

# CZ2007 Introduction to Database Systems (Week 1)

## Topic 1: Entity Relationship Diagram (2)



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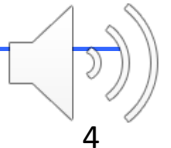
# This Lecture

- Constraints ←
- Subclasses
- Weak Entity Sets

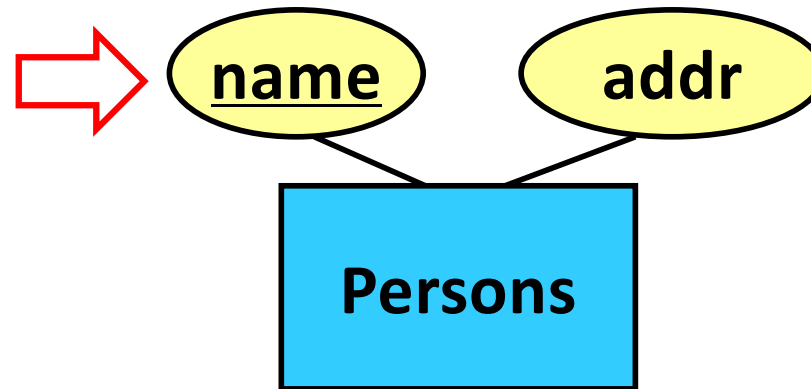


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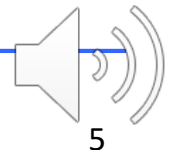
- Some conditions that entity sets and relationships should satisfy
- We will focus on three types of constraints
  - Key constraints ✓
  - Referential integrity constraints ✓
  - Degree constraints ✓



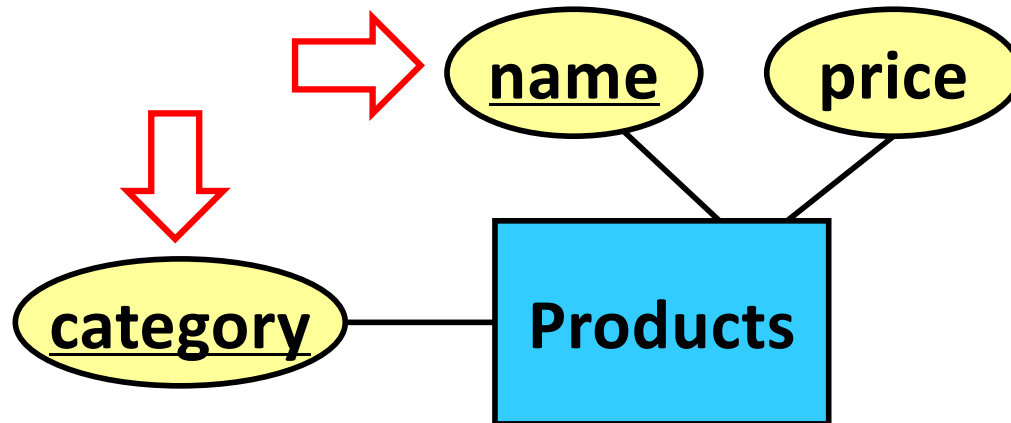
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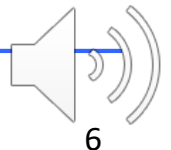
- One or more attributes that are underlined
- Meaning: They uniquely represent each entity in the entity set
- Example: The names uniquely represent the persons
- i.e., each person must have a unique name



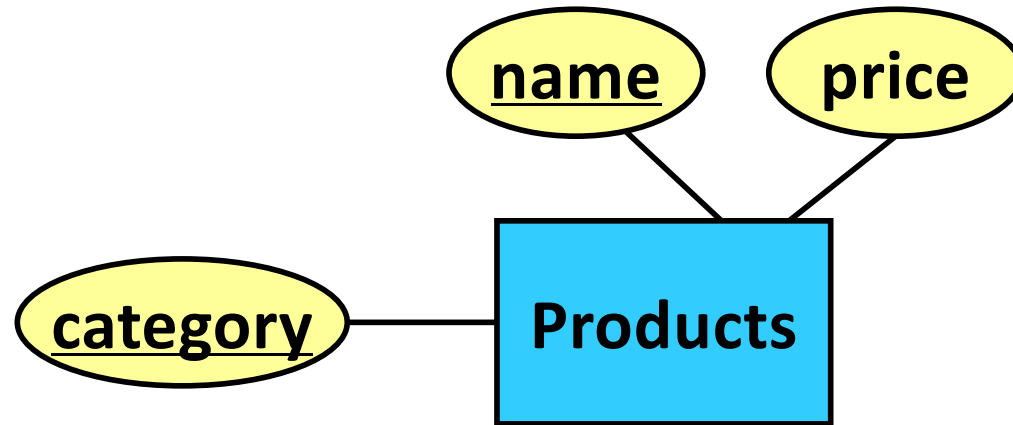
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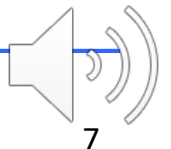
- One or more attributes that are underlined
- What now?
- Each product has a unique <name, category> combination
- But there can be products with the same name, or the same category, but not both
- Example
  - Name = “Apple”, Category = “Fruit”, Price = “1”
  - Name = “Apple”, Category = “Phone”, Price = “888”



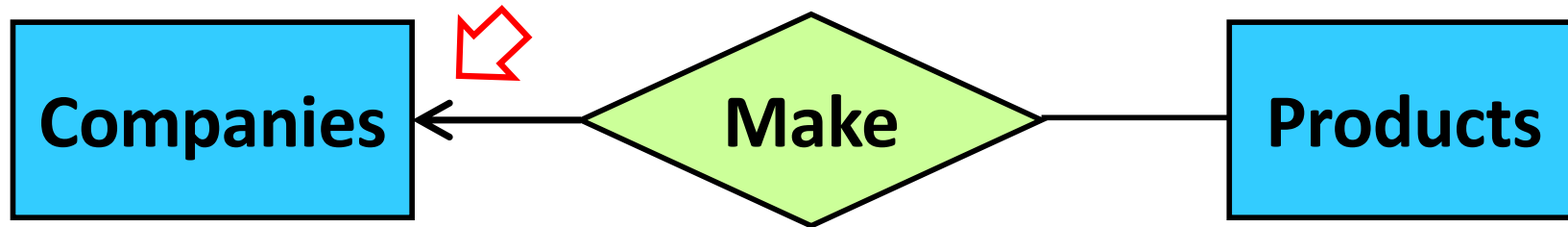
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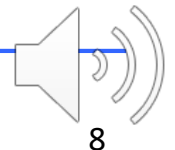
- Rule: Every entity set should have a key
  - So that we can uniquely refer to each entity in the entity set



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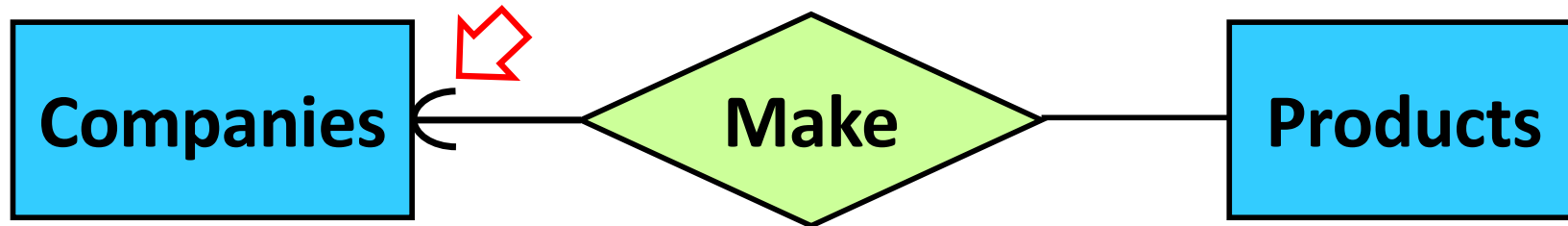


- One company may make multiple products
- One product is made by one company
- Can there be a product that is not made by any company?
- No.
- i.e., every product must be involved in the Make relationship
- This is called a referential integrity constraint.
- How do we specify this in an ER diagram?
- Use a rounded arrow instead of a pointed arrow

