

Welcome to Lesson 2 of Module 3 on the relational data model and the CREATE TABLE statement

- This lesson continues our study of the relational data model and the SQL CREATE TABLE statement
- This lesson covers two major rules for storing rows in relational databases.

## Opening question:

- What is the consequence of two taxpayers or customers with the same government identifier or customer identifier?
- What is the consequence of a shipment connected to the wrong order?

Relational databases are the dominant commercial standard

- Simplicity and familiarity with table manipulation
- Strong mathematical framework
- Lots of research and development

# Lesson Objectives

- Identify 1-M relationships and associated PKs and FKs
- Find errors in rows with either orphan FKs or missing FKs
- · Identify situations for FK requirements
  - FK is necessary
  - FK can have the null value

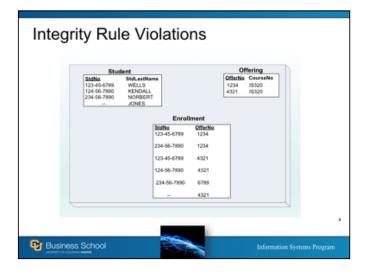
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# Integrity Rules • Entity integrity: primary keys - Each table has column(s) with unique values - No missing values for primary keys - Ensures traceable entities • Referential integrity: foreign keys - Values of a column in one table match values from a source table - Ensures valid references among tables

### Informal definitions

### Examples:

- Student rows are uniquely identified by StdSSN
- Offering rows are uniquely identified by OfferNo
- Enrollment rows are uniquely identified by the combination of StdSSN and OfferNo
- Enrollment.StdSSN refers to a valid StdSSN value in the Student table
- Enrollment.OfferNo refers to a valid OfferNo in the Offering table



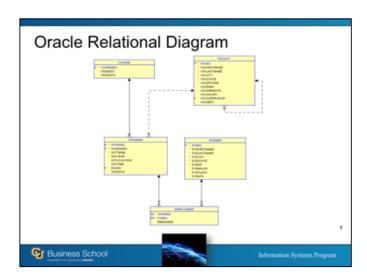
Missing value for PK of Student table (4th row)

Orphan row in Enrollment: 5th row with OfferNo 6789

Missing value of part of a PK for Enrollment (6<sup>th</sup> row)

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### Oracle Relational Diagram

- Created in Oracle SQL Developer
- Select New Design in Data Modeler -> Browser
- Drag tables into design window
- View Details: show only columns in this diagram
- Can also show other details such as data types

### Notation

- Solid line: mandatory relationship (NOT NULL constraint for FK)
- Dashed line: optional relationship (NULL values allowed)
- Cross: FK is part of PK

# Summary

- · Identify primary keys and foreign keys
- · Visualize relationships
- Understanding existing databases is crucial to query formulation



### Valid reference problems

- Orders without a customer or incorrect customer
- Order without a shipment
- Missing reference values represent valid rows (internet order without an employee) or data entered later (offering with instructor reference later).

Understand a database is a prerequisite to query formulation

- How are rows identified? PKs and CKs
- What data can be compared? Data type knowledge
- How can tables be combined? For eign keys and relationship details (1-M relationships)
- Visualization: show the direct and indirect connections among tables

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