#### Relational Database Design

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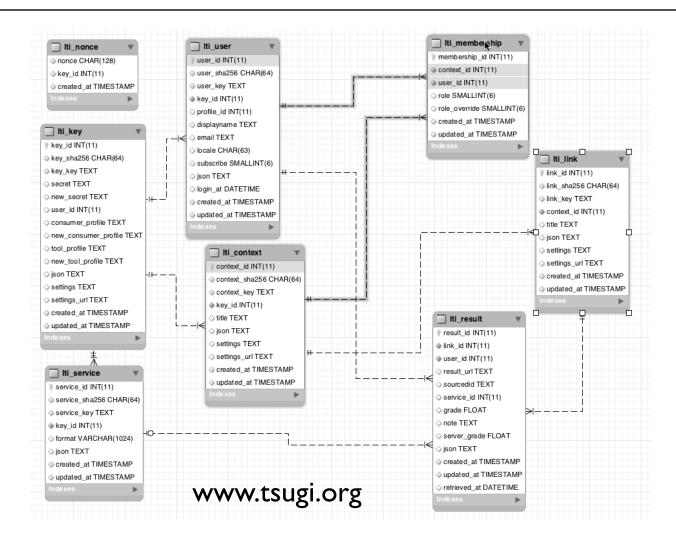


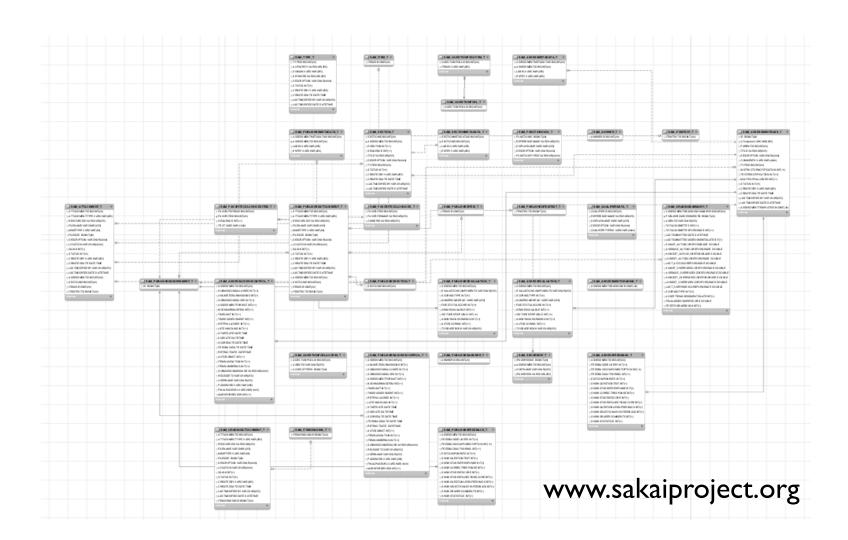
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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Relational\_model

#### Database Design

- Database design is an art form of its own with particular skills and experience.
- Our goal is to avoid the really bad mistakes and design clean and easily understood databases.
- Others may performance tune things later.
- Database design starts with a picture...





#### Building a Data Model

- Drawing a picture of the data objects for our application and then figuring out how to represent the objects and their relationships
- Basic Rule: Don't put the same string data in twice use a relationship instead
- When there is one thing in the "real world" there should only be one copy of that thing in the database

Track	Len	Artist	Album	Genre	Rating	Count
✓ Hells Bells	5:13	AC/DC	Who Made Who	Rock	****	61
✓ Shake Your Foundations	3:54	AC/DC	Who Made Who	Rock	****	70
✓ Chase the Ace	3:01	AC/DC	Who Made Who	Rock		56
✓ For Those About To Rock (We	5:54	AC/DC	Who Made Who	Rock	****	61
☑ Dúlamán	3:43	Altan	Natural Wonders M	New Age		31
☑ Rode Across the Desert	4:10	America	Greatest Hits	Easy Listen	****	23
✓ Now You Are Gone	3:08	America	Greatest Hits	Easy Listen	****	18
☑ Tin Man	3:30	America	Greatest Hits	Easy Listen	****	23
☑ Sister Golden Hair	3:22	America	Greatest Hits	Easy Listen	****	24
☑ Track 01	4:22	Billy Price	Danger Zone	Blues/R&B	****	26
☑ Track 02	2:45	Billy Price	Danger Zone	Blues/R&B	****	18
☑ Track 03	3:26	Billy Price	Danger Zone	Blues/R&B	****	22
☑ Track 04	4:17	Billy Price	Danger Zone	Blues/R&B	****	18
☑ Track 05	3:50	Billy Price	Danger Zone	Blues/R&B	****	21
■ War Pigs/Luke's Wall	7:58	Black Sabbath	Paranoid	Metal	****	25
☑ Paranoid	2:53	Black Sabbath	Paranoid	Metal	****	22
✓ Planet Caravan	4:35	Black Sabbath	Paranoid	Metal	****	25
☑ Iron Man	5:59	Black Sabbath	Paranoid	Metal	****	26
☑ Electric Funeral	4:53	Black Sabbath	Paranoid	Metal	****	22
✓ Hand of Doom	7:10	Black Sabbath	Paranoid	Metal	****	23
✓ Rat Salad	2:30	Black Sabbath	Paranoid	Metal	****	31
☑ Jack the Stripper/Fairies Wear	6:14	Black Sabbath	Paranoid	Metal	****	24
■ Bomb Squad (TECH)	3:28	Brent	Brent's Album			1
☑ clay techno	4:36	Brent	Brent's Album			2
✓ Heavy	3:08	Brent	Brent's Album			1
☑ Hi metal man	4:20	Brent	Brent's Album			1
✓ Mistro	2:58	Brent	Brent's Album			1