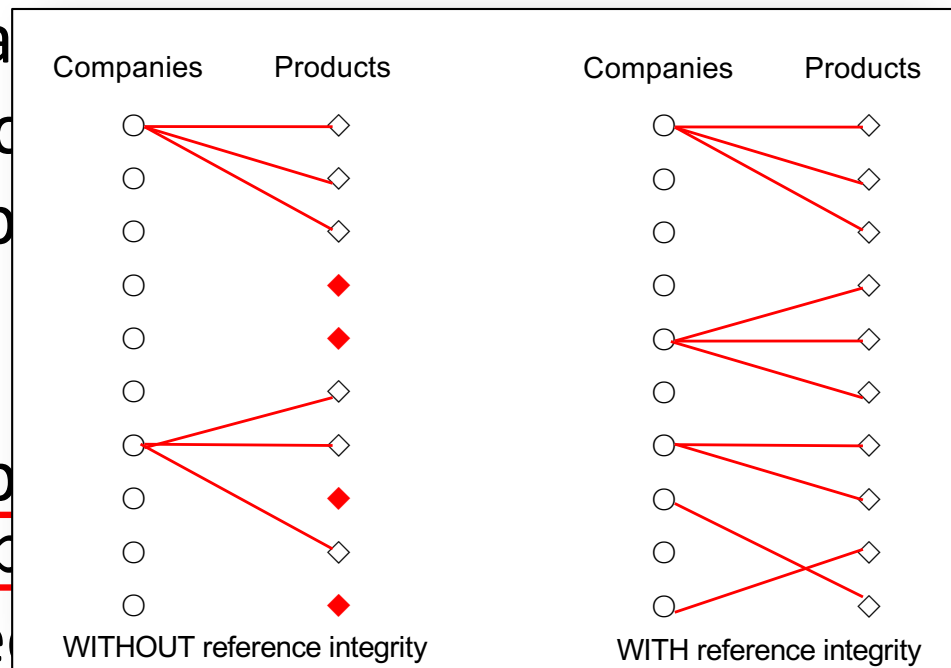




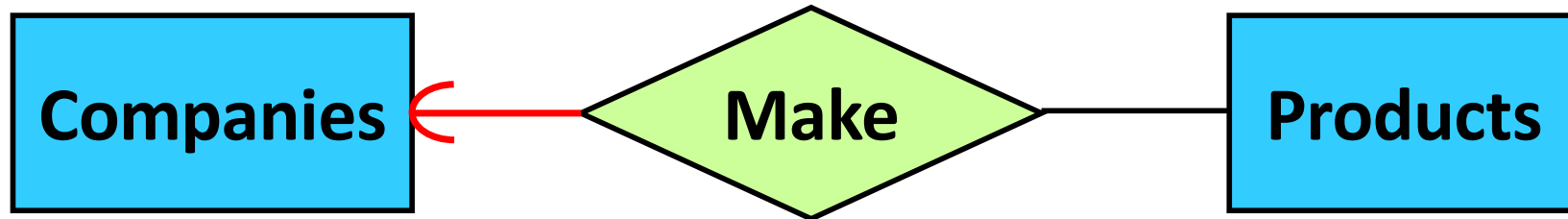
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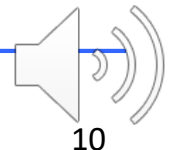
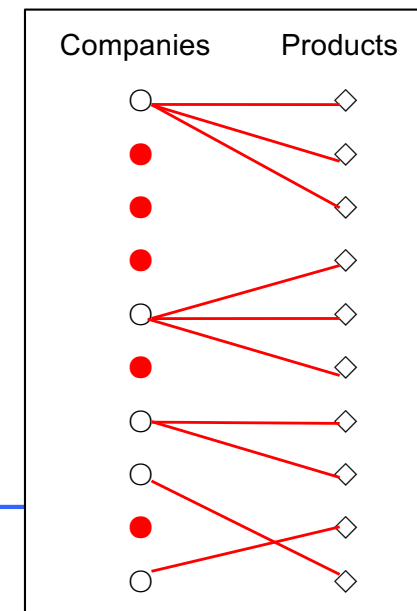
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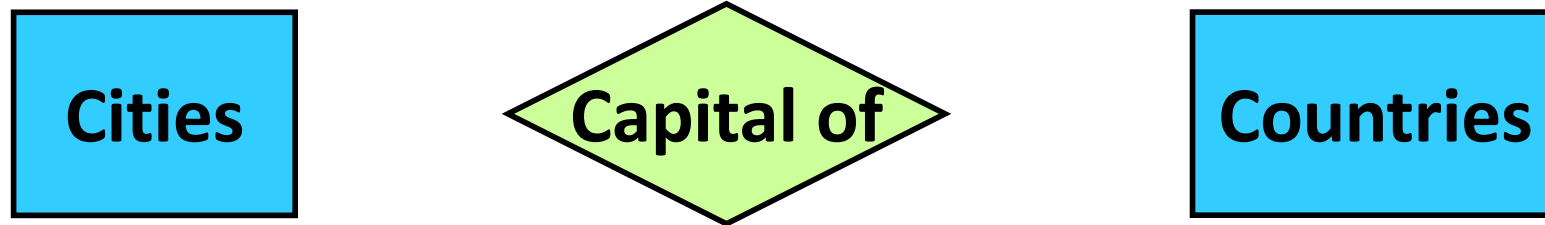
# Referential Integrity



- What if every company should make at least one product?
- No arrow there .... **but we indicate using degree constraints**
- In general, a referential integrity constraint can only apply to the “one” side of
  - A many-to-one relationship, or
  - A one-to-one relationship

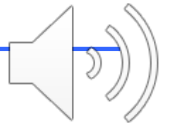


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- A country must have a capital

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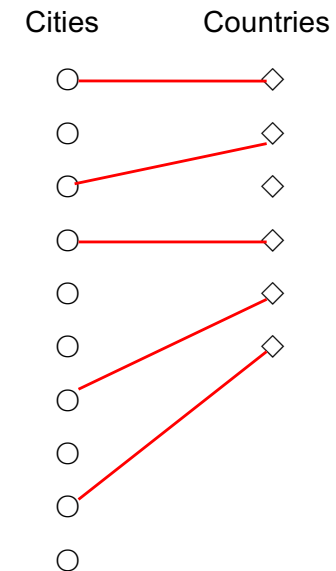
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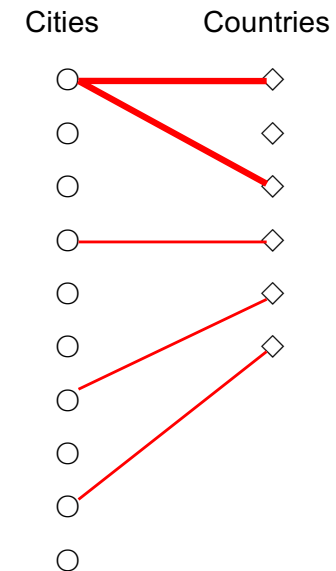
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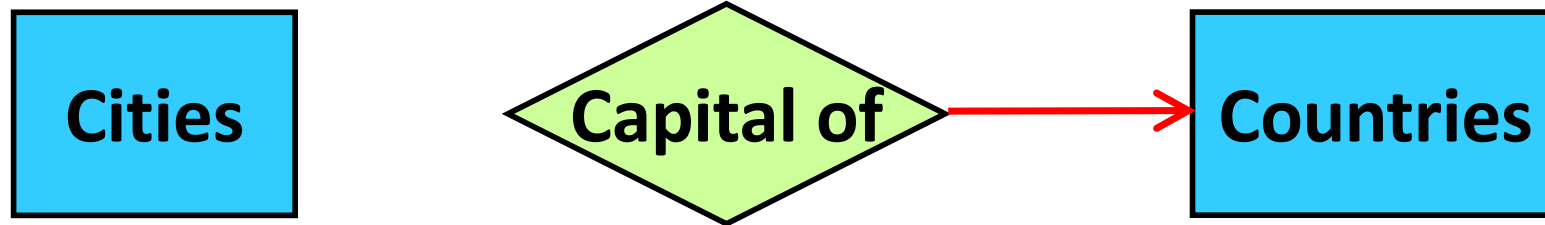
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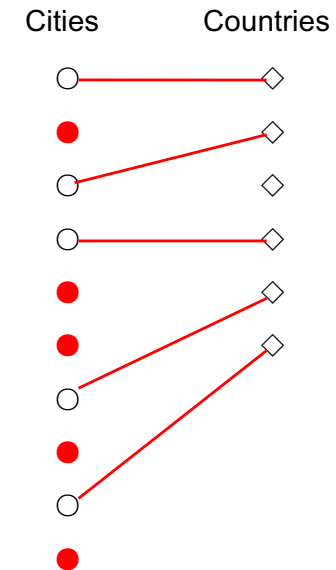
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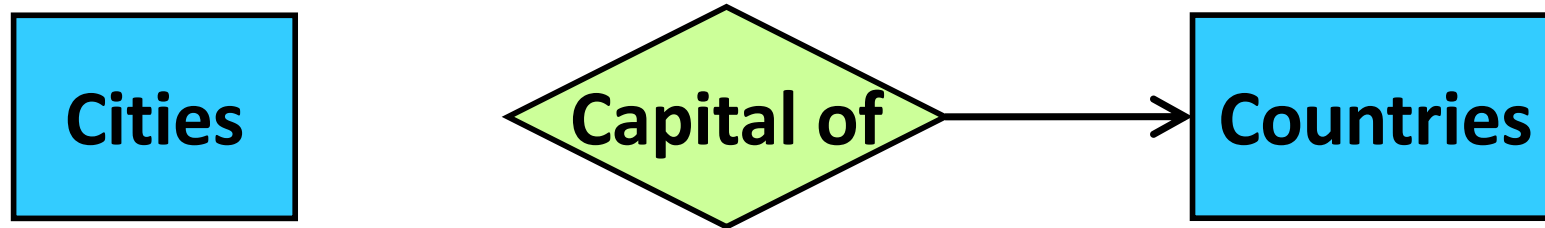
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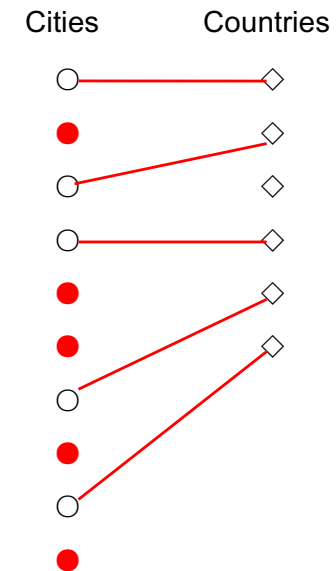
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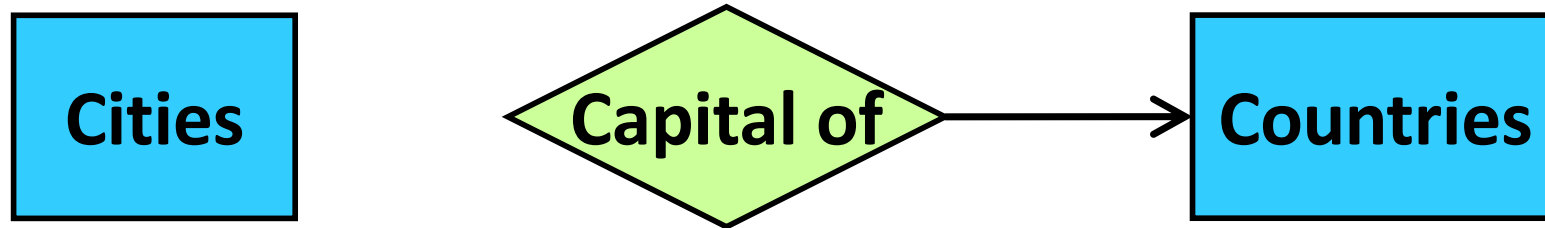
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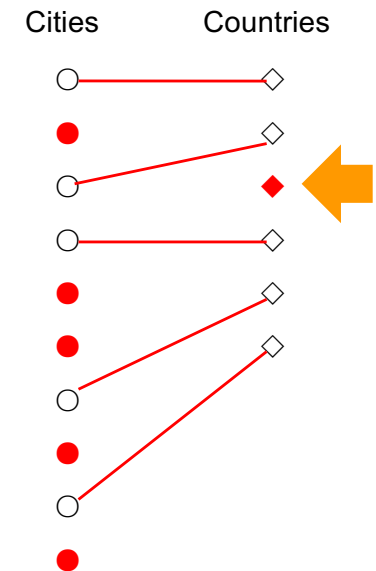
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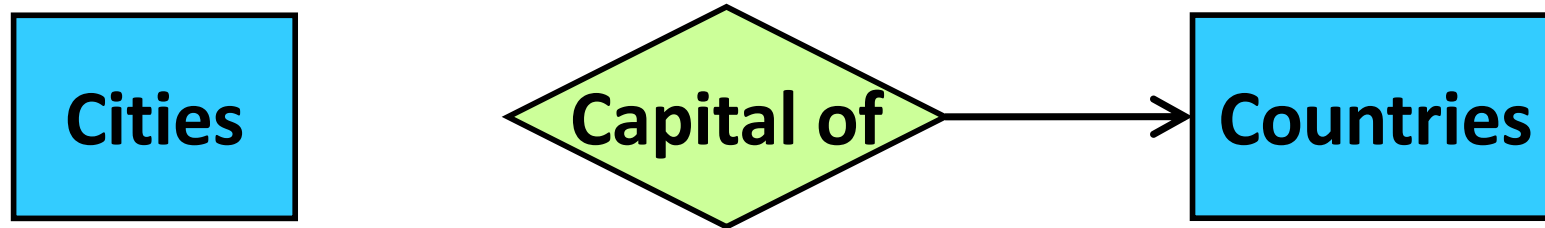


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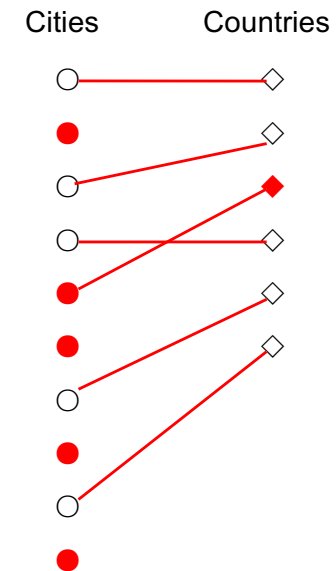




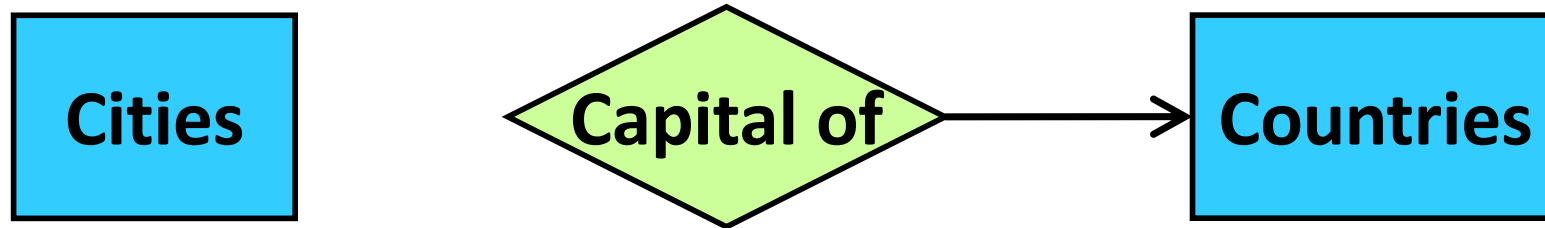
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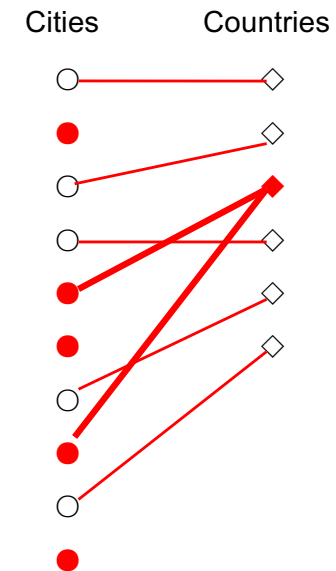
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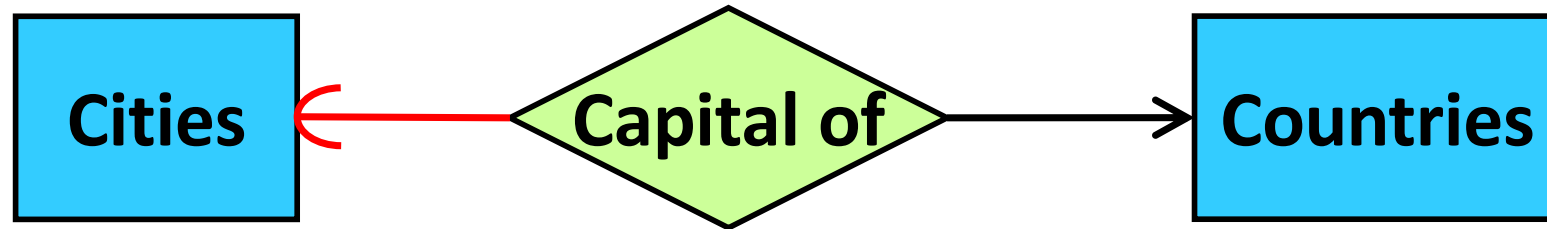
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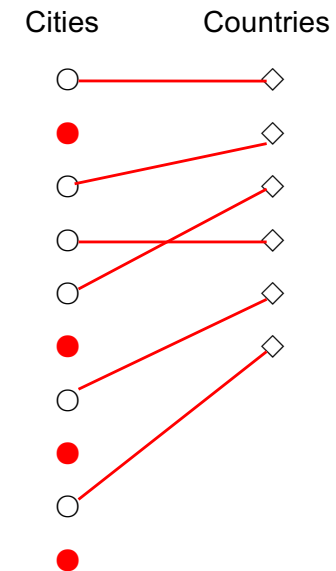
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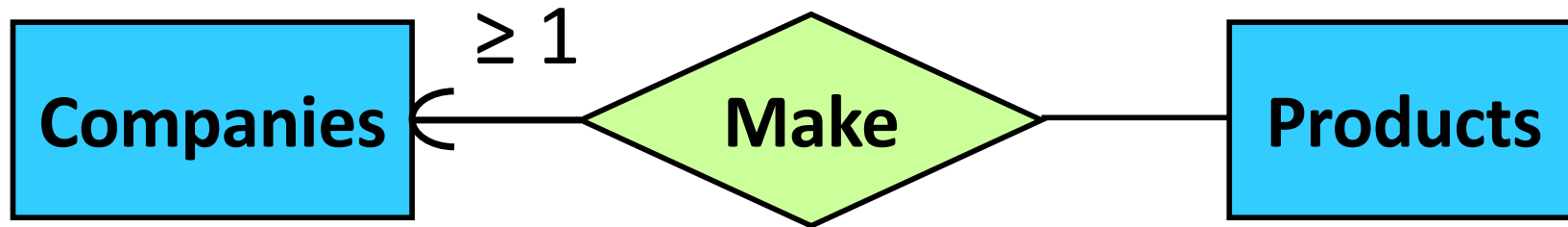
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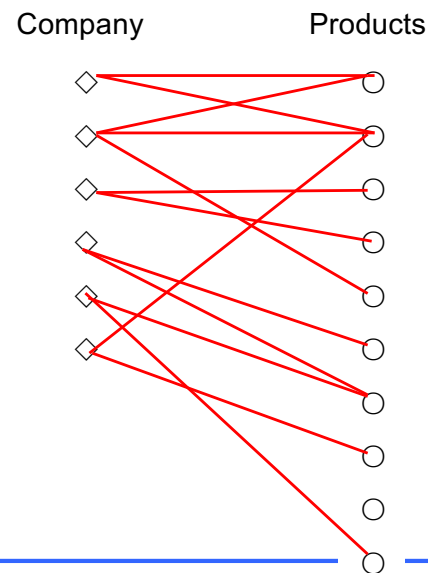
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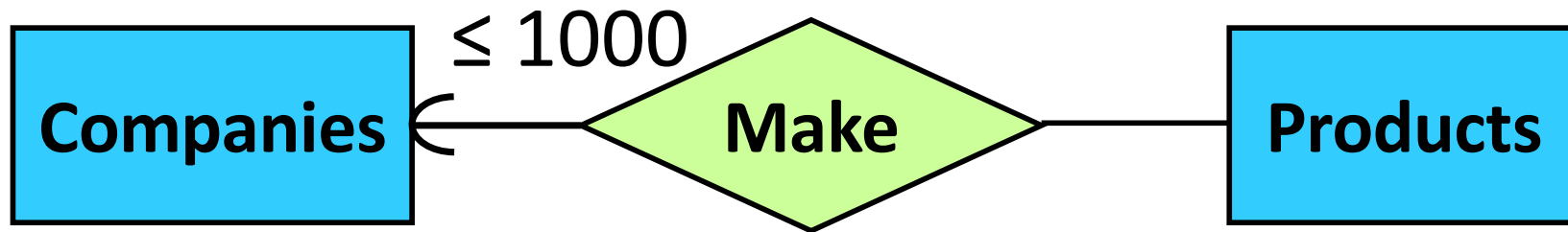
# Degree Constraint



- Each company should make at least 1 products



# Degree Constraint



- Each company can make at most 1000 products
- Note
  - Not required in the quiz/exam
  - Degree constraints are not easy to enforce in a DBMS
  - Key and referential integrity constraints can be easily enforced

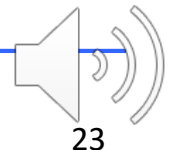
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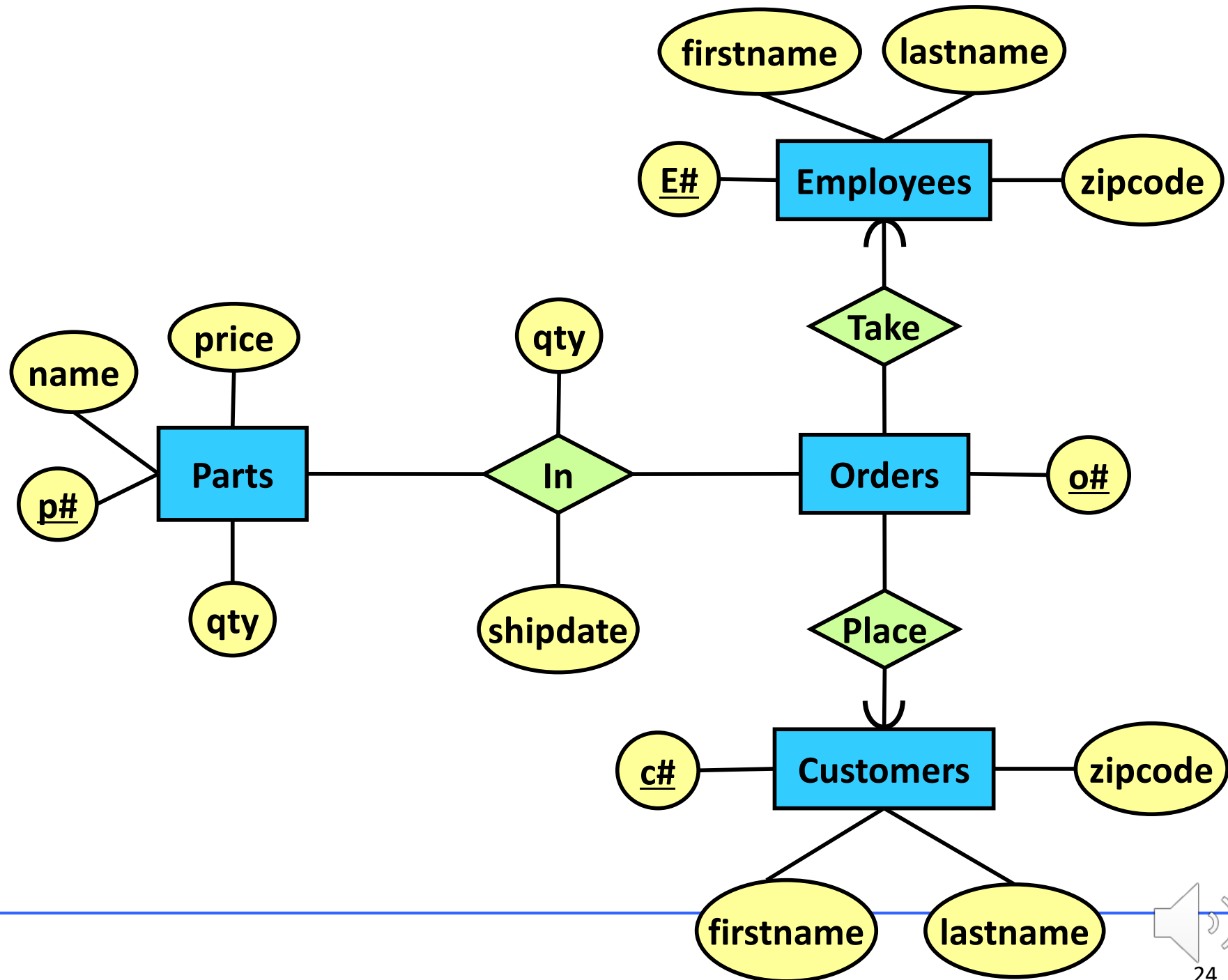


- A company must hire at least one person
- A person must be hired by exactly one company

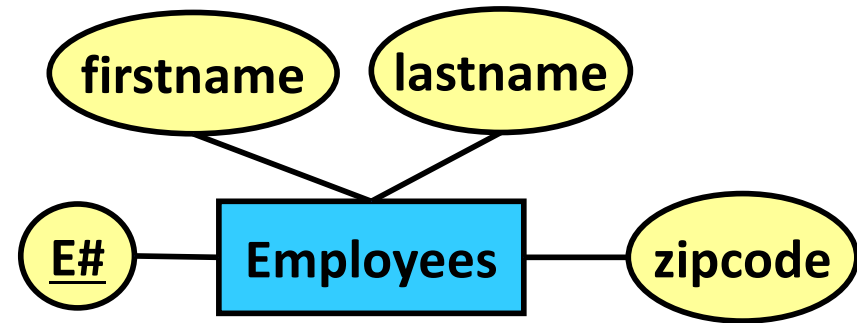
# ER Diagram Design: Exercise

- Consider a mail order database in which employees take orders for parts from customers. The requirements are:
- Each employee is identified by a unique employee number, and has a first name, a last name, and a zip code.
- Each customer is identified by a unique customer number, and has a first name, last names, and a zip code.
- Each part being sold is identified by a unique part number. It has a part name, a price, and a quantity in stock.
- Each order placed by a customer is taken by one employee and is given a unique order number. Each order may contain certain quantities of one or more parts. The shipping date of each part is also recorded.

