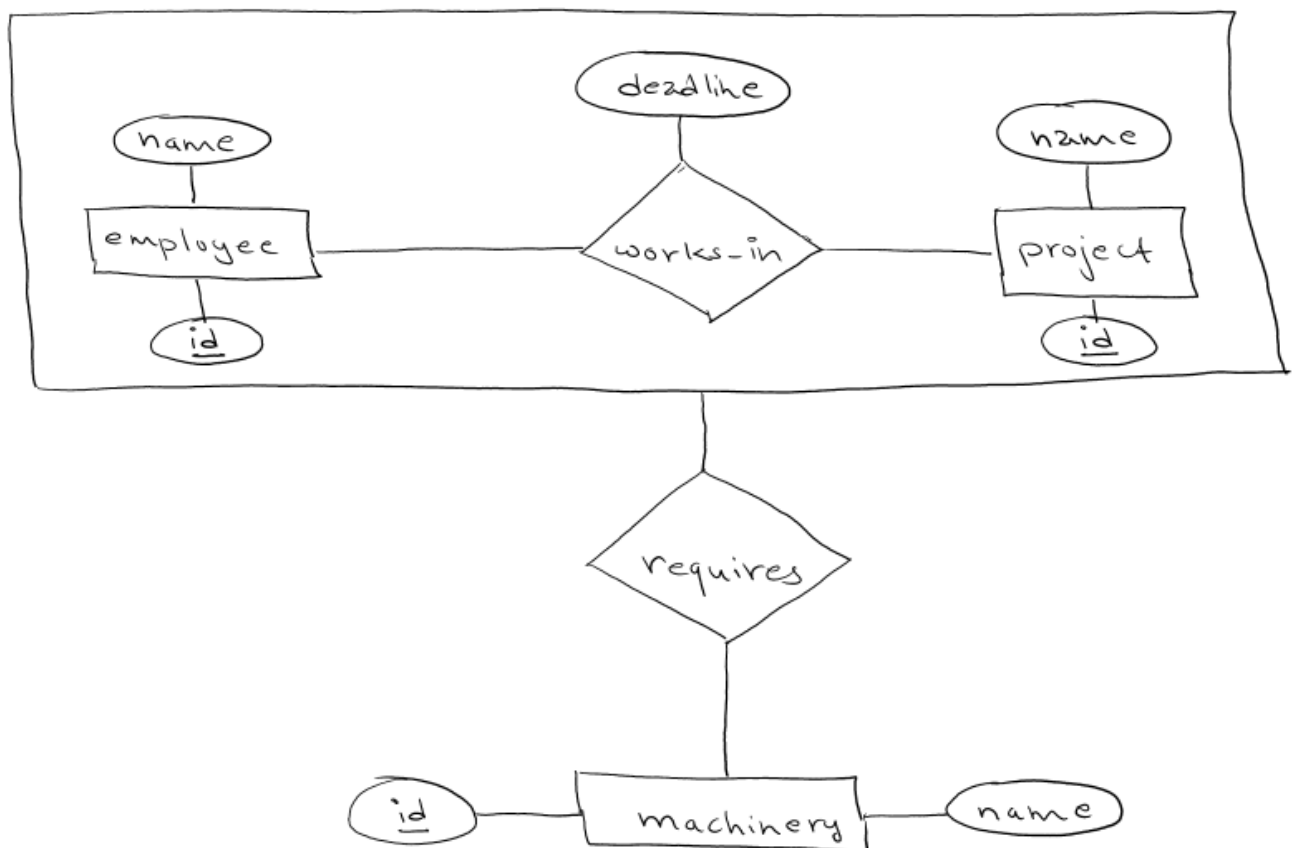


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Q.1. Define the concept of aggregation. Give an example of where this concept is useful and explain it.

→ Aggregation is an abstraction through which relationships are treated as higher-level entities. Thus, the relationship between A and B is treated as if they were an entity C.

For example: Employees work for projects. An employee working for a particular project uses various machinery.



Q.2. Consider the E-R diagram in Figure 2.10, which models an online bookstore.

