

Computer Science & IT

Database Management System

Entity Relationship Model
&
Integrity constraints

Lecture No. 03



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Recap of Previous Lecture



ER model & ER diagram



Terminologies related to ER model



Topics to be Covered



- * **Topic** Mapping cardinalities (Cardinality ratio)
- * **Topic** Mix-max representation
- * **Topic** Relational table w.r.t. Entity type



Topic : Mapping cardinality

Mapping cardinality or cardinality ratio is used to denote the number of entities to which another entity can be associated through a certain relation set.

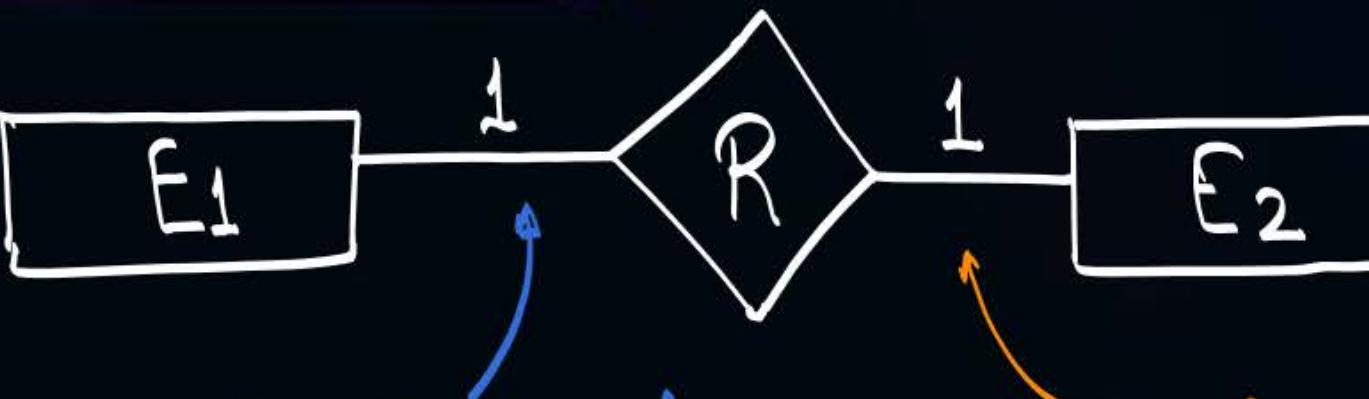
- ▶ For a binary relationship set mapping cardinalities must be one of the following types:
 - ✓ 1. One-to-one
 - ✓ 2. One-to-many
 - ✓ 3. Many-to-one
 - ✓ 4. Many-to many



