The CRUD matrix:

- The CRUD matrix, which stands for CREATE, READ, UPDATE, DELETE, examines the interaction of data and processes. The CRUD Matrix is a technique to identify the tables in a database which are used in any user interaction within a database application.
- Define the data and functional requirements in database design document
- Use a CRUD matrix to depict the mapping between these two requirements

CRUD Matrix (cont.):

- In your database design document:
 - List all entities

– E1: EMPLOYEE

– E2: PROJECT

- E3: EMP PROJ HOURS

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- List all functions/processes
 - F1: Insert/update/delete/retrieve an employee
 - F2: Insert/update/delete/retrieve a project
 - F3: Assign working hours for an employee on a project

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CRUD Matrix (cont.):

– Assume your have ten entities and five functions:

(Note: One function/process may involve multiple entities, e.g., invoice processing. Not all CRUD actions need to involve a Function/Entity interaction.)

Function / Entity Interaction	E1	E2	E3	E4	E 5	E6	E7	E8	E9	E10
F1	CR UD									
F2		CR UD								
F3			CR UD					CR U		
F4				CR U		CR U				CRU
F5	R		R				R		R	