Chapter 5: Logical Database Design and the Relational Model

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Objectives

- Definition of terms
- List five properties of relations
- State two properties of candidate keys
- Define first, second, and third normal form
- Describe problems from merging relations
- Transform E-R and EER diagrams to relations
- Create tables with entity and relational integrity constraints
- Use normalization to convert anomalous tables to well-structured relations

Relation

- Definition: A relation is a named, two-dimensional table of data
- Table consists of rows (records) and columns (attribute or field)
- Requirements for a table to qualify as a relation:
 - It must have a unique name
 - Every attribute value must be atomic (not multivalued, not composite)
 - Every row must be unique (can't have two rows with exactly the same values for all their fields)
 - Attributes (columns) in tables must have unique names
 - The order of the columns must be irrelevant
 - The order of the rows must be irrelevant

NOTE: all *relations* are in **1**st **Normal form**

Example of Relation

Figure 5-1 EMPLOYEE1 relation with sample data							
EMPI	EMPLOYEE1						
Emp_	_ID Name	D	ept_Name S	alary			
100	Margar	et Simpson M	larketing 48	3,000			
140	Allen B	eeton A	ccounting 55	2,000			
110	Chris L	.ucero In	ofo Systems 43	3,000			
190	Lorenz	o Davis Fi	inance 55	5,000			
150	Susan	Martin M	larketing 4:	2,000			

we can express the structure of the employee relation as: **Employee1** (**Emp_ID**, **Name**, **Dept_Name**, **Salary**)

Correspondence with E-R Model

- Relations (tables) correspond with entity types and with many-to-many relationship types
- Rows correspond with entity instances and with many-to-many relationship instances
- Columns correspond with attributes
- NOTE: The word *relation* (in relational database) is NOT the same as the word *relationship* (in E-R model)

Key Fields



- Keys are special fields that serve two main purposes:
 - Primary keys are unique identifiers of the relation in question.
- Keys can be simple (a single field) or composite (more than one field)
 - This is how we can guarantee that all rows are unique
 - Examples:

Simple Attribute:

Employee(Emp ID, Name, Dept_Name, Salary)

Composite Key:

Order_Line(Order_No, Product_No, Quantity)

Key Fields

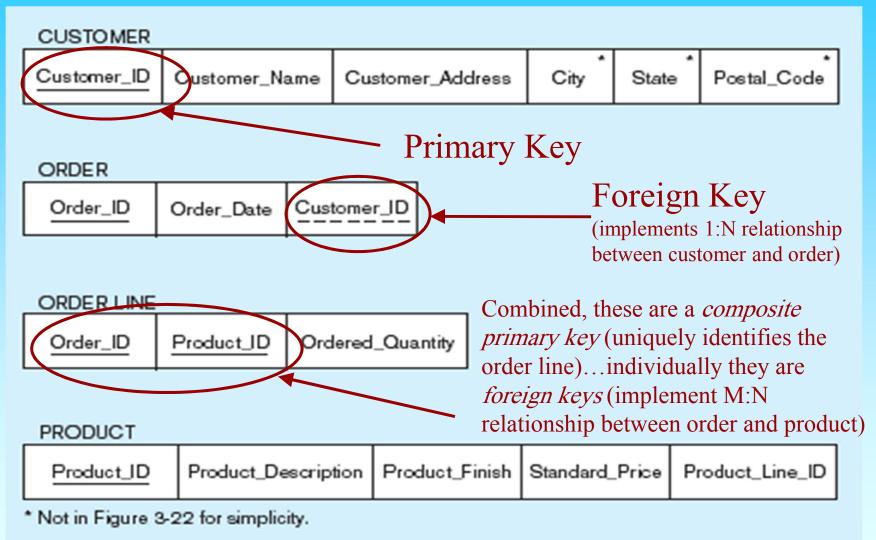
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- Foreign keys are identifiers that enable a <u>dependent</u> relation (on the many side of a relationship) to refer to its <u>parent</u> relation (on the one side of the relationship)
- Example:
 Relationship between Employee and Department Tables
 Employee(Emp ID, Name, Dept_No, Salary)

Department(<u>Dept No</u>, Location , Fax)

 Keys usually are used as indexes to speed up the response to user queries (More on this in Ch. 6)

important shape / tables / schema of relation

Figure 5-3 Schema for four relations (Pine Valley Furniture Company)



alternate key: when two attributes can be used as primary key and we can use any of them one of them is primary key and the other one is the alternate key the two are called candidate ID © 2007 by Prentice Hall

