

15CSE302 Database Management Systems

Lecture 7 **Entity Relationship Diagram**

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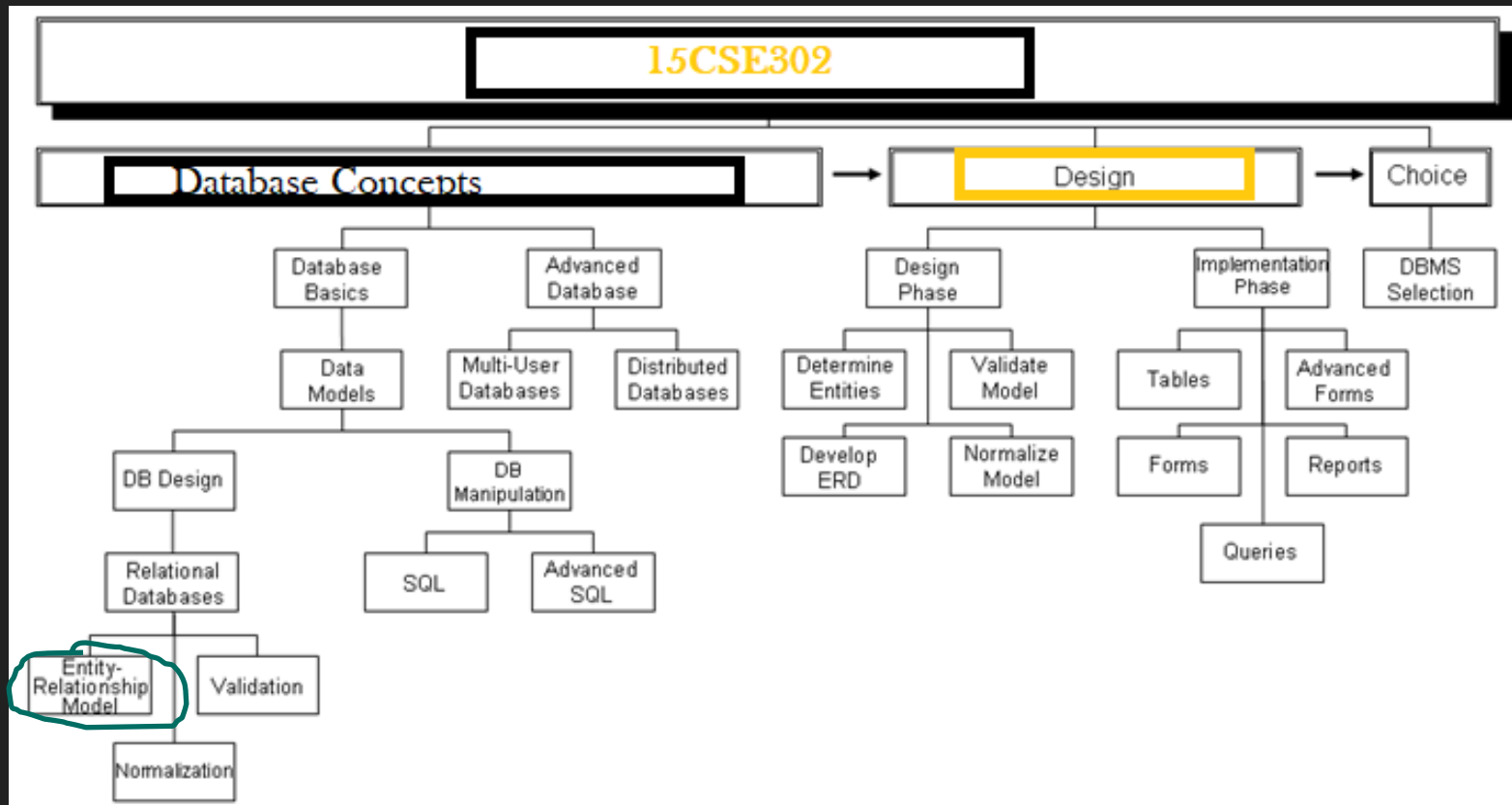
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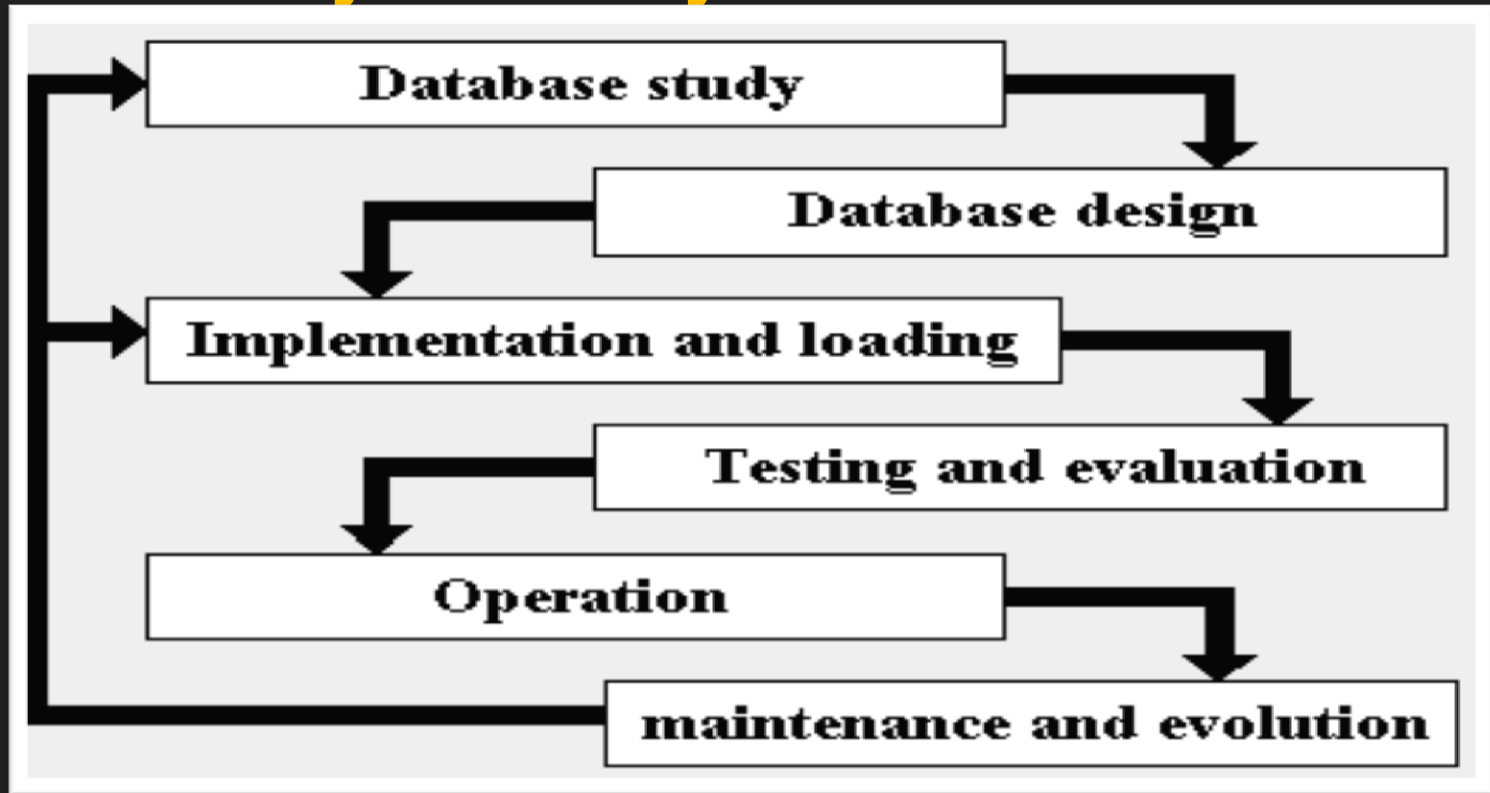
Brief Recap of Previous Lecture

