## **Relational Model**

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- To represent data in the relational mode -> Relation
- A relation consists of
  - Relation Schema
    - Relation's name, Name of each field/column/attribute, domain of each field

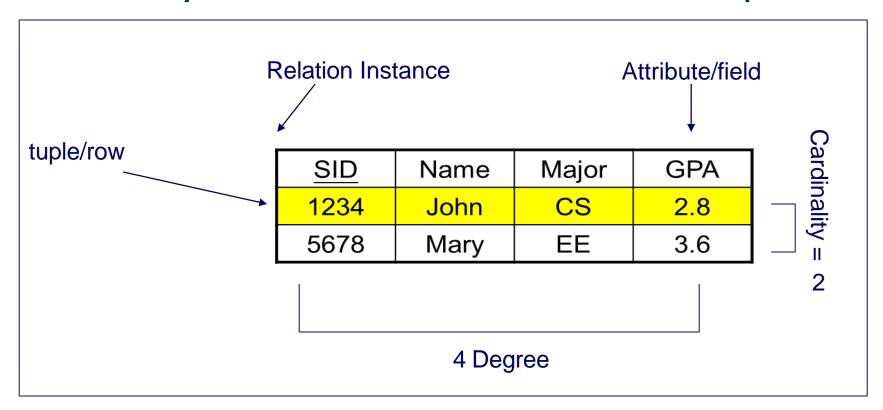
Student(SID: Integer, Name: String, Major: String, GPA: Number)

- Relation Instance
  - Set of tuples which has the same number of fields as the schema

SID	Name	Major	GPA
1234	John	CS	2.8
5678	Mary	EE	3.6

## Relational Model: Requirements

- Rows be unique (key constraint)
- Order of rows does not matter
- Degree of a relation is the number of fields
- Cardinality of a relation is the number of tuples



## **Integrity Constraints**

- Condition specified on a database schema and restrict the data that can be stored in a DB instance.
- Integrity Constraints must be true for any DB instance
- DBMS enforces the integrity constraints.
- Integrity Constraints
  - Domain Constraint
  - Primary Key Constraint
  - Foreign Key Constraint

## **Primary Key Constraints**

- A set of fields is a <u>key</u> for a relation if:
  - No two distinct tuples can have same values in <u>all key</u> <u>fields</u>

```
(SID, Name) -> (1234, John) and (1234, Jack)
(1234, John) and (1234, John)
```

Primary Key cannot be NULL <- Entity Integrity Constraint

## Foreign Keys

- Foreign key: Set of fields in one relation that is used to 'refer' to a tuple in another relation. (Must correspond to primary key of the second relation.) Like a 'logical pointer'.
- Prevent actions that would destroy links between tables
- Prevent invalid data from being inserted into Foreign Key column.
  - It has to be one of the values contained in the table it points to.
- Foreign Key can be NULL.

## **Foreign Keys**

- An arrow originates from each foreign key and points to the related primary key in the associated relation
- Relations R1 and R2:
  - Attributes in foreign key have the same domain as the primary key of R2
  - Foreign Key is equal to primary key in some rows of the primary table, or else have no value (NULL).

## Referential Integrity

- If all foreign key constraints are enforced, <u>referential</u> <u>integrity</u> is achieved, i.e., no dangling references.
- A tuple in one relation that refers to another relation must refer to an existing tuple in that relation.
- A referential integrity constraint requires that for each row of a table, the value in the foreign key matches a value in the parent key.

## **Enforcing Referential Integrity**

actor_id	actor_name	е	
I	Angelina		
2	Brad		
3	Jennifer		
\? <b>x</b>	actor_	id r	movie_id
		3	1
		4	2
		3	3

Referential integrity NOT enforced.

## **Enforcing Referential Integrity**

- E.g. sid is a foreign key referring to Students:
  - Enrolled(sid: string, cid: string, grade: string)
  - If all foreign key constraints are enforced, <u>referential integrity</u> is achieved, i.e., no dangling references.
- What should be done if an Enrolled tuple with a non-existent student id is inserted? (Reject it!)
- What should be done if a Students tuple is deleted?
  - Also delete all Enrolled tuples that refer to it.
  - Disallow deletion of a Students tuple that is referred to.
  - Set sid in Enrolled tuples that refer to it to a default sid.
  - (In SQL, also: Set sid in Enrolled tuples that refer to it to a special value null, denoting `unknown' or `inapplicable'.)

