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Modeling Data Relationships

Reactive Developer Boot Camp

What you will learn here

- Data Relationships
- Entity and Reference Identifiers
- Types of Relationships

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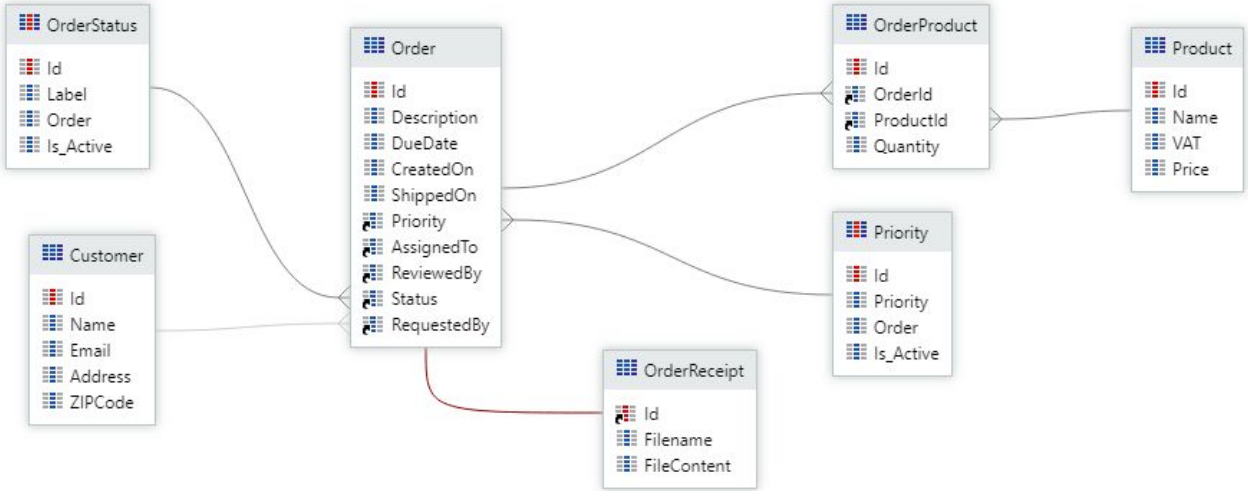

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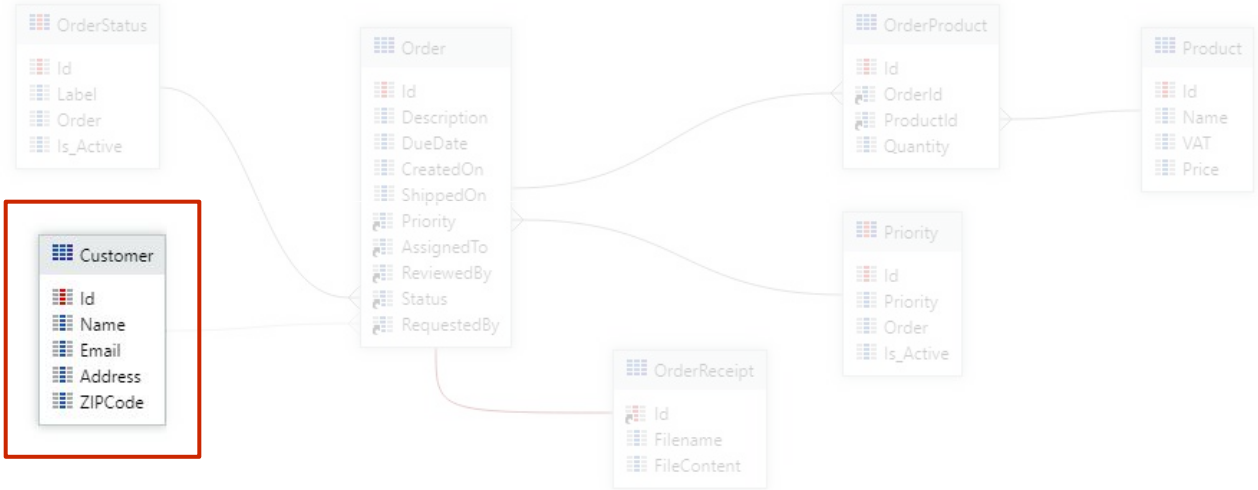

