Database Management System

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Introduction to ER Model

Basic ER Model Designing

ER Model

An entity relationship model, also called an entity-relationship (ER) diagram, is a graphical representation of entities (which will become tables) and their relationships to each other.



Entity

Attributes

Relationship

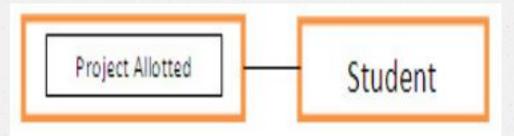


- Any real-world object can be represented as an entity about which data can be stored in a database.
- Any living or non-living objects can be represented by an entity.
- An entity is symbolically represented by a rectangle enclosing its name.

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- Strong Entity: A strong entity has a primary key attribute which uniquely identifies each entity.
- Weak Entity: A weak entity does not have a primary key attribute and depends on other entity via a foreign key attribute.





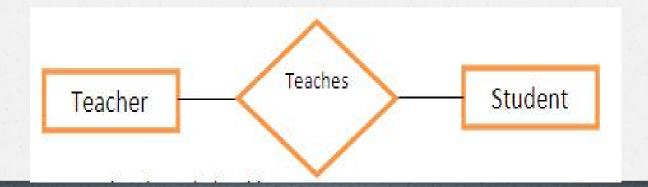
- Properties of an entity.
- For example, a car entity would be described by attributes such as price, registration number, model number, color etc.
- Attributes are indicated by ovals in an ER diagram.

Types of Attributes

- Simple
- Composite
- Single valued
- Multi valued
- O Derived



- Association among several entities.
- Normally, a verb in a sentence signifies a relationship.
- A diamond is used to symbolically represent a relationship in the e-r diagram.

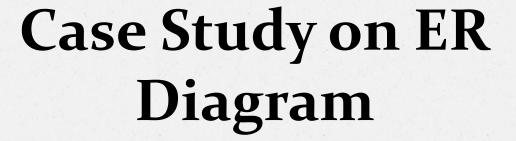




- Express the number of entities to which another entity can be associated via a relationship.
- Types of Mapping Cardinatlities
- 1. One to One
- 2. One to Many
- 3. Many to One
- 4. Many to Many



One to One: Allotted Student Project One to Many: Recruits Department Faculty Many to One: Owned Person Houses Many to Many: Writes Author Books

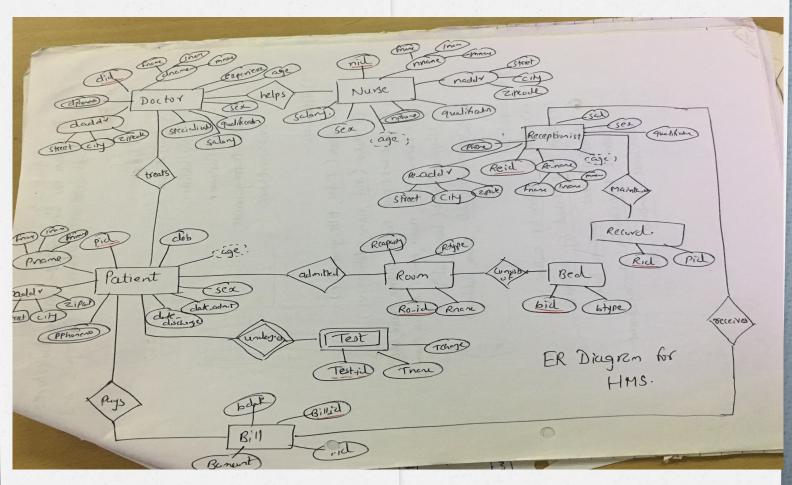


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- Scenario Description
- O Identify entities
- O Identify attributes
- O Identify relationships
- O Identify mapping cardinalities
- O Draw ER Diagram

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Any Questions ??

End of Lecture 5