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A convention is an agreement

Guidelines for how to write code

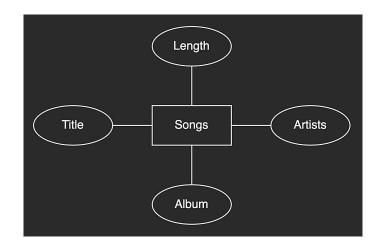
Improve readability of code

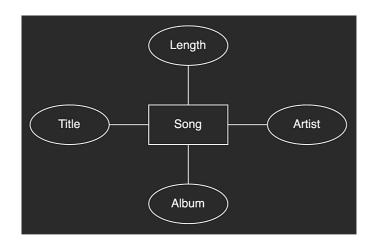


ER diagram



Entity and Attribute names in singular form











Tables



Column names in singular form, e.g. song_title

Table name in plural form, e.g. songs

Many-to-many bridge tables named with referenced table names joined by underscore, e.g. artists_songs



Table Names: artists artists_songs songs



Keys



Primary keys of type **SERIAL**, named id

Bridge tables use **composite** primary key of the foreign key columns

Foreign keys of type INTEGER, named as referenced_entity_name_id

e.g. concerts table references venues table with foreign key of venue_id



snake_case for table names, column names, key names

Case Types
camelCase
kebab-case
PascalCase
snake_case
SCREAMING_SNAKE_CASE
UPPERCASE





snake_case for table names, column names, key names

UPPERCASE for SQL language keywords

```
create table menu_items (
    id serial,
    CALORIE_COUNT integer,
    pRiMaRy KeY(id)
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE menu_items (
    id SERIAL,
    calorie_count INTEGER,
    PRIMARY KEY(id)
);
```









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Place comments above relevant query

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id SERIAL,
    calorie_count INTEGER,
    PRIMARY KEY(id)
);

-- create the table for menu items

CREATE TABLE orders (
    id SERIAL,
    amount_total INTEGER,
    PRIMARY KEY(id)
);
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Summary



Decisions made up-front won't need to be made again

Only guidelines, not requirements

Learn the rules before you break them

Conventions provide consistency