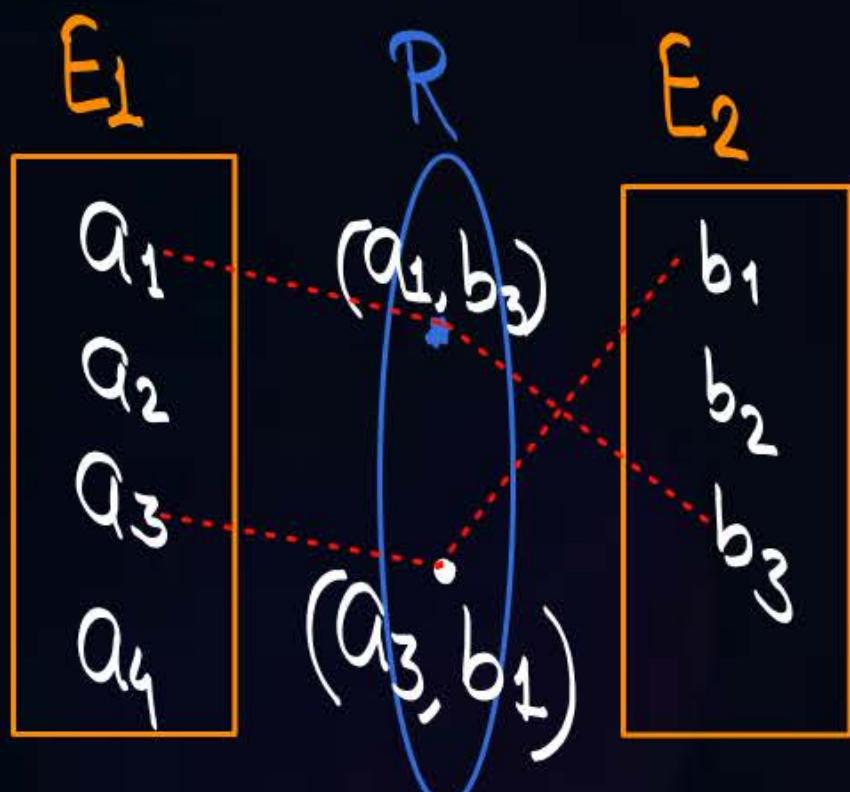
Topic : One-to-one

$$E_1 : E_2 = 1 : 1$$

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- An Entity of Entity set E_2 can associate with at most '1' Entity of set E_1
- Each Entity of set E_2 can appear at most once in the relationship set
- An Entity of Entity set E_1 can associate with at most one Entity of set E_2
- Each entity of set E_1 can appear at most once in the relationship set

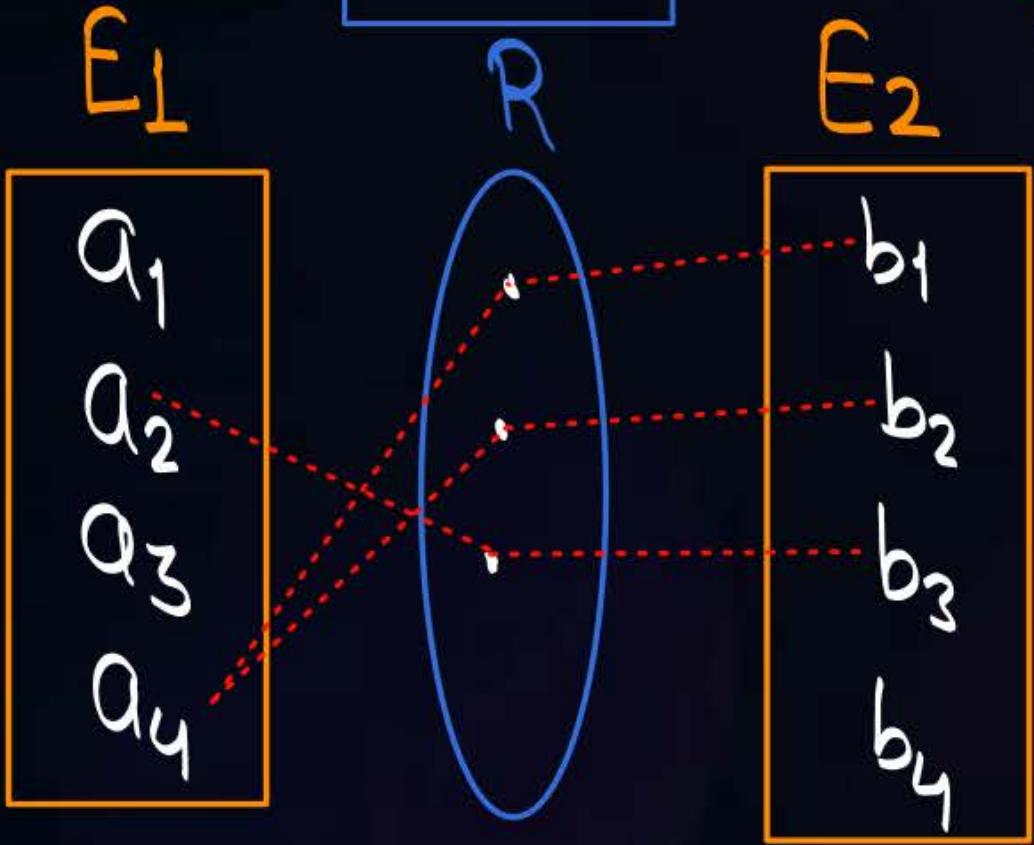




Topic : One-to-many

"Relationship set R"

