



# INFO20003 Database Systems

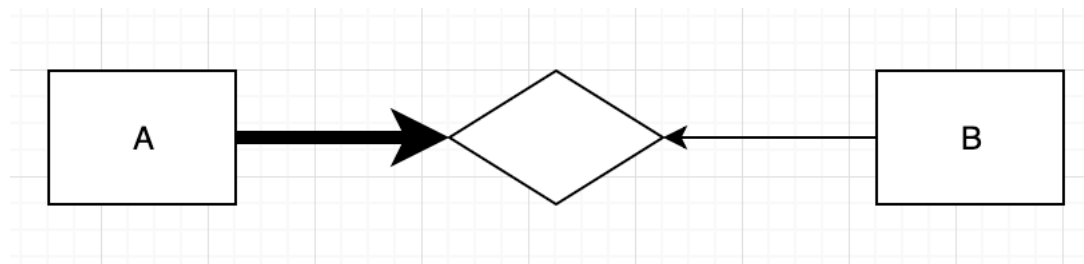
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Tutorial 4  
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- 1. Quiz - 2min**
- 2. Questions remained and Notice - 3min**
- 3. Additional concepts in ER modeling - 10min**
- 4. Simple case study - 15min**
- 5. Bus company case study – conceptual and logical modelling - 30min**
- 6. Lab - 1 hour**

1. Transforming following conceptual model to logical model, to remain relationship, which side of entity should we add foreign key to?



**A side** !!! WHY: to remain participating constraint

Logical Model:

A (AID, ... , BID<sup>FK</sup>)

B (BID, ...)

Physical Model: make BID<sup>FK</sup> not null

**1. Can a weak entity relies on another weak entity?**

**A:** Yes! Employee <- Dependents <- multiple phones

1. Assignment 1 has released - LMS Assessments

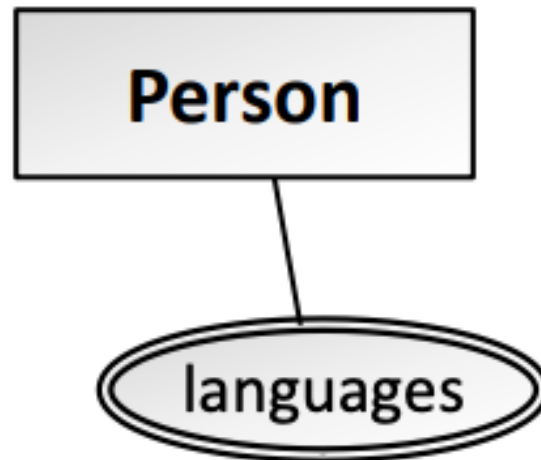
2. due date: **6:00pm Friday 10 April**

3. Tips:

- Try modeling practice first - LMS Practice on your own
- Read case study multiple times before designing
- Derive from case study not real world examples
- Subjective process, many possible solutions
- Every time make a choice, list assumptions (400 words)
- Carefully follow the rules about transforming models

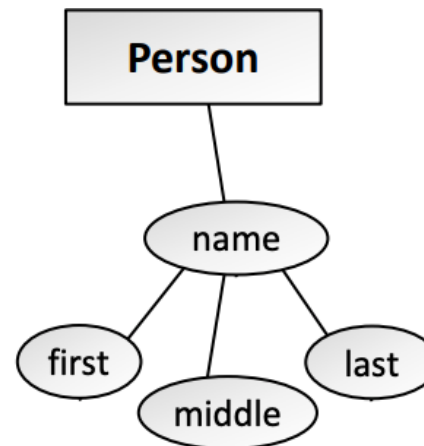
## Multivalued and composite attributes

- **Multivalued attributes:**
- more than one value at the same time.
- phone numbers, skills, languages spoken
- draw using a **double outline**



## Multivalued and composite attributes

- **Composite attributes:**
- multiple components and can be broken down into multiple attributes.
- name that can be stored as first name and last name.
- draw by **branching the sub-attributes off the composite attribute**



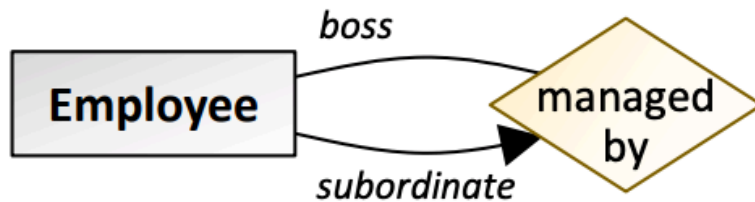


## Unary relationships

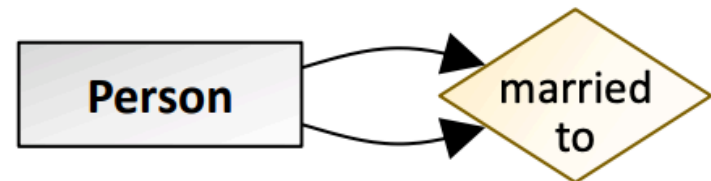
- between an entity and **itself**
- between multiple instances of the same entity
- have different cardinalities and constraints just like ordinary binary relationships
- When having different constraints, label the ends to make it clear what the constraints apply to



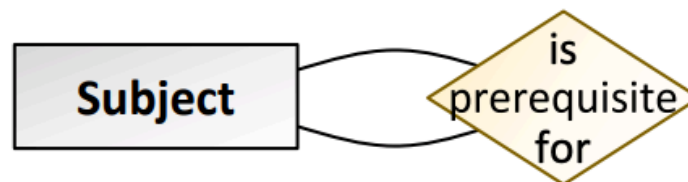
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*One-to-many unary relationship*



*One-to-one unary relationship*



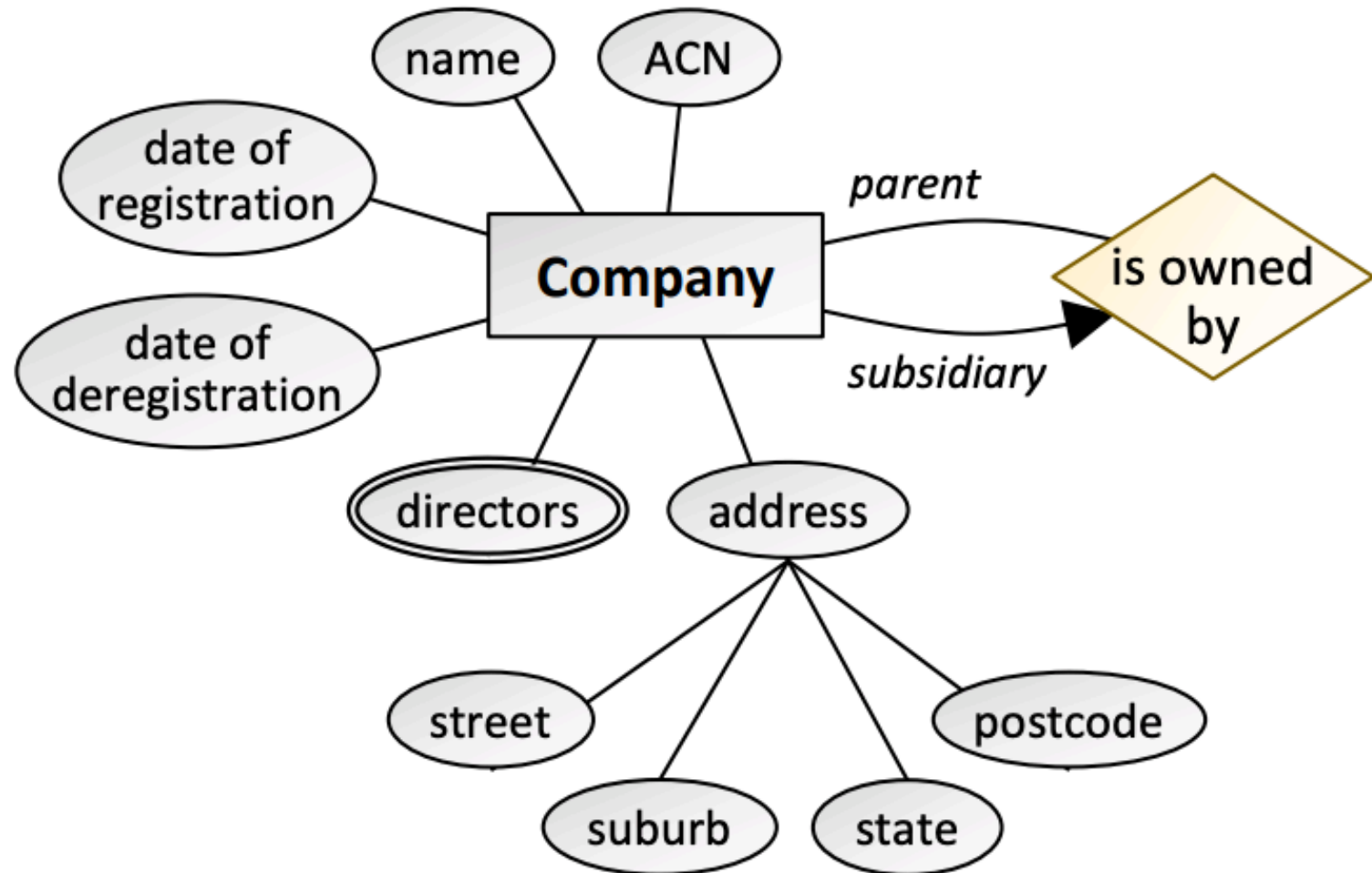
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**Any questions?**

**Australia's corporate regulator, ASIC, stores a range of information about every Australian company, including the name, the nine-digit ACN (Australian Company Number), the date of registration and deregistration, and the names of the company's directors. Every company has a registered address, made up of the street address, suburb, state and postcode. A company may be owned by another company; in this situation ASIC keeps track of the company's parent company.**

**Q: Use this information to model a “company” entity using Chen's notation**



**A bus company owns a number of buses. Each bus is allocated to a particular route, although some routes may have several buses. Each route passes through a number of towns. One or more drivers are allocated to each stage of a route, which corresponds to a journey through some or all of the towns on a route. Some of the towns have a depot where buses are kept – each bus always returns to its allocated depot at the end of the day.**

**Each of the buses is identified by its registration number and can carry different numbers of passengers, since the vehicles vary in size and can be single or double-decked. Each route is identified by a route number and information is available on the average number of passengers carried per day for each route. Drivers have an employee number, name, address, and sometimes a telephone number, and the names of the training courses they have completed need to be stored.**



a. Identify the **entities**.

- Bus
- Rout
- Stage
- Town
- Depot
- Driver

b. Identify the relationships (use business rules to identify relationships). State all the key constraints and participation constraints.

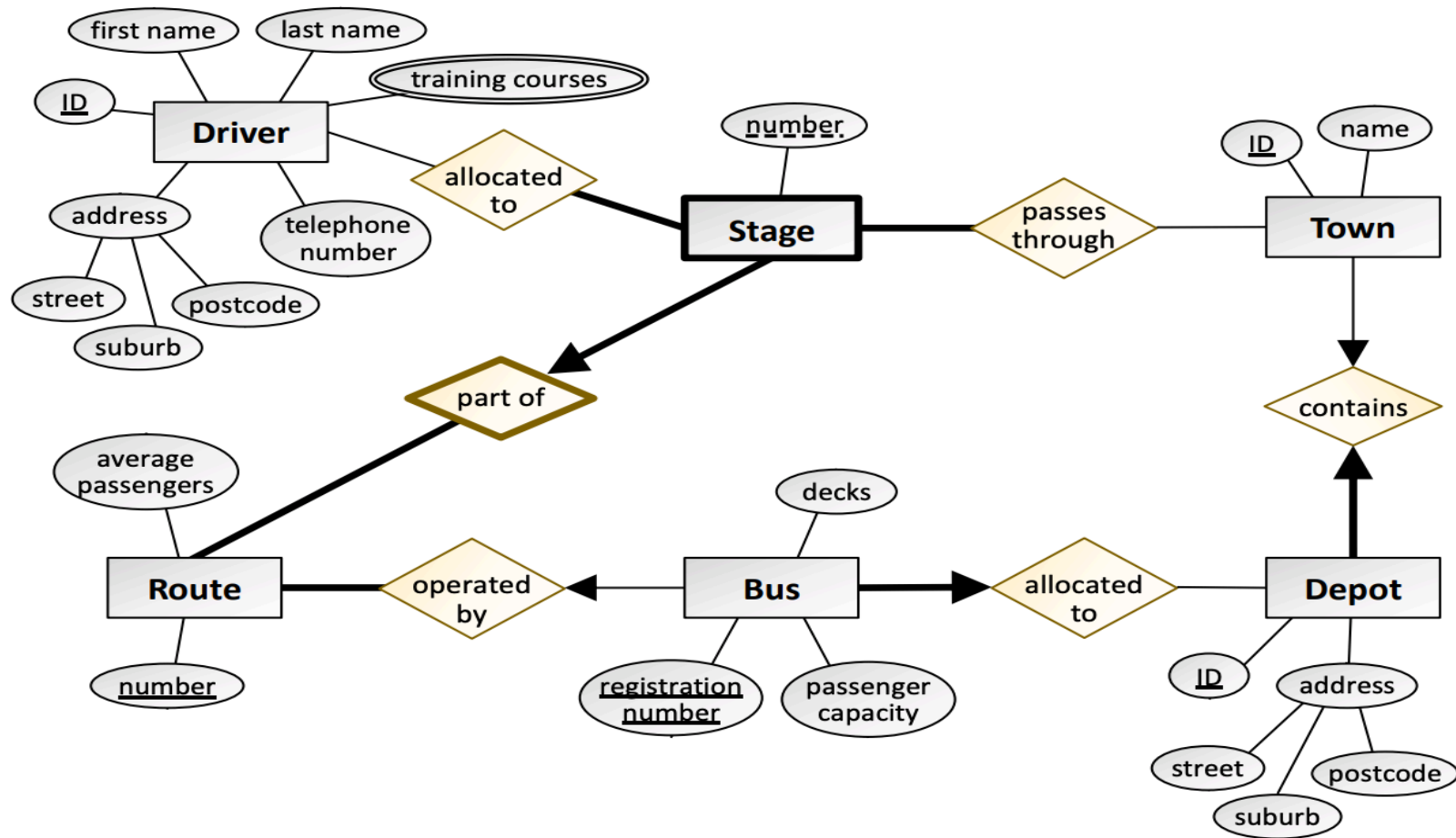
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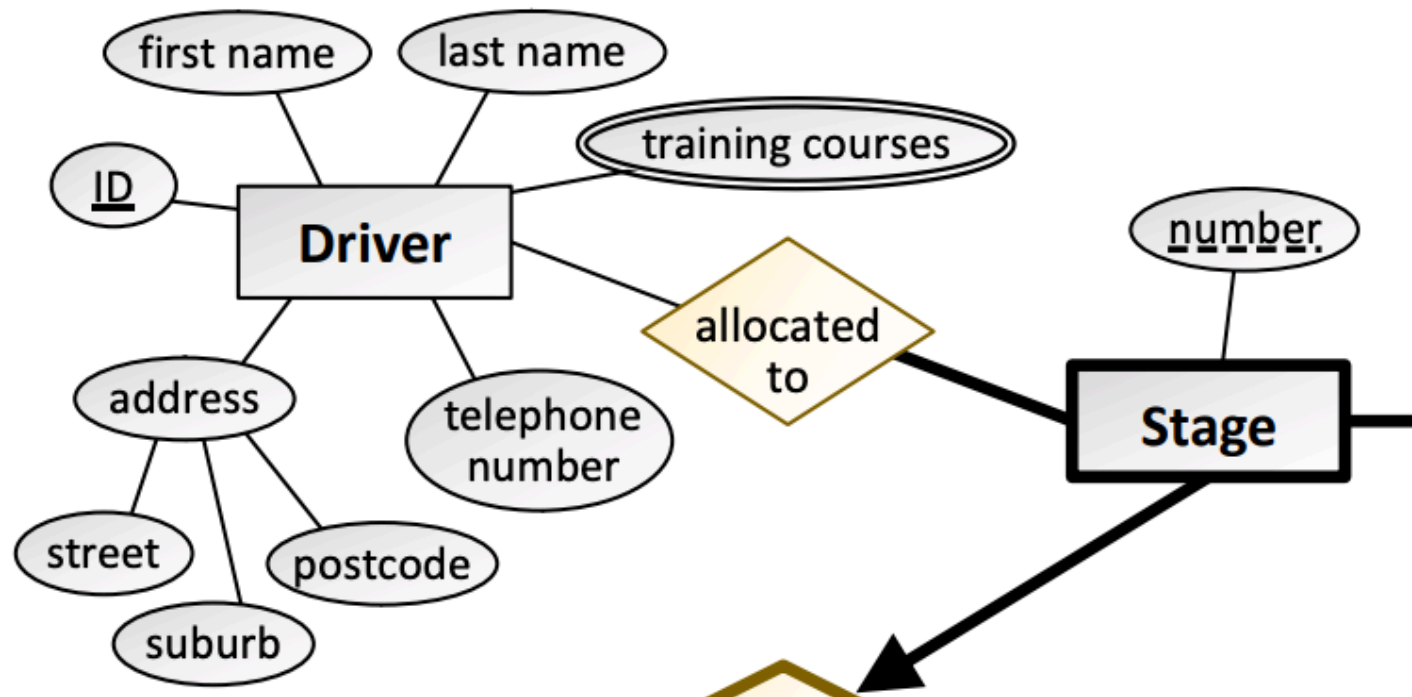
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c. Draw a **conceptual model** and populate entities with appropriate attributes (use Chen's notation).