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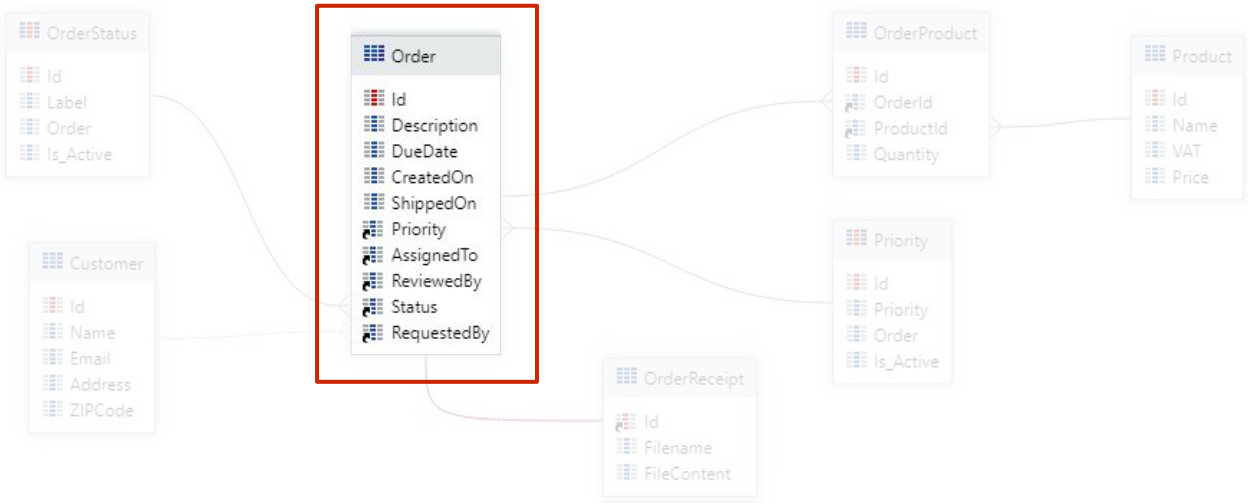

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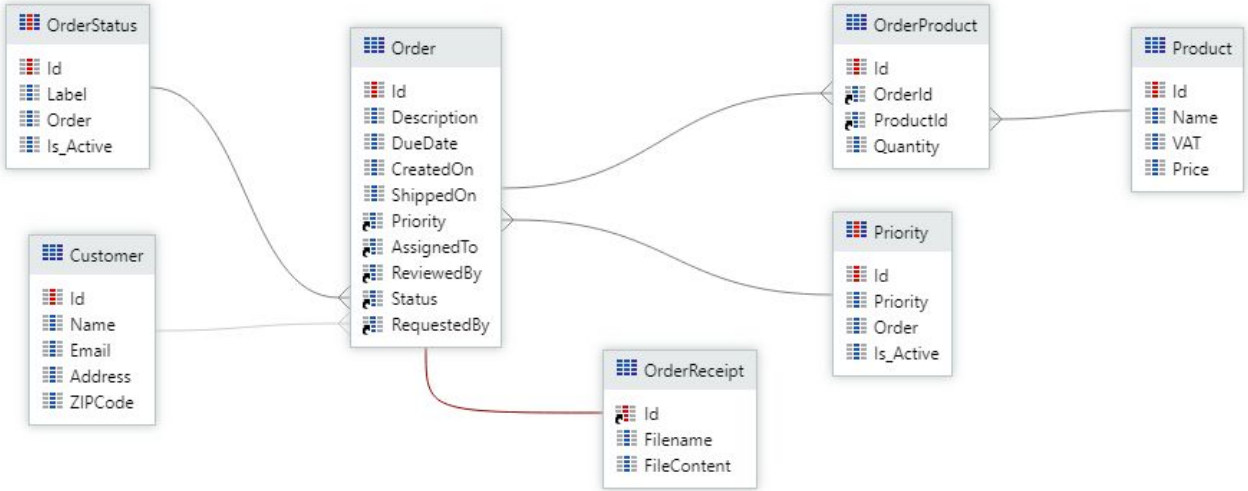

