

MONASH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

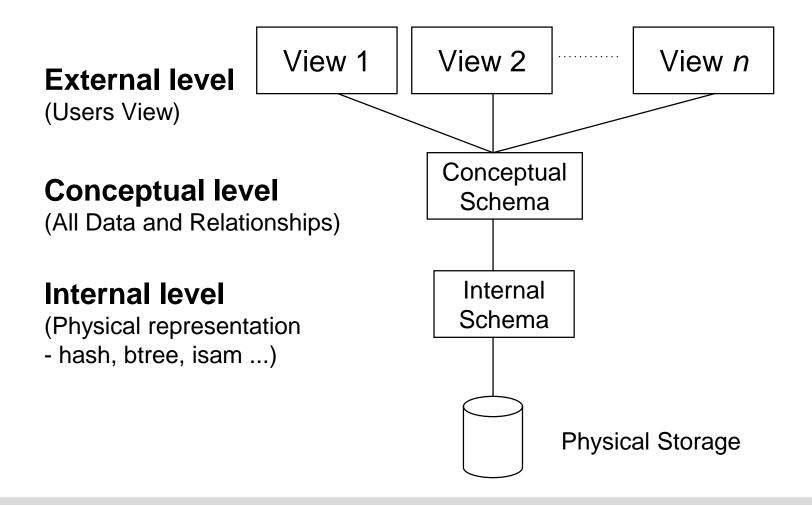
Database Design 1: Conceptual Modelling

Please obtain a copy of the **Monash Software case study** from the week 2 page on Moodle under the "Pre-class activities" header



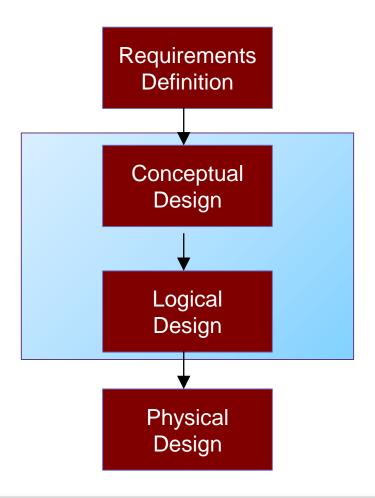


ANSI/SPARC architecture - proposed 1975





The Database Design Life Cycle



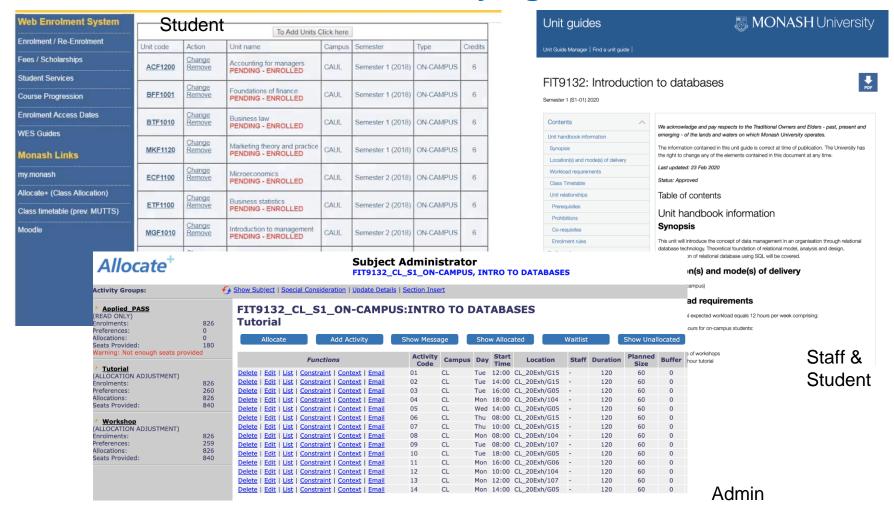


Requirements Definition

- Identify and analyse user views.
- A 'user view' may be a report to be produced or a particular type of transaction that should be supported.
- Corresponds to the external level of the ANSI/SPARC architecture.
- Output is a statement of specifications which describes the user views' particular requirements and constraints.



