ERD Mapping Relational Algebra SQL

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Logical design rules

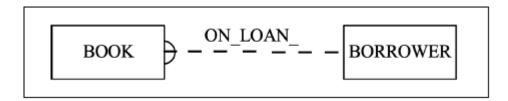
The basis of logical design is to **minimise the number of separate tables** needed to represent a database design without the need to use **null values** to indicate values that are not relevant.

STEP 1: DERIVING SKELETON TABLES

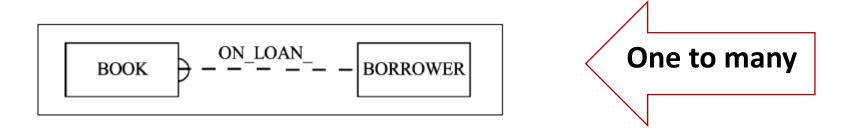
1.1 Each entity from E - R diagram becomes a table.

1.2 Relationships

The objective of this step is to represent the relationships using as few tables as possible but being careful not to require the storage of null values.



...Some borrowers have no books on loan and some books are not on loan...



One possible approach: Each relationship becomes a relation with **two** domains: the identifiers of the entities related.

BOOK

<u>NO</u>	TITLE
001	• • • • • • •
002	
003	
004	• • • • • •

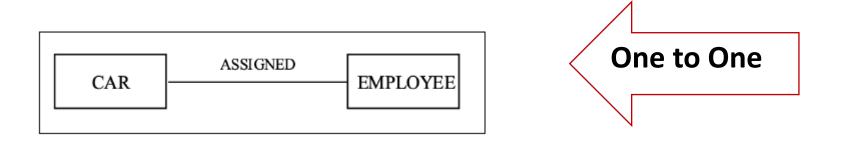
ON_LOAN_TO

BOOK	BOR
001	A12
002	A13
003	A14
004	A14

BORROWER

<u>NO</u>	NAME
A12	• • • • • •
A13	• • • • • •
A14	• • • • • •
A15	

This borrower has no books on loan, so is an optional relationship on borrower.



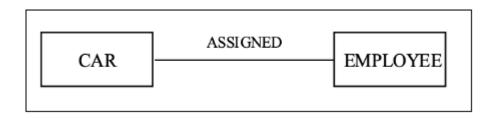
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CAR

<u>REG</u>	MAKE
EK70 VWB	FORD
DR69 NLM	VW
FG70 WMO	HONDA

EMPLOYEE

<u>NO</u>	NAME
0035	BILL
0124	FRED
0103	JIM



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EMP_CAR

NO	NAME	REG	MAKE
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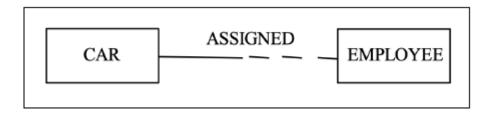
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Problem: Null Values



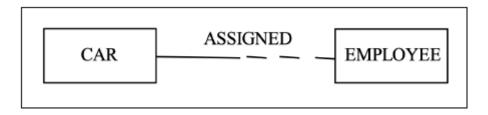
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0111	MIKE	NULL	NULL
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Solution



...every car in the pool is assigned to a specific employee. Most employees are not provided with cars.

A better solution: post the identifier of the non-obligatory entity to the obligatory entity and maintain two tables.

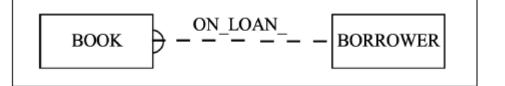
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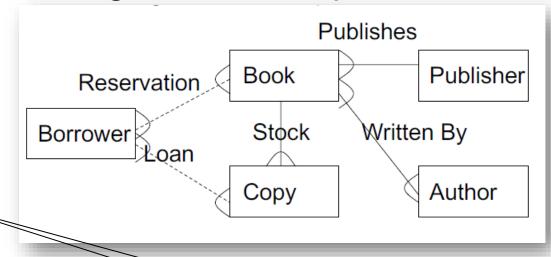
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ERD to Relations - Design rules example



• Entities:

Identifiers

- Borrower (Borrower #,) Book (ISBN,)
- Copy (Accession #,) Publisher (<u>Pub-Code</u>,)
- Author (<u>Author #</u>,)

Name	Entities	Degree	Optionality
Loan	Copy,Borrower	N:M	Optional on both
Reservation	Book, Borrower	N:M	Optional on both
Stock	Book, Copy	1:N	Obligatory on both
Publishes	Publisher, Book	1:N	Obligatory on both
Written_By	Author, Book	N:M	Obligatory on both

