

SCC.201 Database Management Systems

2023 - Week 1 – ER diagrams. Uraz C Turker & Ricki Boswell

What will you learn today?



 General knowledge of Data, Databases, and Database Management Systems.



 Introduction to database design: Entity-Relation Diagrams.

Curriculum Design: Outline Syllabus

This module builds upon knowledge gained in Part I by providing a theoretical background to the design, implementation and use of database management systems, both for data designers and application developers. It takes into account all relevant aspects related to information security in the design, development and use of database systems. The course consists of a number of related sections, which range from single lectures to multi-lecture streams, depending on the required depth of coverage. The sections are as follows.

Introduction: we begin with a brief history of how the need for database management systems (DBMS) grew over time and how they are applied in day to day scenarios

Database Design: before making use of a DBMS, we must capture our requirements: what data do we actually wish to model? We make use of the Extended Entity-Relationship (EER) model which is both a technique and a notation for designing the data in a DBMS independent way.

The Relational Model: now the de-facto standard for DBMS, this was a revolutionary step taken in 1970. We extensively examine the Model, looking at relational database systems, the model itself and the normalisation process, the relational algebra (the mathematical theory that underpins the model), the three schema architecture and schema definition in SQL. Finally, we look at how we can map the EER model into an equivalent Relational Model. The resultant database is then examined in terms of access rights and privileges.

A (re)Introduction to SQL: SQL is the de-facto standard for DBMS query languages. We look at both the DDL (data definition language) and DML (data manipulation language). We introduce the use of views, a powerful mechanism for providing privacy and security. We look at the Discretionary Access Control (DAC) features that allow the granting and withholding of access rights and privileges.

Accessing relational DBMS via Java: we explore the facilities of the JDBC and show how we can write applications in Java which connect with a relational DBMS (in practice, MySQL).

The Physical Model: as Computer Scientists, our students need an awareness of the techniques that allow rapid access to stored data. In this section, we examine the physical data organisation and associated access methods. We show under what circumstances the organisations can be applied, and we look at how queries can be optimised.

Transaction processing and concurrency control: a huge part of DBMS in practice is the need to support transactions and concurrency, allowing huge numbers of users to access the DBMS at any one time while still ensuring the consistency of the data. This stream examines the problems and solutions in depth.





What is data?







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Data is anything that can be represented using Binary notation.

We can then encode data in File:

0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
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Source of Data



- Data is being created whenever we:
 - Eat,
 - Travel,
 - Chat,
 - Talk over a line on a phone, etc.

A source of data: Games

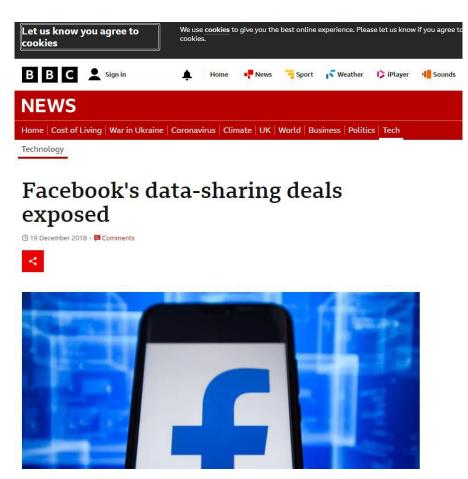




The aim of having data?



- is to retrieve information.
- To achieve this we need to process this data.
- What is the fundamental step to process data?
- To establish a flexible, understandable, and a common representation for the data.



How to represent data?



- Files? File systems?
 - Hard to manage, code, and maintain.
 - A straightforward mechanism to store data.
- Consider the following query:

"What is the expected monthly net income for the next financial year?"

- What would happen if the data is altered at the same time?
- How to guarantee the uniqueness of the data?



Database: It represents a massive amount of persistent

data according to a logical model

The logical model can be represented graphically by.

UML or Entity Relationship Diagrams.

The logical model allows us to reason about the logical representation of the data to gain the flexibility to establish an excellent data representation power to aid processing.



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This is why they are very popular.

DBMS in a Computer Game. https://www.csgodatabase.com/about/





Key concepts



- Data model
 - Schema, XML, Graph
- Schema vs Data
- Data Definition Language (DDL)
- Data Manipulation Language (DML)

Key people



• DBMS Implementer.

DB Designer.

DB Application Developer.

• DB Admin.

The logical model: Entity relationship model.

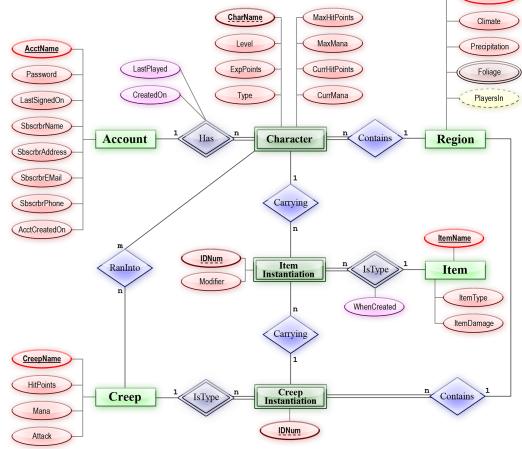


A graphical representation of the logical view of a Database.

Communication method (a single image worth 1000s of words!)

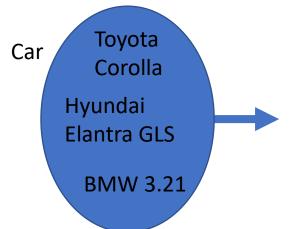








- Entity: An object that has distinguishable attributes.
- An entity must have attributes.
- Pilot -> Name, Surname, Hours_Flight, Height, Weight.
- Car -> Model, Weight, Length, Max_Speed.



Entity set: A conceptual representation of entities w.r.t the same set of attributes is called an Entity Set.



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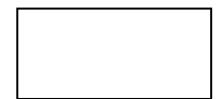


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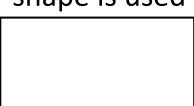
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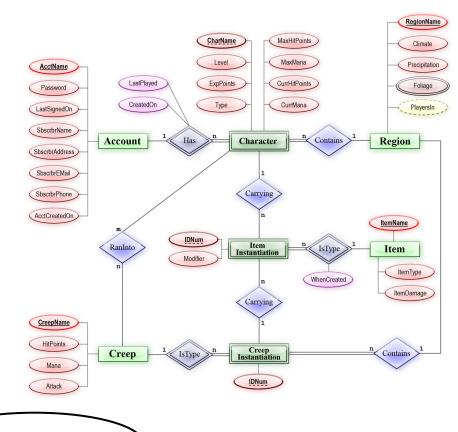
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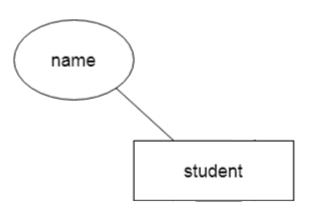


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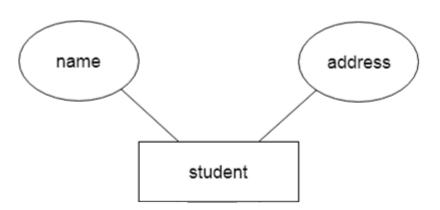