# For each "piece of info"...

• Is the column an object or an attribute of another object?

Len Album

Genre

 Once we define objects, we need to define the relationships between objects.

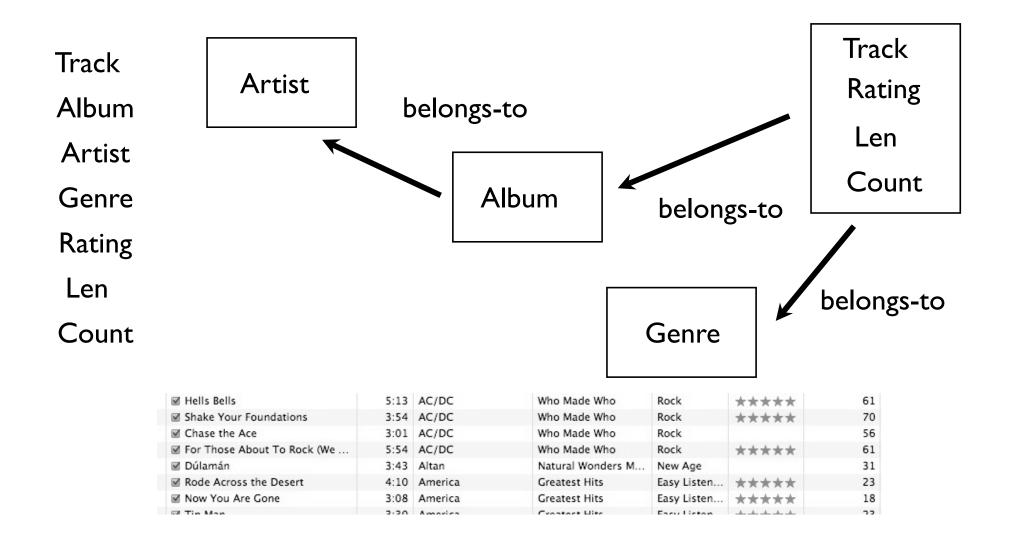
Artist

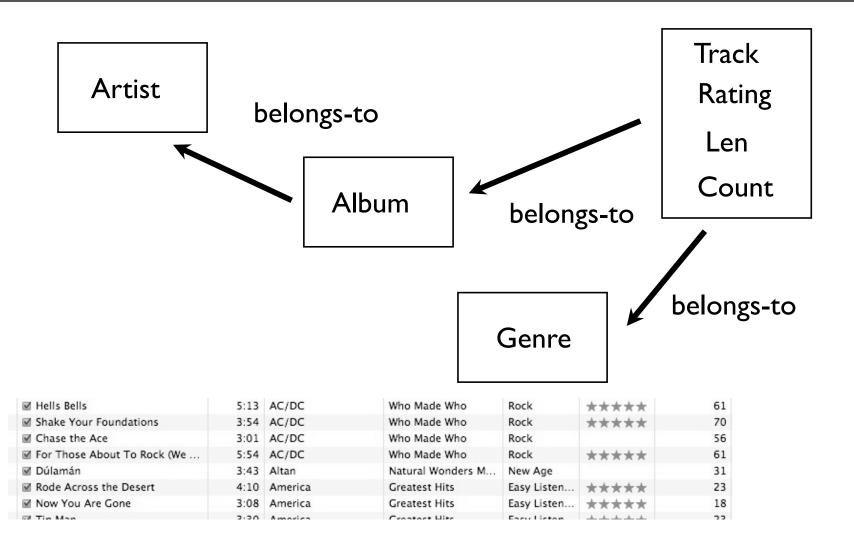
Rating

Track

Count

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# Key Terminology

Finding our way around....

