



Relational Modelling

Project Phase # 3

Data And Applications

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Overview

1 NF and Relational Model

1. Multivalued attributes:

For each attribute that was not atomic, a separate table was created.

- Terrain of each zone
- Feature images
- Service Timings
- Species Common names
- Species Habitats
- Report Co-authors
- Study- In this case, we created tables to provide functionality of multiple species and multiple data in a study.
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2. Subclasses:

Features were subclassed into Lodging, Public Facilities, View Points, Trail by means of a table which contains the feature id, the zone it is in and the national park of that zone.

3. Locations:

Throughout the database, every location 1. (compound attribute) is represented in terms of attributes latitude and longitude. In most tables it is decimal while in some it is varchar(after geohashing).

4. Relationships:

For 1:1, 1:N, N:1 relationships, we introduced foreign keys on the side with N. In the case of M : N relations, we created a separate table for each relation.

2 NF

1. Scientific Classification:

We observed that there was a functional dependency among the attributes of the entity Species. The genus of the species(prime attribute) directly determined the Kingdom, Class, Family and Order of the Species. Therefore a separate Relation “Scientific Classification” was created, relating the genus to the respective Kingdom, Class, Family and Order.

2. Permit:

The permit allotted to each researcher has a definite permit-expiration date. In other words, permit-expiration date was functionally dependent on permit-id. Thus a separate Relation containing just the permit-id and the permit expiration date was created.

3 NF

1. Publishing Status:

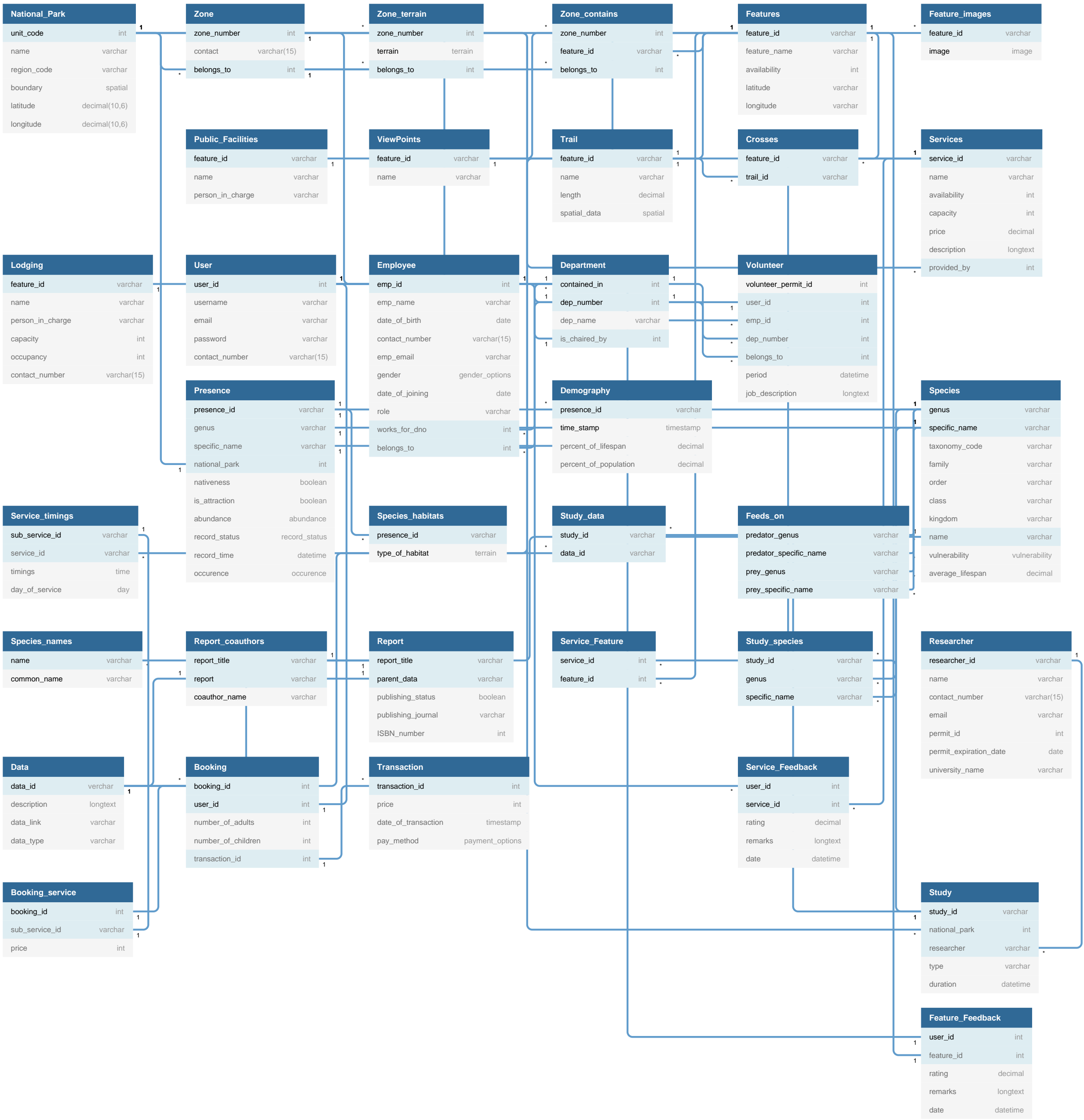
We divided the Relation Report into another relation “Published” since the ISBN number (a non prime attribute) directly determined the publishing status of the report. We chose ISBN number as a non prime attribute in earlier models since there can be various reports which were not published and would have ISBN number attribute as null.