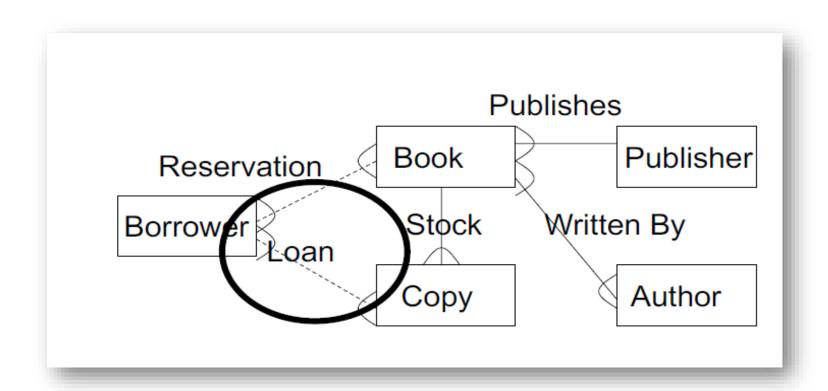


Table structures:

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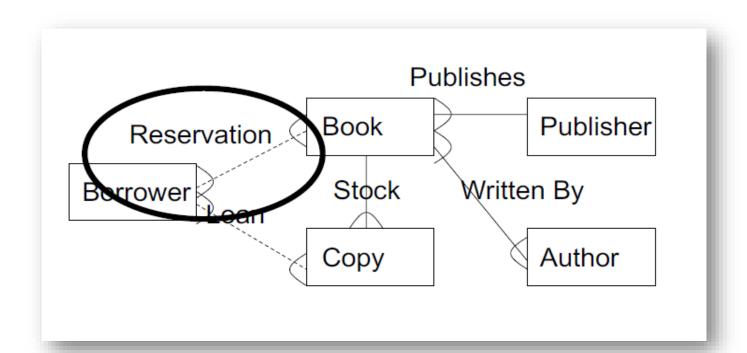


Table Structures

- **Borrower** (Borrower #,)
- **Book** (<u>ISBN</u>,)
- **Copy** (<u>Accession</u>#,)
- Publisher (Pub-Code,)
- **Author** (<u>Author#</u>,)
- Loan (Borrower#, Accession #)
- **Reservation** (Borrower#, ISBN)

This yields

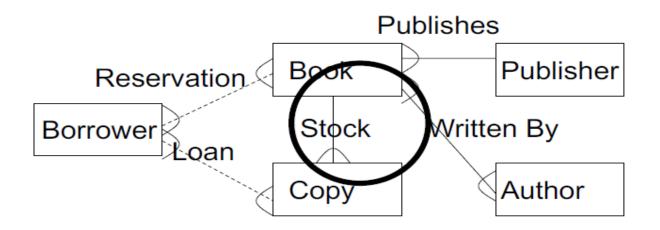


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Book (ISBN,)

Copy (Accession #,)

Publisher (Pub-Code,)

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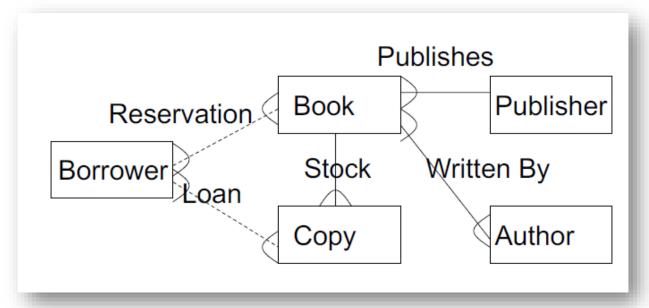


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Book (ISBN, Pub-Code,.....)

Copy (Accession#, ISBN..)

Publisher (Pub-Code,)

Author (<u>Author #,</u>)

Loan (Borrower#, Accession #)

Reservation (Borrower#, ISBN)

Written-by (Author #, ISBN)

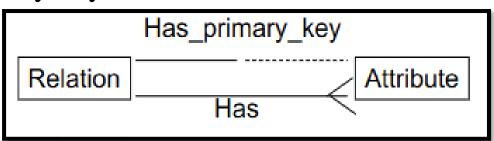
Finally: Adding the attributes

STEP: ASSIGN THE ATTRIBUTES

- **Borrower** (Borrower #, Borrower-Name, Borrower-Address)
- **Book** (<u>ISBN</u>, Title, Date, Pub-Code)
- Copy (Accession #, ISBN, Price)
- **Publisher** (<u>Pub-Code</u>, Pub-Name)
- **Author** (Author#, Author-Name)
- Loan (Borrower#, Accession #)
- **Reservation** (Borrower#, ISBN)
- Written-by (Author#, ISBN)

