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Data Model

Need a model for describing the structure of data and constraints, and operations on data (some sort of an abstraction layer)

Summary

- 1. tabular representation of data
- 2. simple and intuitive
- 3. Integrity can be specified by the DBA, DBMS checks for violations
- 4. Powerful and natural query languages exist

Physical Level

The problem of working with data in the physical level is that

- 1. it is difficult change to physical representation
- 2. application code becomes complex
- 3. impossible to implement new features rapidly

Conceptual Level

- 1. Hides the details
- 2. Mapping from conceptual to physical schema is done by DBMS
- 3. Physical Data Independence thus changes to the physical schema can be changed without changing applications

External Level

- 1. Applications can access data through some **views**: different views of data for different categories of users (a view is computed)
- 2. Mapping from external to conceptual schema is done by DBMS
- 3. Logical Data Independence Conceptual schema can be changed without changing applications

Relational Databases

A set of relations (tables)

Basic Idea

1. Organize data as a set of tables

Advantages

- 1. simple
- 2. solid mathematical foundation (set theory)
- 3. powerful query languages
- 4. efficient query optimizers

Relation

More formally, a relation is a set of rows (or tuples). It consists of instance and schema

Instance

Table content with rows and columns

Cardinality: number of rows

Degree / Arity: number of fields

Schema

Table structure with name and type of columns

Querying Relations

- 1. Queries can be written intuitively, and the DBMS is responsible for efficient evaluation
- 2. Precise semantics for relation queries
- 3. Allows the optimizer to extensively re-order operations, and still ensure the answer does not change

Examples

```
SELECT *
FROM STUDENT S
WHERE S.age = 18;

SELECT S.name, E.cid
FROM Student S, Enrolled E
WHERE S.sid=E.sid AND E.grade='A'
```

Creating Relations in SQL

The type (domain) of each field is specified by user/programmer, and enforced by the DBMS

Examples

```
CREATE TABLE Students
(sid: CHAR(5),
name: CHAR(10),
login: CHAR(15),
age: INT,
gpa: FLOAT);
```

Adding and Deleting Tuples

Inserting a single tuple

```
INSERT INTO Students (sid, name, login, age, gpa)
VALUES (11010, 'Andrew', 'andrew@cs', 18, 3.3);
```

Delete all tuples that satisfy a condition

```
DELETE
FROM Students
WHERE name='Bob';
```

Integrity Constraints (ICs)

Conditions that hold for any instance of the database (domain constraints). These are defined when schema is defined, checked when relations are modified.

Keys

- 1. Key attributes are used to uniquely identify an individual record
- 2. Used to ensure integrity, efficiency, and proper structure of data
- 3. Help uniquely identify records, enforce relationships, and optimize db operations

Superkey

1. A unique combination of one or more attributes to identify a row

- 2. May contain extraneous attributes (non-minimal beyond the minimum needed for uniqueness)
- 3. Must guarantee uniqueness

Candidate Key

- 1. A minimal key that uniquely identifies a row
- 2. A table can have *multiple* candidate key

Every candidate key and primary key is a superkey, but not every superkey is a candidate key

Primary Key

A column or set of columns in a a table that uniquely identifies each row in that table. Characteristics are

- no two rows can have the same value(s) in the primary column(s)
- · It cannot contain NULL values
- · must be unique for each record
- · can be a single key (simple) or combination of attributes (composite key)
- · Only one primary key per table

```
CREATE TABLE enrolled (
    sid CHAR(8),
    cid CHAR(8),
    grade CHAR(2),
    PRIMARY KEY (sid, cid)
);
```

Alternate / Secondary Key

Any candidate key that was not chosen as a the primary key

Composite Key

A type of candidate key that consists of two or more columns

- 1. Used when none of the columns individually can uniquely identify a row, but together they do
- 2. Must be minimal

Unique Key

A unique key or set of columns that ensures all values in a column (or set of columns) are unique across rows

- 1. Allows for NULL values
- 2. Non-NULL values must be unique

Foreign Key

- · A column or set of columns in one table that references the primary key of another table
- It establishes and enforces a relationship between two tables
 - The value in the FK column corresponds to an existing value in the PK table of the referenced table

Participation Constraint

Total: All entities in the referencing table must have a reference to the referenced table

Partial: Some (not all) entities in the referencing table must have a reference to the referenced table

```
CREATE TABLE enrolled (
    sid CHAR(8),
    cid CHAR(8),
    grade CHAR(2),
    PRMIARY KEY (sid, cid),
    FOREIGN KEY (sid) REFERENCES students
);
```

Referential Integrity

Referential integrity is achieved if all foreign key constraints are enforced - no dangling references.

