

# Integrity Constraints & Nullability

# Integrity constraints

Keeps data in database "clean"

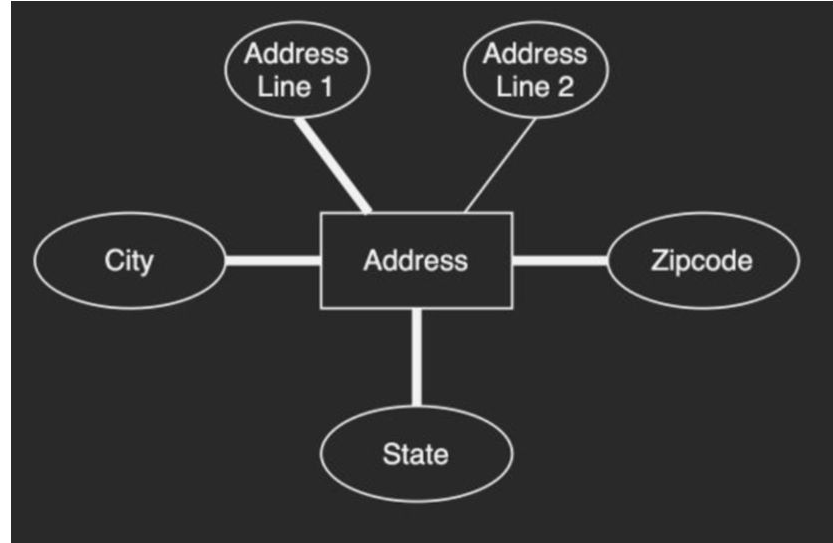
Ensures data is consistent and correct, not incorrect (or "dirty")

Enforces set of rules defined by database admin

Enhances performance of database queries

**NULL**: database term meaning blank or none

Special Python data type called **None**, which only has one value: **None**, correlates to database concept of **NULL**



Nullable: Can be null  
(no value)

Depicted in ER Diagram  
with regular lines

Non-nullable: data  
which must have a  
value, required

Depicted in ER Diagram  
with bold lines

