

MONASH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Week 6 Database Implementation (DDL):
Creating & Populating the Database

FIT2094 - FIT3171 Databases Clayton Campus S2 2019.





Overview

Hour 1

- -Basics: CREATE (DDL)
 - Oracle datatypes
 - Constraints
 - Ref Integrity

... then COFFEE BREAK!

- Hour 2

- -ALTER (DDL)
- -DROP (DDL)
- -INSERT (DML)
- -Commit, Rollback
- -Sequence
- –Case study

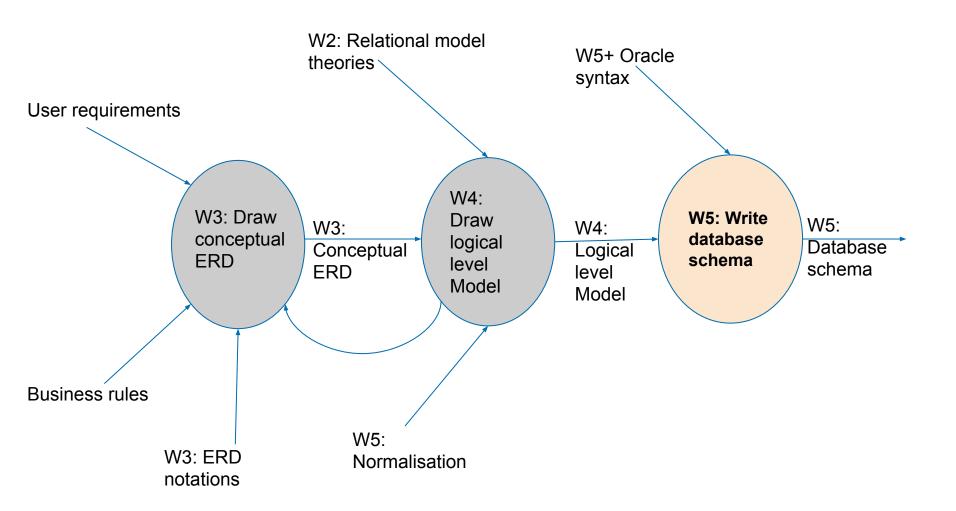


Week 6: Reminders from entire Unit Mgmt

- 1. Special consideration
 - Please use the form -<u>https://tinyurl.com/DBSpecCons</u> to formally lodge it.
 - For discussion/any issues only then email the role account as well (but attachments MUST be via the Form!)
 - Do not spam lecturers' or Head TA's emails, please. You have acknowledged this during the Week 0 compulsory quiz AND noted the Unit Guide policy on staff comms we will delete emails against the policy.
- 2. A1B TBA early Week 7. Details to be given then, not now.



The story so far...





SQL general syntax

- A single statement is ended with SEMICOLON.
- Predefined KEYWORDs represent clauses (components) of a statement.
- Keywords are NOT case sensitive.
- Examples:

```
CREATE TABLE unit
  (
    unit_code CHAR(7) NOT NULL,
    unit_name VARCHAR2(50) CONSTRAINT uq_unit_name UNIQUE NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT pk_unit PRIMARY KEY (unit_code)
  );
SELECT * FROM student;
```



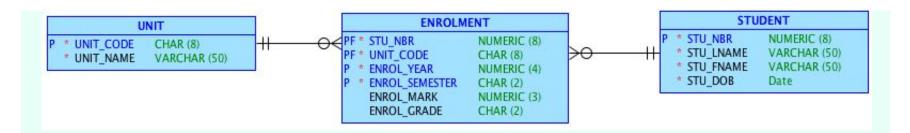
SQL Statements

- Data Definition Language (DDL)
 - Creating database structure.
 - CREATE TABLE, ALTER TABLE, DROP TABLE
- Data Manipulation Language (DML)
 - Adding and Manipulating database contents (rows).
 - INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE
 - Retrieving data from database
 - SELECT
- Data Control Language (DCL)
 - GRANT



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- Q1. Revision: There are a number of business rule represented by the above model. Choose true statement(s) according to the diagram.
 - A. A student enrols in a maximum of one unit.
 - B. An enrolment record is created for a particular student of a unit in a given semester and year.
 - C. A student can have more than one grade for a given unit.
 - D. A unit can only have a single student enrolled.
 - E. More than one option in a to d is correct.





