

Design an ERD and Convert it into Relation Schema



Design ERD Example

- Design an ER diagram for university registrar including the following entities:
 - Courses, including course number, title, credits, syllabus, and prerequisites;
 - Course offerings, including course number, year and teaching period, instructors, timings and classroom
 - Students, including student-id, name, and program; and
 - Instructors, including identification number, name, department, and title.
 - Further, the enrolment of students in courses and grades awarded to students in each course they are enrolled for must be appropriately modelled.
 - Document all assumptions that you have made

Assumptions



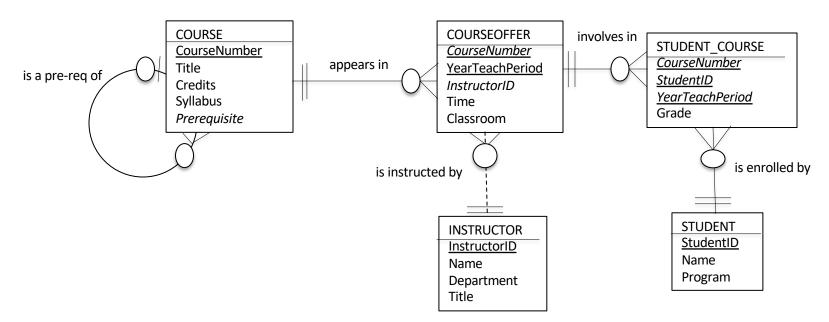
Assumptions are details that are not necessarily explicit within the description provided. These assumptions need to be checked and should be realistic and not contradict anything that is in the description. For example, in this case you could not assume that a student would ever only take one course.

For this ERD:

- A course may be a pre-requisite of many other courses, but a course may have only one pre-requisite.
- A course offer may attract many students and a student may enrol in many course offerings. So, a bridging entity Student_Course is inserted to replace the M:N relationship with two 1:M relationships.
- An instructor may teach many courses and a course may be taught by different instructors in different course offerings. So, the relationship between Course and Instructor is M:N. To solve it, a bridging entity Course offer is given.



Resulting ER Diagram



Can you explain connectivity, participation, strong and weak relationships



COURSE

CourseNumber

Title

Credits

Syllabus

Prerequisite

COURSE (CourseNumber, Title, Credits, Syllabus, Prerequisite)



COURSEOFFER

<u>CourseNumber</u>

<u>YearTeachPeriod</u>

InstructorID

Time

Classroom

COURSEOFFER(CourseNumber, YearTeachPeriod, InstructorID, Time, Classroom)



STUDENT COURSE

<u>CourseNumber</u>

<u>StudentID</u>

YearTeachPeriod

Grade

STUDENT_COURSE(<u>CourseNumber</u>, <u>StudentID</u>, <u>YearTeachPeriod</u>, Grade)



STUDENT

StudentID

Name

Program

STUDENT (StudentID, Name, Program)



INSTRUCTOR

InstructorID

Name

Department

Title

INSTRUCTOR(InstructorID, Name, Department, Title)



- COURSE(<u>CourseNumber</u>, Title, Credits, Syllabus, *Prerequisite*)
- COURSEOFFERED(<u>CourseNumber</u>, <u>YearTeachPeriod</u>, <u>InstructorID</u>, Time,
 Classroom)
- STUDENT_COURSE(<u>CourseNumber</u>, <u>StudentID</u>, <u>YearTeachPeriod</u>, Grade)
- INSTRUCTOR(<u>InstructorID</u>, Name, Department, Title)
- STUDENT (<u>StudentID</u>, Name, Photo)



Thank you