a_4	b_1
a_4	b_2
a_2	b_3



$E_1 : E_2 \equiv 1 : N$



Each entity of set E_2 can associate with at most one entity of set E_1

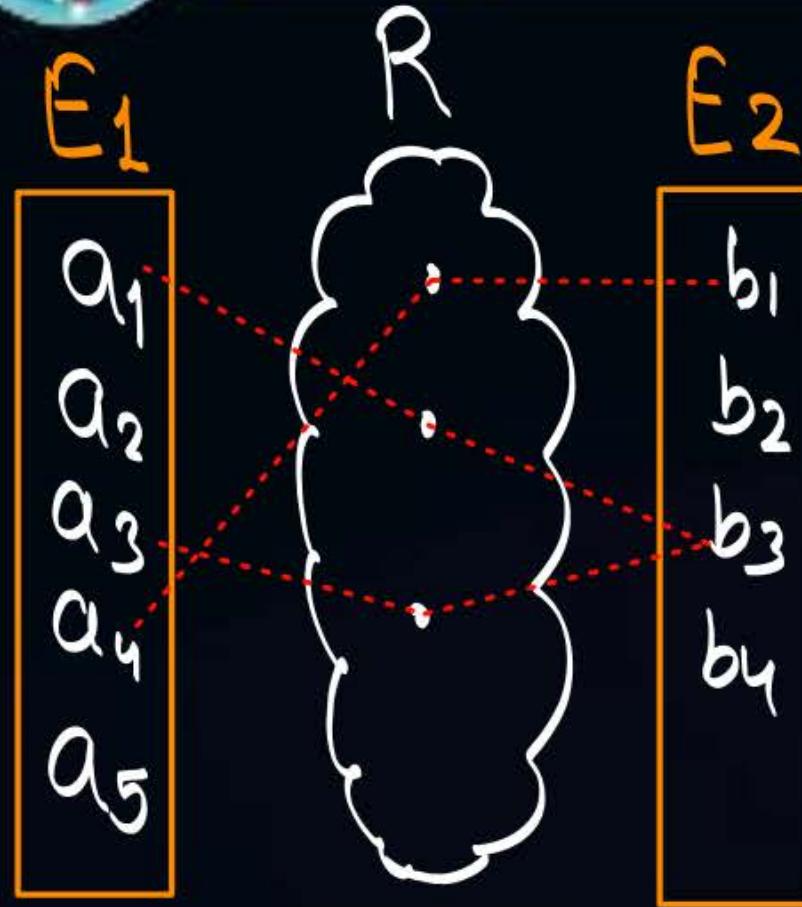
Each entity of set E_2 can appear at most once in the relationship set

Each entity of set E_1 can associate with at most N (Many) entities of set E_2

Each entity of set E_1 can appear any no. of times in relationship set

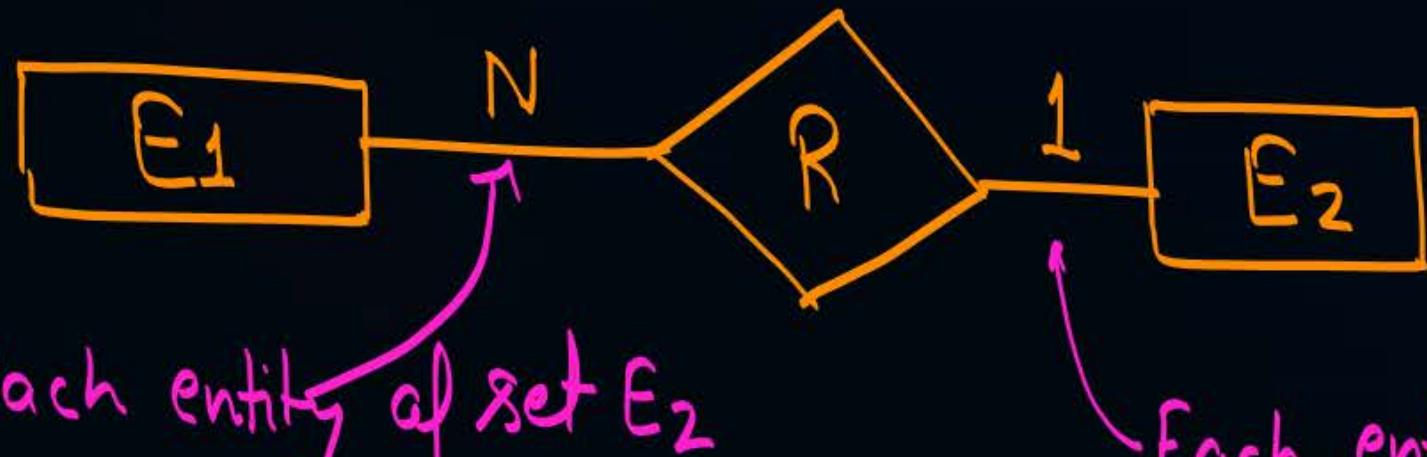


Topic : Many-to-one



a_1	b_3
a_3	b_3
a_4	b_1

$$E_1 : E_2 \equiv N : 1$$



Each entity of set E_2
can associate with
0 or More entities
(N)