#### Three Kinds of Keys

- Primary key generally an integer autoincrement field
- Logical key what the outside world uses for lookup
- Foreign key generally an integer key pointing to a row in another table



#### Primary Key Rules

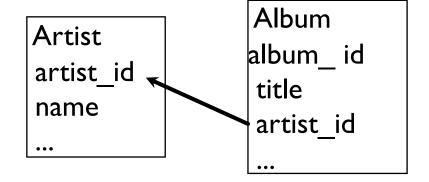
#### Best practices:

- Never use your logical key as the primary key.
- Logical keys can and do change, albeit slowly.
- Relationships that are based on matching string fields are less efficient than integers.

User
user\_id
email
password
name
created\_at
modified\_at
login\_at

#### Foreign Keys

- A foreign key is when a table has a column containing a key that points to the primary key of another table.
- When all primary keys are integers, then all foreign keys are integers. This is good - very good.



# Normalization and Foreign Keys



We want to keep track of which band is the "creator" of each music track... What album does this song "belong to"?

Which album is this song related to?

#### Database Normalization (3NF)

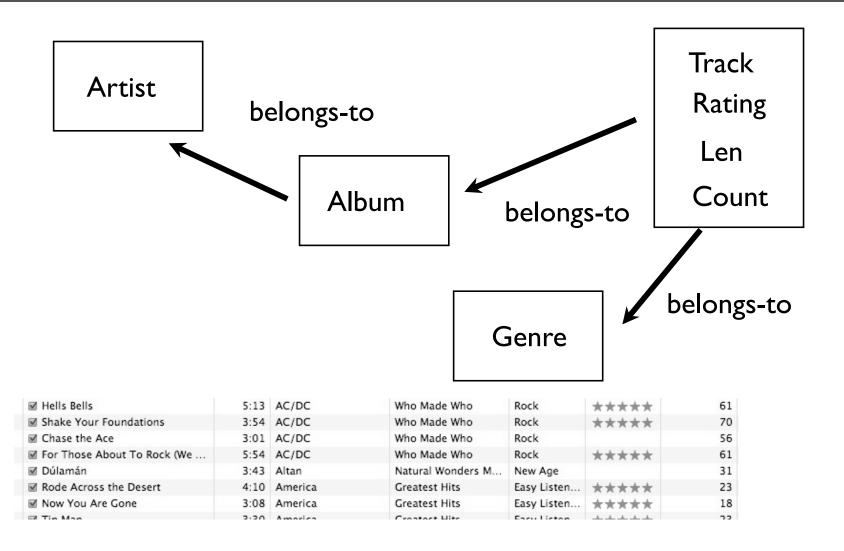
There is \*tons\* of database theory - way too much to understand without excessive predicate calculus

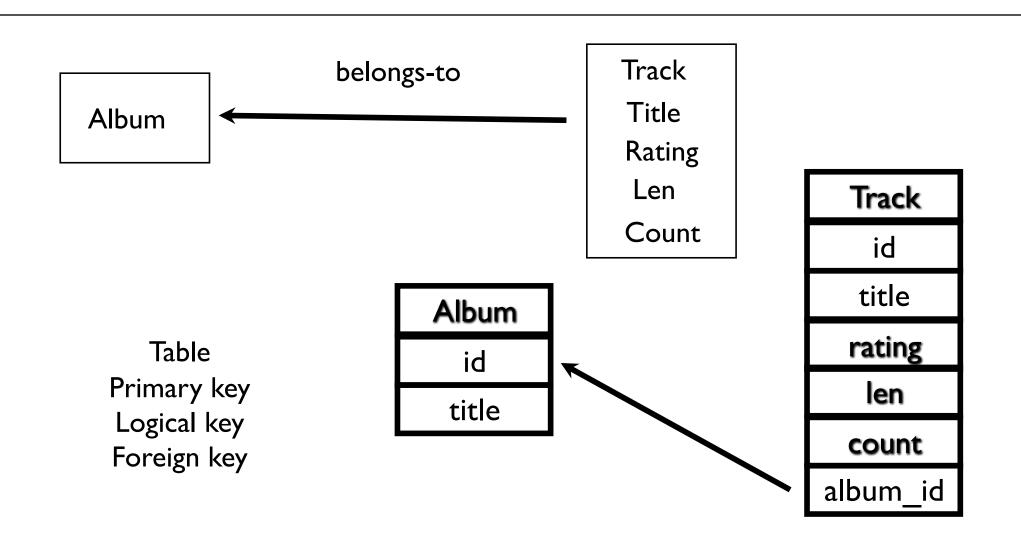
- Do not replicate data. Instead, reference data. Point at data.
- Use integers for keys and for references.
- Add a special "key" column to each table, which you will make references to.