CREATE (DDL)

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```
CREATE TABLE STUDENT (
stu_nbr NUMBER(6) NOT NULL,
stud_lname VARCHAR2(50) NOT NULL,
stud_fname VARCHAR2(50) NOT NULL,
stu_dob DATE NOT NULL,
CONSTRAINT STUDENT_PK PRIMARY KEY (stu_nbr)
);
```

Q2. What relational model component(s) is/are defined in the above create table statement?

- A. Relation, Attribute, Domain
- B. Primary Key
- C. Foreign Key
- D. Referential Integrity constraint
- E. All of the options in A,B,C,D are correct.
- F. Some of the options in A,B,C,D are correct.
- G. None of the options in A,B,C,D correct!



[Clayton] Audience Q&A

Remember: these datatypes (and some of the SQL statement syntaxes) are ORACLE SPECIFIC

These are transferable skills to other DBMS 'brands'...
... however code might not work 'out of the box' for other 'brands'.

e.g. Oracle does one-at-a-time with INSERT INTO (but supports INSERT ALL INTO ... for multi insert).

VS

MySQL which does multi-insert with INSERT INTO.



Common ORACLE data types

```
•Text: CHAR(size), VARCHAR2(size)
   -e.g., CHAR(10), VARCHAR2(10)
   - CHAR(10) \rightarrow 'apple' = 'apple'
   - VARCHAR2(10) \rightarrow 'apple' != 'apple '
•Numbers: NUMBER(precision, scale)
   - Weight NUMBER(7) or NUMBER(7,0) \rightarrow Weight = 7456124
   - Weight NUMBER(9,2) \rightarrow Weight = 7456123.89
   - Weight NUMBER(8,1) \rightarrow Weight = 7456123.9
Data/Time: DATE, TIMESTAMP
   -DATE can store a date and time (time to seconds), stored as Julian date
   -TIMESTAMP can store a date and a time (up to fractions of a second)
```

-TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE (literally the whole sentence!)



Column Constraints VS Table Level CONSTRAINT

```
CREATE TABLE STUDENT (

stu_nbr NUMBER(6) NOT NULL,
stud_lname VARCHAR2(50) NOT NULL,
stud_fname VARCHAR2(50) NOT NULL,
stu_dob DATE NOT NULL,
CONSTRAINT STUDENT_PK PRIMARY KEY (stu_nbr)

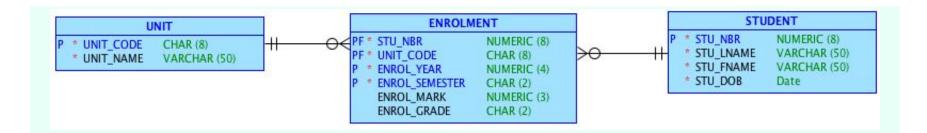
table constraint
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Q3. What would be the order of the CREATE TABLE statements in the schema script to successfully create a database based on the above diagram? (assuming that we will define the FK as part of the create table statement)

