Database Principles:
Fundamentals of Design,
Implementation, and
Management
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Chapter 7
Data Modeling with Entity Relationship
Diagrams

Objectives

- In this chapter, students will learn:
 - The main characteristics of entity relationship components
 - How relationships between entities are defined, refined, and incorporated into the database design process
 - How ERD components affect database design and implementation
 - That real-world database design often requires the reconciliation of conflicting goals

The Entity Relationship Model (ERM)

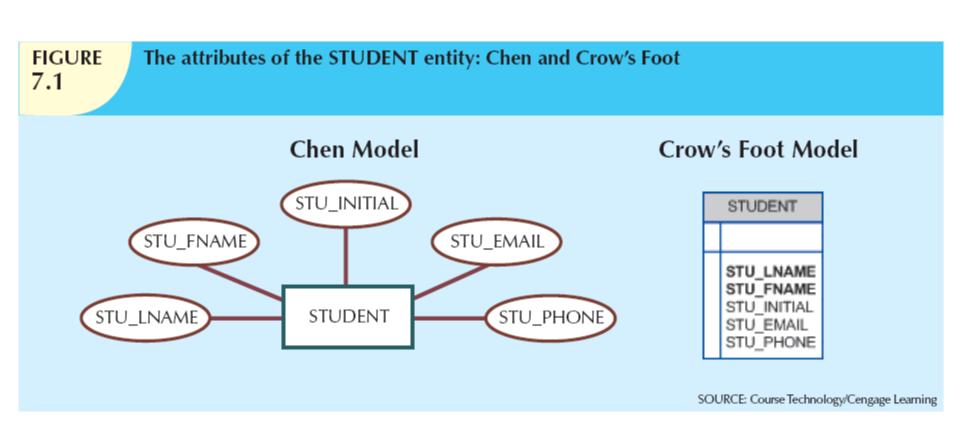
- ER model forms the basis of an ER diagram
- ERD represents conceptual database as viewed by end user
- ERDs depict database's main components:
 - Entities
 - Attributes
 - Relationships

Entities

- Refers to entity set and not to single entity occurrence
- Corresponds to table and not to row in relational environment
- In Chen and Crow's Foot models, entity is represented by rectangle with entity's name
- The entity name, a noun, is written in capital letters

Attributes

- Characteristics of entities
- Chen notation: attributes represented by ovals connected to entity rectangle with a line
 - Each oval contains the name of attribute it represents
- Crow's Foot notation: attributes written in attribute box below entity rectangle



Attributes (cont'd.)

- Required attribute: must have a value
- Optional attribute: may be left empty
- Domain: set of possible values for an attribute
 - Attributes may share a domain
- Identifiers: one or more attributes that uniquely identify each entity instance
- Composite identifier: primary key composed of more than one attribute

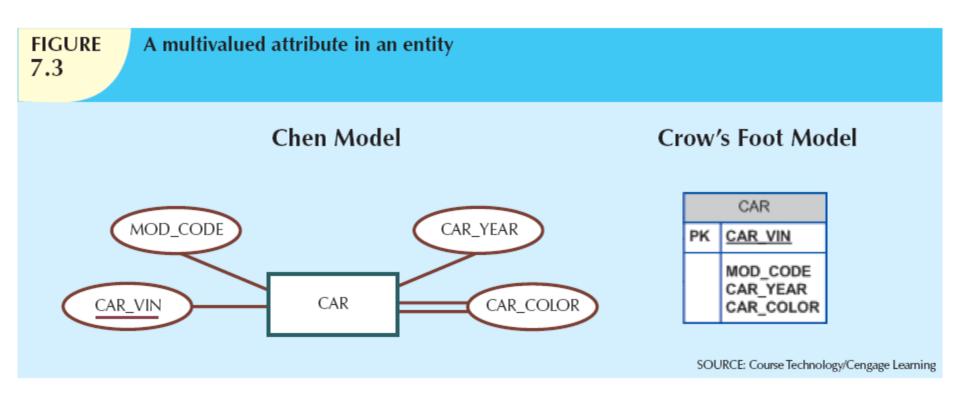
The CLASS table (entity) components and contents

