

Semantic Models

Before the object data model...



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Object Databases

Hierarchical
data model

Graph
data model

*Relational
data model*

***Semantic
data model***

Object
data model



Entity

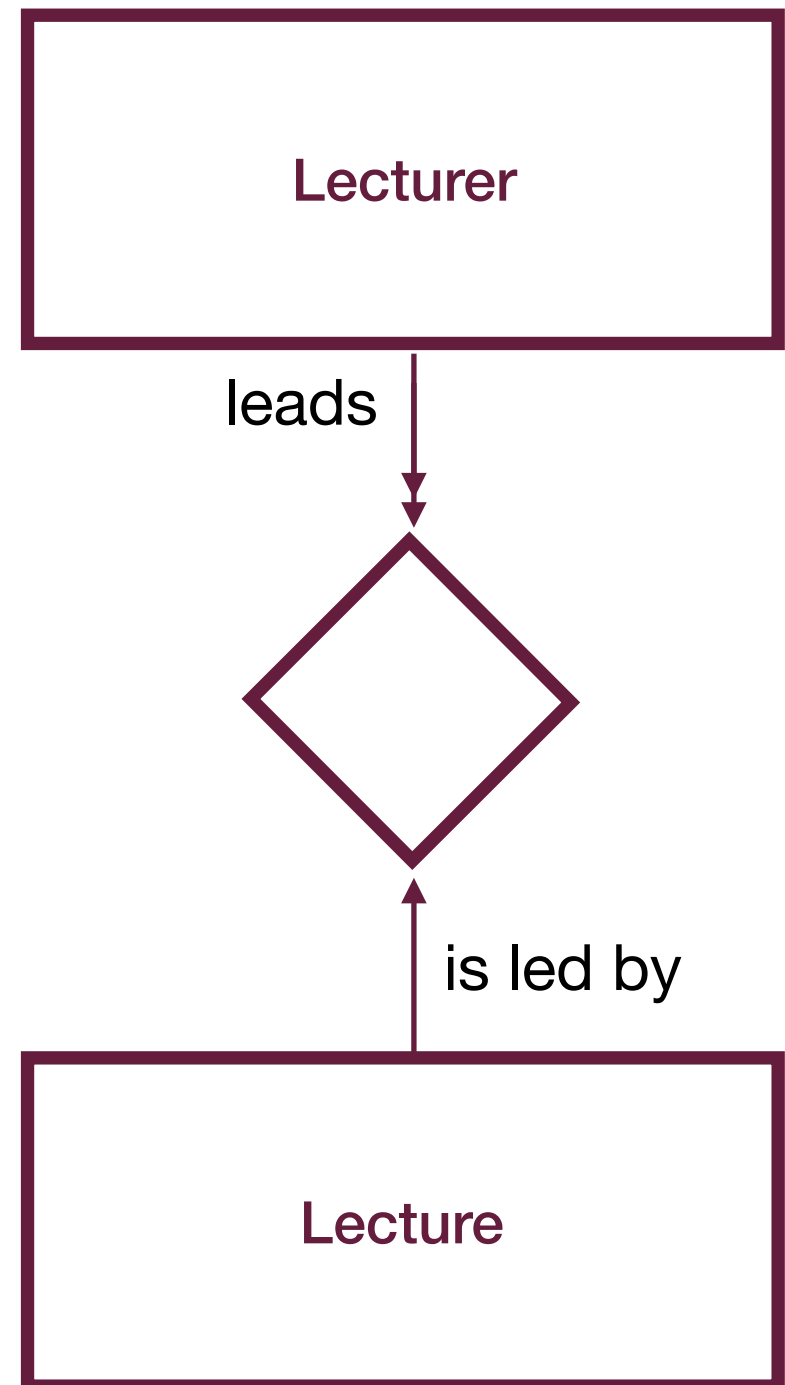
Represents . . . entity

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Associations

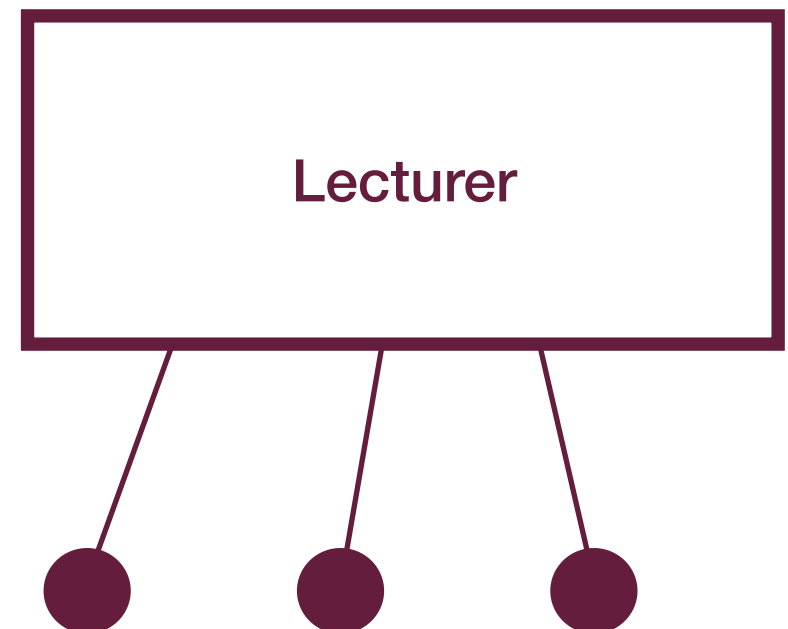
Links between entities

- Single
- Multiple



Attributes

- Key attribute *vs.* non-key
- Mandatory *vs.* facultative
- Simple *vs.* complex
- Single *vs.* multiple
- Descriptive *vs.* association
- Defined *vs.* derived
- Constant *vs.* modifiable



Abstraction techniques

- Classification
 - A. Extensional* aspect: class is just a set of some objects
 - B. Intentional* aspect: all objects in a class have similar structure
- Agrégation
- Generalisation / specialisation
 - Iterative process

Generalisation / specialisation

- Two golden rules
 - A. If a class **c** is a sub-class of **C**, then **c** is a sub-set of the class **C** (*extensional aspect*)
 - B. If a class **c** is a sub-class of **C**, then **c** inherits all properties from the class **C** (*intentional aspect*)
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Generalisation / specialisation

- Inclusion (*Is A*)
- Division
- Constraint

