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Persistent Storage

Example: Gradebook

- Students: ID, name, address, ...
- Courses: ID, name, department, year, ...
- Student-Course Relationship: which students are registered for which courses

${\bf Gradebook}$

<u>Aa</u> Name	■ IDNumber
Sunil Shashi	MAD001
Chetana Anantha	MAD002
Madhur Prakash	MAD003
Nihal Surya	MAD004
Shweta Lalita	MAD005
Raghu Balwinder	MAD006
<u>Gulshan Kuldeep</u>	MAD007
Kishan Shrivatsa	MAD008
Purnima Sunil	MAD009
Nikitha Madhavi	MAD010
Lilavati Prabhakar	MAD011
Rama Yamuna	MAD012

Gradebook

<u>Aa</u> CourseID	■ Name
EE1001	Introduction to Electrical Engineering
<u>AM1100</u>	Engineering Mechanics
MA1020	Functions of Several Variables
ME1100	Thermodynamics
BR1010	Life Sciences

Spreadsheets

- Arbitrary data organized into rows and columns
- Operations defined on cells or ranges
- Multiple inter-linked sheets within single spreadsheet

Any kind of tabular data - expressed in tables

Relationships

- Students Course?
- Separate entry with full details student name, ID, address, course ID, name, department, etc.
 - Redundant
- Separate table "joining" students with courses
 - Only ID specified
 - Relation specified with "Keys"

<u>Aa</u> A	≡ В	# C
MAD001	BT1010	78
MAD002	EE1001	30
MAD005	EE1001	68
MAD009	AM1100	62
MAD012	AM1100	77
MAD007	BT1010	41

Questions

- How should the underlying data should be stored?
 - Can it be made persistent survive server restart?
- How should the relations be represented?
- Structured ways to represent, manipulate data?



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Mechanisms for Persistent Storage

In-memory data structures

- Error prone easy to make mistakes in entry or referencing
- Does not scale
- Duplicate names?

In-memory data structures: Keys

```
names = {0: 'Alice', 1: 'Bob', 2: 'Charlie'}
courses = {0: 'Introduction to EE', 1: 'Applied Mech', 2: 'Calculus'}
rels = [(0, 0), (1, 2), (0, 2), (2, 1)]
```

- Data entry errors less likely
- Duplicates not a problem Unique key

Objects

```
class Student:
  id_next = 0 # Class variable
  def __init__(self, name):
    self.name = name
    self.id = Student.id_next
    Student.id_next += 1
```

- Auto-initialize ID to ensure unique
- Functions to set/get values

```
class Student:
  id_next = 0 # Class variable
  def __init__(self, name, hostel):
    self.name = name
    self.id = Student.id_next
    self.hostel = hostel
    Student.id_next += 1
```

• Add a new field to the object easily

But what about persistence?

- In-memory data structures are lost when the program is killed, server is shut down or rebooted (restarted)
- Save to disk? Structured data?
 - o Python Pickle and similar modules
 - CSV Comma Separated Values
 - TSV Tab Separated Values
- Essentially the same as spreadsheets limited flexibility

Spreadsheets

- Naturally represent tabular data
- Extension, adding fields are easy
- Separate sheets for relationships

Problems with spreadsheets:

- Lookups, cross-referencing harder than dedicated database
- Stored procedures limited functionality
- Atomic operations no clear definition

Relational Databases - SQL

Shameless plug, I do have notes for DBMS here

- From IBM ~ 1970s
- Data is stored in tabular format:
 - Columns of tables: fields (name, address, department, ...)
 - Rows of tables: individual entries (student1, student2, ...)

Unstructured Databases - NoSQL

- Easily add/change fields
- · Arbitrary data
- NoSQL
 - MongoDB
 - CouchDB

o ...

• Flexible, but potential loss of validation



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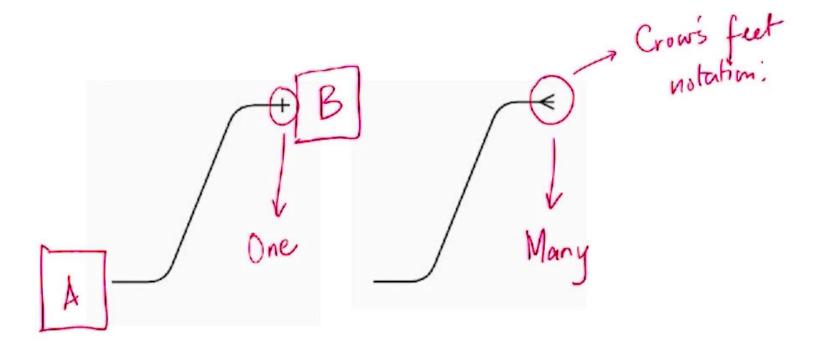
Relations and ER diagram

