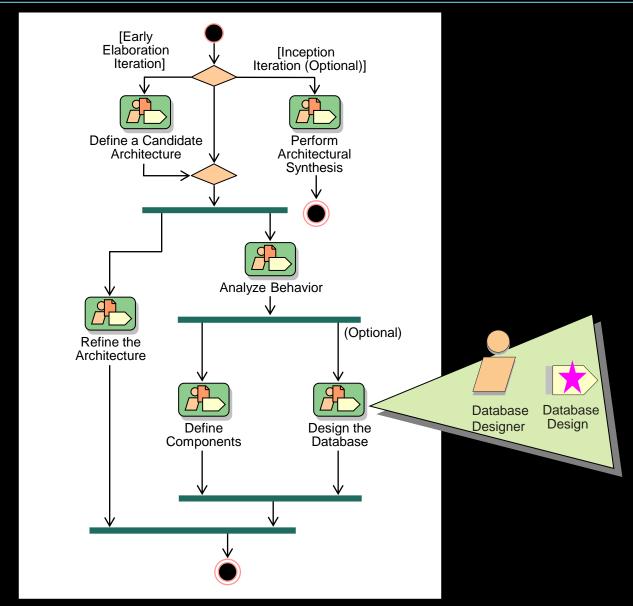


Mastering Object-Oriented Analysis and Design with UML Module 14: Database Design

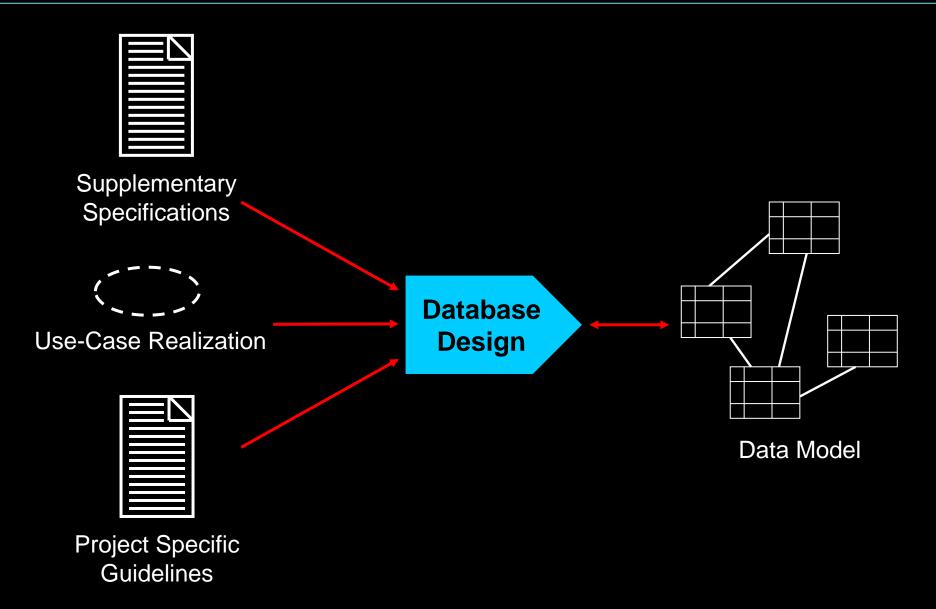
Objectives: Database Design

- Define the purpose of Database Design and where in the lifecycle it is performed
- Explain how persistent classes map to the data model
- Learn how to distribute class behavior to the database

Database Design in Context

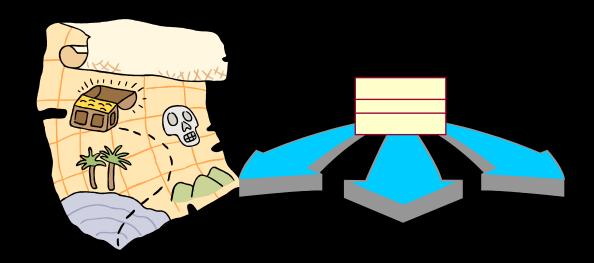


Database Design Overview



Database Design Steps

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- Distribute class behavior to the database