- Tables are created using CREATE TABLE statements in SQL
- Each attribute is defined, taking the data type and length from the domain definitions
- For example, the attribute Customer\_Name can be defined as a VARCHAR (variable character) type with length 25
- By specifying NOT NULL, each attribute can be constrained from being assigned a null value
- The primary key for each table is specified using the PRIMARY KEY clause at the end of each table definition

```
CREATE TABLE CUSTOMER

(CUSTOMER_ID VARCHAR(5) NOT NULL

CUSTOMER_NAME VARCHAR(25) NOT NULL

PRIMARY KEY (CUSTOMER_ID);
```

CREATE TABLE ORDER

(ORDER\_ID CHAR(5) NOT NULL

ORDER DATE DATE NOT NULL

C ID VARCHAR(5) NOT NULL

PRIMARY KEY (ORDER\_ID)

FOREIGN KEY (CUSTOMER\_ID) REFERENCES CUSTOMER(CUSTOMER\_ID);

- In SQL, a FOREIGN KEY REFERENCES statement corresponds to one of these arrows
- The foreign key CUSTOMER\_ID references the primary key of CUSTOMER, which is also CUSTOMER\_ID
- Foreign Key constraint has DELETE and UPDATE operations
  - Actions:
    - Cascade, No Action, Set NULL, Set Default

#### ON UPDATE/ON DELETE Actions:

- CASCADE: Delete or update the row from the parent table, and automatically delete or update the matching rows in the child table.
- NO ACTION: Prevent the deletion or update of a parent key if there is a row in the child table that references the key (default)
- SET NULL: Delete or update the row from the parent table, and set the foreign key column or columns in the child table to NULL.
- SET DEFAULT: The "SET DEFAULT" actions are similar to "SET NULL", except that each of the child key columns is set to contain the columns default value instead of NULL.

The ORDER\_LINE table illustrates how to specify a primary key when that key is a composite attribute of two foreign keys:

CREATE TABLE ORDER\_LINE

(ORDER ID CHAR(5) NOT NULL

PRODUCT\_ID CHAR(5) NOT NULL

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);

#### **Constraints in Create Table**

- Adding constraints to a table enables the database system to enforce data integrity.
- Different types of constraints:

\* Not Null

\* Default Values

\* Unique

\* Primary Key

\* Foreign Key

\* Check Condition

## An Example

```
CREATE TABLE Student (
    ID NUMBER,
    Fname VARCHAR2(20),
    Lname VARCHAR2(20),
);
```

#### **Not Null Constraint**

```
CREATE TABLE Student (
    ID NUMBER,
    Fname VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL,
    Lname VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL,
);
```

## **Primary Key Constraint**

```
CREATE TABLE Student (
ID NUMBER PRIMARY KEY,
Fname VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL,
Lname VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL,
);
```

Primary Key implies: \* NOT NULL \* UNIQUE. There can only be one primary key.

# Primary Key Constraint (Syntax 2)

```
CREATE TABLE Students (
    ID NUMBER,
    Fname VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL,
    Lname VARCHAR2(20) NOT NULL,
    PRIMARY KEY(ID)
);
```

Needed when the primary key is made up of one or more fields

## Logical DB Design: ER to Relational

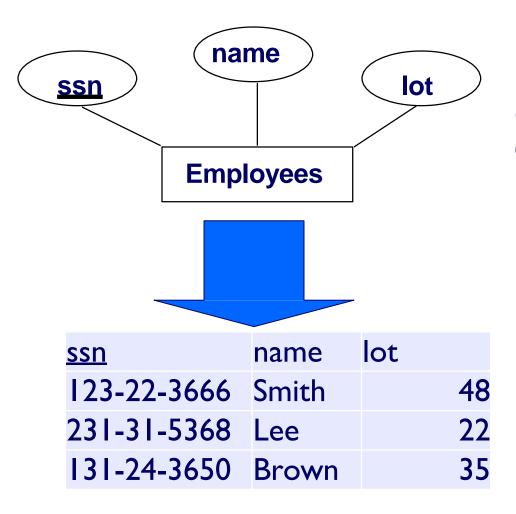
So... how do we convert an ER diagram into a table??

