

# Tutorial 2 Data Models



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2) how to convert them into key-value data model? Give one possible solution.

#### Ans:

Step 1: (Left) join Table 1 and Table 2 using attribute A3, so that we have a bigger table T3(A1, A2, A3, B1, B2).

**Step 2: Key: A1 Value: A2;A3;B1;B2** 

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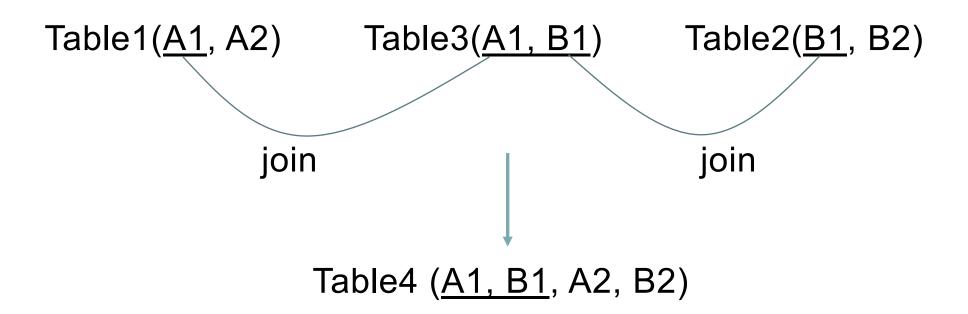
Table1(<u>A1</u>, A2)

Table2(<u>B1</u>, B2)

Table3(<u>A1, B1</u>)

Please give one possible way to convert the above relational model into key-value model. (You may assume that the query is always issued with respect to A1,B1)

Given the following relational schema containing three tables (primary keys are underlined):



Assume that the user is interested in querying the information for the combination of (A1,B1), then

**Key**: A1;B1

Value: A2;B2.

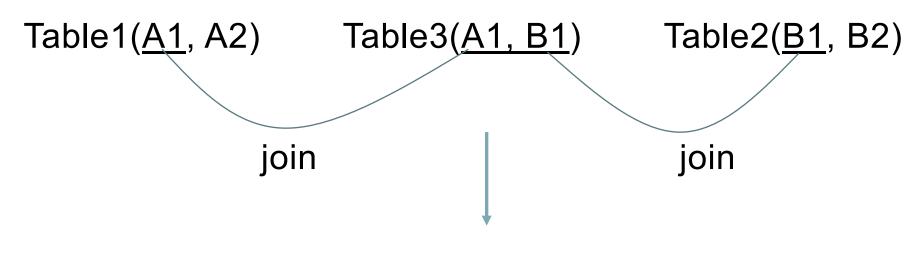


Table4 (A1, B1, A2, B2)

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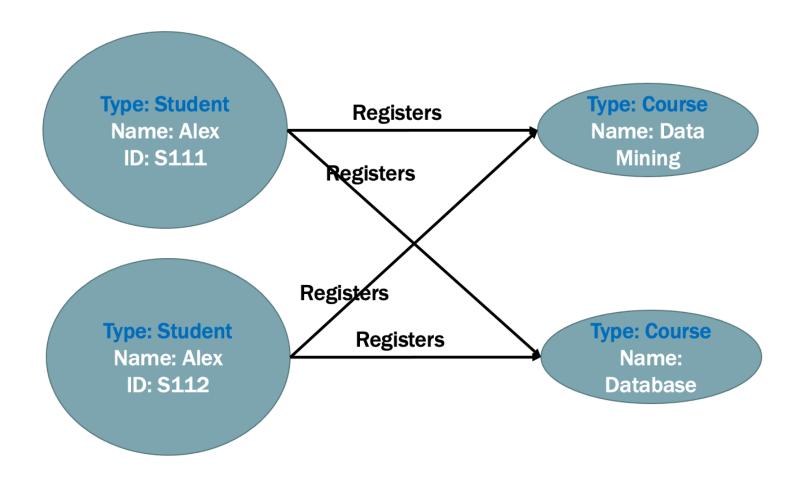
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Ans: Key-value model can be trivially converted into a relation as follows

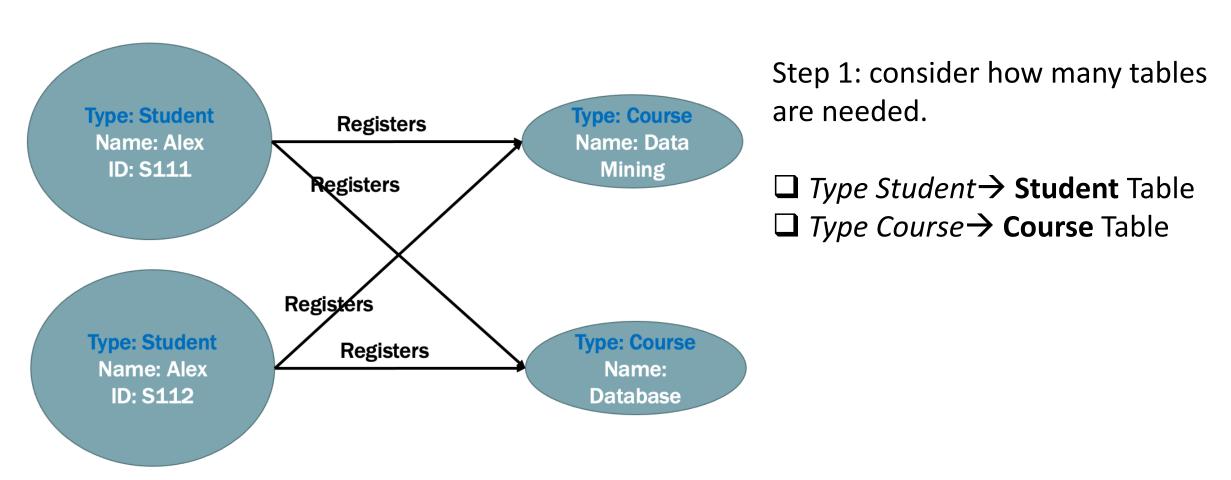
Table(<u>key</u>, value)

Note: This solution, however, is not able to uncover any schema that exists in **value**.

