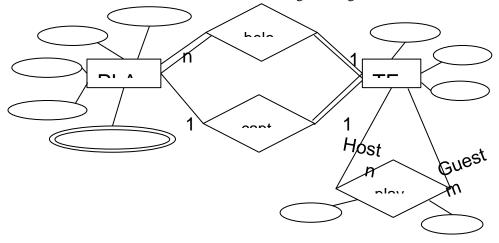
Practice Sheet Chapter 7 (Relational Schema from ER/EER)

*Solutions are at the end of the document. SOLVE IT YOURSELF first.

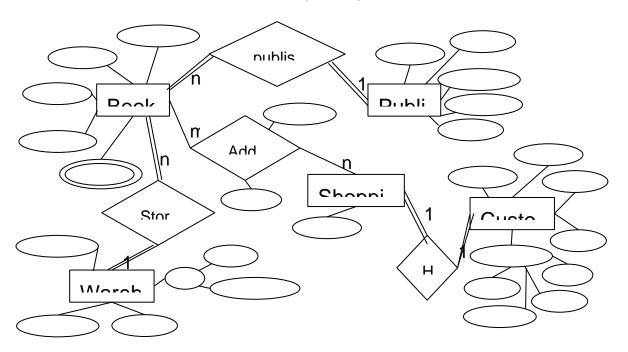
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Construct a Relational Schema from the following ER diagram:



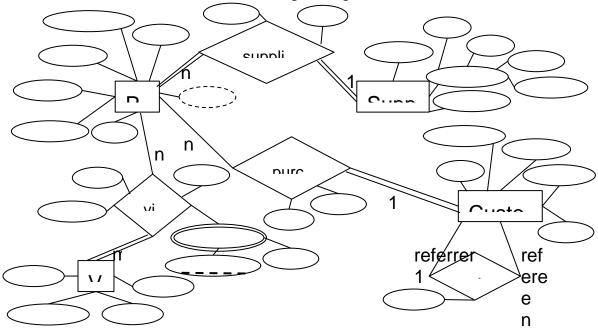
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Construct a Relational Schema from the following ER diagram:



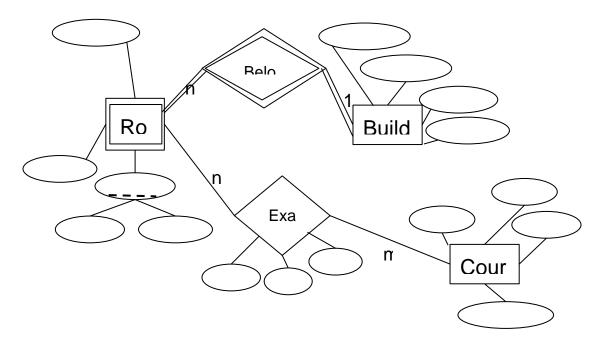
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Construct a Relational Schema from the following ER diagram:



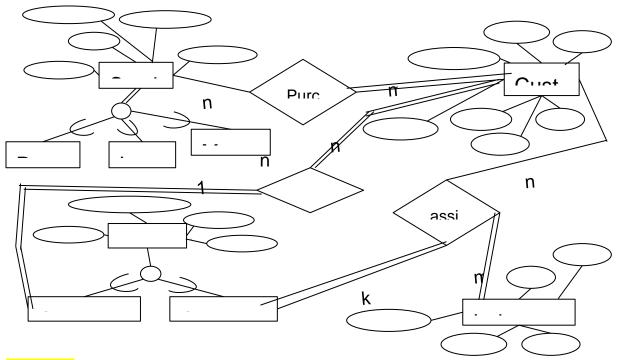
Question 4:

Construct a Relational Schema from the following ER diagram:



Question 5:

Construct a Relational Schema from the following EER diagram. For each of the subclasses/superclasses use any suitable option out of the 4 options.



