Entity-Relational Modeling, Chapter 12

Relational Model versus Entity-Relationship Modeling

relational model

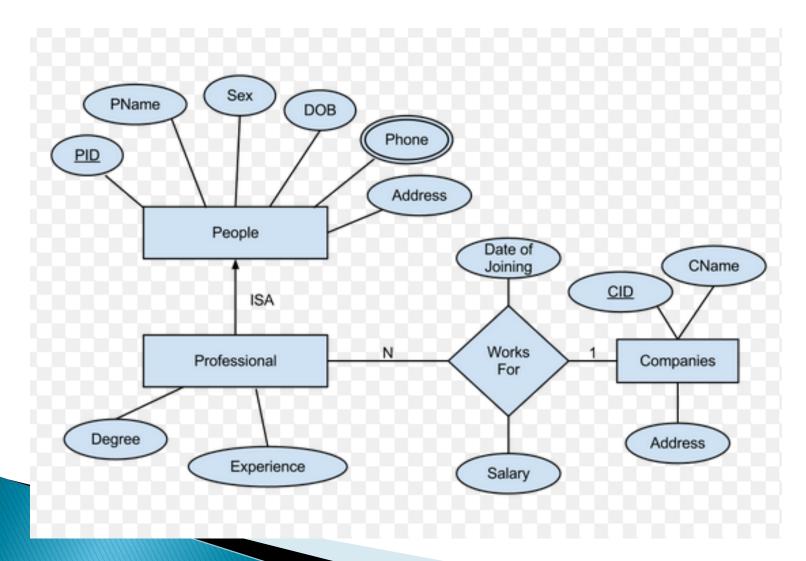
- based on first-order predicate logic,
- formulated by Edgar F. Codd (1969)
- data is represented in terms of tuples, grouped into relations
- Database organized in terms of the relational model is a relational database.

Wikipedia on "Relational Model"

entity-relationship modeling

- top-down approach to database design
- Begin by identifying entities and relationships between the entities

Example: Entity-Relationship (ER) Diagram



Dream Home ER Diagram (pg. 323)

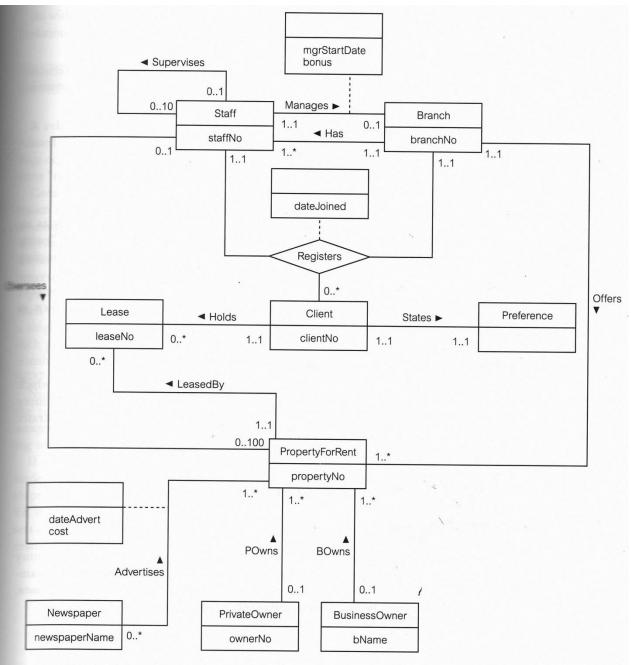
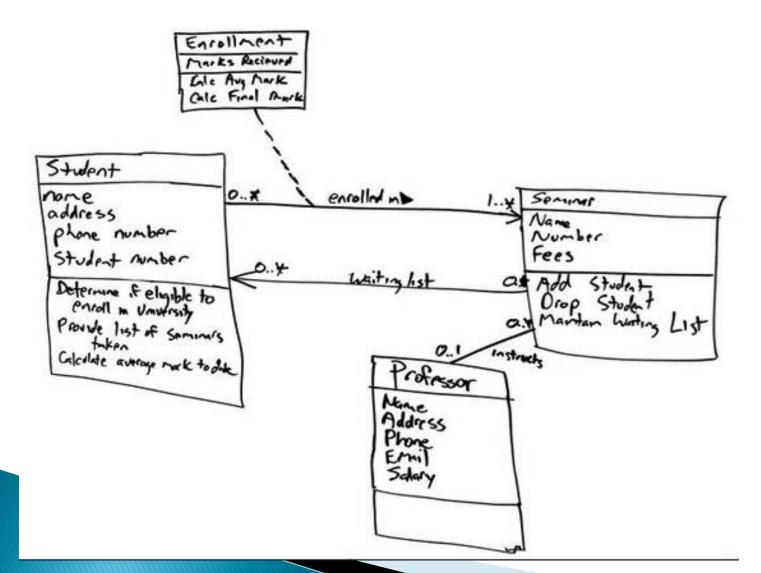