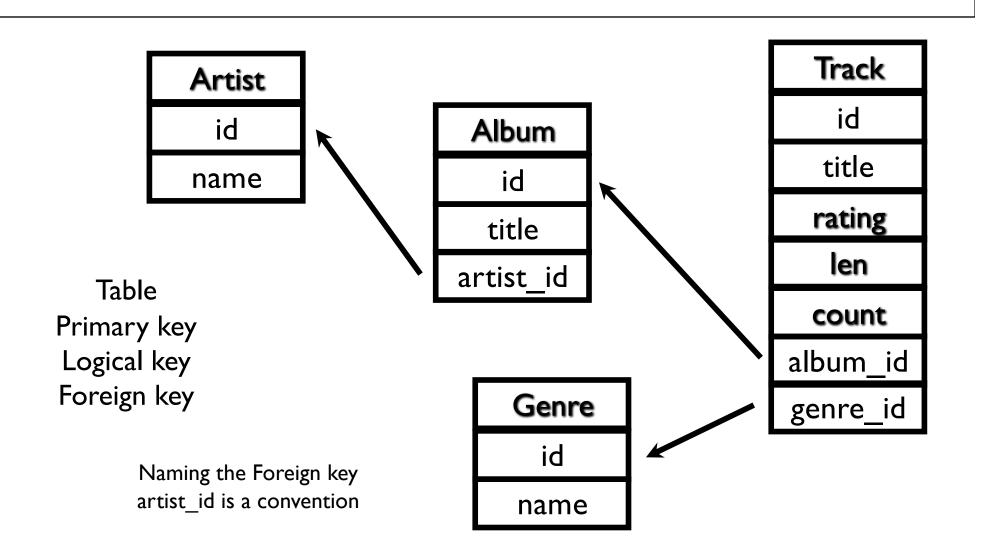
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#### Integer Reference Pattern

# Building a Physical Data Schema







#### Creating our Music Database

```
sudo -u postgres psql postgres

postgres=# CREATE DATABASE music
   WITH OWNER 'pg4e' ENCODING 'UTF8';
CREATE DATABASE
postgres=#
```

```
CREATE TABLE artist (
  id SERIAL,
  name VARCHAR(128) UNIQUE,
  PRIMARY_KEY(id)
);

CREATE TABLE album (
  id SERIAL,
  title VARCHAR(128) UNIQUE,
  artist_id INTEGER REFERENCES artist(id) ON DELETE CASCADE,
  PRIMARY KEY(id)
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE genre (
  id SERIAL,
  name VARCHAR(128) UNIQUE,
  PRIMARY KEY(id)
);
CREATE TABLE track (
  id SERIAL,
  title VARCHAR(128),
  len INTEGER,
  rating INTEGER,
  count INTEGER,
  album id INTEGER REFERENCES genre(id) ON DELETE CASCADE,
  genre_id INTEGER REFERENCES album(id) ON DELETE CASCADE,
  UNIQUE(title, album_id),
  PRIMARY KEY(id)
);
```

```
music=> \d track
```

Column	Type	able "public.track"   Modifiers +
id title len rating count album_id genre_id	integer character varying(128) integer integer integer integer integer integer	not null default nextval('track_id_seq'::regclass)
Indexes:		

