

1. Database Design Strategies : Two approach

- a. Top-Down Approach : Model to Data. Ex : Hospital (Model) → Patient, Doctor (Data)
- b. Bottom-Up Approach : Data to Model. Ex : Model will be made by depending on Data.

Requirement Analysis : Which data will be saved.

Pitfalls to avoid :

- a. Redundancy → repetition of a record.
- b. Lack of completeness → non-existing entries/record in different table.

2. ERD and Relationship : Entity Relationship, [Database Modeling], To present a database as a model by using ERD Diagram.

ERD Components:

- a. Entity (class); b. Attribute (self.variable); c. Relationship;

Relationship :

- a. **Connectivity** (entity to entity relation);
- b. **Cardinality** (one to one, many to many)

3. ERD Participations, Notations, Strong / Weak Entity :

ERD participation: How entities Participate in DBMS

Total participation : All entities participate.

Partial participation : Not all entities participate.

ERD Notation :

a. Entity :

Rectangle → attributes inside. Header → entity name.

b. Relation :

Diamond sign between Entities

Relation attributes in a rectangle dot dot dot - - - downside of diamond sign.

c. Connection : Simple horizontal line. ———

d. Cardinality :

if one to one relation → just write 1 in both side of relation notation (diamond sign).

if one to many relation → write 0..N in the side where the relation is many and 0..1 in the side where there is one relation.

Strong Entity : Those entities who bear their own **primary key**.

Weak Entity : Those entities who **don't** have their **own primary key** (undefined).

In this case we need to insert primary key. Because without primary key, we can't

identify any record uniquely in an entity.

Design Practices : To design efficiently. To any avoid pitfalls.

we should avoid any redundancy, also which create cyclic relation between entities.

we should avoid weak entity also.

4. ERD More Notations, Generalization, Specialization :

ERD Attributes Notations :

a. Composite attribute : using [TAB]

too many together merged/compressed into one.

using [TAB] for Ex. Name, Address.

b. Multivalued attribute : Using {}

value is more than 1. many values. **Using {}**. Ex. {Phone No}.

if value is 1 then → **singlevalued attribute**

c. derived attribute : Using ()

getting value from somewhere. Ex. from date of birth we can calculate the age. so no need to take input age attribute in extra.

ERD Generalization/Specialization : something more or less like **inheritance**.

Dividing an entity into some child entity is **Generalization** and pointing children's parent by arrow notation is **Specialization**.

Specialization notation is arrow sign (\rightarrow) towards the parent entity from its children entities

5. Generalization, Specialization, Example :

Student & Employee \rightarrow Compressed (Specialization) into Person.

Person \rightarrow divided (Generalization) into Student & Employee.

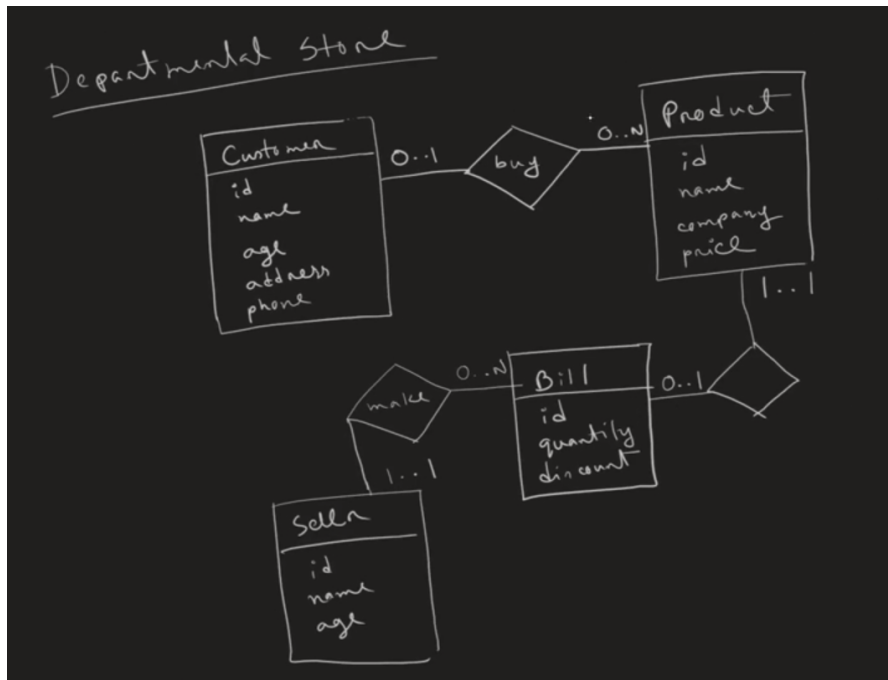
Specialization :

- a. Overlapping** (common) \rightarrow arrow from each children to its parent.
- b. Uncommon** \rightarrow arrow firstly merged together into one line than to its parent.

Example :

Making a database on Departmental Store and presenting it by ERD Notation.

ERD Database Representation :



6. ERD Primary Key:

Primary Key : the unique field by which we can search a record uniquely.

The ERD Primary key notation is Underlined

For Weak Entity primary key notation will be dotted underlined. _ _ _ _
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Example :