#### Basic Ideas:

- Build a table for each entity set
- Build a table for each relationship set (if necessary)
- Make a column in the table for each attribute in the entity set
- Primary Key

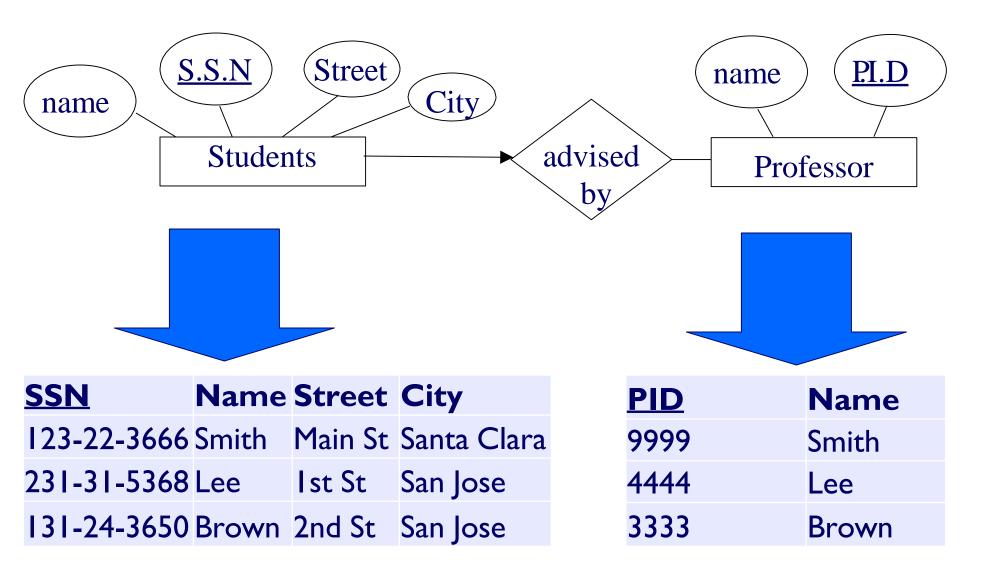
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#### Entity sets to tables:



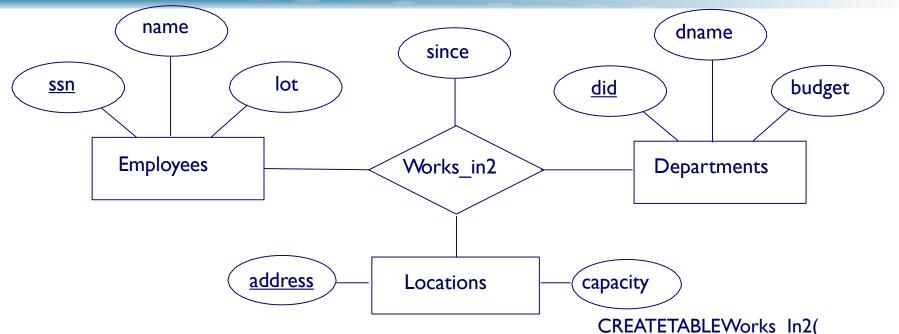
CREATE TABLE Employees
( ssn CHAR(11),
 name CHAR(20),
 lot INTEGER,
 PRIMARY KEY (ssn))

## **Strong Entity Sets**



- To represent a relationship, must identify:
  - Each participating entity
    - Keys for each participating entity set (as foreign keys).
    - This set of attributes forms a superkey for the relation.
  - All descriptive attributes of the relationship.