Different views of the underlying data





ER Modeling

- ER (Entity-Relationship) model developed by Peter Chen in 1976 to aid database design.
- Used for conceptual model (ERD).
- ER diagrams give a visual indication of the design.
- Basic components:
 - Entity
 - Attribute
 - Relationship



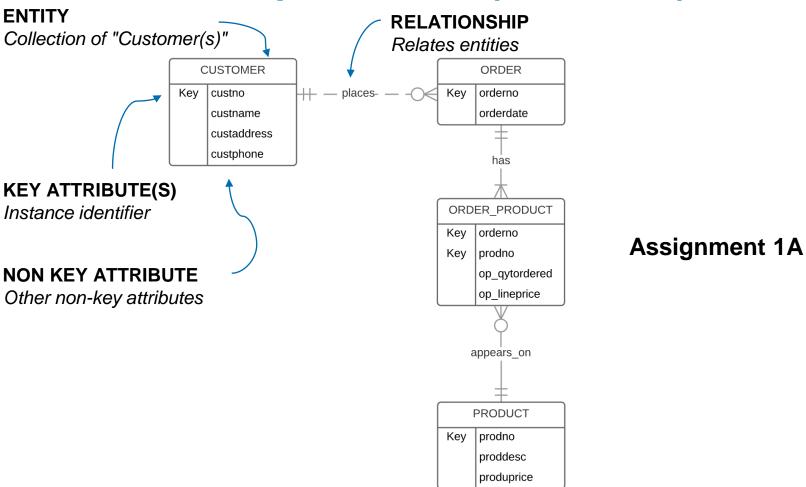


Conceptual Design

- Develop the enterprise data model.
- Corresponds to the conceptual level of the ANSI/SPARC architecture.
- Independent of all physical implementation considerations (the type of database to be used).
- Various design methodologies may be employed such as UML, ER (Entity-Relationship).
- ER consists of ENTITIES and RELATIONSHIPS between entities
 - -An ENTITY will have attributes (things we wish to record), one or more of which will identify an entity instance (called the KEY)



Conceptual Level (ER Model)



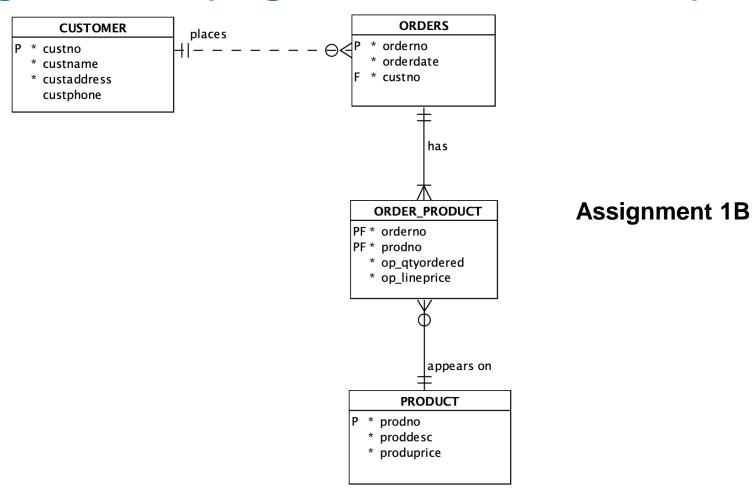


Logical Design

- Develop a data model which targets a particular database model (e.g. relational, hierarchical, network, object-oriented, noSQL).
- Independent of any implementation details which are specific to any particular vendors DBMS package.
- Normalisation technique (see week 4) is used to test the correctness of a relational logical model.



Logical Level (Logical Model - Relational)





Physical Design

- Develop a strategy for the physical implementation of the logical data model.
- Choose appropriate storage structures, indexes, file organisations and access methods which will most efficiently support the user requirements (not part of unit).
- Physical design phase is dependent on the particular DBMS environment in use.
- ANSI/SPARC internal level.

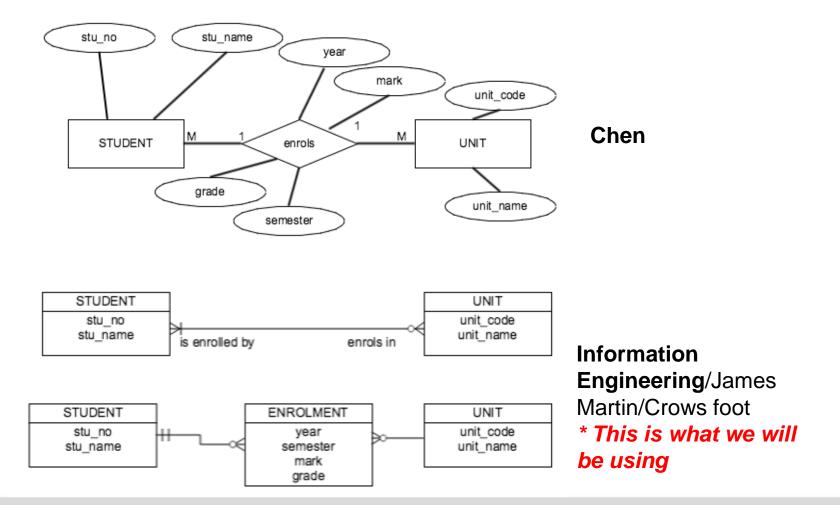


Physical Level – Starting point

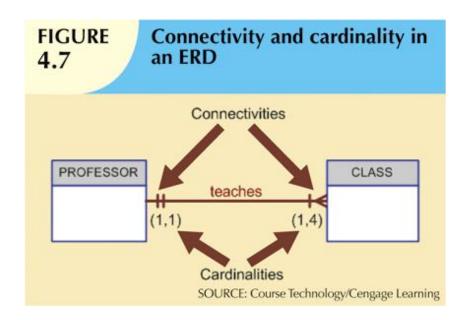
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                             Relational 1
                                                                  Generate
 8 ☐ CREATE TABLE customer (
                       NUMBER(7) NOT NULL,
         custno
10
         custname
                       VARCHAR2(50) NOT NULL,
         custaddress VARCHAR2(50) NOT NULL,
11
12
         custphone
                       CHAR(10)
13
    ; (
14
15
    COMMENT ON COLUMN customer custno IS
16
         'Customer number';
17
18
     COMMENT ON COLUMN customer.custname IS
19
         'Customer name';
20
21
    COMMENT ON COLUMN customer.custaddress IS
22
         'Customer address';
23
24
    COMMENT ON COLUMN customer custphone IS
25
         'Customer phone number';
26
27
    ALTER TABLE customer ADD CONSTRAINT customer_pk PRIMARY KEY ( custno );
28
29 CREATE TABLE order_product (
30
         orderno
                         NUMBER(7) NOT NULL,
31
                         NUMBER(7) NOT NULL,
         prodno
32
         op_qtyordered NUMBER(3) NOT NULL,
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         op lineprice
                         NUMBER(8, 2) NOT NULL
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    ·);
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ERD - Notation





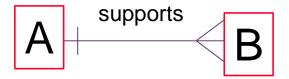


In general for Crows Foot notation specific cardinalities are not shown as above eg. (1,4), instead participation is depicted via min and max participation using the standard symbols (Inside symbol = min, outside symbol = max)

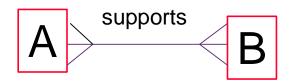
CONNECTIVITY one to one



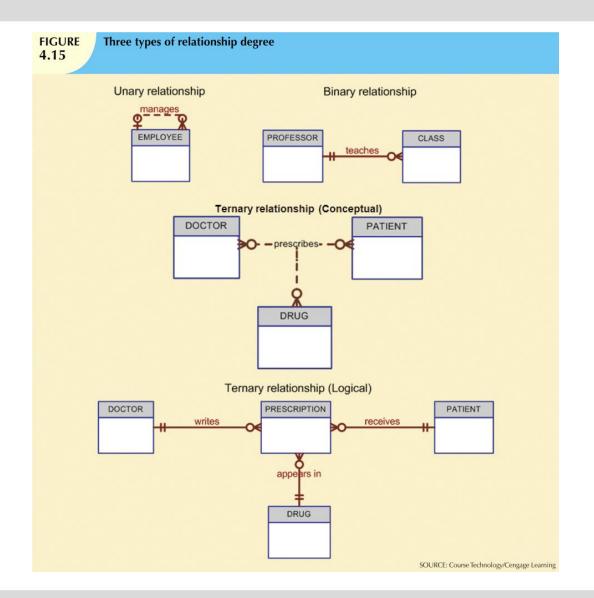
one to many



many to many







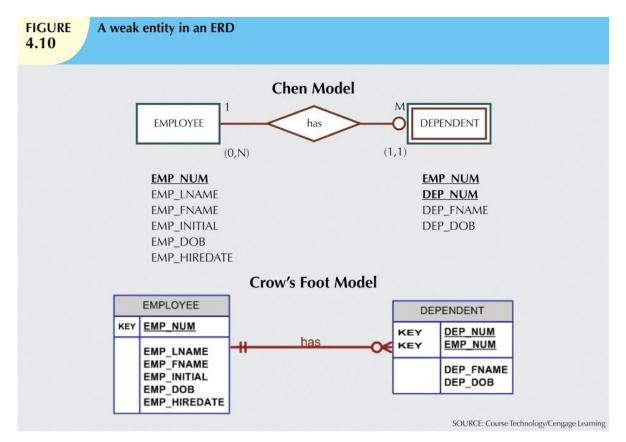


Weak vs Strong Entity

- Strong entity
 - Has a key which may be defined without reference to other entities.
 - For example EMPLOYEE entity.
- Weak entity
 - Has a key which requires the existence of one or more other entities.
 - For example FAMILY entity need to include the key of employee to create a suitable key for family
- Database designer often determines whether an entity can be described as weak based on business rules
 - customer pays monthly account
 - Key: cust_no, date_paid, or
 - Key: payment_no (surrogate? not at conceptual level)



Weak vs Strong Entity



Note the Crow's Foot model shown here has been modified from the text version



Identifying vs Non-Identifying Relationship

- Identifying
 - Identifier of A is part of identifier of B.



- Shown with solid line
- ENROLMENT STUDENT Enrolment key includes student id, which is an identifier of student.

- Non-identifying
- Identifier of A is NOT part of identifier of B.

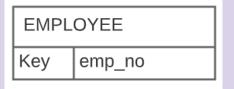


- Shown with broken line
- Department no (identifier of department) is not part of Employee's identifier.



Student Activities

- Using the Monash Software Case Study, identify the entities present and their key attribute/s
 - draw a box for each entity, name it and add the key attribute/s
 - For example:





Entities in the Monash Software Case Study

TRAINING		
Key	training_code	

TEAM	
Key	team_no

EMPLOYEE		
Key	emp_no	

FAMILY_MEMBER
Key



Student Activities

 Using the Monash Software Case Study, identify the relationship(s) and participation which exist between TEAM and EMPLOYEE

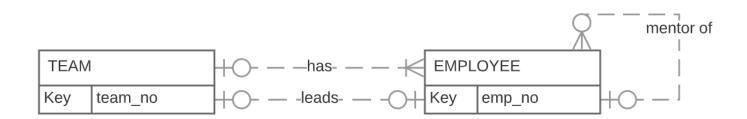
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	Key training_code
TEAM	EMPLOYEE
Key team_no	Key emp_no
	FAMILY_MEMBER
	Key



TEAM - EMPLOYEE relationships

TRAINING

Key training_code



FAMILY_MEMBER
Key



Types of Attributes

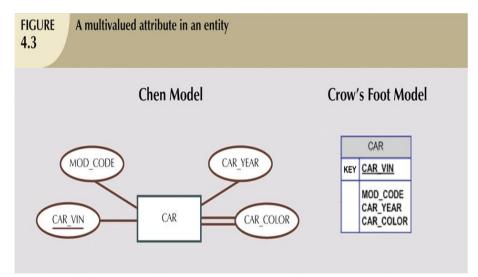
- Simple
 - Cannot be subdivided
 - Age, sex, marital status
- Composite
 - Can be subdivided into additional attributes
 - Address into street, city, zip
- Single-valued
 - Can have only a single value
 - Person has one social security number

- Multi-valued
 - Can have many values
 - Person may have several college degrees
- Derived
 - Can be derived with algorithm
 - Age can be derived from date of birth
- Attribute classification is driven by Client requirements
 - Phone Number?



