

DATABASE SHORT NOTE

Data vs Information

Data	Information
Raw, unprocessed facts	Processed and meaningful data
No context or interpretation	Provides context and value
Requires processing	Already processed and useful
Example: "45, 78, 32"	Example: "Average score: 51%"

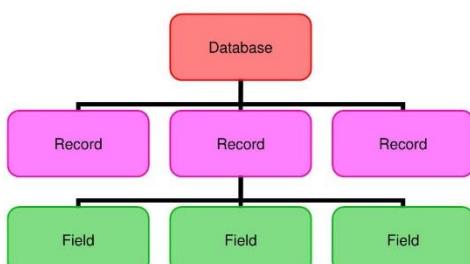
Structured data vs Unstructured data

Structured Data	Unstructured Data
Highly organized and formatted	No predefined format or structure
Easily searchable in databases	Difficult to search and analyze
Stored in rows and columns	Stored in varied formats (e.g., text, images)
Example: Spreadsheets, SQL databases	Example: Emails, social media posts

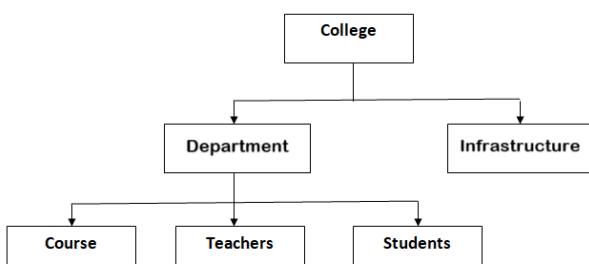
Database: an organized collection of structured data, usually stored on a computer. It is managed by software called a database management system (DBMS).

DBMS Models

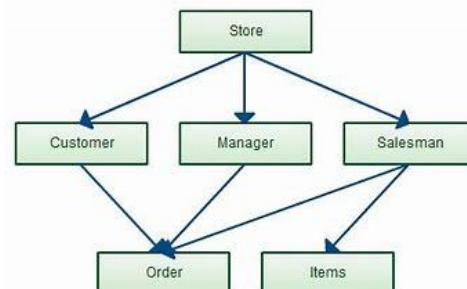
Flat file database - A large collection of data where tables & records are not connected. It have just one table.



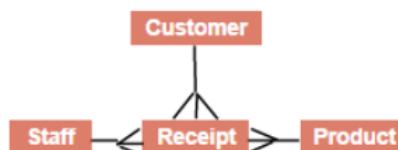
Hierarchical model - Data are organized into a tree-like structure. Presents parent: child relationship (1:M)



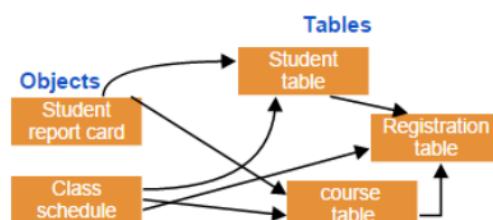
Network Model – Extended version of hierarchical model. Supports more than one parent relationship (M:M)



Relational Model - stores data in the form of relations (tables).



Object relational model - combination of a Object oriented database model and a Relational database model. it supports objects, classes, inheritance etc.



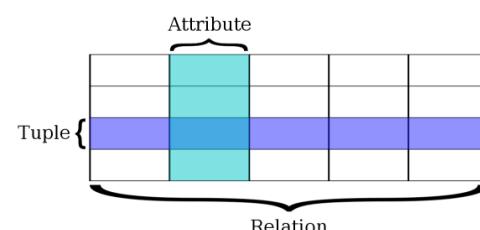
Main components of the relational model

Record/ Tuple: Each row of a table is known as record. It is also known as tuple.

Attributes/Columns : Each column in a Table. Attributes are the properties which define a relation. e.g., Student_Rollno, Name, Address.

Degree : The total number of attributes which in the relation is called the degree of the relation.(Number of columns)

Cardinality : Total number of rows present in the Table



Constraints - rules that ensure data consistency when changes are made to the database:

- **NOT NULL Constraint**: Ensures a column cannot have an empty (null) value.
- **Unique Constraint**: Ensures all values in a column are different.
- **Primary Key Constraint**: Uniquely identifies each record in a table. Must be unique and not null.
- **Foreign Key Constraint**: Links a column in one table to the primary key in another, maintaining relationships.
- **Check Constraint**: Limits the range of values that can be entered in a column.

Keys

Candidate key ← Combination of attributes used to identify a record. One of them becomes the primary key

Primary key ← Uniquely identifies each row in a relation

Alternate key ← Candidate key which is not a primary key.

Composite key ← Primary Key with a combination of 2 or more columns

Foreign key ← provides a link between data in two tables

Dependencies

Functional Dependency ← one or more attributes uniquely identify other attributes in a table.

Full Dependency ← All attributes depend on a single attribute.

Partial Dependency ← A non-prime key functionally depend on a part of candidate key.

Transitive Dependency ← Non-prime attribute fully depend on another non-prime attribute.

Data Consistency – Ensures any data is written to a database Must be valid according to defined rules.

Integrity – Maintains the data accuracy and consistency.

i. **Integrity constraint** – Primary key, Not null, Unique, Foreign key, check, default

ii. **Domain Integrity** – Ensures all data in a field are within a valid range. Prevents invalid data being stored.

iii. **Entity Integrity** – Ensures each row in a table uniquely identified by using the primary key.

iv. **Referential Integrity** – Ensures value in one table references an existing value in another table.

Data atomicity – ensures that all operations within a data entry are either fully completed or none if one part fails.

Data Anomalies

- **Insertion anomaly** – Inability to add data without having some required existing data
- **Update anomaly** - Issues when changing data in one place but not in others, causing inconsistencies.
- **Deletion anomaly** – When deleting a data, losing some other important data

Common errors in a database

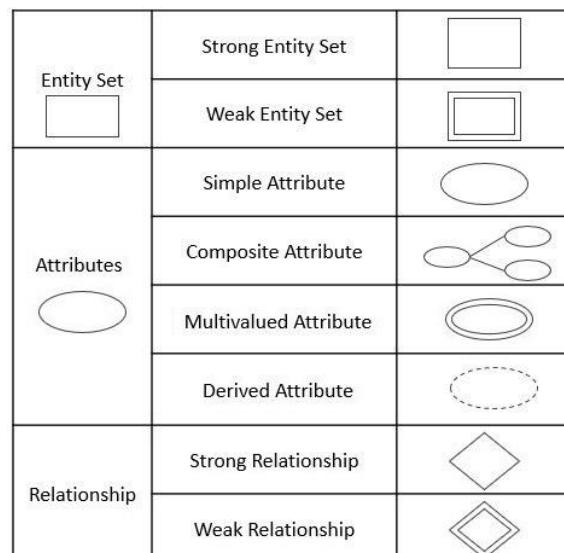
- Data redundancy
- Having null data
- Having data beyond the range
- Data type mismatching

Cardinality/Relationships

- One to one(1:1)
- One to many(1:M)
- Many to many(M:N)

Entity Relationship (ER) Diagrams

ER diagram is a blueprint(plan) we should prepare before creating a physical data storage

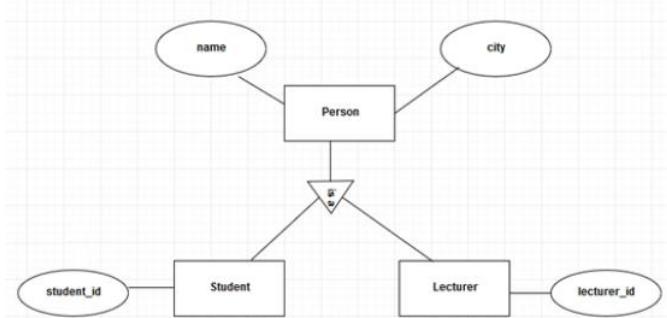


Extended Entity Relationship (EER) diagram is an extension of ER diagrams.

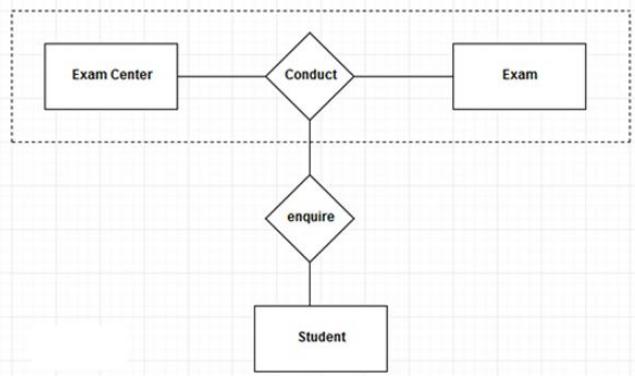
- Generalization
- Specialization
- aggregation.

