

Database relationships

When a table references the data from another table, it's called a **relationship.** The key in the referenced table is called the **foreign key**, and the key in the referencing table is called the **primary key**.

But it's a matter of perspective: If table **profile** is linked to table **User** determining which is the primary and foreign key depends on which table you are looking at.

Database relationships

Database relationships are the associations between different tables in a relational database. In a relationship database management system (RDBMS or DBMS), data is organized into tables. The relationships between these tables determine how the data in one table is connected to the data in the other table.

database schema

A database schema is a blueprint that describes how a database is structured and how its data is organized. It's typically represented visually using an entity-relationship diagram database schema defines the structure of the database, including: Tables, Fields,

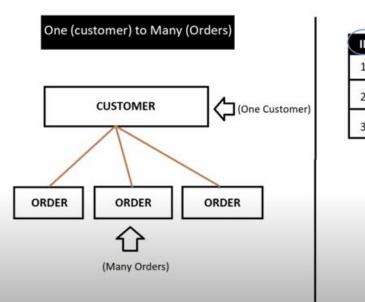
Relationships between tables and fields

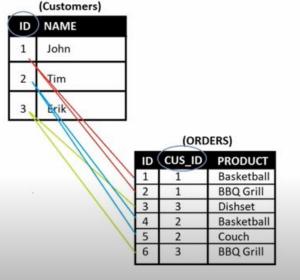
Other data elements Columns

The three main types of relationships:

- □ One-to-one
- □ One-to-many
- many-to-many

One to many relationship

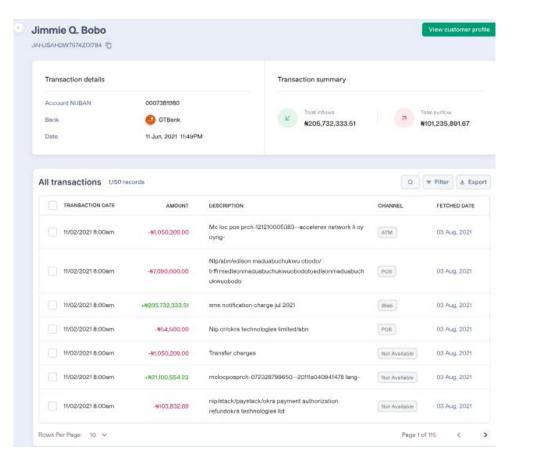




A one-to-many relationship exists in a relational database when one row in table A is linked to many rows in table B, but only one row in table B is linked to one row in table A.

In a one-to-many relationship, one record in a table can be associated with one or more records in another table.

For example, each customer can have many Transaction.





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Logged in as DemoUser

Transaction List

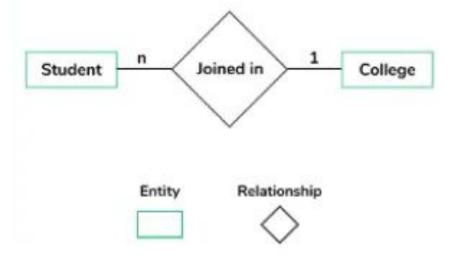
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Many to one relationship

Many to One Cardinality



Example Scenario:

Cohort: Cohort 15

Students: Pharez, Daguy, Hilson

Cohort: Cohort 12

Students: Chidinma, NkemGod

In this example:

Cohort 15 can have multiple students (Pharez, Daguy, Hilson).

Cohort 12 can have multiple students (Chidinma, NkemGod).

Each **student** is associated with exactly **one cohort**,

A many-to-one relationship in database design refers to a scenario where many column in database table are associated with a single column of another table

Example Using Cohort and Student:

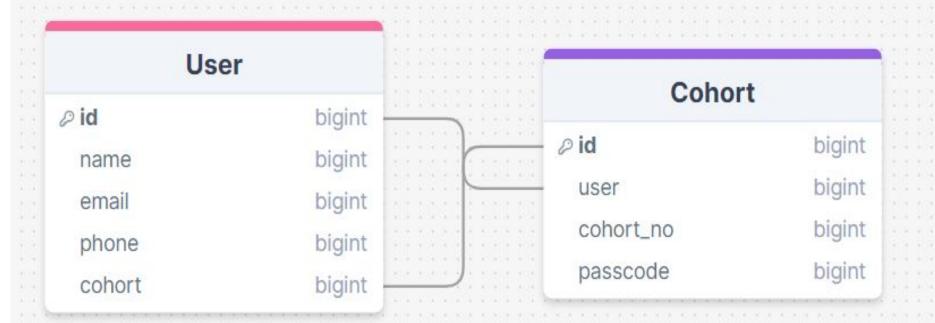
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Cohort:

Represents a group of students enrolled in the same course or program.