...each relation has a name, an owner and a number of attributes. Each attribute has a name and a data type. Every relation has one attribute that acts as the primary key for the relation

Conceptual model:



Entities: Relation (R_id, Name, Owner)

Attribute: (A_id, Name, Data_type)

Relationships:

Name	Entities	Degree	Optionality
Has	Relation, Attribute	1:N	Obligatory on both
Has_Primary_Key	Relation, Attribute		Optional on Attribute Obligatory on Relation

Logical model:

Tables: Relation (<u>R_id</u>, Name, Owner, A_id) Attribute(<u>A_id</u>, Name, Data_type, R_id)

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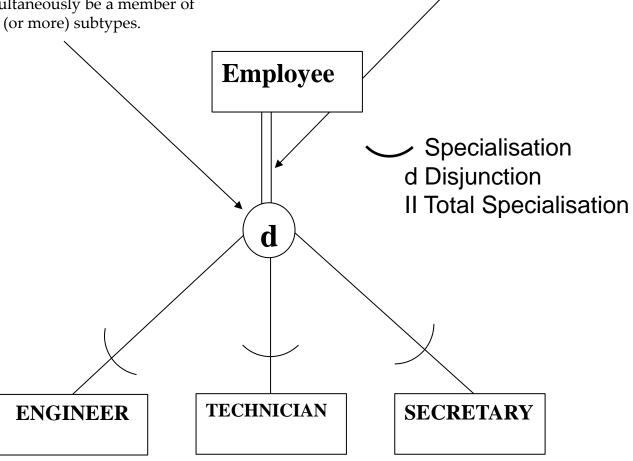
Specialisation is the process of defining a set of subclasses. There may be several specialisations of the same entity type

Disjoint rule

A rule that specifies that an instance of a supertype may not simultaneously be a member of two (or more) subtypes.

Total specialization rule

A rule that specifies that each entity instance of a supertype must be a member of some subtype in the relationship.

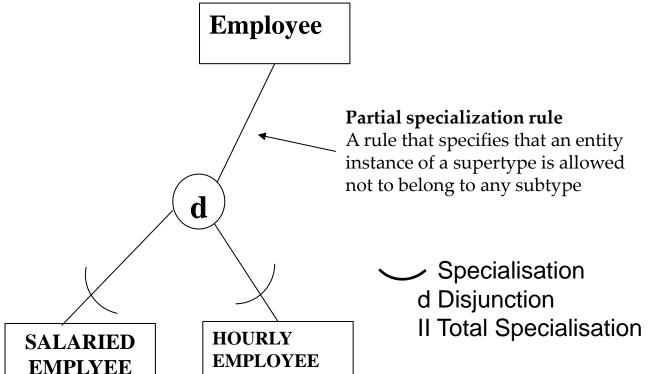


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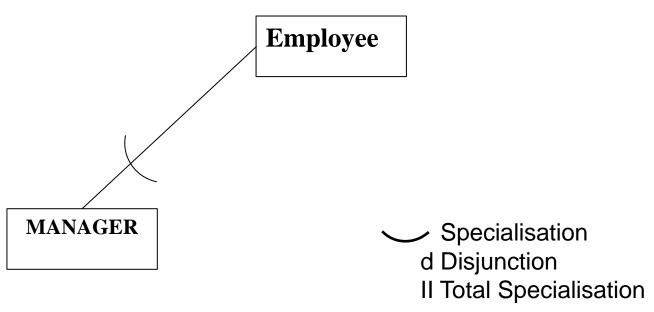