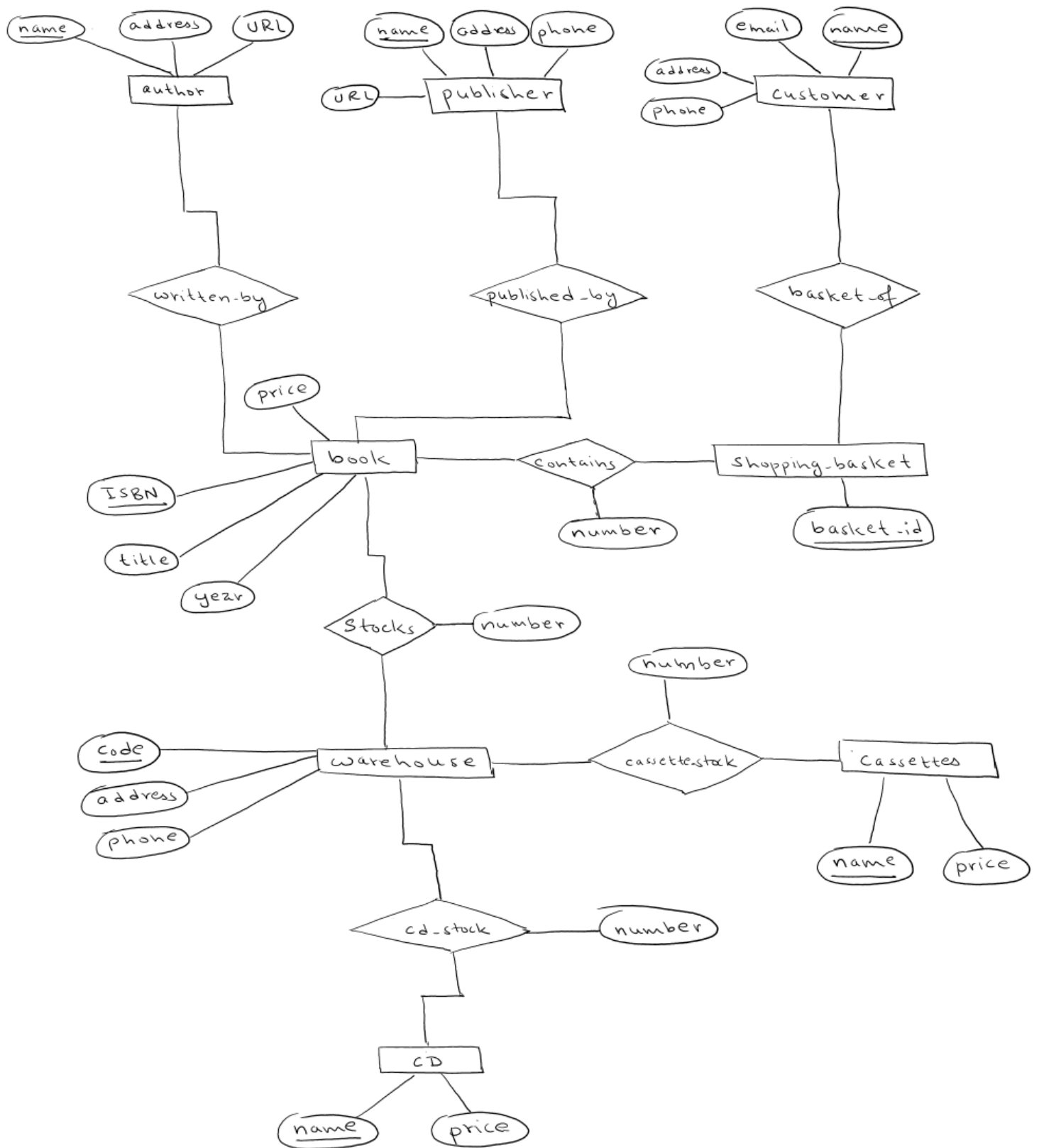
(a) List the entity sets and their primary keys.

→ Entity sets and primary keys:

1. author (name, address, URL)
PRIMARY KEY (name)
 2. publisher (name, address, phone, URL)
PRIMARY KEY (name)
 3. customer (email, name, address, phone)
PRIMARY KEY (email)
 4. book (ISBN, title, year, price)
PRIMARY KEY (ISBN)
 5. warehouse (code, address, phone)
PRIMARY KEY (code)
 6. shopping-basket (basketID)
PRIMARY KEY (basketID)
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(b) Suppose the bookstore adds music cassettes and compact disks to its collection. The same music may be present in cassette or compact disk format, with different prices. Extend the E-R diagram to model this addition, ignoring the effect on shopping baskets.

→ Extended E-R:



(c) Now extend the ER Diagram, using generalisation, to model the case where a shopping basket may contain an combination of books, music cassettes, or compact disks.

→ Extended ER using Generalisation:

