AUCTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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<u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of the Auction Management Database System is to provide a robust and efficient platform for managing online auctions. This system aims to facilitate the interaction between sellers and bidders, ensuring a transparent and secure bidding process. Key objectives and purposes of the project include:

Facilitating Online Auctions: The system enables users to create, manage, and participate in online auctions, making it convenient for both sellers and bidders to engage in the auction process.

User Authentication: Ensuring the security of user data and providing authentication mechanisms to safeguard user accounts and transactions.

Auction Management: Allowing sellers to create and manage auctions by specifying auction details, item information, and setting bid-related parameters.

Bid Tracking: Tracking and recording bids made by bidders for various items in different auctions, maintaining a transparent bidding history.

Description

Certainly, here is a summary of each of the tables and their attributes:

Users Table:

- User_ID (Primary Key): This attribute is a unique identifier for each user in the system. It serves as the primary key for the Users Table, ensuring that each user has a distinct identifier.
- Username: The username is used for user authentication and login. It's a user's chosen name for accessing their account.
- Password: The password attribute stores the user's hashed password, ensuring the security of user accounts. Hashing makes it difficult for unauthorized parties to access the original password.
- Email: This attribute stores the user's email address, which is used for communication and account recovery.
- Role_ID (Foreign Key): This is a foreign key that references the Roles Table, indicating the role of the user within the system, such as whether they are a seller or a bidder.

Roles Table:

- Role_ID (Primary Key): This attribute serves as a unique identifier for different user roles. It is the primary key of the Roles Table.
- Role_Name: Role_Name stores the name of each user role, helping to categorize users into roles like "seller" or "bidder."

Auctions Table:

- Auction_ID (Primary Key): It is a unique identifier for each auction, serving as the primary key for the Auctions Table.
- Seller_ID (Foreign Key): This is a foreign key that refers to the user (seller) who created the auction. It establishes a relationship between auctions and their respective sellers.
- Auction_Title: Auction_Title represents the title or name of the auction.
- Start_Date: Start_Date indicates the date and time when the auction begins.
- End_Date: End_Date represents the date and time when the auction concludes.
- Status: Status indicates the current state of the auction, such as "Open," "Closed," or "Completed."

Bids Table:

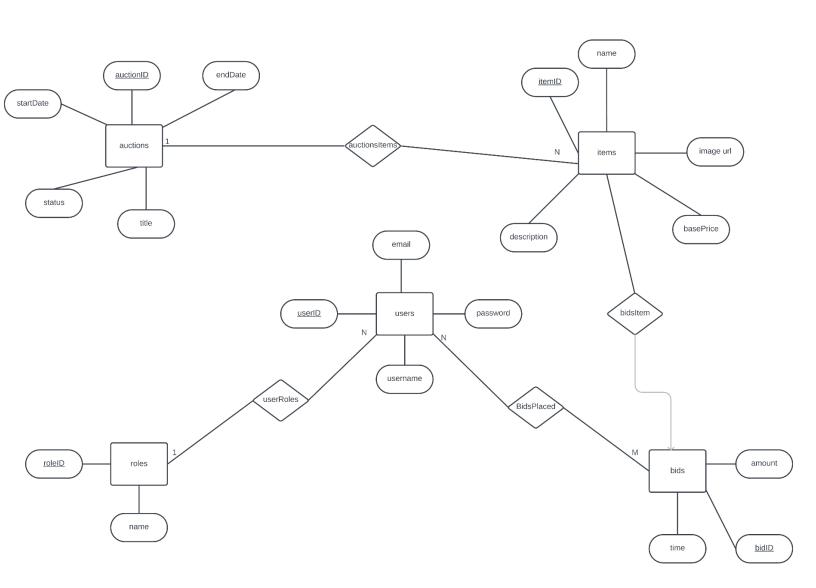
- Bid_ID (Primary Key): This attribute is a unique identifier for each bid, serving as the primary key for the Bids Table.
- Auction_ID (Foreign Key): It is a foreign key that references the auction where the bid was placed, linking each bid to a specific auction.
- Bidder_ID (Foreign Key): Bidder_ID is a foreign key referring to the user (bidder) who placed the bid, establishing a connection between bids and their respective bidders.
- Bid_Amount: Bid_Amount represents the amount of the bid placed by the bidder.
- Bid_Date: Bid_Date is the date and time when the bid was placed.

Items Table:

- Item_ID (Primary Key): This attribute serves as a unique identifier for each item listed in an auction, serving as the primary key for the Items Table.

- Auction_ID (Foreign Key): It is a foreign key that refers to the auction where the item is listed, linking each item to a specific auction.
- Item_Name: Item_Name is the name or title of the item being auctioned.
- Item_Description: Item_Description provides a detailed description of the item.
- Starting_Price: Starting_Price represents the initial price set for the item.
- Image_URL: Image_URL is the URL or path to an image file associated with the item, allowing users to view the item visually.

ER Diagram



Relationship Schema