Figure 12.1 An Entity-Relationship (ER) diagram of the Branch view of DreamHome.

Class Diagram with Minimum and Maximum Cardinalities



Universal Modeling Language

• Wikipedia:

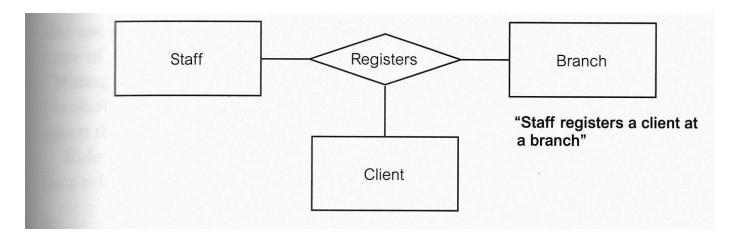
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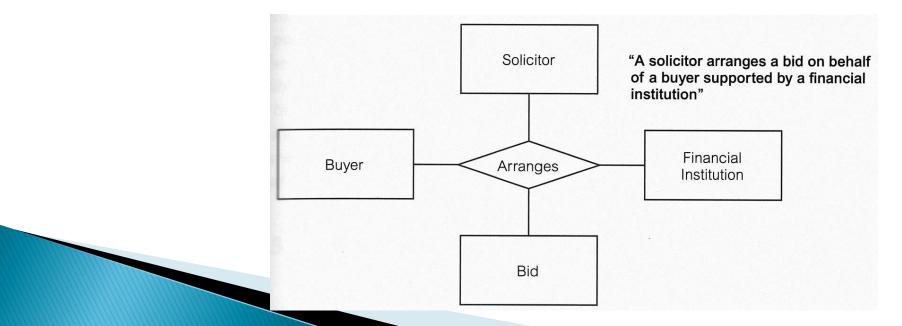
See Section 3 "Diagrams Overview"

14 types of diagrams:

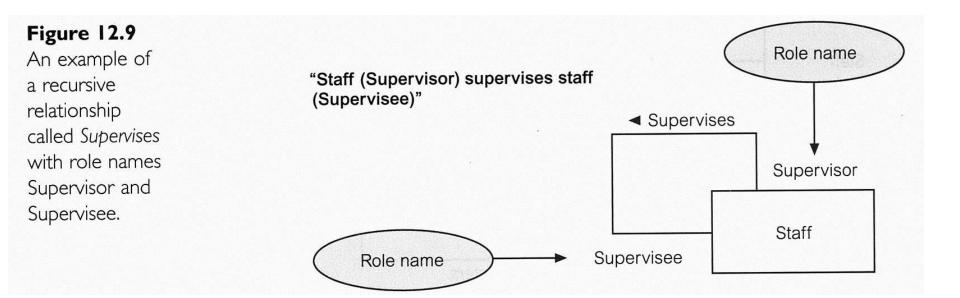
- 7 for structural information and
- 7 for behavior/interactions.