Database name: Ch07_TinyCollege

CLASS_CODE	CRS_CODE	CLASS_SECTION	CLASS_TIME	ROOM_CODE	PROF_NUM
10012	ACCT-211	1	M/VF 8:00-8:50 a.m.	BUS311	105
10013	ACCT-211	2	M/VF 9:00-9:50 a.m.	BUS200	105
10014	ACCT-211	3	TTh 2:30-3:45 p.m.	BUS252	342
10015	ACCT-212	1	M/VF 10:00-10:50 a.m.	BUS311	301
10016	ACCT-212	2	Th 6:00-8:40 p.m.	BUS252	301
10017	CIS-220	1	M/VF 9:00-9:50 a.m.	KLR209	228
10018	CIS-220	2	M/VF 9:00-9:50 a.m.	KLR211	114
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10020	CIS-420	1	vV 6:00-8:40 p.m.	KLR209	162
10021	QM-261	1	M/VF 8:00-8:50 a.m.	KLR200	114
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Attributes (cont'd.)

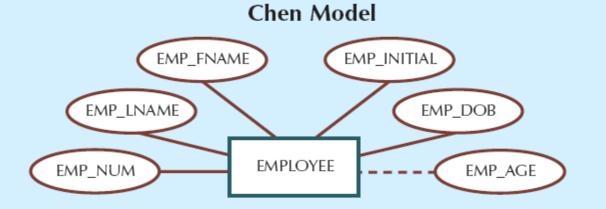
- Composite attribute can be subdivided
- Simple attribute cannot be subdivided
- Single-value attribute can have only a single value
- Multivalued attributes can have many values



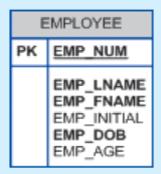
Attributes (cont'd.)

- M:N relationships and multivalued attributes should not be implemented
 - Create several new attributes for each of the original multivalued attributes' components
 - Create new entity composed of original multivalued attributes' components
- Derived attribute: value may be calculated from other attributes
 - Need not be physically stored within database

Depiction of a derived attribute



Crow's Foot Model



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TABLE 7.2

Advantages and Disadvantages of Storing Derived Attributes

	DERIVED ATTRIBUTE				
	STORED	NOT STORED			
Advantage	Saves CPU processing cycles Saves data access time Data value is readily available Can be used to keep track of historical data	Saves storage space Computation always yields current value			
Disadvantage	Requires constant maintenance to ensure derived value is current, especially if any values used in the calculation change	Uses CPU processing cycles Increases data access time Adds coding complexity to queries			

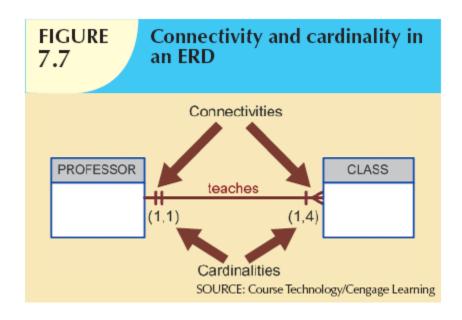
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Relationships

- Association between entities
- Participants are entities that participate in a relationship
- Relationships between entities always operate in both directions
- Relationship can be classified as 1:M
- Relationship classification is difficult to establish if only one side of the relationship is known

Connectivity and Cardinality

- Connectivity
 - Describes the relationship classification
- Cardinality
 - Expresses minimum and maximum number of entity occurrences associated with one occurrence of related entity
- Established by very concise statements known as business rules



Existence Dependence

- Existence dependence
 - Entity exists in database only when it is associated with another related entity occurrence
- Existence independence
 - Entity can exist apart from one or more related entities
 - Sometimes such an entity is referred to as a strong or regular entity

Relationship Strength

- Weak (non-identifying) relationships
 - Exists if PK of related entity does not contain PK component of parent entity
- Strong (identifying) relationships
 - Exists when PK of related entity contains PK component of parent entity

