

GEOG 580

Data Management for GIS

Entity-Relationship Data Model



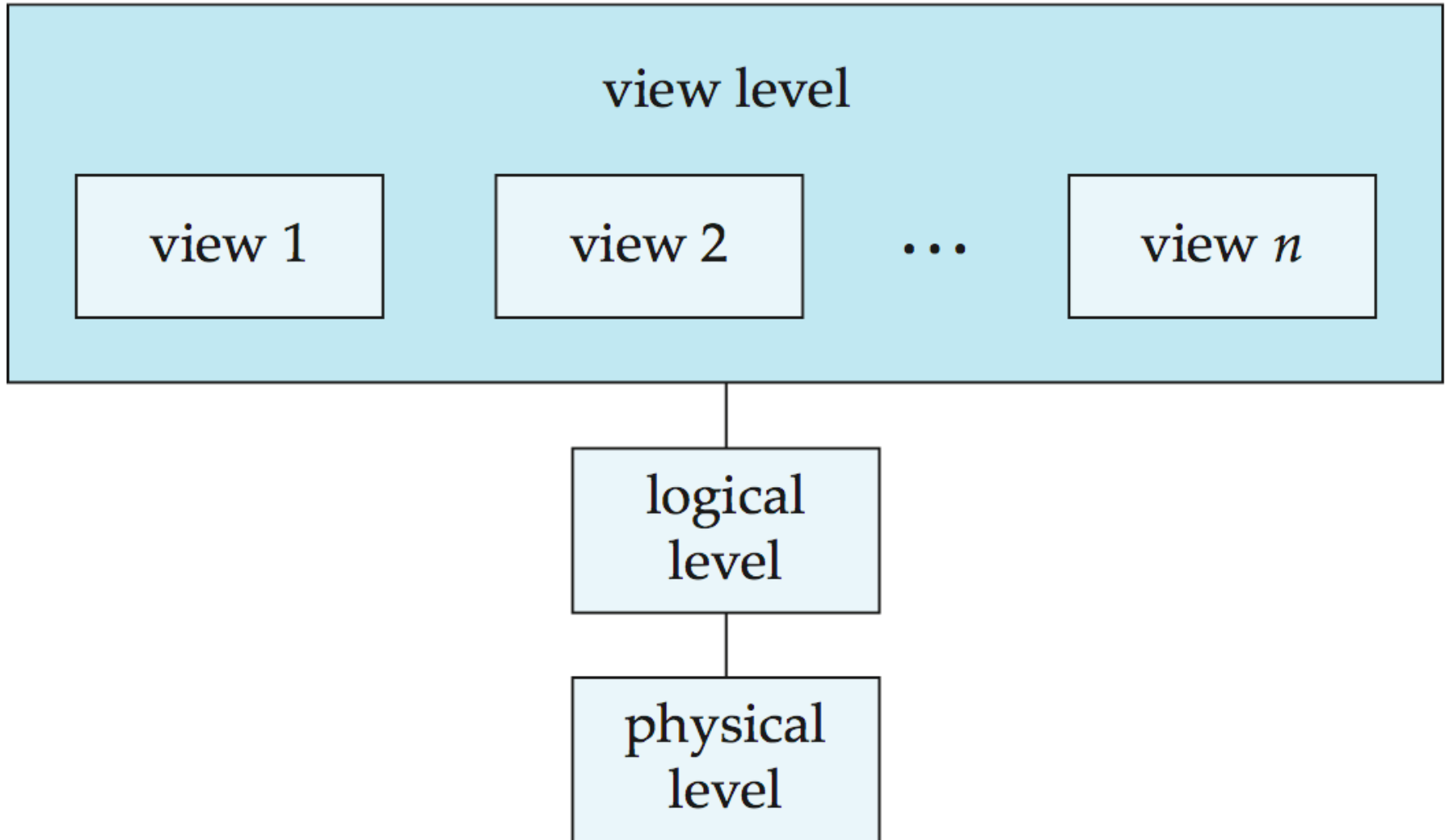
Recap

- **Structured Query Language (SQL)**
 - **Combining queries**
 - **Join**
 - **Subqueries**
 - **Aggregates & Misc.**

- **Entity-Relationship (ER) Data Model**
- **Database Normalization**

Entity Relationship (ER) Data Model

Levels of Abstraction



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- ❑ **Physical level:** describes how a record (e.g., a student) is stored.
- ❑ **Logical level:** *describes what data* are stored in the database, and *what relationships exist* among those data. The logical level thus describes the entire database in terms of a small number of relatively simple structures. Implementation of the simple structures at the logical level may involve complex physical-level structures.
- ❑ **View level:** describes only part of the entire database. Application programs hide details of data types. Views can also hide information for security purposes. The system may provide many views for the same database. Many users need to access only a part of the database.

DB Design Phase

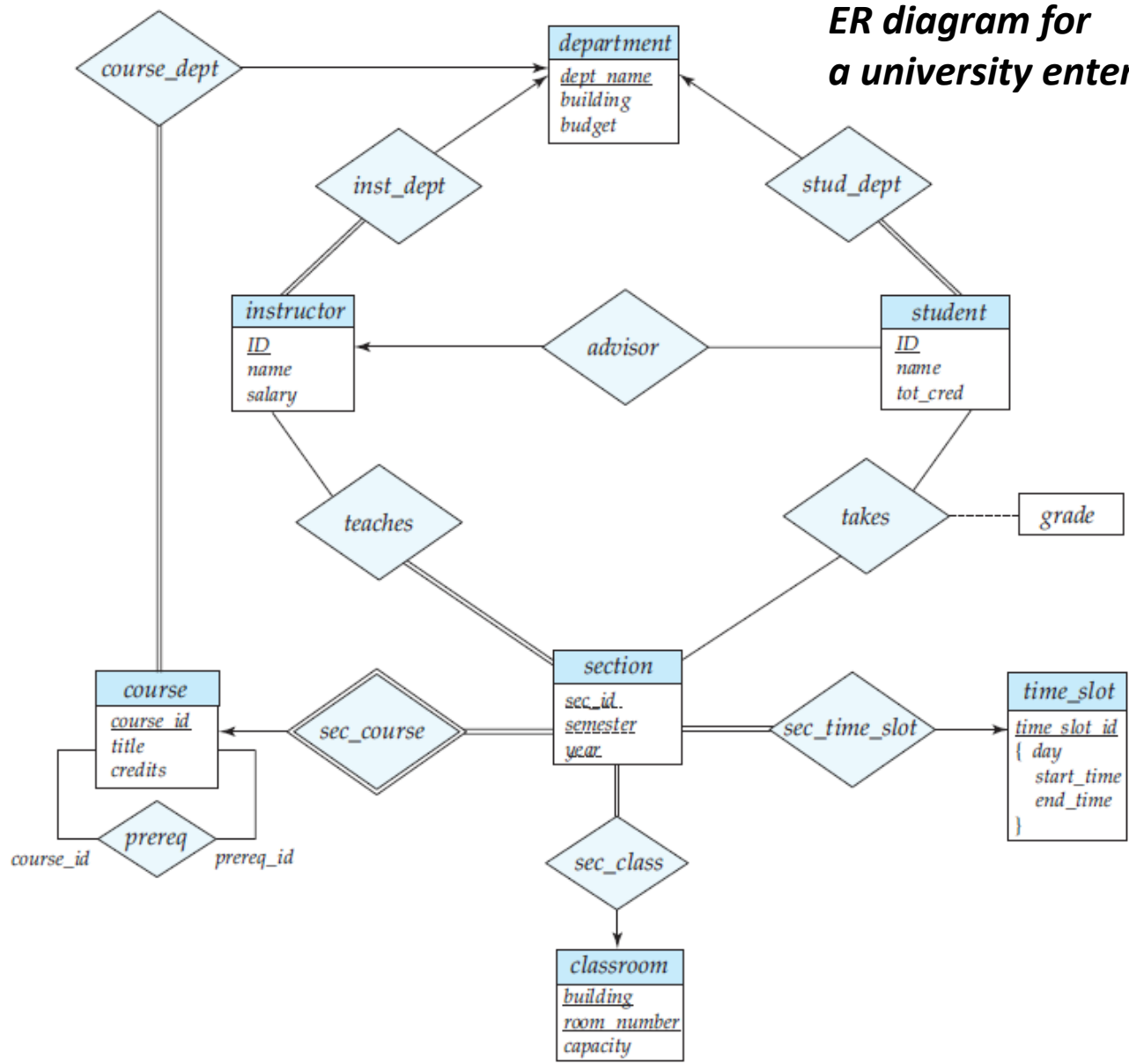
1. Characterize fully the data needs of the prospective database users
2. Select a data model
e.g.) relational, object-oriented, ...
3. Apply the concepts of the selected data model and translates these requirements into a conceptual schema of the database
4. Logical Design: Deciding on the database schema
5. Physical Design: Deciding on the physical layout of the database

Design Approaches: ER Data Model

- ❑ Facilitates database design by allowing specification of an enterprise schema that represents the over all logical structure of a database.
- ❑ Maps the meanings and interactions of real-world enterprises onto a conceptual schema.
- ❑ Three basic concepts:
 - 1. *Entity sets***
 - 2. *Relationship sets***
 - 3. *Attributes***
- ❑ ER Diagram: A diagrammatic representation of the ER data model

ER Data Model

ER diagram for
a university enterprise



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Entity Sets

- ❑ An **entity** is a “thing” or “object” in the real world that is distinguishable from all other objects.
e.g.) *specific person, company event*
- ❑ An **entity set** is a set of entities of the same type that share the same **properties**, or **attributes**.
e.g.) *instructor=(ID, name, age, salary)*
course=(course_id, title, credits, capacity)
- ❑ Each entity has a **value** for each of its **attributes**.
e.g.) *instructor1 = (12121, Smith, 45, 90000)*
- ❑ **Primary Key**: An attribute of the entity set, which uniquely identifying each member of the set

Entity Sets

Entity sets *instructor* and *student*

student_id **student_name**

98988	Tanaka
12345	Shankar
00128	Zhang
76543	Brown
76653	Aoi
23121	Chavez
44553	Peltier

student

ID **instructor_name**

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Relationship Sets

□ A **relationship** is an association among several entities

e.g.)

44553 (Peltier)
student entity

advisor
relationship

22222 (Einstein)
instructor entity

□ A **relationship set** is a set of relationships of the same type

- A mathematical relation among $n \geq 2$ entities, each taken from entity sets

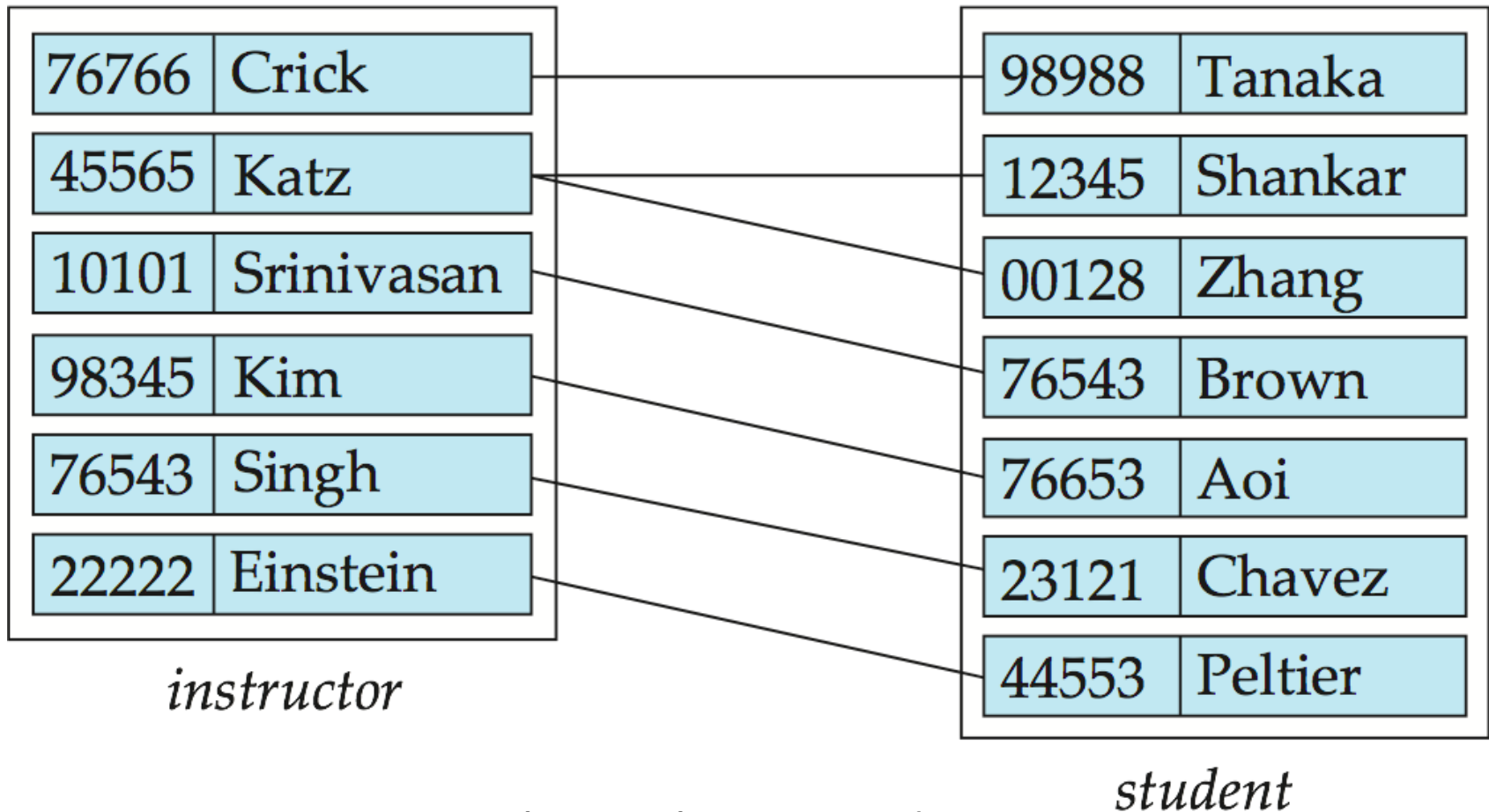
$$\{(e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n) \mid e_1 \in E_1, e_2 \in E_2, \dots, e_n \in E_n\}$$

where (e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n) is a relationship

e.g.)

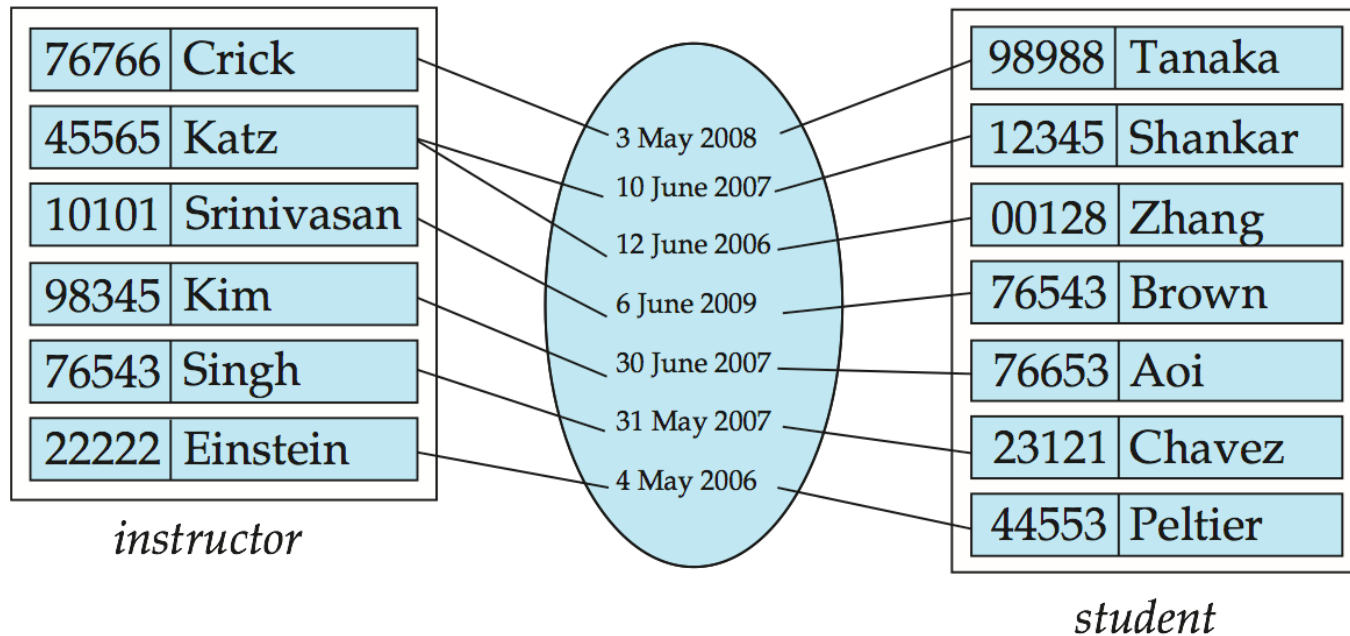
$(44553, 22222) \in \text{advisor}$

Relationship Sets



Relationship Sets

- An **attribute** can be associated with a **relationship set**
e.g.) the *advisor* relationship set between *instructor* and *student*
may have the attribute *date* which tracks when the student started
being associated with the advisor.



Relationship Set: *Advisor* by date

Relationship Sets: Degree

☐ Binary relationship

- involves two entity sets (or degree two)
- most relationship sets in a database system are binary

☐ Relationships between more than two entity sets are rare (most relationships are binary)

e.g.)

students work on research projects under the guidance of an instructor.

