

# Database Fundamentals

## Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD)

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# 1- Conceptual Design

# Conceptual Design

- All requirements have been collected and analyzed from analysis phase.
- It called “**High level conceptual model**” which means, High Level or Conceptual data models provide concepts that are close to the way many users perceive data, entities, attributes and relationships. (Ex. **ERD**)

# Entity Relationship Modeling

- Identifies information required by the business by displaying the relevant entities and the relationships between them.
- It is first proposed by Peter Chen at 1970.
- **ERD model** is often created graphically and specific software converts the graphical representation into SQL code that is required to create data structure.

# Entity

- **Entity** - An entity is a thing that exists and is distinguishable -- an object, something in the environment.
  - Types of entities: **Weak- Regular**
- **Entity Instance** - An instance is a particular occurrence of an entity. For example, each person is an instance of an entity, each car is an instance of an entity, etc.

# Entity

- Regular entity:

It is represented as



- Example: Employees, books, products, .... etc.

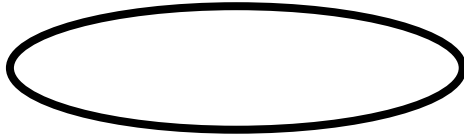
# Weak Entity

- An entity that does not have a key attribute
- Its existence depends on some other entity.
- Entities are identified by the combination of:
  - A partial key of the weak entity type
  - The particular entity they are related to in the identifying entity type



**Example:** Relatives of employee

# Attributes

- It is the entity properties.
- It is represented as 
- Each attribute has its own Data Type
- The attribute may have default value
- Null Attribute: The attribute that may accept NULL values



# Key Attributes

- **Primary Key** is a unique identifier for the entity, it may be single or composite, It must be UNIQUE and NOT NULL.
- Each entity has only ONE Primary Key, it is one of the candidate keys.

**Example:** SSN of EMPLOYEE.

- A key attribute may be composite.

**Example:** (National\_ID, Application\_no)

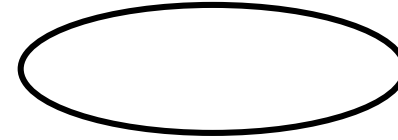
# Candidate Key / Foreign Key

- Each entity has at least one **Candidate Key**, and may have more than one.
- **Foreign Key** is an attribute in one entity whose values are required to match those values of the primary key of some other entity.

# Simple / Composite Attribute

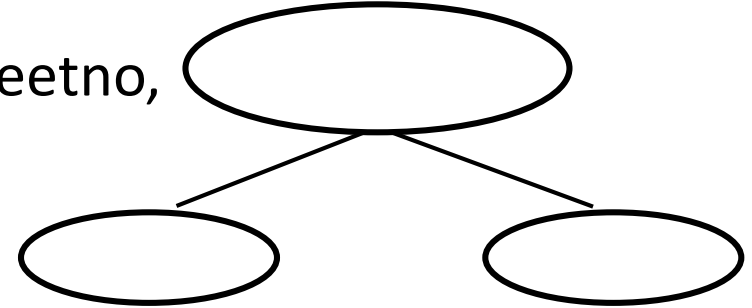
- **Simple attribute:** means it can't be divided.

Example: salary , grade, ....



- **Composite attribute:** means it can be divided into subparts.

Example: Address can be divided into streetno, streetname, zone, city



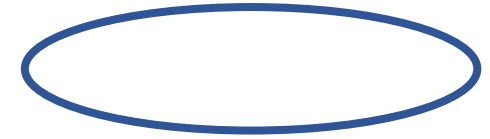
# Single / Multi-value Attribute

- **Single attribute:** means it has one value for particular entity

**Example:** name (employee have one name only)

- **Multi-value attribute:** means it has a set of values for the same entity

**Example:** Telephone (The same employee may have more than one telephone number)



# Base/ Derived Attribute

- **Base attribute:** means that its value can't be deduced or calculated. It is represented as



**Example:** Birthdate

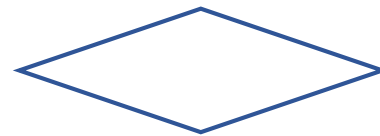
- **Derived attribute:** means that its value can be deduced or calculated. It is represented as



**Example:** Age

# Relationships

- Types:
  - Unary
  - Binary
  - Ternary
  - N-ary
- Relationship is an association between two or more entities represented as



# Cardinality Ratio Constraints

The cardinality of a relationship indicates the number of instances in entity class E1 that can or must be associated with instances in entity class E2.

