

# CS 564: Database Management Systems Lecture 6: ER Model

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#### Announcement

#### Group selection (Due Today, 11:59pm)

- Canvas -> People -> Project Groups
- Randomly assigned if no group selected

#### Assignment #1 (Due Wednesday, 11:59pm)

- Submit using submission\_template.txt
- Carefully read the instructions in the submission file
- E.g., do not include the initial *%sql* or *%%sql* in your submission

# Module A2: Database Design

#### **ER Model**

**Functional Dependency** 

Normalization

#### Outline of this Lecture

#### Database design steps

#### ER model basics

- Attributes, Entity, and relationship
- Multi-way relationship
- Key constraints
- Participation constraint

### Database Design

- Requirements Analysis
- Conceptual Database Design (This week)
- Logical Database Design (This week)
- Schema Refinement (Next week)
- Physical Database Design (Module B2)
- Application and Security Design

# Entity-Relationship (ER) Model

#### A visual language to specify

- What information the DB must hold
- What are the relationships among components of that information

#### Proposed by Peter Chen in 1976

- In contrast, relational model was proposed in 1969

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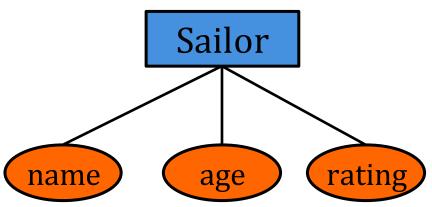
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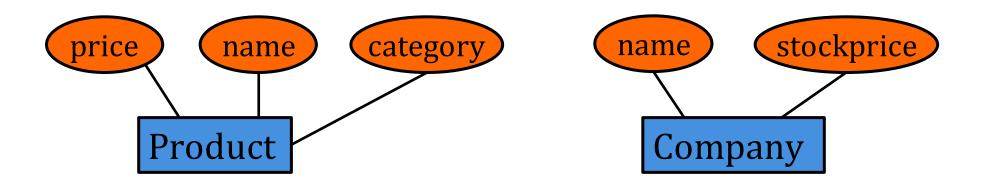
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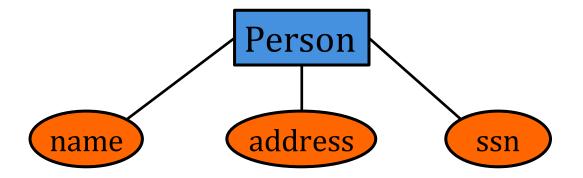
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### **Entity Sets and Attributes**

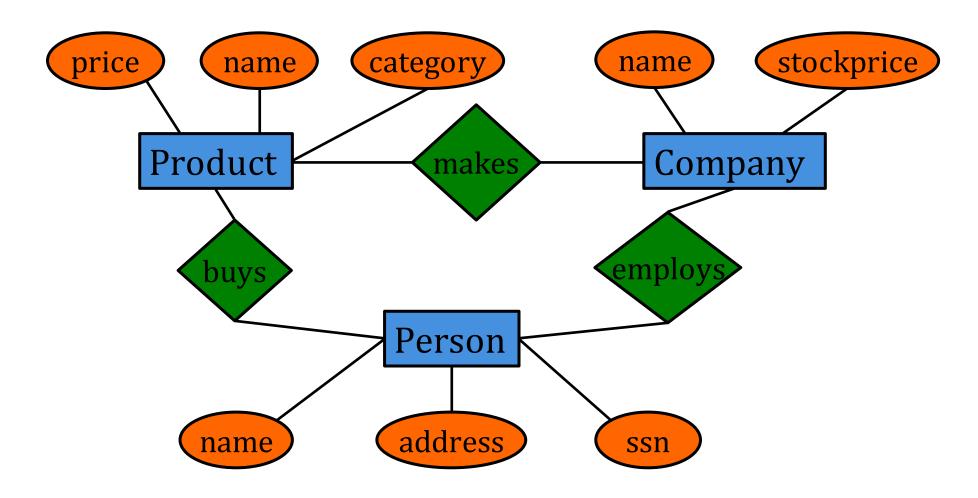


Entities are not explicitly represented in E/R diagrams!



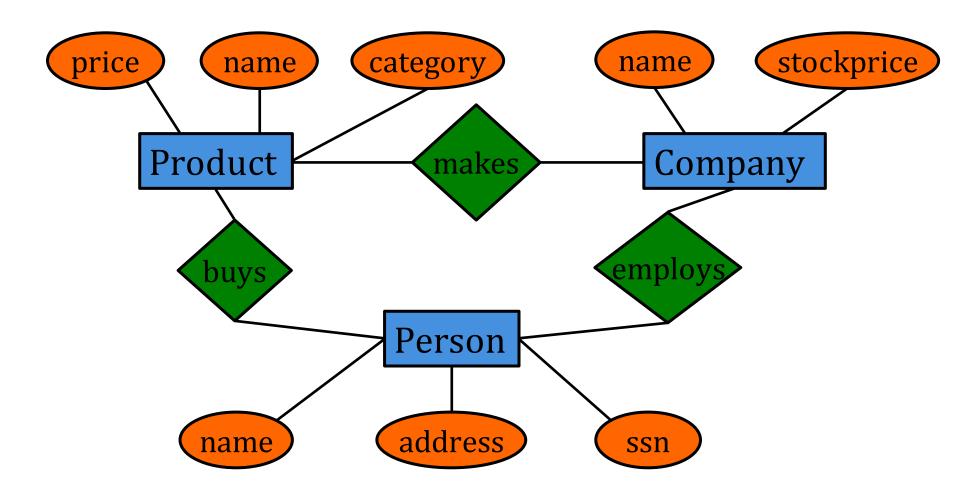
Intuitively, an entity set maps to a relation, an attribute maps to a table attribute

### Relationship



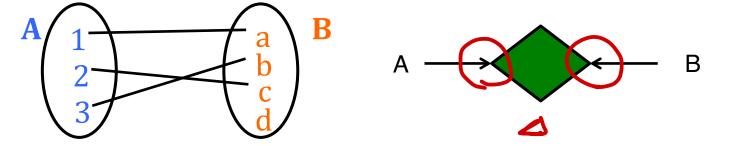
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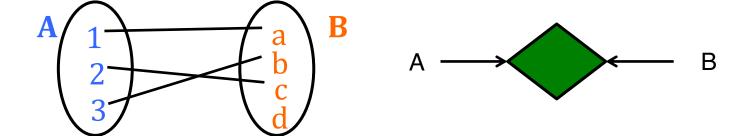


Relationship represented by diamonds between entity sets What should a relationship map to? (A table? An attribute?)