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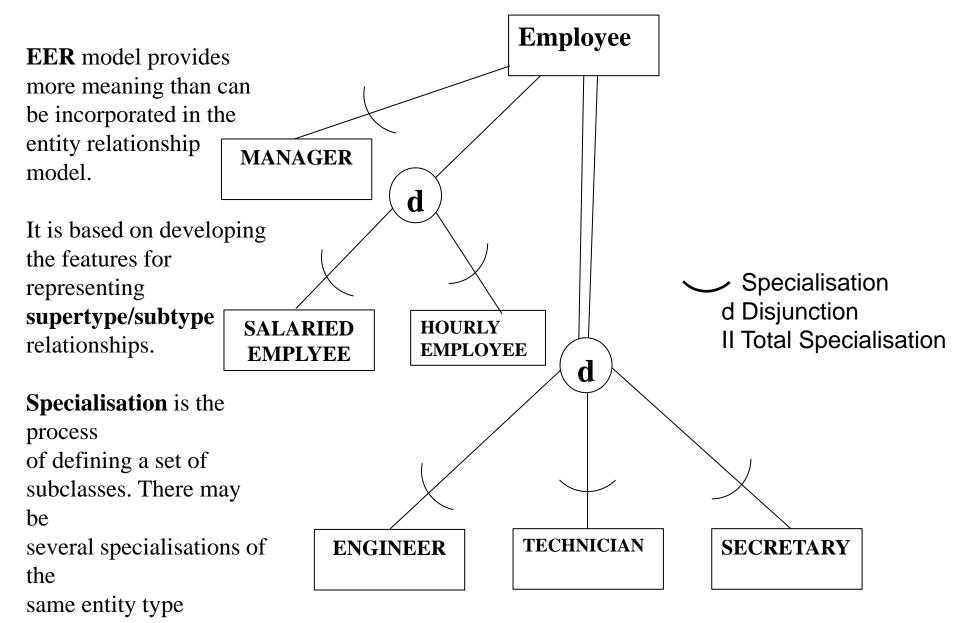
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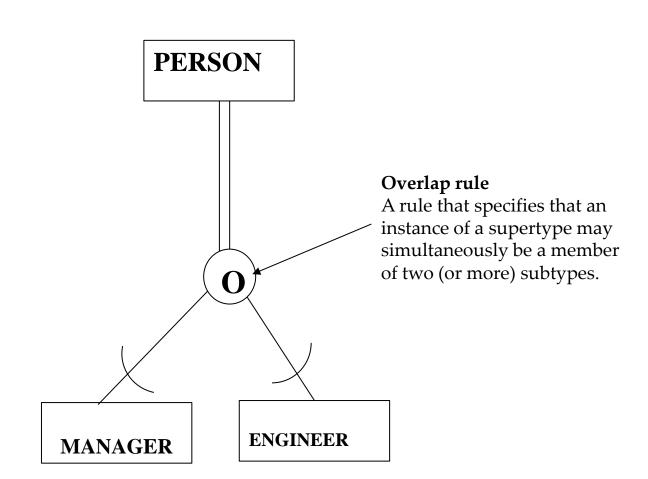


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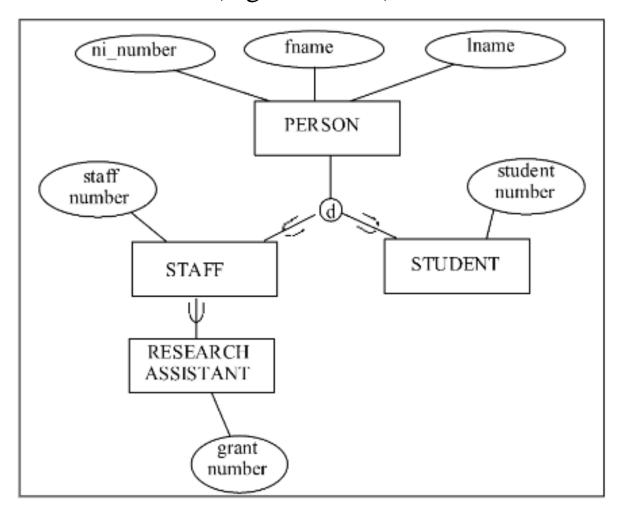
Subsets may overlap.

In this example
PERSONS are
specialized as either
ENGINEERS or
MANAGERS but some
people are both engineers
and managers.



Converting extended entity relationship model to a relational schema (logical model)

There are three possibilities for converting super-type/sub-type entities to a relational schema (logical model).



Separate Relations

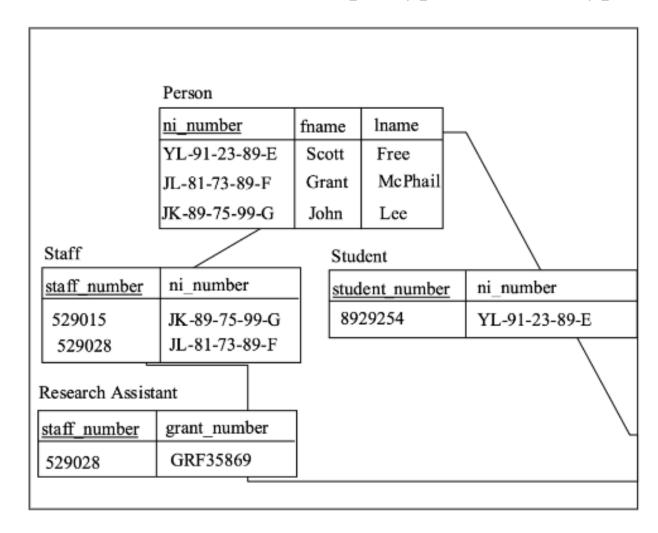
• Create separate relations for the super-type and sub-type entities. Post the identifiers from the super-type to the sub-type

Advantage:

No null values

Disadvantage:

Generates many tables



Single Relation

Create a single relation for each subtype. Post the attributes from the super-type to each of the sub-types concerned.

Advantage:

No null values

Disadvantage:

Many tables (one less that the previous method

Student

student_number	ni_number	fname	lname
8929254	YL-91-23-89-E	Scott	Free

Staff

staff_number	ni_number	fname	lname
529015	JK-89-75-99-G	John	Lee

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Research Assistant

staff_number	grant_number	ni_number	fname	lname
529028	GRF35869	JL-81-73-89-F	Grant	McPhail

Single relation with UNION

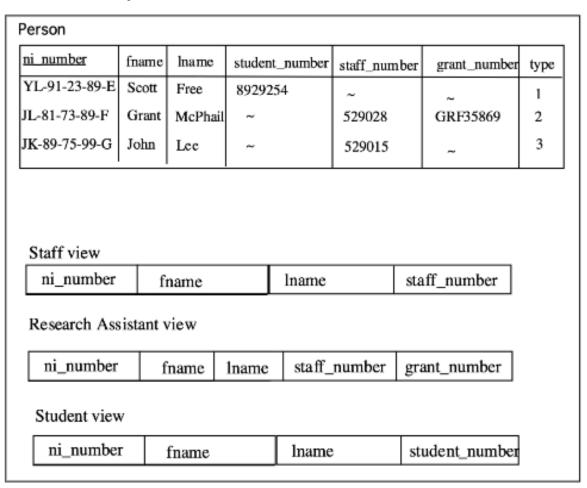
Create a single relation that has the union of all the attributes from the super- type and each of the sub-types. Add in a separate attribute to denote the type of each entity instance

Advantage:

Single relation

Disadvantage:

Multiple null values



Relational Algebra

- The *relational algebra* is a theoretical language
 - It is the theoretical basis of query languages such as SQL.
 - It contains operators that work on one or more relations.
 - These operators give us the means to construct new relations from given ones.
 - It is similar in some ways to ordinary arithmetic (often called algebra when dealing with variables rather than explicit numbers).
- For example, with numbers we can write the following:

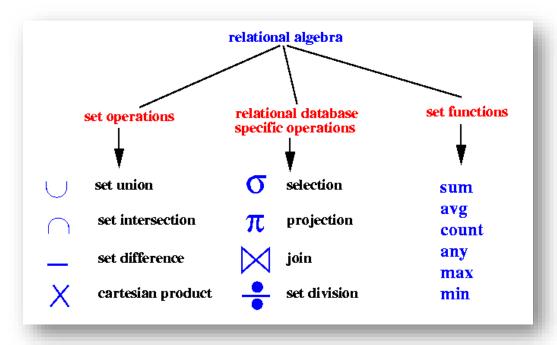
$$5 + 9$$
 $(5 + 9) * 3$
 -7
 $(x + y) / 4$

Relational operators

- In 1972, Edward Codd proposed eight operators (though others have been introduced since then).
- All of these can be expressed in terms of five *fundamental* operators:
 - Restriction
 - Projection
 - Union (or Addition)
 - Difference
 - Cartesian Product
- The three other operators are really shortcuts for frequently used combinations of the fundamental operators. They are:
 - Join
 - (Intersection and Division these are not covered in this course)

A note about notation

- There is no standard notation for the relational algebra operators
- The text books vary.
- Ritchie uses a rather verbose set of keywords, whereas Connolly and Begg stick to Codd's original, very mathematical notation.
- You are allowed to use any recognised syntax in your own assessed work.



Data Manipulation

- Manipulation in the relational model is by a set of operators known as relational algebra.
- There are a number of operators available but three are of particular interest.

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RESTRICT σ (Sigma)
PROJECT π (Pi)
JOIN (Natural Join)
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- Some other operators:
 - UNION U (Union)
 - **DIFFERENCE** (Minus)
 - CAERTISAN PRODUCT × (Cross Product)

Relational algebra helps us to understand SQL.

