PHASE 2 : DATABASE PROTOTYPE

RELATIONAL MODEL:

Relational model is formatted as follows: Table - (**Primary Key**, Foreign Key)

Subscriptions - (user_assigned, start_date, length, cost, name, monthly_quota, deliveries_used)

Users - (**id**, name, email, phone, gender, address, join_time)

Packages - (id, size, weight, to user, from user, from swapbox, to swapbox, to address,

from_address)

Assignments - (**package_id**, **carrier_id**, tracking_id)

Carriers - (id, name)

Swapboxes - (id, capacity, count, address)

Package_Statuses - (package_id, time, last_swapbox, next_swapbox)

Locations - (address, long, lat)

When converting our conceptual model to the final relational model, most table conversions were one-to-one, but we had to resolve the association entities and generalizations. We placed the <code>trackingID</code> association entity inside a new entity table called <code>Assignments</code> that links <code>Carriers</code> with <code>Packages</code>. For the association entity between <code>Packages</code> and <code>Statuses</code>, we dropped the <code>usersNotified</code> property (we decided it wasn't necessary for our user stories) and merged <code>timeUpdated</code> into the <code>Statuses</code> entity. We resolved our two generalizations by merging them into their parent entities. In order to avoid having potentially dangerous <code>NULL</code> values in our table, we added dummy values that clearly indicate them as not applicable.

FUNCTIONAL DEPENDENCIES:

Subscriptions - **user_assigned**, **start_date** → length, cost, monthly_quota, deliveries_used

Users - *Id* → name, email, phone, gender, address, join_time

Packages - Id → size, weight, to_user, from_swapbox, from_user, to_swapbox, to_address,

from_address

Assignments - **package_id**, **carrier_id** → tracking_id

Carriers - **Id** → name

Swapboxes - $Id \rightarrow capacity$, count, <u>address</u>

Package_Status - package_id, time → last_swapbox, next_swapbox

Location - **Address** \rightarrow long, lat

NORMALIZATION:

Although most of our functional dependencies were already in BCNF form, the *Subscriptions* table still had a transitive dependency; we resolved it by splitting it into two tables. Below is the initial structure of *Subscriptions*:

Subscriptions - (<u>user_assigned</u>, start_date → length, cost, name, monthly_quota, deliveries_used)

Subscriptions was separated into Subscriptions and Plans as follows:

Subscriptions - (<u>user_assigned</u>, start_date → deliveries_used, plan_name)

Plans - (<u>name</u> → length, cost, monthly_quota)

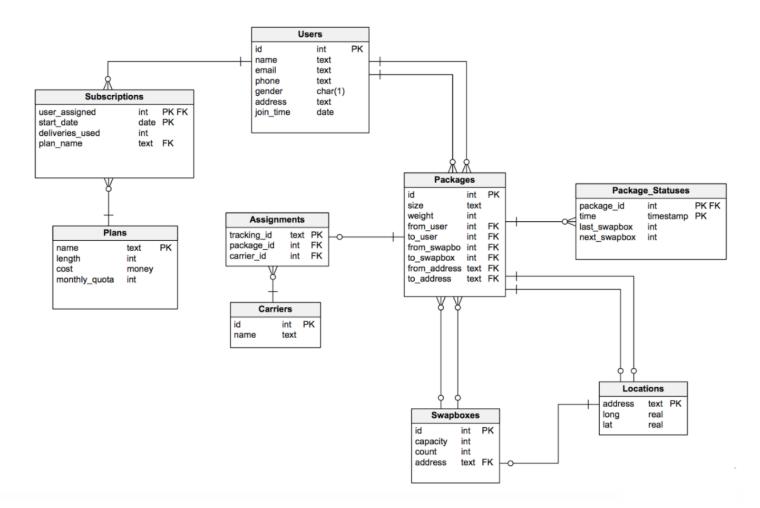
This was the only required change to normalize our database.

PHYSICAL MODEL:

Since our database is named project_swapbox, the command to execute the SQL statements was slightly different. In our initialize.sql file, we created our own database as project_swapbox so we can freely drop it to reset without losing data from other databases. Execute the following commands to initialize and display the database:

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% psql -d postgres -U isdb16 -f initialize.sql
% psql -d project_swapbox -U isdb16 -f show_all.sql
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Below is our physical model from Vertabelo:



QUERIES

Since our database is named project_swapbox, the command to execute the sql statements are slightly different:

We have 6 simple queries and 4 complex queries. The 6 simple queries are as follows:

- Track the current number of packages each carrier is currently transporting
- Determine a user's most common Swapbox to receive at
- Determine a user's most common Swapbox to send out from
- Display all of a specific user's packages that arrived on a certain day
- Find the last known status/location of a given package
- Find the most active months

Following are the 4 complex queries. They should be executed in the following format:

1. add_package (size, weight, from_user, to_user, from_swapbox, to_swapbox, from_address, to_address) takes in all the details for a package Before adding it to the *Packages* table, it must first cross-check the user's monthly quota against the deliveries they've used on their most recent subscription. If the user's allowed to ship it, it will add the package; otherwise it will throw an error.

- 2. track_packages(userID) takes in a userID, and prints all information about all the user's packages. It categorizes them into Undelivered, InTransit, and Arrived packages—counting them up and printing it out a list of the packages in each category.
- 3. assign(packageID, carrierName) takes in a packageID and carrierName, and assigns the package to the carrier, but before creating an entry in the *Assignments* table, it checks to see if a carrier by that name exists in our database. If they don't, then we create an entry for that carrier before creating an *Assignment* entity that links the packageID with the corresponding carrierID.
- 4. renew_subscription(userID, today) takes in a tuple of today's date in the form of (month, day, year) and inserts a new subscription into the database if renewal criteria have been met. The renewal criteria checks if the user has either used up his/her quota or if the subscription has expired.