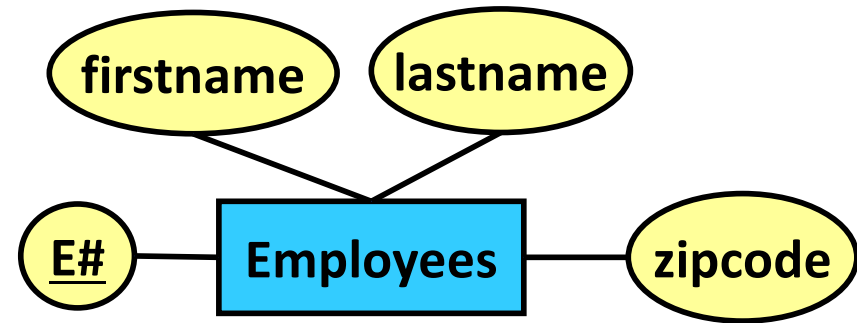




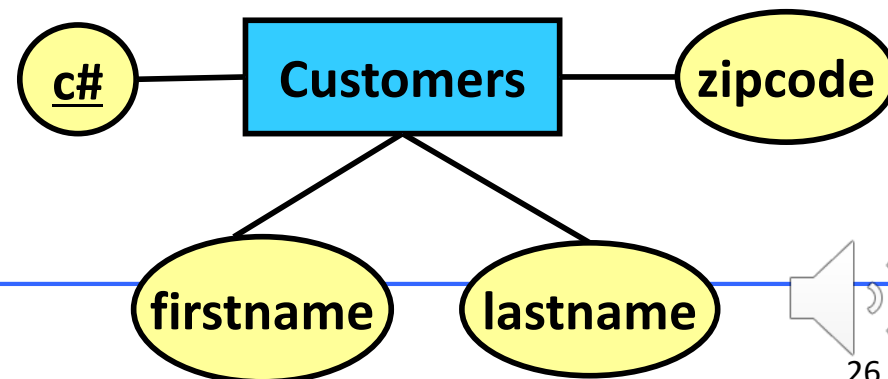


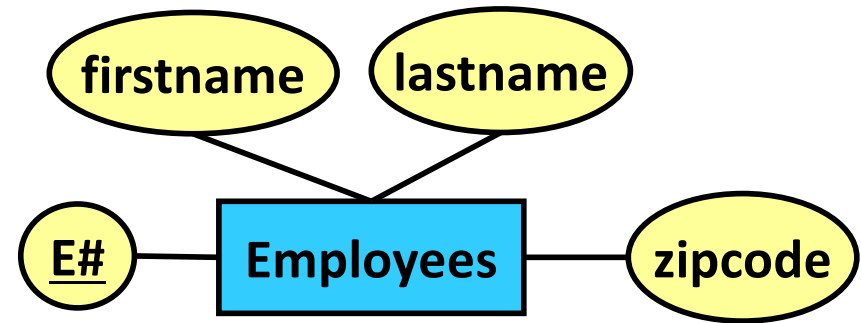
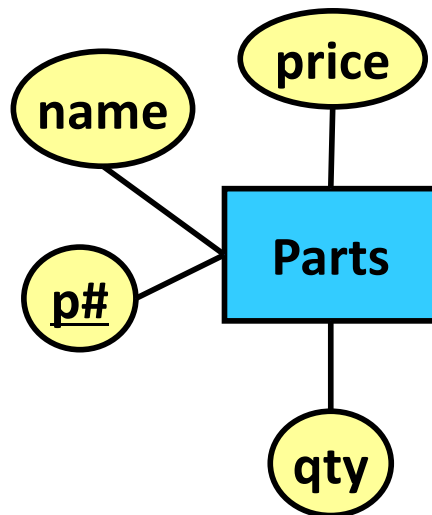


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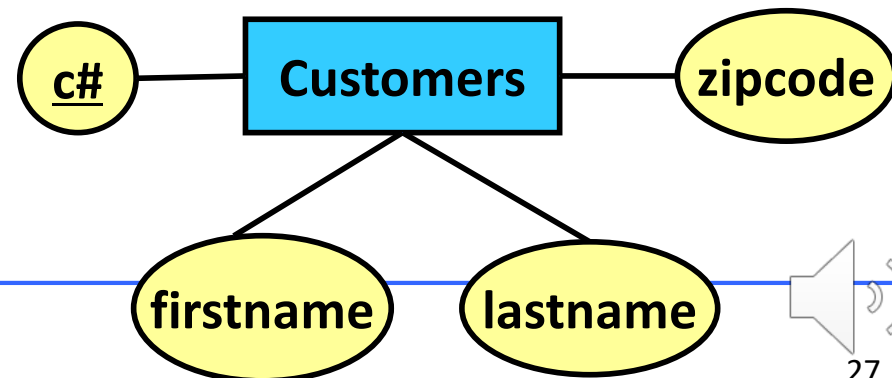


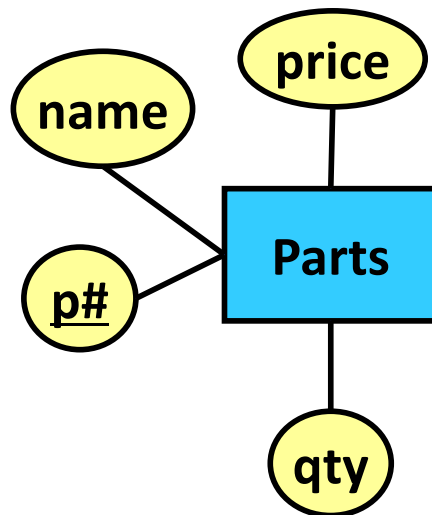
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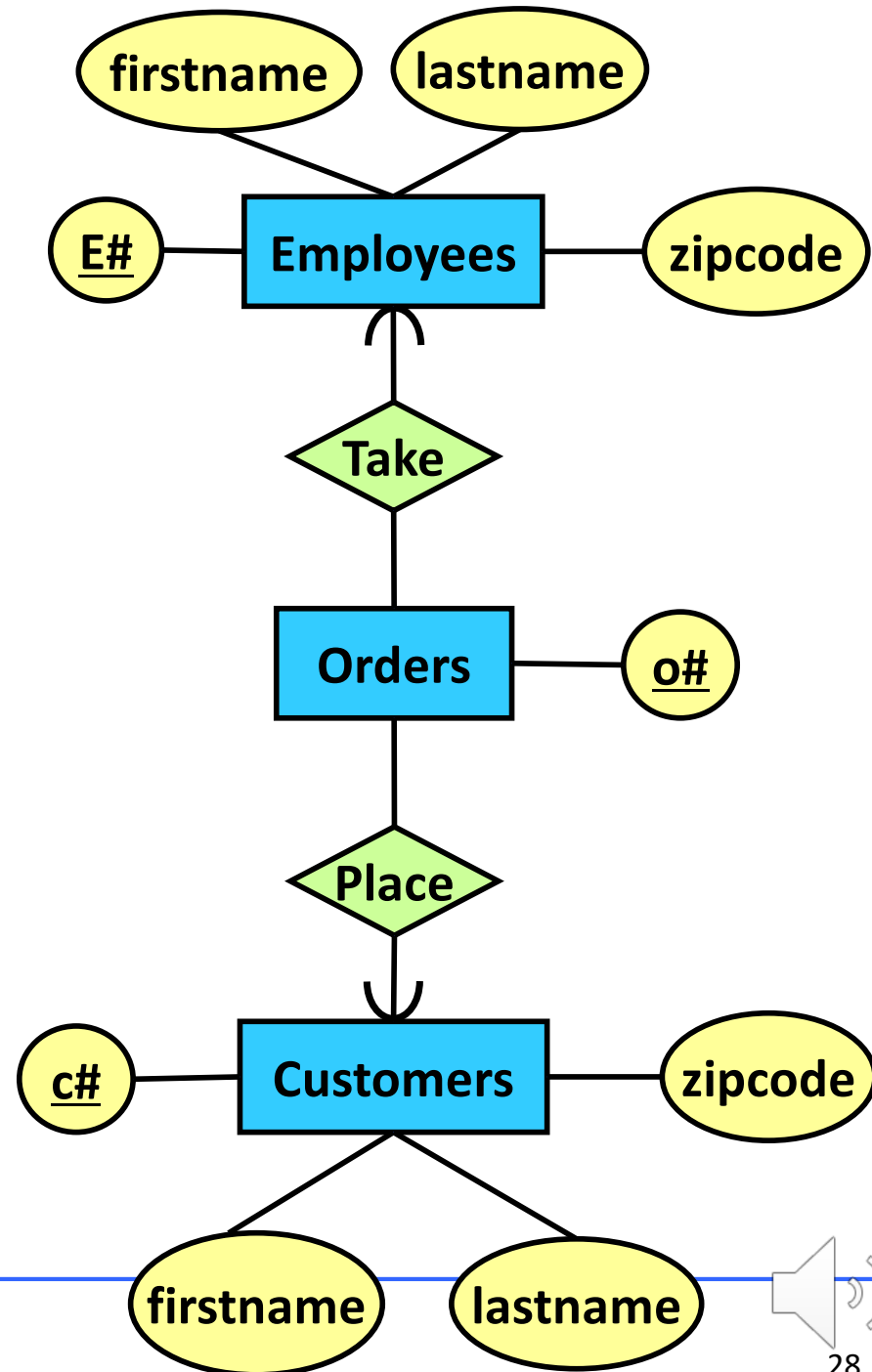