• one-one



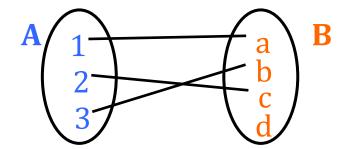
one-one

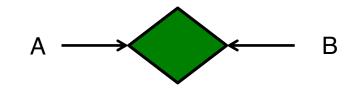


#### A and B are both keys to the relationship

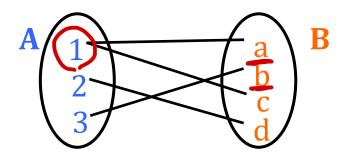
 Given an entity in A (or B), we can uniquely determine the relationship

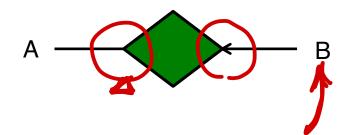
• one-one





many-one

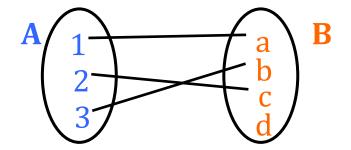


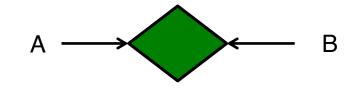


#### B is a key to the relationship

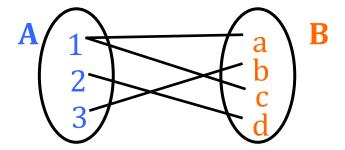
Given an entity in B, we can uniquely determine the relationship

