

# 15CSE302 Database Management Systems

## Lecture 12 **Enhanced ER-diagram**

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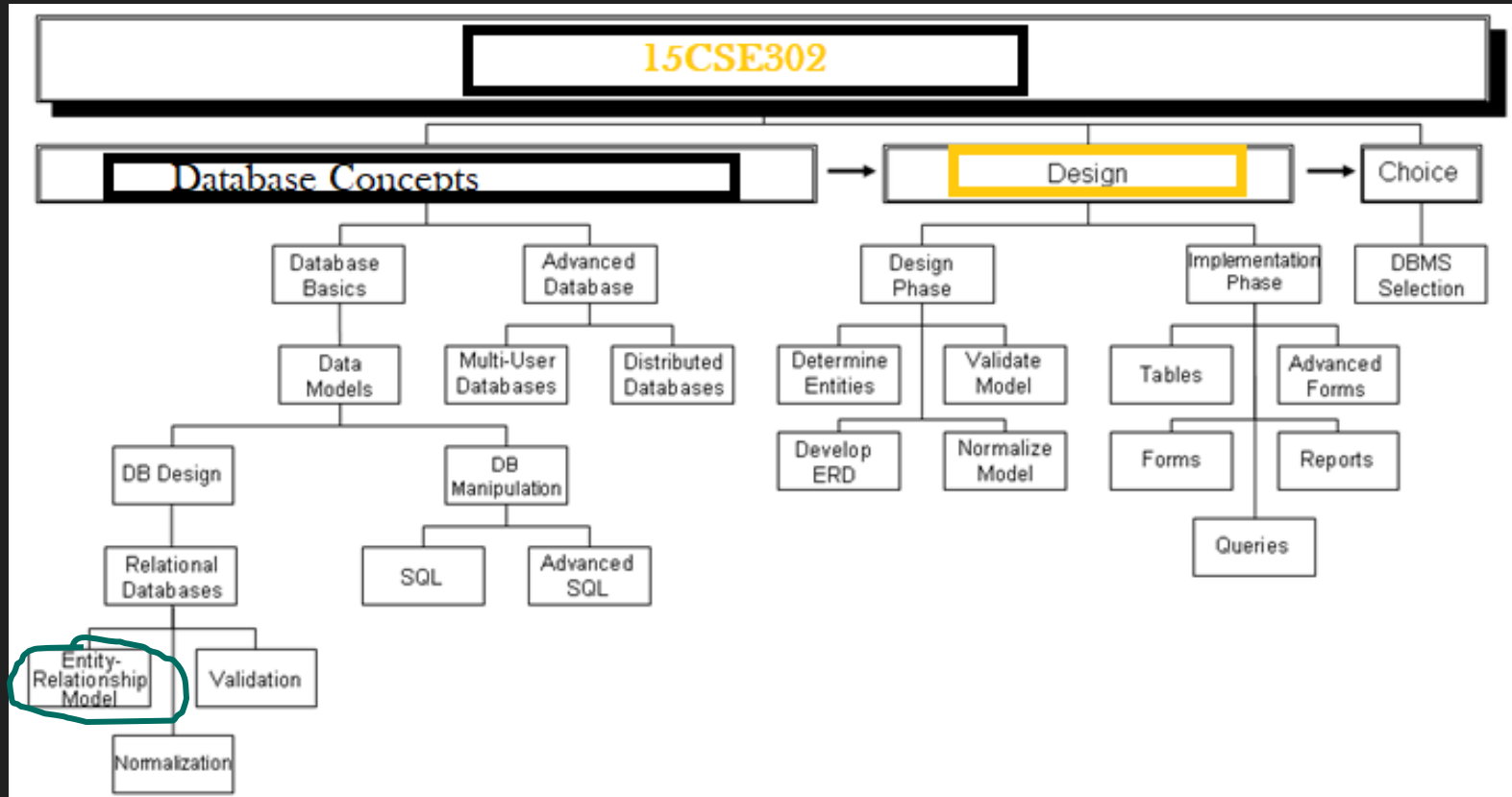
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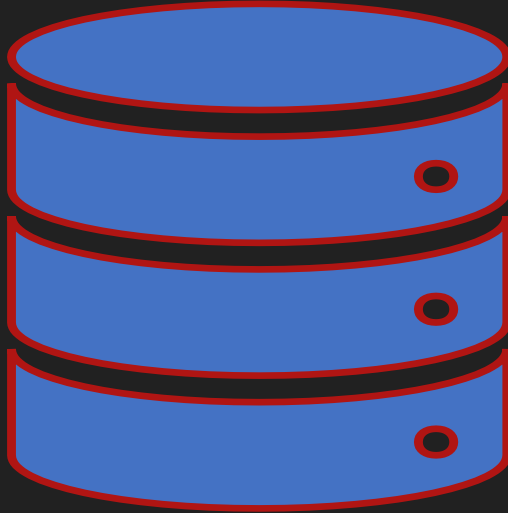
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# Syllabus