# Cardinality Ratio Constraints (Conti.)

- **One-One Relationship**

(citizen , passport) , (Dept. , Manager)

- **One-Many Relationship**

(student-Advisor, Customer-Order , Dept. , Employees)

- **Many- Many Relationship**

(Student-Organization, Order-Products, Student – courses)

- **Recursive Relationships** A relationship in which the same entity participates more than once.

(Employee – Manager)



# Membership class constraint

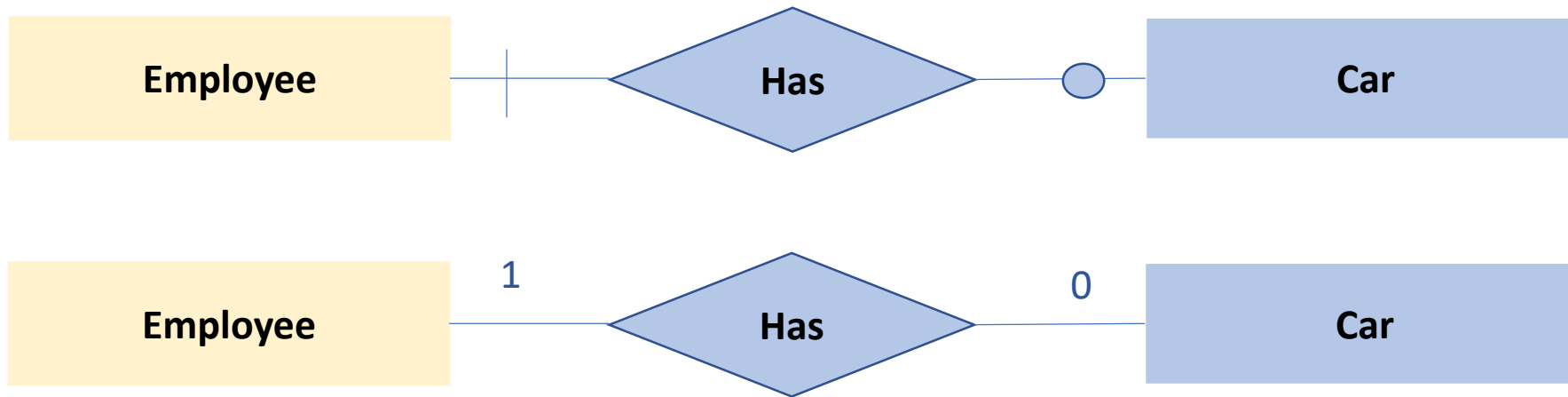
- **Obligatory “Total Participation”**

If every E occurrence MUST participate in R relation occurrence      **Example:** An employee  
MUST work for a department

- **Non Obligatory “ Partial Participation”**

If E can exists without participating in R relation occurrence  
**Example:** Some employees manage departments

# PARTICIPATION CONSTRAINT



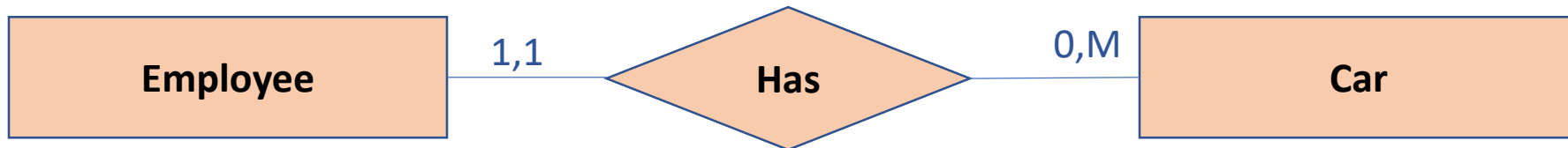
- An Employee may have a car.
- A Car must be assigned to particular employee

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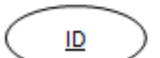

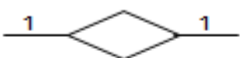


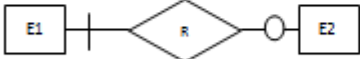

**A formal constraint:** (min,max) where m, n are min and max number of times an entity participates in a relationship instance.

For example,

(0,10) means partial participation, and (1,max) means total participation.



# ERD notation

	Regular Entity
	Weak entity
	Base , simple attribute
	Relationship
	Relationship with weak entity
	Derived attribute
	Key Attribute
	Composite Attribute
	One to One
	One to Many
	Many to Many
	Membership class constraint
	Relation Attribute

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## 2- Logical Design



# Definitions

## **Tuple:**

Rows of such a table

## **Attribute:**

Columns of such a table.

## **Primary Key:**

Unique identifier for the table, may be single or composite.