Example Ternary and Quaternary Relationship (pg. 327)

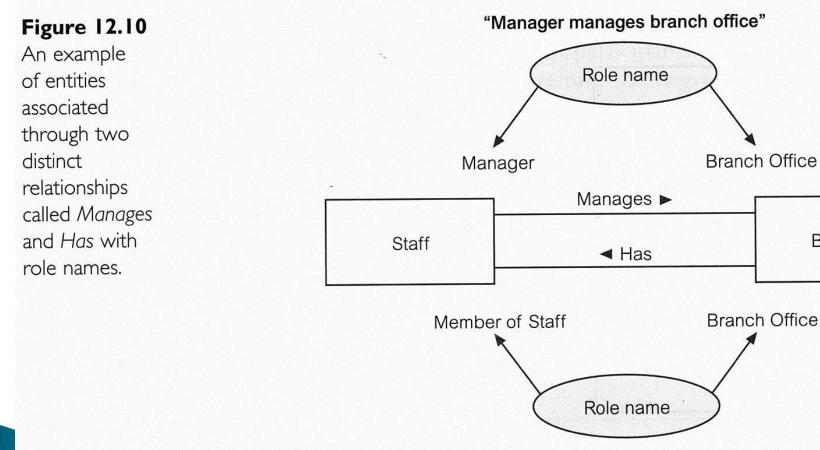




Recursive Relationship (pg. 328)



Two Relationships Between Same Entities (pg. 328)



"Branch office has member of staff"

Branch

Composite, Derived and Multi-Valued Attributes (pg. 332)

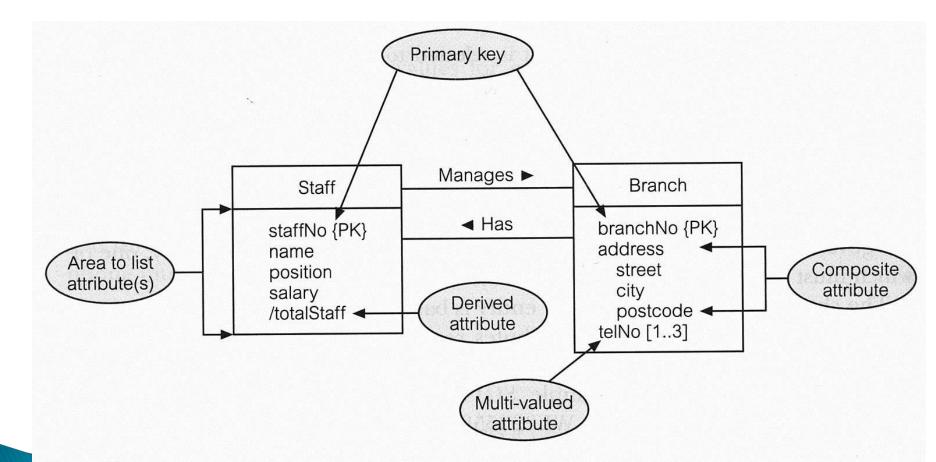


Figure 12.11 Diagrammatic representation of Staff and Branch entities and their attributes.

Strong and Weak Entity (pg. 334)

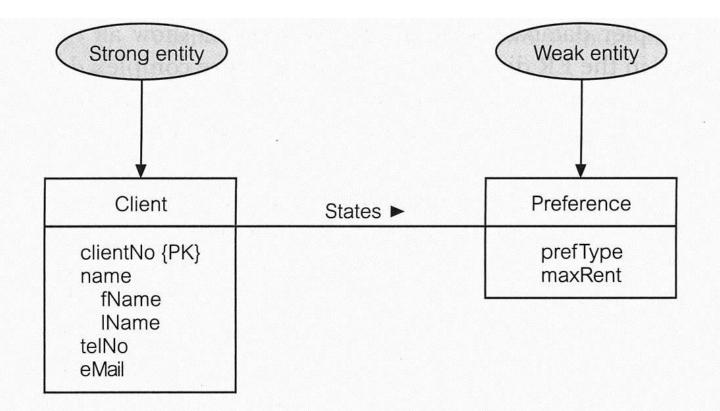


Figure 12.12 A strong entity type called Client and a weak entity type called Preference.

Attributes on Relationship (pg. 335)