A weak (non-identifying) relationship between COURSE and CLASS

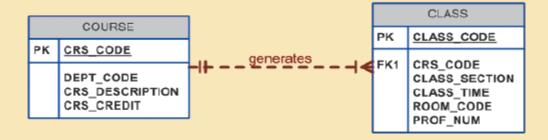


Table name: COURSE

Database name: Ch07_TinyCollege

CRS_CODE	DEPT_CODE	CRS_DESCRIPTION	CRS_CREDIT
ACCT-211	ACCT	Accounting I	3
ACCT-212	ACCT	Accounting II	3
CIS-220	as	Intro. to Microcomputing	3
CIS-420	as	Database Design and Implementation	4
MATH-243	MATH	Mathematics for Managers	3
QM-261	as	Intro. to Statistics	3
QM-362	as	Statistical Applications	4

Table name: CLASS

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10015	ACCT-212	1	MAVE 10:00-10:50 a.m.	BUS311	301
10016	ACCT-212	2	Th 6:00-8:40 p.m.	BUS252	301
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A strong (identifying) relationship between COURSE and CLASS



Table name: COURSE

Database name: Ch07_TinyCollege_Alt

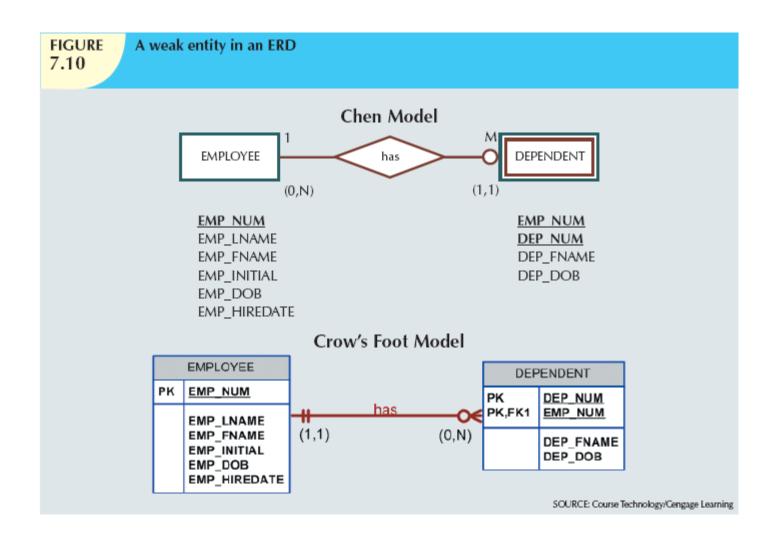
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QM-261	as	Intro. to Statistics	3
QM-362	as	Statistical Applications	4

Table name: CLASS

CRS_CODE	CLASS_SECTION	CLASS_TIME	RODM_CODE	PROF_NUM
ACCT-211	1	MVVF 8:00-8:50 a.m.	BUS311	105
ACCT-211	2	MVVF 9:00-9:50 a.m.	BUS200	105
ACCT-211	3	TTh 2:30-3:45 p.m.	BUS252	342
ACCT-212	1	MVVF 10:00-10:50 a.m.	BUS311	301
ACCT-212	2	Th 6:00-8:40 p.m.	BUS252	301
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Weak Entities

- Weak entity meets two conditions
 - Existence-dependent
 - Primary key partially or totally derived from parent entity in relationship
- Database designer determines whether an entity is weak based on business rules



A weak entity in a strong relationship

Table name: EMPLOYEE

Database name: Ch07_ShortCo

EMP_NUM	EMP_LNAME	EMP_FNAME	EMP_INITIAL	EMP_DOB	EMP_HREDATE
1001	Califante	Jeanine	J	12-Mar-64	25-May-97
1002	Smithson	∨\illiam	K	23-Nov-70	26-May-97
1003	Washington	Herman	Н	15-Aug-68	28-May-97
1004	Chen	Lydia	В	23-Mar-74	15-Oct-98
1005	Johnson	Melanie		28-Sep-66	20-Dec-98
1006	Ortega	Jarge	G	12-Jul-79	05-Jan-02
1007	O'Donnell	Peter	D	10-Jun-71	23-Jun-02
1008	Brzenski	Barbara	А	12-Feb-7D	01-Nov-03