#### Foreign-key constraints:

```
"track album id fkey" FOREIGN KEY (album id) REFERENCES album(id) ON DELETE CASCADE
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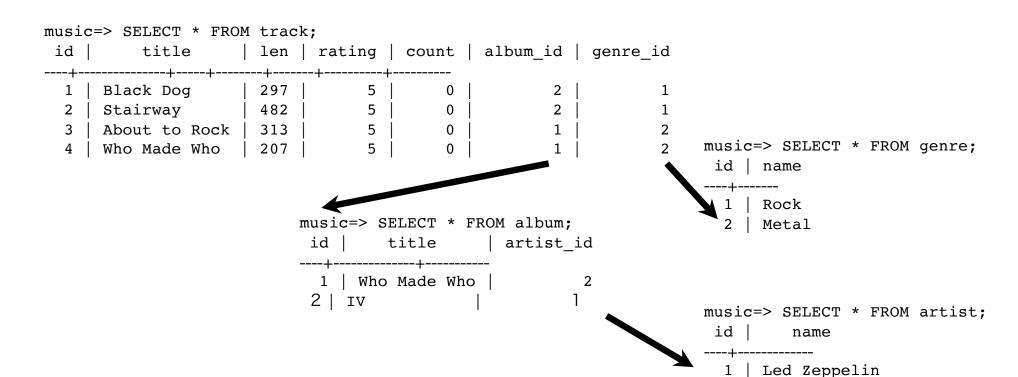
music=>

<sup>&</sup>quot;track pkey" PRIMARY KEY, btree (id)

<sup>&</sup>quot;track title album id key" UNIQUE CONSTRAINT, btree (title, album id)

<sup>&</sup>quot;track genre id fkey" FOREIGN KEY (genre id) REFERENCES genre(id) ON DELETE CASCADE

```
music=> INSERT INTO track (title, rating, len, count, album id, genre id)
music->
           VALUES ('Black Dog', 5, 297, 0, 2, 1);
INSERT 0 1
music=> INSERT INTO track (title, rating, len, count, album id, genre id)
music->
           VALUES ('Stairway', 5, 482, 0, 2, 1);
INSERT 0 1
music=> INSERT INTO track (title, rating, len, count, album id, genre id)
music->
           VALUES ('About to Rock', 5, 313, 0, 1, 2);
INSERT 0 1
music=> INSERT INTO track (title, rating, len, count, album id, genre id)
music->
           VALUES ('Who Made Who', 5, 207, 0, 1, 2);
INSERT 0 1
music=> SELECT * FROM track;
 id | title | len | rating | count | album id | genre id
---+----+
                              5
 1 | Black Dog
                    297
                              5 |
 2 | Stairway | 482 |
 3 | About to Rock | 313 |
                              5
  4 | Who Made Who | 207 |
(4 rows)
```



2 | AC/DC

#### We Have Relationships!

# Using Join Across Tables

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Join\_(SQL)

#### Relational Power

- By removing the replicated data and replacing it with references to a single copy of each bit of data, we build a "web" of information that the relational database can read through very quickly - even for very large amounts of data.
- Often when you want some data it comes from a number of tables linked by these foreign keys.

#### The JOIN Operation

- The JOIN operation links across several tables as part of a SELECT operation.
- You must tell the JOIN how to use the keys that make the connection between the tables using an ON clause.

What we want to see
The tables that hold the data
How the tables are linked

music=> SELECT track.title, track.genre\_id, genre.id, genre.name
music=> FROM track CROSS JOIN genre;

title	genre id	id	name
01010	901110_10		1141116
Black Dog	1	1	Rock
Stairway	1	1	Rock
About to Rock	2	1	Rock
Who Made Who	2	1	Rock
Black Dog	1	2	Metal
Stairway	1	2	Metal
About to Rock	2	2	Metal
Who Made Who	2	2	Metal

```
music=> SELECT * FROM track;
 id |
                     len | rating | count | album id | genre id
         title
                                                   2
  1 | Black Dog
                     297
                                                                     music=> SELECT * FROM genre;
  2 | Stairway
                                                   2
                     482
                                        0
                                                                      id | name
  3 | About to Rock |
                                                   1
                     313
                                        0
  4 | Who Made Who
                     207
                                                   1
                                                                         Rock
                                                                         | Metal
```

Metal

Who Made Who

## It Can Get Complex...

Who Made Who

Metal