• one-one



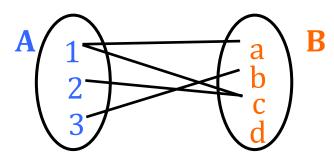


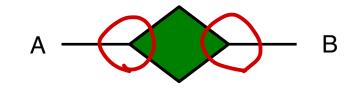
many-one

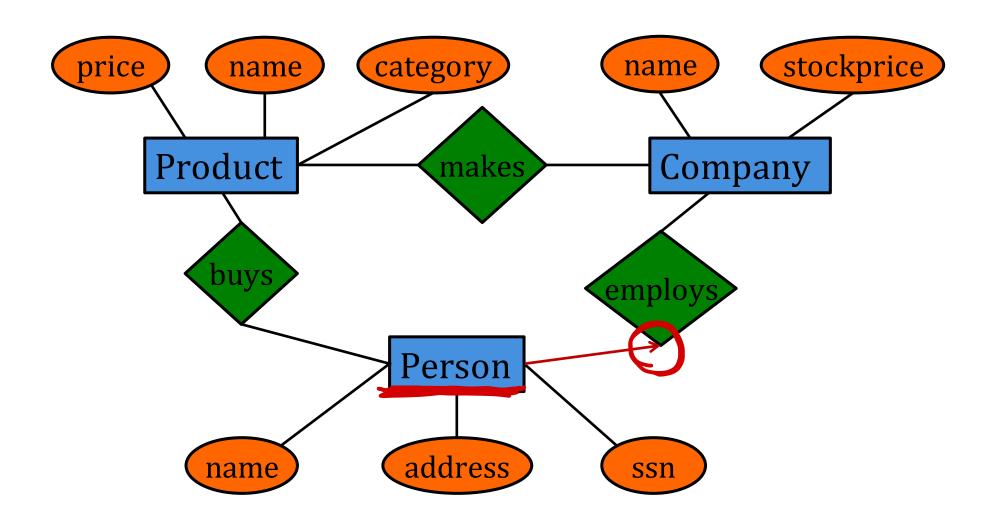


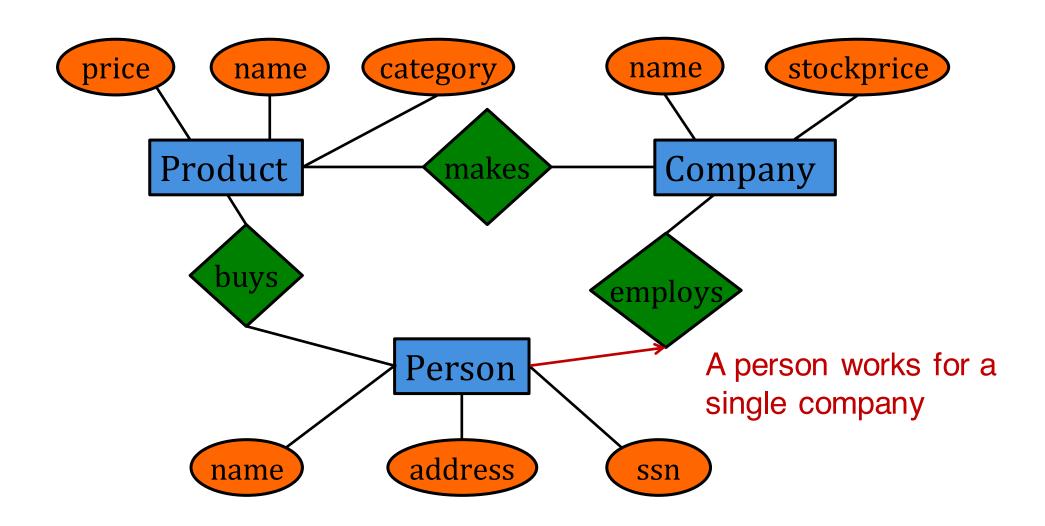


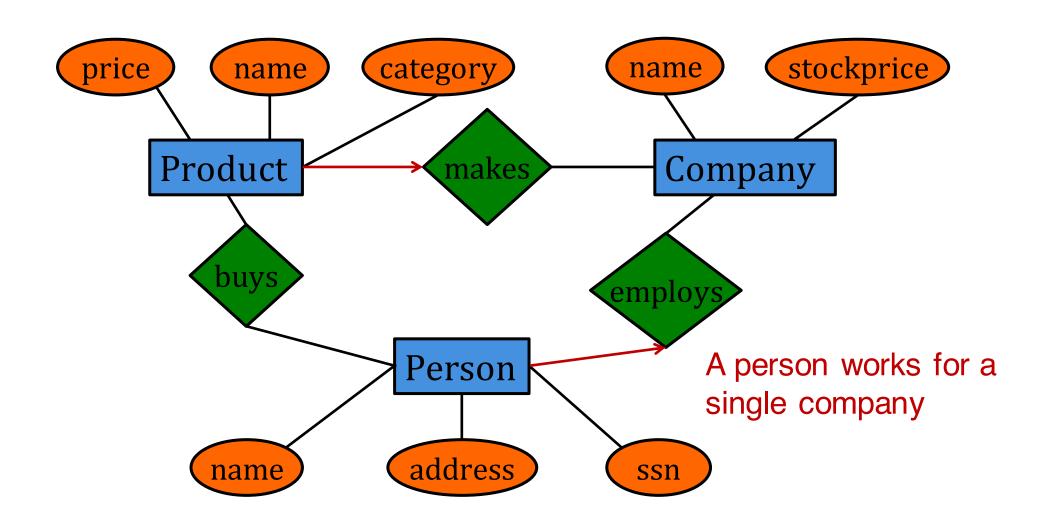
many-many

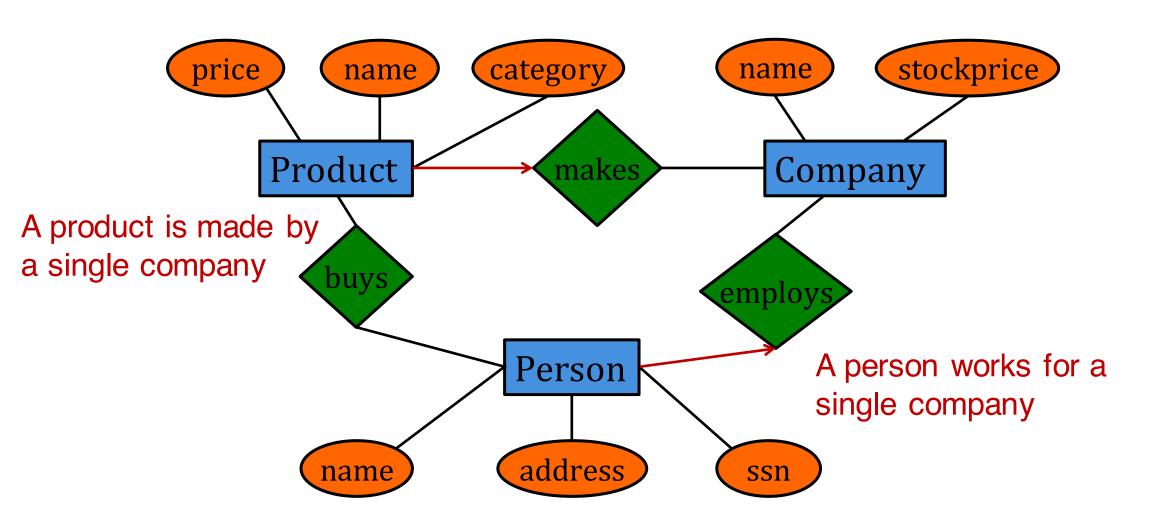


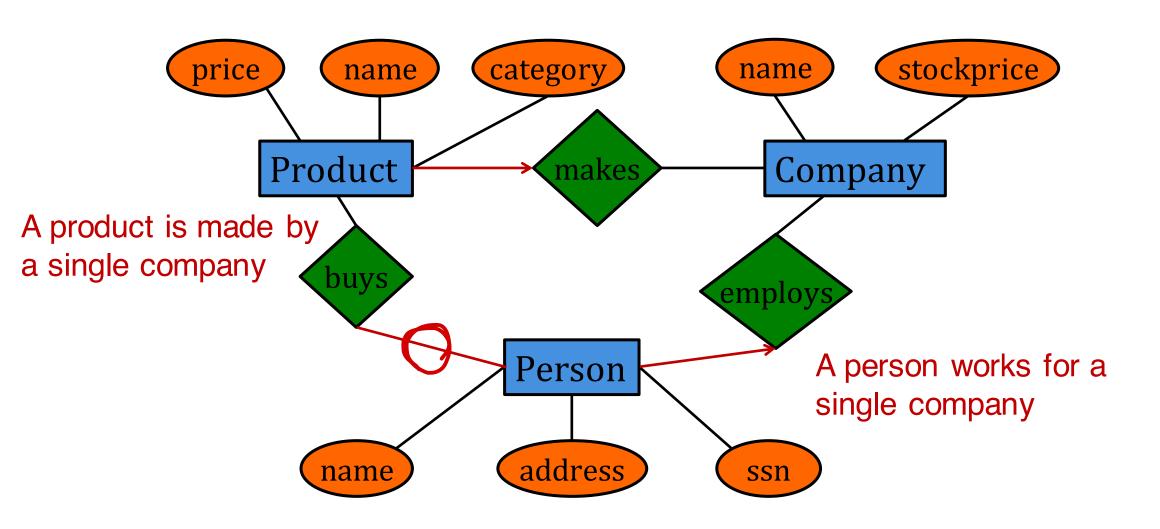


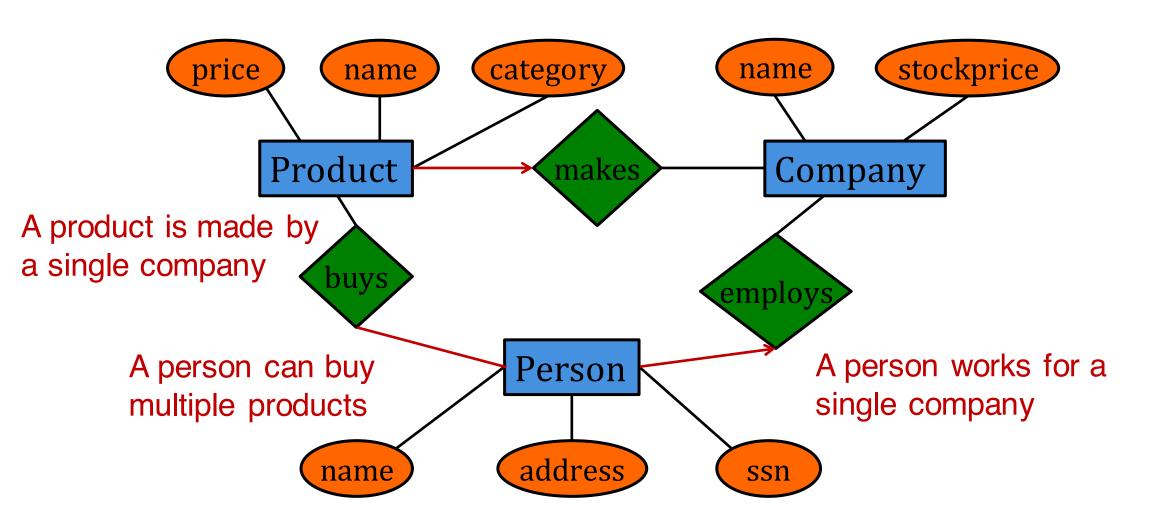


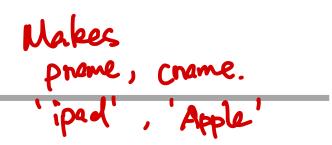


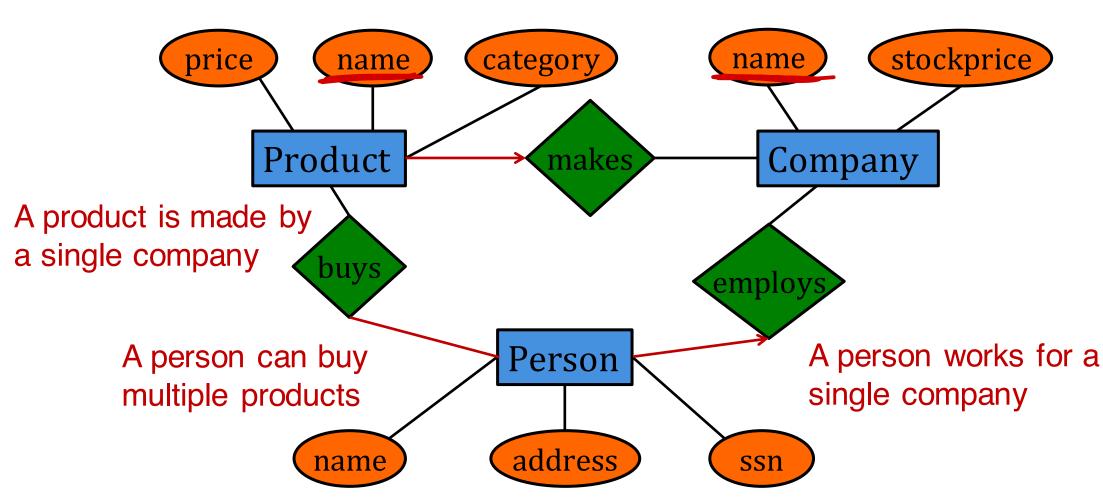






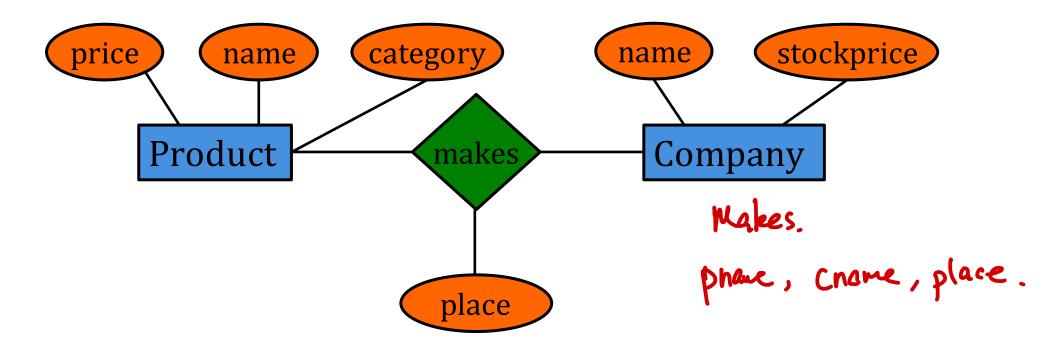






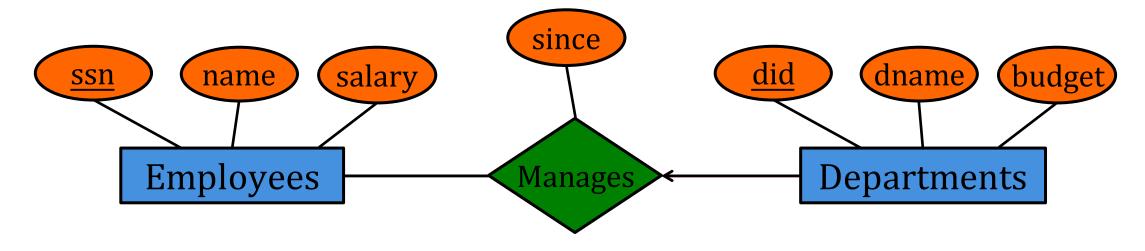
How to design schema for this database?

### Descriptive Attribute in Relationship



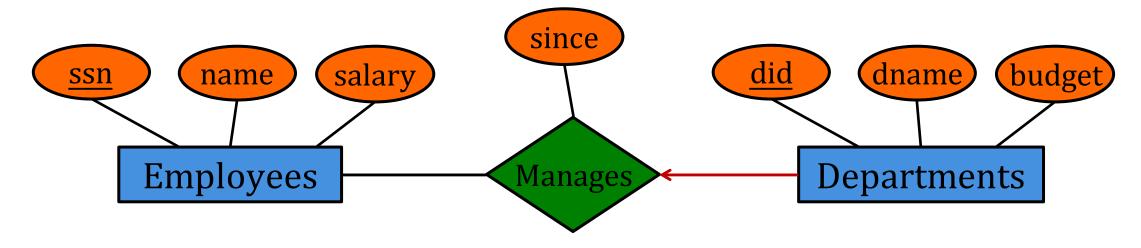
Record information about the relationship, rather than about any one of the participating entities

### Participation Constraint — Motivation



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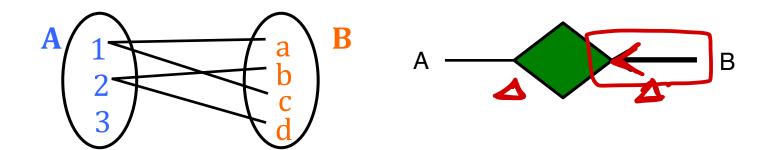


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How to express the constraint that each department must have a manager? (i.e., at least one manager)