- A. UNIT, ENROLMENT, STUDENT
- B. ENROLMENT, STUDENT, UNIT
- C. STUDENT, UNIT, ENROLMENT
- D. UNIT, STUDENT, ENROLMENT
- E. More than one option is correct



```
STUDENT
                                       ENROLMENT
          UNIT
                                                                  * STU NBR
                                                                           NUMERIC (8)
                                PF * STU_NBR
                                             NUMERIC (8)
   * UNIT CODE
            CHAR (8)
                                                                  STU LNAME
                                                                           VARCHAR (50)
                                F* UNIT CODE
                                             CHAR (8)
   * UNIT NAME
            VARCHAR (50)
                                                                  * STU FNAME
                                                                           VARCHAR (50)
                                 * ENROL YEAR
                                             NUMERIC (4)
                                 * ENROL SEMESTER
                                                                  * STU DOB
                                                                           Date
                                             CHAR (2)
                                  ENROL MARK
                                             NUMERIC (3)
                                  ENROL GRADE
                                             CHAR (2)
 CREATE TABLE student
      stu nbr NUMBER(8) NOT NULL,
                      VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
      stu lname
      stu fname
                     VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
      stu dob
                      DATE
                                      NOT NULL,
      CONSTRAINT pk student PRIMARY KEY (stu nbr)
    );
 CREATE TABLE unit
      unit code CHAR(8)
                                 NOT NULL,
                  VARCHAR(50) CONSTRAINT uq_unit_name UNIQUE NOT NULL ,
      unit name
      CONSTRAINT pk unit PRIMARY KEY (unit code)
    );
 == NB: this assumes unit name must be unique too!
 == However, consider this - a university may change code but not name...
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```

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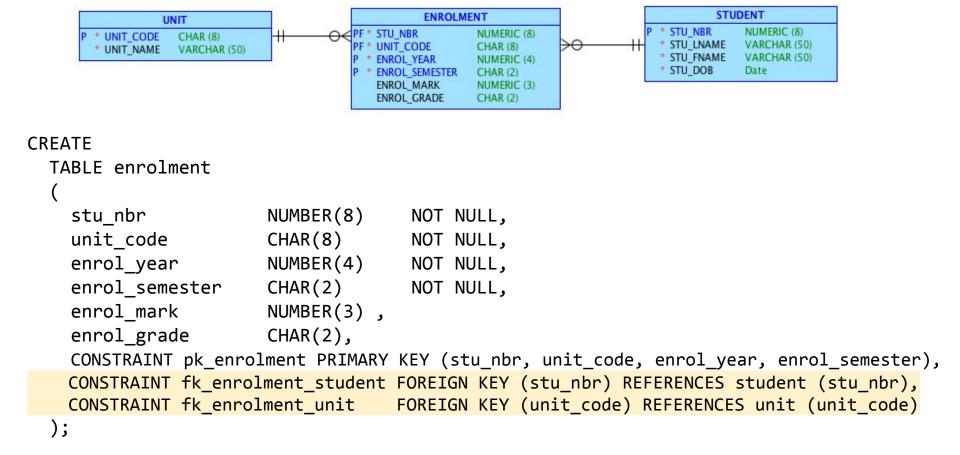


Q4. How many foreign key/s (FK) will be in the database when the three tables are created?

- A. 1.
- B. 2.
- C. 3.
- D. 4.

During discussion, name the attribute(s) that will be assigned as FK and what table(s) would it "link"?



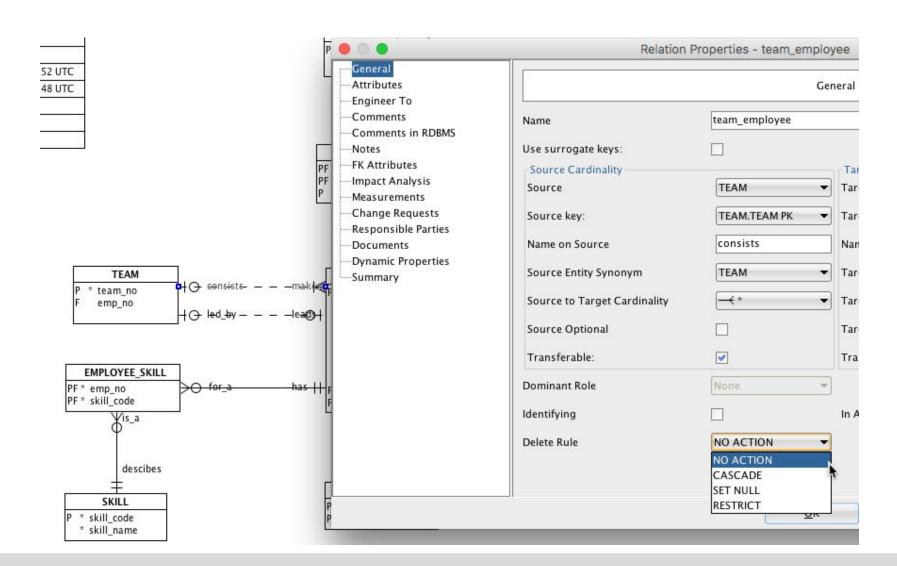




Referential Integrity

- To ensure referential integrity, SQL defines three possible actions for FKs in relations when a deletion of a primary key occurs:
 - RESTRICT (Oracle NO ACTION basically equivalent)
 - Deletion of tuples is NOT ALLOWED for those tuples in the table referred by the FK (the table containing PK e.g. student) if there is corresponding tuple in the table containing the FK (e.g. enrolment).
 - CASCADE
 - A deletion of a tuple in the table referred by the FK (the table containing PK e.g. student) will result in the deletion of the corresponding tuples in the table containing the FK (e.g. enrolment).
 - NULLIFY (Oracle SET NULL)
 - A deletion of a tuple in the table referred by the FK (the table containing PK e.g. student) will result in the update of the corresponding tuples in the table containing the FK to NULL (e.g. enrolment).
- NB: Students often get confused and get these all wrong in terms of theory!







[Clayton] Audience Q&A

Using SQLFiddle (online editor), Oracle 11g

Demo on NO ACTION - error (why?) CASCADE - ok SET NULL - ok (discuss!)

IMPORTANT: Oracle != other brands in terms of behaviour... MySQL supports other keywords

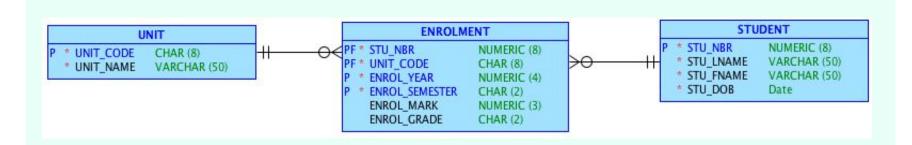
e.g. RESTRICT

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```
-- DDL: very simple table for clarity! Note that surrogate keys are used as demo;
-- else "SET NULL" will fail by definition as compound PKs can't have a NULL component!!!
CREATE TABLE student
    stu nbr
                NUMBER(8)
                                 NOT NULL,
   stu name
                VARCHAR (50)
                                 NOT NULL,
   CONSTRAINT pk student PRIMARY KEY (stu nbr)
CREATE TABLE unit
    unit code
                CHAR(8) NOT NULL,
                VARCHAR (50)
   unit name
                                 CONSTRAINT ug unit name UNIQUE NOT NULL,
   CONSTRAINT pk unit PRIMARY KEY (unit code)
CREATE TABLE enrolment
                         NUMBER(8),
    stu nbr
    unit code
                        CHAR(8) NOT NULL,
    surrogate key
                        CHAR(11),
   CONSTRAINT pk enrolment PRIMARY KEY (surrogate key),
    CONSTRAINT fk enrolment student FOREIGN KEY (stu nbr)
        REFERENCES student (stu nbr) ON DELETE SET NULL,
   CONSTRAINT fk_enrolment_unit FOREIGN KEY (unit_code)
        REFERENCES unit (unit_code) ON DELETE SET NULL
  );
-- DML
INSERT INTO student VALUES (10000001, 'Brendon');
INSERT INTO student VALUES (10000002, 'Donald');
INSERT INTO student VALUES (10000003, 'Kanye');
INSERT INTO unit VALUES ('FIT1001', 'Intro to Programming');
INSERT INTO unit VALUES ('ECO1001', 'Intro to Economics');
INSERT INTO unit VALUES ('MUS1001', 'Intro to Hip Hop');
INSERT INTO enrolment VALUES (10000001, 'FIT1001', 'ENROL201901');
INSERT INTO enrolment VALUES (10000002, 'EC01001', 'ENROL201915');
DELETE FROM student WHERE stu nbr=10000001;
-- should affect student, then enrolment, depending on DELETE rule
SELECT * from student;
SELECT * from enrolment;
```