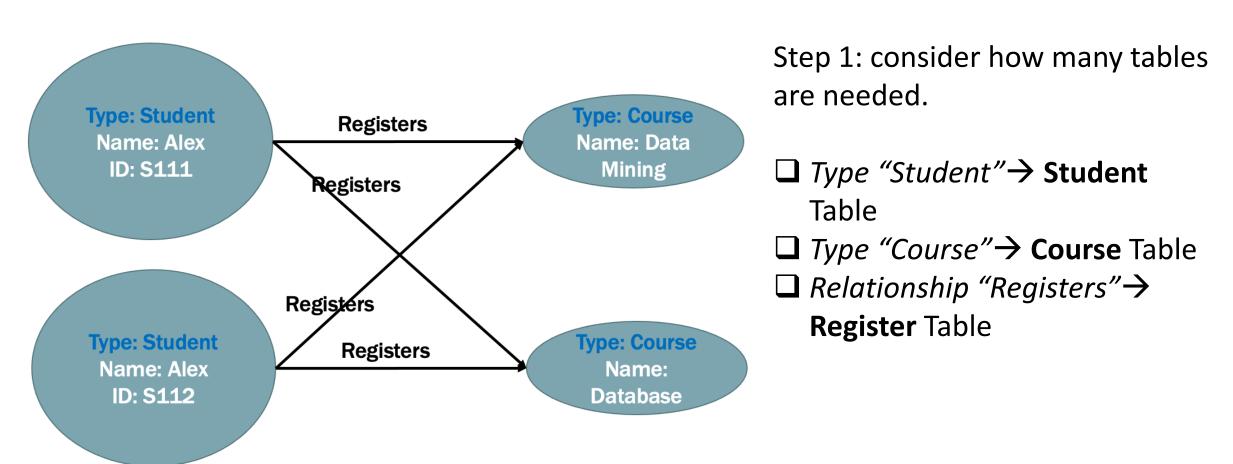
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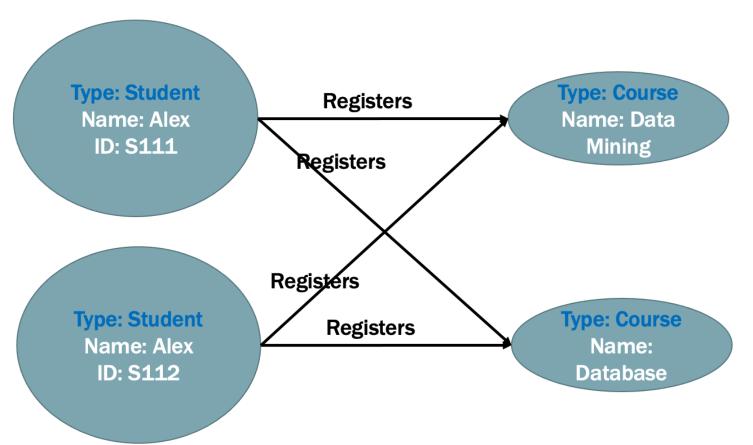
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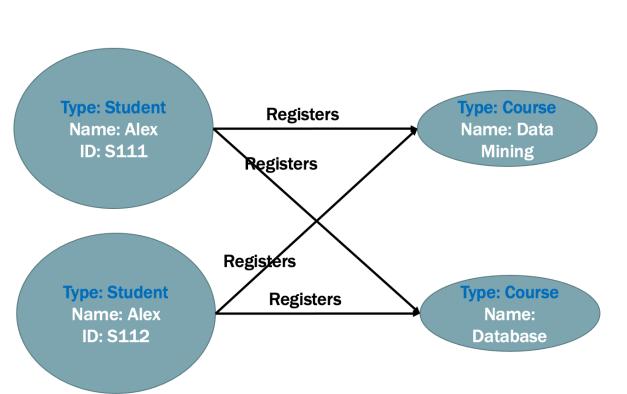


Step 2: find attributes for each table.

Student (Name, <u>ID</u>)

Course (Name)

Register (StudentID, CourseName)



#### Student

ID	Name
S111	Alex
S112	Alex

#### Course

Name	
Data Mining	
Database	

#### Register

StudentID	Name
S111	Data Mining
S111	Database
S112	Data Mining
<b>S112</b>	Database

Why we need the graph model? Discuss it from the physical storage's perspective.

Ans: Graphs can be stored in the order based on adjacency list. In fundamental graph related operations such as graph traversal, the data access order aligns with the adjacency list. In contrast, relational tables often require costly "join" for these operations.

**Example**: Reconsider the example for Q4, we have two students S1, S2, and two courses C1, C2.

Nodes: S1, S2, C1, C2; Edges: (S1, C1), (S1, C2), (S2, C1), (S2, C2)

#### **Adjacency list:**

S1's neighbor list: C1, C2

S2's neighbor list: C1, C2

C1's neighbor list: S1, S2 (if we do not consider the edge direction)

C2's neighbor list: S1, S2 (if we do not consider the edge direction)