





# Relationship Participation

**Bachelor of Information Systems** 





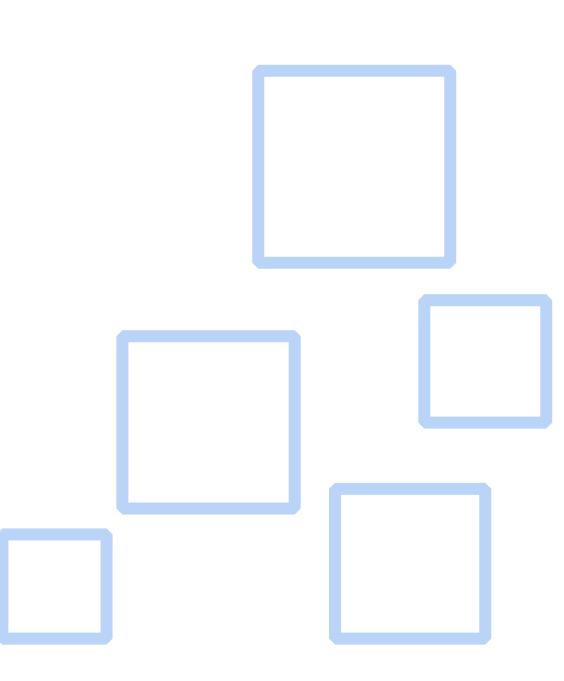


# Learning Objective(s)



This material should address the following question(s).

Is it mandatory for an entity to collaborate in a relationship?

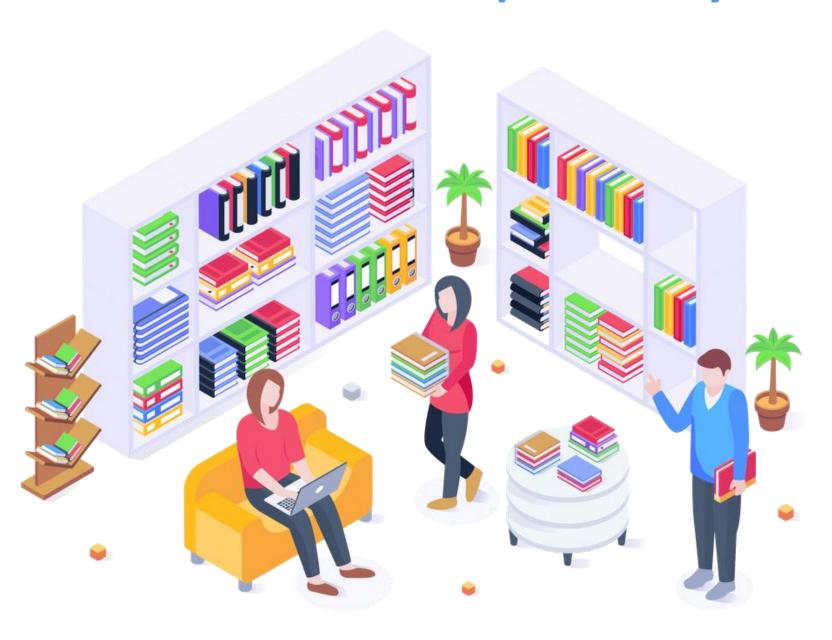




# Case Study



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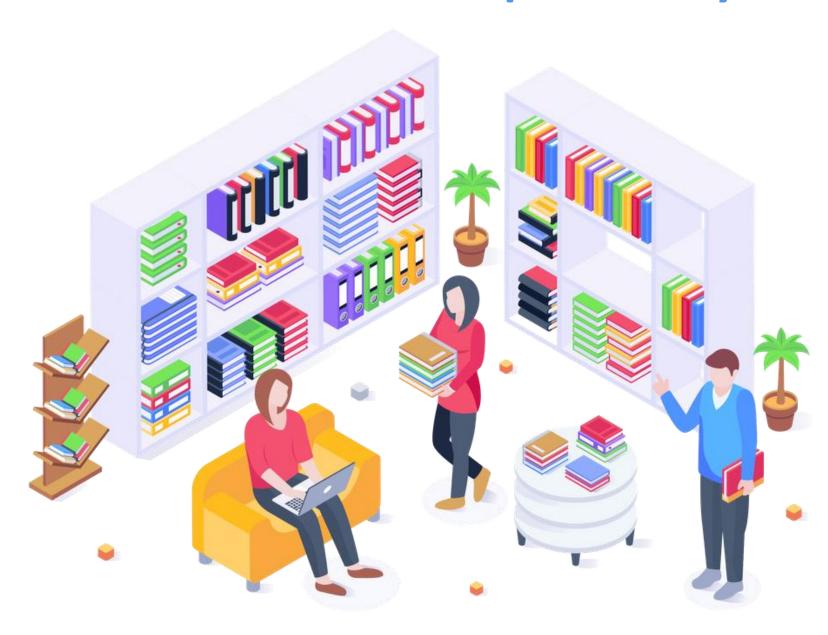