- ❑ **SQL Basics**
- ❑ **Single Table Queries**
- ❑ **Functions**
 - **Single value Functions**
 - **Group Value Functions**

Today's Lecture

ER Diagram

Database Analysis Life Cycle



Entity Relationship Model

Entity Relationship (ER) model conceptual level data model
proposed by **Peter P Chen in 1970s**

- **Design tool**
- Graphical representation of the database system
- provides a high-level conceptual data model
- supports the user's perception of the data
- is DBMS and hardware independent
- had many variants
- is composed of **entities, attributes, and relationships**



Entities

- An **entity** is any object in the system that we want to **model and store information about**
- **Individual objects** are called entities
- Groups of the same type of objects are called **entity types or entity sets**
- Entities are represented by **rectangles** (either with round or square corners)

Entities



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Chen's notation



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other notations

Entity types

Two types of entities

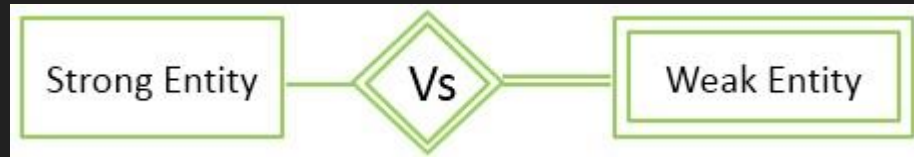


Weak entity



Strong entity

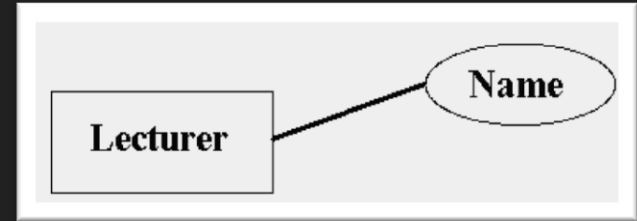
Entity types



Basis for comparison	Strong Entity	Weak Entity
Depends	The Strong entity is independent of any other entity in a schema.	Weak entity depends on the strong entity for its existence.
Denoted	Strong entity is denoted by a single rectangle.	Weak entity is denoted with the double rectangle.
Relation	The relation between two strong entities is denoted by a single diamond simply called relationship.	The relationship between a weak and a strong entity is denoted by Identifying Relationship denoted with double diamond.
Participation	Strong entity may or may not have total participation in the relationship.	Weak entity always has total participation in the identifying relationship shown by double line.

Attribute

- All the data relating to an entity is held in its attributes.
- An attribute is a property of an entity.
- Each attribute can have any value from its domain.
- Each entity within an entity type:
 - May have any number of attributes.
 - Can have different attribute values than that in any other entity.
 - Have the same number of attributes.
- They appear inside **ovals** and are **attached to their entity**.



Attribute

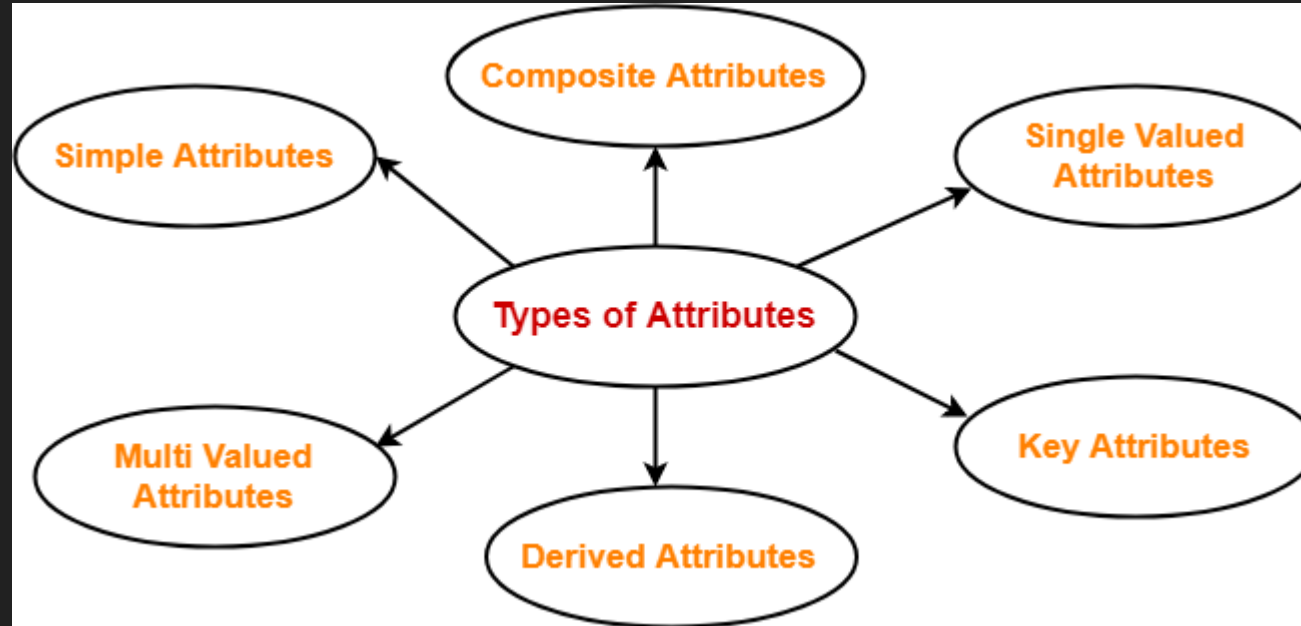


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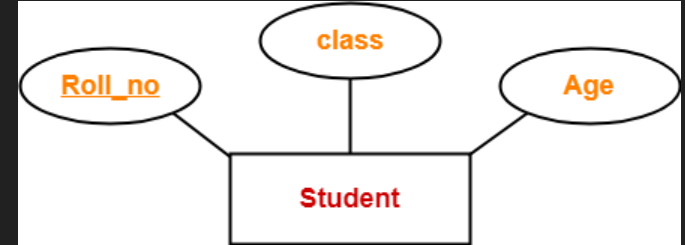
Attributes can be