Table name: DEPENDENT

EMP_NUM	DBP_NUM	DEP_FNAME	DEP_DOB
1001	1	Annelise	05-Dec-97
1001	2	Jorge	30-Sep-02
1003	1	Suzanne	25-Jan-04
1006	1	Carlos	25-May-01
1008	1	Michael	19-Feb-95
1008	2	George	27-Jun-98
1008	3	Katherine	18-Aug-03

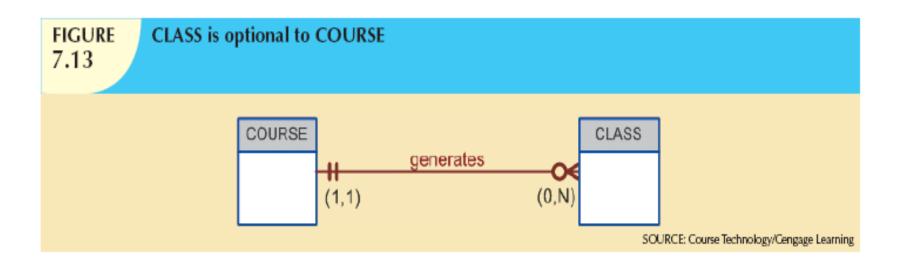
Relationship Participation

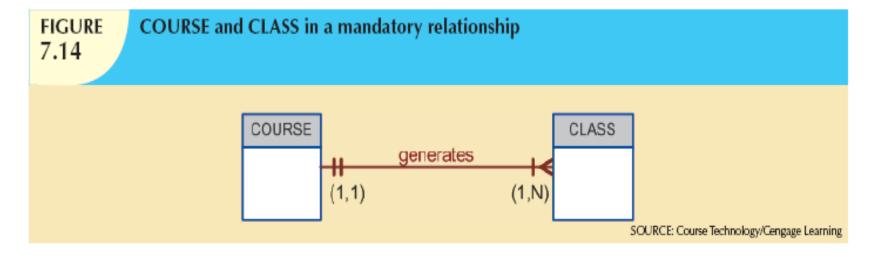
- Optional participation
 - One entity occurrence does not require corresponding entity occurrence in particular relationship
- Mandatory participation
 - One entity occurrence requires corresponding entity occurrence in particular relationship

TABLE 7.3

Crow's Foot Symbols

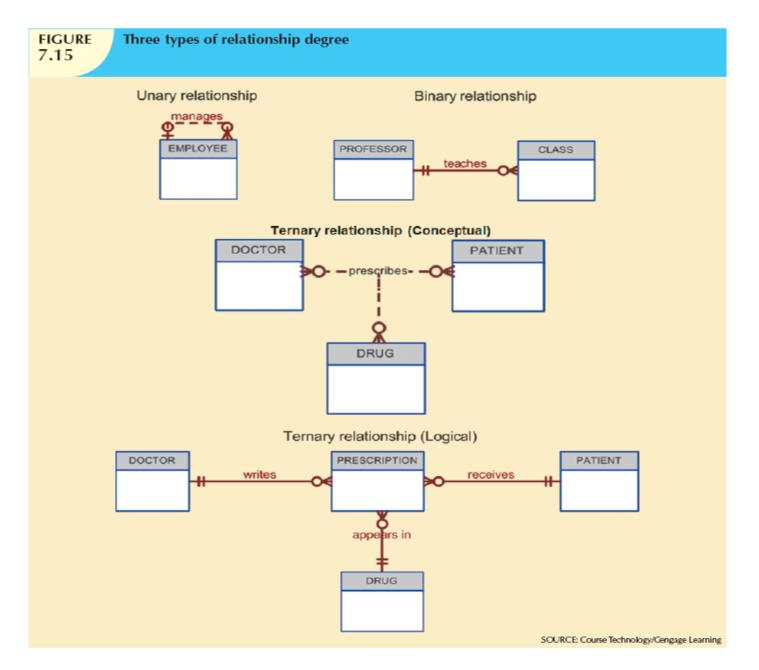
CROW'S FOOT SYMBOLS	CARDINALITY	COMMENT	
○ € (0,N)		Zero or many; the "many" side is optional.	
l€	(1,N)	One or many; the "many" side is mandatory.	
	(1,1)	One and only one; the "1" side is mandatory.	
O	(0,1)	Zero or one; the "1" side is optional.	