Integrity Constraints

- Relational model contains several types of constraints (Business Rules) to facilitate maintaining the accuracy and Integrity of data, such as:
- Domain Constraints
 - A domain is the set of values assigned to an attribute
 - Domain definition consists of:
 - Domain name
 - Domain meaning
 - data type
 - Data size
 - Allowable values

Table 5-1 Domain Definitions for INVOICE Attributes

Attribute	Domain Name	Description	Domain
Customer_ID	Customer_IDs	Set of all possible customer IDs	character: size 5
Customer_Name	Customer_Names	Set of all possible customer names	character: size 25
Customer_Address	Customer_Addresses	Set of all possible customer addresses	character: size 30
City	Cities	Set of all possible cities	character: size 20
State	States	Set of all possible states	character: size 2
Postal_Code	Postal_Codes	Set of all possible postal zip codes	character: size 10
Order_ID	Order_IDs	Set of all possible order IDs	character: size 5
Order_Date	Order_Dates	Set of all possible order dates	date format mm/dd/yy
Product_ID	Product_IDs	Set of all possible product IDs	character: size 5
Product_Description	Product_Descriptions	Set of all possible product descriptions	character size 25
Product_Finish	Product_Finishes	Set of all possible product finishes	character: size 15
Standard_Price	Unit_Prices	Set of all possible unit prices	monetary: 6 digits
Product_Line_ID	Product_Line_IDs	Set of all possible product line IDs	integer: 3 digits
Ordered_Quantity	Quantities	Set of all possible ordered quantities	integer: 3 digits

Domain definitions enforce domain integrity constraints

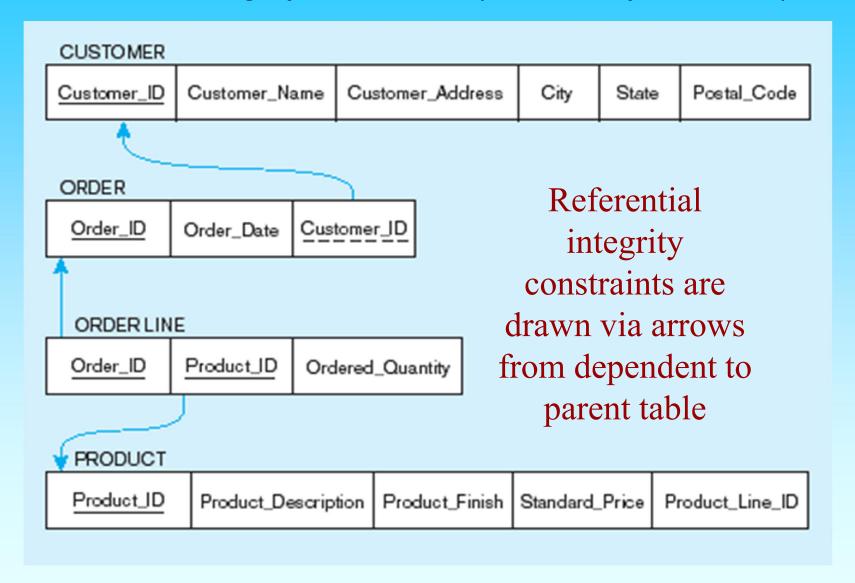
Integrity Constraints

- Entity Integrity important
 - Each relation must have a primary key
 - No primary key attribute may be null.
 - All primary key fields MUST have data
 - Null value may be assigned to non-key attribute when no other value applies or when the applicable value is unknown
- Action Assertions
 - Business rules. Recall from Ch. 4

Integrity Constraints

- Referential Integrity
 - A rule states that any foreign key value (on the relation of the many side) MUST match a primary key value in the relation of the one side. (Or the foreign key can be null)
 - For example: Delete Rules
 - Restrict don't allow delete of "parent" side if related rows exist in "dependent" side
 - Cascade automatically delete "dependent" side rows that correspond with the "parent" side row to be deleted
 - Set-to-Null set the foreign key in the dependent side to null if deleting from the parent side → not allowed for weak entities

Figure 5-5 Referential integrity constraints (Pine Valley Furniture)