∅ set E_1

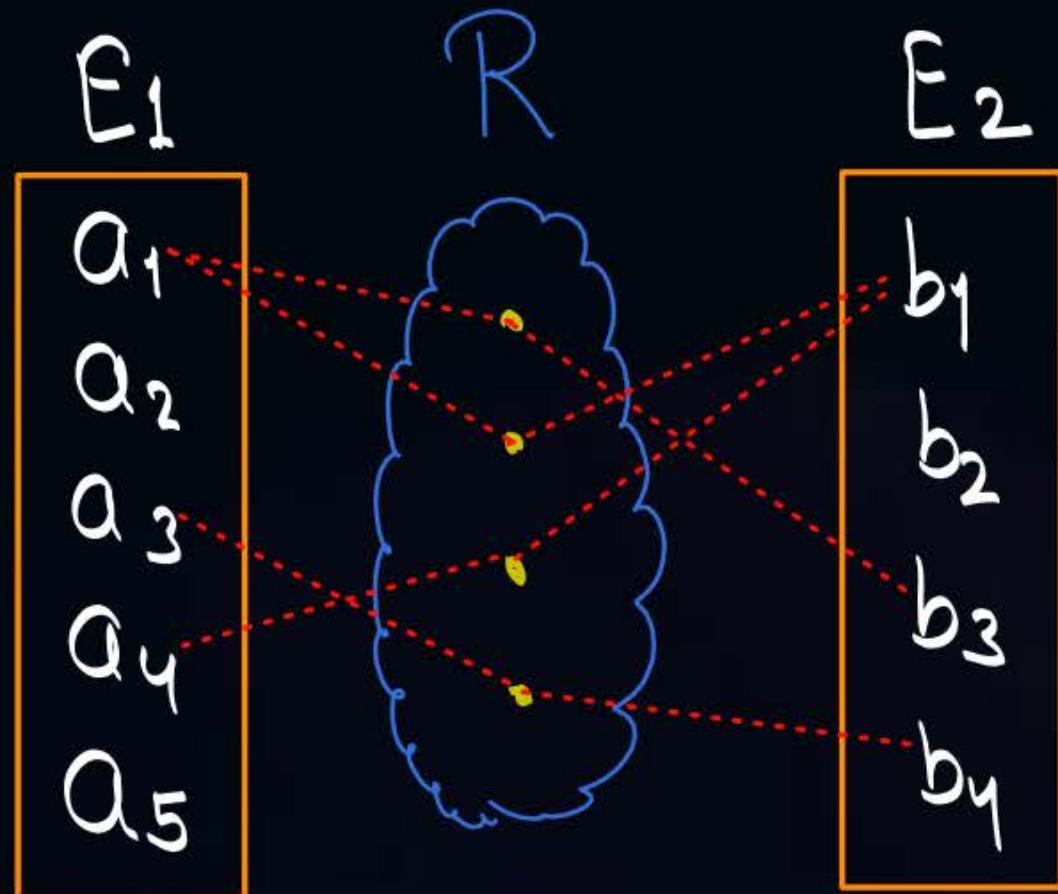
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of times in
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set E_1 can
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at most one
entity of set E_2

Each entity of
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in relationship set



Topic : Many-to-many



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associate with
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* Min-Max Representation

Participation is represented using order pair
of type (min, max)

1st value will be minimum value
2nd value will be maximum value

+ Minimum number of times that entity can appear in the relationship set is represented by "min"

And "Maximum number of times that entity can appear in the relationship set is represented by "max"

Min-Max Representation

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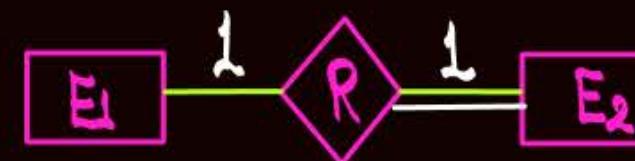


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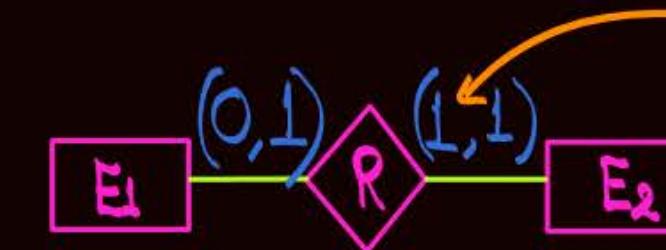
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'1' at 'min' side
because of total
Participation of E2