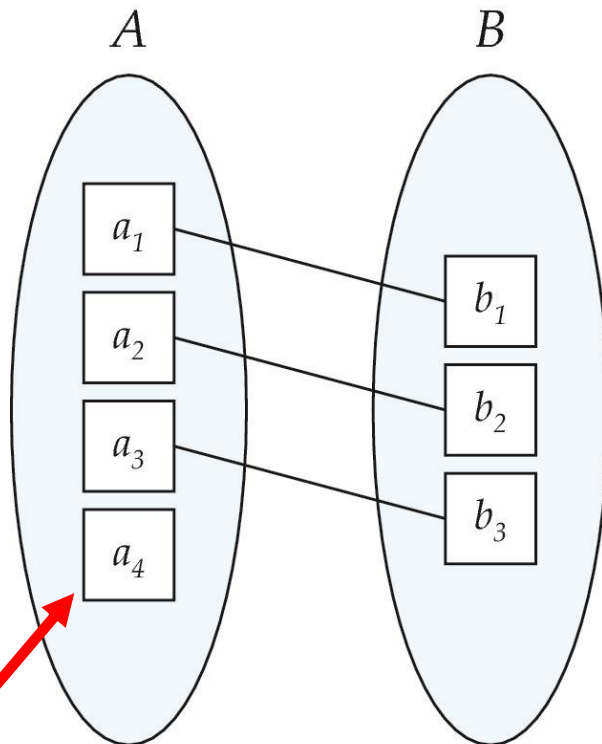
* relationship *proj_guide* is a ternary relationship between *instructor*, *student*, and *project*

Relationship Sets: Cardinality Constraints

- ❑ Express the number of entities to which another entity can be associated via a relationship set
- ❑ Most useful in describing binary relationship sets
- ❑ For a binary relationship set the mapping cardinality must be one of the following types:
 - **one to one**
 - **one to many**
 - **many to one**
 - **many to many**

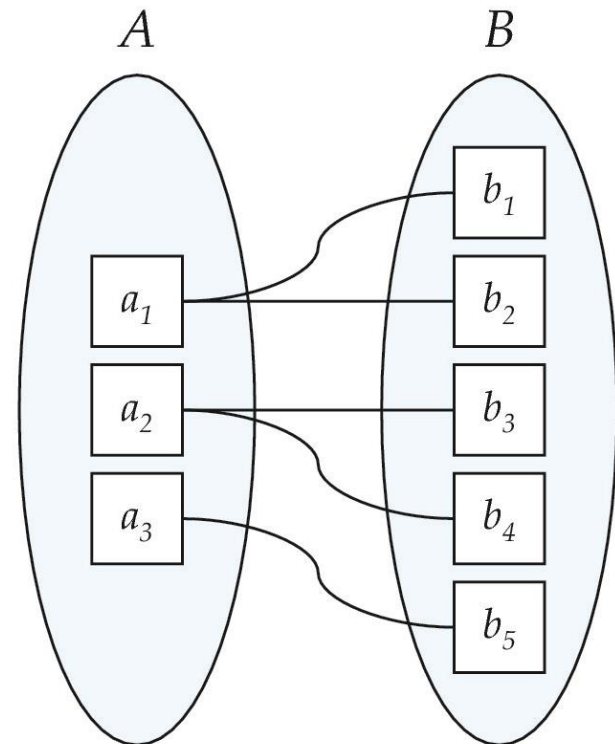
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one to one



(a)

one to many

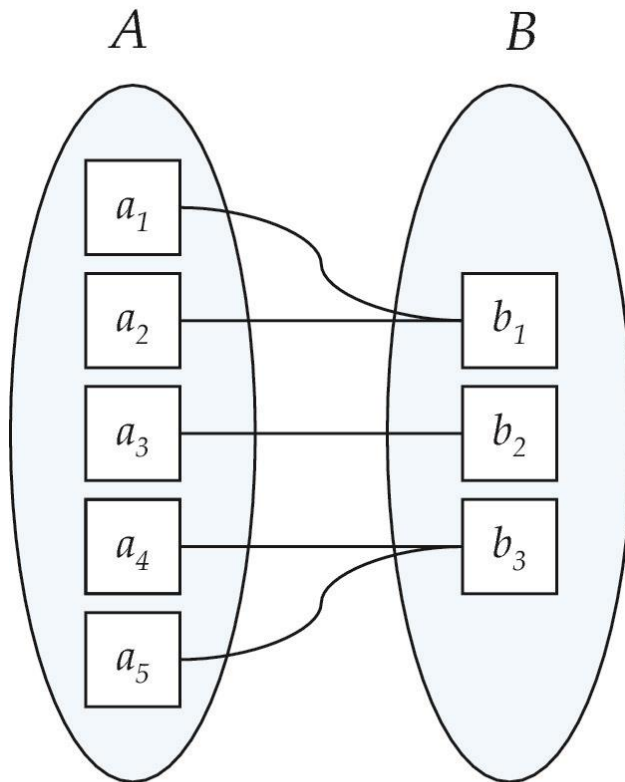


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* Some elements in A and B may not be mapped to any elements in the other set

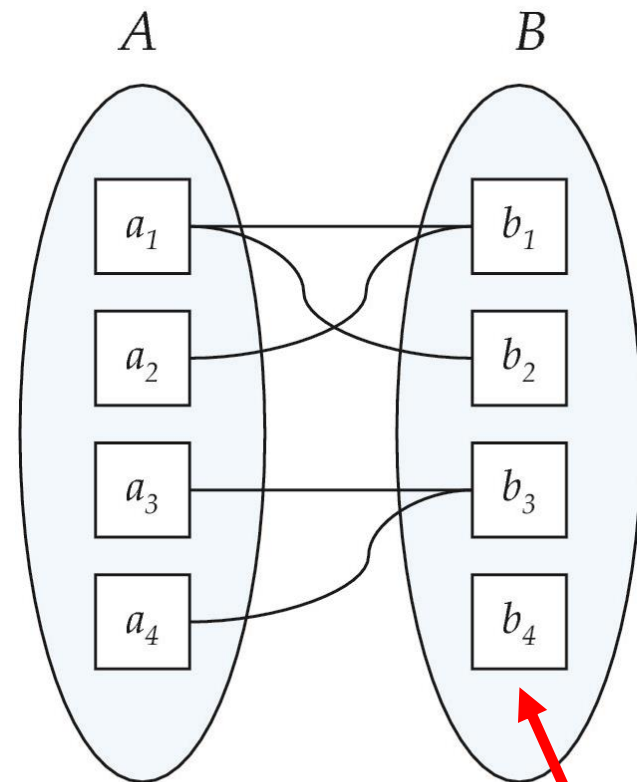
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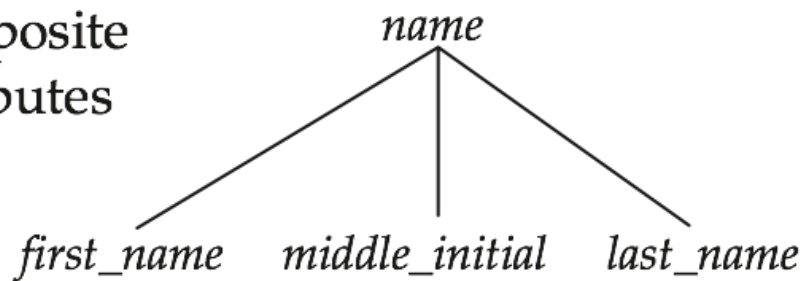
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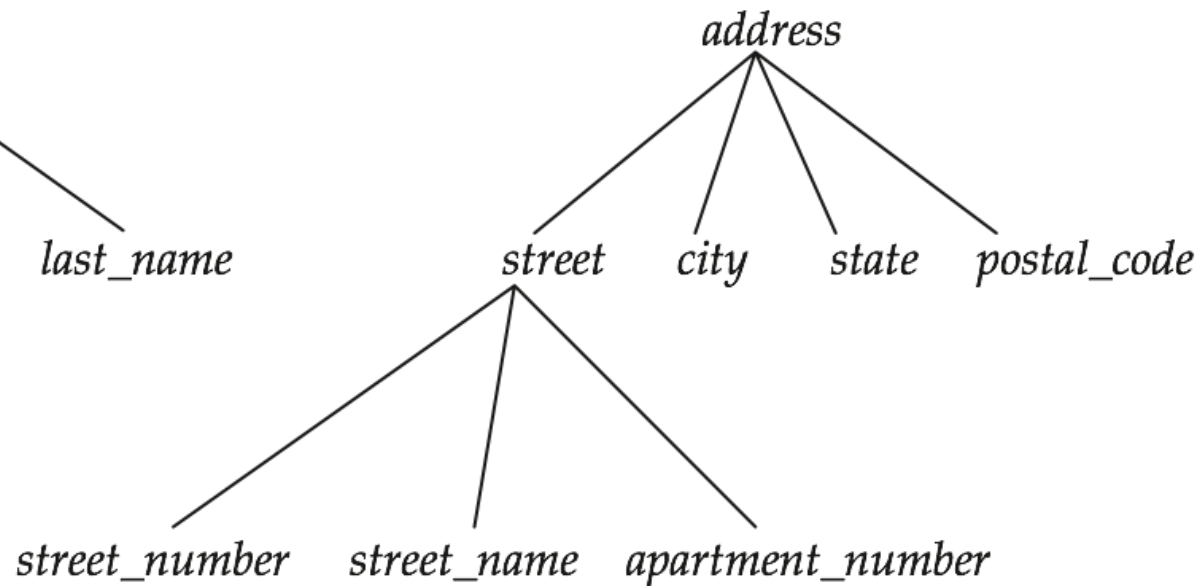
- ❑ An attribute (or field) defines a characteristic of an entity set.
- ❑ Attribute types:
 - **Simple** and **Composite** attributes
 - Composite attributes can be divided into subparts (e.g., address)
 - **Single-valued** and **Multivalued** attributes
 - e.g.) Multivalued attributes: phone number (home, work, cell)
 - **Derived** attributes
 - Can be computed from other attributes (e.g. age, given DOB)
- ❑ **Domain**: the set of permitted values for each attributes
 - e.g.) class grade = {A, B, C, D, E, F}