```
music=> SELECT track.title, artist.name, album.title, genre.name
music-> FROM track
music-> JOIN genre ON track.genre id = genre.id
music-> JOIN album ON track.album id = album.id
music-> JOIN artist ON album.artist id = artist.id;
    title
                                title
                  name
                                            genre
 Black Dog | Led Zeppelin |
                                            Rock
                              IV
Stairway | Led Zeppelin |
                                            Rock
                              IV
 About to Rock | AC/DC
                              Who Made Who
                                            Metal
```

Who Made Who

AC/DC

✓ Mistro		2:58	Brent		Brent's Album				1	
☑ Hi metal man		4:20	Brent		Brent's Album				1	
✓ Heavy										
☑ clay techno				•			•		'	
☑ Bomb Squad (TECH)	Who	Made	Who	A(	C/DC		Wh	o Made	Who	Metal
☑ Jack the Stripper/Fairi	ADOUL LO ROCK		!	· .		!				
☑ Rat Salad	About to Rock		AC/DC			Wh	o Made	Who	Metal	
✓ Hand of Doom	Stairway		Led Zeppelin		n   IV			Rock		
☑ Electric Funeral	Black Dog		Led Zeppelin							
☑ Iron Man	Blad	rk Do	ď	T.4	ad Zenneli	n	IV			Rock
☑ Planet Caravan				+			+		+	
☑ Paranoid	CICLE		Tame					manic		
■ War Pigs/Luke's Wall	title		1	name		title			name	
✓ Track 05			Rilly Price		Danger Zone		c/D.R.R	11111	21	
☑ Track 04		4:17	Billy Price		Danger Zone		s/R&B	****	18	
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Sister Golden Hair		3:22	America		Greatest Hits		Listen	****	24	
☑ Tin Man			America		Greatest Hits		Listen	****	23	
Now You Are Gone			America		Greatest Hits		Listen	****	18	
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☑ Hells Bells ☑ Shake Your Foundatio			AC/DC		Who Made Who Who Made Who	Rock		****	61	