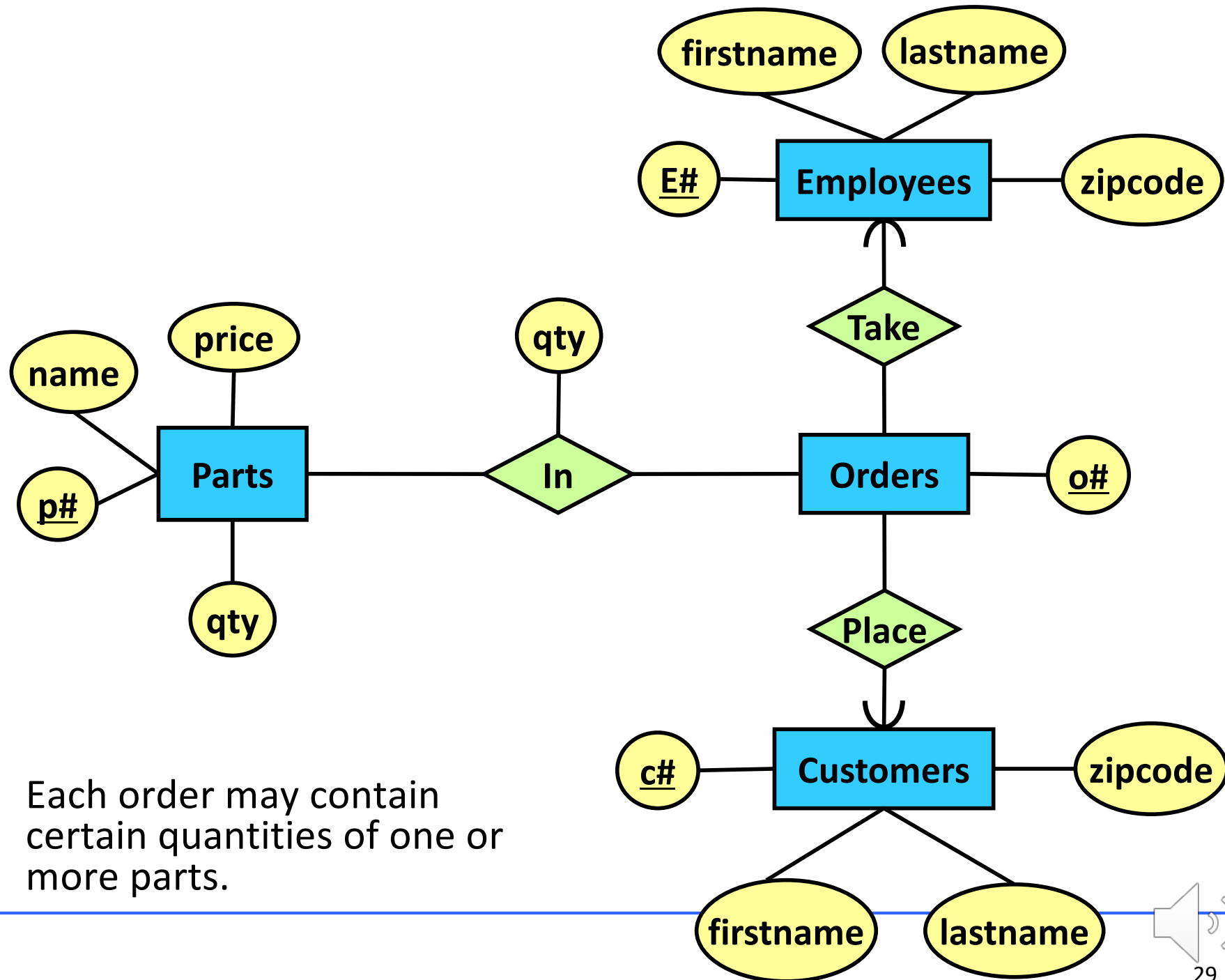
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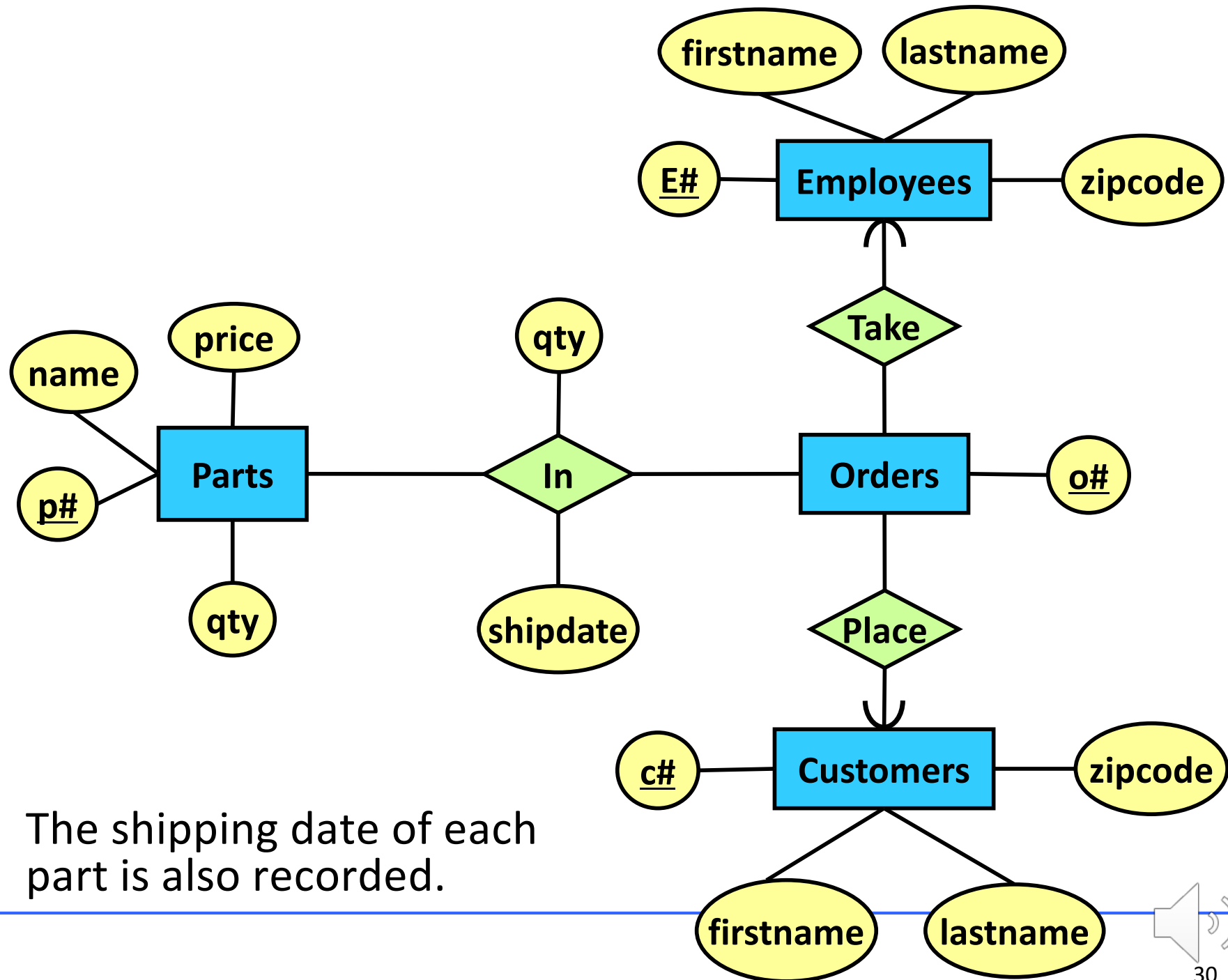
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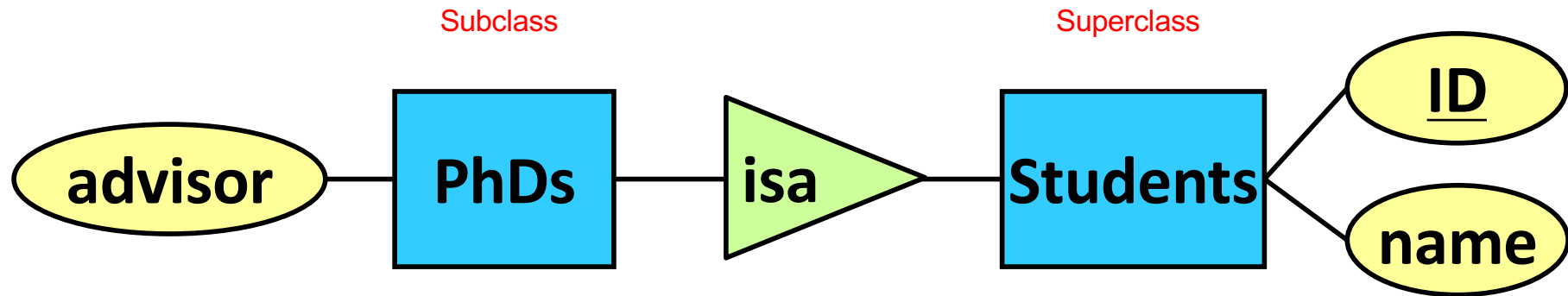
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- Weak Entity Sets



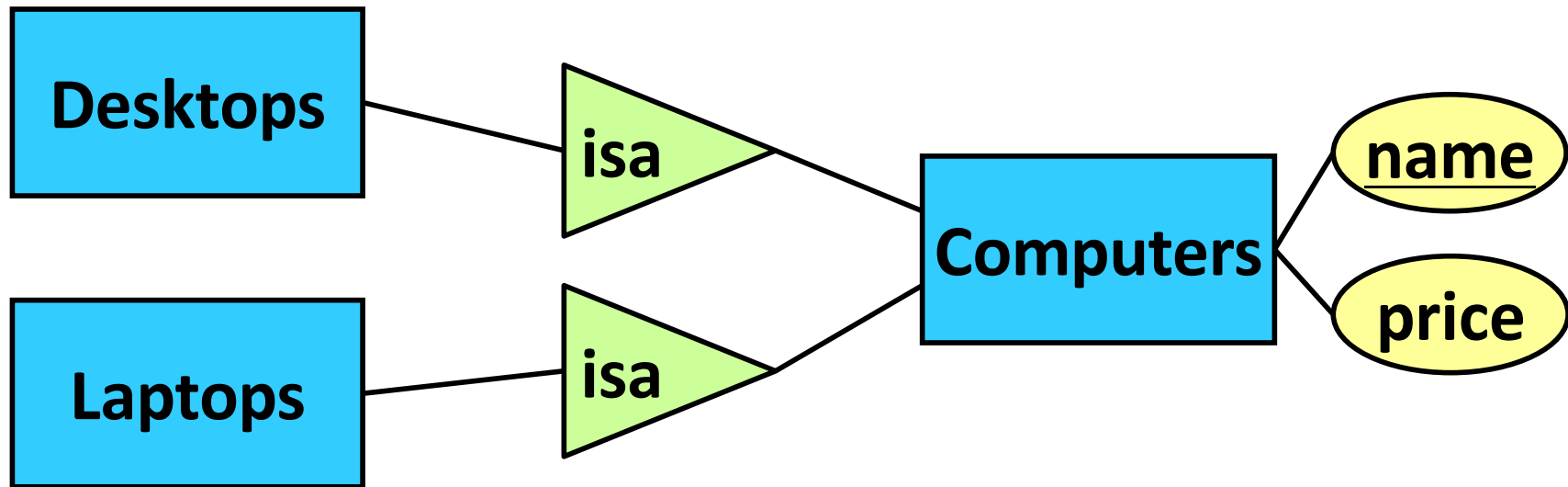
# Subclass



- PhDs are a special type of Students
- **Subclass** = Special type
- The connection between a subclass and its superclass is captured by the **isa relationship**, which is represented using a triangle
- Key of a subclass = key of its superclass
- Example: Key of Phds = Students.ID
- Students is referred to as the **superclass** of PhDs