■ **Simple Attributes** atomic or indivisible values

E.g. Dept-string

PhoneNumber-number

■ **Single value attribute**



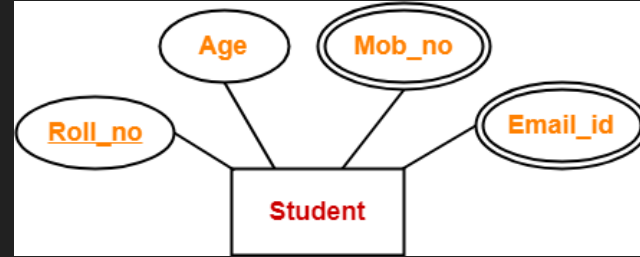
Attribute

Attributes can be

■ Multi valued attribute

Multiple values for an attribute

e.g Mobile number, Email ids



■ Composite Attributes - several components in the value.

E.g. Address

Name

Qualification with components

(DegreeName, Year, UniversityName)

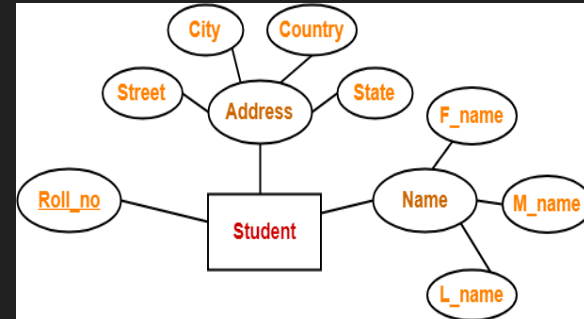


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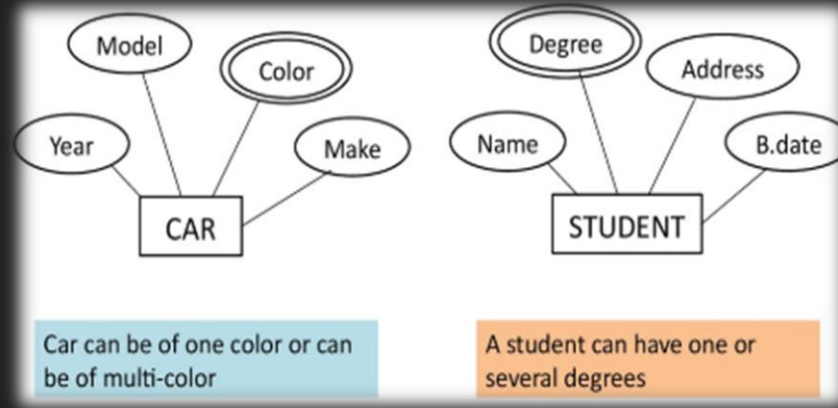


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Attribute

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📖 **Derived Attributes** - Attribute value is dependent on some other attribute.

E.g: Age depends on DateOfBirth. age is a derived attribute.

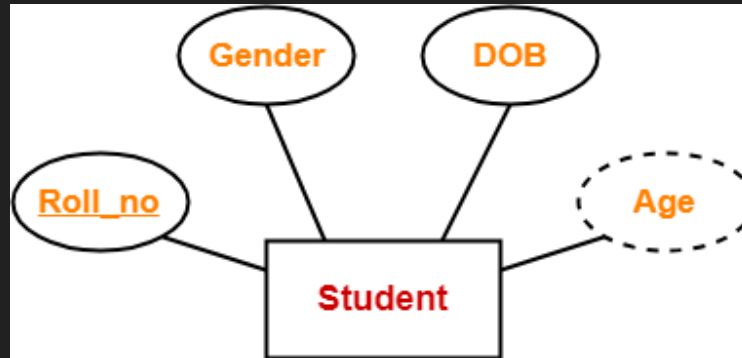


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Keys

Attributes can be

- A **key** is a data item that allows us to uniquely identify individual occurrences or an entity type.
- A **candidate key** is an attribute or set of attributes that uniquely identifies individual occurrences or an entity type.
- An **entity type** may have one or more possible **candidate keys**, the one which is selected is known as the **primary key**.
- A **composite key** is a **candidate key** that consists of **two or more attributes**
- The **name of each primary key attribute is underlined**.

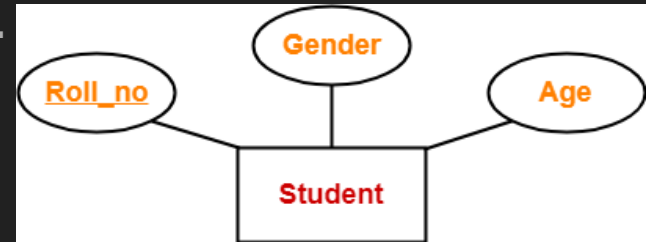
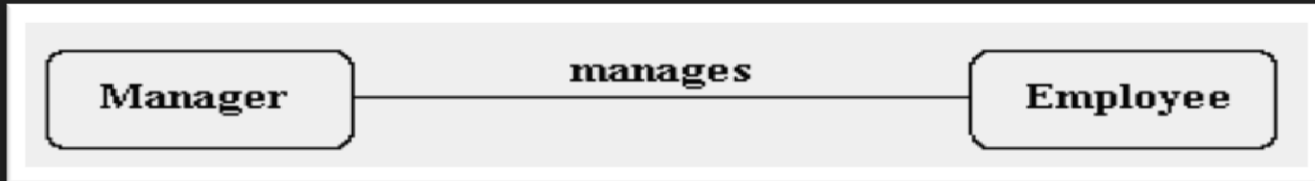


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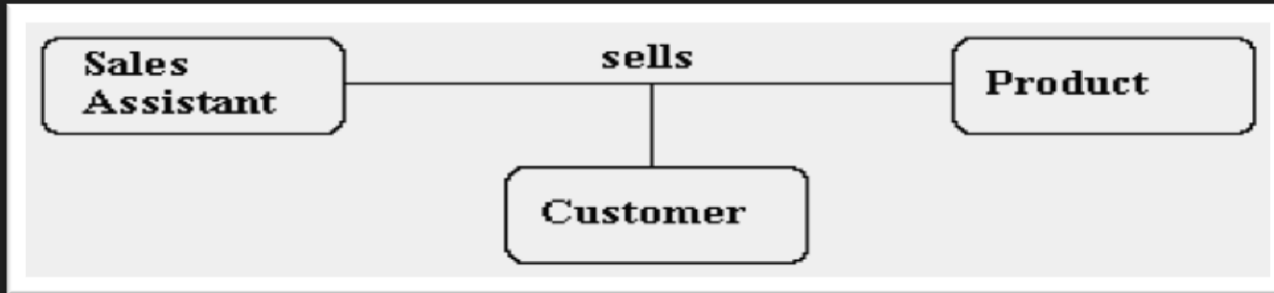
Relationships

- A **relationship type** is a meaningful association between entity types
- A **relationship** is an association of entities where the association includes one entity from each participating entity type.
- Relationship types are represented on the ER diagram by a **series of lines**.
- In the original Chen notation,
the relationship is placed **inside a diamond**
e.g. **managers** manage **employee**



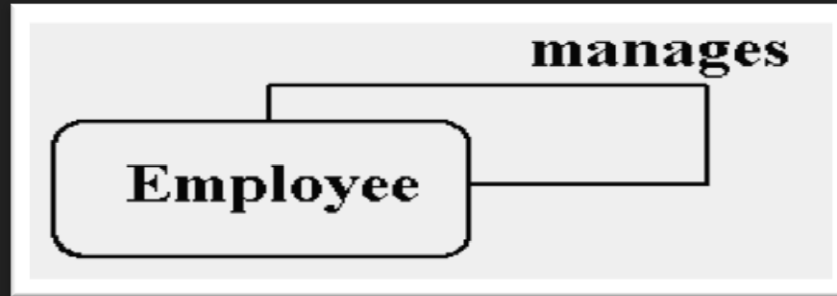
Degree of a Relationship

- The **number of participating entities** in a relationship is known as **the degree of the relationship**.
- If there are **two entity types** involved it is a **binary relationship type**
- If there are **three entity types** involved it is a **ternary relationship type**



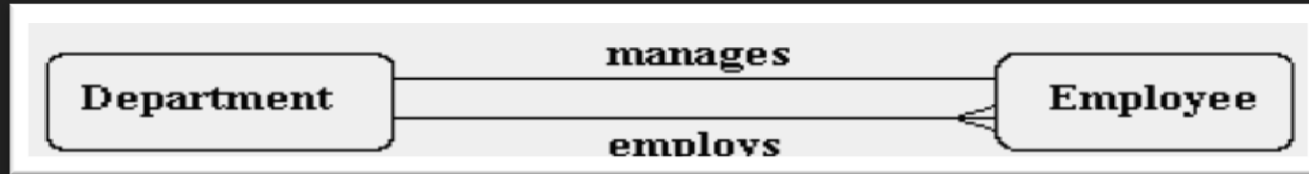
Recursive relationship

- It is possible to have a n-ary relationship (e.g. quaternary or unary).
- **Unary relationships** are also known as a ***recursive relationship***



Degree of a Relationship

- It is also possible to have entities associated through **two or more distinct relationships**.



Cardinality

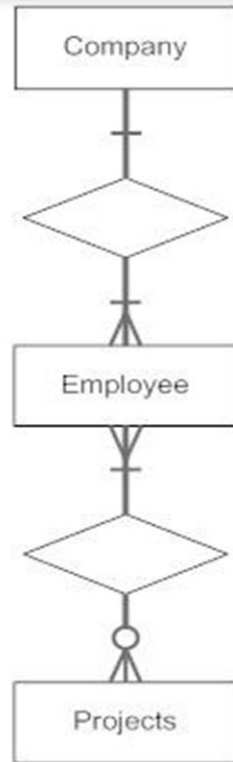
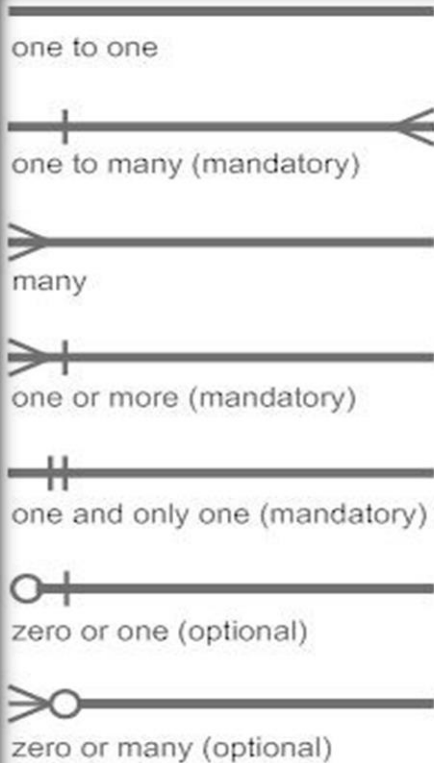
- Relationships are rarely one-to-one
- For example, a manager usually manages more than one employee
- This is described by the *cardinality of the relationship*,

Cardinality

- Four possible categories.
 - **One to one (1:1) relationship**
 - **One to many (1:m) relationship**
 - **Many to one (m:1) relationship**
 - **Many to many (m:n) relationship**
- On an ER diagram, if the end of a relationship is straight, it represents 1, while a **"crow's foot" end represents many.**



Relationships



Relationships

A one-to-many (1:M) relationship: a PAINTER can paint many PAINTINGS; each PAINTING is painted by one PAINTER



A many-to-many (M:N) relationship: an EMPLOYEE can learn many SKILLS; each SKILL can be learned by many EMPLOYEES



A one-to-one (1:1) relationship: an EMPLOYEE manages one STORE; each STORE is managed by one EMPLOYEE



Country Bus Company

A Country Bus Company owns a number of busses.

- Each bus is allocated to a particular route, although some routes may have several busses.
- Each route passes through a number of towns.
- One or more drivers are allocated to each stage of a route, which corresponds to a journey through some or all of the towns on a route.
- Some of the towns have a garage where busses are kept and each of the busses are identified by the registration number and can carry different numbers of passengers, since the vehicles vary in size and can be single or double-decked.
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Entities

- **Bus** - Company owns busses and will hold information about them.
- **Route** - Buses travel on routes and will need described.
- **Town** - Buses pass through towns and need to know about them
- **Driver** - Company employs drivers, personnel will hold their data.
- **Stage** - Routes are made up of stages
- **Garage** - Garage houses buses, and need to know where they are.

Summary

E R Model

- Entity
- Attributes
- Relationship

Next Lecture

■ E R Model session 2

References

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