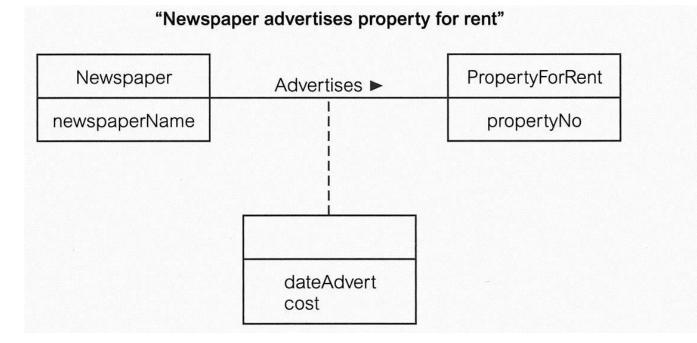
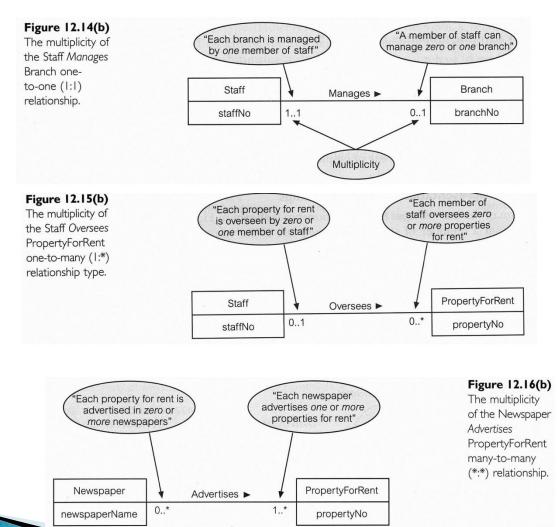


Figure 12.13

An example of a relationship called *Advertises* with attributes dateAdvert and cost.

Cardinalities (pg. 336-339)



Cardinality / Participation (pg. 341)

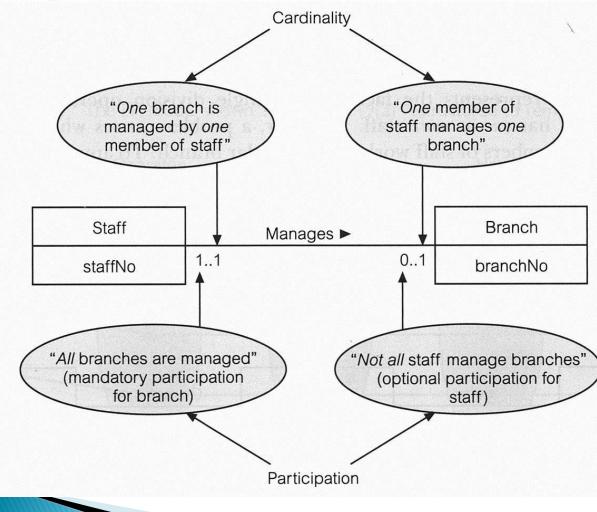
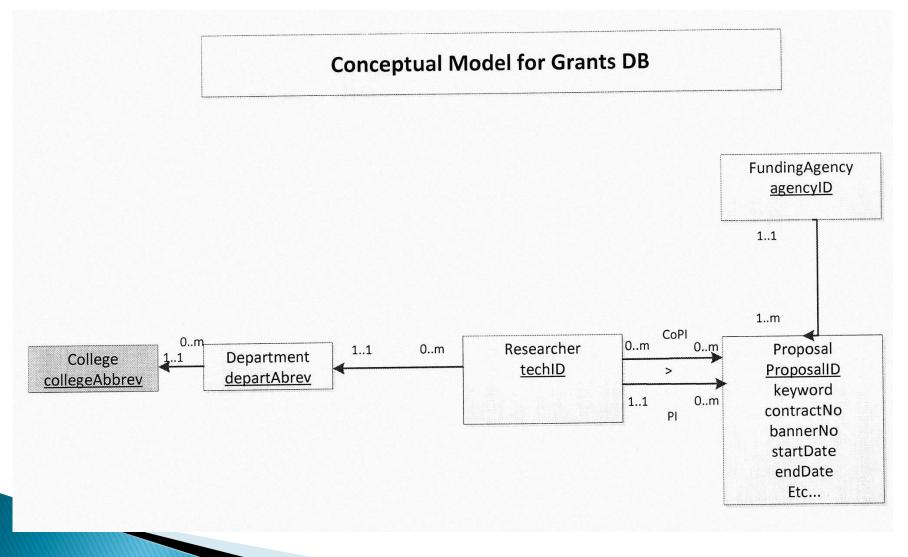


Figure 12.18 Multiplicity described as cardinality and participation constraints for the Staff *Manages* Branch (1:1) relationship.

Sample Conceptual Model



Related (Enhanced) Logical Model