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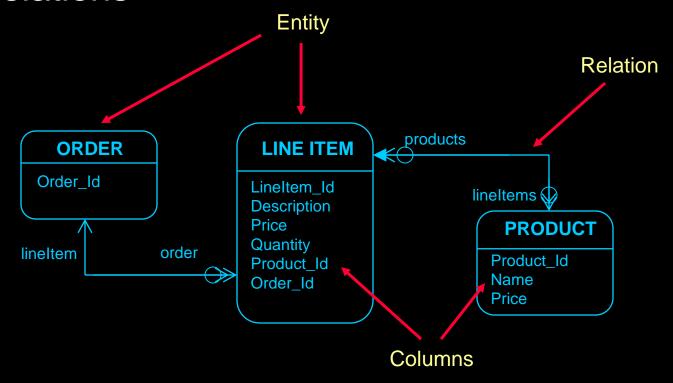


Relational Databases and Object Orientation

- RDBMS and Object Orientation are not entirely compatible
 - RDBMS
 - Focus is on data
 - Better suited for ad-hoc relationships and reporting application
 - Expose data (column values)
 - Object Oriented system
 - Focus is on behavior
 - Better suited to handle state-specific behavior where data is secondary
 - Hide data (encapsulation)

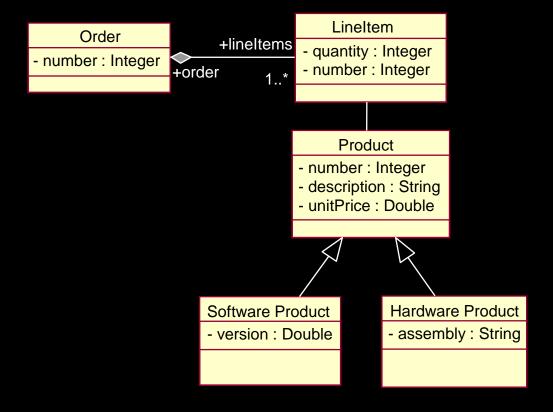
The Relational Data Model

- Relational model is composed of
 - Entities
 - Relations



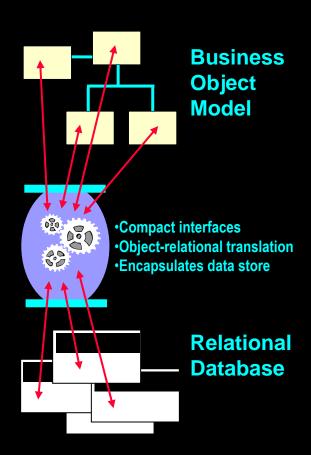
The Object Model

- The Object Model is composed of
 - Classes (attributes)
 - Associations



Persistence Frameworks

- The challenge:
 - Changes should not break the model
- The solution: An object-relational framework that
 - Encapsulates the physical data store
 - Provides object translation services
- The importance of the framework
 - 30% of development time is spent in accessing an RDBMS
 - Maintenance can be 60% of total cost





Object-Relational Framework: Characteristics

Performance

- Decomposing objects to data
- Composing objects from data
- Minimize design compromises
 - Limit changes to object and relational models
- Extensibility
 - 15%-35% of the framework needs to be designed as an extensible framework

Object-Relational Frameworks: Characteristics (cont.)

- Documentation of the API
- Support for common object-relational mappings
- Persistence interfaces
 - Examples are save, delete, and find

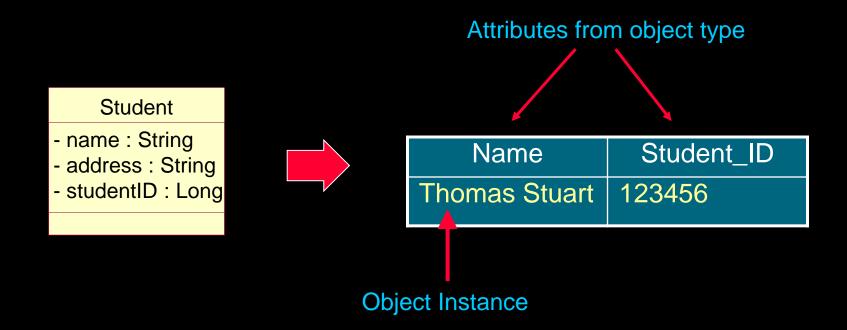
Common Object-Relational Services

- Patterns are beginning to emerge for object-relational applications
 - CORBA Services specification
 - Persistence
 - Query
 - Transactions
 - Concurrency
 - Relationships

Refer to the appropriate CORBA specifications for further details.