Attributes

composite
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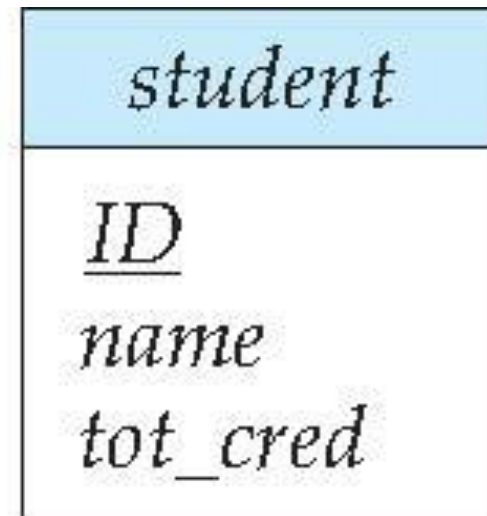
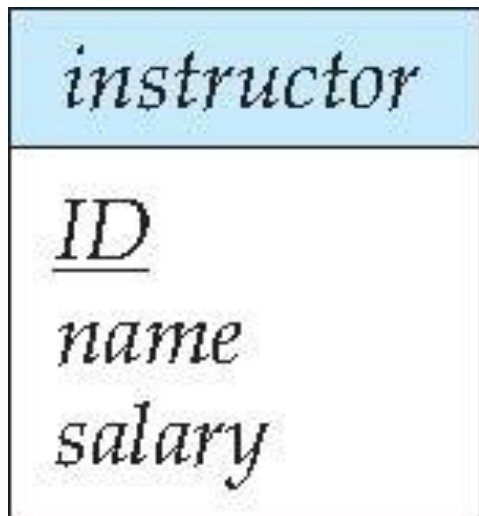
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E-R Diagram

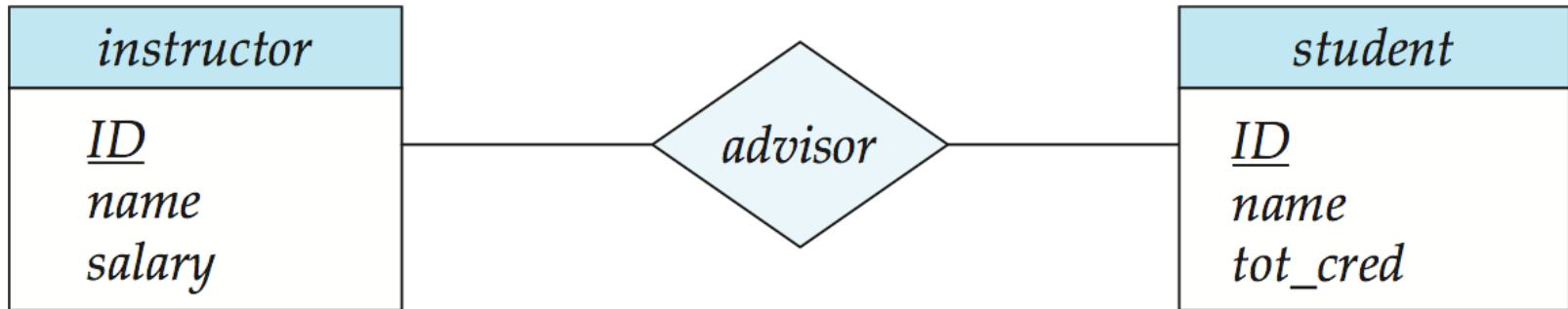
Entity Sets

- Entities can be represented graphically as follows:
- Rectangles represent entity sets.
 - Attributes listed inside entity rectangle
 - Underline indicates primary key attributes



Relationship Sets

- ❑ Diamonds represent relationship sets

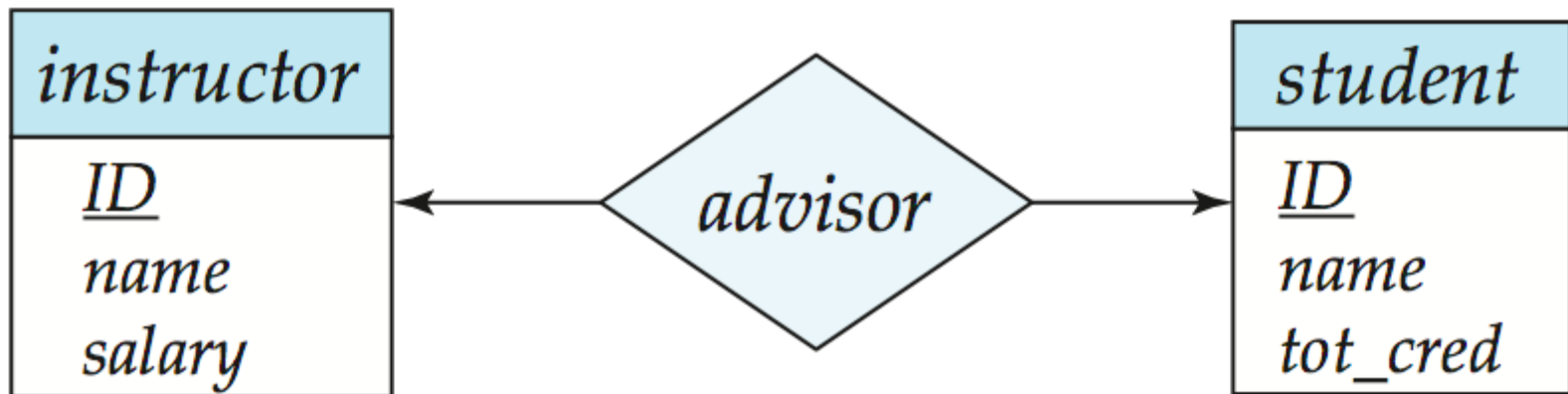


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- Drawing either a directed line (\rightarrow), signifying “one,” or an undirected line ($—$), signifying “many,” between the relationship set and the entity set.

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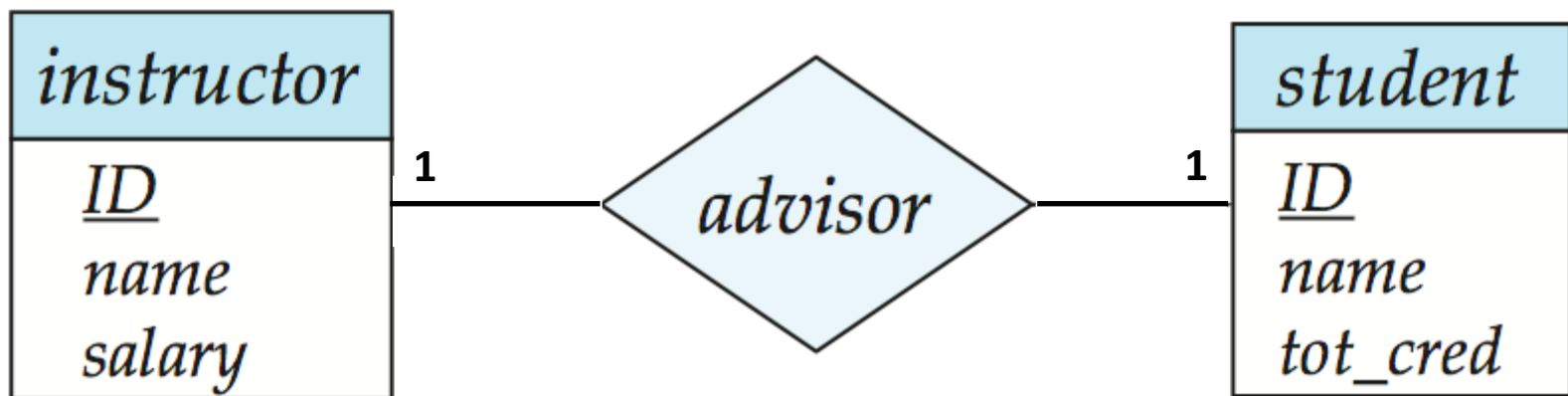