## **Domains:**

Pool of values from which one or more attributes draw their actual values.



# Definitions

## Candidate Key:

Each relation has at least one candidate key, each candidate key  $K$  of a relation  $R$  has two properties:-

**Uniqueness:** At any given time no two tuples of  $R$  have the same value for  $K$ .

**Minimality:** If  $K$  is composite, no component of  $K$  can be eliminated without destroying the uniqueness.

# Definitions

## Primary Key:

Each relation has only ONE primary key, It is chosen from the candidate keys.

## Foreign Key:

An attribute in relation R2 whose values are required to match those of the primary key of some relation R1.

# Integrity Rules

## Entity Integrity Rule

- No attribute participating in the primary key of base relation is allowed to accept NULL values
- The rows in a relation represent entities and each one must be uniquely identified

## Referential Integrity Rule

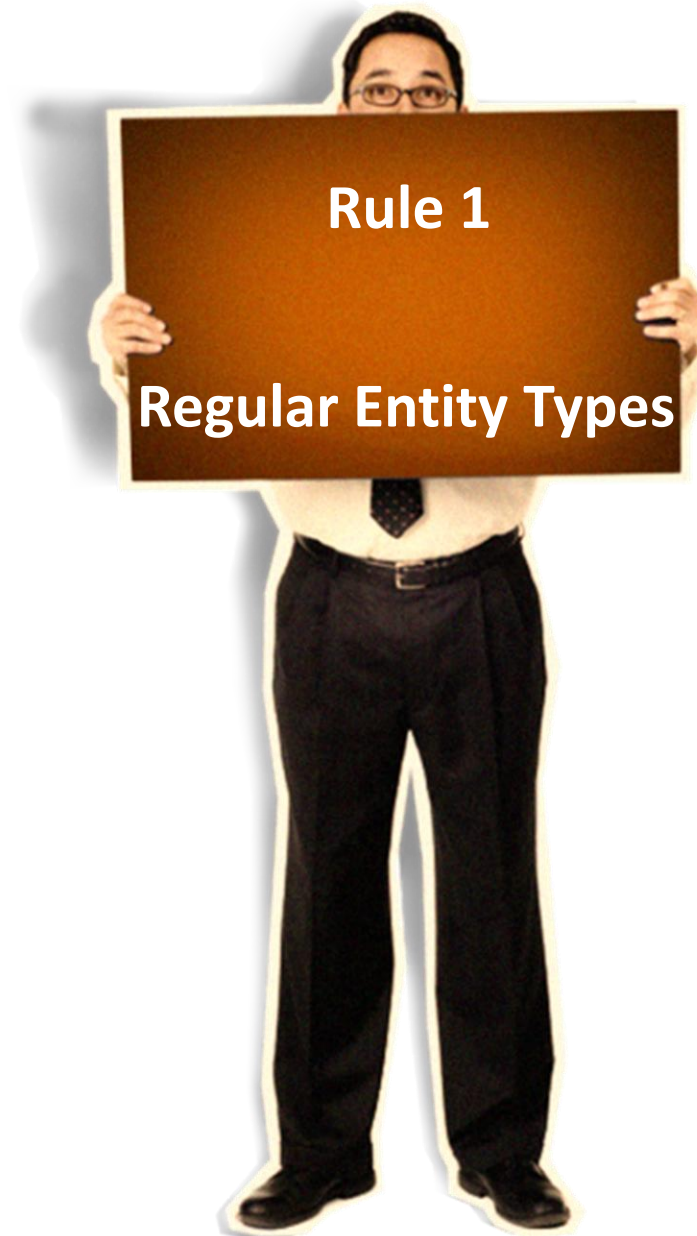
base relation  $R_2$  includes Foreign Key matching the Primary key of some base relation  $R_1$ , then every value of Foreign Key must either equal a value of Primary Key in some tuple of  $R_1$ , or be NULL.

# Cascade Update / Delete commands

- **Cascade:** Delete / Update the target row and all rows that point to it (via foreign keys) are also deleted
- **Restricted:** The user cannot delete the target row until all rows that point to it (via foreign keys) have been deleted.
- **Nullifies:** can delete the target row and all foreign keys (pointing to it) are set to null

# Mapping Rules 1

- Create table for each entity type include all simple attribute.
- For composite attribute, include only the simple attribute.
- Choose one of key attributes to be the primary key