#### **No Constraints**

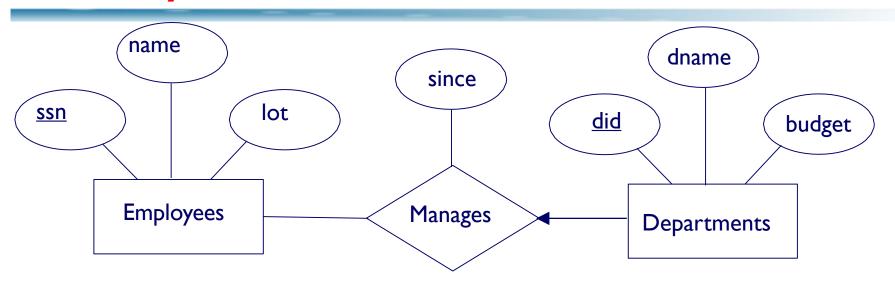


<u>ssn</u>	<u>did</u>	<u>address</u>	since

- ssn is a foreign key referencing employees
- did is a foreign key referencing departments
- address is a foreign key referencing locations

ssn CHAR(II),
did INTEGER,
address CHAR(20),
since DATE,
PRIMARY KEY (ssn, did,address),
FOREIGN KEY (ssn)
REFERENCES Employees,
FOREIGN KEY (address)
REFERENCES Locations,
FOREIGN KEY (did)
REFERENCES Departments);

#### With Key Constraints



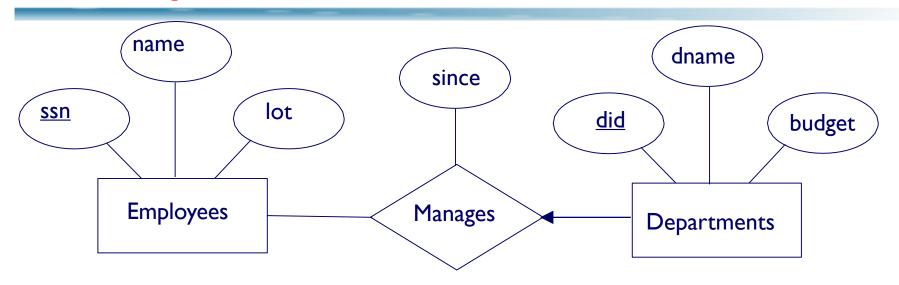
- Method I
  - Create a separate relation for Manages
  - did is the key
  - Separate relations for Employees and Departments.

ssn	<u>did</u>	since

CREATE TABLE Manages(
ssn CHAR(11),
did INTEGER,
since DATE,
PRIMARY KEY (did),

FOREIGN KEY (ssn) REFERENCES Employees, FOREIGN KEY (did) REFERENCES Departments);

#### With Key Constraints



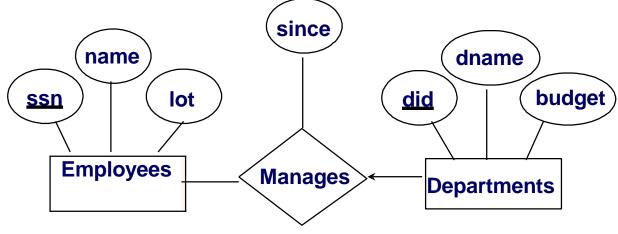
<u>did</u>	dname	budget	ssn	since

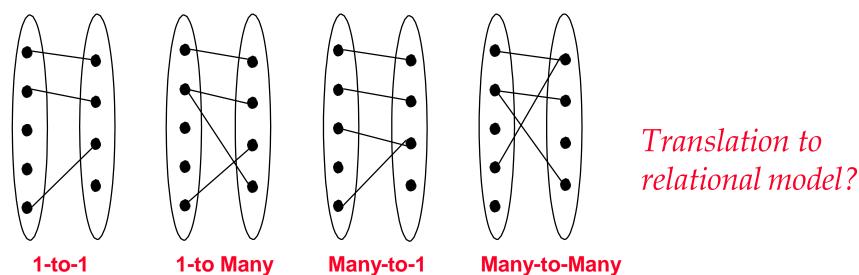
- Method 2
  - Each department has a unique manager, we could instead combine Manages and Departments.