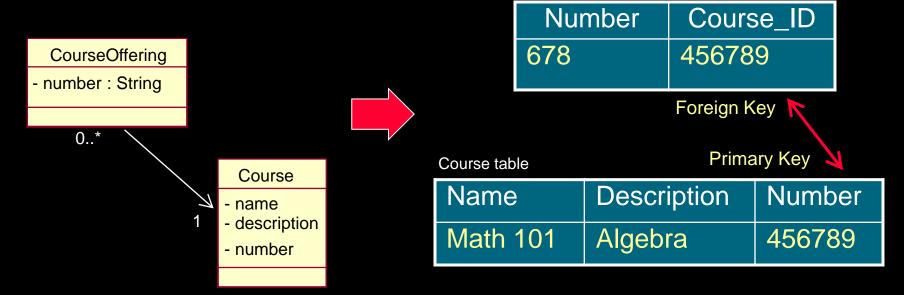
Mapping Persistent Classes to Tables

- In a relational database
 - Every row is regarded as an object
 - A column in a table is equivalent to a persistent attribute of a class



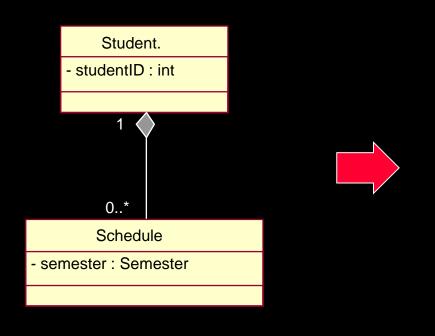
Mapping Associations Between Persistent Objects

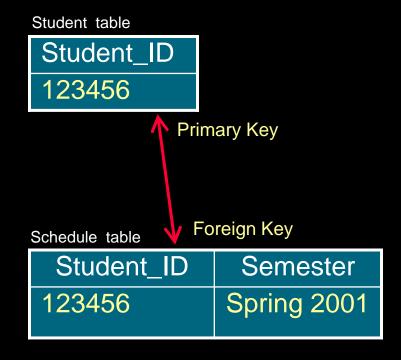
- Associations between two persistent objects are realized as foreign keys to the associated objects.
 - A foreign key is a column in one table that contains the primary key value of associated object
 Course Offering table



Mapping Aggregation to the Data Model

- Aggregation is also modeled using foreign key relationships
 - The use of composition implements a cascading delete constraint



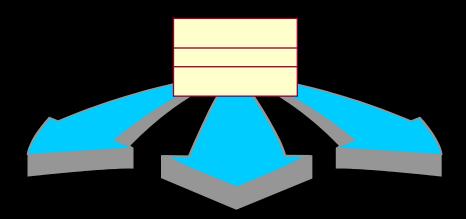


Modeling Inheritance in the Data Model

- A Data Model does not support modeling inheritance in a direct way
- Two options:
 - Use separate tables (normalized data)
 - Duplicate all inherited associations and attributes (de-normalized data)

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What Are Stored Procedures?

- A stored procedure is executable code that runs under the RDBMS
- Two types of stored procedures:
 - Procedures: Executed explicitly by an application
 - Triggers: Invoked implicitly when some database event occurs

Map Class Behavior to Stored Procedures

- Determine if any operations can be implemented as a stored procedure
- Candidates:
 - Operations that deal with persistent data
 - Operations in which a query is involved in a computation
 - Operations that need to access the database to validate data



Example: Map Class Behavior to Stored Procedures

Class

Student.

- + getTuition()
- + addSchedule()
- + getSchedule()
- + deleteSchedule()
- + hasPrerequisites()
- # passed()
- + getNextAvailID()
- + getStudentID()
- + getName()
- + getAddress()

Candidate Operations

- getTuition
- addSchedule
- getSchedule
- deleteSchedule
- getStudentID
- getName
- getAddress



Checkpoints: Database Design

- Have all persistent classes been mapped to database structures?
- Have stored procedures and triggers been defined?
- Does the persistence mechanism use stored procedures and database triggers consistently?



Review: Database Design

- What is the purpose of the Database Design?
- What comprises a relational data model?
- What are the components of an object model?
- When mapping persistent classes to tables, what is every row in a table regarded as? What is every column equivalent to?
- What are stored procedures?