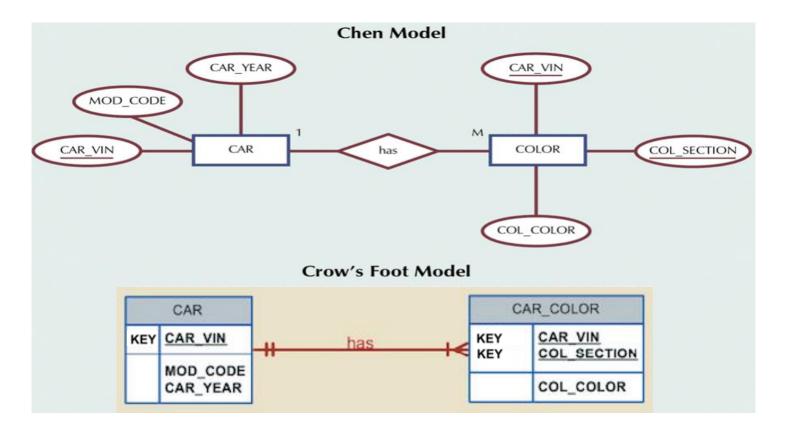
Multivalued Attribute

- An attribute that has a list of values.
- For example:
 - Car colour may consist of body colour, trim colour, bumper colour.
- Crow's foot notation does not support multivalued attributes.
 Values are listed as a separate attribute.