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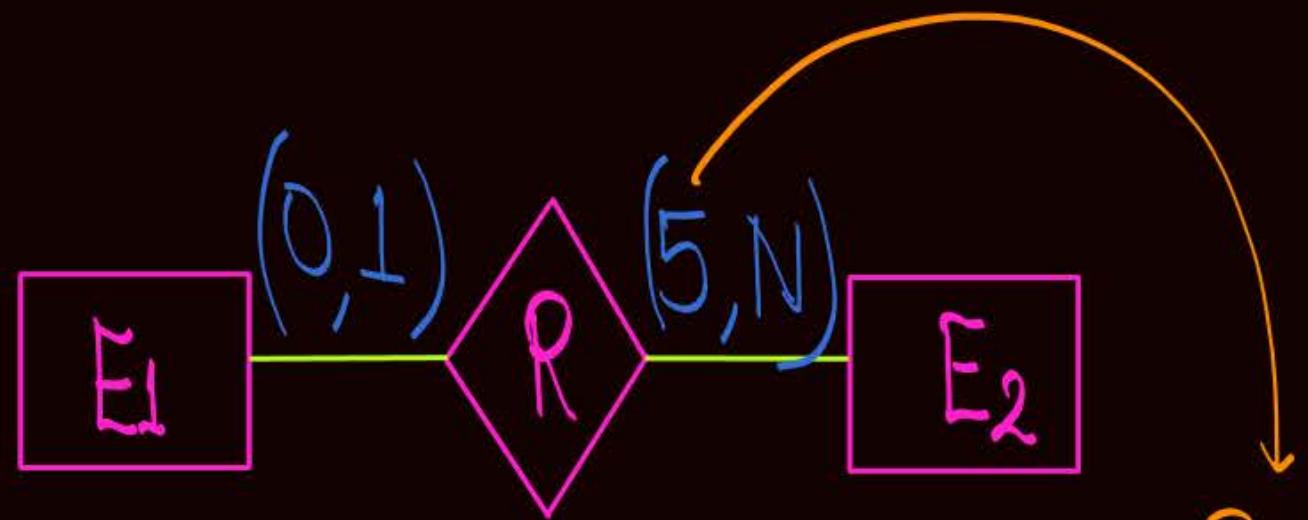


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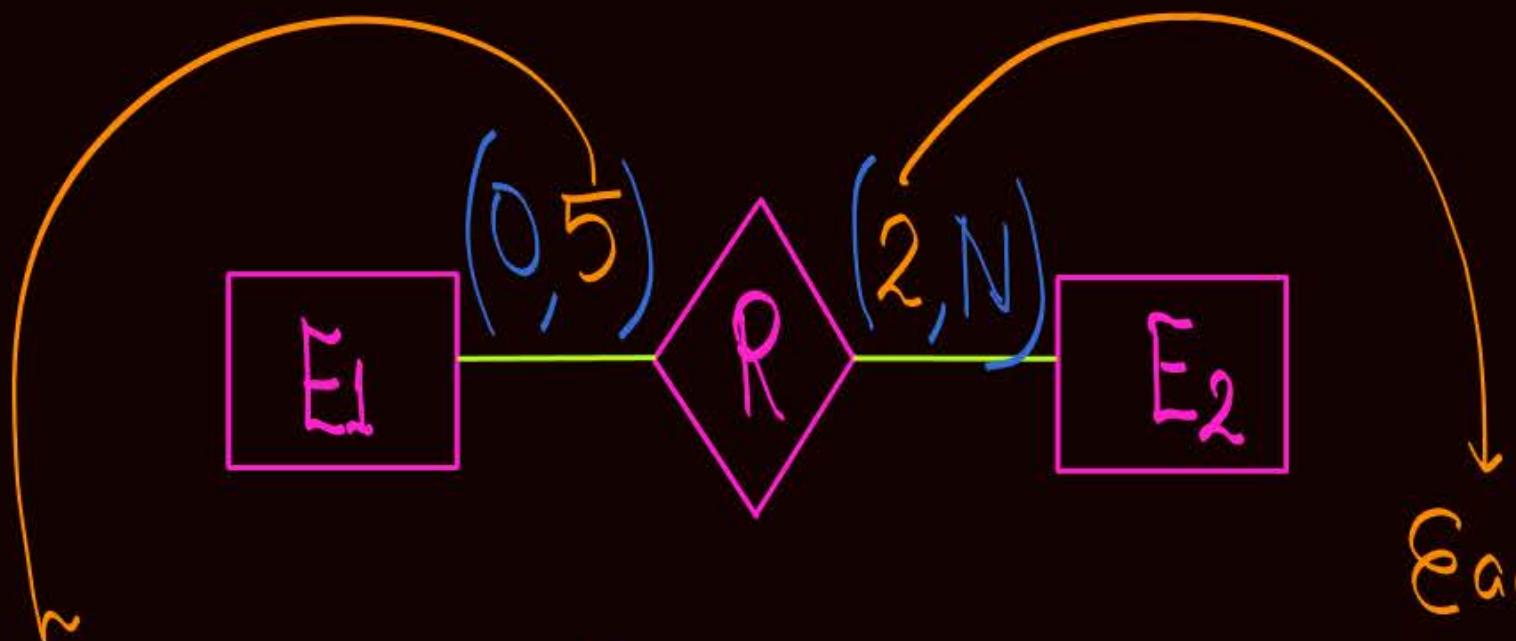