Creating Relational Tables

SOL table definitions

	CREATE TABLE CUSTOMER					
	(CUSTOMER_ID	VARCHAR(5)	NOT NULL,			
	CUSTOMER_NAME	VARCHAR(25)	NOT NULL,			
	CUSTOMER ADDRESS	VARCHAR(30)	NOT NULL,			
	CITY	VARCHAR(20)	NOT NULL,			
	STATE	CHAR(2)	NOT NULL,			
	POSTAL_CODE	CHAR(2) CHAR(10)	NOT NULL,			
	PRIMARY KEY (CUSTOMER_ID);					
	CREATE TABLE ORDER					
	(ORDER_ID	CHAR(5)	NOT NULL,			
	ORDER DATE	DATE	NOT NULL,			
	CUSTOMER_ID	VARCHAR(5)	NOT NULL,			
	PRIMARY KEY (ORDER_ID),					
\	FOREIGN KEY (CUSTOMER_ID) REFEREN	ICES CUSTOMER (CUST	OMER_ID);			
	CREATE TABLE ORDER_LINE					
	(ORDER_ID	CHAR(5)	NOT NULL,			
	PRODUCT_ID	CHAR(5)	NOT NULL,			
	ORDERED_QUANTITY	INT	NOT NULL,			
	PRIMARY KEY (ORDER_ID, PRODUCT_ID),					
	FOREIGN KEY (ORDER_ID) REFERENCES ORDER (ORDER_ID),					
	FOREIGN KEY (PRODUCT_ID) REFERENCES PRODUCT (PRODUCT_ID);					
	CREATE TABLE PRODUCT					
	(PRODUCT_ID	CHAR(5)	NOT NULL,			
	PRODUCT_DESCRIPTION	VARCHAR(25),				
	PRODUCT_FINISH	VARCHAR(12),				
	STANDARD_PRICE	DECIMAL(8,2)	NOT NULL,			
	PRODUCT_LINE_ID	INT	NOT NULL,			
	PRIMARY KEY (PRODUCT_ID);					

Referential integrity constraints are implemented with foreign key to primary key references

Transforming EER Diagrams into Relations

Transforming (mapping) ER-Diagrams to Relations is straightforward with a well-defined set of rules.

Types of Entities

- Regular Entities: have an independent existence such as persons, products,
- Weak Entities: dependent and cannot exist without identifying relationship with an owner (Regular Entity)
- Associative Entities: formed from many-tomany relationships between other entities

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Transforming EER Diagrams into Relations

Mapping Regular Entities to Relations

- Simple attributes: E-R attributes map directly onto the relation
- Composite attributes: Use only their simple, component attributes
- Multivalued Attribute—Becomes a separate relation with a foreign key taken from the superior entity

Figure 5-8 Mapping a regular entity

(a) CUSTOMER entity type with simple attributes



(b) CUSTOMER relation



Figure 5-9 Mapping a composite attribute

(a) CUSTOMER entity type with composite attribute

CUSTOMER

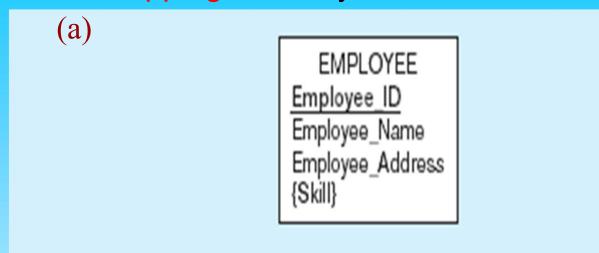
Customer_ID

Customer_Name
Customer_Address
(Street, City, State)

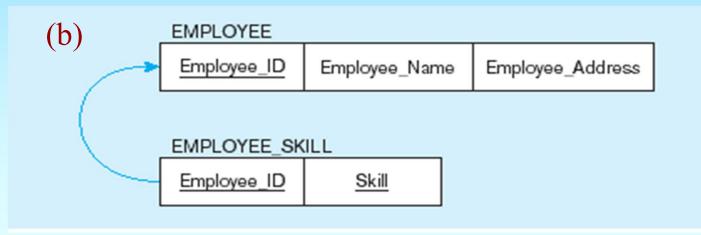
Postal_Code



Figure 5-10 Mapping an entity with a multivalued attribute



Multivalued attribute becomes a separate relation with foreign key



One-to-many relationship between original entity and new relation

Transforming EER Diagrams into Relations (cont.)

Mapping Weak Entities

- Weak entity cannot exist independently
- It does not have a complete Identifier
- Becomes a separate relation with a foreign key taken from the superior entity
- Primary key composed of:
 - Partial identifier of weak entity
 - Primary key of identifying relation (strong entity)