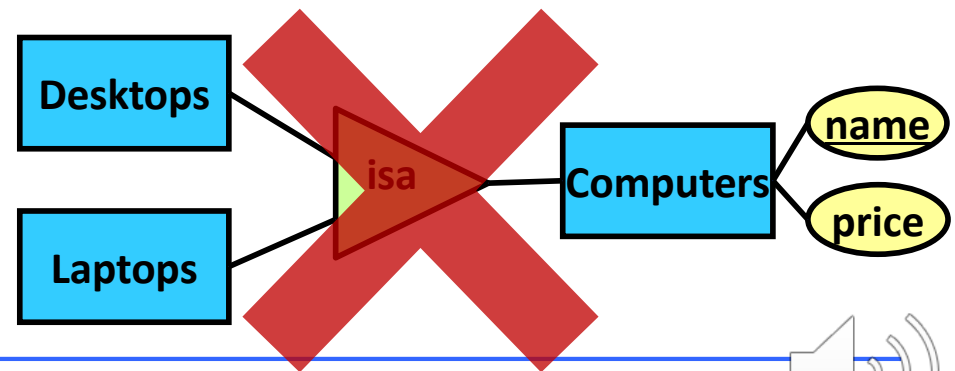


# Subclass



- An entity set can have multiple subclasses
- Example

- ❑ Superclass: Computers
- ❑ Subclass 1: Desktop
- ❑ Subclass 2: Laptop



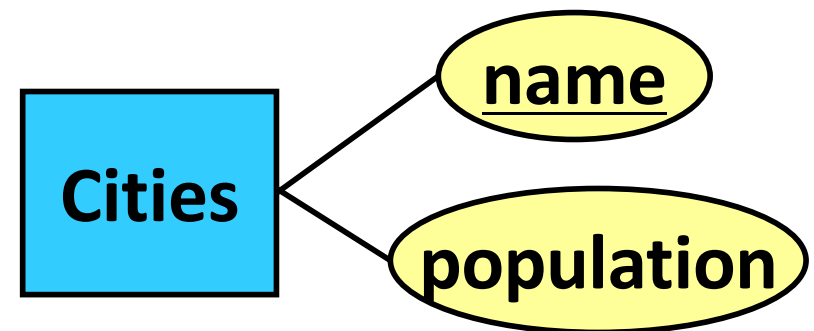
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# Weak Entity Sets

- Weak entity sets are a special type of entity sets that
  - cannot be uniquely identified by their own attributes
  - needs attributes from other entities to identify themselves
- Example: Cities in USA
- Problem: there are cities with identical names



# Madison

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

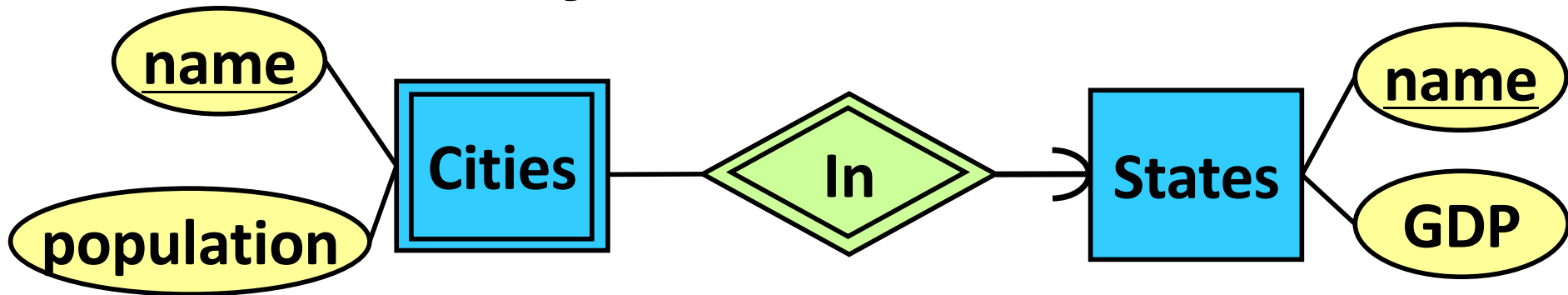
**Madison** may refer to:

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- **Madison, Wisconsin**, the largest city and state capital of Wisconsin
- **Madison, Alabama**
- **Madison, Arkansas**
- **Madison, California**
- **Madison, Connecticut**
- **Madison, Florida**
- **Madison, Georgia**
- **Madison, Illinois**
- **Madison, Indiana**
- **Madison, Kansas**
- **Madison, Maine**
- **Madison, Michigan**, within the town of Madison
- **Madison, North Carolina**
- **Madison, Ohio**
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- **Madison, South Dakota**
- **Madison, Tennessee**
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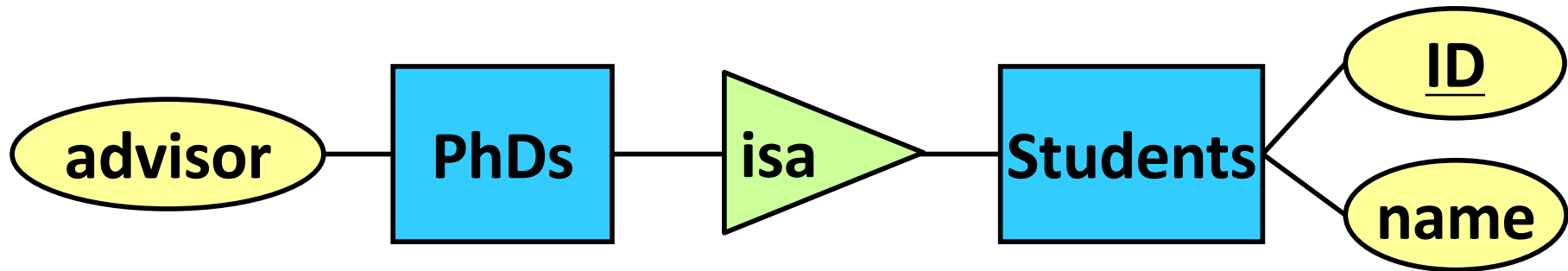


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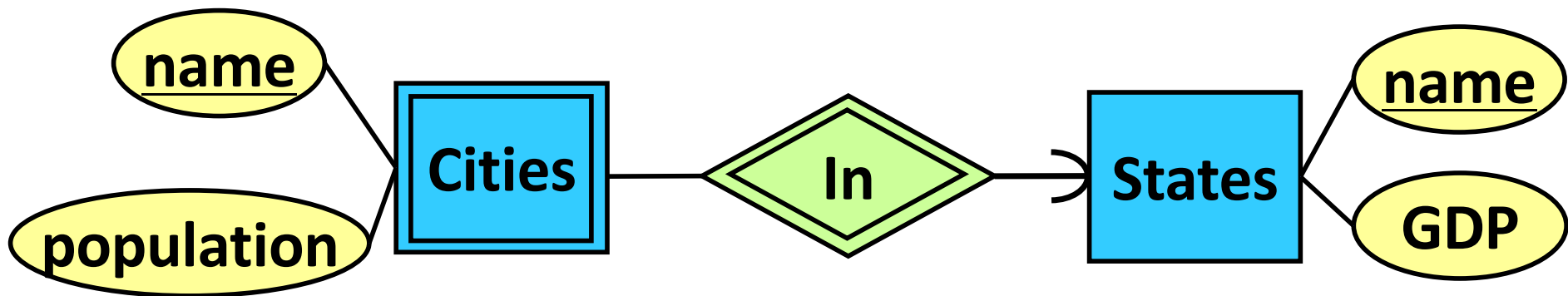


- Problem: there are cities with identical names
- Observation: cities in the same state would have different names
- Solution: make Cities a **weak entity set** associated with the entity set States
- The relationship **In** is called the **supporting relationship** of Cities
- Weak entity set = Double-lined rectangle
- Supporting relationship = Double-lined diamond
- The key of Cities = (State.name, Cities.name)

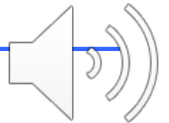
# Subclass vs. Weak Entity Sets



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- Cities are NOT a special type of States



# Exercise

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- Each player has a name and a number
- Each team has a name and a manager
- Each player plays for exactly one team, and is uniquely identified within the team by his/her number
- Each team is uniquely identified by its name
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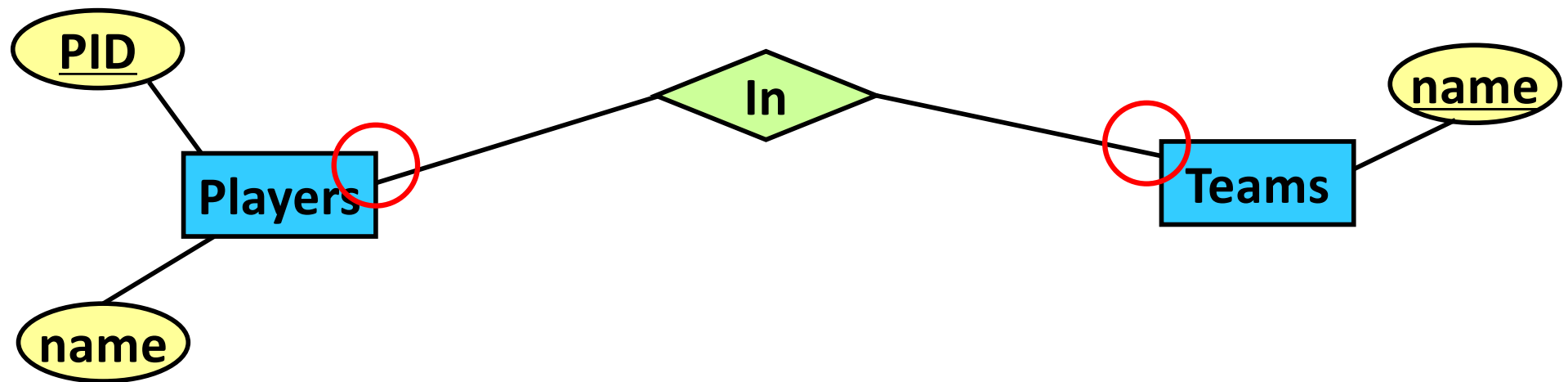
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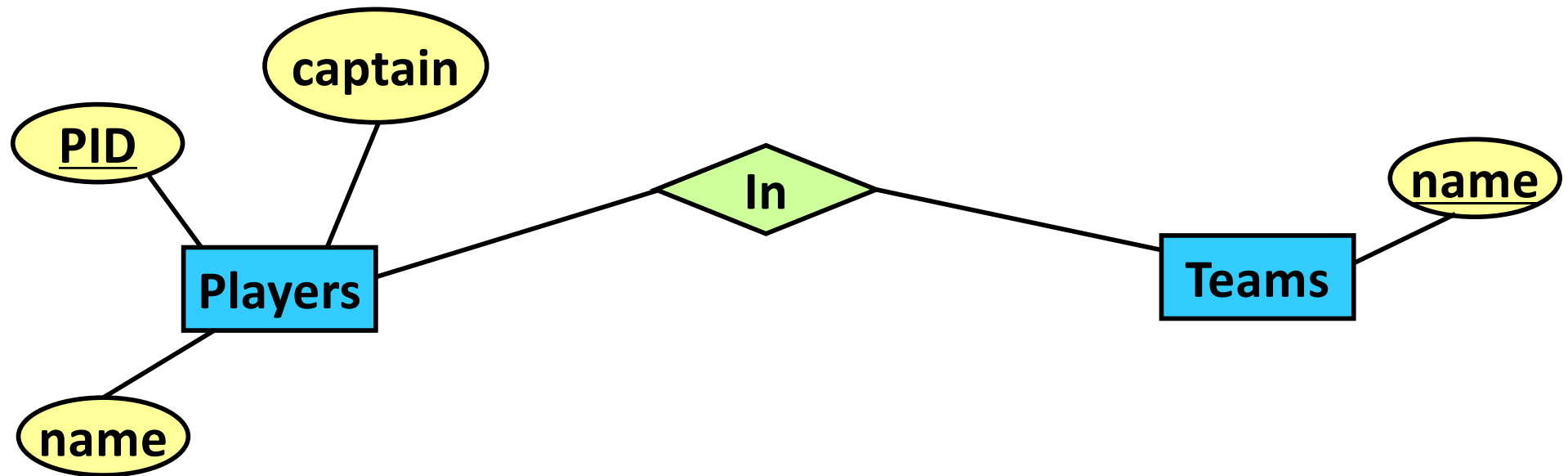
# Exercise: ER-Diagram Design