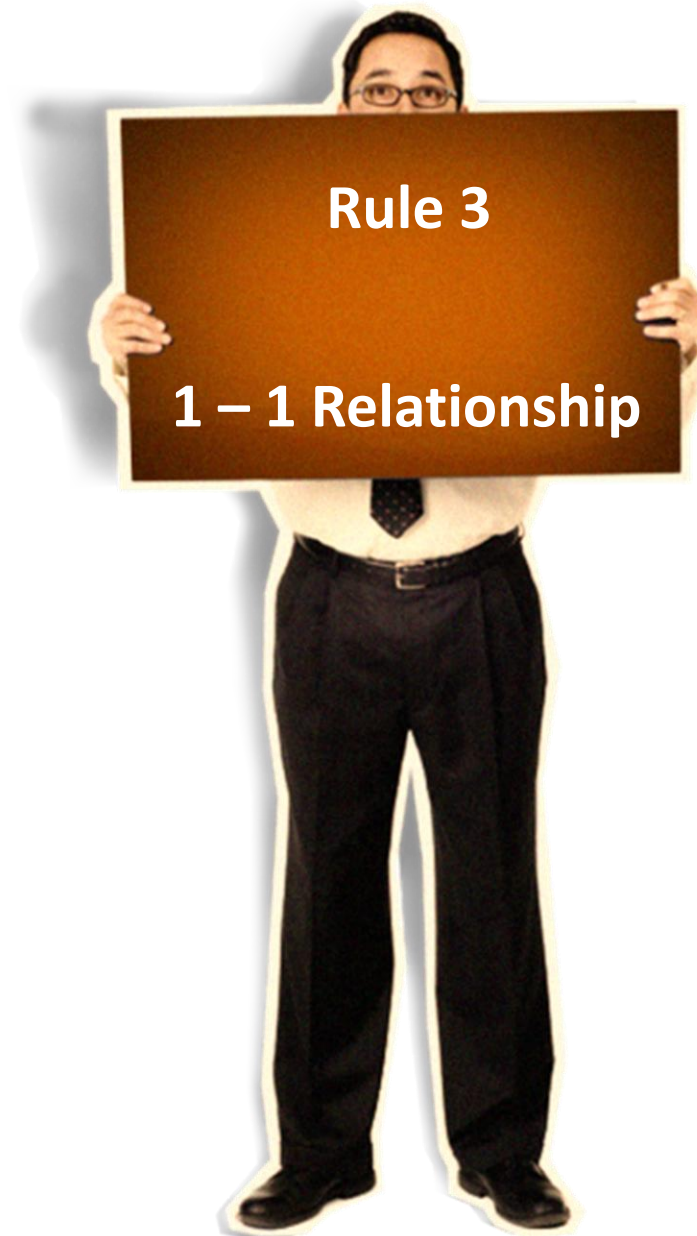
## Mapping Rules 2

- Create table for each weak entity.
- Add foreign key that correspond to the owner entity type.
- Choose the primary key :  
( FK + weak entity Partial PK if any)



## Mapping Rules 3

- Merged two tables if both sides are Mandatory.
- Add FK into table with the total participation relationship to represent optional side.
- Create third table if both sides are optional.



## Mapping Rules 4

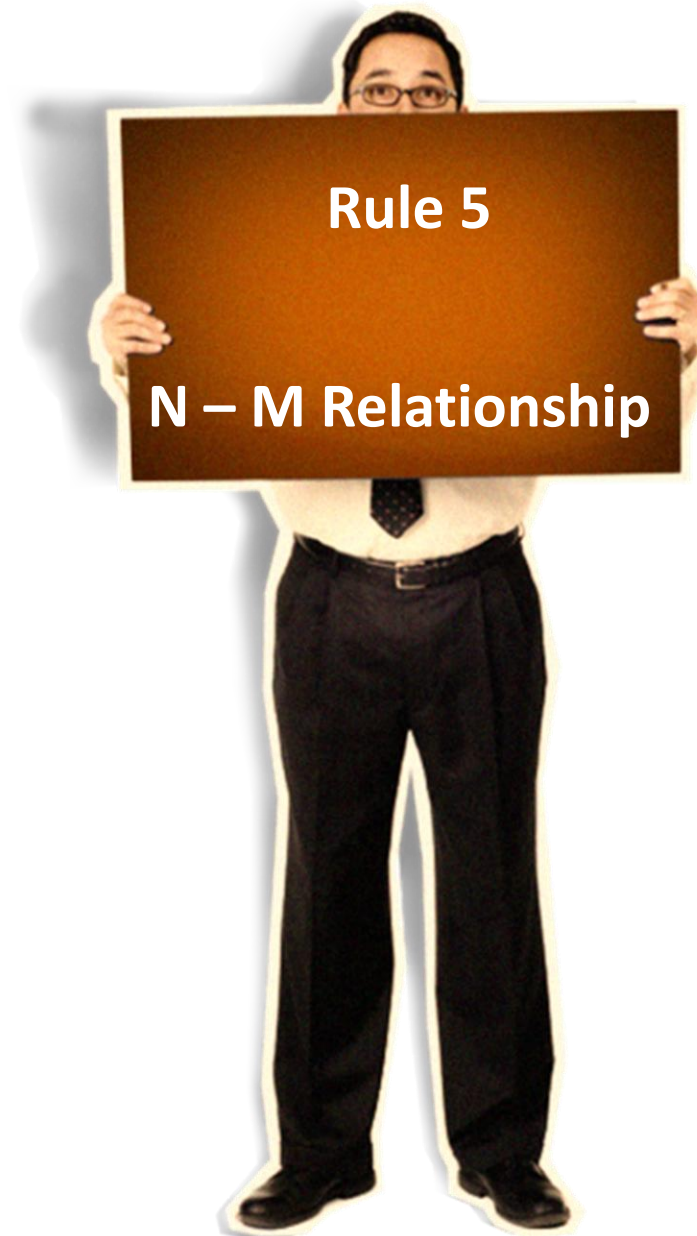
- Add FK to N-side table
- Add any simple attributes of relationship as column to N-side table.