Figure 5-11 Example of mapping a weak entity

a) Weak entity DEPENDENT

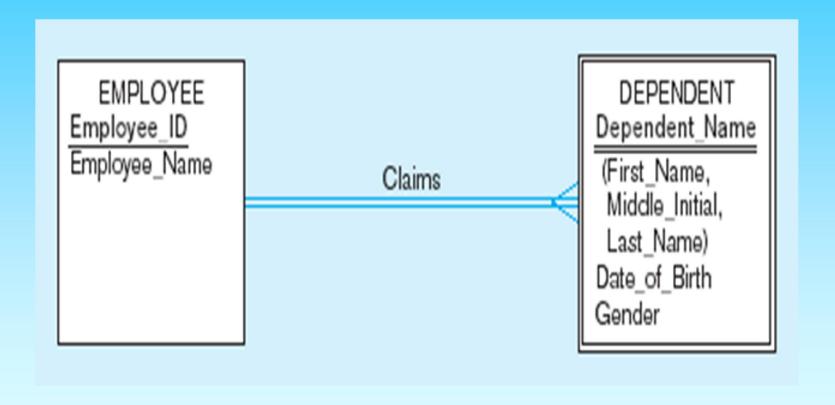
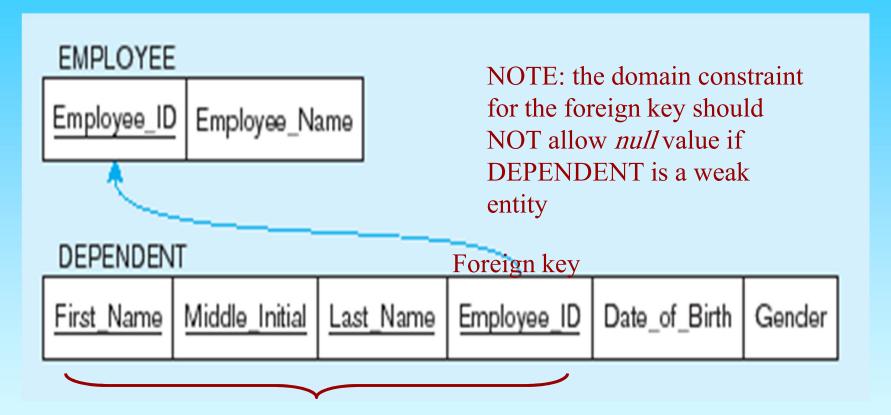


Figure 5-11 Example of mapping a weak entity (cont.) b) Relations resulting from weak entity



Composite primary key

Alternate approach:

Dependent(<u>Employee ID</u>, <u>Dependent#</u>, First_Name, Middle_Name, Last_Name, Date_of_Birth, Gender)

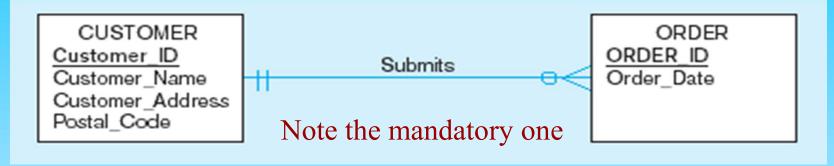
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Mapping Binary Relationships

- One-to-Many Primary key on the one side becomes a foreign key on the many side
- Many-to-Many Create a new relation with the primary keys of the two entities as its primary key
- One-to-One Primary key on the mandatory side becomes a foreign key on the optional side

Figure 5-12 Example of mapping a 1:M relationship

a) Relationship between customers and orders



b) Mapping the relationship

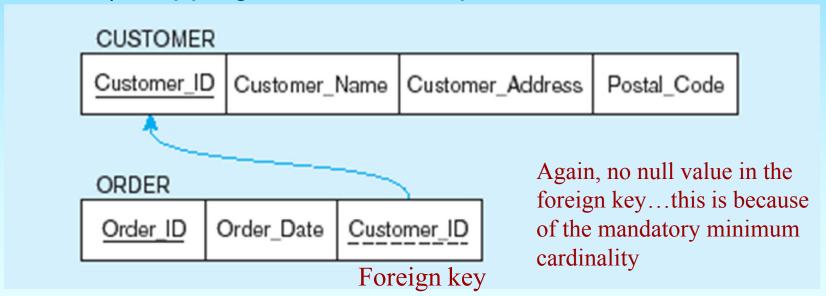
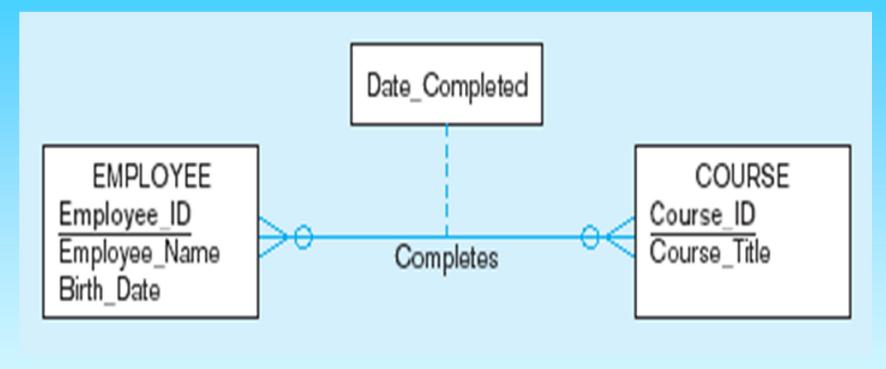


Figure 5-13 Example of mapping an M:N relationship

a) Completes relationship (M:N)



The *Completes* relationship will need to become a separate relation

Figure 5-13 Example of mapping an M:N relationship (cont.)

b) Three resulting relations

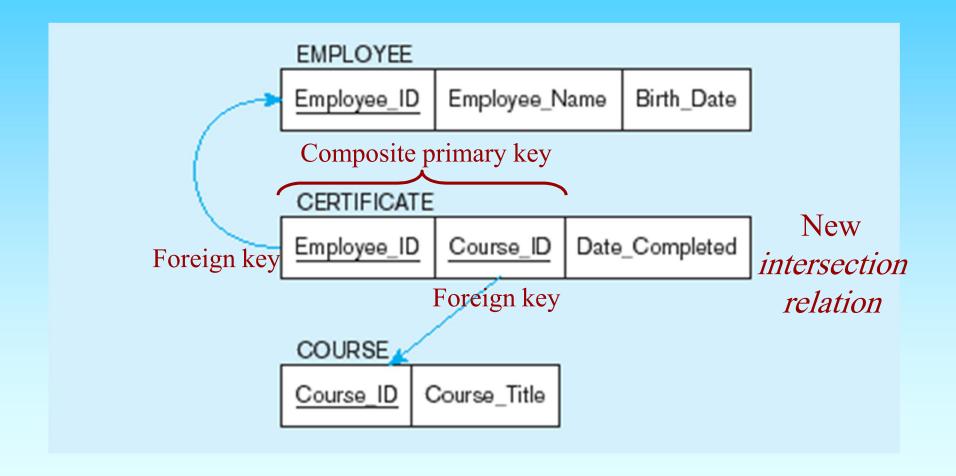
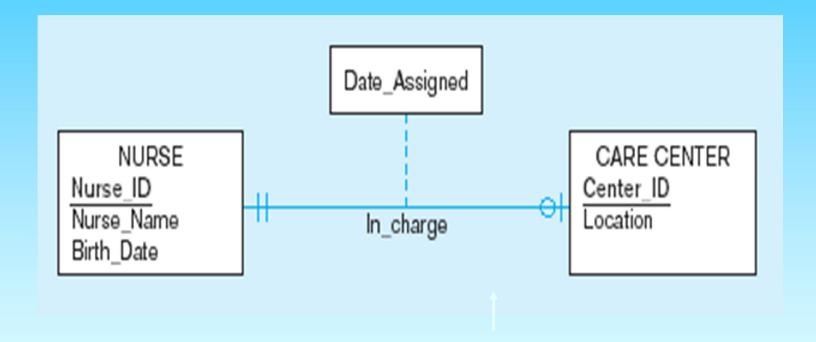


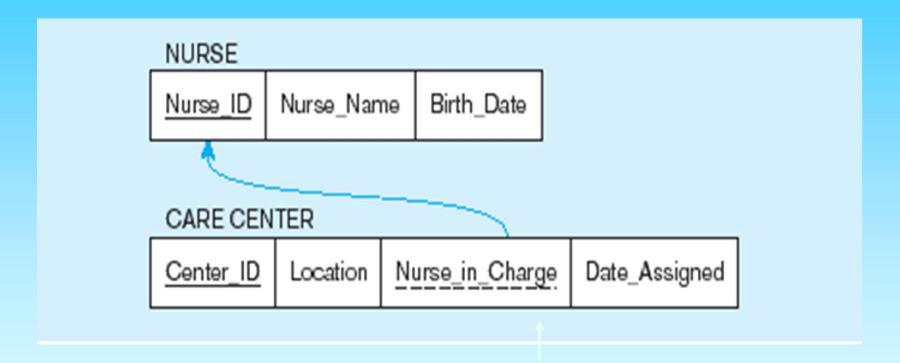
Figure 5-14 Example of mapping a binary 1:1 relationship a) In_charge relationship (1:1)



Often in 1:1 relationships, one direction is optional.

Figure 5-14 Example of mapping a binary 1:1 relationship (cont.)

b) Resulting relations



Foreign key goes in the relation on the optional side, Matching the primary key on the mandatory side

Transforming EER Diagrams into Relations (cont.)

Mapping Associative Entities

- Identifier Not Assigned
 - Default primary key for the association relation is composed of the primary keys of the two entities (as in M:N relationship)
- Identifier Assigned
 - It is natural and familiar to end-users
 - Default identifier may not be unique

Figure 5-15 Example of mapping an associative entity a) An associative entity

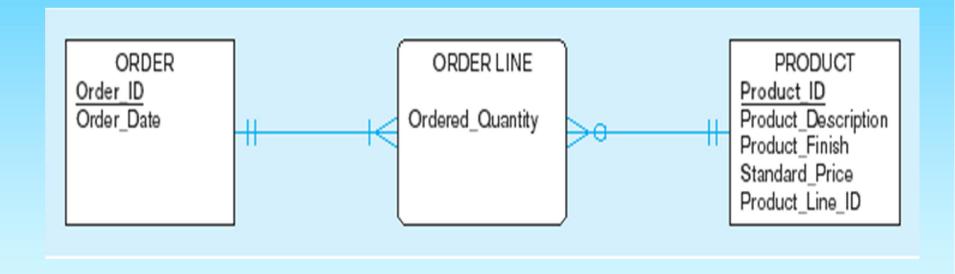


Figure 5-15 Example of mapping an associative entity (cont.)

b) Three resulting relations

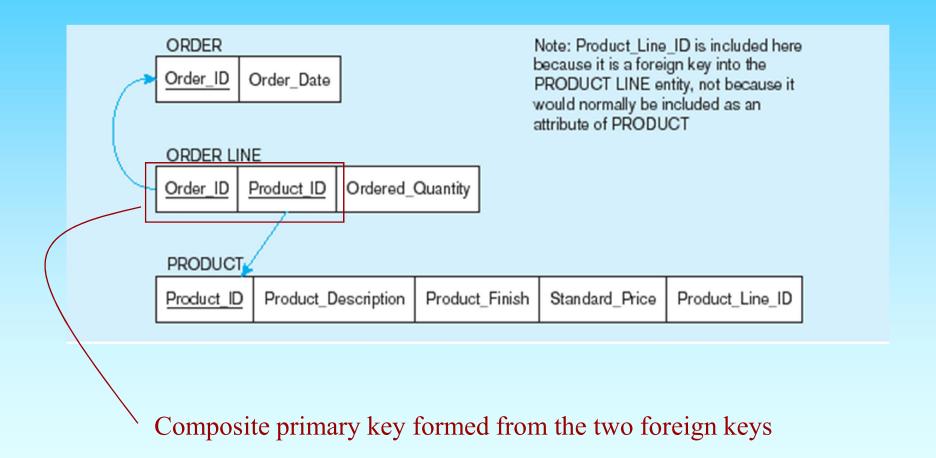


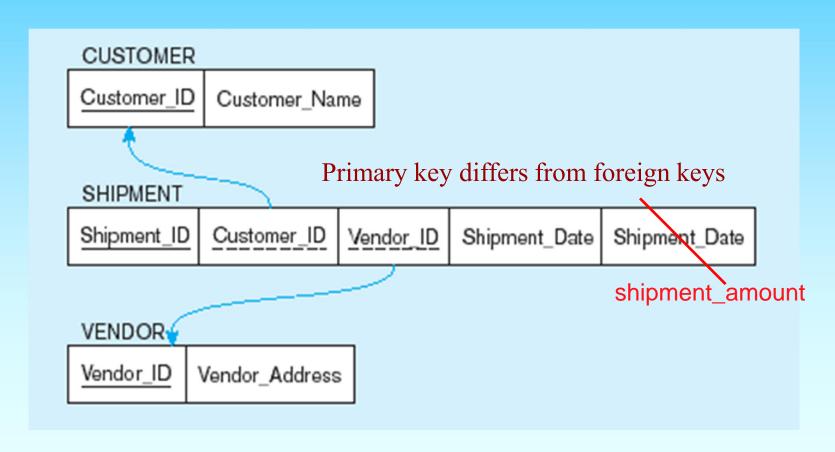
Figure 5-16 Example of mapping an associative entity with an identifier

a) SHIPMENT associative entity



Figure 5-16 Example of mapping an associative entity with an identifier (cont.)

b) Three resulting relations

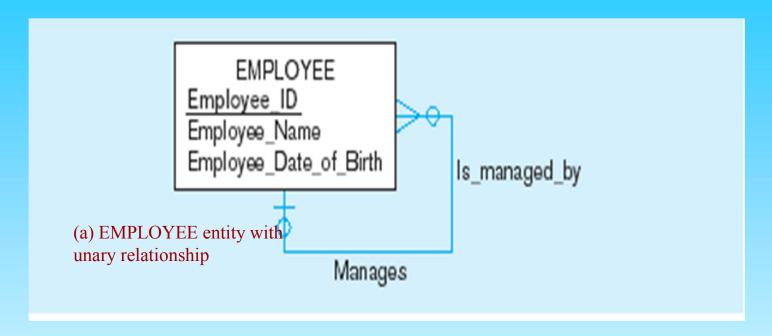


Transforming EER Diagrams into Relations (cont.)

