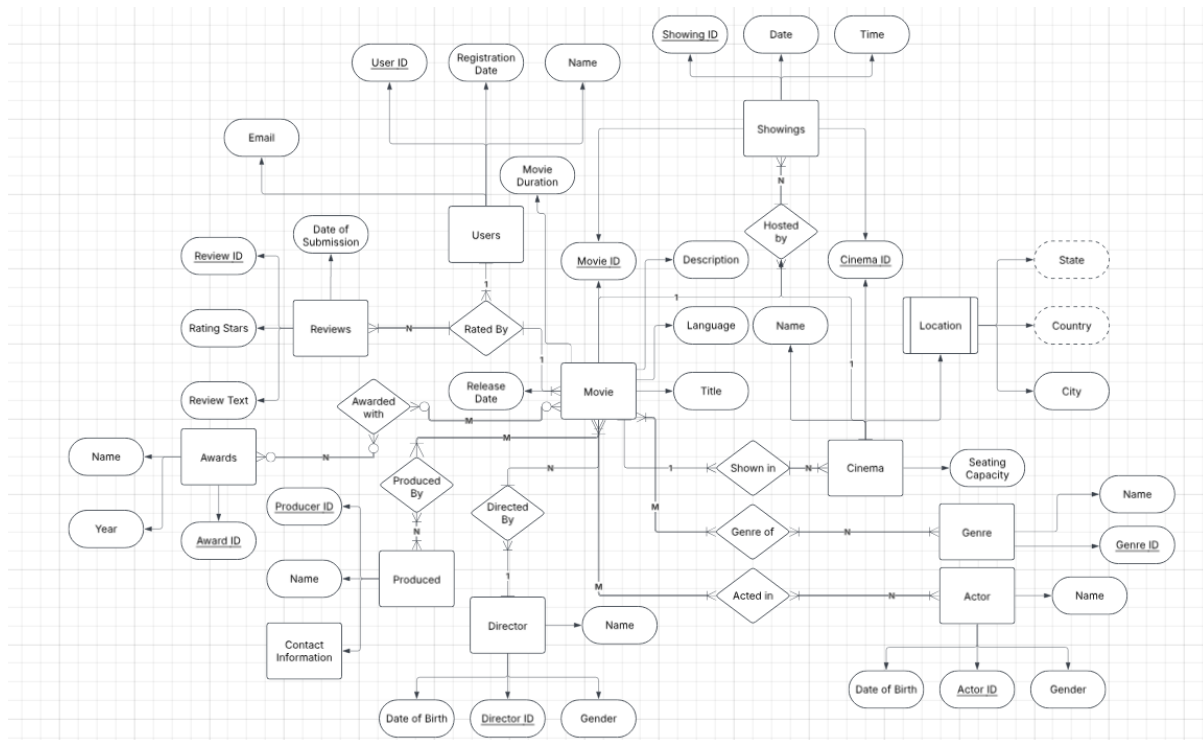


## Q9 ) ER Diagram for Movie Database System



## Explanation of the ER Diagram

My ER diagram represents a **Movie Database System**, incorporating all the required entities and relationships efficiently. The key components are:

### 1. **Movie:**

- Each movie has a unique **Movie ID, Title, Release Date, Genre, Language, and Description**.
- Movies can belong to multiple genres (**many-to-many** relationship).
- Each movie has a **Movie Duration** attribute.

### 2. **Actors:**

- Each actor has a unique **Actor ID, Name, Date of Birth, and Gender**.
- The **Acted In** relationship represents a **many-to-many** connection between movies and actors.

### 3. **Directors:**

- Each director has a unique **Director ID, Name, Date of Birth, and Gender**.
- A director can direct multiple movies, but each movie is directed by only one director (**one-to-many** relationship).

### 4. **Producers:**

- Each producer has a **Producer ID, Name, and Contact Information**.
- Movies are produced by multiple producers (**many-to-many** relationship).

### 5. **Genres:**

- Each genre has a **Genre ID and Name**.
- A movie can belong to multiple genres, and each genre can be associated with multiple movies (**many-to-many** relationship).

### 6. **Reviews and Users:**

- Each user has a **User ID, Name, Email, and Registration Date**.
- Users can submit multiple reviews, where each review contains a **Review ID, Rating Stars, Review Text, and Date of Submission**.
- The **Rated By** relationship connects **Users to Reviews**, and **Reviews to Movies** (**one-to-many relationship** from user to reviews and **one-to-one** from review to movie).

### 7. **Cinemas and Showings:**

- Each cinema has a **Cinema ID, Name, Location** (City, State, Country), and **Seating Capacity**.

- Movies are shown in cinemas through **Showings**, which include a **Showing ID**, **Date**, and **Time**.
- The **Hosted By** relationship connects **Showings** to **Cinemas** (**many-to-one** relationship).

8. **Awards:**

- Each award has an **Award ID**, **Name**, and **Year**.
  - Movies can win multiple awards (**many-to-many** relationship).
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## Design Choices and Justifications

1. **Many-to-Many Relationships:**

- Movies can have multiple actors and genres.
- Multiple producers can be associated with a movie.
- Movies can win multiple awards.

2. **One-to-Many Relationships:**

- A director directs multiple movies, but a movie has only one director.
- A cinema hosts multiple showings, but each showing is linked to a single cinema.

3. **Entities vs. Attributes:**

- **Awards** are treated as a separate entity rather than an attribute of a movie, allowing multiple movies to win the same award.
- **Genres** are separate from movies to avoid redundancy.
- **Showings** are treated as a separate entity to accommodate multiple screenings of the same movie at different times and locations.

4. **Data Redundancy Reduction:**

- **Users** and **Reviews** are separate to prevent duplication of user data.
- **Location** is modeled as a separate component inside **Cinema** to maintain structured data.