Generalization- Lower level entities can be combined to produce a higher level entity.(bottom to top approach)

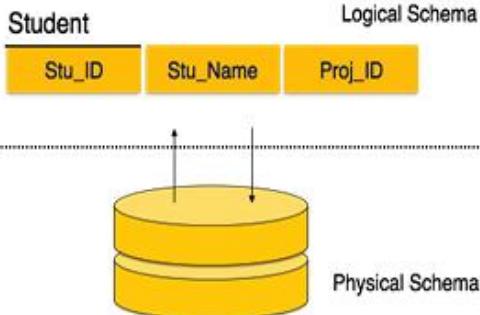
Specialization - high-level entities can be divided into lower level entities. (top to bottom approach)



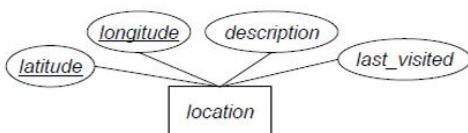
Aggregation - relation between two entities is treated as a single entity.



Physical schema & Logical schema

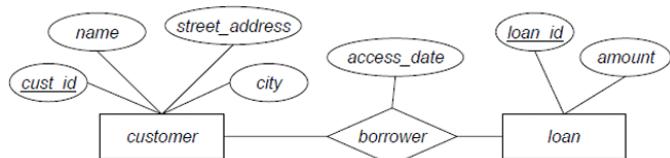


Converting ERD to Logical Schema



location(latitude, longitude, description, last_visited)

M:N ERD to logical schema



*customer(cust_id, name, street_address, city)
loan(loan_id, amount)*

borrower(cust_id, loan_id, access_date)

Normalization

2 main Purposes:

- Eliminate redundant (useless) data.
- Ensure data dependencies make sense.
(data is logically stored)

0NF – Zero Normalization Form

- Extra memory usage
- Anomalies occur

1NF – 1st Normalization Form

- Removes duplicate records.
- Separate tables for multi-valued attributes.
- Establishes connections using PK & FK

* All the non-key attributes functionally depend on primary key

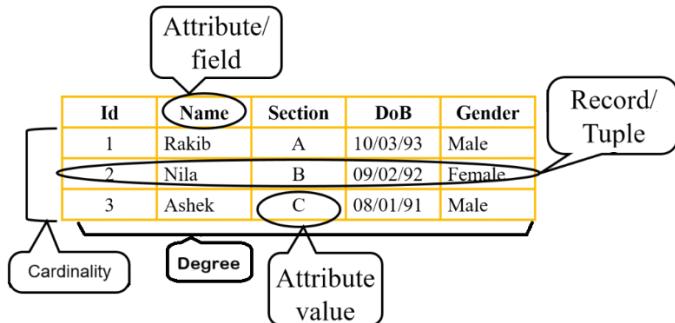
2NF – 2nd Normalization Form

- Removes partial dependency

3NF – 3rd Normalization Form

- Removes Transitive dependency

SQL CHEATSHEET



Constraints

- NOT NULL Constraint → (st_id int(5) **NOT NULL**)
- Unique Constraint → (st_id int(5) **UNIQUE**)
- Primary key constraint → (st_id int(5) **PRIMARY KEY**)
- foreign key constraint → (**FOREIGN KEY(st_id)** REFERENCES Students(st_id))
- check constraint → (Age int(2) **check (Age>=18)**)
- default constraint → (Gender varchar(10) **default 'Male'**)

SQL → DDL- Data Definition Language

DML- Data Manipulation Language

DQL- Data Query Language

DCL- Data Control Language

TCL- Transaction Control Language

Data Types → VARCHAR, CHAR, INT, DATE

DDL Commands

- CREATE
- ALTER
- DROP
- RENAME
- TRUNCATE
- COMMENT

CREATE

- CREATE DATABASE School;
- CREATE TABLE student(

 St_no int(5) PRIMARY KEY,

 Name varchar (20)NOT NULL,

 Sub_id int(3),

 FOREIGN KEY(Sub_id) REFERENCES SUBJECT(Sub_id),

)