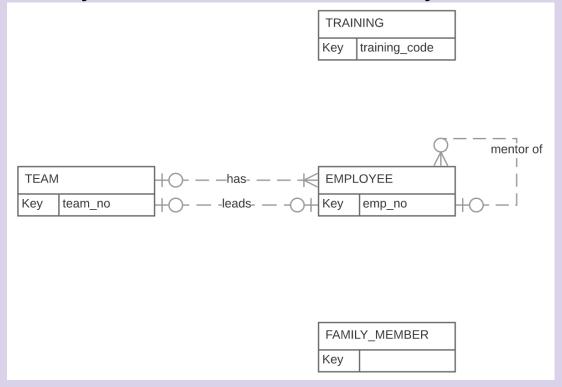
Resolving Multivalued Attributes



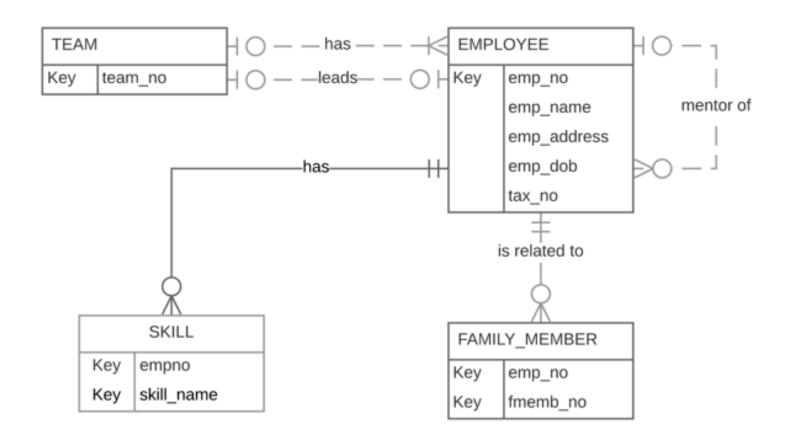


Student Activities

 Using the Monash Software Case Study, add attributes to your EMPLOYEE entity





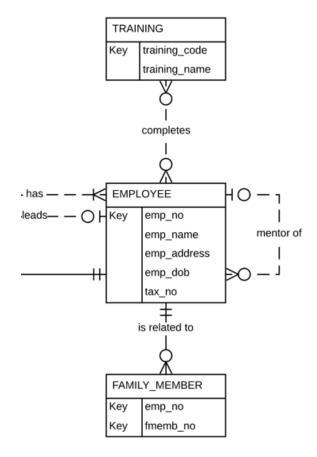




..."the company provides several in-house training programs. The HR team needs to keep track of the details about who has done what. An employee can do several training programs.

At the completion of a training, a certificate will be provided to the employee containing the training name and the completion date."...

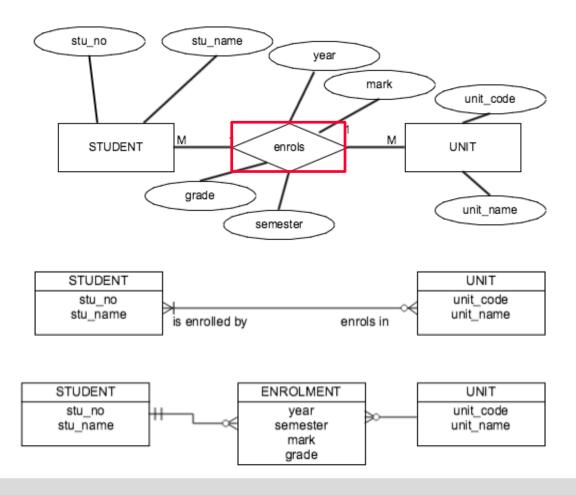
Incomplete model



Incomplete model



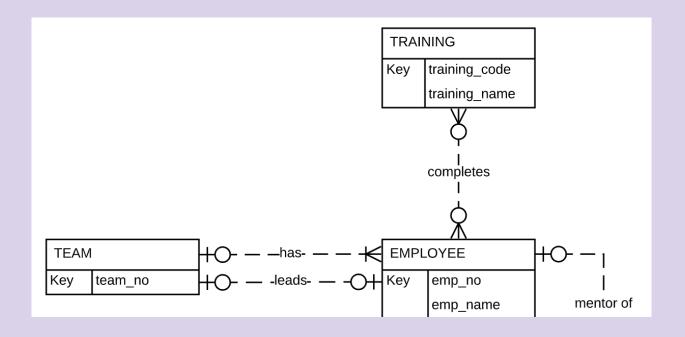
Associative (or Composite) Entity





Student Activities

 Using the Monash Software Case Study, add attribute to TRAINING EMPLOYEE





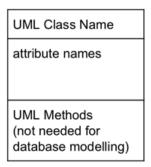
Unified Modeling Language (UML)

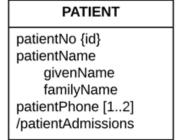
- The way that data is organised in a database is very different to the way it is organised in an OO program
 - eg. inheritance
- Use a subset of UML notation for database modelling
 - Conceptual
 - Logical
- Several vendors support Database Modelling via UML, some examples:
 - Star UML
 - Altova UModel
- Variety of standards adopted, not widely used in practice



UML Notation for the unit

Standard UML Diagram is used as the basic structure:



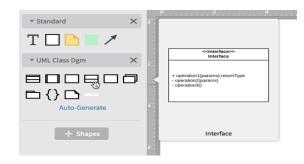


{id} - indicates KEY

Indentation for composite attribute

[n..m] - multivalued attribute

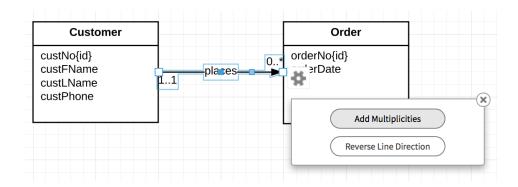
/ - calculated attribute



use Interface shape as no methods being added



UML - Relationship



Relationship lines - directed line, arrowhead at M end, add Multiplicities (minimal and maximal on each side)