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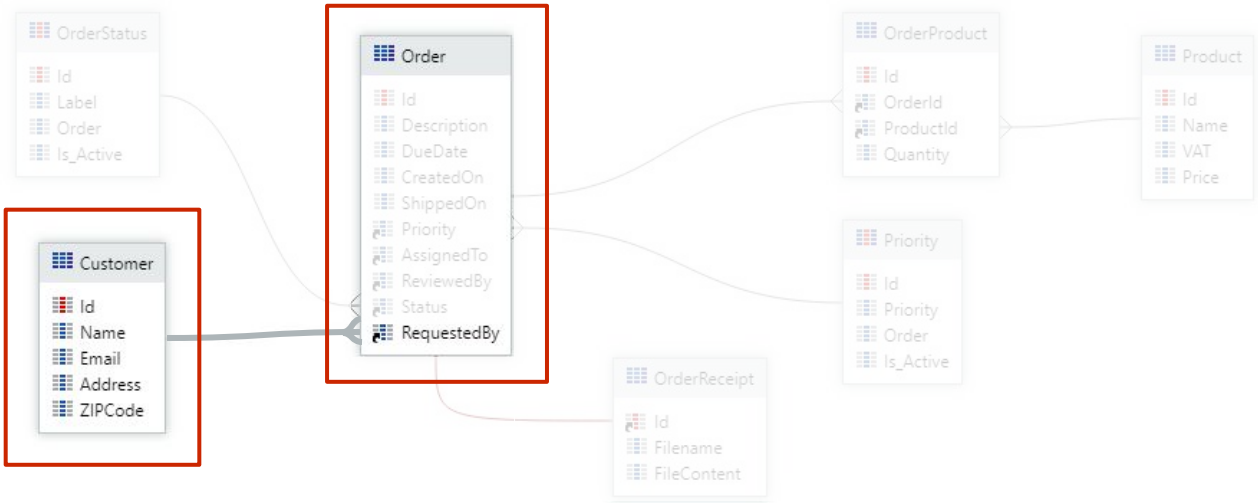

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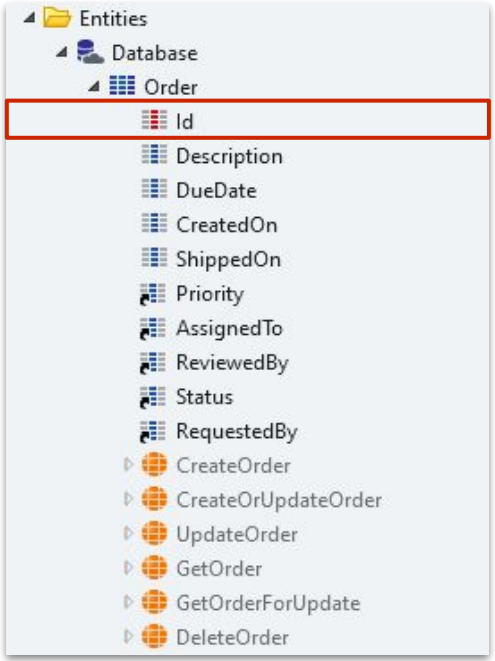
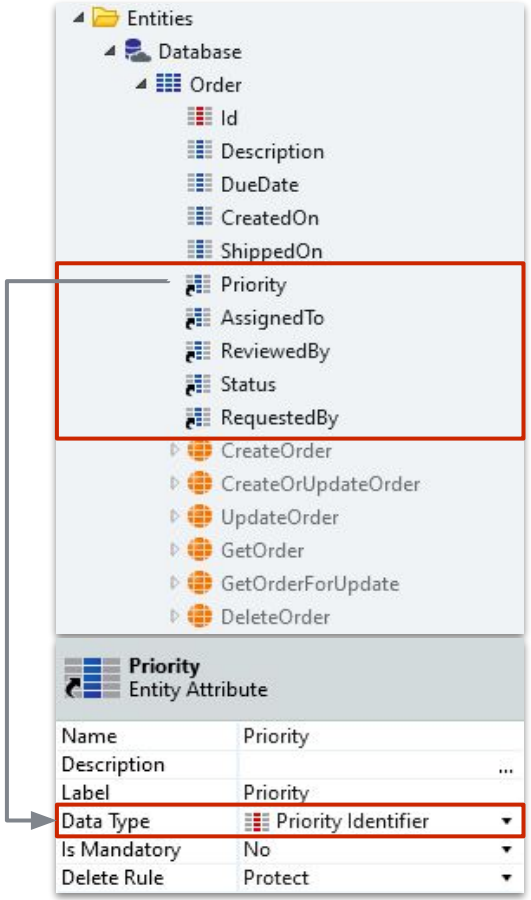


- An Entity **must** have an **Identifier** to allow relationships
  - **Id** attribute is a long integer and automatically numbered by default
  - Mandatory
  - Possible types
    - Text
    - Integer / Long Integer
    - (Another) Entity Identifier
- Represents the DB table's Primary Key
  - Support **simple primary keys**
  - **NO** composite keys!