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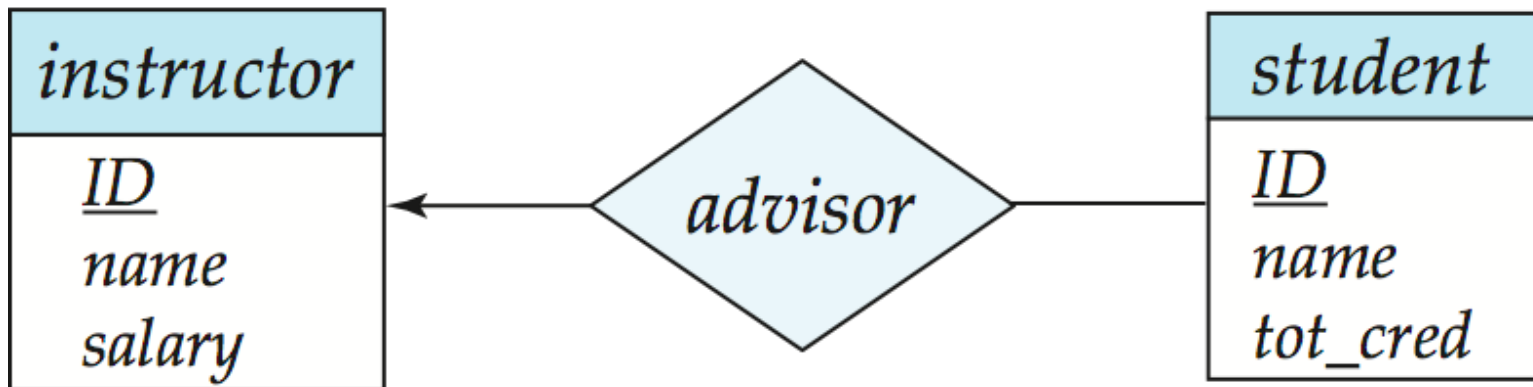


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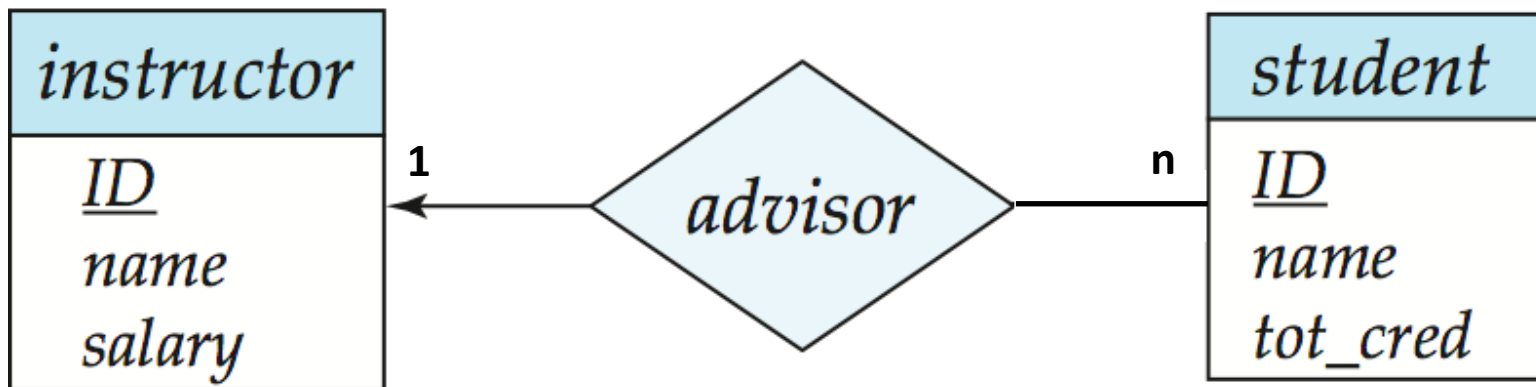


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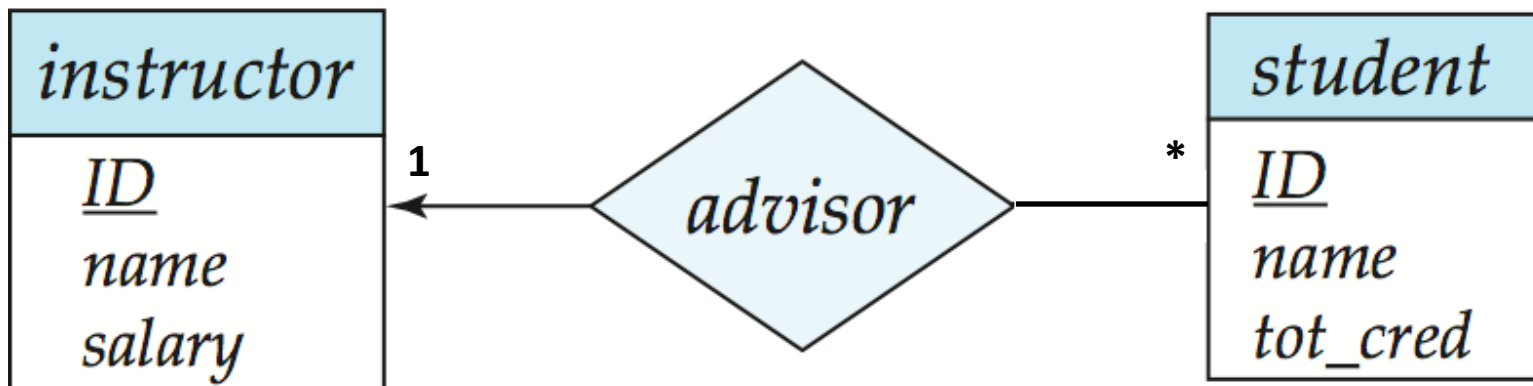


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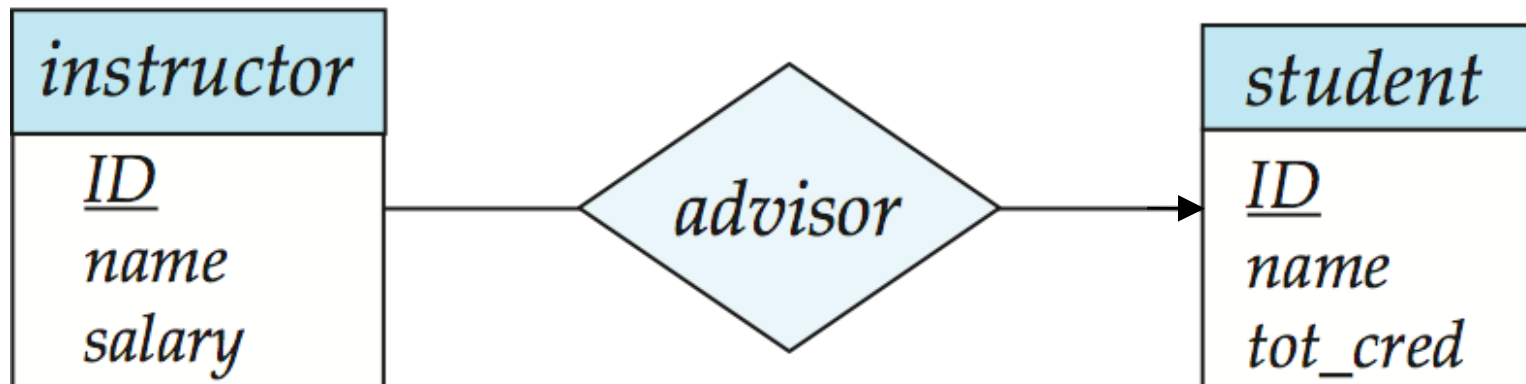


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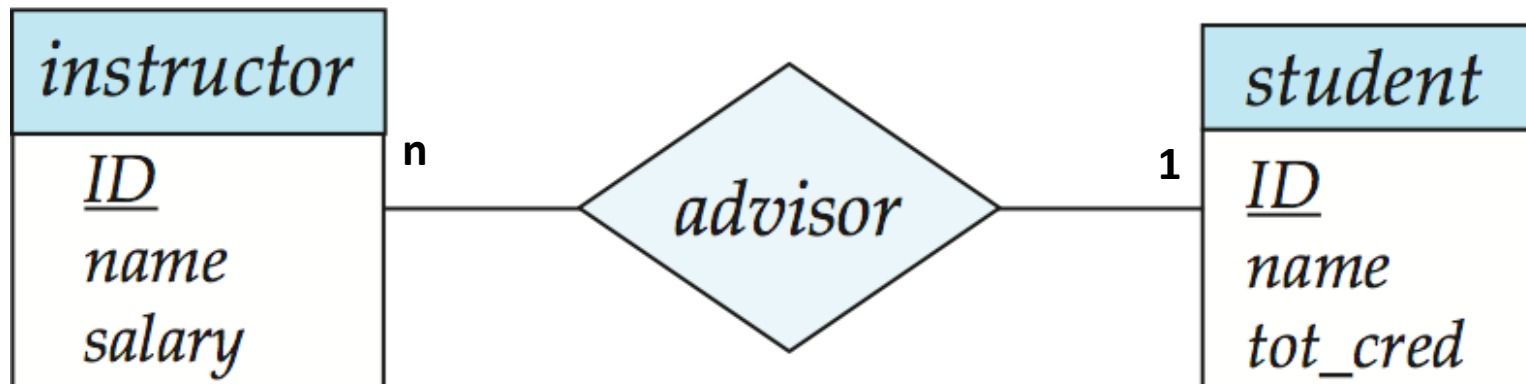