ALTER

- ALTER TABLE STUDENT DROP PRIMARY KEY;
- ALTER TABLE ADD Address varchar(30) NOT NULL;
- ALTER TABLE DROP COLUMN Address;
- ALTER TABLE DROP FOREIGN KEY(Sub_id);

DROP

- DROP DATABASE School;
- DROP TABLE Teacher;

DML Commands

- SELECT
- DELETE
- UPDATE
- INSERT

QUERY Commands – Used to carry out tasks

i. SELECT ii. FROM iii. WHERE

- **INSERT INTO Employee(Empid, Empname, Salary) Values(007, "Kasun", "45000") OR**

- **INSERT INTO Employee VALUES (007, "Kasun", "45000");**

UPDATE Employee SET Empname= "Kamal" where Empid= "007"

DELETE FROM Employee WHERE Empid= '007'

Select Statement

- **SELECT Empid, Salary From Employee**
- (*) -All data → **SELECT * FROM Student** (Display all data)

(WHERE) – To Filter Records

SELECT * FROM Employee WHERE Department='IT';

Operator	Description	Example
=	Equal	SELECT * FROM Products WHERE Price = 18;
>	Greater than	SELECT * FROM Products WHERE Price > 30;
<	Less than	SELECT * FROM Products WHERE Price < 30;
>=	Greater than or equal	SELECT * FROM Products WHERE Price >= 30;
<=	Less than or equal	SELECT * FROM Products WHERE Price <= 30;
<>	Not equal	SELECT * FROM Products WHERE Price <> 18;
BETWEEN	Between a certain range	
LIKE	Search for a pattern	
IN	To specify multiple possible values for a column	

```
SELECT * FROM Employee WHERE  
Salary BETWEEN 50000 AND 100000;
```

```
SELECT * FROM Employee WHERE  
Empname LIKE 'a%'; ← starting with "a"
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```
SELECT * FROM Employee WHERE  
Empname LIKE '%an%'; ← have "an" in the middle
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```
SELECT * FROM Employee WHERE  
Empname LIKE '%s'; ← ends with "s"
```

```
SELECT * FROM Employee WHERE  
Empname LIKE 'Jo__'; ← starts with 'Jo' and exactly has  
2 more characters
```

```
SELECT * FROM Employee WHERE Department  
IN ('IT', 'Accounts', 'HR') ← Selects customers from  
mentioned departments
```

```
SELECT * FROM Employee WHERE  
NOT Department='IT'; ← All records except ones from IT
```

```
SELECT * FROM Employee WHERE  
Department='IT' AND Branch='Colombo'; ← select statements  
where both statements are true
```

```
SELECT * FROM Employee WHERE  
Department='IT' OR Department='HR'; ← select statements  
where one of the statements are true
```

```
SELECT * FROM employee ORDER BY ASC/DESC
```

Functions

```
AVG(), SUM(), MAX(), MIN(), COUNT()
```

```
SELECT MIN(Salary) FROM Employee;
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```
SELECT SUM(Salary) as Total from Employee;
```

Total

```
Select Department, sum(Salary) From Employee  
GROUP BY Department; ← Group elements
```

```
Select Distinct(Department) From Employee;  
← Limits Repeated data only to be displayed once
```

Grouping 2 Tables

```
SELECT * FROM EMPLOYEE,PROJECT WHERE  
EMPLOYEE.EMPNO=PROJECT.EMPNO; ← Display everything  
in both tables where Empno in both are same
```

```
SELECT employee.Empno, name, SUM(Hours) FROM  
Employee,Project WHERE EMPLOYEE.EMPNO=PROJECT.EMPNO;  
← If same attributes exists in both tables, should mention  
from which table we get to query.
```

```
Inner Join - selects records that have matching values in both  
tables
```

```
Select Employee.Empno, Salary, Hours From Employee INNER  
JOIN Project on Employee.Empno=Project.Empno;
```

Multiple Statements

```
SELECT name FROM city WHERE  
country_id IN (  
SELECT country_id FROM country  
WHERE population > 20000000);  
← This query finds cities in countries that have a population  
above 20M:
```