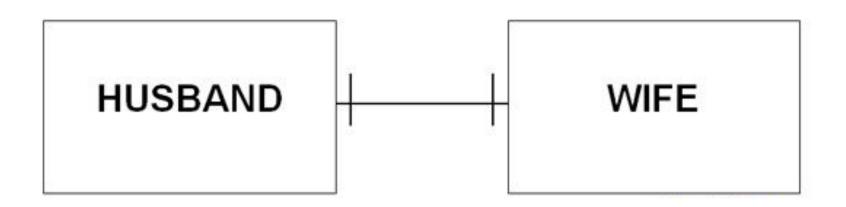
Student

Represents an individual enrolled in a cohort.



One to one relationship

One-to-one relationship



A one-to-one relationship in database design is a type of association between two tables in which each record in one table is linked to exactly one record in another table, and vice versa. This relationship is established by linking the primary key of one table to the primary key of another table using a foreign key constraint.

It's a relationship where a record in one table is associated with exactly one record in another entity table.

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User:

Represents a user on the Facebook platform.

Profile:

Represents additional profile information associated with each user.

Every Facebook user has a unique profile that contains additional information such as bio and location.

The one-to-one relationship ensures that each user's profile details are directly linked and accessible from the user entity.

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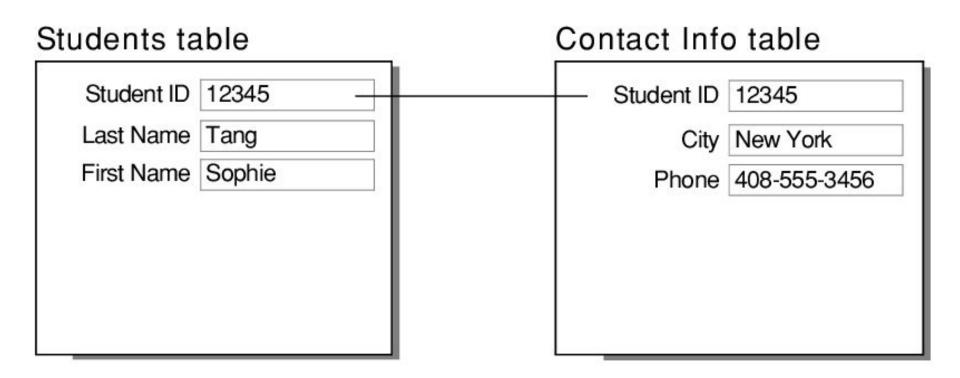
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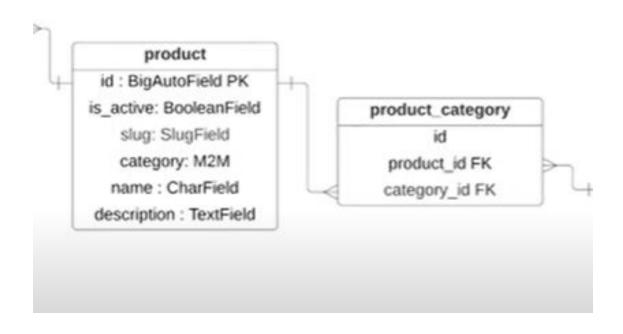
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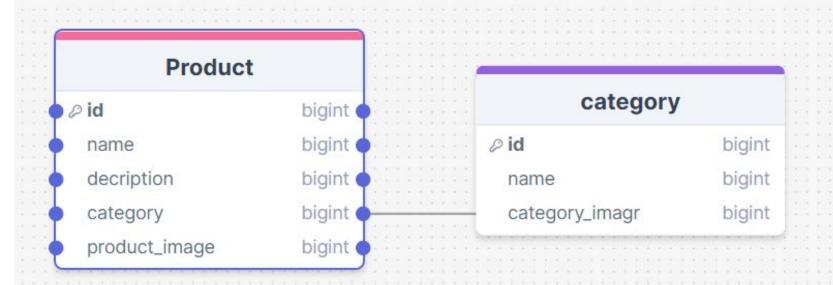


In a many-to-many relationship, records in Table A can have multiple matching records in Table B, a

This type of relationship requires a **junction table** (also known as a bridge or linking table) to manage the relationships.

example of a many-to-many relationship example: student datas and courses.

In a school database, a student can enroll in multiple courses, and each course can have multiple students.



Data modeling and schema design,

Referential integrity:

this ensures that the fields in the table from the foreign key correspond to fields in the table from the primary key. If the foreign key does not correspond to an appropriate primary key or the value is null, the referential integrity is violated.

Data modeling and schema design,

Null vs Blank in Django Models

Attribute	Level	True	False (Default)	Common Use Case
null	Database Layer	Allows NULL values in the database	Disallows NULL, uses default or raises IntegrityError	Optional non-string fields (e.g., ForeignKey, DateTimeField)
blank	Form Validation	Field can be left blank in forms	Field is required in forms	Optional fields in forms (e.g., admin or custom forms)

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