Referential Integrity Constrains

Used to establish rules for referential keys and dependency between tables - it deals with the **referenced table** (holds the PK) and the **referencing table** (holds the FK).

Enforcing Referential Integrity

Default

NO ACTION

delete/update is rejected

Cascade

ON DELETE CASCADE

- declared in the referencing table
- if a row is deleted in the referenced table all associated rows in the referencing table will also be deleted
 ON UPDATE CASCADE
- · declared in the referencing table
- if a row is updated in the referenced table all associated rows in the referencing table will also be updated

Null

ON DELETE SET NULL OF ON DELETE SET DEFAULT

- · declared in the referencing table
- if a row is deleted in the referenced table all associated rows in the referencing table will have their FK set to NULL
 ON UPDATE SET NULL or ON UDPDATE SET DEFAULT
- · declared in the referencing table
- if a row is updated in the referenced table all associated rows in the referencing table will have their FK set to NULL

Virtual Tables / Views

A view is just a relations, but we store a *definition* rather than a set of tuples. Views are virtual tables created from one or multiple tables depending on the requirement(s).

Purpose

- 1. Create a subset
- 2. Combine data from multiple tables into one definition

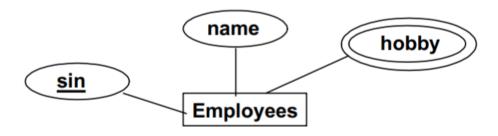
Security

Views can be used to present necessary information (or summary) while hiding details in underlying relations.

```
CREATE VIEW customer_orders AS
SELECT customers.customer_id, customers.name, orders.order_id
FROM customers JOIN orders ON customer.customer_id = orders.customer_id;
```

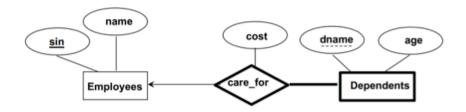
ER - Modeling

Fig_1



- double circle: set value / can hold multiple entities
 - multi/set-valued attributes are typically represented by a separate table in the relational model, with foreign keys pointing back to the original entity
- circle: an attribute
- underlined: primary key
 - · multiple underlined means a composite key
- box / rectangle: table name

Fig_2

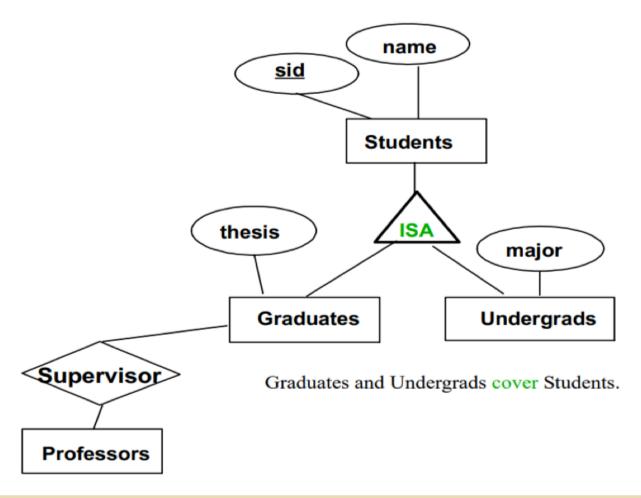


```
CREATE TABLE care_for (
dname CHAR(20),
age INTEGER
```

```
cost REAL,
sin CHAR(11) NOT NULL,
PRIMARY KEY (dname, sin) ,
FOREIGN KEY (sin) REFERENCES Employees ON DELETE CASCADE
);
```