### ON DELETE CASCADE

#### Child

music	=> SELECT * FROM	4 track	Σ;				
id	title	len	rating	count	album_id	genre id	
+	+			•	. – .	_	
1	Black Dog	297	5	0	2	1	
2	Stairway	482	5	0	2	1	<pre>music=&gt; SELECT * FROM genre;</pre>
3	About to Rock	313	5	0	1	2	id   name
4	Who Made Who	207	5	0	1	2 🔻	+
							1   Rock
							2   Metal

We are telling Postgres to "clean up" broken references

**Parent** 

DELETE FROM Genre WHERE name = 'Metal'

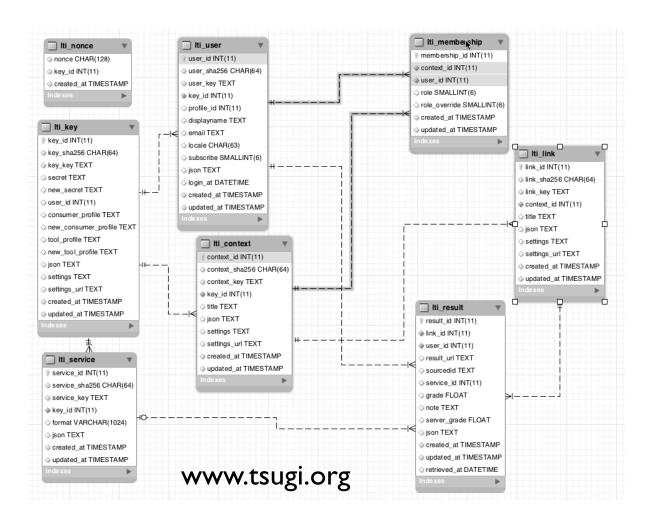
### ON DELETE CASCADE

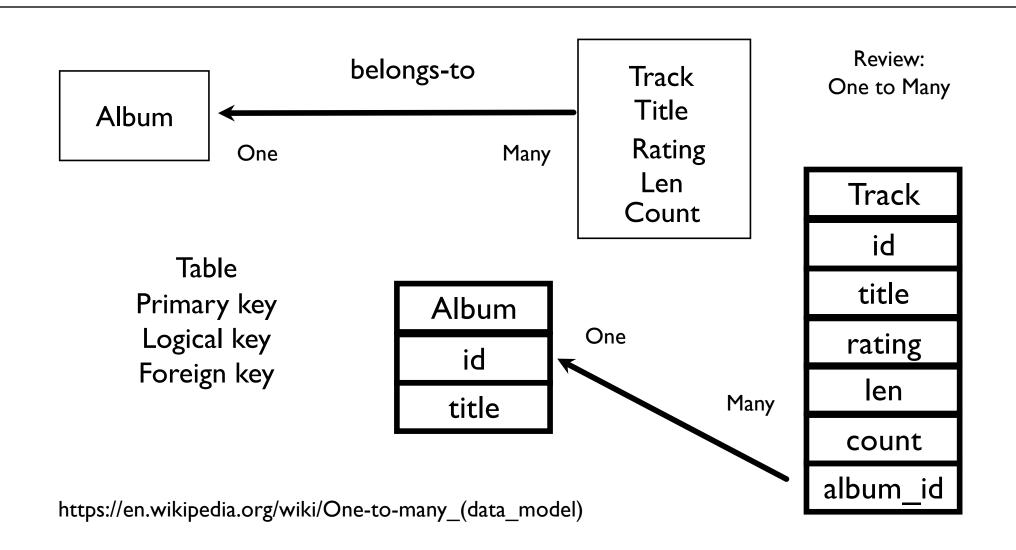
### ON DELETE Choices

- Default / RESTRICT Don't allow changes that break the constraint
- CASCADE Adjust child rows by removing or updating to maintain consistency
- SET NULL Set the foreign key columns in the child rows to null

http://stackoverflow.com/questions/1027656/what-is-mysqls-default-on-delete-behavior

# Many-to-Many Relationships



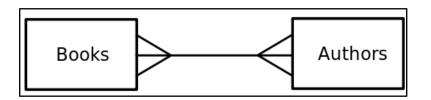


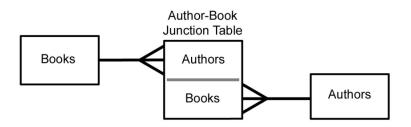
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id	title	len	rating	count	album_id	genre id <b>One</b>	M
+		+	+	<b>+</b>		One	Many
1	Black Dog	297	5	0	2	1	
2	Stairway	482	5	0	2	1	<pre>music=&gt; SELECT * FROM genre;</pre>
3	About to Rock	313	5	0	1	2	id   name
4	Who Made Who	207	5	0	1	2	+
			•				1   Rock
							2   Metal

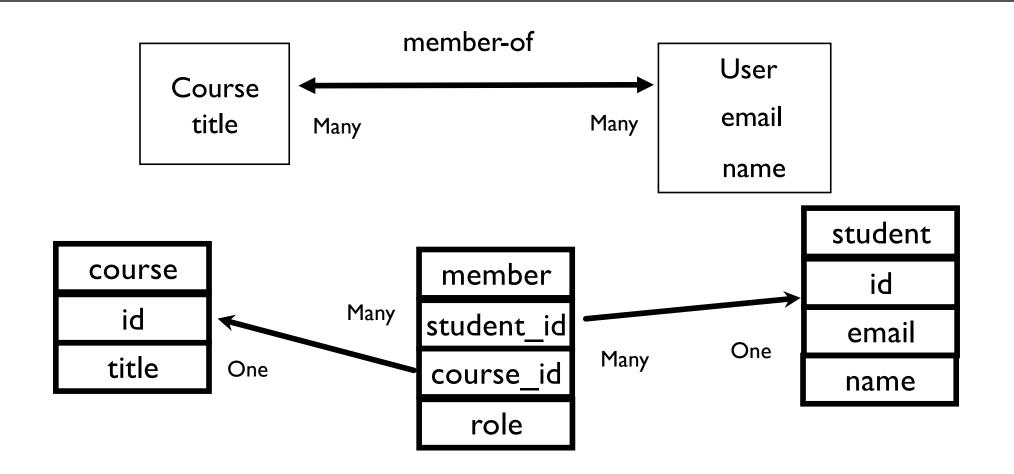
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## Many to Many

- Sometimes we need to model a relationship that is many to many.
- We need to add a "connection" table with two foreign keys.
- There is usually no separate primary key.





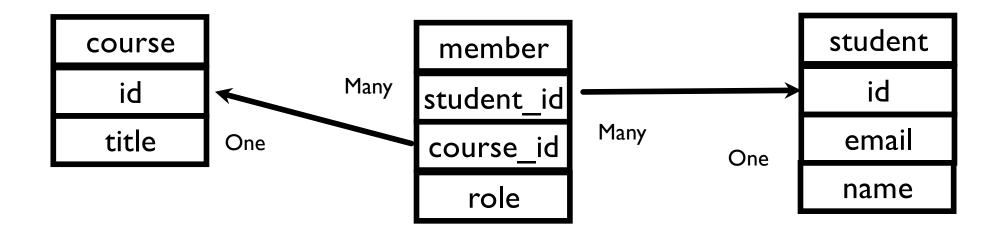


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### Start with a Fresh Database