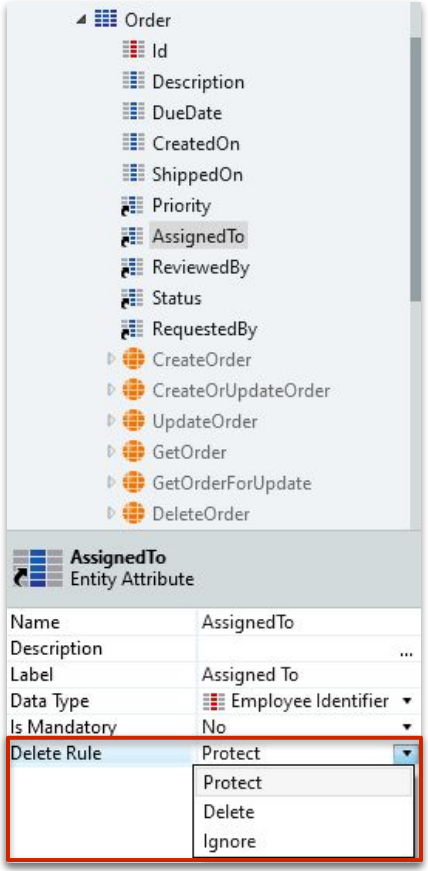
Referencing an Entity

- Entities can be referenced by their identifier
  - Create an attribute of type *Entity* Identifier
  - Can be mandatory or not
  - Static Entities can only reference other Static Entities
- Represents the database table's Foreign Key
- *NullIdentifier()* is the default value for reference attributes



Delete Rule

- Property of the reference attribute
  - Specifies the referential integrity
- Applied when deleting a record from the referenced Entity
  - Protect - does not allow deleting the record
    - Employee with Orders assigned to it is not deleted
  - Delete - deletes the record and cascades delete all the records that reference it
    - Employee is deleted as well as all the Orders assigned to it
  - Ignore - does not guarantee referential integrity
    - Employee is deleted. Orders are kept



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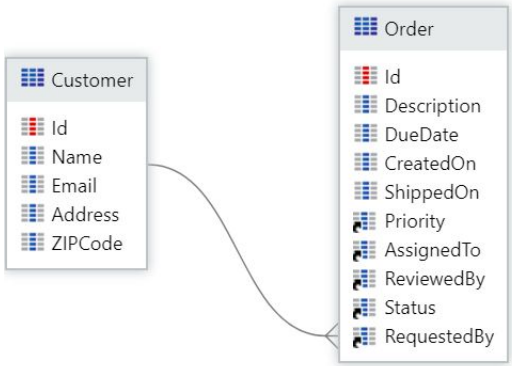

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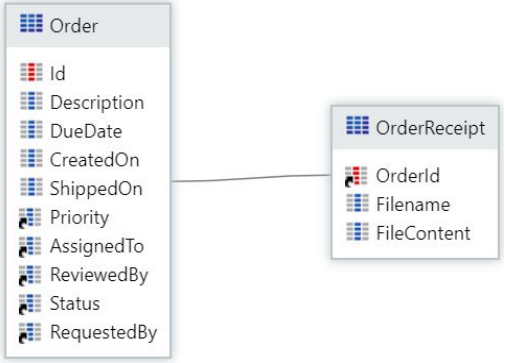

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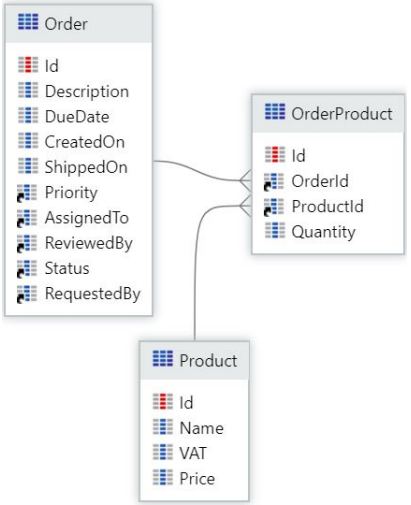