## Mapping Rules 5

- Create a new third table
- Add FKs to the new table for both parent tables
- PK is the combination of both FKs.
- Add simple attributes of relationship to the new table if any.



## Mapping Rules 6

- Create new table for each multi-valued attribute
- Table will include two columns: One for multi-valued attribute + FK column.
- PK is the combination of FK and the attributes.

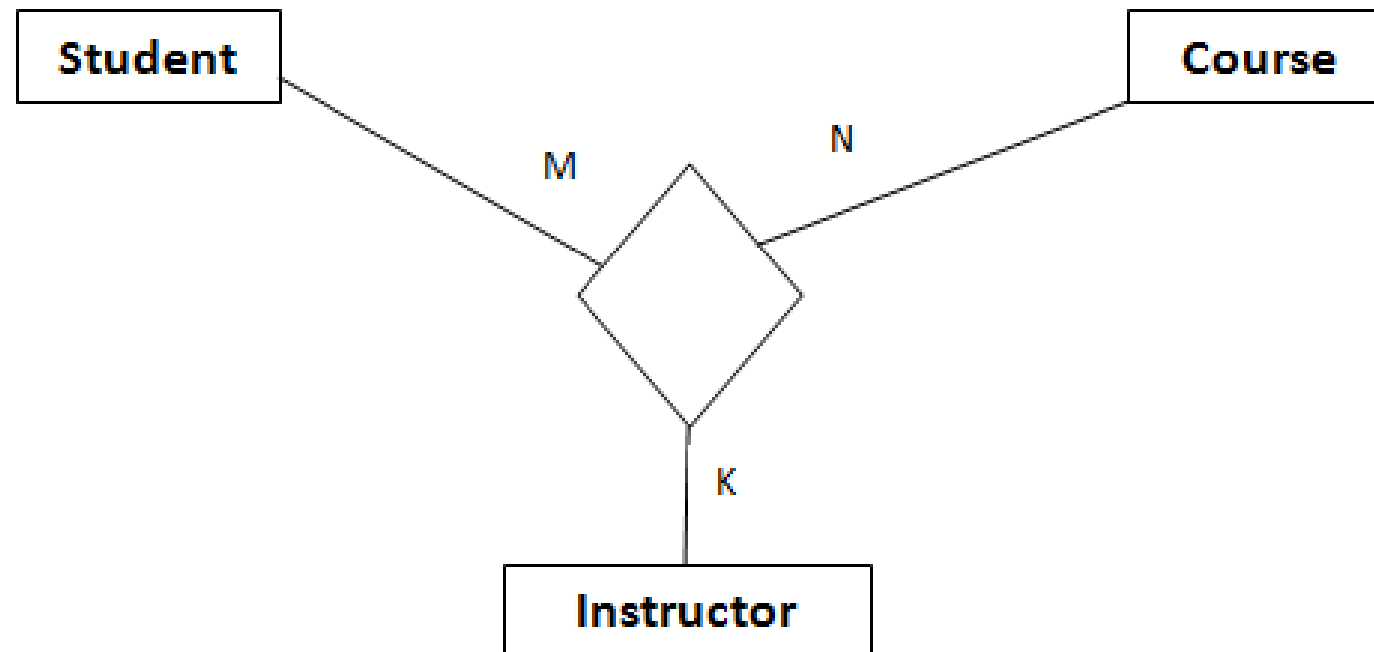


# Mapping Rules 7

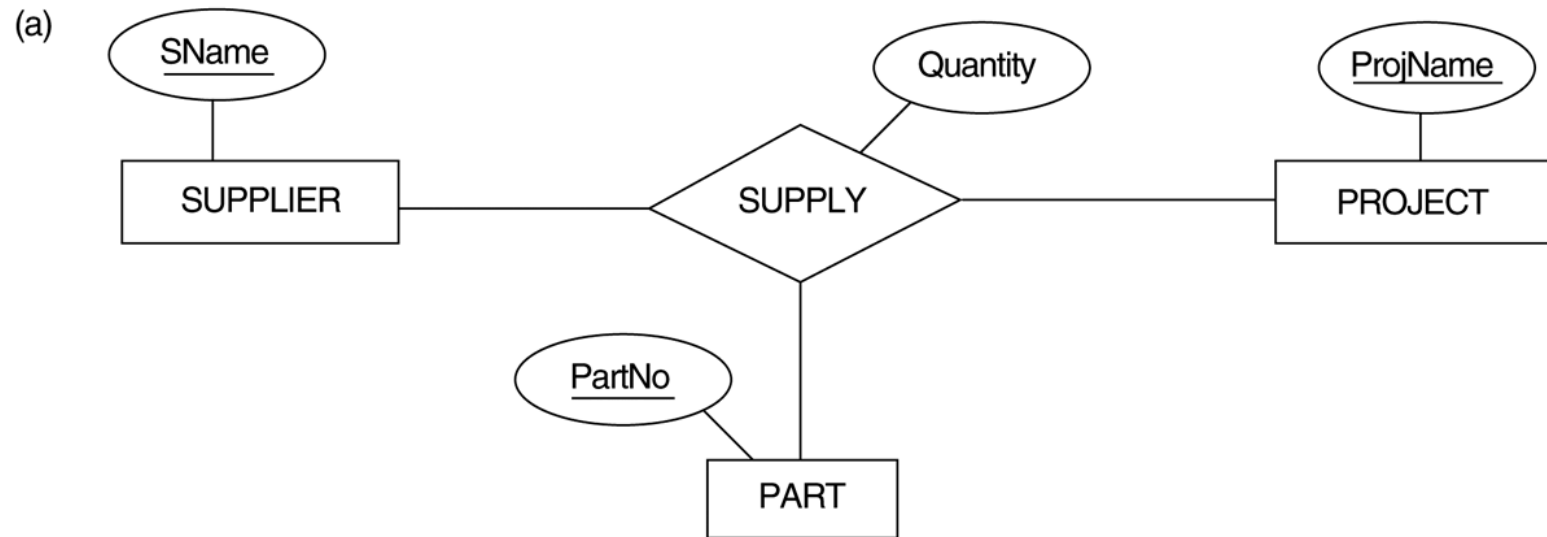
- If  $n > 2$  then : Create a new third table
- Add FKs to the new table for all parent tables
- PK is the combination of all FKs.
- Add simple attributes of relationship to the new table if any.