CREATE TABLE Dept\_Mgr(
did INTEGER,
dname CHAR(20),
budget REAL,
ssn CHAR(11),
since DATE,
PRIMARY KEY (did),
FOREIGN KEY (ssn) REFERENCES Employees);

## **Review: Key Constraints**

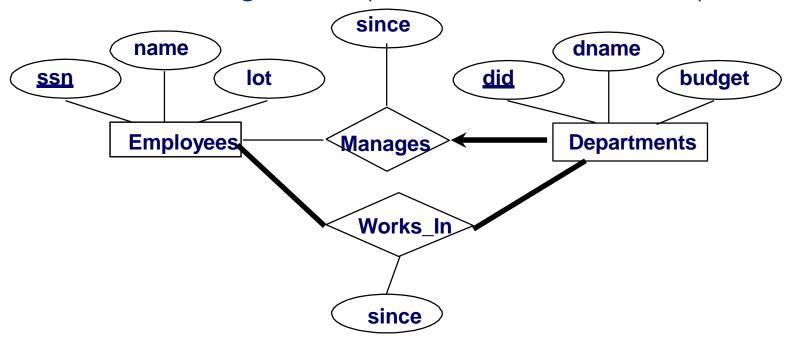
 Each dept has at most one manager, according to the key constraint on Manages.





## **Review: Participation Constraints**

- Does every department have a manager?
  - If so, this is a participation constraint: the participation of Departments in Manages is said to be total (vs.partial).
    - Every did value in Departments table must appear in a row of the Manages table (with a non-null ssn value!)



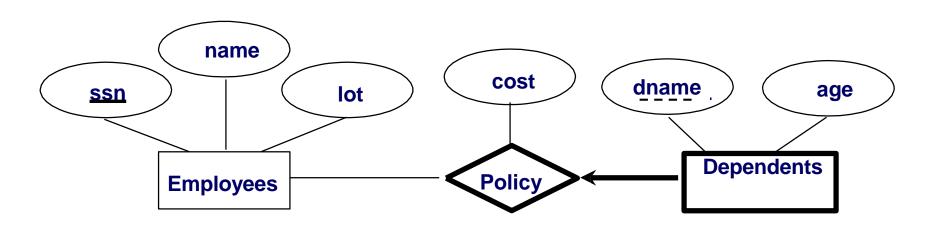
## Participation Constraints in SQL

 We can capture participation constraints involving one entity set in a binary relationship

```
CREATE TABLE Dept_Mgr(
    did INTEGER,
    dname CHAR(20),
    budget REAL,
    ssn CHAR(11) NOT NULL,
    since DATE,
    PRIMARY KEY (did),
    FOREIGN KEY (ssn) REFERENCES Employees,
    ON DELETE NO ACTION)
```

#### **Review: Weak Entities**

- A weak entity can be identified uniquely only by considering the primary key of another (owner) entity.
  - Owner entity set and weak entity set must participate in a one-to-many relationship set (I owner, many weak entities).
  - Weak entity set must have total participation in this identifying relationship set.



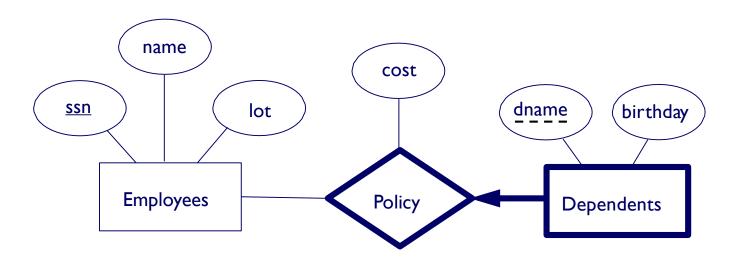
## Translating Weak Entity Sets

- Weak Entity Set cannot exists alone
  - When the owner entity is deleted, all owned weak entities must also be deleted.
- To build a table/schema for weak entity set
  - Construct a table with one column for each attribute in the weak entity set
  - Remember to include partial key
  - Include primary key of the Strong Entity Set (the entity set that the weak entity set is depending on) as foreign key
  - Primary Key of the weak entity set = partial key+ foreign key