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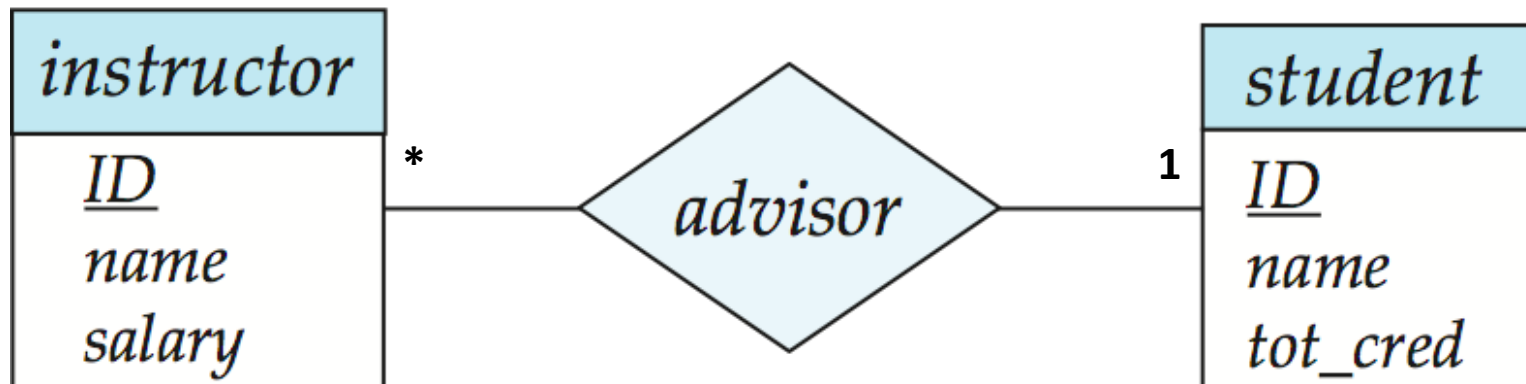


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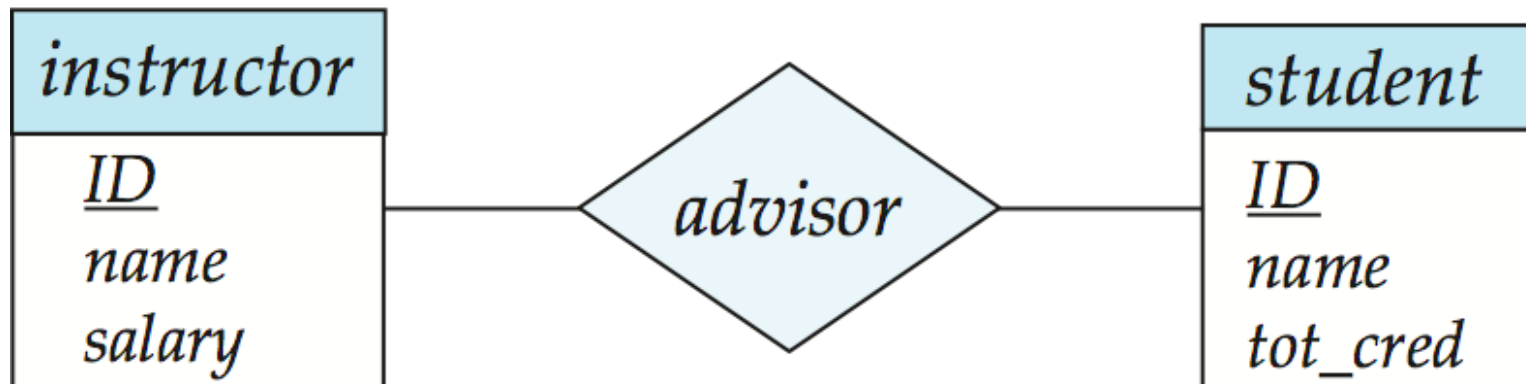


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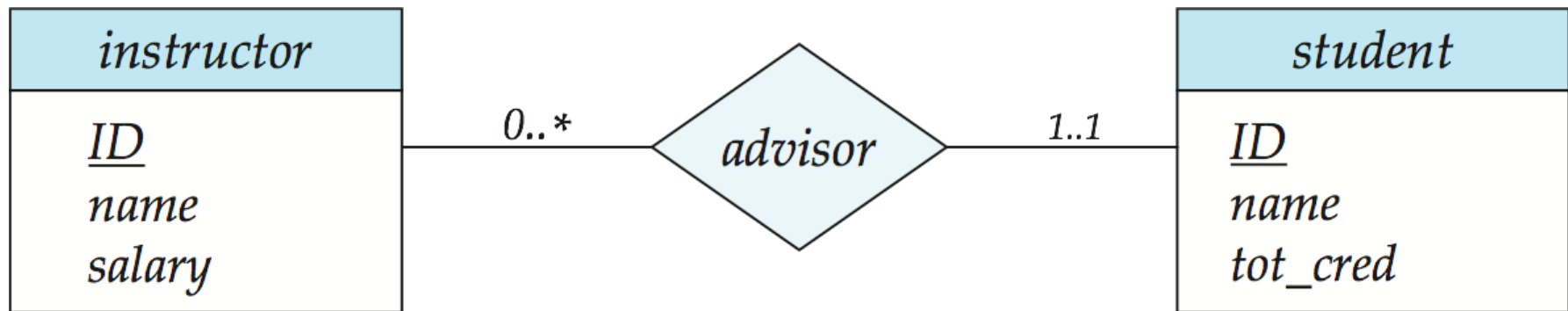
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Cardinality Constraints

□ A line may have an associated minimum and maximum cardinality, shown in the form $l..h$, where l is the minimum and h the maximum cardinality

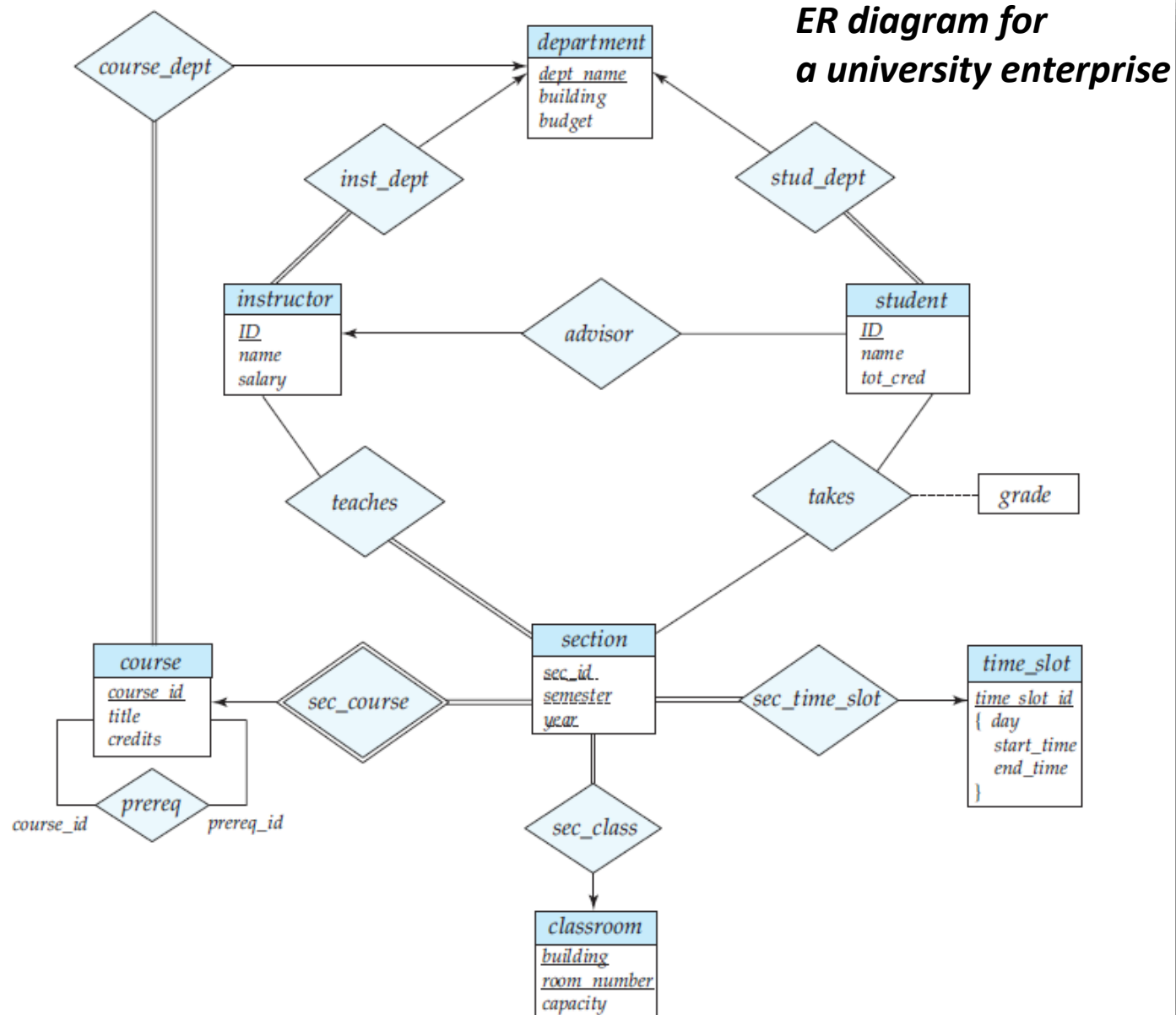
- A minimum value of 1 indicates total participation
- A maximum value of 1 indicates that the entity participates in at most one relationship
- A maximum value of * indicates no limit