Mapping Unary Relationships

- One-to-Many Recursive foreign key in the same relation
- Many-to-Many Two relations:
 - One for the entity type
 - One for an associative relation in which the primary key has two attributes, both taken from the primary key of the entity

Figure 5-17 Mapping a unary 1:N relationship



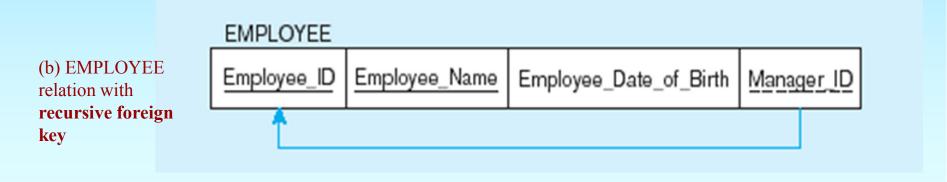
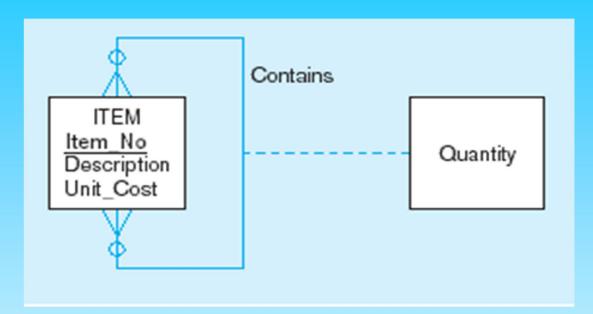


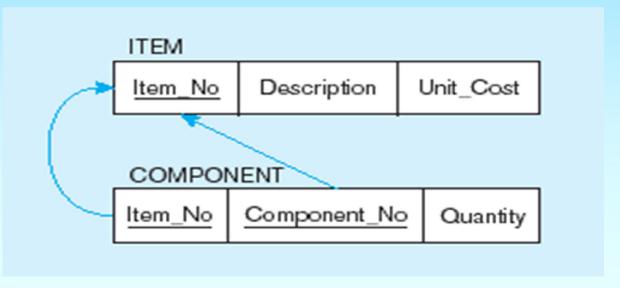
Figure 5-18 Mapping a unary M:N relationship



(a) Bill-of-materials relationships (M:N)

any item can be an item or component of items like in furniture

(b) ITEM and COMPONENT relations



Transforming EER Diagrams into Relations (cont.)

Mapping Ternary (and n-ary) Relationships

- One relation for each entity and one for the associative entity
- Associative entity has foreign keys to each entity in the relationship

Figure 5-19 Mapping a ternary relationship

a) PATIENT TREATMENT Ternary relationship with associative entity

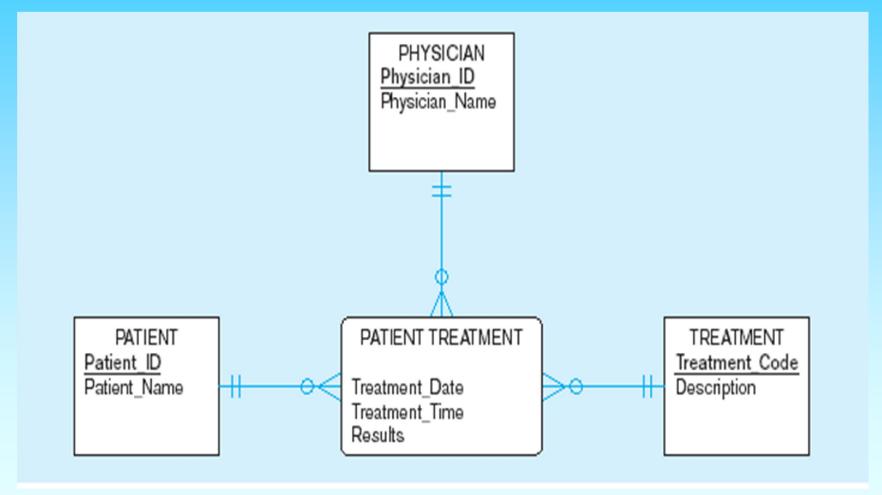
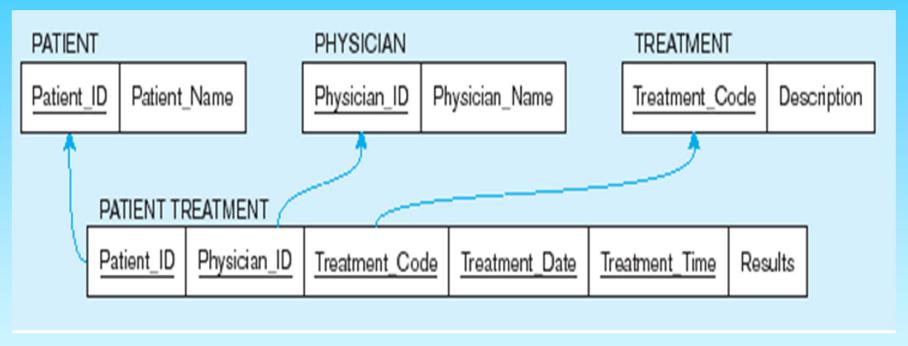


