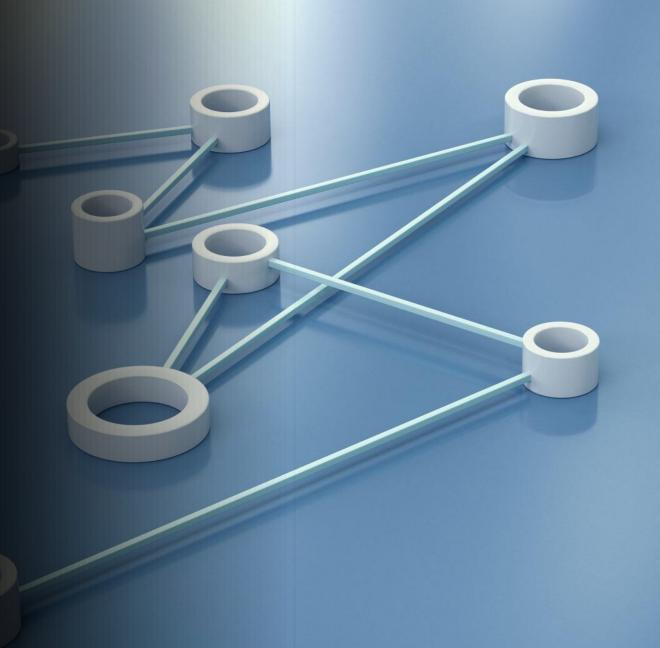
Entity Relationship Diagrams

What are Entity Relationship Diagrams?

- Entity Relationship Diagrams, or ER Diagrams, visualize the relationship between entities within a database.
- It is a design or blueprint of the database.
- We'll base it off our conceptual model.
- There are several way to depict ERD's, we'll use IDEF1X.

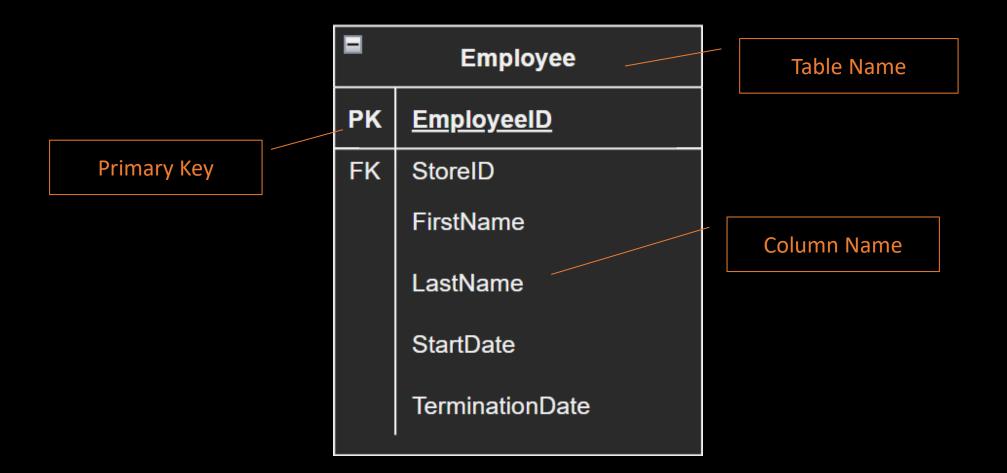


When do we use ER Diagrams?

- Design a new database
 - Break down problem into smaller steps.
 - Help see relationships

- Debug a database
- Graphically represent database structure.

Entity Relationship Notation - Tables



Entity Relationship Notation - Relationships