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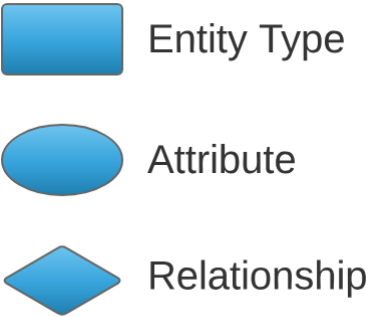
- Instructor can advise 0 or more students.
- A student must have 1 advisor; cannot have multiple advisor

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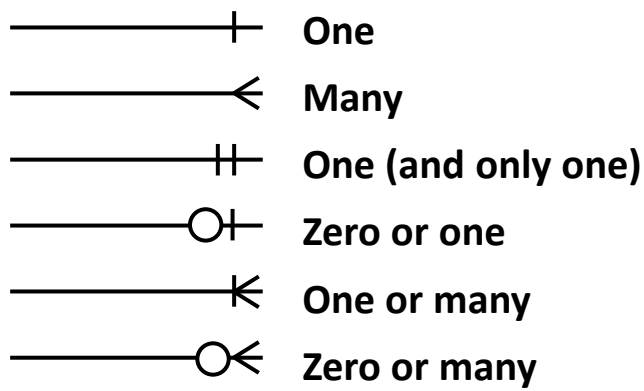


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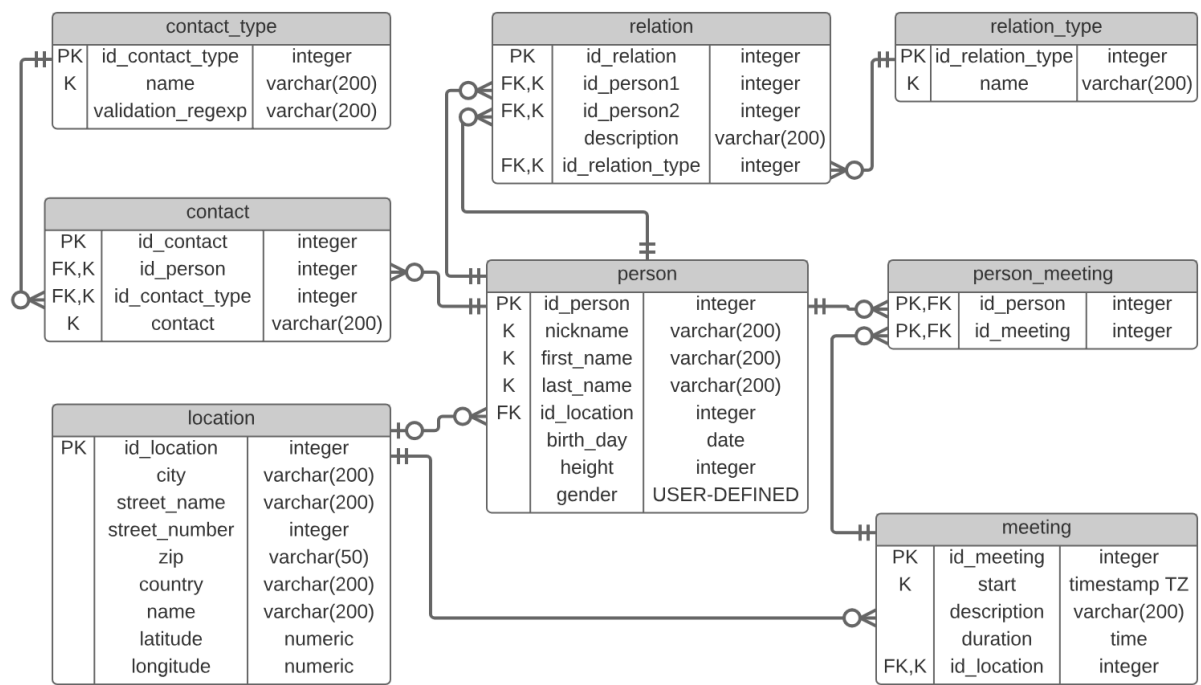
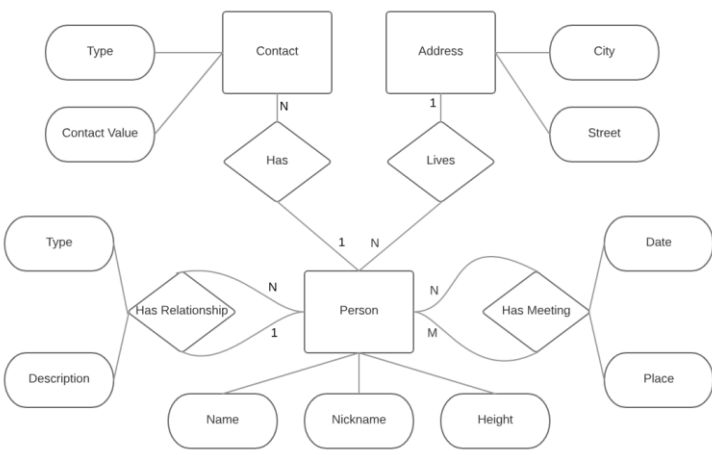
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Crow's foot notation (Cardinality)



Logical Model



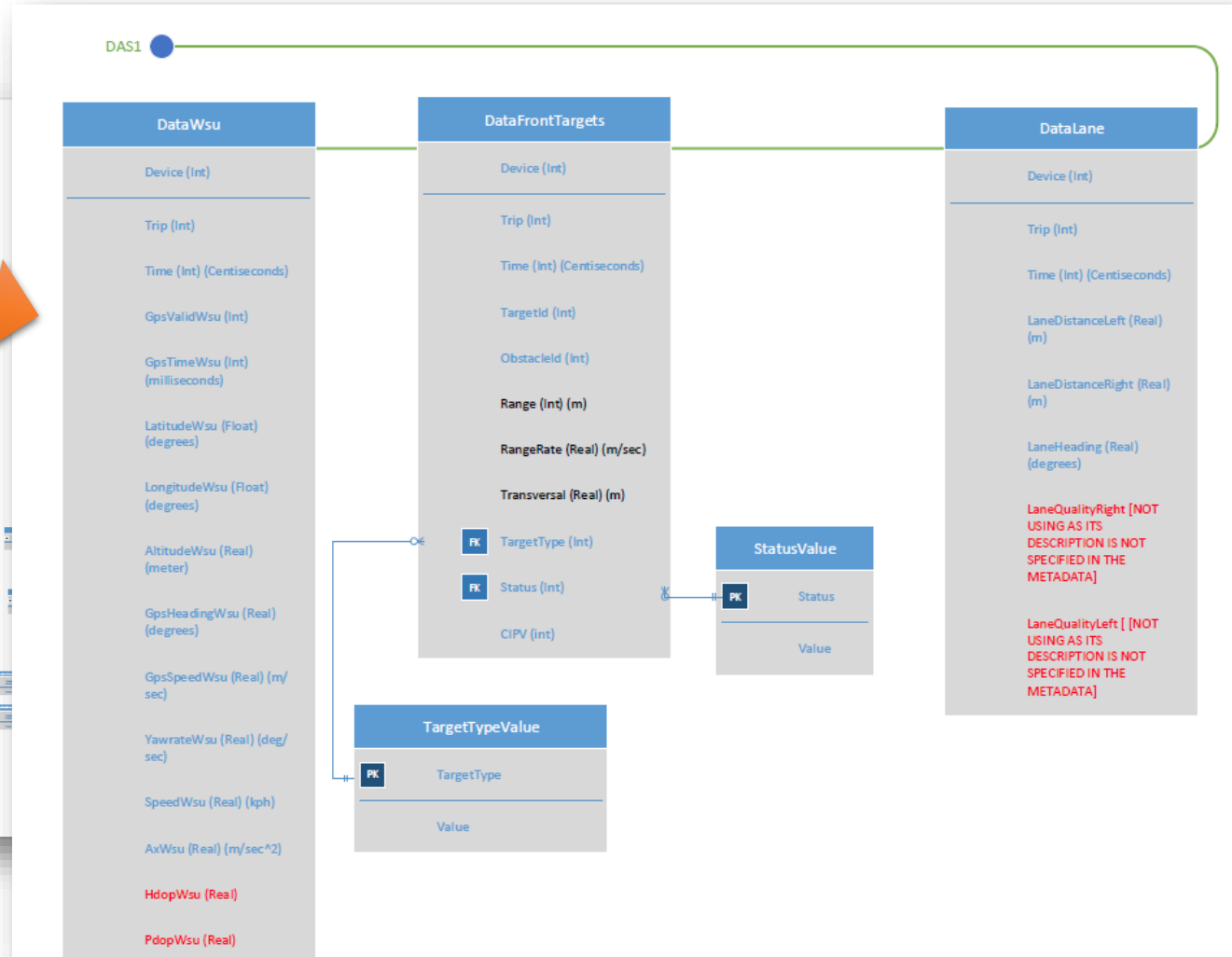
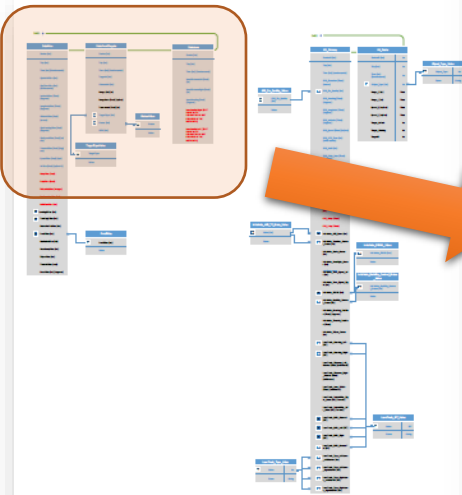
Physical Model with Crow's foot notation