# N-ary Relationship



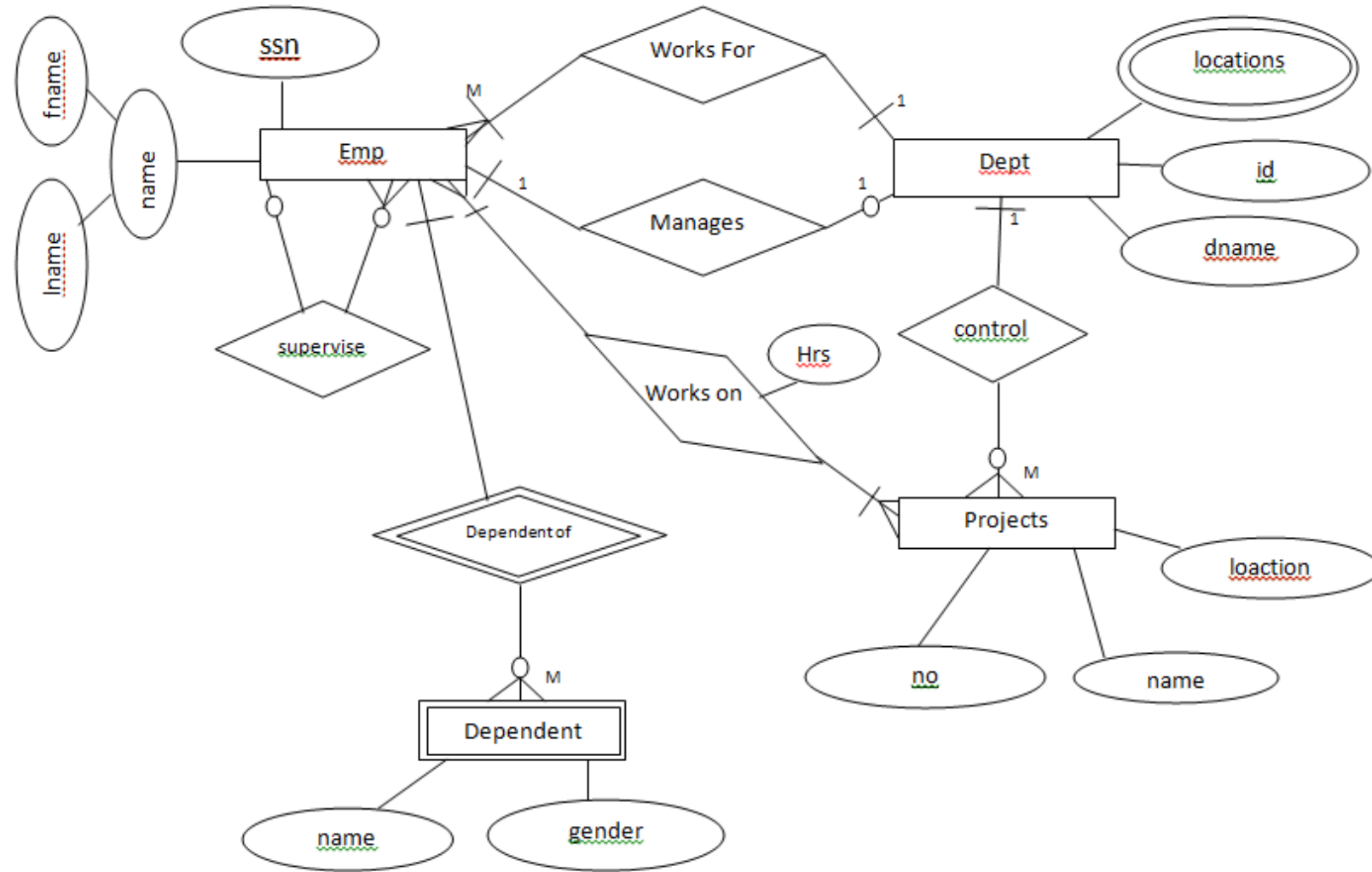