2. Scientific Classification Returns:

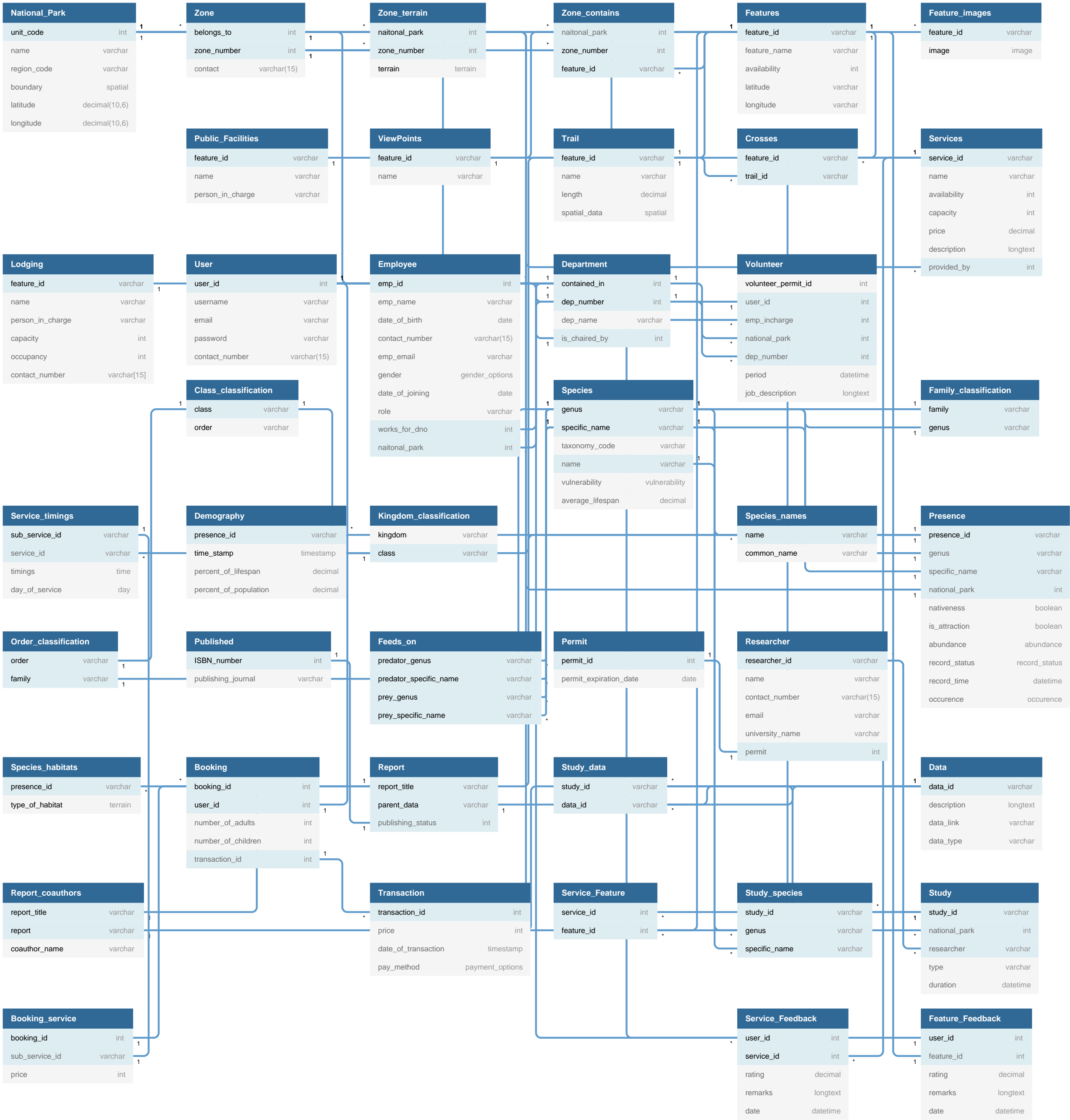
We observed that in the newly created relation “Scientific Classification” the following dependencies were present.

1. Class \rightarrow Kingdom
2. Order \rightarrow Class
3. Family \rightarrow Order

As each attribute was non-prime, there was a violation of the Third Normal Form. Thus all of the dependencies with their respective attributes were stored as separate relations.







```
Enum terrain {  
  Marshland  
  Desert  
  Savannah  
  Mountainous  
  Forest  
  Tundra  
}
```

```
Enum gender_options {  
  Male  
  Female  
  Others  
}
```

```
Enum vulnerability {  
  Extinct  
  Extinct from wild  
  Critically Endangered  
  Endangered  
  Vulnerable  
  Near Threatened  
  Least Concern  
}
```

```
Enum abundance {  
  rare  
  common  
  uncommon  
}
```

```
Enum occurence {  
  Full Year  
  Seasonal  
}
```

```
Enum record_status {  
  Verified  
  Non Verified  
}
```

```
Enum payment_options {  
  mobile transfer  
  credit card  
  net banking  
  cash  
  cheque  
  debit card  
}
```