ER Diagram Example: SafeD Project



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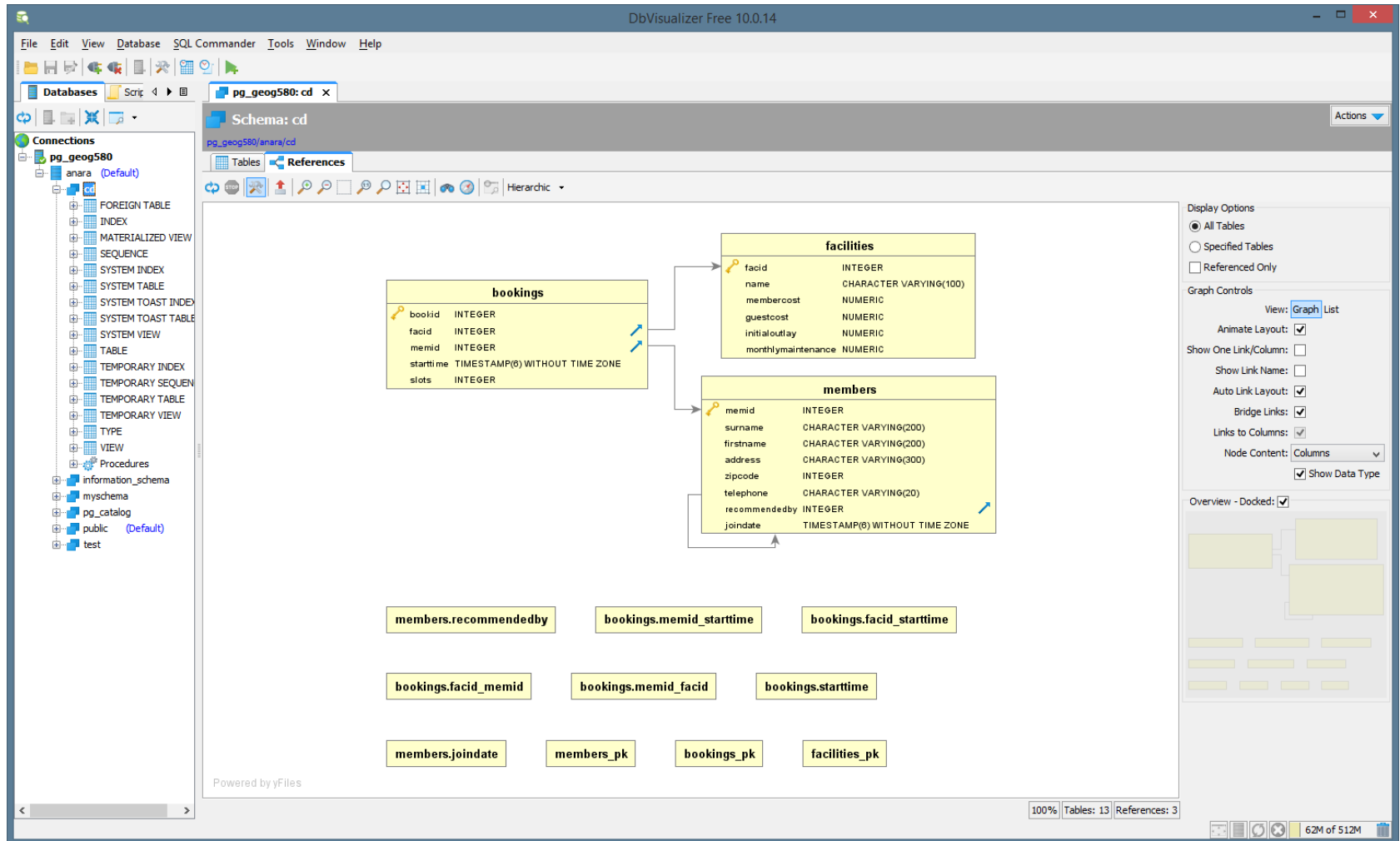
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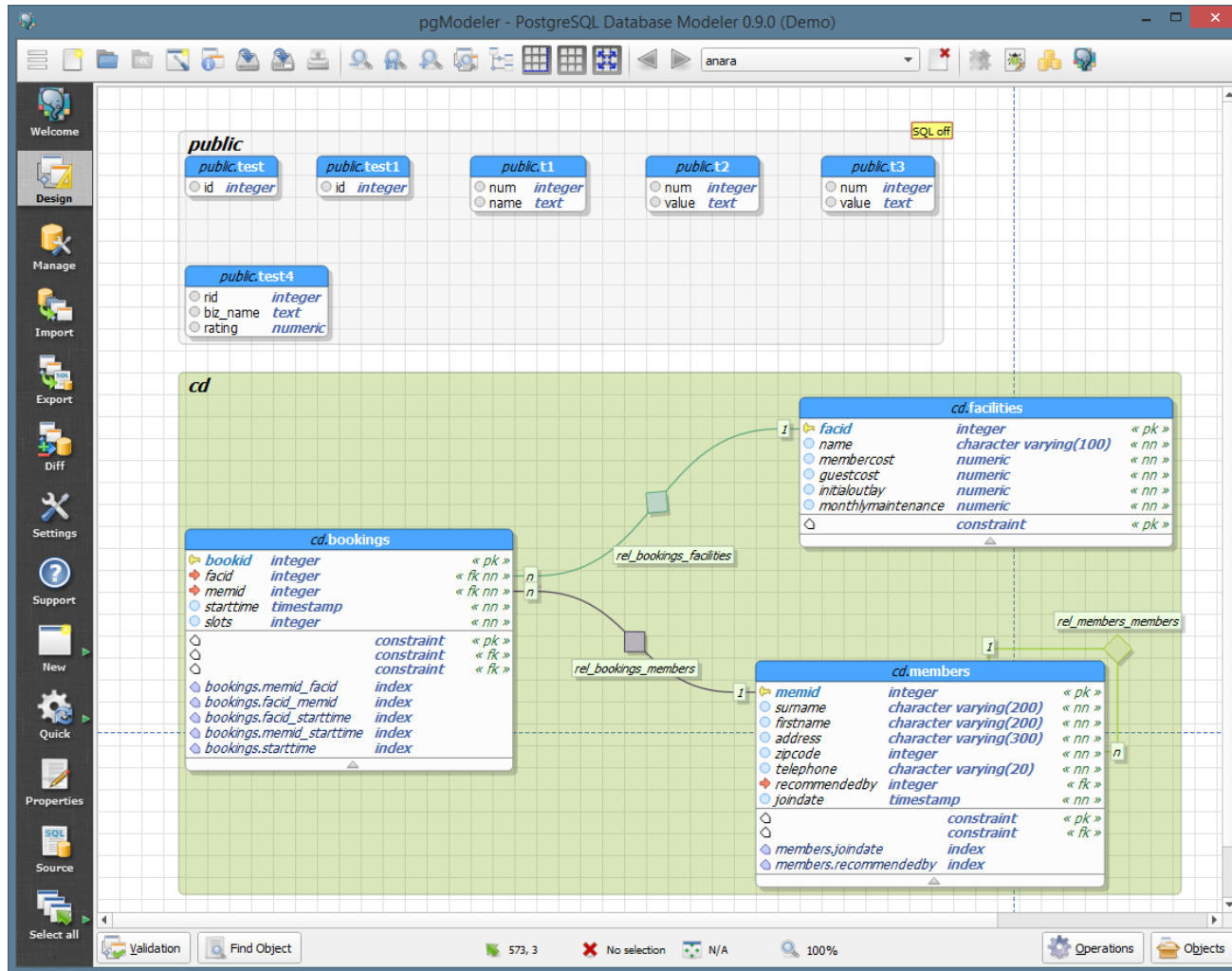
DB Design Tools

- ❑ https://wiki.postgresql.org/wiki/GUI_Database_Design_Tools

DbVisualizer (Free version 10.0.14)



DB Design Tools: pgModeler (demo ver. 0.9.0)



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