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Deliverable 1

Assumptions

The weak entities (House_properties, Economic_properties, Administrative_properties, Review_scores) linked to the Listing exist only if the listing exists. The attributes of Review_scores can be null if the Listing is new and was not yet evaluated.

Both the Listing and the Neighbourhood are linked to a city, therefore we have decided to relate a Listing to a Neighbourhood, that is itself linked to a City. We assumed it would avoid having the same information twice (is in a City - relation).

The Review is written by exactly one Reviewer and for exactly one Listing. If a Reviewer unsubscribes of the Airbnb platform, we have decided that the Review shall still exist. Also, if a Listing disappears, we suppose that the Review still exists.

We suppose that City in this database has a unique name inside their country. Hence we can use city_name and country_code as primary key.

Entity Relationship Schema

Entities	Description	
Listing	Represents a listing in an AirBnb service.	
Host	Person that hosts a listing.	
Neighbourhood	Part of a city.	
City	City.	
House_proper- ties	Properties of the accommodation.	
Economic_ properties	Costs related to the rent of the accommodation.	
Administrative_ properties	Rules related to the rent of the accommodation.	
Review	Review in the Airbnb system of a listing.	
Reviewer	Person who writes a review about a listing.	
Review_scores	Scores related to a listing of a review in different domains.	
Calender	Availabilites of a listing.	
Location	Location on a map of a listing.	

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Entity	Relation	Entity	Constraints
a Listing	has	House_properties	one-to-one relationship (Listing's weak entity)
a Listing	has	Economic_properties	one-to-one relationship (Listing's weak entity)
a Listing	has	Administrative_proper- ties	one-to-one relationship (Listing's weak entity)
a Listing	has	Review_scores	one-to-one relationship (Listing's weak entity)
a Host	owns	a Listing	each listing has exatcly one host
a Listing	occupies	a Calender	a listing has availabilities in time. Each date has the corresponding listing's availability
a Review	reviews	a Listing	a review reviews exaxtly one listing
a Reviewer	writes	a Review	a review has exactly one reviewer
a Listing	is in	a Neighbourdhood	a listing is in exactly one neigbourhood
a Listing	is in	a City	a listing is in exactly one city
a Neigbourhood	is in	a City	a neigborhood is in exactly one city

Schema

<Add the figure of the ER schema> //TODO

Relational Schema

Table	Referes to	Relates with
Listing	Listing (entity)	Host_id (owns)
Host	Host (entity)	
Neigbourhood	Neigbourhood (entity)	City (is in)
House_ properties	House_properties (entity)	Listing (has)
Economic_ properties	Economic_properties (entity)	Listing (has)

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Administrative_ properties	Administrative_ pro- perties (entity)	Listing (has)
Review_scores	Review_scores (entity)	Listing (has)
Review	Review (entity)	Reviewer (writes), Listing (reviews)
Reviewer	Reviewer (entity)	
Calender	Calender (entity)	Listing (occupies)
City	City (entity)	
Location	(relation)	Listing, Neighbourhood, City (is in)

DDL

<Provide the DDL> //TODO

General Comments

For this first work, we thought it was important to work the three together to understand the database correctly. We designed the basis of the ER model, and modified it until the three of us were satisfied. Then we split the work (SQL commands, report, creation of ER model).