Answer: Participation constraint

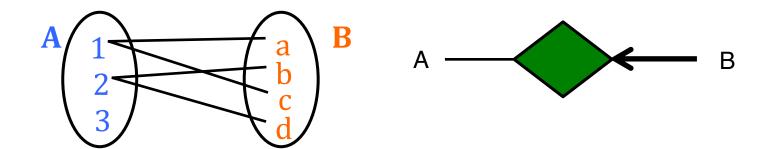
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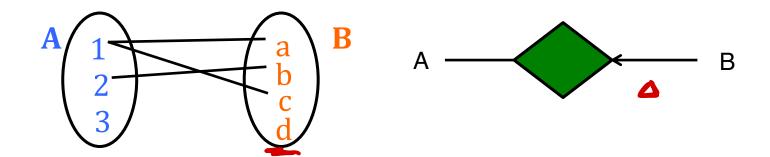
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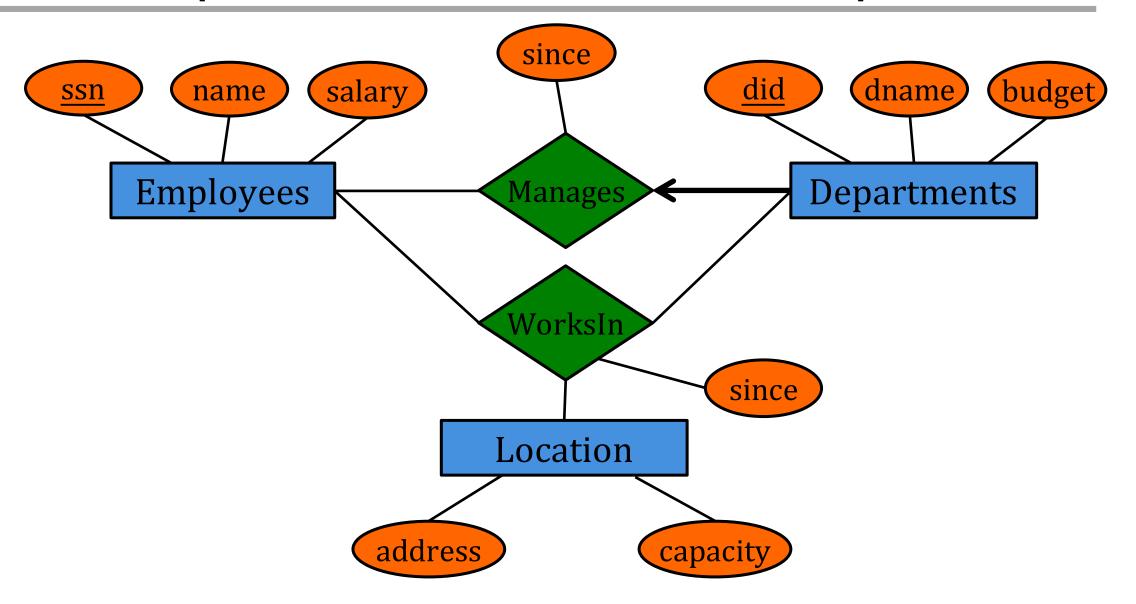


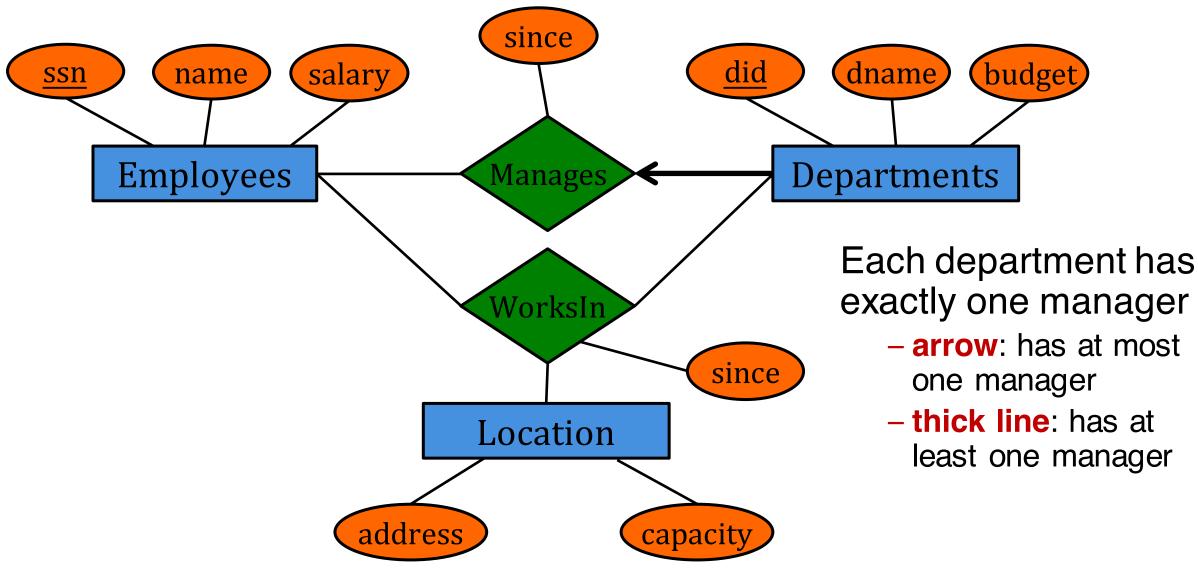
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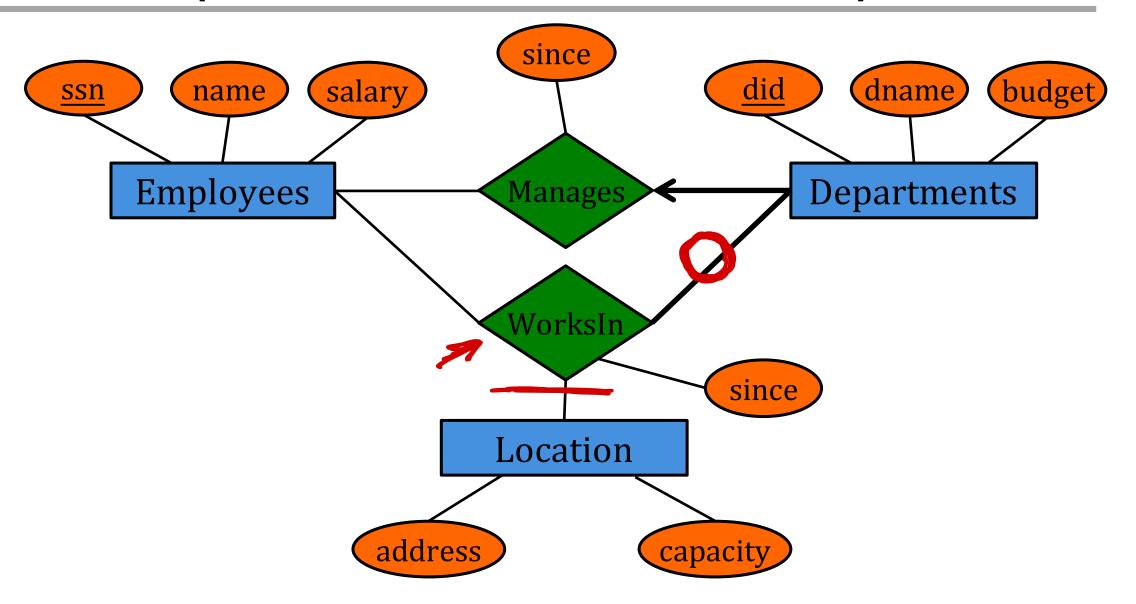
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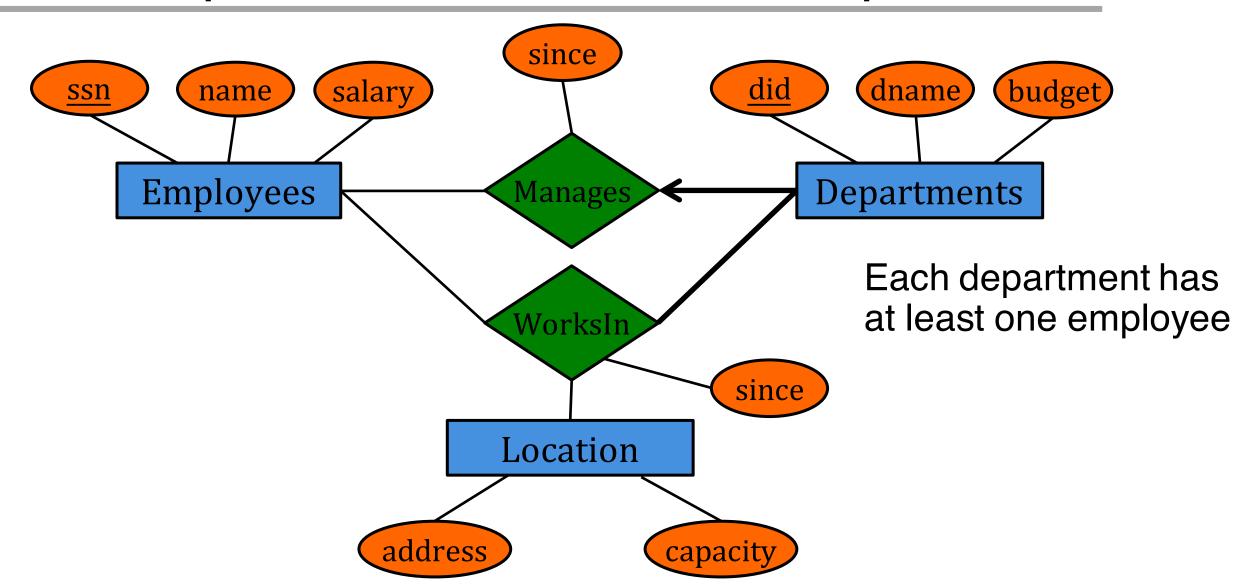