Relationship Degree

- Indicates number of entities or participants associated with a relationship
- Unary relationship
 - Association is maintained within single entity
- Binary relationship
 - Two entities are associated
- Ternary relationship
 - Three entities are associated



The implementation of a ternary relationship

Database name: Ch07_Clinic

Table name: DRUG

DRUG_CODE	DRUG_NAME	DRUG_PRICE
AF15	Afgegen-15	25.00
AF25	Afgapan-25	35.00
DRO	Droalene Chloride	111.89
DRZ	Druzocholar Cryptolene	18.99
K015	Koliabar Oxyhexalane	65.75
OLE	Oleander-Drizapan	123.95
TRYP	Tryptolac Heptadimetric	79.45

Table name: PATIENT

PAT_NUM	PAT_TITLE	PAT_LNAME	PAT_FNAME	PAT_NTIAL	PAT_D08	PAT_AREACODE	PAT_PHONE
100	Mr.	Kolmyez	Beorge	D	15-Jun-1942	615	324-5456
101	M5.	Lewis	Ritorida	В	19-Mar-2005	615	324-4472
102	Mr.	Venden	Rinett		14-Nov-1958	901	675-8993
103	Ms.	Janes	Anne	M	15-Oct-1974	615	898-3466
104	Mr.	Lange	John	p	08-Nov-1971	901	504-4430
105	Mr.	Williams	Robert	D	14-Mar-1975	615	890-3220
106	Mrs.	Smith	Jeanine	К	12-Feb-2003	615	324-7883
107	Mr.	Diante	Jorge	D	21-Aug-1974	615	890-4587
108	Mr.	Wiesenbach	Paul	R	14-Feb-1988	615	897-4358
109	Mr.	Smith	George	К	18-Jun-1981	901	504-3339
110	Mrs.	Genkazi	Leighla	M	19-May-1970	901	569-0093
111	Mr.	Washington	Rupert	E	03-Jan-1988	615	890-4925
112	Mr.	Johnson	Echward	E	14-May-1981	615	898-4387
113	Ms.	Smythe	Melanie	P	15-Sep-1970	615	324-9006
114	Ms.	Brandon	Marie	G	02-Nov-1932	901	882-0845
115	Mrs.	Saranda	Hermine	R	25-Jul-1972	615	324-5505
116	Mr.	Smith	George	A	08-Nov-1985	615	890-2984

Table name: DOCTOR

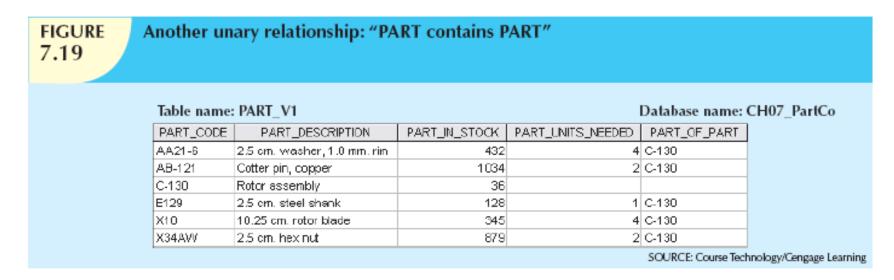
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29827	Sanchez	Julio	J	Dermatology
32445	Jorganisen	Amelee	G	Neurology
33456	Korenski	Anatoly	A	Urology
33989	LeGrande	George		Pediablics
34409	Washington	Dennis	F	Orthopaedics
38221	McPherson	Katye	Н	Dermatology
38712	Draifag	Herman	G	Psychiatry
38995	Mich	Tran		Neurology
40004	Chin	Ming	D	Orthopaedics
40028	Feinstein	Denise	L	Gynecology

Table name: PRESCRIPTION

DOC_D	PAT_NUM	DRUG_CODE	PRES_DOSAGE	PRES_DATE
32445	102	DRZ	2 tablets every four hours 50 tablets total	12-Nov-12
32445	113	OLE	1 teaspoon with each meal 250 mitotal	14-Nov-12
34409	101	KO15	1 tablet every six hours 30 tablets total	14-Nov-12
36221	109	DRO	2 tablets with every meal 60 tablets total	14-Nov-12
38995	107	KO15	1 tablet every six hours 30 tablets total	14-Nov-12

Recursive Relationships

- Relationship can exist between occurrences of the same entity set
 - Naturally found within unary relationship



Implementation of the M:N recursive relationship "PART contains PART"

Table name: COMPONENT

COMP_CODE	PART_CODE	COMP_PARTS_NEEDED
C-130	AA21-6	4
C-130	AB-121	2
C-130	E129	1
C-131A2	E129	1
C-130	X10	4
C-131A2	X10	1
C-130	X34AW	2
C-131A2	X34AW	2

Database name: Ch07_PartCo

Table name: PART

PART_CODE	PART_DESCRIPTION	PART_IN_STOCK
AA21-6	2.5 cm. washer, 1.0 mm. rim	432
AB-121	Cotter pin, copper	1034
C-130	Rotor assembly	36
E129	2.5 cm. steel shank	128
X10	10.25 cm. rotor blade	345
X34AVV	2.5 cm, hex nut	879

Implementation of the 1:M recursive relationship "EMPLOYEE manages EMPLOYEE"

Table name: EMPLOYEE V2

EMP_CODE	EMP_LNAME	EMP_MANAGER
101	√Vaddell	102
102	Orincona	
103	Jones	102
104	Reballoh	102
105	Robertson	102
106	Deltona	102

Database name: Ch07 PartCo

Associative (Composite) Entities

- Also known as bridge entities
- Used to implement M:N relationships
- Composed of primary keys of each of the entities to be connected
- May also contain additional attributes that play no role in connective process

Converting the M:N relationship into two 1:M relationships

Table name: STUDENT

STU_NUM	STU_LNAME
321452	Bowser
324257	Smithson

Table name: ENROLL

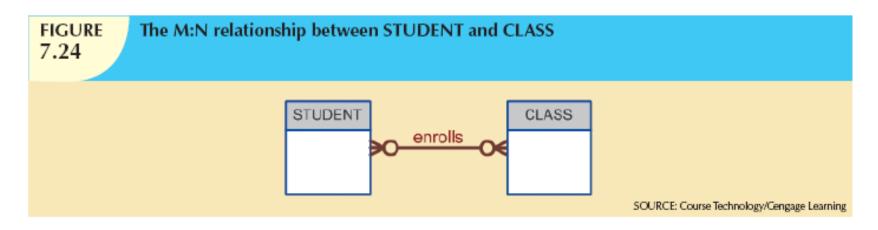
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10014	324257	B
10018	321452	А
10018	324257	B
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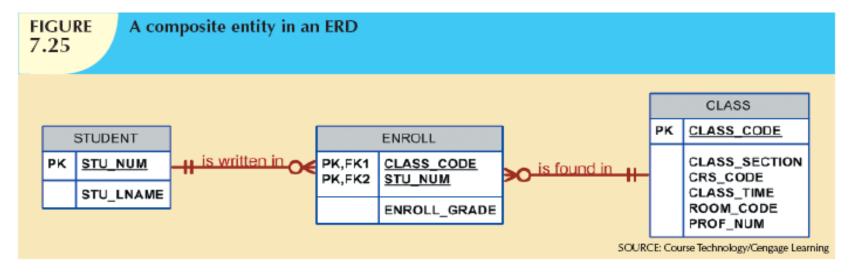
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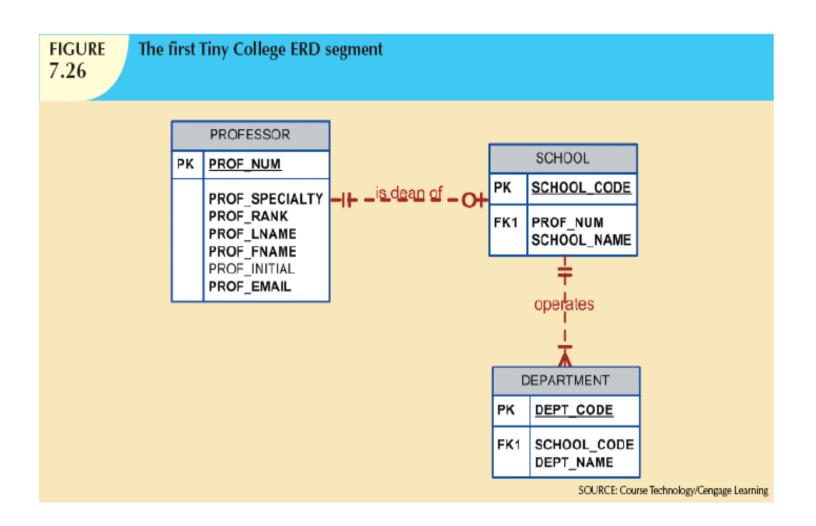
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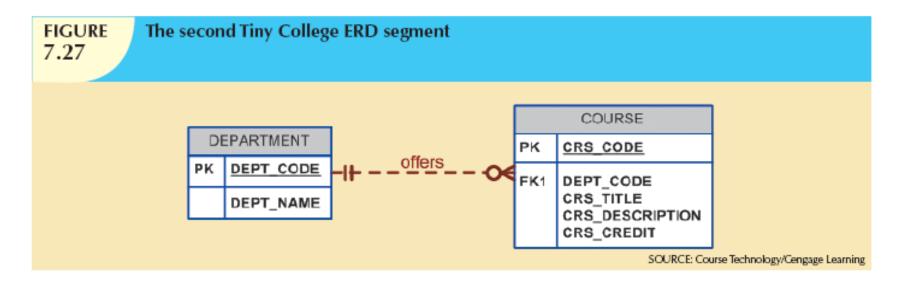