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Each entity of set E_2
will associate with at least
'5' entities of set E_1 .



Each entity of set E_1
can associate with
at most '5' entities
of set E_2

Each entity of set E_2
will associate with at least
'2' entities of set E_1 .

Strong & Weak Entity Type



Topic : Strong entity Set

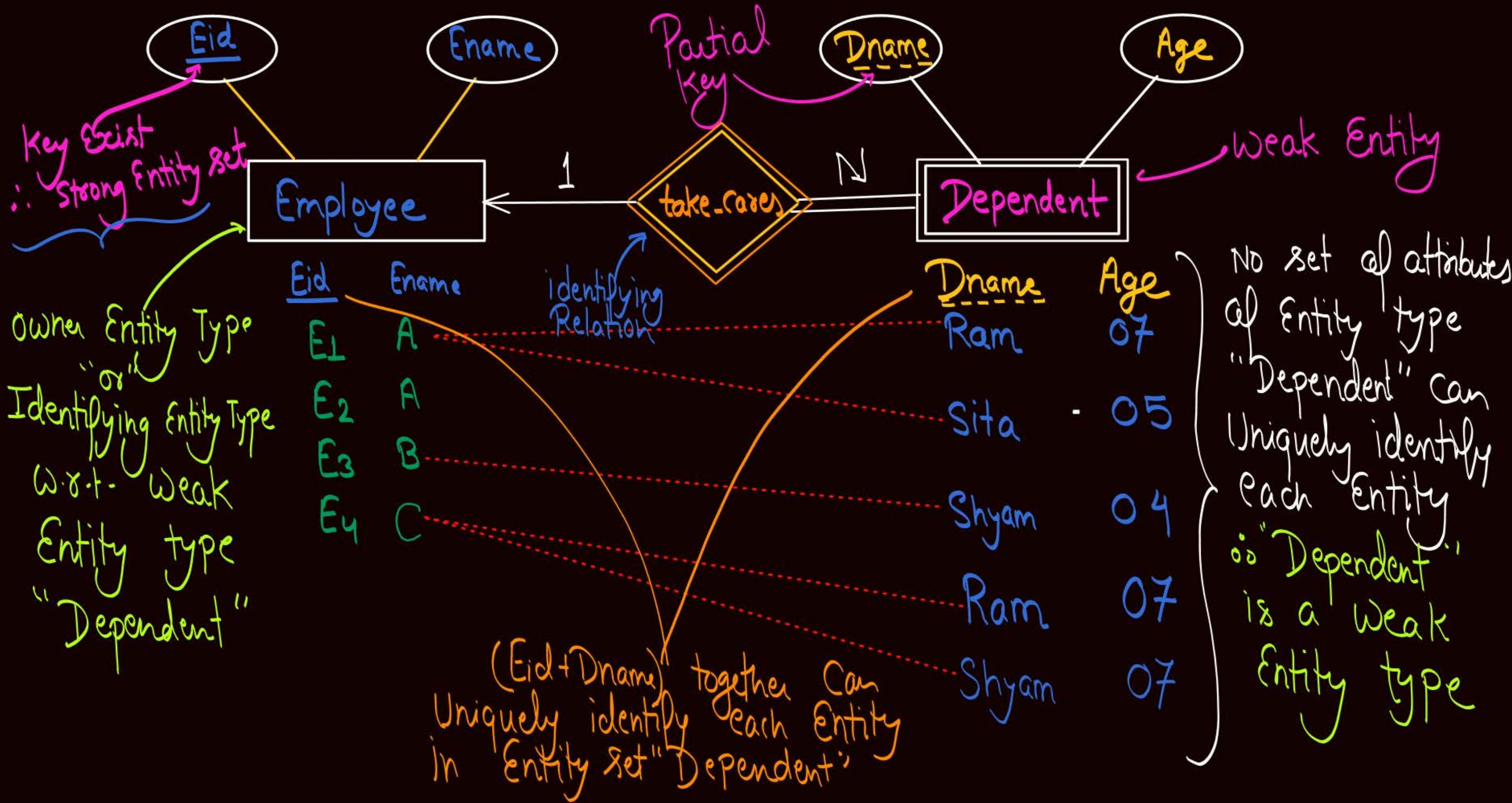
- A strong entity set is an entity set that contains sufficient attributes to uniquely identify all its entities. In other words, a primary key exists for a strong entity set.
- Primary key of a strong entity set is represented by underlining it.