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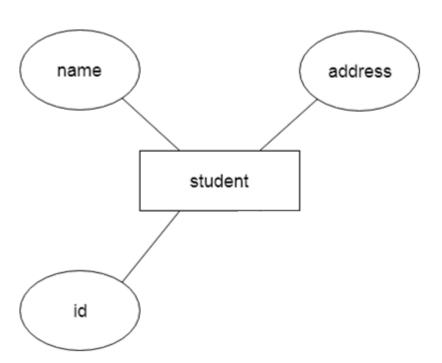


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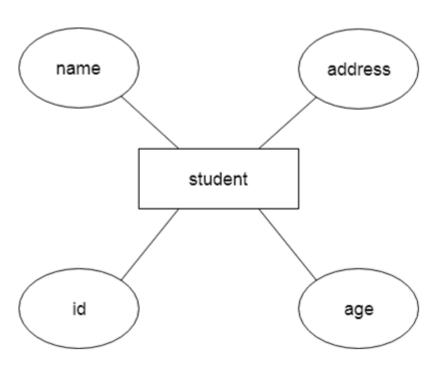


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The attribute that uniquely identifies an entity within this entity set is called a 'key attribute'.



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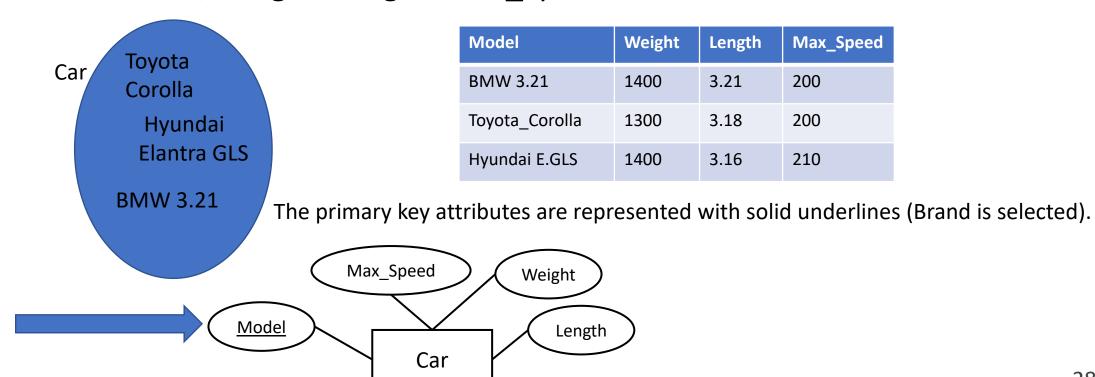
In this example, attributes 'Length' and 'Model' uniquely identify an entity.

The set of all possible key attributes is called 'candidate keys'. {Model,Length}

The DB designer selects one among the candidate keys as **the primary key attribute** for the entity set.

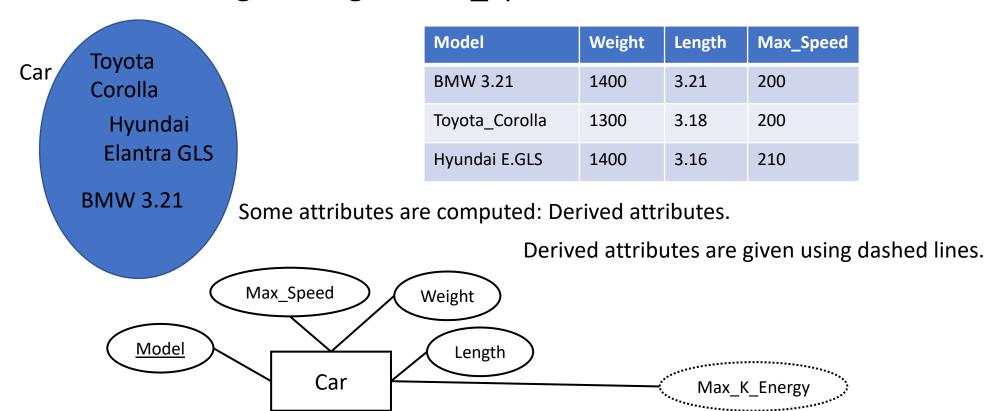


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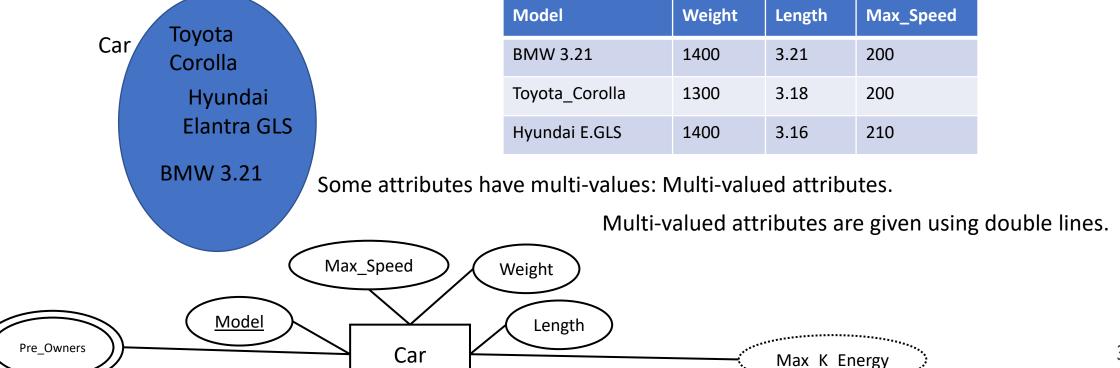


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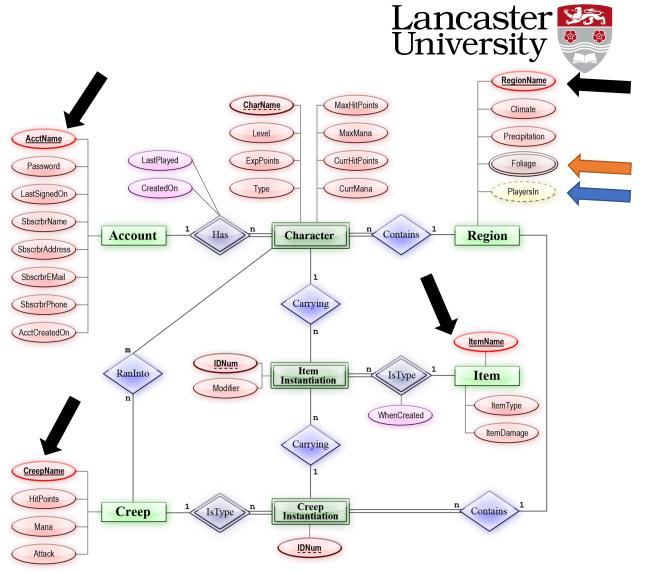


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Check yourself!

- Which are multi-valued attributes?
- Which are Derived Attributes?
- Which are the primary key attributes?



