

Project: Lost and Found

- Our team is designing and developing *Lost and Found* system, which we anticipate to be added as an extension in BYU mobile application.

- Schema

- Person(byuld, firstName, lastName, phoneNumber, email, isStudent)

- Attributes

- Primary Key: byuld(String)
 - firstName (String)
 - lastName (String)
 - phoneNumber (Number)
 - email(String)
 - isStudent (boolean)

- Entity Description

- This entity represents members of the service; members could be either students or staff members at BYU, basically any person at BYU. They could be either benefactors or beneficiaries of the service; for example, they could report lost items while they could also look for their lost stuff through the service.

- Relationship with Other Relations

- The primary key of this relation would be used as Foreign Key in other relations.

- Normalization

- The fact that all the attributes of this relation are dependent on byuld demonstrates the evidence of normalization.'

- Item(itemId, type,color, picture, location, isRequested, name, description, date, founderId)

- Attributes

- Primary Key: itemId(String)
 - Foreign Key: founderId (byuld)
 - Name (String) //Name of the lost item; it would be used the title of a post
 - description(String)
 - date(Date)
 - type (String or Number) //This would be selected from pre-designated values
 - Color (String or Number) //This would be selected from pre-designated values
 - picture(Image)
 - location(Location or String)
 - isRequested(boolean) //When a user claims an object, this value would be true; otherwise, false.

- Entity Description

- This entity represents lost Items. Data from this relation would be used to create posts on the service; for instance, when a user reports a lost item on the file, the post would be created automatically based on the data from `Item` relation.
 - Relationship with Other Relations
 - The primary key, itemId, would be used as a foreign key in `Transaction` relation.
 - `founderId` is a primary key of `Person` relation, which represents a person who has reported/found a lost item.
 - Normalization
 - There doesn't seem to be any transitive dependency; every single attribute seems to depend only on objectId, which is the primary key of the relation
- Transaction(transactionId, transactionDate, getterId, itemId)
 - Attributes
 - Primary Key: transactionId (String)
 - Foreign Key: getterId (byuld) //byuld of a person who claims/gets a lost item back
 - Foreign Key: itemId (byuld) //itemId of an item which has been lost
 - transactionDate (Date)
 - isReturned (boolean) //if a person with getterId actually receives an item back, this attribute would be `true`.
 - Empty Description
 - This entity represents transactions between those who have found/reported items and those who have lost/been finding items. If those falsely claim items receive items, they could be tracked down by byuld and would get penalties accordingly.
 - Relationship with Other Relations
 - This relation is using getterId(byuld), which represents a person who gets returned lost items
 - This relation is using itemId(itemId), which represents a lost item
 - Normalization
 - There doesn't seem to be any transitive dependency; every single attribute seems to depend only on transactionId, which is the primary key of the relation

Potential Ideas

- Create Request entity (one to many with Item)
- Instantiate Transaction whenever an owner receives an item