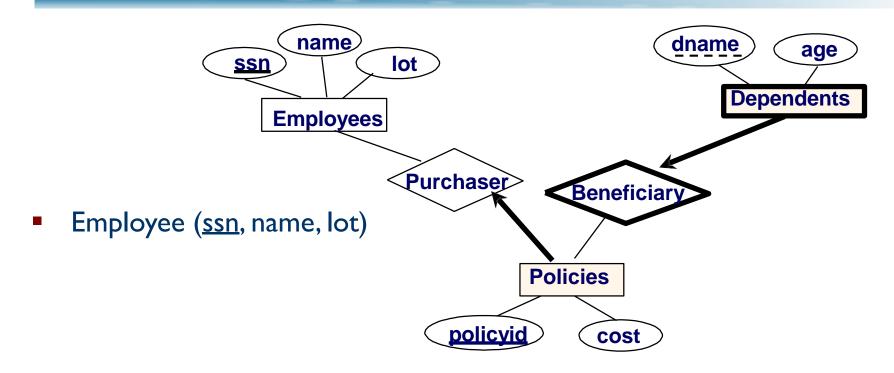
## Translating Weak Entity Sets

- Weak entity set and identifying relationship set are translated into a single table.
  - When the owner entity is deleted, all owned weak entities must also be deleted.

CREATE TABLE Dep\_Policy (
dname CHAR(20),
birthday DATE,
cost REAL,
ssn CHAR(11) NOT NULL,
PRIMARY KEY (dname, ssn),
FOREIGN KEY (ssn) REFERENCES Employees
ON DELETE CASCADE);



## Review: Binary vs. Ternary



- Dependents(<u>dname</u>, <u>policyid</u> age)
  - policyid is a foreign key referencing Policies
- Policies (<u>policyid</u>, cost, ssn)
  - ssn is a foreign key referencing Employees
  - ssn can not ne NULL

## Review: Binary vs. Ternary

- The key
   constraints allow
   us to combine
   Purchaser with
   Policies and
   Beneficiary with
   Dependents.
- Participation constraints lead to NOT NULL constraints.

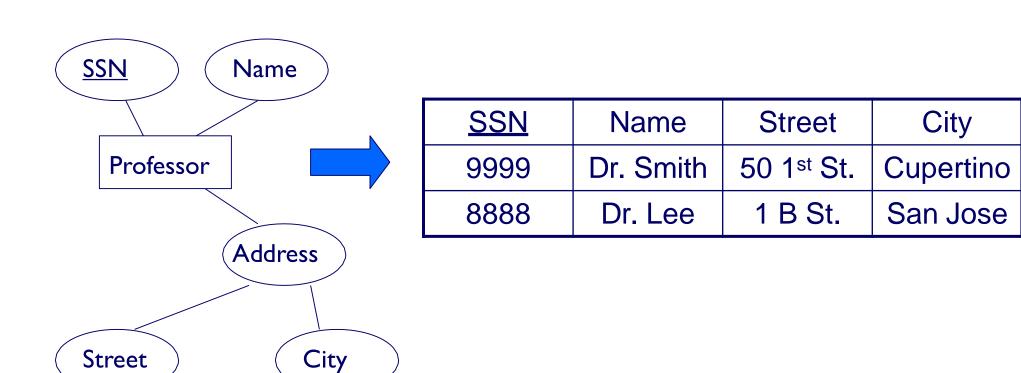
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CREATE TABLE Policies (
policyid INTEGER,
cost REAL,
ssn CHAR(11) NOT NULL,
PRIMARY KEY (policyid).
FOREIGN KEY (ssn) REFERENCES Employees,
ON DELETE CASCADE)
```

#### CREATE TABLE Dependents (

dname CHAR(20),
age INTEGER,
policyid INTEGER,
PRIMARY KEY (dname, policyid).
FOREIGN KEY (policyid) REFERENCES Policies,
ON DELETE CASCADE)

## Representing Composite Attribute

- One column for each component attribute
- NO column for the composite attribute itself



## Representing Multivalue Attribute

- For each multivalue attribute in an entity set/relationship set
  - Build a new relation schema with two columns
  - One column for the primary keys of the entity set/relationship set that has the multivalue attribute
  - Another column for the multivalue attributes. Each cell of this column holds only one value. So each value is represented as an unique tuple
  - Primary key for this schema is the union of all attributes

## **Example – Multivalue attribute**