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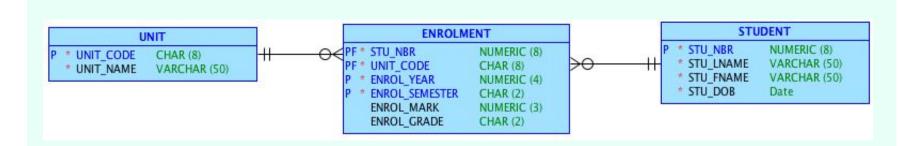
Q5. Assume that the table ENROLMENT contains enrolment details for students in FIT3171 and FIT2001. The referential integrity constraint is CASCADE. What would happen to tuples in ENROLMENT with the unit_code='FIT3171' when we delete the FIT3171 record from UNIT?

- A. They will be deleted.
- B. The value of unit_code will be updated to NULL.
- C. The deletion is not possible, the DBMS will prevent the deletion.
- D. None of the above.



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Q6. What would happen to the student record with stu_nbr='1234' in the STUDENT table when we delete all tuples with stu_nbr='1234' in the ENROLMENT table? (Assume referential integrity is CASCADE constraints)

- A. Student record with stu_nbr='1234' in the STUDENT table will be deleted.
- B. Nothing will happen to the STUDENT table.
- C. The stu_nbr='1234' in the STUDENT table will be updated to NULL.
- D. Deletion will not be permitted by the DBMS.



What Referential Integrity Constraint to implement?

- Use the model to decide on what referential integrity constraint to implement.
 - Mandatory vs Optional participation.
- The constraints must be decided at the design phase.



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Q7. What referential integrity constraint could be implemented according to the above model for the FKs in the PROJECT table without violating the business rules depicted in the model? (Hint: the fine print should give you another hint...:-)

- A. NULLIF<mark>Y</mark>
- B. CASCADE
- C. RESTRICT
- D. b and c are correct.
- E. a, b and c are correct.





Coffee break - see you in 10 minutes.



ALTER (DDL)

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ALTER TABLE

- Used to change a tables structure.
- For example:
 - Adding column(s).
 - Removing column(s).
 - Adding constraint(s).
 - Removing constraint(s)

```
ALTER TABLE student

ADD (stu_address varchar(200),

status char(1) DEFAULT 'C',

constraint status_chk CHECK (status in ('G','C'))

);
```



ALTERnative method of defining FKs

```
CREATE TABLE enrolment
                    NUMBER(8)
    stu nbr
                                NOT NULL,
    unit code CHAR(8) NOT NULL,
    enrol year NUMBER(4) NOT NULL,
    enrol semester CHAR(2) NOT NULL,
    mark
                    NUMBER(3),
    grade
                    CHAR(2),
    CONSTRAINT pk enrolment PRIMARY KEY
        (stu nbr, unit code, enrol year, enrol semester)
  );
ALTER TABLE enrolment
    ADD
     CONSTRAINT fk enrolment student FOREIGN KEY (stu nbr) REFERENCES student (stu nbr),
     CONSTRAINT fk enrolment unit FOREIGN KEY (unit code) REFERENCES unit (unit code)
```



ALTER for Referential Integrity Definition - Example

```
ALTER TABLE enrolment
    DROP CONSTRAINT fk enrolment student;
ALTER TABLE enrolment
    DROP CONSTRAINT fk enrolment unit;
ALTER TABLE enrolment
    ADD
    ( CONSTRAINT fk enrolment student FOREIGN KEY (stu nbr)
          REFERENCES student (stu nbr) ON DELETE CASCADE,
      CONSTRAINT fk enrolment unit FOREIGN KEY (unit code)
          REFERENCES unit (unit code) ON DELETE CASCADE
    );
```





DROP (DDL)

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DELETING A TABLE

- WARNING: DESTRUCTIVE COMMAND
- Use the DROP statement.
- Examples:
 - DROP TABLE enrolment PURGE;
 - DROP TABLE student CASCADE CONSTRAINTS PURGE;

NB: Another common area where students get wrong!