Restrict

Restrict

FILM

Film_id	Title	Release_year	Dir_id
f1	Waterworld	1995	d1
f2	Land and Freedom	1995	d2
f3	The Big Sleep	1946	d3
f4	Today We Live	1933	d3
f5	Jurassic Park 2	null	null

RECENT_FILMS

Release_year > 1990

G is the symbol for restrict

RECENT_FILMS

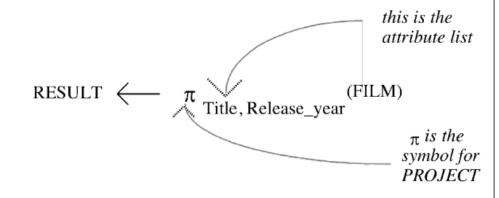
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Restrict: gives a horizontal 'slice' of a relation.

Project

FILM

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RESULT

Title	Release_year
Waterworld	1995
Land and Freedom	1995
The Big Sleep	1946
Today We Live	1933
Jurassic Park 2	null

Project gives a
vertical
'slice' of a relation

Restriction

- The restriction operator works on a single relation *R* and defines a new relation that contains only those rows of *R* that satisfy some specified condition, *C*.
- We denote the restriction operation as follows:

RESTRICT R TO C

• The restriction operator effectively produces a subset of a relation as shown below. The shading denotes rows that satisfy condition *C*.



Restriction Example

• List all staff with a salary greater than £20,000

STAFF							
Sno	Name	Position	Sex	DOB	Salary	Bno	
SL21	John White	Manager	Μ	1-Oct-45	30000	B5	•
SG37	Ann Beech	Snr. Asst.	F	10-Nov-60	12000	B3	
SG14	David Ford	Deputy	М	24-Mar-58	18000	B3	
SA9	Mary Howe	Assistant	F	19-Feb-70	9000	B7	
SG5	Susan Brand	Manager	F	3-Jun-40	24000	B3	•
SL41	Julie Lee	Assistant	F	13-Jun-65	9000	B5	

Required information



RESTRICT STAFF **TO** Salary > 20000 ⁴

Restriction operation



Sno	Name	Position	Sex	DOB	Salary	Bno
SL21	John White	Manager	М	01-Oct-45	30000	B5
SG5	Susan Brand	Manager	F	03-Jun-40	24000	В3

The result relation

Projection

- The projection operator works on a single relation *R* and defines a relation that contains a subset of the columns of *R* (and eliminates any duplicate rows that may result).
- We denote a projection operation as follows:

PROJECT ColumnList FROM R

• The projection operator works as follows. The shaded columns are the ones listed in *ColumnList*.



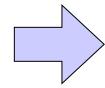
Projection Example 1

• Produce a list of salaries for all staff, showing only the *Sno*, *Name*, and *Salary* details

	STAFF						
Sno	Sno Name Position Sex DOB Salary B						
SL21	John White	Manager	М	1-Oct-45	30000	B5	
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PROJECT Sno, Name, Salary FROM STAFF



Sno	Name	Salary
SL21	John White	30000
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SL41	Julie Lee	9000

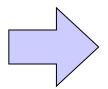
Projection Example 2

- Produce a list of the positions held within the organisation
 - Note that the result has fewer rows than the source relation. Why?

	STAFF						
Sno Name Position Sex DOB Salary						Bno	
SL21	John White	Manager	М	1-Oct-45	30000	B5	
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PROJECT Position **FROM** STAFF



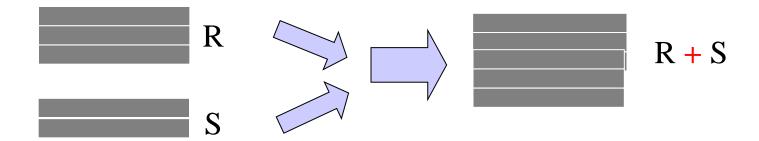
Position
Manager
Snr. Asst.
Deputy
Assistant

Union

- The *union* of two relations *R* and *S* is obtained by pooling their rows into one relation, duplicate rows being eliminated.
 - It operates on two relations.
- The input relations *R* and *S* must be *union-compatible* (explained later).
- We denote a union operation as follows:

$$R + S$$

• The union operation works as follows:



Union Example

• Query: construct a list of all cities where there is **either** a Branch **or** a Property.