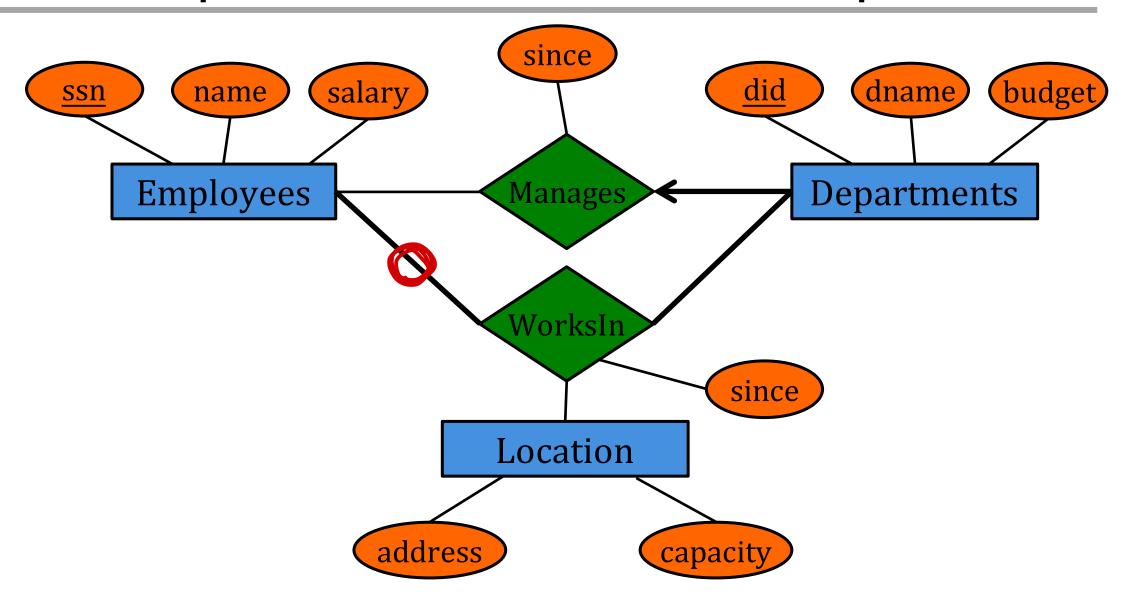
Partial participation: A participation that is not total is said to be partial