Figure 5-19 Mapping a ternary relationship (cont.)

b) Mapping the ternary relationship PATIENT TREATMENT



Remember that the primary key MUST be unique

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This is why treatment date and time are included in the composite primary key

But this makes a very cumbersome

key...

It would be better to create a Alternate key like Treatment#

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Transforming EER Diagrams into Relations (cont.)

Mapping Supertype/Subtype Relationships

- One relation for supertype and for each subtype
- Supertype attributes (including identifier and subtype discriminator) go into supertype relation
- Subtype attributes go into each subtype;
 primary key of supertype relation also becomes
 primary key of subtype relation
- 1:1 relationship established between supertype and each subtype, with supertype as primary table

Figure 5-20 Supertype/subtype relationships

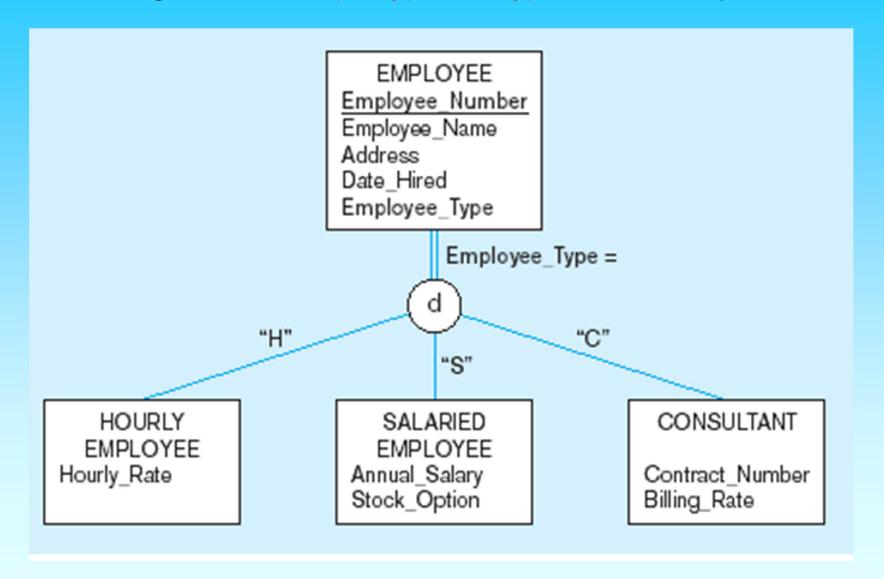
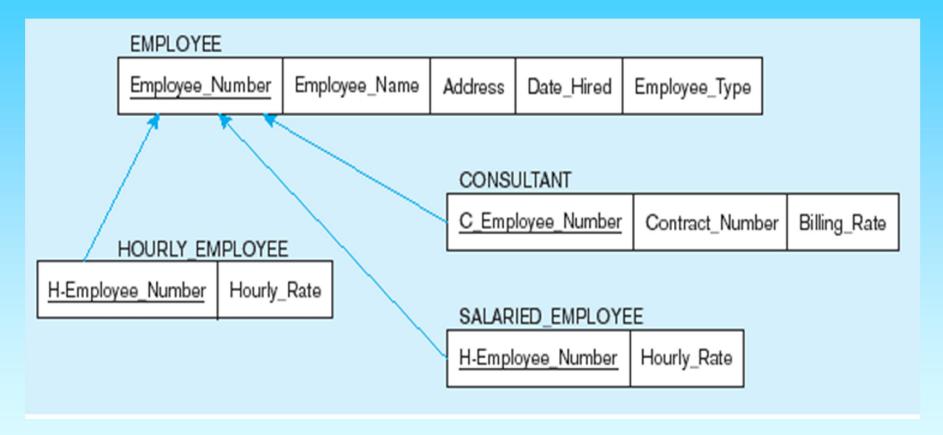


Figure 5-21 Mapping Supertype/subtype relationships to relations



These are implemented as one-to-one relationships