PURGE: "...database does not place the table and its dependent objects into the recycle bin." [1]

CASCADE CONSTRAINTS: "drop all referential integrity constraints that refer to primary and unique keys in the dropped table." [1]





INSERT ... (DML) Adding tuples ('rows') to table.

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INSERT

- Adding data to a table in a database.
- SYNTAX:

```
INSERT INTO table [(column [, column...])]
VALUES (value [, value...]);
```

What about consistency of dates? Say we used '01-01-1995'? Role of: to_date and to_char



INSERT - helper functions for dates

Purpose

TO_DATE converts char of CHAR, VARCHAR2, NCHAR, or NVARCHAR2 datatype to a value of DATE datatype. The fmt is a datetime model format specifying the format of char. If you omit fmt, then char must be in the default date format. If fmt is J, for Julian, then char must be an integer.

Purpose

TO_CHAR (datetime) converts a datetime or interval value of DATE, TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE, OR TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE datatype to a value of VARCHAR2 datatype in the format specified by the date format fmt. If you omit fmt, then date is converted to a VARCHAR2 value as follows:

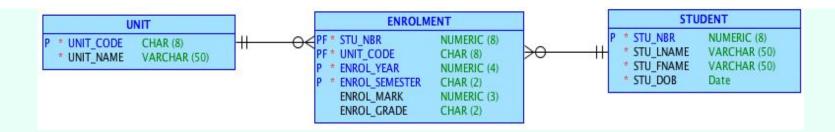
- DATE values are converted to values in the default date format.
- TIMESTAMP and TIMESTAMP WITH LOCAL TIME ZONE values are converted to values in the default timestamp format.
- TIMESTAMP WITH TIME ZONE values are converted to values in the default timestamp with time zone format.

https://docs.oracle.com/cd/B19306_01/server.102/b14200/functions183.htm https://docs.oracle.com/cd/B19306_01/server.102/b14200/functions180.htm



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Q8. Assume the tables have been created with primary and foreign key constraints and there is no data currently in the tables. In what order should we populate the table?

- A. UNIT -> ENROLMENT -> STUDENT
- B. STUDENT -> ENROLMENT -> UNIT
- C. STUDENT -> UNIT -> ENROLMENT
- D. More than one option is correct.



COMMIT and ROLLBACK

COMMIT makes the changes to the database permanent.

ROLLBACK will undo the changes.



Using a SEQUENCE

- Oracle supports auto-increment of a numeric PRIMARY KEY.
 - SEQUENCE.
- Steps to use:
 - Create sequence

```
CREATE SEQUENCE sno_seq
INCREMENT BY 1;
```

- Access the sequence using two built-in variables (pseudocolumns):
 - NEXTVAL and CURRVAL

 - INSERT INTO enrolment
 VALUES(sno_seq.currval,'FIT3171',...');



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Q9. Two new students and their enrolment details need to be added, James Bond wants to enrol in FIT3171 and FIT2001,

Bruce Lee only wants to enrol in FIT3171. The sequence for sno is called sno_seq. What problems, if any, exist with this script:

```
-- Add two students
INSERT INTO student VALUES (sno_seq.nextval, 'Bond', 'James', '01-Jan-1994');
INSERT INTO student VALUES (sno_seq.nextval, 'Lee', 'Bruce', '01-Feb-1994');

-- Add the enrolments
INSERT INTO enrolment VALUES (sno_seq.currval,1,2018,'FIT3171',0,'NA');
INSERT INTO enrolment VALUES (sno_seq.currval,1,2018,'FIT2001',0,'NA');
INSERT INTO enrolment VALUES (sno_seq.currval,1,2018,'FIT3171',0,'NA');
COMMIT;
```

