PER - Models



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Motivation for the PER-Model



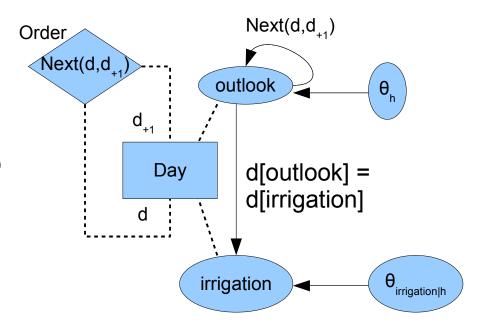
- Datasets grow and grow...
- Todays datasets are not flat anymore
 - e.g. consist relationships or probabilistic dependencies
- Already existing graphical representations get complicated to read and have to be extended to describe data
- Entity Relationship Model is a already well defined with many features
 - But not really designed for data representation



What is the PER-Model?



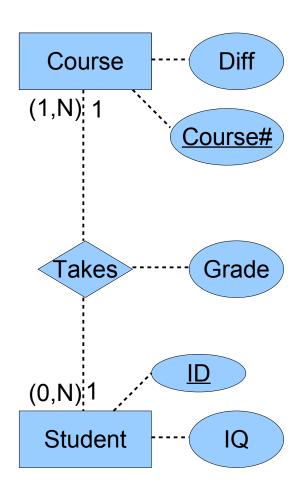
- Probabilistic Entity Relationship Model (PER-Model)
- A graphical model for describing relational data
- Extends the Entity Relationship Model (ER-Model)
- Adds probabilistic distributions and constraints







- Designed for graphical diagram the structure of databases through design process
- Shows the structure of a possible database without using an underlying dataset
- Uses the concept of Entities and their relationships







graph with 3 sorts of classes:

entity classes

E_i€€

 $\mathsf{E}_{_{\mathsf{i}}}$

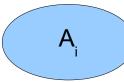
relationship classes

 $R_{i} \in \mathcal{R}$

 R_{i}

attribute classes

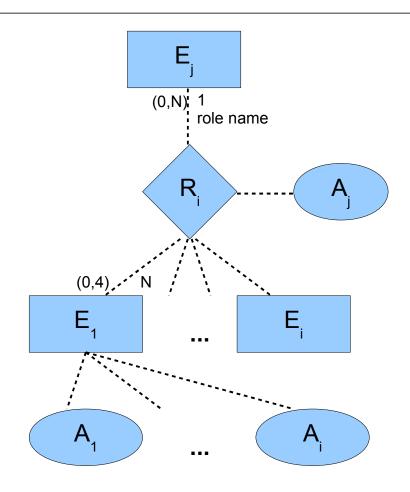
 $A_{i} \in \mathscr{H}$







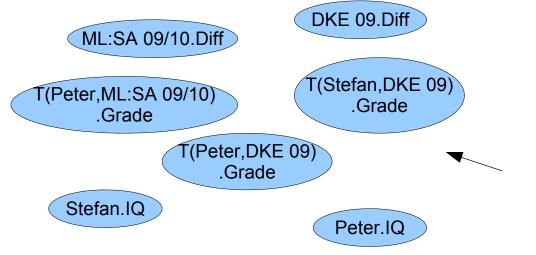
- corresponding classes are connected by dashed edges
- entities participating in a relationship can have a:
 - complexity e.g. (0,4)
 - cardinality e.g. 1
 - role names father

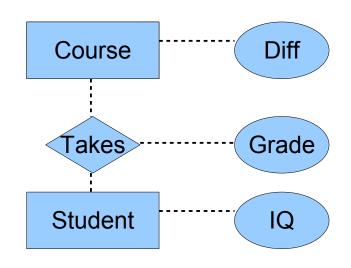






- Every ER-Model need a skeleton for creating a groundgraph
- Ground graph shows dependencies of attributes





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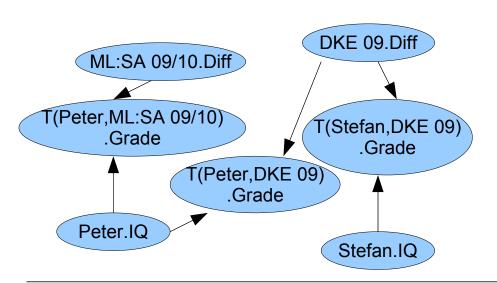


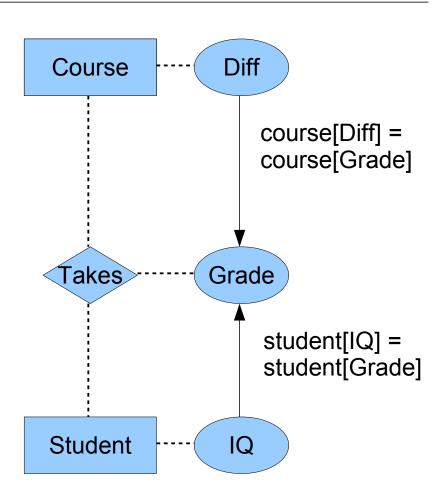
- For representing probabilistic data we need also:
 - Dependencies between attributes
 - Constraints for dependencies
 - A possibility of modeling probabilistic distributions
- This is **not** (or only partially) supported by the ER-Model
- PER-Model add these features and more...