- · thick-line and thick-square: Weak entities
 - · cannot be uniquely identified by their own attributes, rely on their strong entity's PK
 - existence-dependent on strong entity (identifying relationship)
 - · typically identified by a composite primary key that includes the PK of the strong entity
 - In Fig_2, dname and sin are used as composite primary key for Dependents
- arrow: The arrow end of an edge is a single, while non arrow end is many
 - in Fig_2 its a ONE EMPLOYEE cares for MANY DEPENDENTS

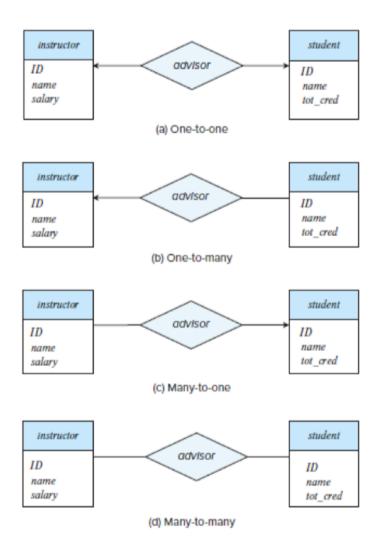
Fig_3



```
CREATE TABLE Undergrads (
    sid CHAR(8) NOT NULL
    major CHAR(12),
    PRIMARY KEY (sid),
    FOREIGN KEY (sid) REFERENCES Students ON DELETE
);
```

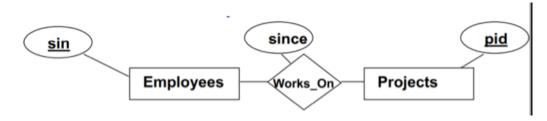
- ISA Triangle: Subclass-superclass relationship
 - ISA hierarchy
 - Superclass: more general type and contains attributes common to all
 - · Subclass: specific entity type and inherits all the attributes in the superclass and have additional attributes of each own

Fig_4



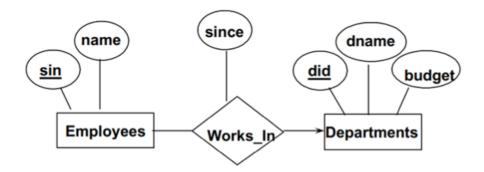
• Triangle: means relationships

Fig_5



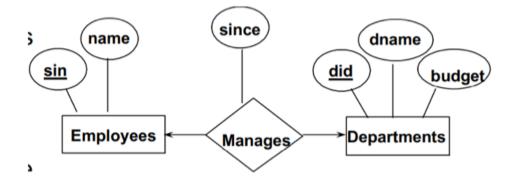
```
CREATE TABLE Works_ON(
    sin CHAR(11),
    pid INTEGER,
    since DATE,
    PRIMARY KEY (sin, pid),
    FOREIGN KEY (sin) REFERENCES Employees,
    FOREIGN KEY (pid) REFERENCES Projects
);
```

Fig_6



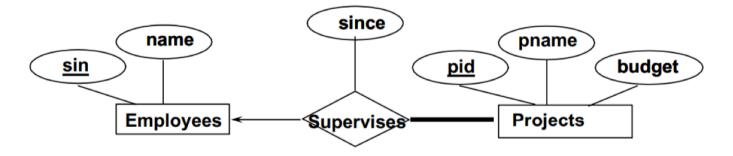
```
CREATE TABLE Works_In(
    sin CHAR(11),
    did CHAR (3),
    since DATE,
    PRIMARY KEY(sin),
    FOREIGN KEY (did) REFERENCES Departments
);
```

Fig_7



```
CREATE TABLE Manages(
    sin CHAR(11) UNIQUE,
    did CHAR (3),
    since DATE,
    PRIMARY KEY(did),
    FOREIGN KEY (sin) REFERENCES Departments
);
```

Fig_8



```
CREATE TABLE Supervises(
pid INTEGER,
sin CHAR(11),
since DATE,
```

```
pname CHAR(20),
budget REAL
PRIMARY KEY (PID) NOT NULL,
FOREIGN KEY (SIN) REFERENCES Employees ON DELETE NO ACTION
);
```

- thick-line: A total participation constraint
 - this means that ${\it all}$ projects ${\it must}$ have an employee that supervises it