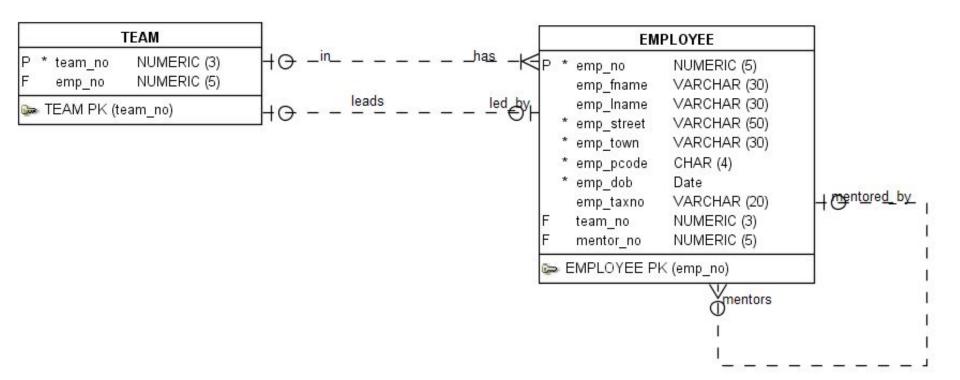
- A. There will be an error message. It states that a violation of primary key constraints in the ENROLMENT has occurred.
- B. Bruce Lee will be enrolled in FIT2001.
- C. There will be NO enrolment record for James Bond.
- D. All of the options a-c are problems that will be caused by the script.
- E. Some of the options in a-c are problems that will be caused by the script.
- F. There will be no problem caused by the script.





Case Study: DDL of our Monash Software Case (since Week 3)

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```
CREATE TABLE employee (
                NUMBER(5) NOT NULL,
    emp_no
    emp fname VARCHAR2(30),
    emp lname VARCHAR2(30),
    emp street VARCHAR2(50) NOT NULL,
    emp_town VARCHAR2(30) NOT NULL,
    emp pcode
                CHAR(4) NOT NULL,
    emp_dob
                DATE NOT NULL,
    emp taxno VARCHAR2(20),
   team no
                NUMBER(3),
                NUMBER(5)
    mentor no
);
ALTER TABLE employee ADD CONSTRAINT employee_pk PRIMARY KEY ( emp_no );
CREATE TABLE team (
             NUMBER(3) NOT NULL,
    team no
    emp_no
             NUMBER(5)
);
ALTER TABLE team ADD CONSTRAINT team pk PRIMARY KEY ( team no );
```



```
ALTER TABLE employee

ADD CONSTRAINT emp_mentors_emp FOREIGN KEY ( mentor_no )

REFERENCES employee ( emp_no )

ON DELETE SET NULL;

ALTER TABLE employee

ADD CONSTRAINT team_has_employee FOREIGN KEY ( team_no )

REFERENCES team ( team_no )

ON DELETE SET NULL;

ALTER TABLE team

ADD CONSTRAINT emp_leads_team FOREIGN KEY ( emp_no )

REFERENCES employee ( emp_no )

ON DELETE SET NULL;
```



Common student mistakes.

Correct the following common misconceptions by students. (NB: these are not real responses)

- 1. [Slide 17] ON DELETE SET NULL means the data is null when you delete the PFK.
- 2. [Slide 23] All Ref. Integrity constraints work in all cases; as long as you successfully can delete the table/row, it should maintain the constraints.
- 3. [Slide 30] DROP... CASCADE CONSTRAINTS means it delete the rows, like how ON DELETE CASCADE operates.
- 4. [Slide 32] I successfully inserted a date with a string like '12-Dec-2019', Oracle has no errors; hence Date functions are redundant.