```
CREATE TABLE student (
  id SERIAL,
  name VARCHAR(128),
  email VARCHAR(128) UNIQUE,
  PRIMARY KEY(id)
);

CREATE TABLE course (
  id SERIAL,
  title VARCHAR(128) UNIQUE,
  PRIMARY KEY(id)
);
```



### Insert Users and Courses

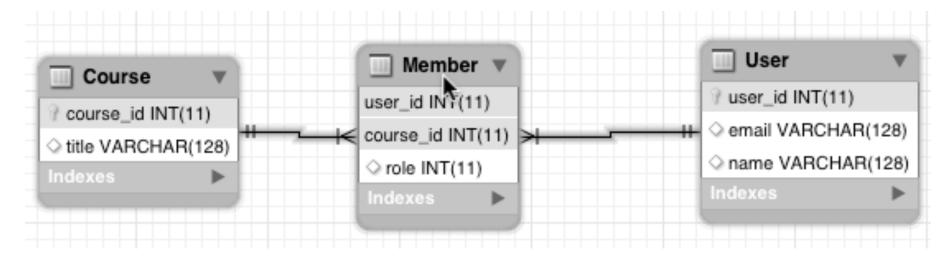
```
music=> INSERT INTO student (name, email) VALUES ('Jane', 'jane@tsugi.org');
music=> INSERT INTO student (name, email) VALUES ('Ed', 'ed@tsugi.org');
music=> INSERT INTO student (name, email) VALUES ('Sue', 'sue@tsugi.org');
music=> SELECT * FROM student;
 id | name |
                 email
     Jane | jane@tsugi.org
  2 | Ed | ed@tsugi.org
      Sue | sue@tsugi.org
music=> INSERT INTO course (title) VALUES ('Python');
music=> INSERT INTO course (title) VALUES ('SQL');
music=> INSERT INTO course (title) VALUES ('PHP');
music=> SELECT * FROM COURSE;
 id | title
  1 | Python
     SOL
      PHP
```

### Insert Memberships

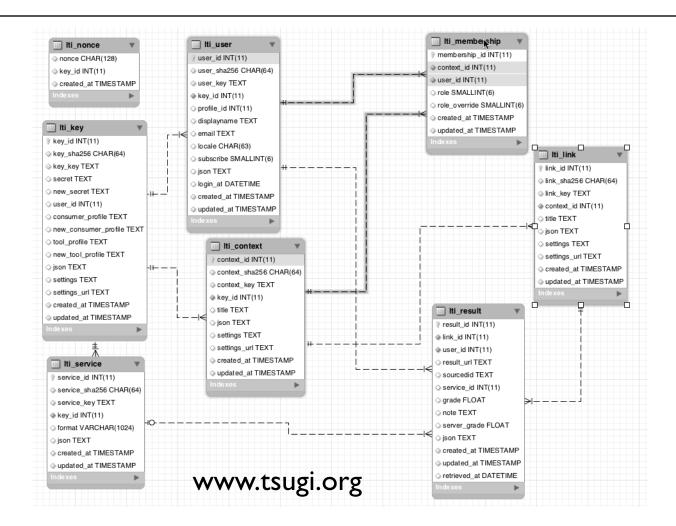
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music=> SELECT * FROM student;
                                     music=> SELECT * FROM course;
 id | name |
                email
                                      id | title
  1 | Jane | jane@tsugi.org
                                       1 Python
    | Ed | ed@tsugi.org
                                       2 | SQL
      Sue
            sue@tsugi.org
                                           PHP
INSERT INTO member (student id, course id, role) VALUES (1, 1, 1);
INSERT INTO member (student id, course id, role) VALUES (2, 1, 0);
INSERT INTO member (student id, course id, role) VALUES (3, 1, 0);
INSERT INTO member (student id, course id, role) VALUES (1, 2, 0);
INSERT INTO member (student id, course id, role) VALUES (2, 2, 1);
INSERT INTO member (student id, course id, role) VALUES (2, 3, 1);
INSERT INTO member (student id, course id, role) VALUES (3, 3, 0);
```

<pre>music=&gt; SELE(    student_id  </pre>	CT * FROM men	
1	1	   1
2	1	0
3	1	0
1	2	0
2	2	1
2	3	1
3	3	0

```
music=> SELECT student.name, member.role, course.title
music-> FROM student
music-> JOIN member ON member.student id = student.id
music-> JOIN course ON member.course id = course. id
music-> ORDER BY course.title, member.role DESC,
student.name;
name | role | title
               PHP
 Ed
 Sue
              PHP
 Jane
           1 | Python
             Python
Ed
             Python
 Sue
           0
Ed
              SQL
           1
               SQL
 Jane
(7 rows)
```



https://www.mysql.com/products/workbench/



## Complexity Enables Speed

- Complexity makes speed possible and allows you to get very fast results as the data size grows.
- By normalizing the data and linking it with integer keys, the overall amount of data which the relational database must scan is far lower than if the data were simply flattened out.
- It might seem like a tradeoff spend some time designing your database so it continues to be fast when your application is a success.

## Summary

- Relational databases allow us to scale to very large amounts of data.
- The key is to have one copy of any data element and use relations and joins to link the data to multiple places.
- This greatly reduces the amount of data that must be scanned when doing complex operations across large amounts of data.
- Database and SQL design is a bit of an art form.

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