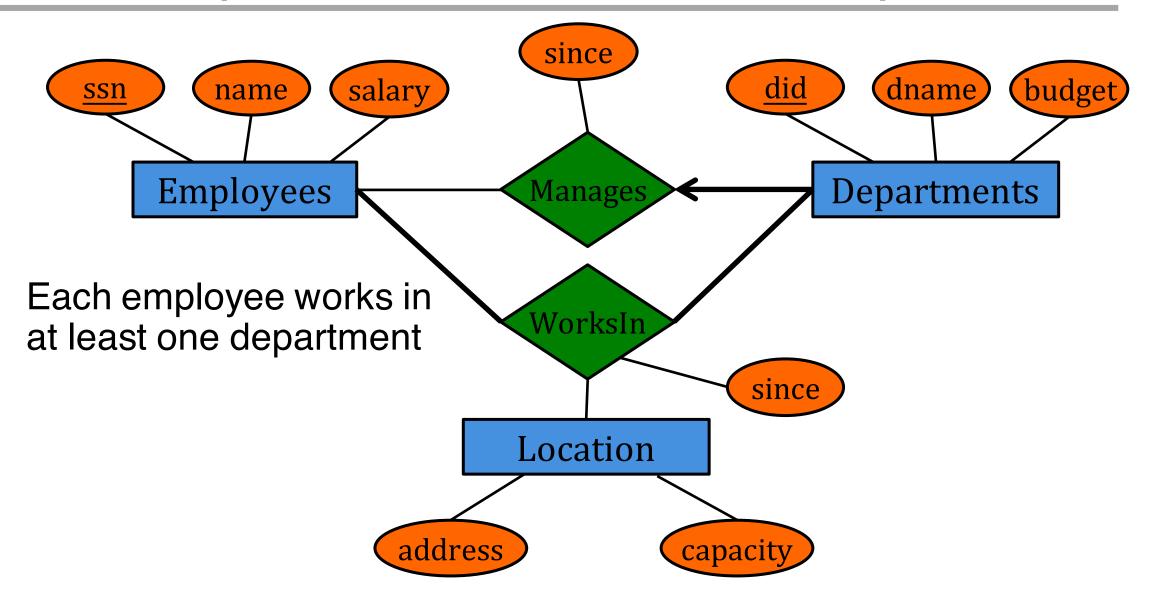


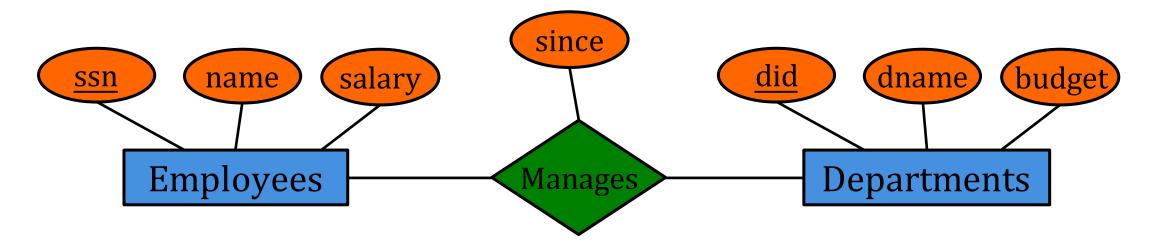


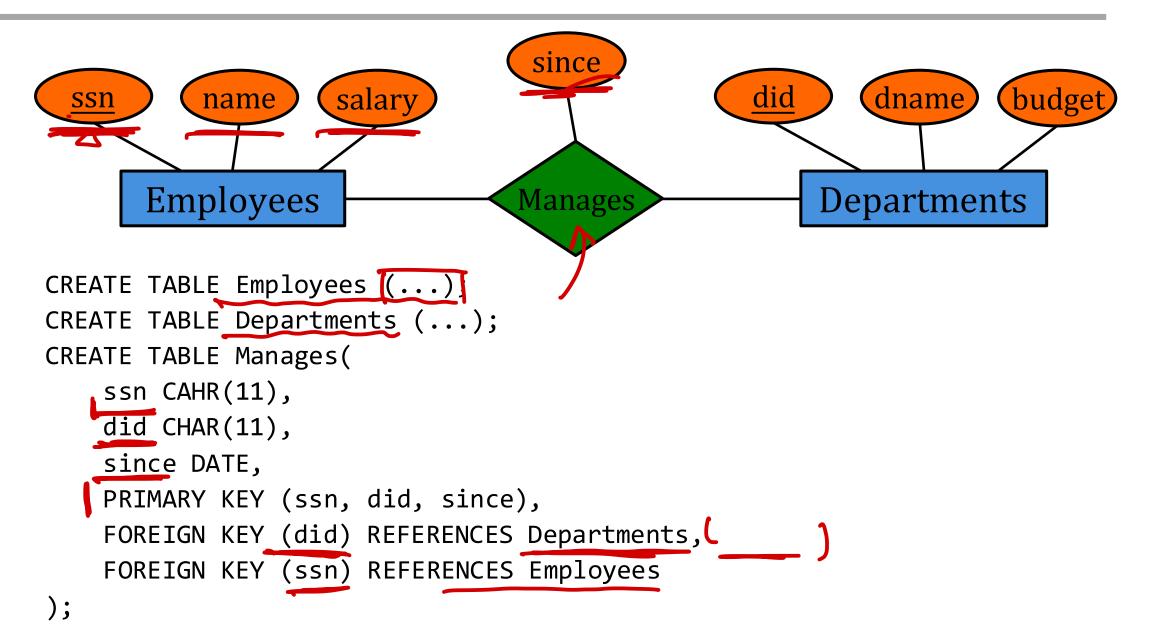


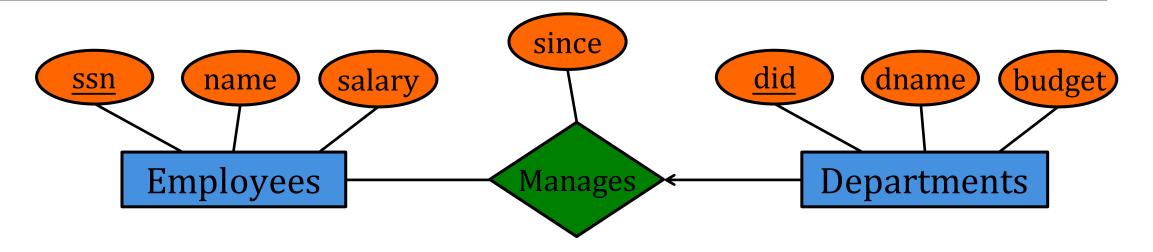


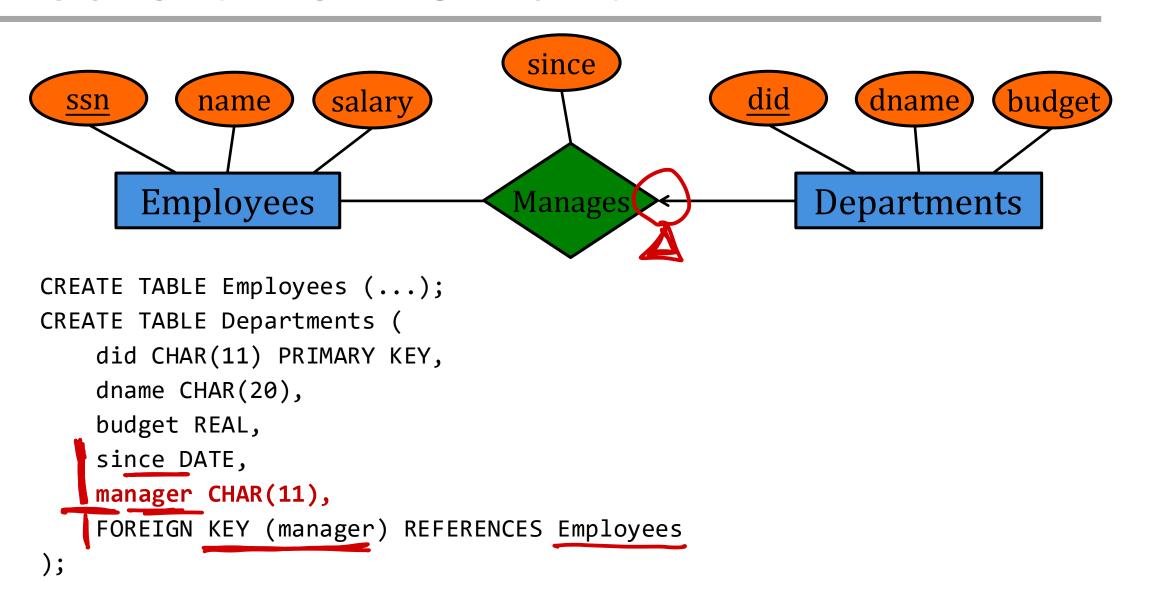


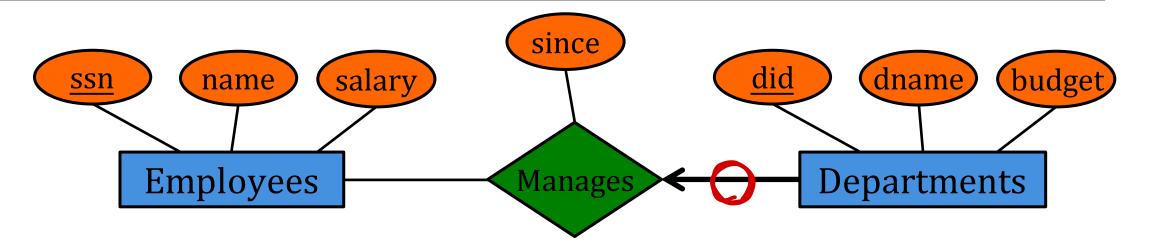


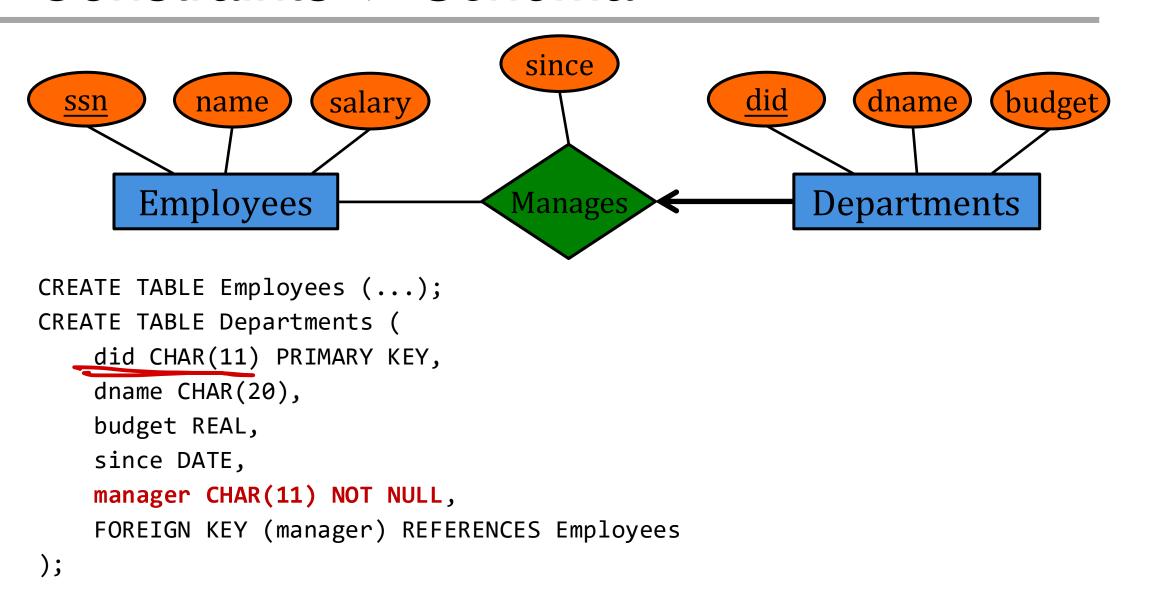


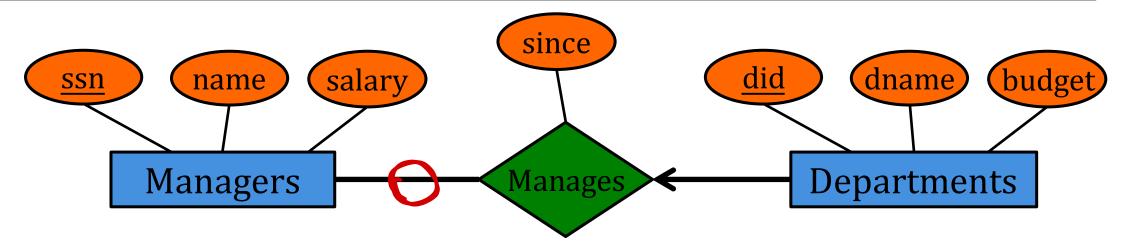






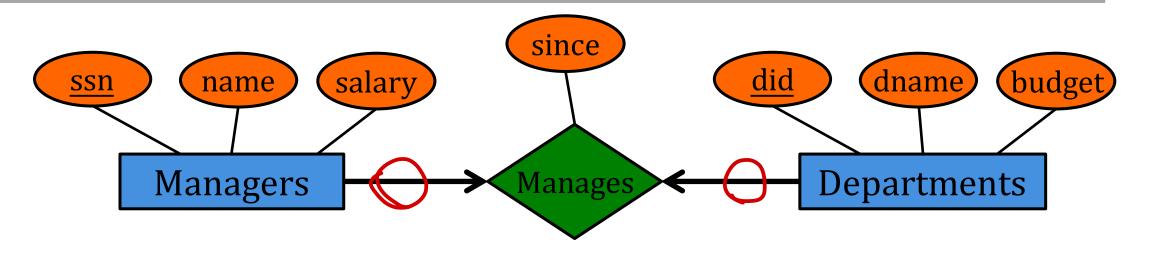


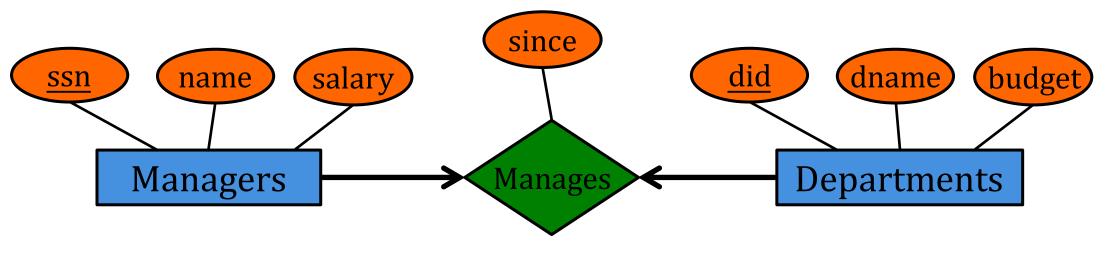




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    ssn CHAR(11) PRIMARY KEY,
    name CHAR(20),
    salary REAL
);
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CREATE TABLE Departments (
    did CHAR(11) PRIMARY KEY,
    dname CHAR(20),
    budget REAL,
    since DATE,
    manager CHAR(11) NOT NULL,
    FOREIGN KEY (manager) REFERENCES Employees
);
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CREATE TABLE Manages (
    ssn CHAR(11) PRIMARY KEY,
    name CHAR(20),
    salary REAL
    since DATE
    did CHAR(11) UNIQUE,
    dname CHAR(20)
    budget REAL
);
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# Summary

Attributes, entity, and relations

Key constraints

- Many-one, one-one, many-many
- Limitations of arrows

Participation constraints

#### **Next Lecture**

More features of ER models Functional dependency