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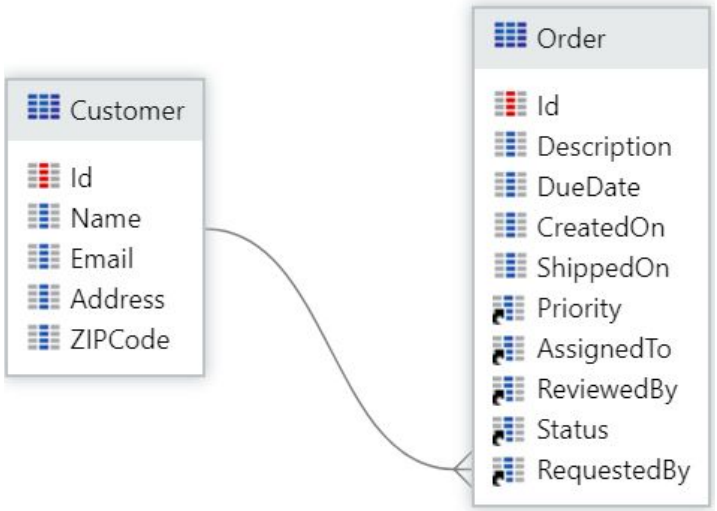

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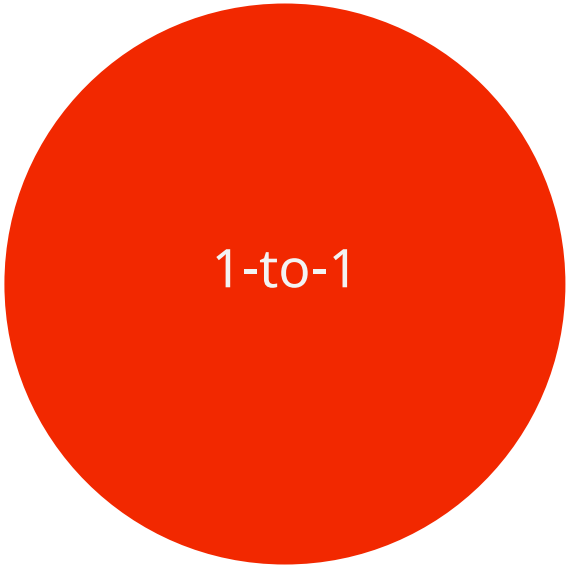