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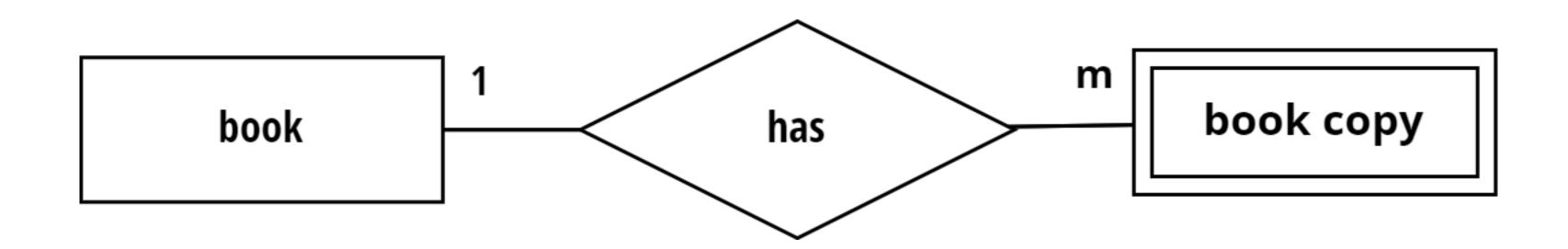
- A library has a multitude copies of books, articles, etc.
  - New collections come periodically.
- Anyone may come and enjoy the collections.
  - Only library members can lend books for period of time.

#### Inside the campus library.





# Book - Book Copy Relationship



The existence of a book copy is dependent to the existence of the book.



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• The library may have multiple copies of a book. or

 A book is printed into a number of copies and stored in the library. Is it possible for a book to have no copy at all?

In other words, is it possible to have a book that never be printed?



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Yes! It is possible.

It is not mandatory for a book to participate in the relationship.

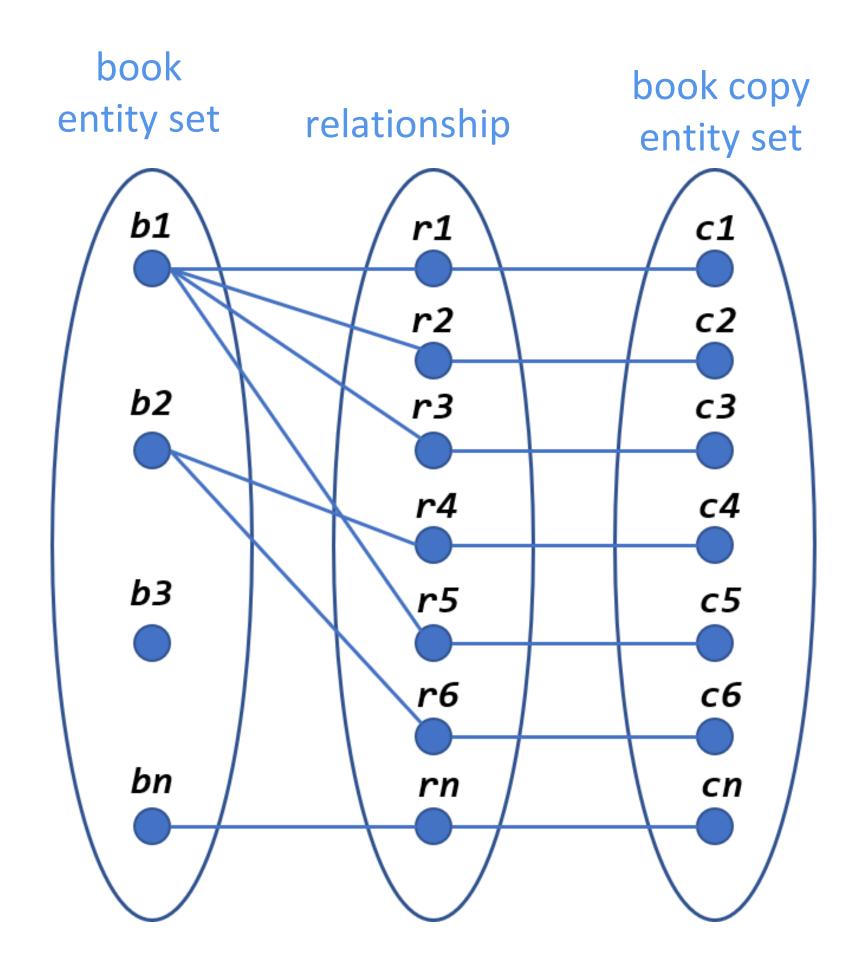


#### Partial Participation

There might be a case where a book has no corresponding copy.