Relations

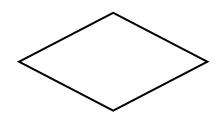


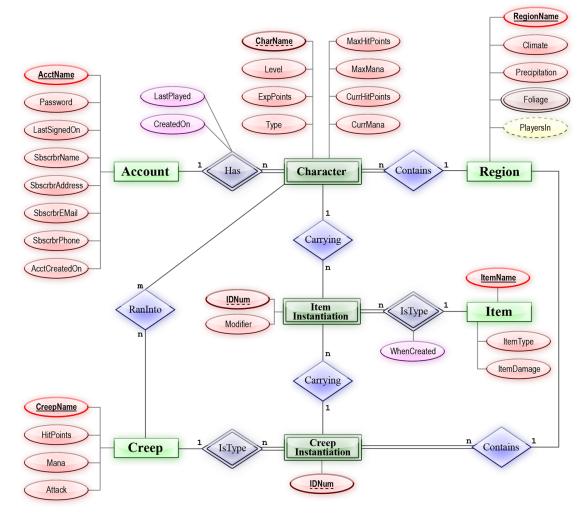
- In real life, we usually interact with several Entity sets.
 - Cars, Car_Repairers, Drivers, etc.
- To reason queries like:
 - "Tell me the Car repairer for BMW 3.21" we need to be able to associate these entities logically.
- A **Relation** is a logical model for associating two or more **Entities**:
 - BMW 3.21 can be repaired by Mechanic Alex.
- A Relation set covers all such relations between two or more Entity sets.

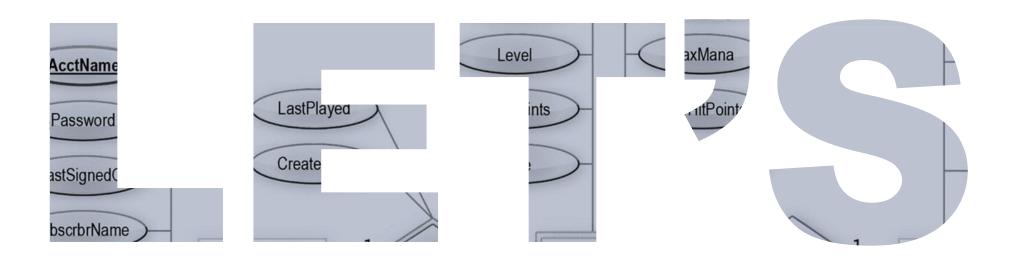
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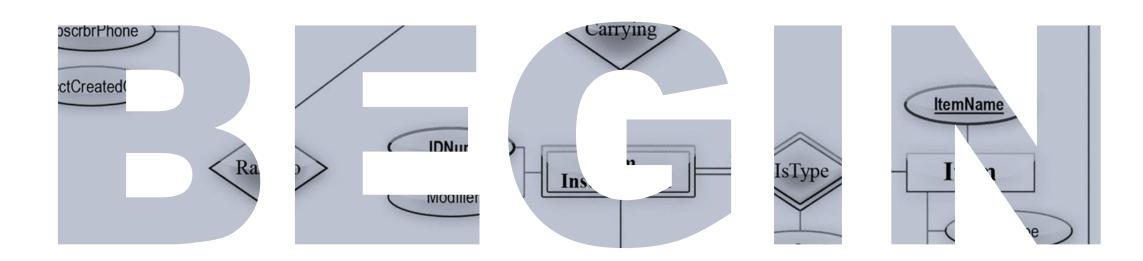


A diamond represents a **Relation set**.









Recap

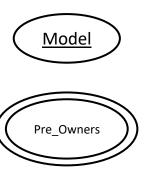


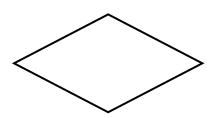
- We have seen Database, Database Management System.
- Entity relationship diagram.
 - An entity is an object with a set of attributes, and an Entity set is a set of entities.
 - The attribute that can distinguish an entity within the Entity set is a key attribute.
 - There can be several key attributes (candidate keys).

Recap



- The DB designer will select the primary key attribute among candidate keys.
- Attributes are atomic unless they are Multi-valued attributes.
- Some attributes are derived by computing the values of other attributes.
- We can relate two or more entities through a relation.
- We can relate entity sets through relationship sets.

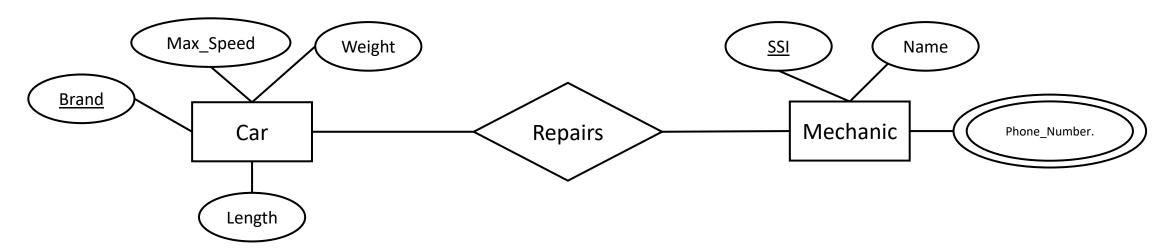




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A relation set 'Repairs' relates two Entity Sets.



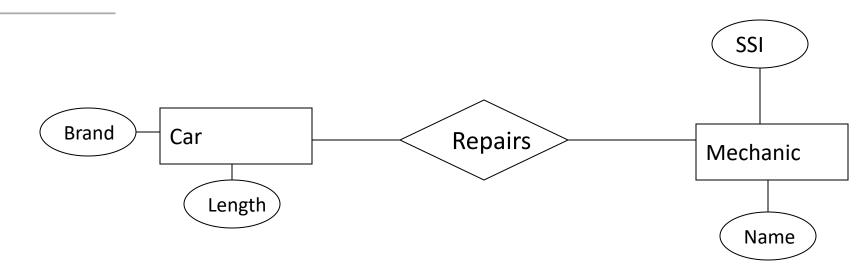
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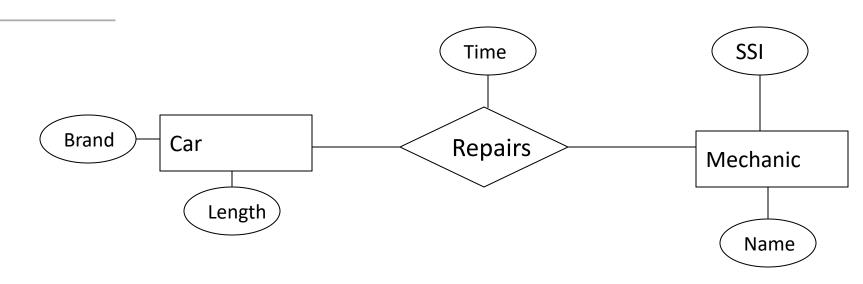
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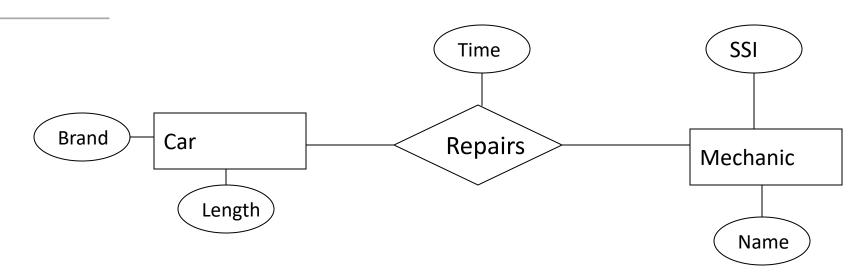
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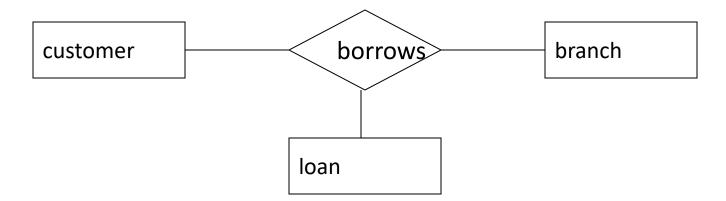
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- We will talk about the key in a relationship set later.