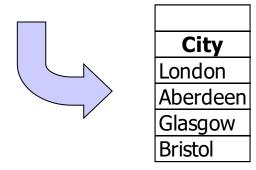
BRANCH							
Bno	Bno Street Area City Postcode						
B5	22 Deer St	Sidcup	London	SW1 4EH			
B7	16 Argyll St	Dyce	Aberdeen	AB2 3SU			
В3	163 Main St	Partick	Glasgow	G11 9QX			
B4	32 Manse Rd	Leigh	Bristol	BS99 1NZ			
В9	56 Clover Dr		London	NW10 6EU			

	PROPERTY						
Pno Street Area City Rent							
PA14	16 Holhead	Dee	Aberdeen	650.00			
PL94	6 Argyll St	Kilburn	London	400.00			
PG21	18 Dale Rd	Hyndland	Glasgow	600.00			





(**PROJECT** City **FROM** BRANCH) + (**PROJECT** City **FROM** PROPERTY)



Union Compatibility

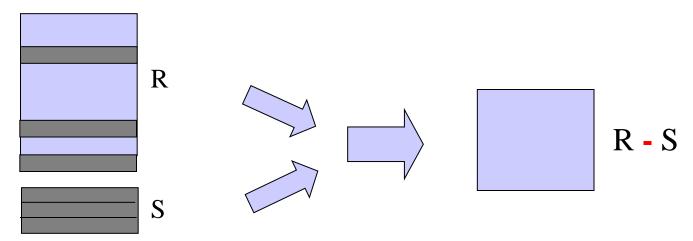
- The union operation can be applied only to relations which are *union* compatible.
 - Both relations must have the same degree (number of attributes).
 - Corresponding attributes must come from the same domain.
- For example, we cannot form the union of *BRANCH* and *PROPERTY*:
 - Both have 5 attributes, so that is ok.
 - But corresponding attributes do not all match (e.g. Postcode vs. Rent).
- We can sometimes solve union incompatibility problems by using *projection* (as in the previous example).

Difference

- The *difference* operator defines a relation consisting of all rows that are in relation *R*, but not in relation *S*.
 - It operates on two relations.
- As for the union operation, R and S must be *union-compatible*. (Why?)
- We denote a *difference* operation as follows:

$$R - S$$

• The difference operation works as follows:



Difference Example

• Query: construct a list of all cities where there is a Branch **but no** Property.

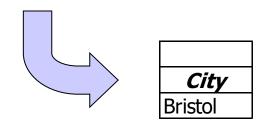
BRANCH						
Bno	Street	Area	City	Postcode		
B5	22 Deer St	Sidcup	London	SW1 4EH		
B7	16 Argyll St	Dyce	Aberdeen	AB2 3SU		
В3	163 Main St	Partick	Glasgow	G11 9QX		
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PG21	18 Dale Rd	Hyndland	Glasgow	600.00		





(PROJECT City FROM BRANCH) - (PROJECT City FROM PROPERTY)



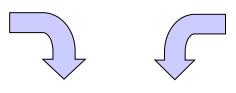
Cartesian Product

- Restriction and Projection allow us to get information out of a *single* relation.
- Union and Difference allow us to manipulate *two* relations vertically (i.e. combine or remove rows).
- We often need to *combine the rows of two relations* in order to relate rows in one relation to the corresponding rows in another relation.
 - This is the purpose of the *Cartesian product* operator
- The Cartesian product operator defines a relation that includes the concatenation of *every* row of relation *R* with *every* row of relation *S*.
 - In other words, it produces every possible combination of the rows of R and S.
- We denote a Cartesian product operation as follows: R * S

Cartesian Product Example

• This example does not solve any particular query. It is intended to illustrate how the basic Cartesian product operation works.

STAFF					
Sno	Dno				
SG86	Alan Hamilton	31			
SP52	Paul Kingston	49			
SJ12	Michael Smith	55			



DEPT					
Dno	Name	Rooms			
31	Computing Science	18			
49	Management	15			
55	Basket-weaving	3			



RESULT							
Sno	STAFF.Name	STAFF.Dno	DEPT.Dno	DEPT.Name	Rooms		
SG86	Alan Hamilton	31	31	Computing Science	18		
SG86	Alan Hamilton	31	49	Management	15		
SG86	Alan Hamilton	31	55	Basket-weaving	3		
SP52	Paul Kingston	49	31	Computing Science	18		
SP52	Paul Kingston	49	49	Management	15		
SP52	Paul Kingston	49	55	Basket-weaving	3		
SJ12	Michael Smith	55	31	Computing Science	18		
SJ12	Michael Smith	55	49	Management	15		
SJ12	Michael Smith	55	55	Basket-weaving	3		

Cartesian Product

- In effect, the Cartesian product operation joins the rows from the input relation to form *all possible combinations* of rows.
- How many rows and attributes is that?
- Since the two input relations may have attributes with the same name, it is necessary to avoid ending up with multiple like-named attributes in the result.
- This is avoided by prefixing the names of affected attributes with the names of the input relations:
 - Thus, in the previous example, we end up with STAFF.Dno and DEPT.Dno.
 - We also have STAFF.Name and DEPT.Name.