- Dependencies of attribute classes are drawn as edges
- First-order expression could added to dependencies

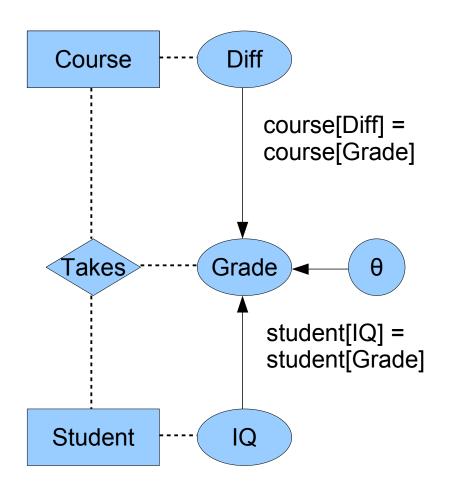








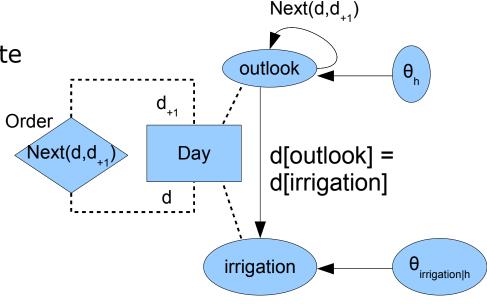
- Probabilistic distributions are modeled by an attribute
 - e.g. $p(Takes.Grade) \cong \theta$
- Attribute corresponds to a global entity class
 - Global class is not drawn
 - Global class has only one entity







- Example of Hidden Markov Models in PER-Model
 - Outlook is hidden attribute
 - Irrigation is non-hidden attribute
 - restriction to relationship class
 Next(d,d₊₁) to be order
 on set of days





A look on DAPER-Model



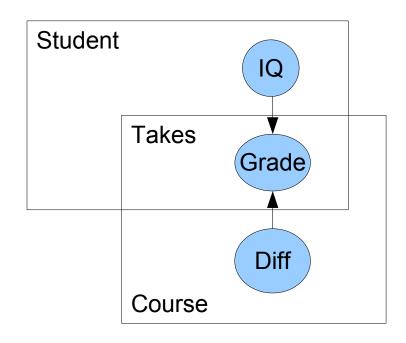
- Directed Acyclic PER-Model
- Shown examples all are DAPER-Models
- PER-Model also allows undireted depencies and cycles
 - Cycles ≠ self-relationship
 - Cycle = projected pairwise self-relationship
- Why use DAPER-Models?
- DAPER-Models are easier to understand and nearer to already existing models like PRMs and Plate Models



DAPER-Model vs. Plate Model



- Plate Models do not selfrelationships
- Dependencies can not point to an attribute outside the plate
- Depencies are only directed
- dependencies correspond to a single entity
- No constraints

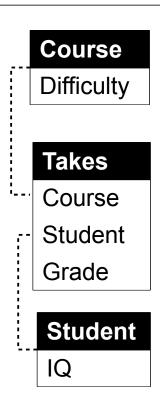




DAPER-Model vs. PRM



- PRMs use tables for both relationship classes and entity classes
- Dependencies are listed seperately



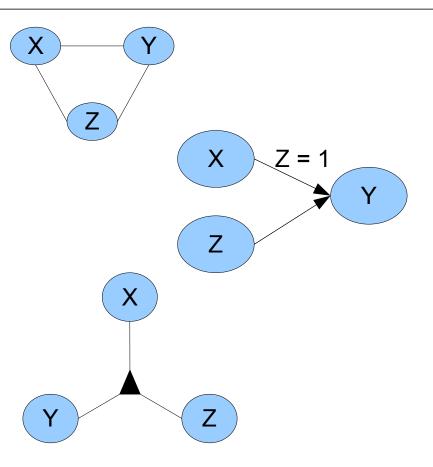
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Extensions to PER-Model and possible future works



- PER-Models can expand to other graphical models than DAGs
 - e.g. contingent DAGs using contingent DAPER-Models
 - e.g. undirected graphical (UG) model with undirected PER-Models
 - e.g. hierachical log-linear graphical (HLLG) Models with hierachical log-linear entity relationship (Helper) models
 - etc.





Conclusion



- PER-Models are an good way to represent probabilistic data structures
- Fast to learn if ER-Model is common
 - ER-Model is widely spread
- Handling of probabilistic distributions maybe is not intuitive as it could be
- PER has wide scope for extensions



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