# Brief Recap of Previous Lecture

## Converting ER diagram



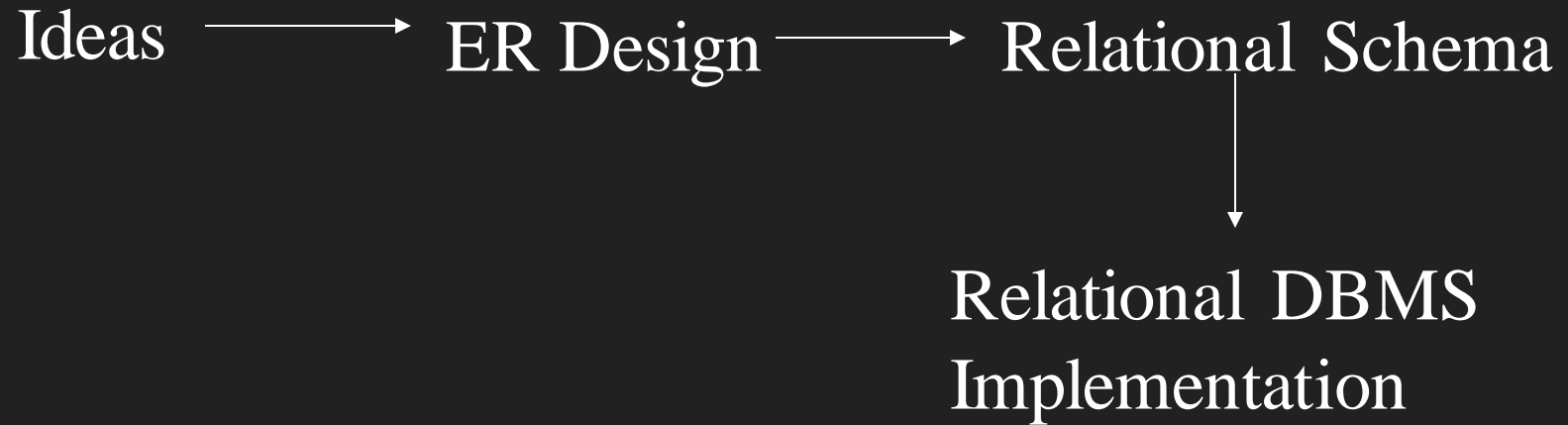
# Logical database design

Enhanced ER Diagram

# Enhanced ER-diagram

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# Database Modeling and Implementation Process



# Entity Type

- ◆ All similar (same attributes) entities are grouped into sets, an *entity type*
- ◆ Entity type schema specifies the common structure:
  - type name
  - entity attributes (Domain, value set)
  - constraints on entities

# Enhanced Entity-Relationship Model

The EER model introduced the concepts of *superclass* and *subclass* entity types in the ER model

- MEMBER (superclass): LIFE-MEMBER, REGULAR-MEMBER, and SEASON-MEMBER (Subclasses)
- LIBRARIAN (superclass): HEAD LIBRARIANS, SALARY LIBRARIANS, and HOURLY LIBRARIANS (subclasses)



# Enhanced Entity-Relationship Model

## Why?

- To add more semantic clarity to the design  
E.g., if only salary-librarians can belong to the librarian guild, then this can be expressed as a  
BelongTo: <SALARY-LIBRARIAN and LIB-GUILD> and not as BelongTo: <LIBRARIAN, LIB-GUILD>
- Minimize NULL values

# Entity Type

► E.g.,

FACULTY: Name(FN,LM,MI), DoB, SSN, {Degree},Rank

- FN:String(15), LN: String(15), SSN: String(9), etc.
- BoD: DD/MM/YYYY
- Degree: {BS,MS,PhD}
- Rank: {Lecturer, Assistant, Associate, Full}

# Enhanced Entity-Relationship Model

 Specialization

 Generalization

 Inheritance

# Enhanced Entity-Relationship Model

## Specialization      Generalization      Inheritance

- ◆ Specialization: identifying subclasses, and their distinguishing characteristics (attributes & relationships)  
(Top-down design)
- ◆ Generalization: aggregate entities to a superclass entity type by identifying their common characteristics  
(Bottom-up design)
- ◆ Inheritance: IS\_A (instance) relationship that support attribute inheritance and relationship participation
  - ◆ Single inheritance results in a hierarchy
  - ◆ Multiple inheritance results in a latticeE.g., EMPLOYEE → STUDENT-ASSISTANT ← STUDENT

# Enhanced Entity-Relationship Model

## Inclusion of Constraints on Specialization and Generalization

The *disjoint* constraint: the subclasses of a superclass are disjoint.

- This means that an entity can be a member of only one subclass.
- The entities for each class can be *user-defined* or specified with a *predicate-defined subclass*.
- In a predicate-defined subclass, we use a selection condition on one or more attributes to define the entities of the subclass. E.g., MembershipStatus

# Enhanced Entity-Relationship Model

## Inclusion of Constraints on Specialization and Generalization

The *non-disjoint* constraints: specify that the subclasses are overlapping and an entity may be a member of more than one subclass.

# Enhanced Entity-Relationship Model

## Completeness Constraint on Specialization and Generalization

A *total* specialization: specifies that every entity in the superclass must be a member of some of its subclasses

- E.g., a librarian must belong to one of the subclasses of LIBRARIAN.



# Enhanced Entity-Relationship Model

## Completeness Constraint on Specialization and Generalization

- ◆ A *partial* specialization: specifies that an entity may not belong to any subclass
  - E.g. , an honorary member may not belong to any of the specializations (subclasses) of MEMBER.
- ◆ Superclass via generalization is always total



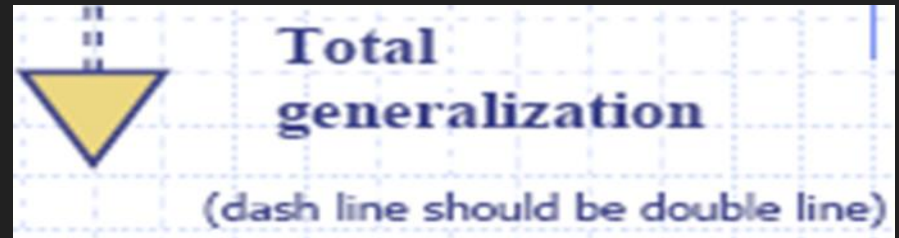
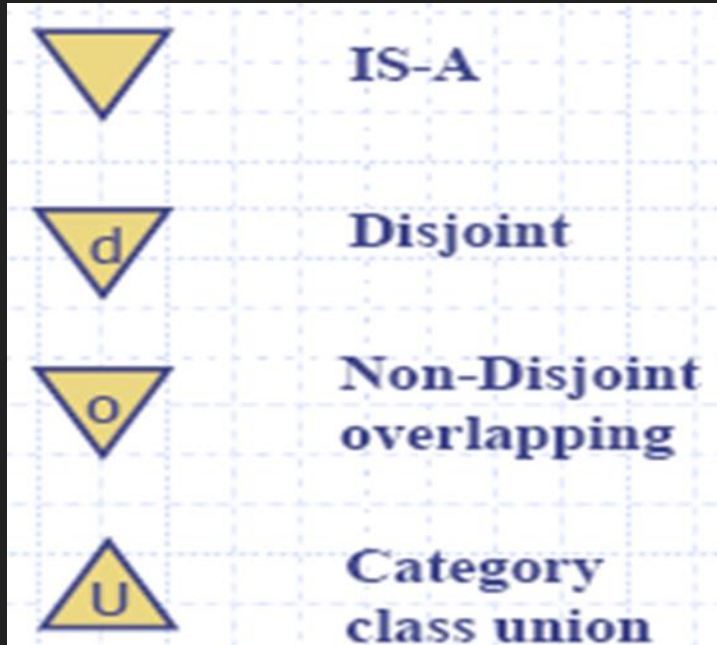
# Enhanced Entity-Relationship Model

## Union Types or Categories

- ◆ Collection of entities of distinct entity types
  - E.g., Vehicle owner: person, bank, company
- ◆ Multiple Inheritance with superclasses of different types
- ◆ Category OWNER is a subclass of the set **union** of the entity types: PERSON, BANK, COMPANY
- ◆ An instance in category must exist only in one of the superclasses
- ◆ Category can be:
  - total
  - partial (with predicate definition)

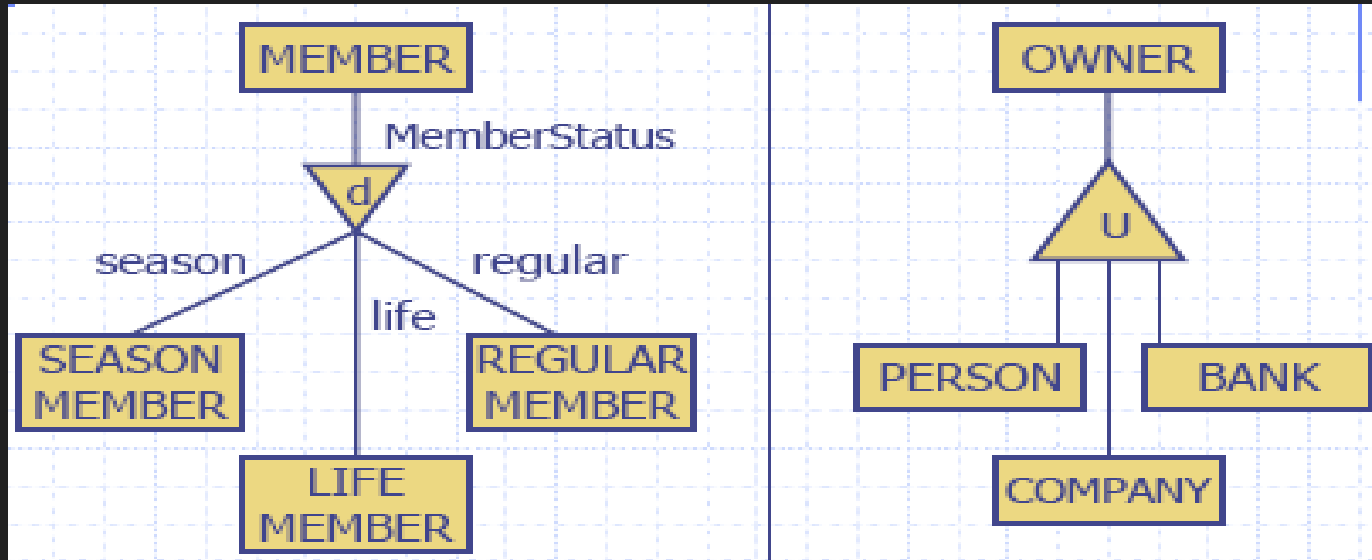
# Enhanced Entity-Relationship Model

## Notations for EER

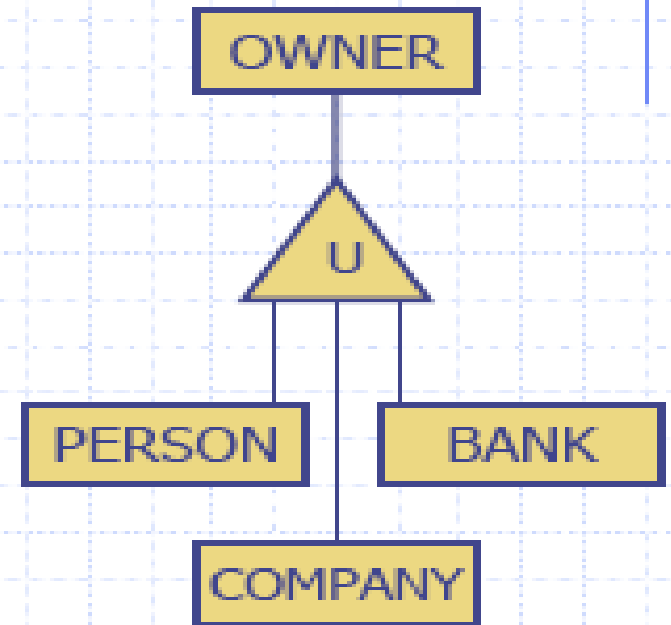
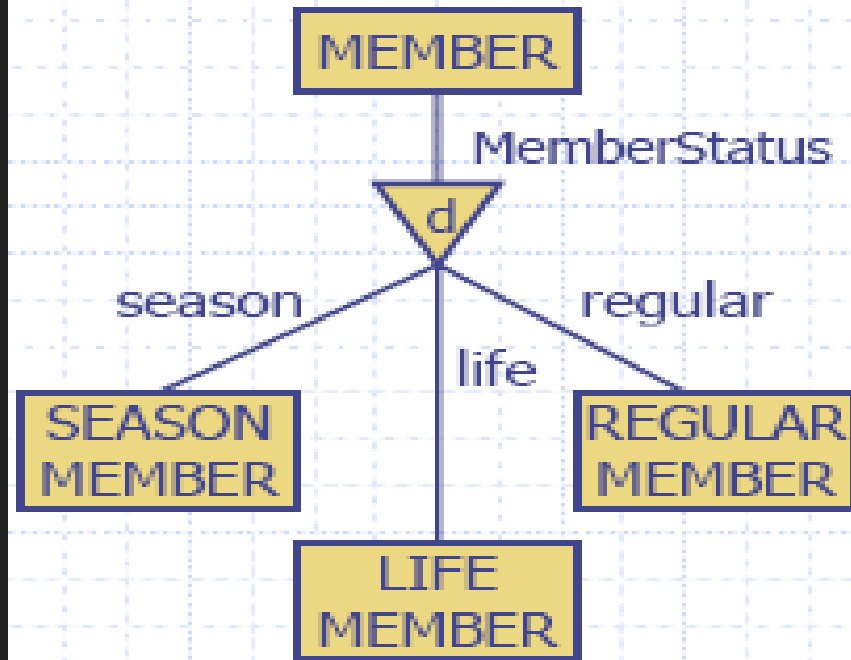


# Enhanced Entity-Relationship Model

## Example of EER



# EER Diagram: Examples



# Enhanced ER-diagram

Example:

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- It also contains information about libraries that carry books on various subjects.

# Entity Sets

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**Entity sets: authors, subjects, books, libraries**

# RELATIONSHIPS

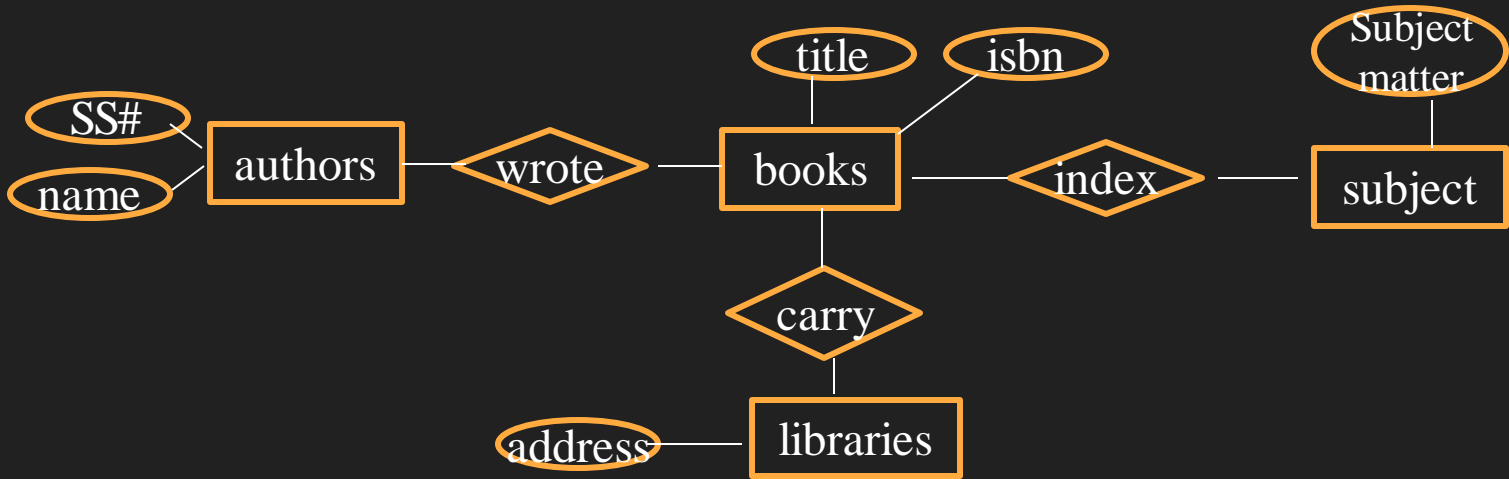
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**Entity sets: authors, subjects, books, libraries**

**Relationship sets: wrote, carry, indexed**

# ENTITY SETS and RELATIONSHIPS

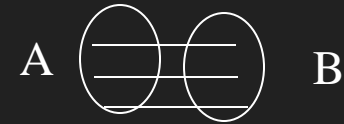




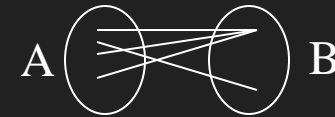
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A binary relationship between entity set  $A$  and  $B$  might be:

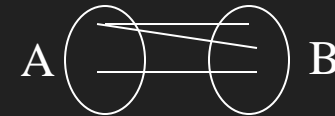
- 1:1 Women marrying Men (function)



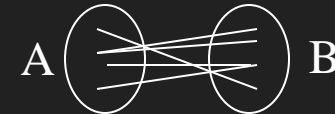
- N:1 Children having mothers (function)



- 1:N Mothers having children (inverse function)



- M:N Students enrolled in a class



# KEY

- Entities and relationships are distinguishable using various keys
- A **key** is a combination of one or more attributes, e.g., social-security number, combination of name and social-security number.
- A **superkey** is a key identifies an entity,  
e.g.,  
    **social-security number**  
    **phone number,**  
    **combination of name and social-security number**
- defined either for an entity set or relationship set that uniquely identifies

# KEY

Entities and relationships are distinguishable using various keys

- A **candidate key** is a minimal superkey that uniquely identifies either an entity or a relationship,
  - e.g., **social-security number, phone number.**
- A **primary key** is a **candidate key** that is chosen by the **database designer** to identify the entities of an entity set.

# KEY

Entities and relationships are distinguishable using various keys

- A **foreign key** is a set of one or more attributes of a strong entity set that are employed to construct the discriminator of a weak entity set.
- The **primary key of a weak entity** set is formed by the primary key of the strong entity set on which it is existence-dependent.



# KEY

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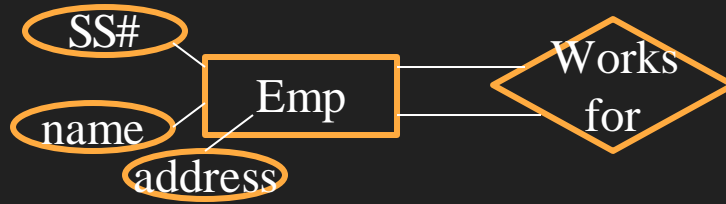
- Relationship sets also have primary keys.
- Assume  $R$  is a relationship set involving entity sets  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_n$
- Let  $\text{primary-key}(E_i)$  denote the primary key for entity set  $E_i$
- Assume  $\text{primary-key}(E_i)$  is unique for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .
- If  $R$  has no attributes then its superkey is:  
 $\text{primary-key}(E_1) \cup \text{primary-key}(E_2) \cup \dots \cup \text{primary-key}(E_n)$
- This is a primary key if the mapping constraint is **many-to-many**.
- If the mapping constraint is many to one from  $E_1$  to  $E_2$  then the primary key of  $R$  is primary key of  $E_1$ .



## EXAMPLE

- Employees of a large company, e.g., IBM, where an employee reports to a manager.
- The manager is also an employee who reports to another manager.
- This chain of command continues to the very top where the CEO is the only employee who is not reporting to a manager.  
Draw the ER diagram for this example.

# EXAMPLE



Primary keys:

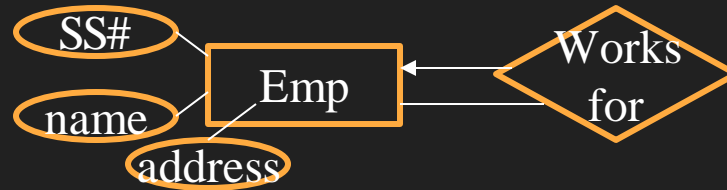
Emp: SS#

Works-for: (empSS#, mgrSS#)

Primary keys:

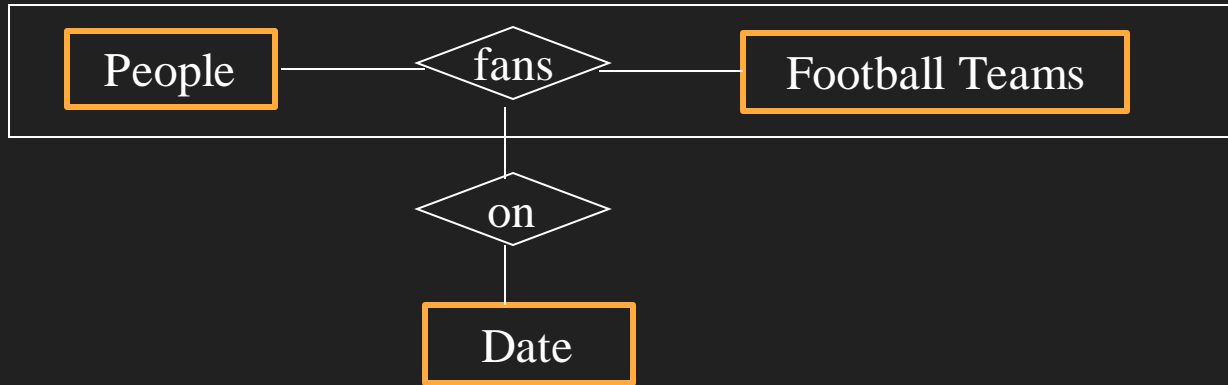
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# Relationship

- A relationship may involve  $n$  entities, N-ary relationship
- It is always possible to replace a non-binary relationship set by a number of distinct binary relationship sets





# GENERALIZATION AND SPECIALIZATION

- **Generalization** is the result of computing the union of two or more entity sets to produce a higher-level entity set.
- It represents the **containment relationship** that exists between the **higher-level entity set** and one or more **lower-level entity sets**.

• *Specialization* constructs the lower level entity sets that

# GENERALIZATION

- Generalisation is the process of minimising the differences between entities by identifying common features.
- This is the identification of a generalised superclass from the original subclasses.
- This is the process of identifying the common attributes and relationships.

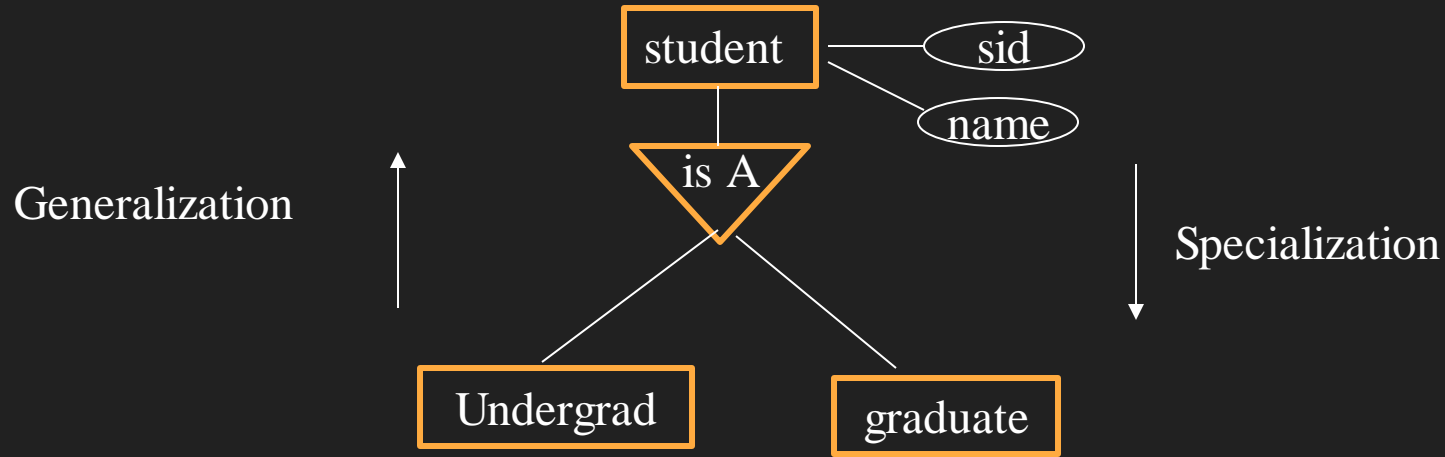
# GENERALIZATION AND SPECIALIZATION

- ❑ Undergrad and graduate are termed **subclasses** of the **superclass** student.
- ❑ This is a **superclass/subclass** or simply class/subclass relationship.
- ❑ A member of a **subclass** MUST be a member of the superclass.
- ❑ An alternative notation is the **Union symbol**
- ❑ The **circle** with **d** specifies that the specializations are **disjoint**.
- ❑ A member of Undergrad entity set may NOT be a member of the graduate entity set.

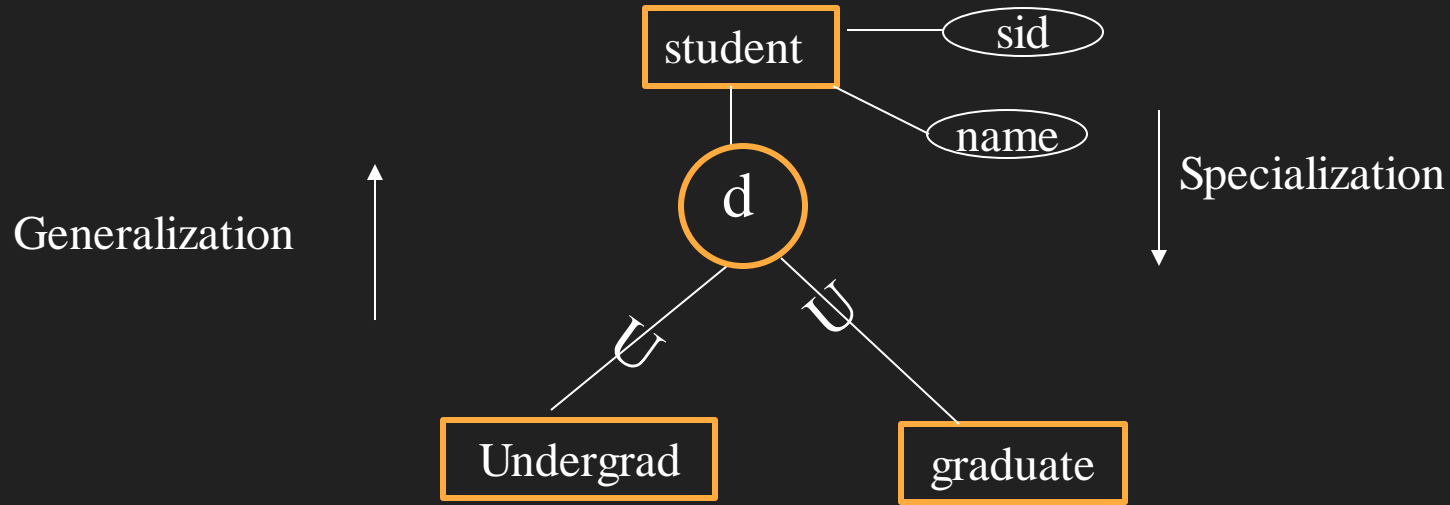
# GENERALIZATION AND SPECIALIZATION

- **Specialization** constructs the lower level entity sets that are a subset of a higher level entity set.

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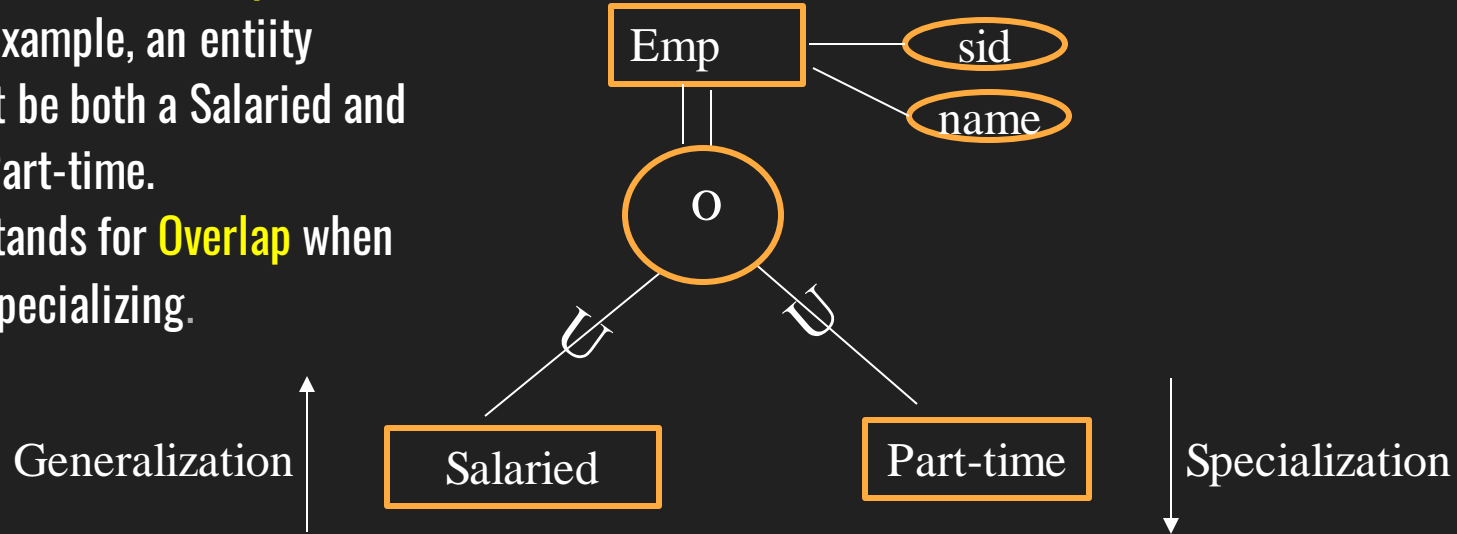
- A design may require all members of an entity-set to be specialized. For example, an employee **MUST** be a member of either **a Salaried or Part-time**.
- Use **double lines** to dictate this constraint

# GENERALIZATION AND SPECIALIZATION

One may allow the specialized entity sets to **overlap**.

For example, an entity might be both a Salaried and Part-time.

“o” stands for **Overlap** when specializing.





# Summary

## EER

## Next Lecture

### EER diagram examples

# References

<https://www.db-book.com/db6/index.html>

# Thank You

## Happy to answer any questions ! ! !