• e.g. *b3* does not participate in he relationship.

The book entity is doing a partially participation in the relationship.





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No. A copy is a weak entity.

A copy cannot exist without its corresponding book.



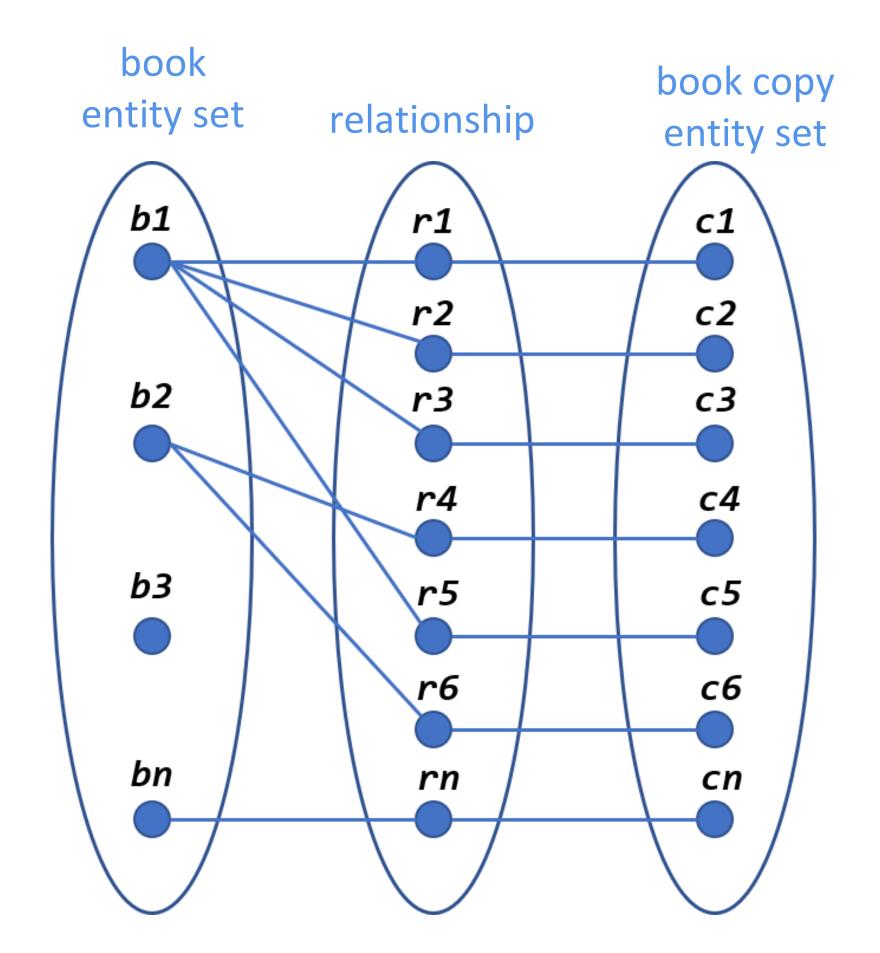
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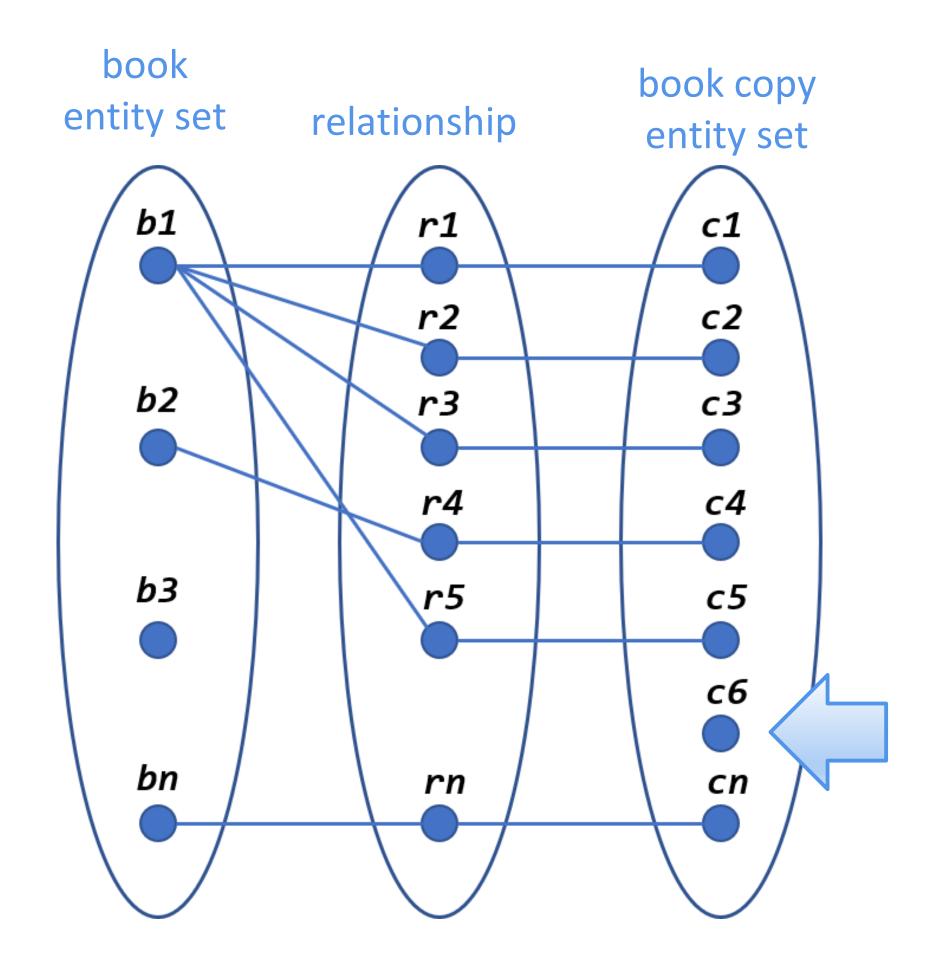
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 A book is printed into a number of copies and stored in the library. Meaning, every copy entity must participate in the relationship.