Using Cartesian Product

- We return to the example of the real estate agency.
- Query: list the names of renters who have viewed at least one property, together with the property number in question, and any comment.
- The input relations are shown below:

RENTER						
Rno Name Address						
CR76	John Kay	56 High St				
CR74	Mike Ritchie	18 Tain St				
CR62	Mary Tregear	5 Tarbot Rd				

VIEWING						
Pno Rno Date Time Comment						
PA14	CR74	21/2/97	09:00	too small		
PA14	CR76	21/2/97	11:15	no dining room		
PG21	CR74	15/6/97	03:45			
PL94	CR62	18/8/97	09:00	too remote		

• To perform this query we require renter names and numbers from the RENTER relation to be combined with the property number and comment information from the VIEWING relation

Using Cartesian Product - I

• Here is a first attempt at a solution:

R1 = **PROJECT** *Rno*, *Name* **FROM** RENTER

R2 = **PROJECT** *Pno*, *Rno*, *Comment* **FROM** VIEWING

RESULT1 = R1 * R2

• This is what the result looks like. What's wrong with it?

RESULT1						
RENTER.Rno	Name	Pno	VIEWING.Rno	Comment		
CR76	John Kay	PA14	CR74	too small		
CR76	John Kay	PA14	CR76	no dining room		
CR76	John Kay	PG21	CR74			
CR76	John Kay	PL94	CR62	too remote		
CR74	Mike Ritchie	PA14	CR74	too small		
CR74	Mike Ritchie	PA14	CR76	no dining room		
CR74	Mike Ritchie	PG21	CR74			
CR74	Mike Ritchie	PL94	CR62	too remote		
CR62	Mary Tregear	PA14	CR74	too small		
CR62	Mary Tregear	PA14	CR76	no dining room		
CR62	Mary Tregear	PG21	CR&4			
CR62	Mary Tregear	PL94	CR62	too remote		

Using Cartesian Product - II

- The problem is that there are many rows in which *RENTER.Rno* and *VIEWING.Rno* do not match.
- We can solve this problem by using the restriction operator

RESULT2 = RESTRICT RESULT1 TO RENTER.Rno = VIEWING.Rno

• The result of the restriction operation is shown below:

RESULT2						
RENTER.Rno	Name	Pno	VIEWING.Rno	Comment		
CR76	John Kay	PA14	CR76	no dining room		
CR74	Mike Ritchie	PA14	CR74	too small		
CR74	Mike Ritchie	PG21	CR74			
CR62	Mary Tregear	PL94	CR62	too remote		

- The effect of the restriction is to *eliminate* rows that have been formed by combining unrelated rows in the two original tables.
- Finally, a projection will give us the data we originally sought:

RESULT = **PROJECT** Name, Pno, Comment **FROM** RESULT2

Questions

Home activity

- Read the following specification and design an enhanced entity relationship model for this data using the example from the video as guidance. The next lecture will start with a solution to the problems.
- An organisation keeps a register of individuals and companies that provide computing services. Individuals are identified by individual names and have an address, whereas companies are identified by trading names and have a company address. Both individuals and companies are classified as either consultants or hardware suppliers and some may be both. An average hourly rate is stored for each consultant. Consultants may be software consultants or hardware consultants or both. Internal sections of the organisation can also provide consultancy services. Each such internal section has a section name. The organisation uses its own identifiers to identify consultants.
- The organisation holds maintenance contracts with some of the hardware suppliers. Details held on maintenance contracts include start date and serial number of equipment covered.

Course Content

- 1. Introduction to Relational Databases (Introduction + Relational Model)
- 2. Data Modelling (Entity Relationship Modelling + The Enhanced Entity Relationship Model)
- 3. Database Design and SQL (Logical modelling + Introduction to SQL)
- 4. Further SQL (Advanced SQL queries + Creating tables with SQL)
- 5. Normalisation (Normalisation to second normal form + Third normal form)