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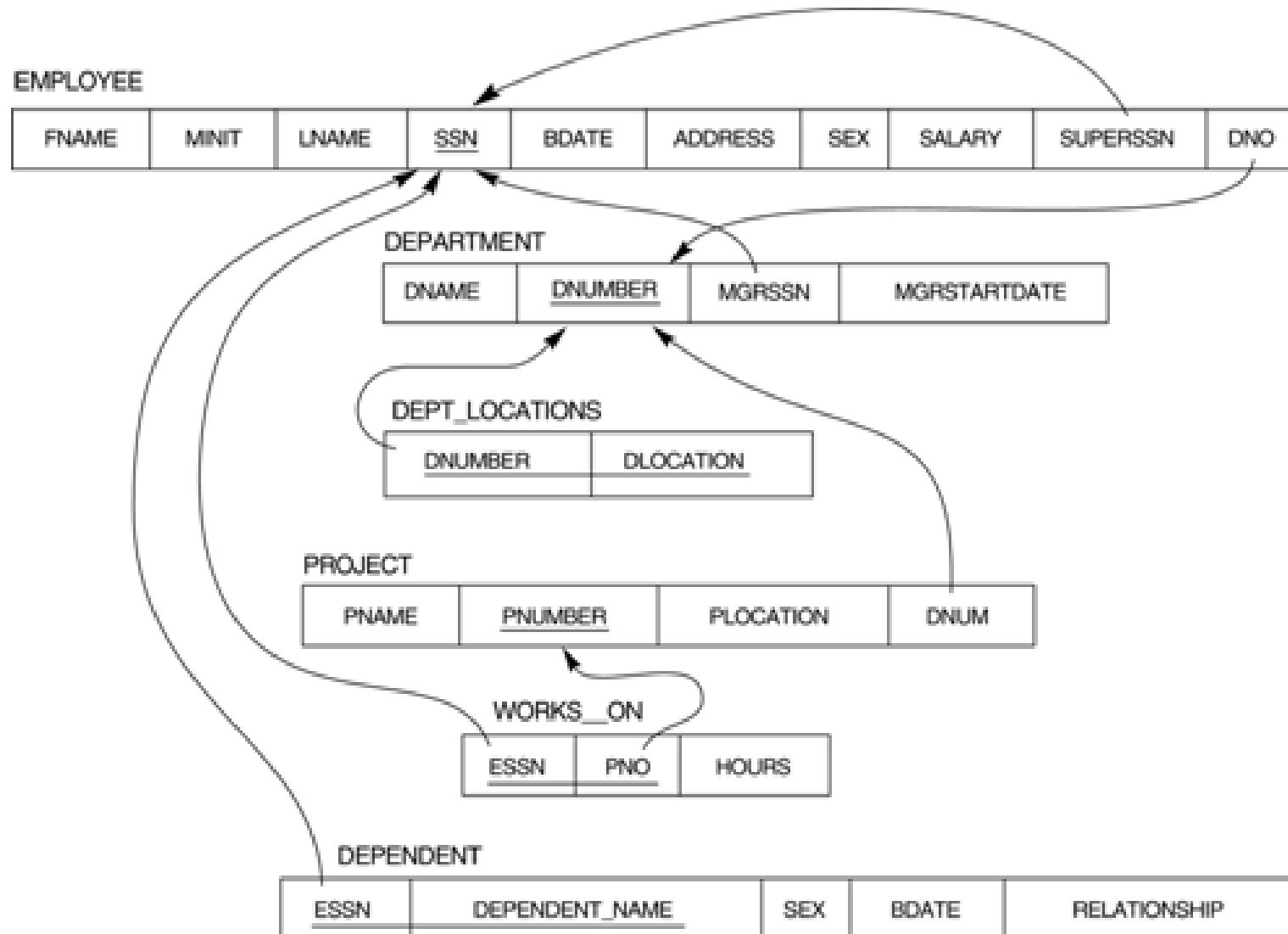


