.

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

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

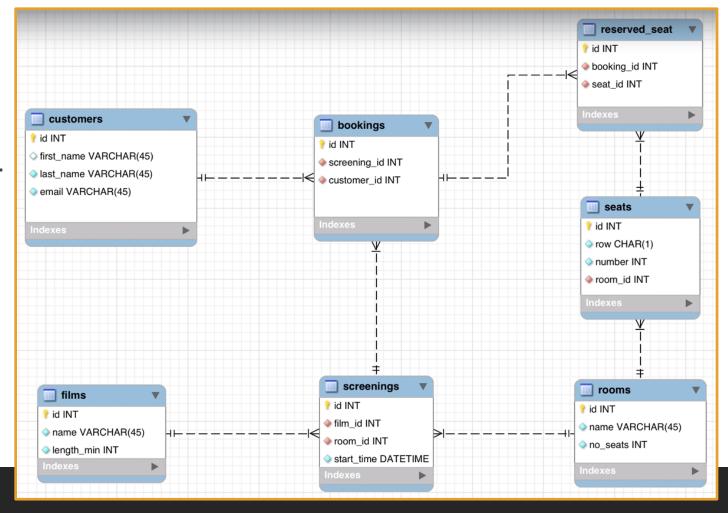


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#### **Red Color means FK**

- Solid Shape means NOT NULL Constraint
- Colden key = PK
  - Red Key = PK also FK
  - Blue Diamond = NOT NULL Constraint
  - Red Diamond = NOT NULL and is a FK.



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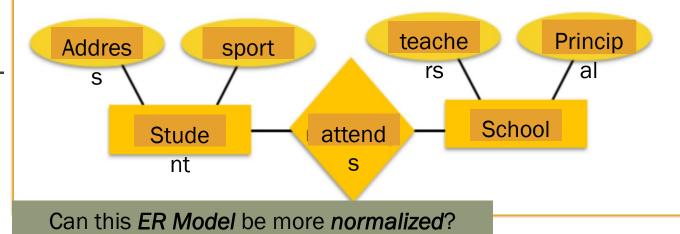
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- Entity a real-world thing having properties called attributes.
- Attribute the details about an entity.
- **Relationship** The logical association among entities. Relationships are mapped with entities in various ways.

• "Mapping cardinalities" defines the number of associations between two

entities.

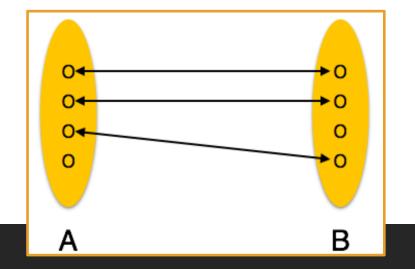
- Mapping cardinalities
  - one to one
  - one to many
  - many to many

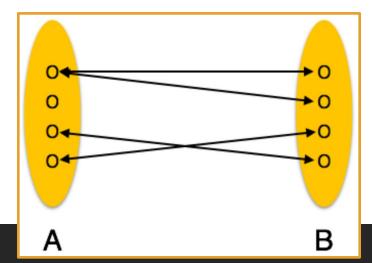


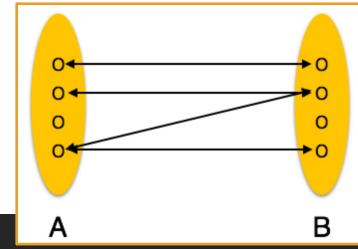
#### Database – Relationships

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







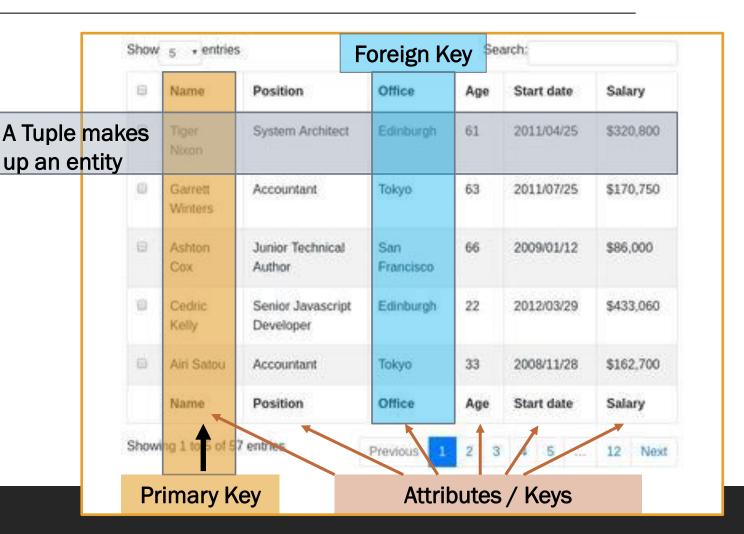
# Databases – Primary and Candidate Keys

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

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

<u>Foreign Key</u> – The <u>Primary Key</u> of another table. Used to represent to other entity.



#### Database - Keys in Entity Framework

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A **key** serves as a unique identifier for each **entity** instance. Most **entities** in **EF** have <u>a single **key**</u>, which maps to the concept of a **primary key** in relational databases. It's possible for an **entity** to have no keys. **Entities** can have additional **keys** (Alternate **Keys**) beyond the **Primary Key**. By convention, 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.

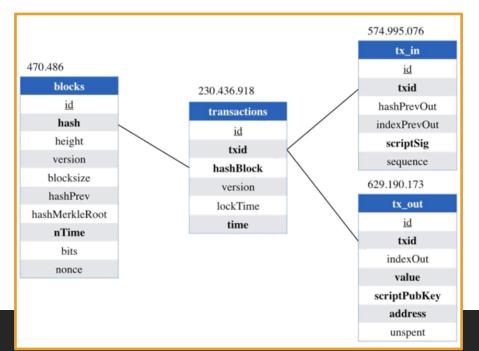
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class Car
{
    [Key]
    public string LicensePlate { get; set; }

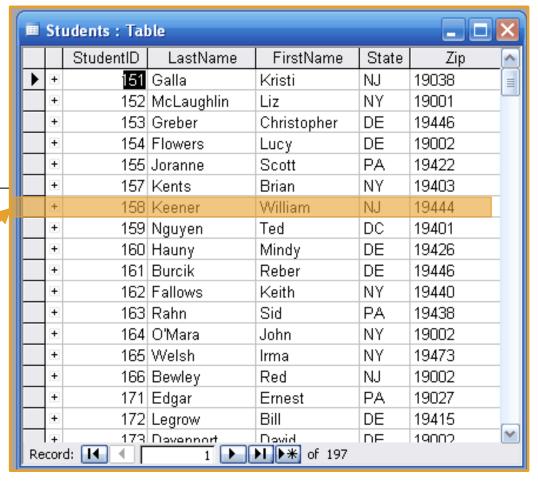
    public string Make { get; set; }
    public string Model { get; set; }
}
```

#### 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 - 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*.

#### Relational Databases - Constraints

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