- **Degree of a relationship set** is the number of entity sets that participate in a relationship
- Binary relationship sets involve two entity sets

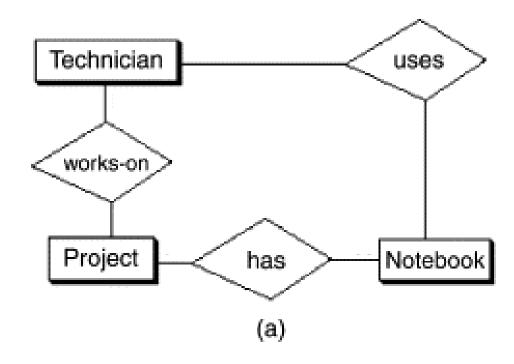
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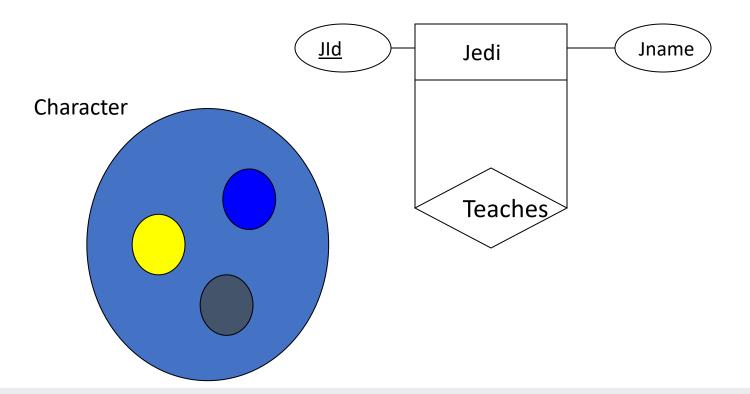








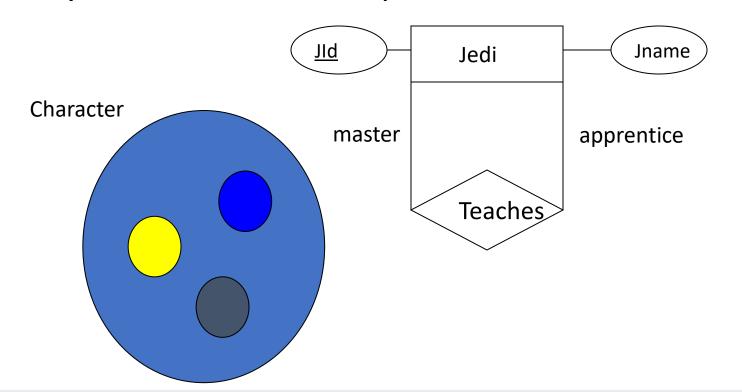
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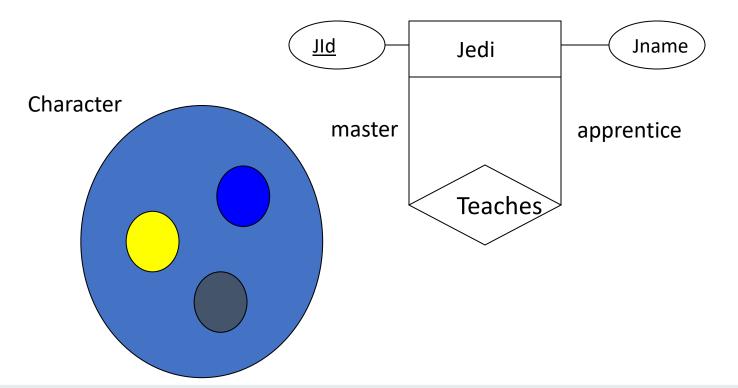
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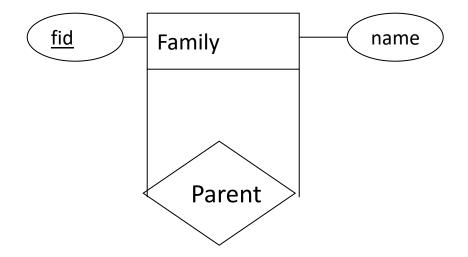




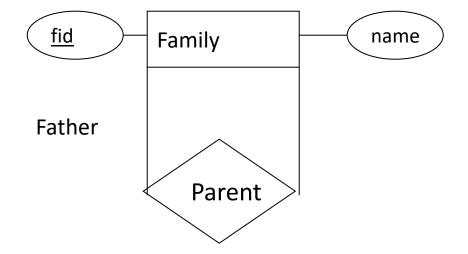




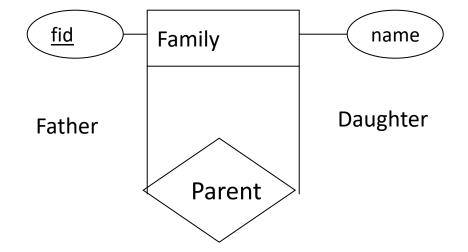




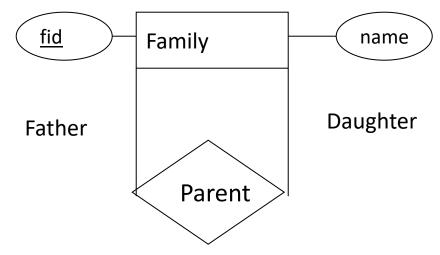








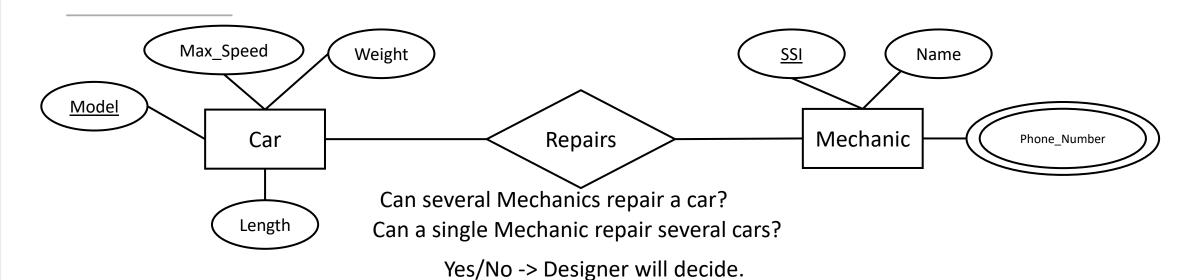






Key concepts of ER: Cardinalities.