- Record info about teams, players, and their fans, including:
  - For each team, its name, its players, its team captain (who is also a player)
  - For each player, his/her name, and the history of teams on which he/she has played, including the start and ending dates for each team
  - For each fan, his/her name, favorite teams, favorite players
- Additional information:
  - Each team has at least one player, and exactly one captain
  - Each team has a unique name
  - Two players (or two fans) may have the same name
  - Each fan has at least one favorite team and at least one favorite player

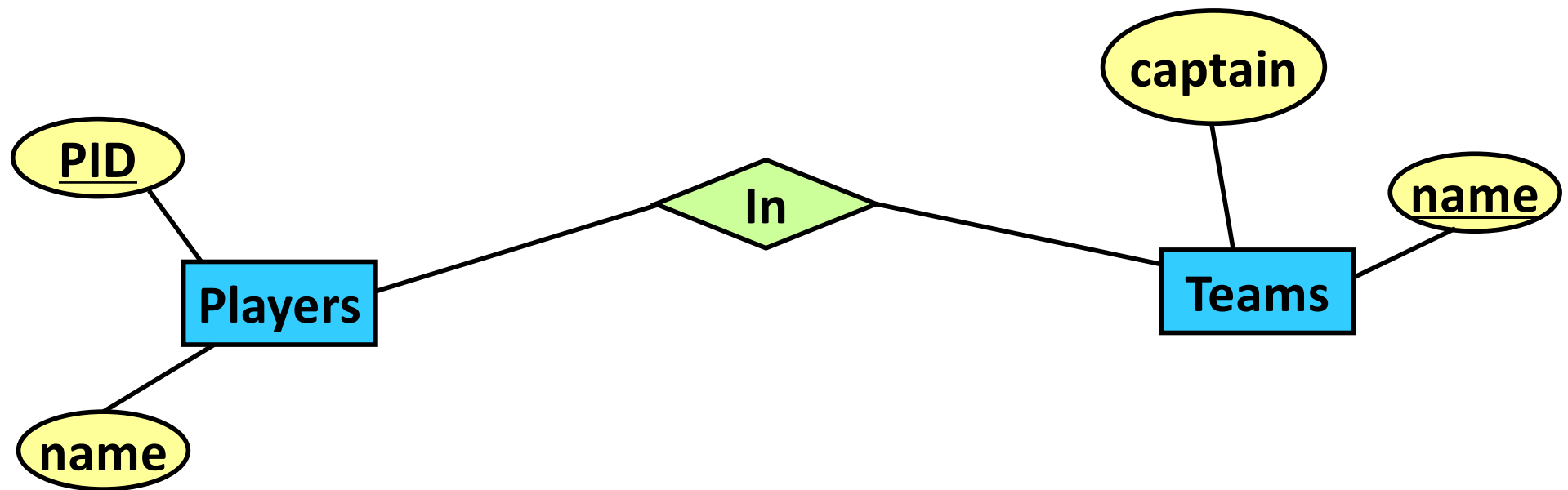




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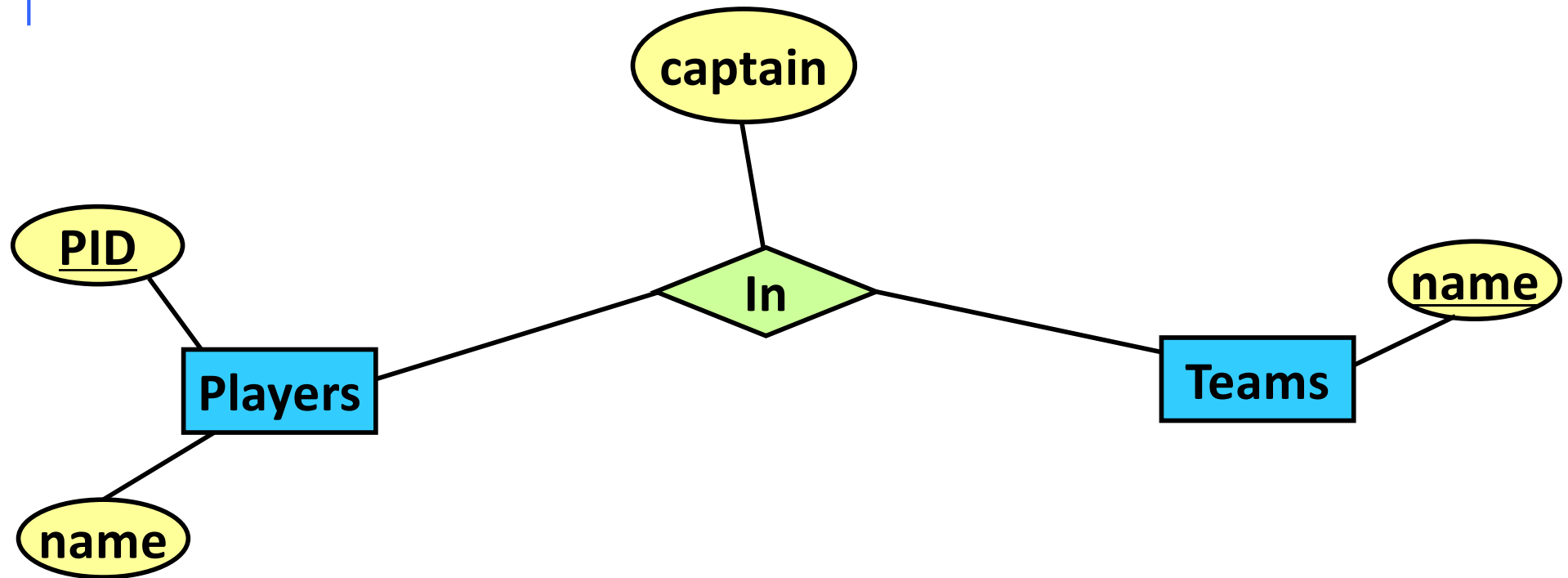


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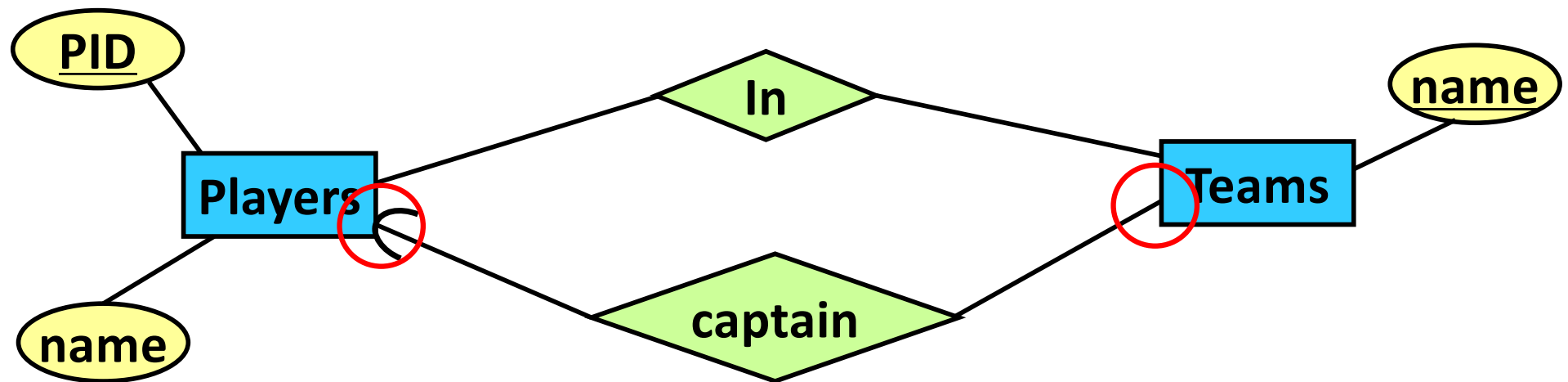


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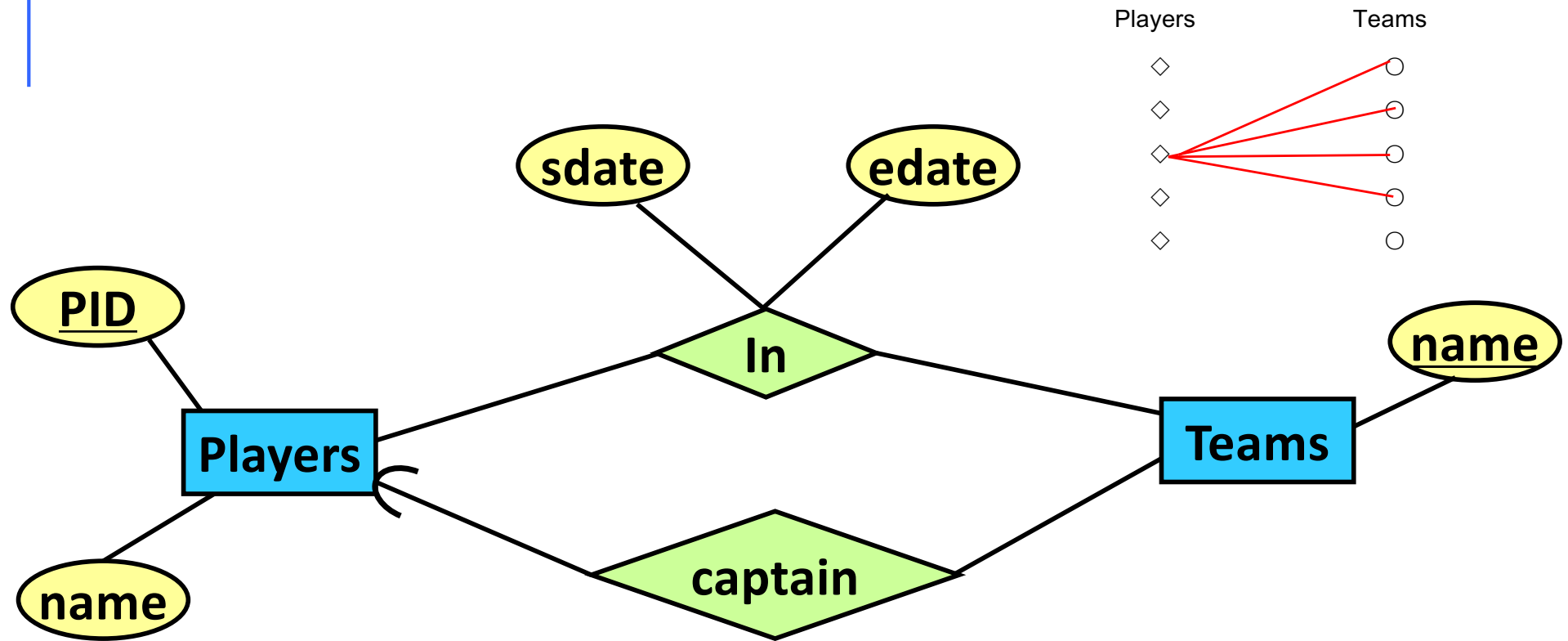