## Example 1

- A company is organized into departments. Each department has a unique name, a unique number, and a particular employee who manages the department. A department may have several locations.
- A department may control a number of projects, each of which has a unique name, a unique number, and a single location. A project must be controlled by a department.
- We store an employee's name, social security number, address, salary, gender, and birth date. An employee must be assigned to one department and must work on one or more projects, which are not necessarily controlled by the same department. We keep track of the number of hours per week that an employee works on each project. We also keep track of the direct supervisor of each employee.
- We want to keep track of the dependents of each employee for insurance purposes. We keep each dependent's first name, gender, birth date, and relationship to that employee.

# Solution







## Example 2

Musicana records have decided to store information on musicians who perform on their albums in a database. The company has wisely chosen to hire you as a database designer.

- Each musician that is recorded at Musicana has an ID number, a name, an address (street, city) and a phone number.
- Each instrument that is used in songs recorded at Musicana has a unique name and a musical type (e.g., C, B-flat, E-flat).
- Each album that is recorded at the Musicana label has a title, a copyright date, and an album identifier.
- Each song recorded at Musicana has a unique title and an author.
- Each musician plays several instruments (at least one instrument), and a given instrument is played by one or more musicians.
- Each album has a number of songs on it, but no song appears on more than one album.
- Each song is performed by one or more musicians, and a musician performs at least one song or more.
- Each album has exactly one musician who acts as its producer. A producer may produce several albums.

Design a conceptual schema for Musicana. Be sure to indicate all keys and cardinality constraints and any assumptions that you make.

## Example 3

- An organization makes many models of cars, where a model is characterized by a unique name and a suffix (such as GL or XL) and an engine size.
- Each model is made up from many parts and Each part has a description , an id code, production year, and many images.
- each part may be used in the manufacturing of more than one model
- Each model must be produced at just one of the firm's factories, which are located in London, Birmingham, Bristol, Wolver Hampton and Manchester - one in each city. Each factory has number of machines, capacity, and computer system used ( OS , DBMS, Internet).
- A factory produces many models of cars and many types of parts.

## Example 4

- A country bus company owns a number of buses. A bus is characterized by number, No. of Chairs, Options ( AC , Automatic, PS) , and brand-name
- Each bus is allocated to a particular route, although some routes may have several buses . Each route is described by KM, start point, end point and the duration.
- Each route can passes through a number of towns.
- A town may be situated along several routes. We keep track of unique name and station names in each town.
- One or more drivers are allocated to one route during a period of time. The system keep information about the driver name , mobile number , hire date, basic salary , job grade.
- The system keep information about any changes in the allocations of the drivers to the routes.