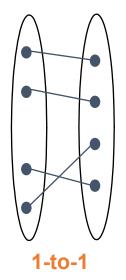


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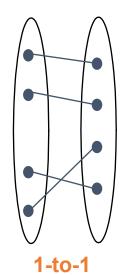


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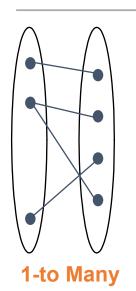
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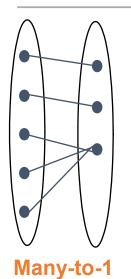
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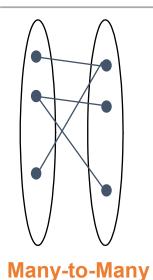
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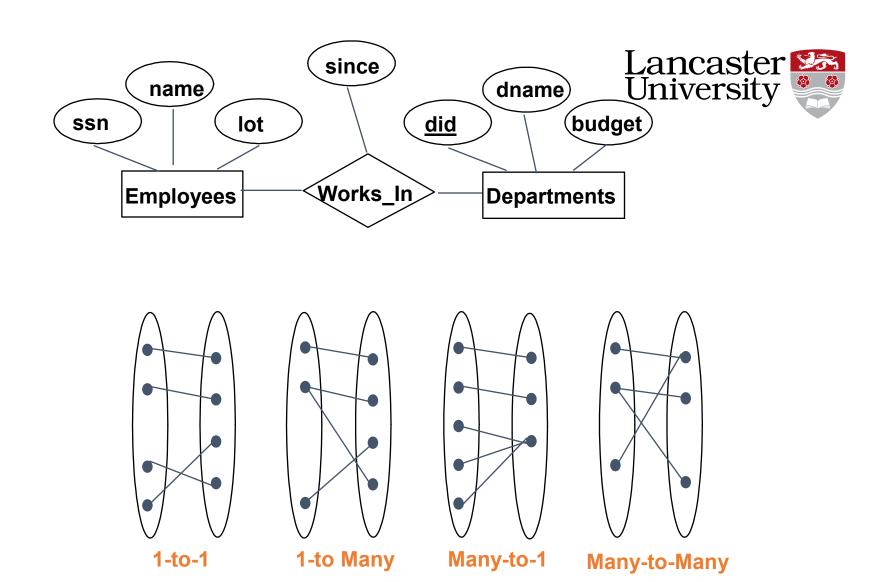
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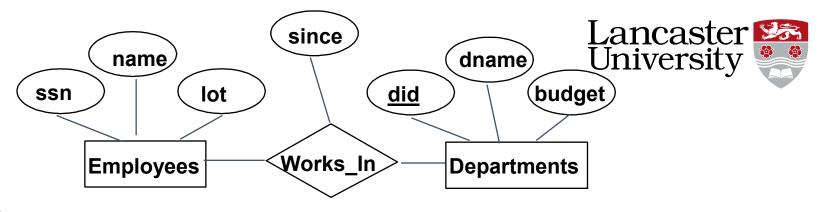
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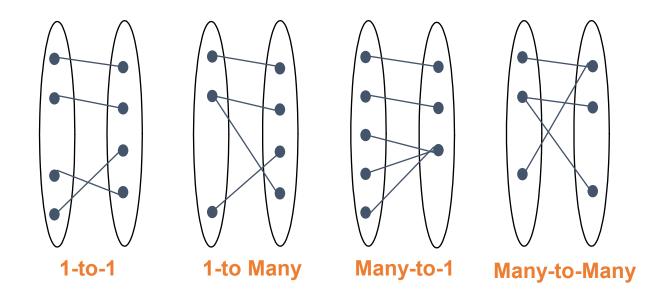
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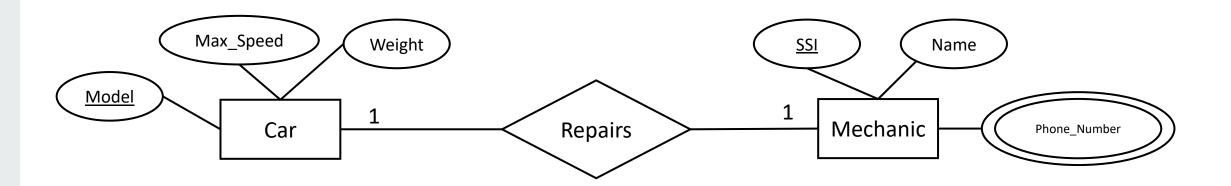
How do we encode cardinality into ER diagrams?



- We use Chen's notation
- 1:1 is for one-to-one
- 1:N is for one to many
- N:1 is for many to one
- N:M is for many to many.

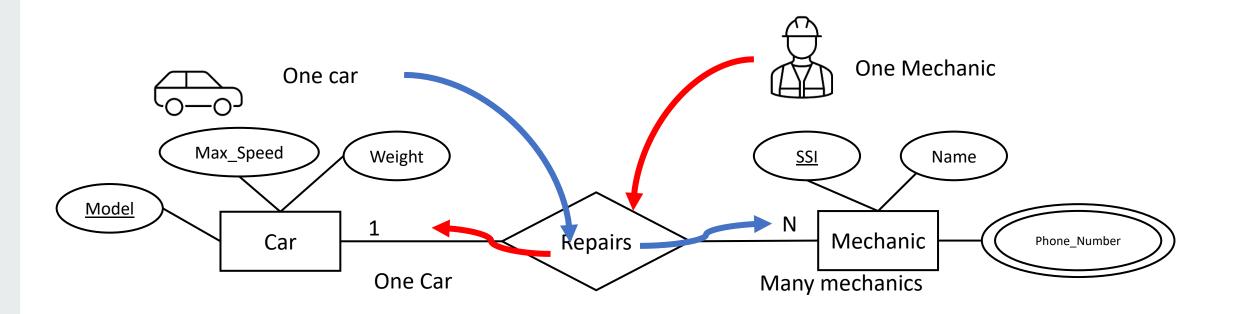
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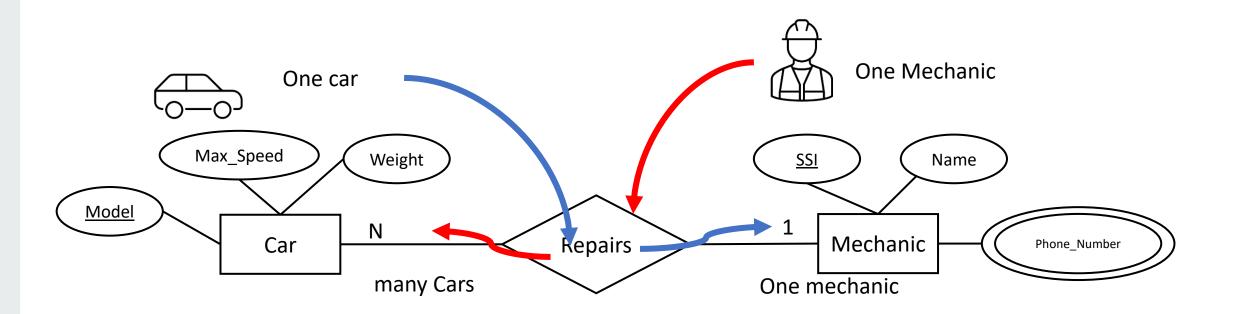