Question 6:

There are four options for mapping subclasses and superclasses:

8A: separate tables for each subclass and superclass

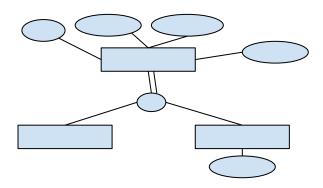
8B: tables for only subclasses

8C: 1 table with 1 type attribute

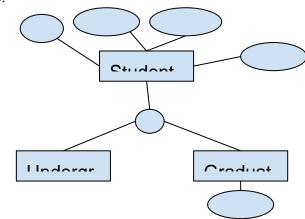
8D: 1 table with many type/flag attributes

State which of the above options are not applicable for the following diagrams and explain why. If all 4 options are applicable then simply state "all options are applicable".

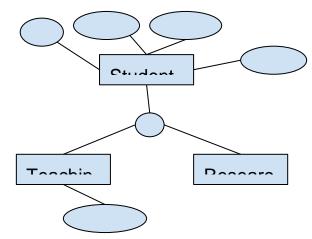
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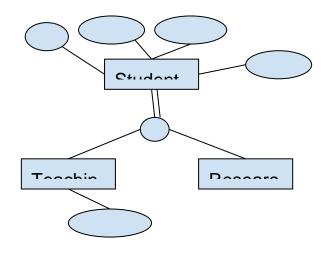
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C.



D.



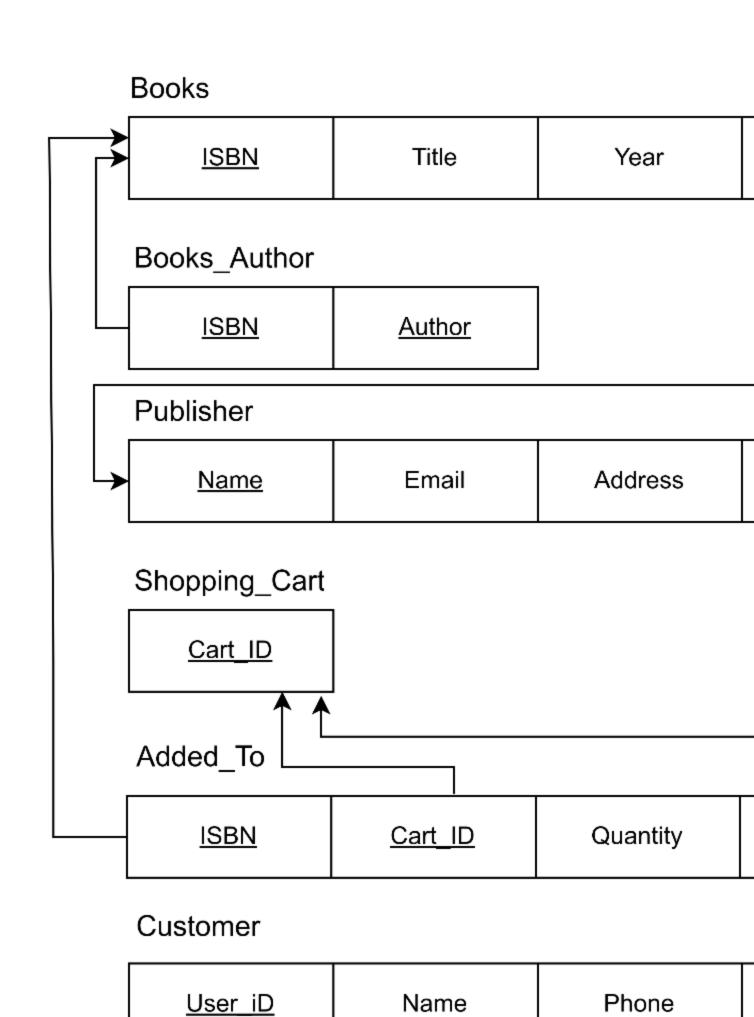
** Note some questions may have more than one solution.

