Data Modeling

Pharmacy Information Store

Below is the description of a Pharmacy Information Store (PES) System.

- 1. Patients are identified by a patient ID. Patient name, address, and age must be recorded.
- 2. Doctors are identified by a physician ID. Physician name, specialties (can be more than one specialty), and year of experience must be recorded.
- 3. Each physician has at least 10 patients.
- 4. Each pharmaceutical company is identified by name, and it has a telephone number.
- 5. Each pharmacy has a name and fax number.
- 6. Each patient has a primary physician.
- 7. For each drug, the trade name must be recorded.
- 8. Each drug is sold by one pharmaceutical company. The trade name of the drug identifies the drug uniquely among products of that company
- 9. Each pharmacy sells several drugs, and it has a price for each.
- 10. A drug can be sold at several pharmacies, and the price may vary from one pharmacy to another.
- 11. Doctors prescribe drugs for patients by prescriptions. A prescription includes a date and a quantity.

Question:

Design a representation of the data in terms of entities, attributes, and relationships between entities:

- 1. Construct an ERD diagram to depict this representation.
- 2. Show the cardinalities using (min, max) notation.

Solution:

Entity-Relationship Diagram