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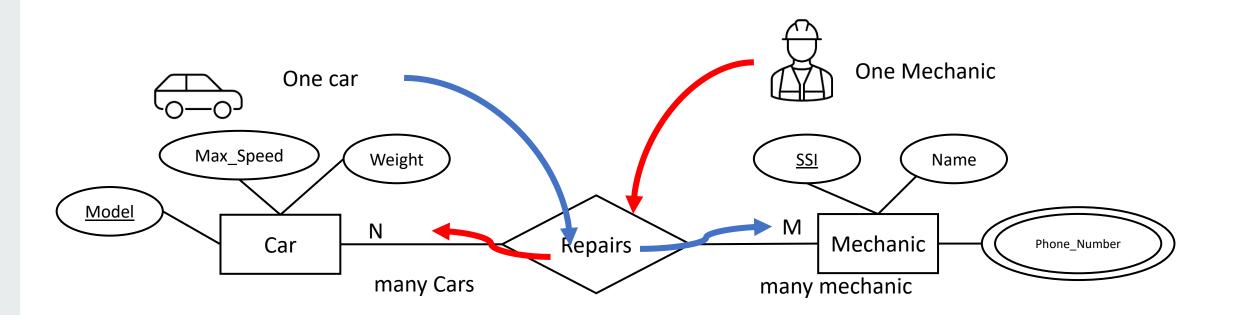




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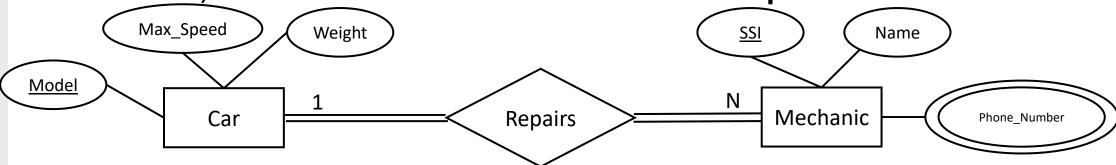


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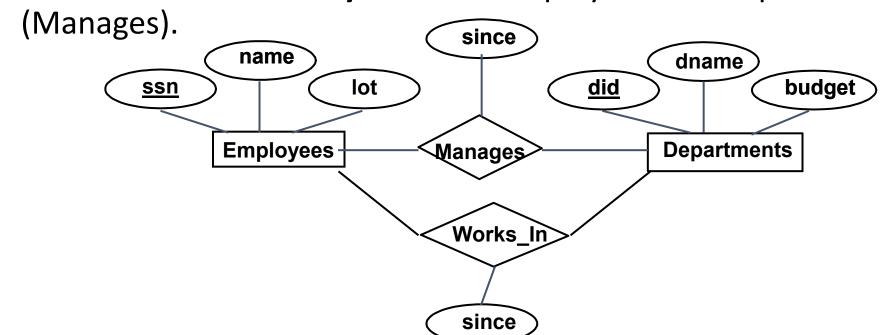
- Can there be a mechanic that can not repair a car?
- If not, we need to state there is a **Total Participation**.



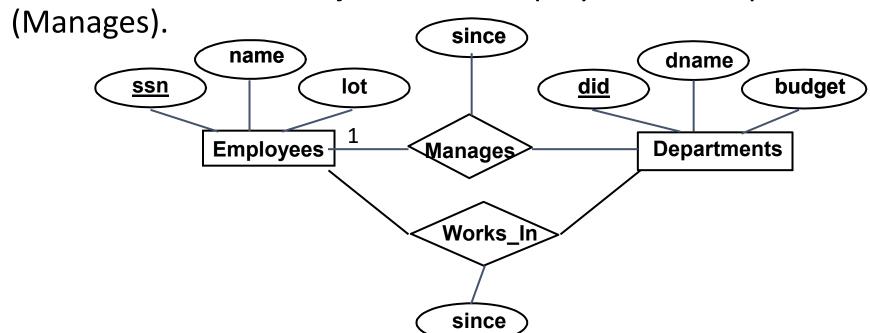
A **double line** identifies total participation.

If so, then it is Partial Participation

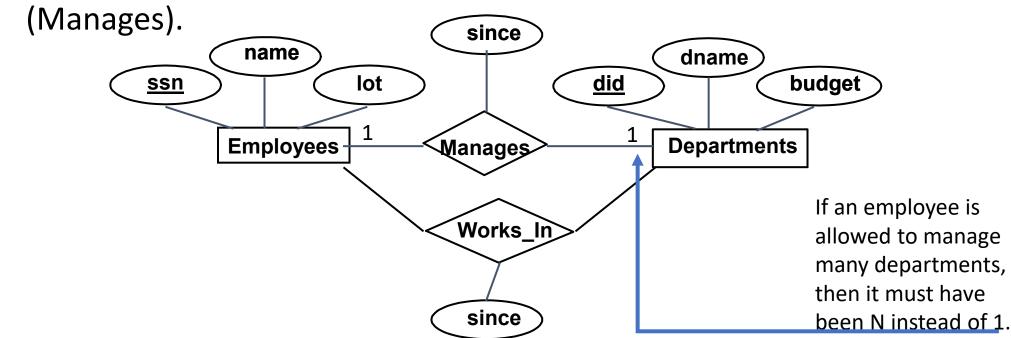




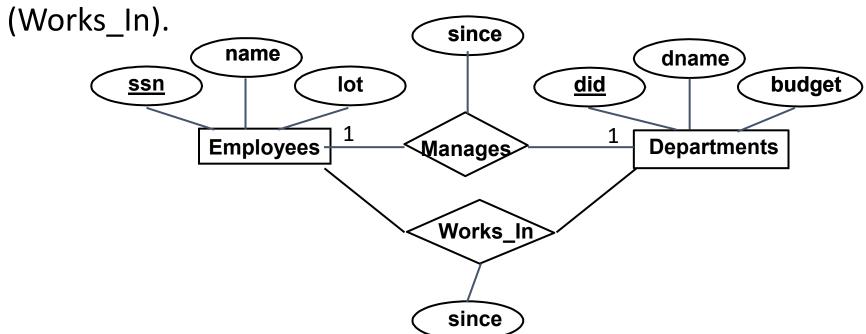




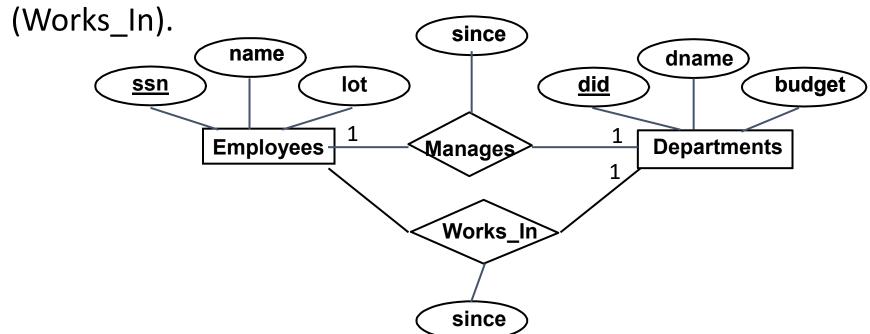




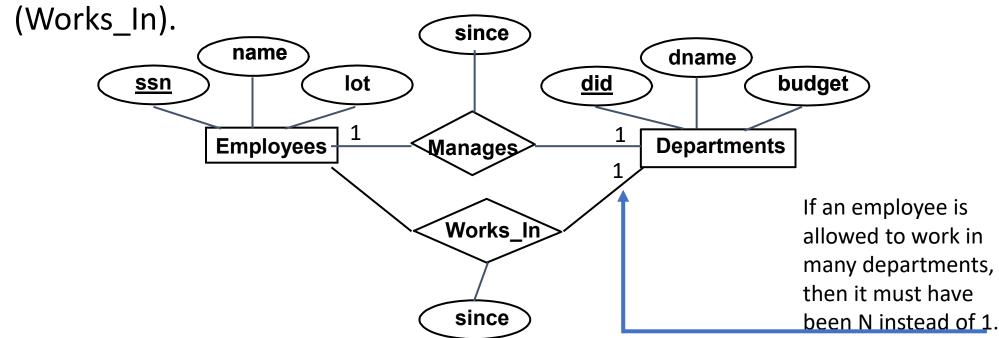




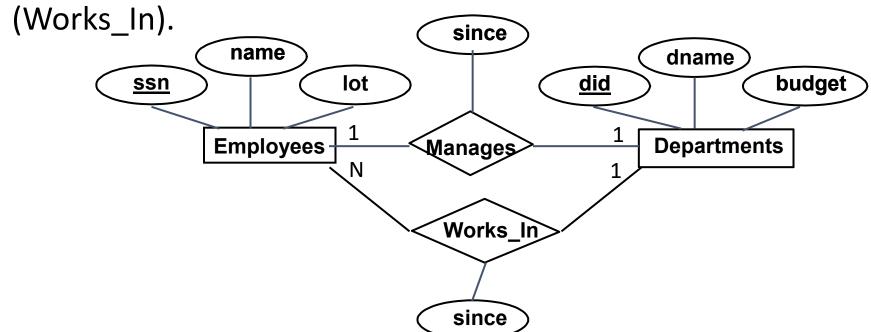




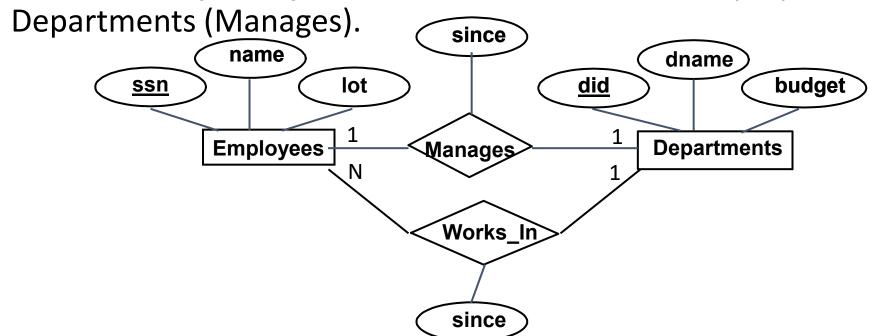




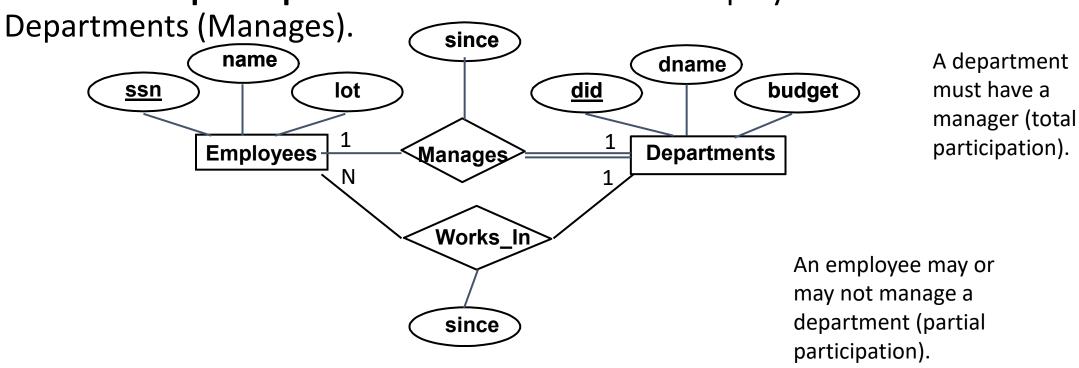




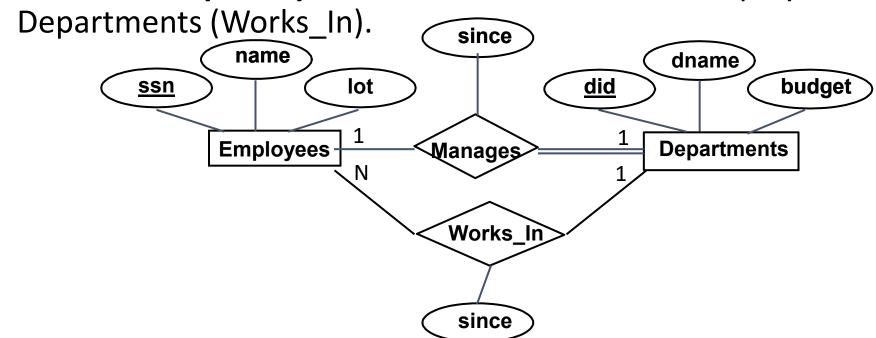




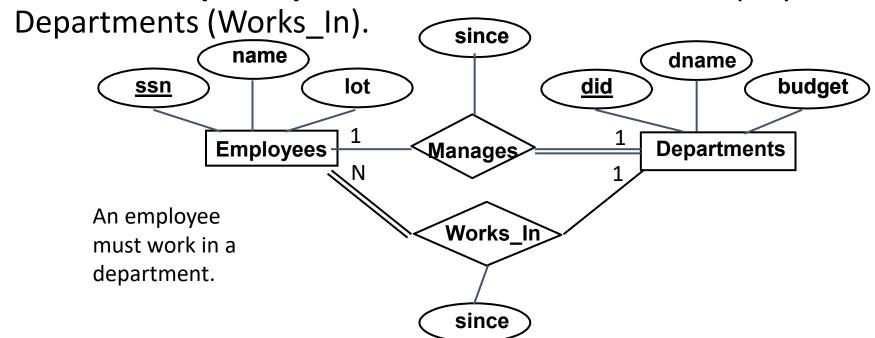




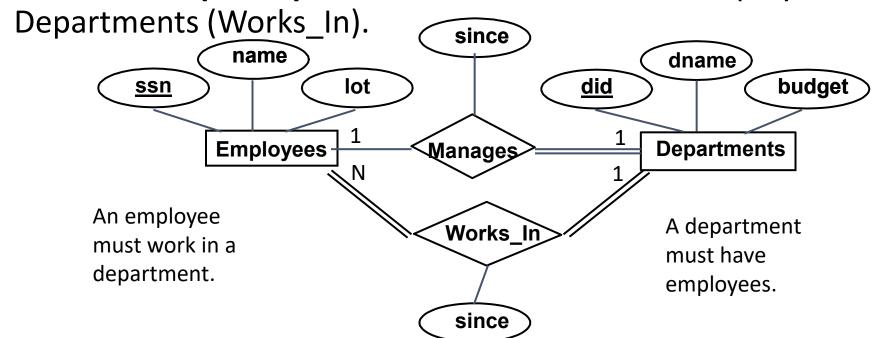








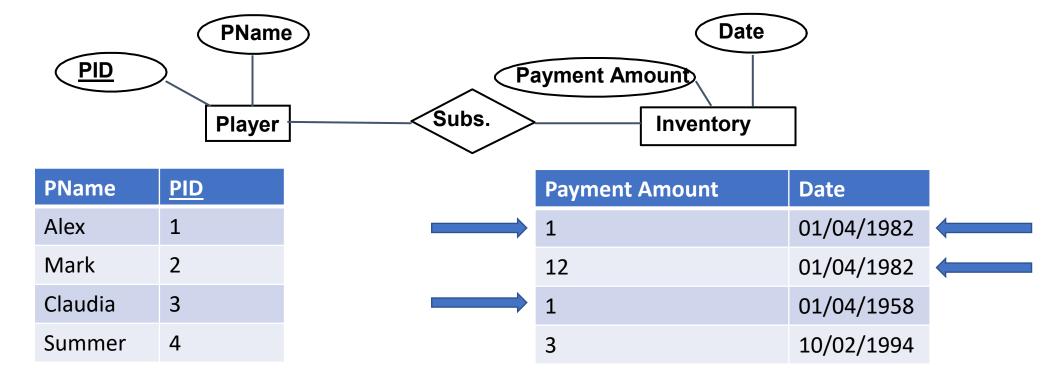




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PID.Date (. i

PID.Date (. is a concatenation op.) is a **compound key** for Inventory Weak Entity Set.

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Week Entity (Inventory)

must relate to identifying

relation (Subs) with Total

PID Payment Amount Player Subs. Inventory

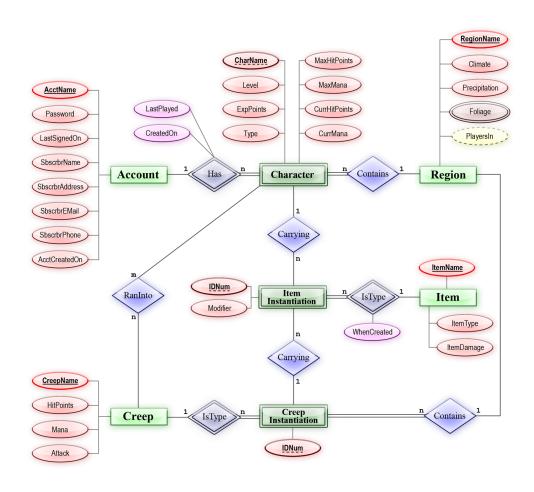
The weak entity attribute used in the compound key is denoted with a dashed underline.

PName	<u>PID</u>	
Alex	1	Week Entity (Inventory)
Mark	2	and identifying relation (Subs) are drawn with double lines.
Claudia	3	
Summer	4	

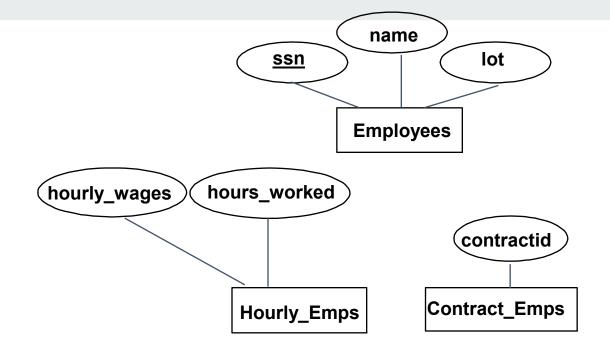
Payment Amount	Date
1	01/04/1982
12	01/04/1982
2	01/04/1958
3	10/02/1994

Massively multiplayer online role-playing game

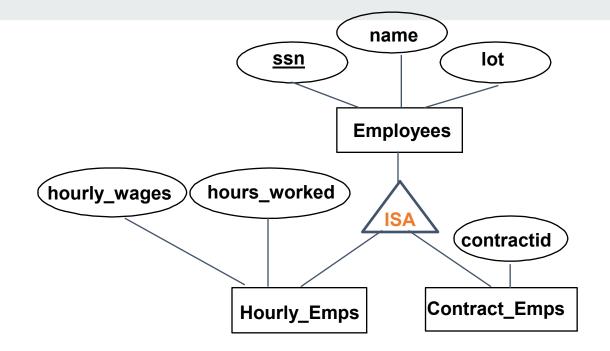




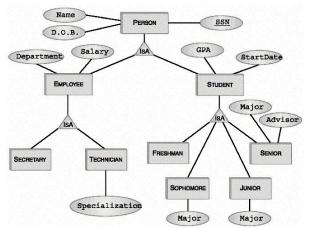
