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Abstract

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Introduction

1.1 Data Representation

The data from the database is represented in various data structures. There are separate representations for each type of data: values, entities, and entity groups.

1.1.1 Value

Definition 1. A **Value** represents a single piece of information. To avoid repetition, each value is unique. That is, $\exists! \ v \in V$, where v is a value in the set V of all values.

1.1.2 Entity

Definition 2. An **Entity** is a collection of attributes, a_n , each mapped to a single value, v_n . An entity also includes additional information such as a unique identifier.

id $T_n|v_{id}$ a_1 v_1 a_2 v_2 \vdots \vdots a_n v_n

Figure 1.1: The structure of an entity

Entities are analogous to rows in a database table. Thus, the unique identifier is generated based on the table name, T_n , as well as unique key in the table, v_{id} . The unique key identifies the row, and the table name identifies the table. Together they uniquely identify the entity within the entire database.

 $\exists ! e_{id} \in E$, where E is the set of all entities in a data set.

1.1.3 Entity Group

Definition 3. An Entity Group

1.2 Ford-Fulkerson

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