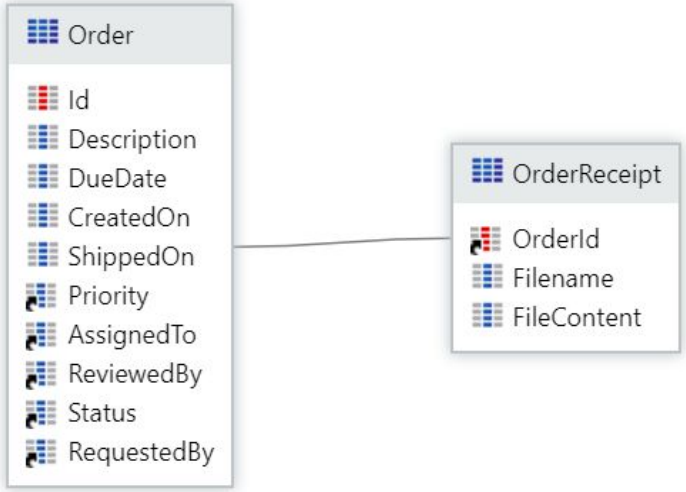

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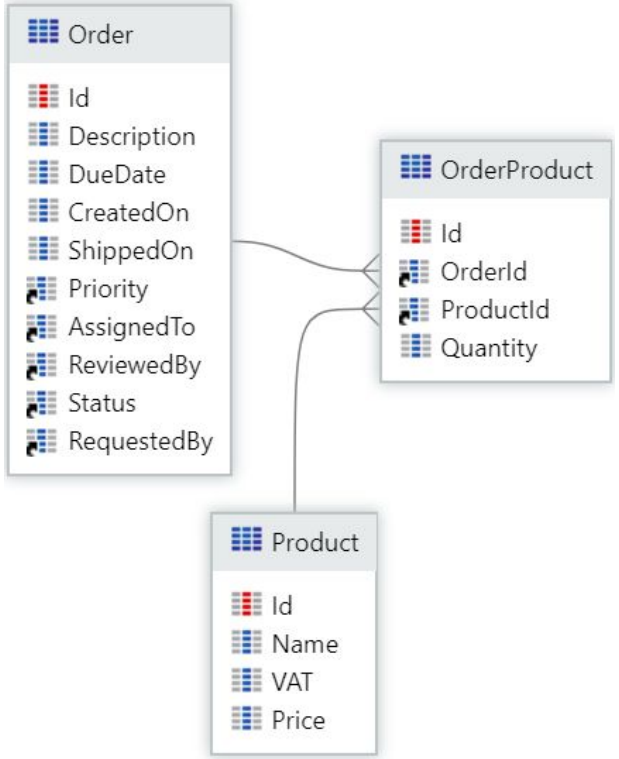

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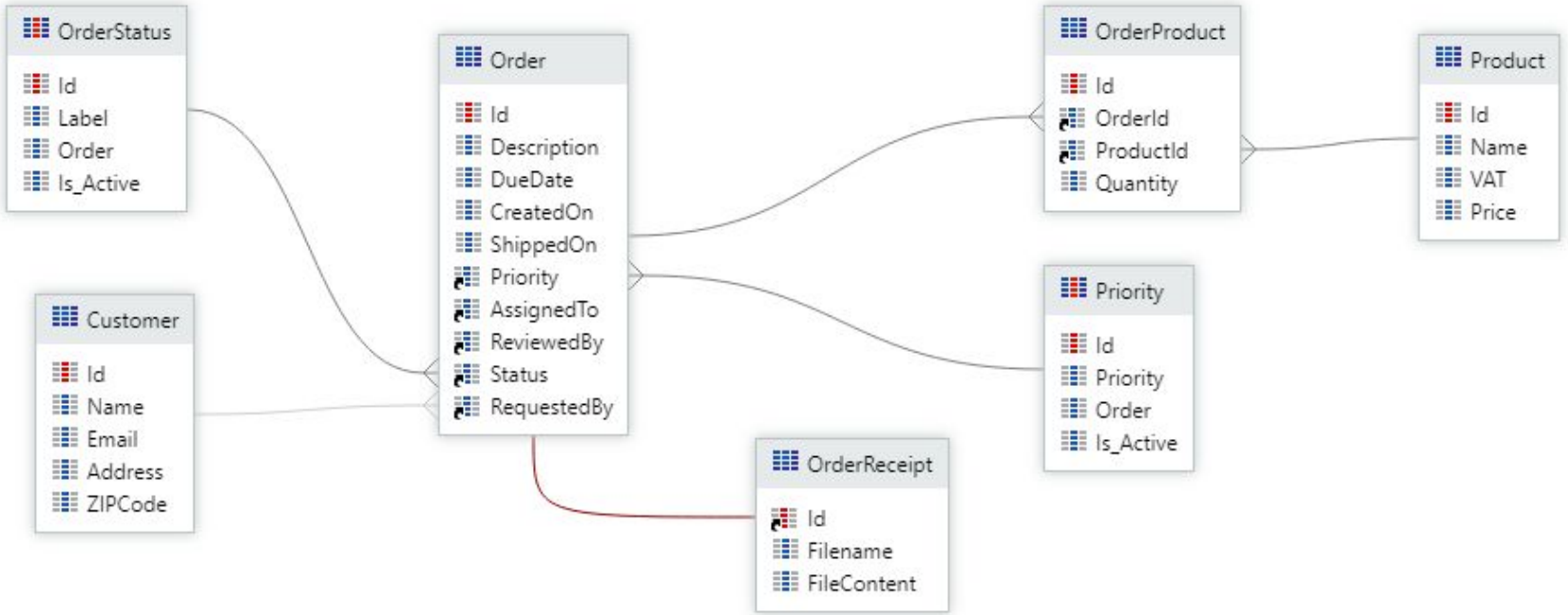

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