Relationship types

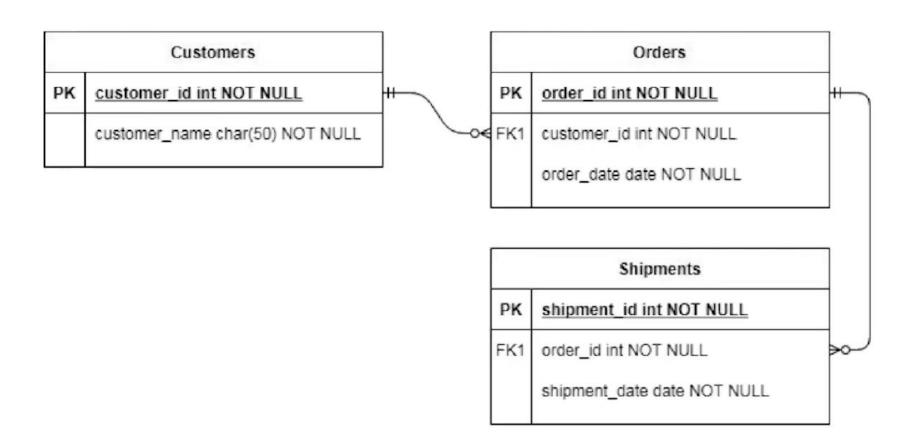
- One to One:
 - o One student has one roll number
 - o One roll number uniquely identifies one student
 - **Example:** assign unique message-ID to each email in the inbox
- One to Many (Many to One):
 - $\circ~$ One stays in only one hostel $\,$
 - One hostel has many students
 - Example: save emails in folders one email is in only one folder
- Many to Many:
 - o One student can register for many courses
 - One course be taken by many students
 - o Example: assign labels to emails one email can have many labels and vice-versa

Diagrams

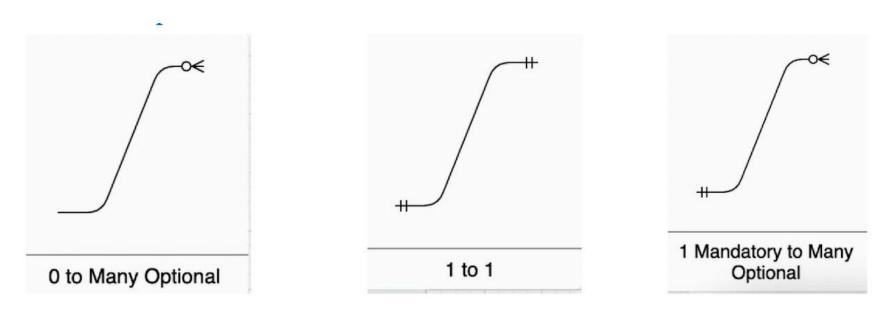
- Entity-Relationship (ER)
- Unified Modeling Language (UML)
- Class relation



Entity-Relationship Diagram



ER examples



Tool: Draw.io → https://app.diagrams.net



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SQL

Relational Databases - SQL

- From IBM ~ 1970s
- Data is stored in tabular format:
 - Columns of tables: fields (name, address, department, ...)
 - Rows of tables: individual entries (student1, student2, ...)
- Key: unique way of accessing a given row
 - o Primary Key: important for fast access to large databases
 - $\circ~$ Foreign Key: connect to a different table $\underline{\text{Relationships}}$

Queries

• Retrieve data from a database

eg: "Find students with name beginning with A"

"Find all courses offered in 2021"

Structured Query Language

- English-like, but structured
- Quite verbose
- Specific mathematical operations:
 - Inner join

Outer join

Example: Inner join

<u>Aa</u> Name	■ IDNumber	# hostelID
Sunil Shashi	MAD001	1
Chetana Anantha	MAD002	2
Madhur Prakash	MAD003	2
Nihal Surya	MAD004	3
Shweta Lalita	MAD005	2
Raghu Balwinder	MAD006	3
<u>Gulshan Kuldeep</u>	MAD007	1
Kishan Shrivatsa	MAD008	1
<u>Purnima Sunil</u>	MAD009	2
Nikitha Madhavi	MAD010	1
Lilavati Prabhakar	MAD011	3
Rama Yamuna	MAD012	3

<u>Aa</u> ID	■ Name	# Capacity
<u>1</u>	Jamuna	300
<u>2</u>	Ganga	300
<u>3</u>	Brahmaputra	500

Student - Hostel mapping

```
SELECT Students.name, Hostels.name
FROM Students
INNER JOIN Hostels
ON Students.hostelID = Hostels.ID;
```

```
---- OUTPUT ----
Sunil Shashi, Jamuna
Chetana Anantha, Ganga
```

Cartesian product

- N entries in table 1
- M entries in table 2
- $\bullet~$ M \times N combinations filter on them

Powerful SQL queries can be constructed

Example: find all the students in Calculus

- Find ID number for the course
- Look up StudentsCourses table to find all entries with this course ID
- Look up Students to find the names of students with these IDs

```
SELECT s.name

FROM Student s

JOIN StudentsCourses sc ON s.IDNumber = sc.studentID

JOIN Courses c ON c.ID = sc.courseID

WHERE c.name = 'Calculus';
```

Summary

- Models persistent data storage
- Mechanisms:
 - o CSV
 - o spreadsheets
 - SQL
 - NoSQL

- Entities and Relationships
 - $\circ \ \ \text{Different ways of representing}$

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