SOLUTIONS:

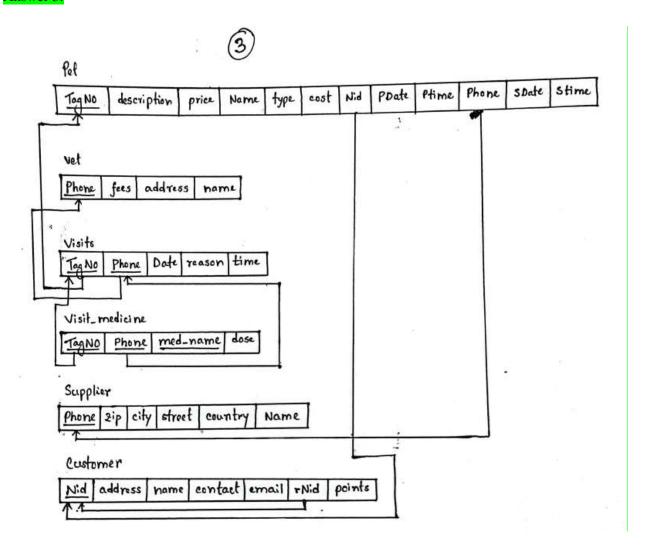
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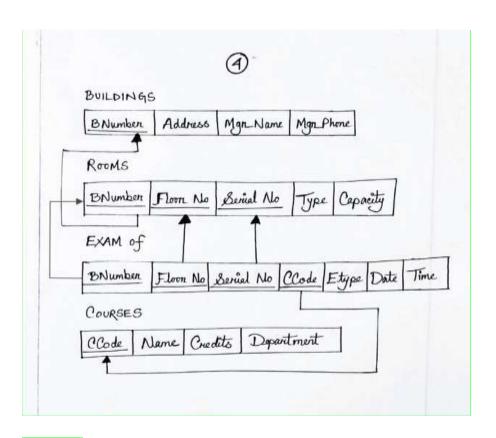
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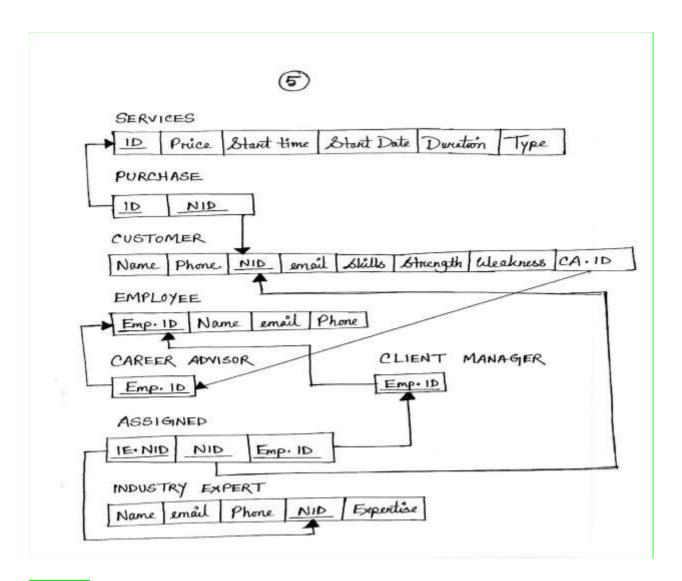
Answer 3:



Answer 4:



Answer 5:



Answer 6:

- A. All options are applicable
- B. Option 8B is not applicable. The specialization/generalization is partial and 8B is not applicable for partial. Because in 8B we only have tables for subclasses, so if a superclass entity does not belong to any of the subclasses the data for that entity will be lost.
- C. Option 8B and 8C not applicable. 8B reason same as above. 8C not applicable for overlapping as only 1 type attribute is not sufficient to store complete information if an entity belongs to multiple subclasses.
- D. 8C not applicable. Reason same as above.