The book copy applies the total participation in the relationship.





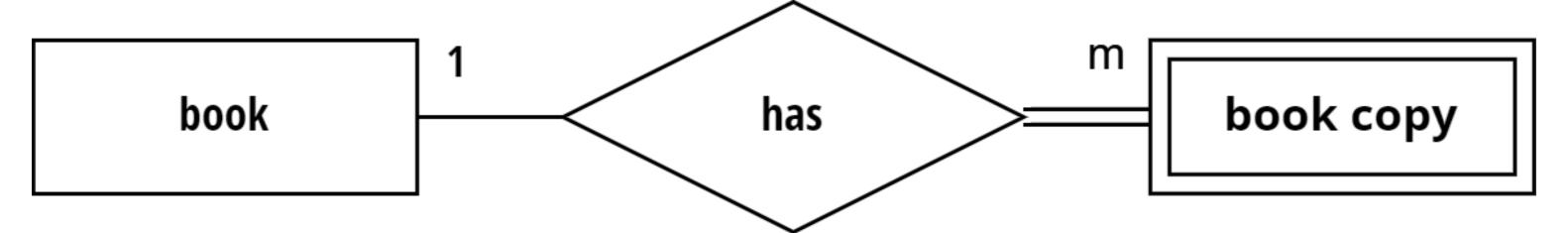




#### Book - Book Copy Relationship

A partial participation is represented using a **single solid line** from the entity towards the relationship.

A total participation is represented using a **double solid line** from the entity towards the relationship.



The book entity does not have to participate in the relationship. But, every book copy must participate in the relationship.

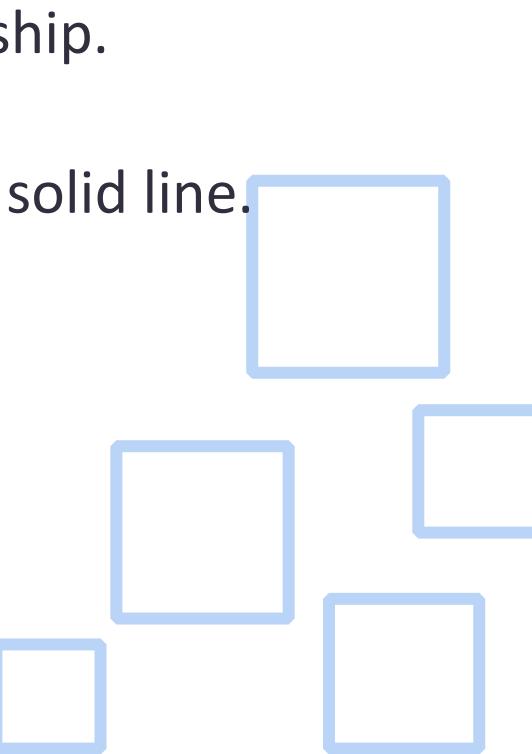


#### Conclusion



- An entity might be partially or totally participate in a relationship.
- A partial (optional) participation is represented using a single solid line.
- A total participation is represented using a double solid line.





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