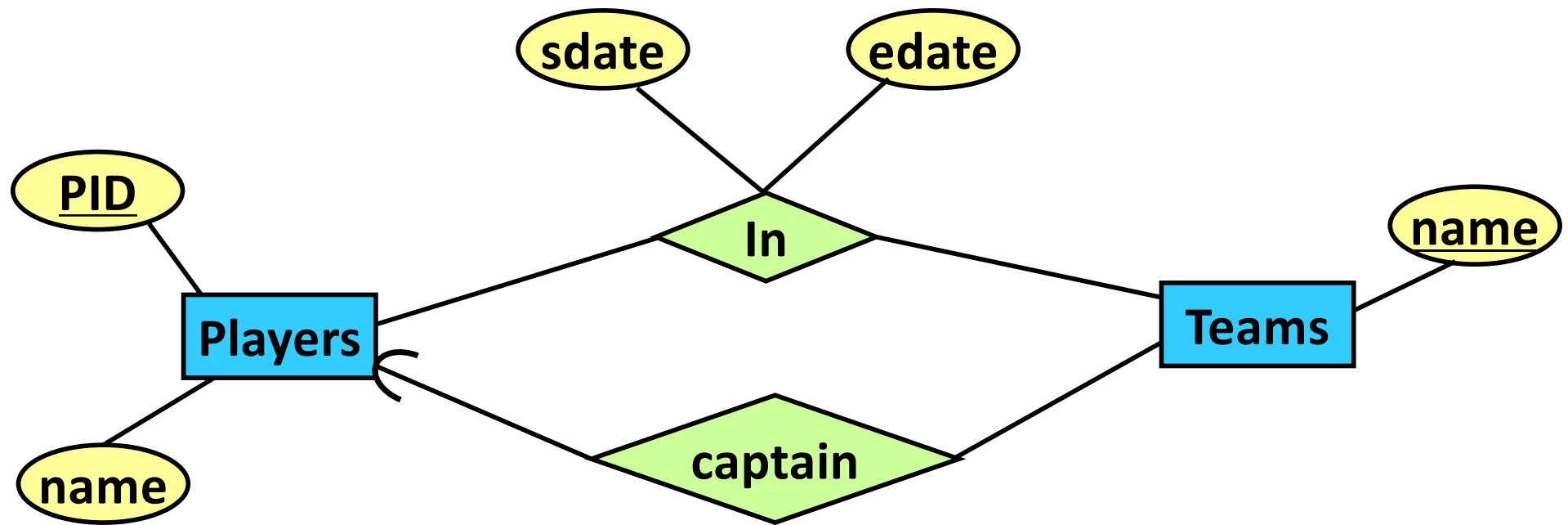
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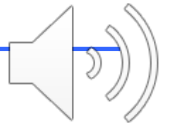
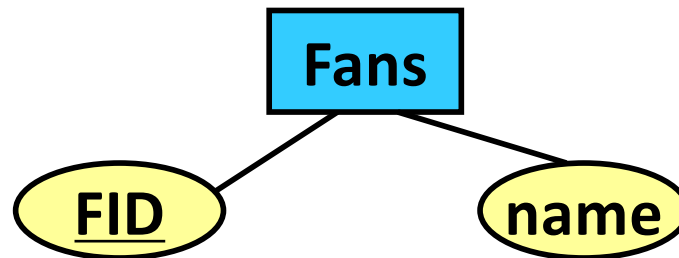
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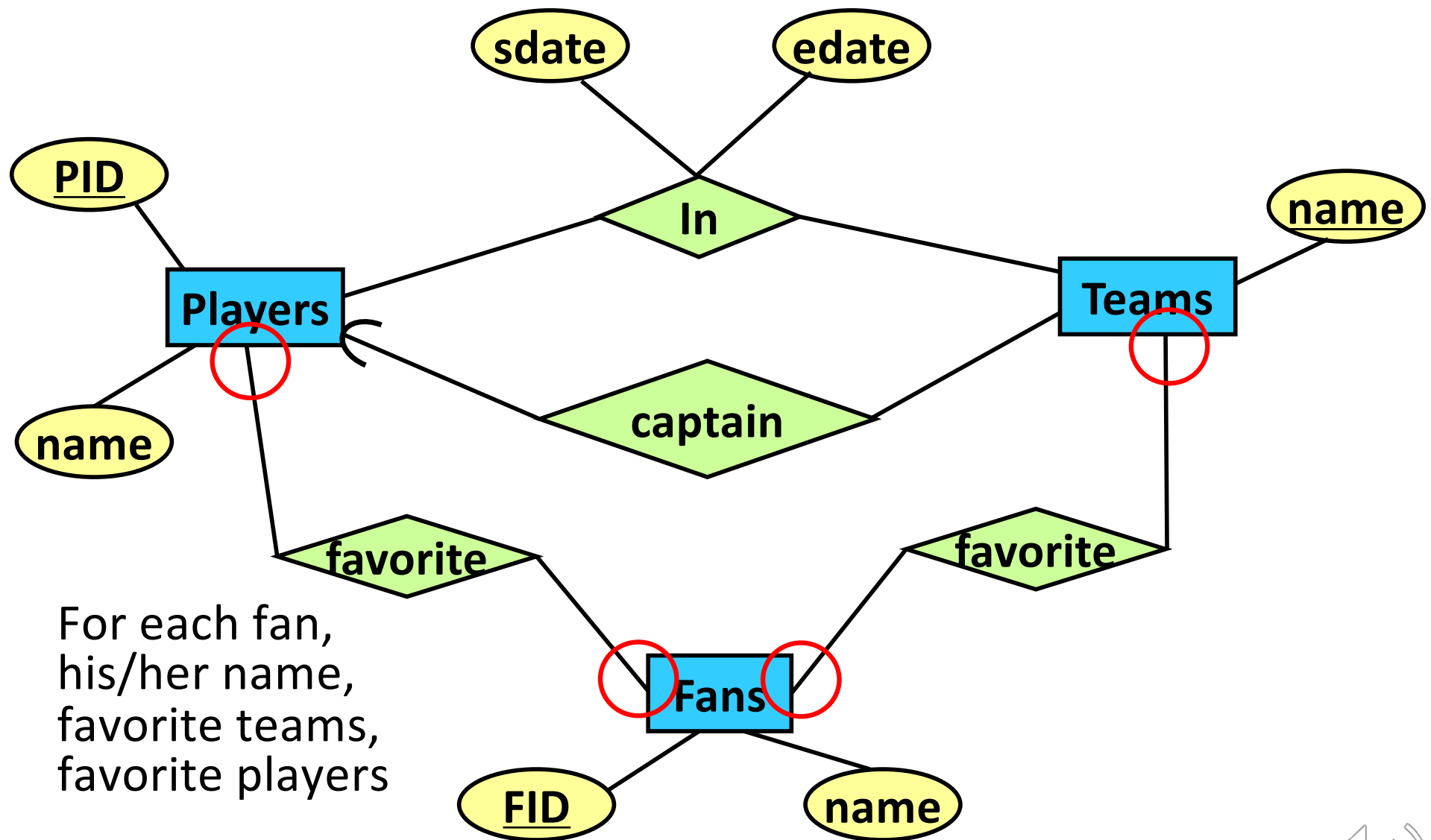


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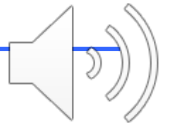


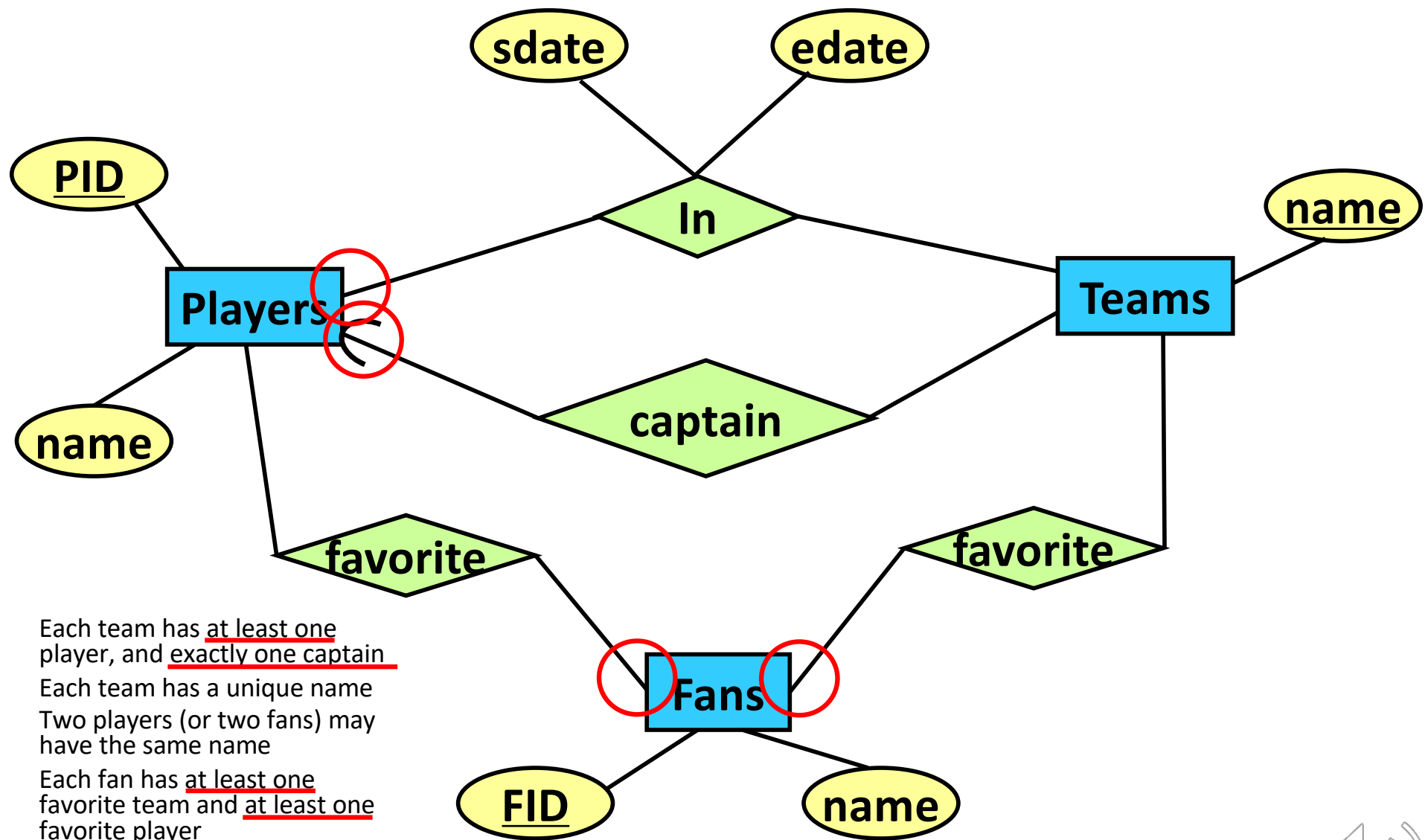
For each fan,  
his/her name,  
favorite teams,  
favorite players



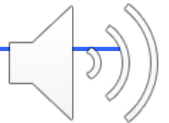


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Each team has at least one player, and exactly one captain  
Each team has a unique name  
Two players (or two fans) may have the same name  
Each fan has at least one favorite team and at least one favorite player



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