d. Discuss the **logical modeling** of the Driver entity.





1. resolve multivalued and composite attributes
2. Resolve relationships

Driver (DriverID, FirstName, LastName, AddressStreet, AddressSuburb,  
AddressPostcode, PhoneNumber)

DriverTrainingCourses (<sup>FK</sup>DriverID, TrainingCourseName)



DriverAllocatedToStage (<sup>FK</sup>DriverID, <sup>FK</sup>RouteNumber, <sup>FK</sup>StageNumber)

Stage (<sup>FK</sup>RouteNumber, StageNumber)

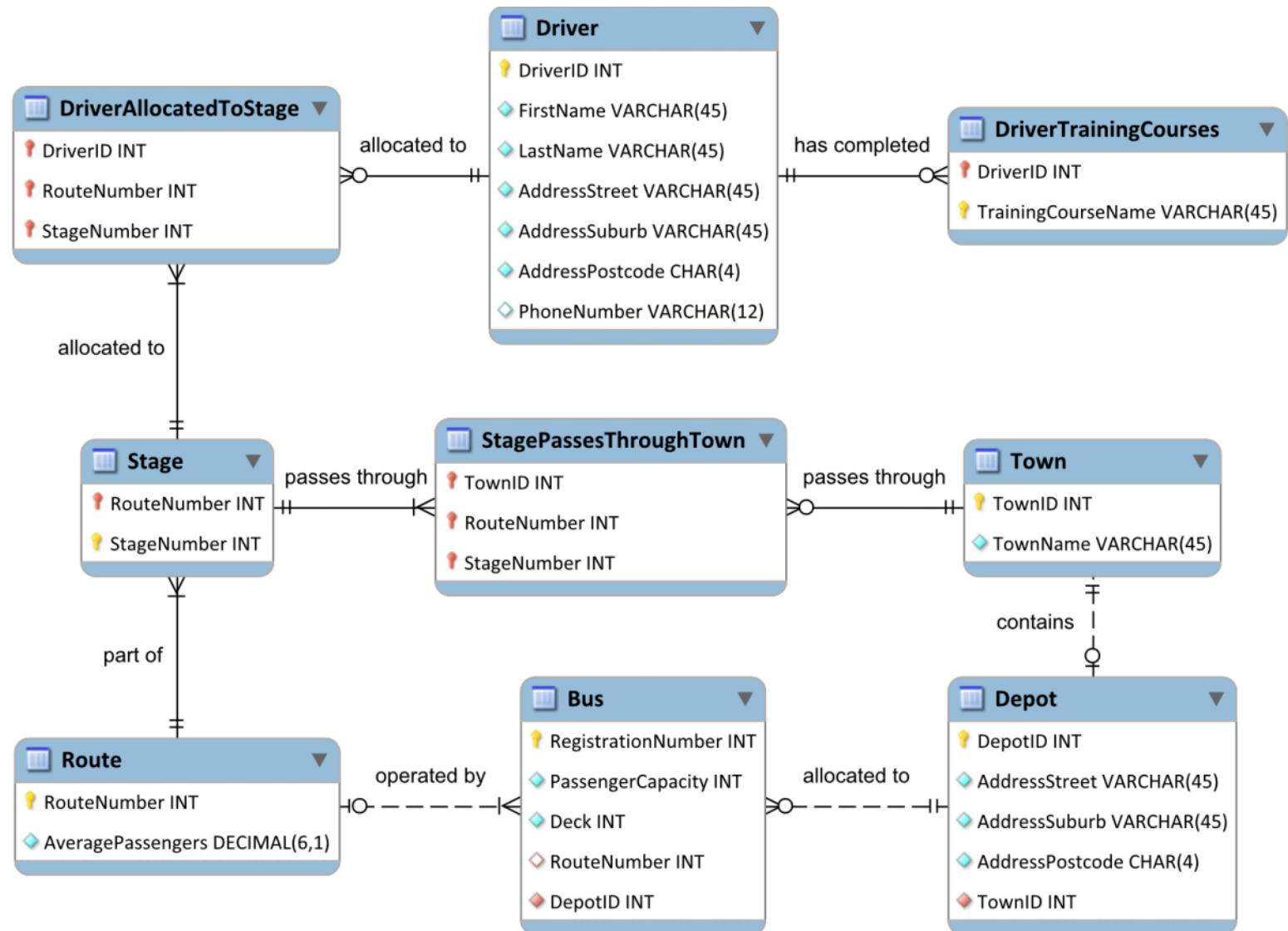
Town (TownID, TownName)

StagePassesThroughTown (<sup>FK</sup>TownID, <sup>FK</sup>RouteNumber, <sup>FK</sup>StageNumber)

Route (RouteNumber, AveragePassengers)

Bus (RegistrationNumber, PassengerCapacity, Make, Deck, <sup>FK</sup>RouteNumber, <sup>FK</sup>DepotID)

Depot (DepotID, AddressStreet, AddressSuburb, AddressPostcode, <sup>FK</sup>TownID)





**Any questions?**



## Please refer to Lab 4 on LMS

Let me know if you encounter with  
any problem

**ER Modelling with MySQL Workbench**