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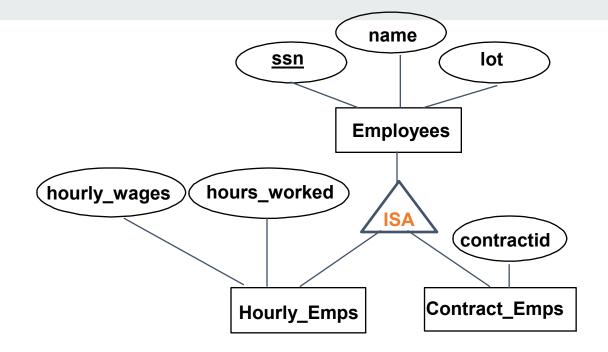


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- Overlap constraints: Can Uraz be an Hourly Employee as well as a Contract Employee?
- Covering constraints: Does every Employee also have to be an Hourly Employee or a Contract Employee?
- Reasons for using ISA:
 - To add descriptive attributes specific to a subclass.
 - To identify entities that participate in a relationship.

Summary

ER concepts

- Entity set
 - Attribute
 - Primary key Attribute
 - Multi-valued attribute
 - Derived attribute
 - Weak entity
- Relationship set
 - Cardinality (1-to-1, 1-to-many, many-to-1, many-to-many)
 - Participation constraint (total participation, partial participation)
 - Weak relation
- There can be several ERDs for a given scenario!

Databases allow us to store a massive amount of data with a logical model.

DBMS' manage databases w.r.t database rules.

ER diagram is a visual medium that allows us to represent databases.

A nice exam question would be like this.



You are asked to design a database of banks in the UK.

- Customers have names, IN, Account No, Balance
- A customer may have different accounts in different branches
- A branch must have at least one customer
- A customer must have an account in a branch
- A branch has a location and unique location ID
- Draw the ER diagram!