* Strong Entity Type is represented Using Single Lined Rectangle

Weak Entity Set :- An entity set that does not contain sufficient attributes to uniquely identify all its entities. is called Weak Entity Set.

I.e. we don't have sufficient attributes to define the key.

- * Weak Entity type are represented using double lined rectangle.





Topic : Differences between Strong entity set and Weak entity set



Strong entity set

A single line rectangle is used for the representation of a strong entity set.

It contains sufficient attributes to form its primary key.

A single line diamond symbol is used for the representation of the relationship that exists between the two strong entity sets.

Total participation may or may not exist in the relationship.

Weak entity set

A double line rectangle is used for the representation of a weak entity set.

It does not contain sufficient attributes to form its primary key.

A double line diamond symbol is used for the representation of the identifying relationship that exists between the strong and weak entity set.

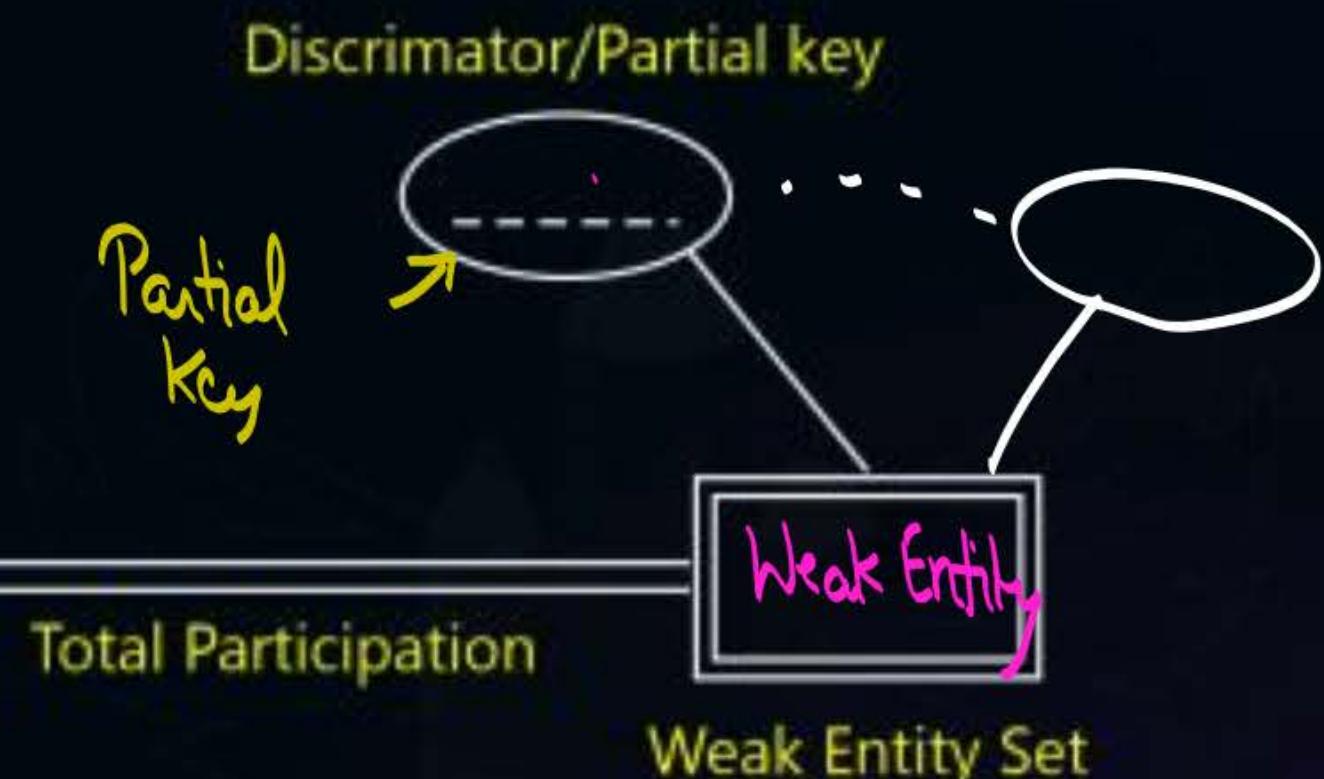
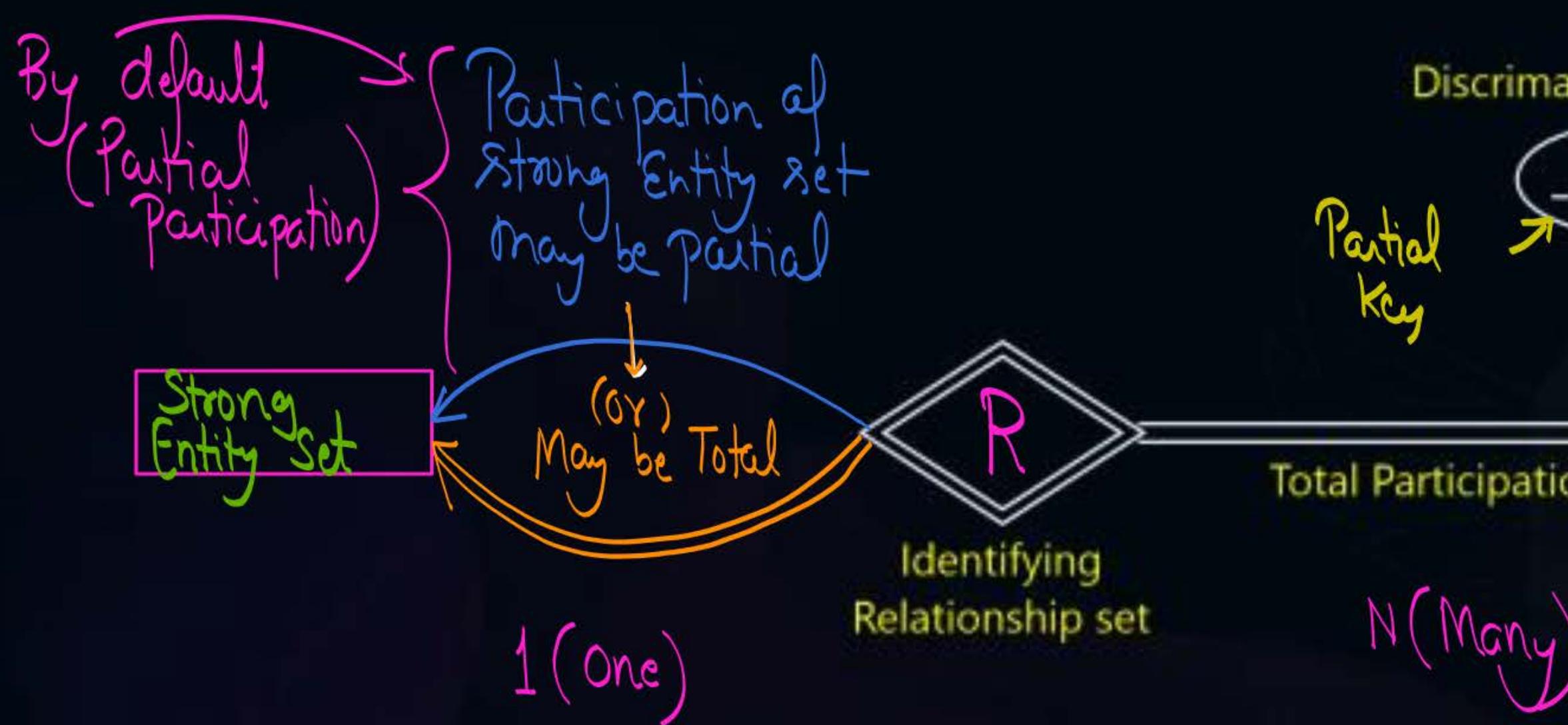
Total participation always exists in the identifying relationship.



Topic : Weak entity set in ER diagram

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In general, mapping cardinalities b/w Strong and Weak Entity set will be "One to many"



Topic for Next Class:

ER Model
to
Relational Table



2 mins Summary



Topic

Mapping cardinalities (Cardinality ratio)

Topic

Mix-max representation

Topic

Relational tables w.r.t. Entity type

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