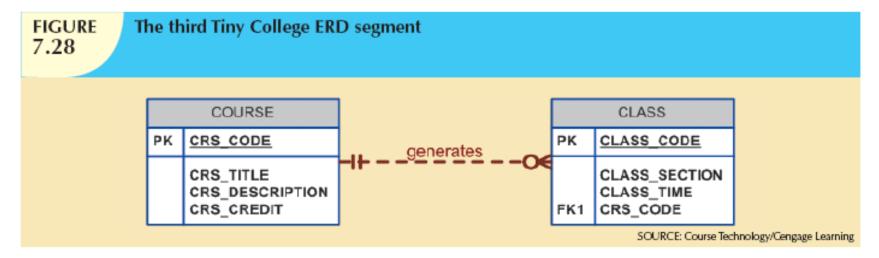


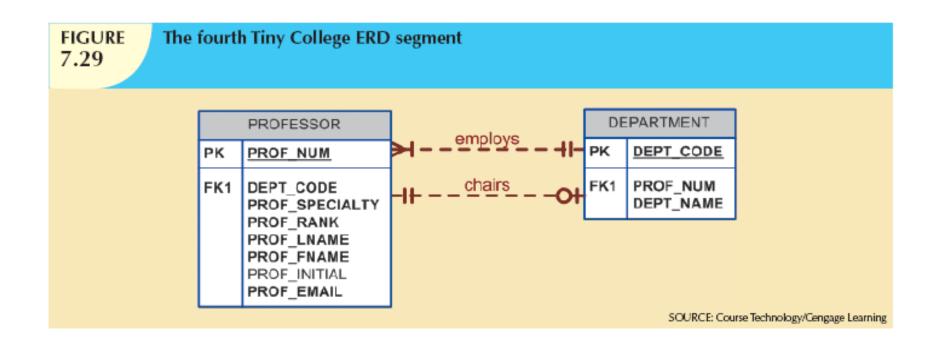
Developing an ER Diagram

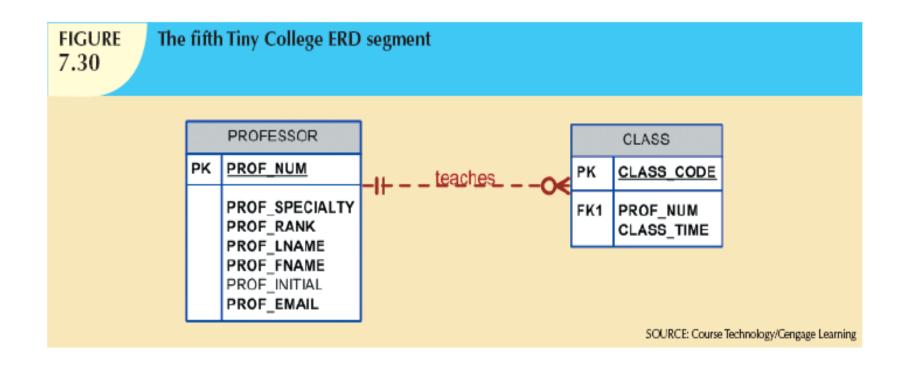
- Database design is an iterative process
 - Create detailed narrative of organization's description of operations
 - Identify business rules based on description of operations
 - Identify main entities and relationships from business rules
 - Develop initial ERD
 - Identify attributes and primary keys that adequately describe entities
 - Revise and review ERD

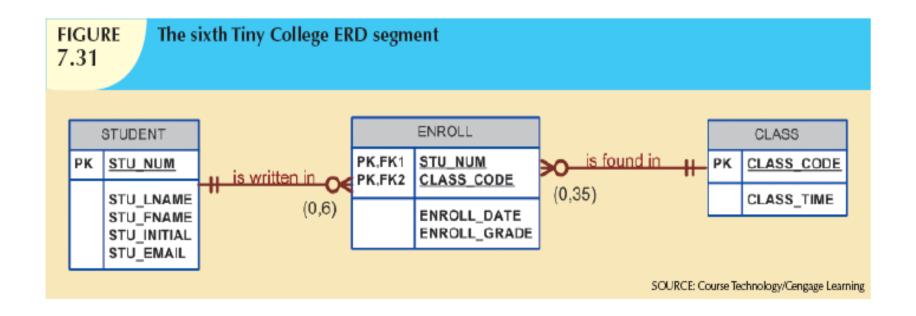


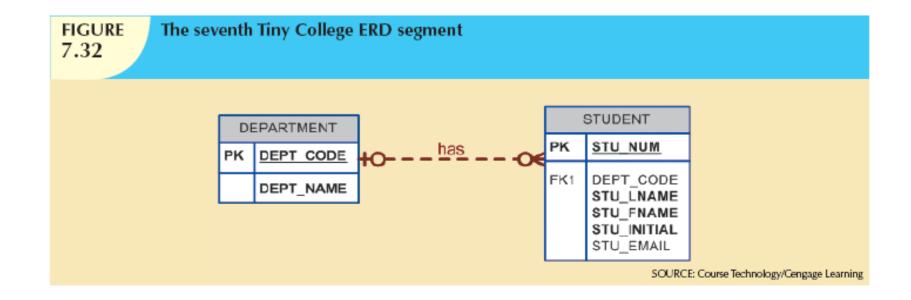


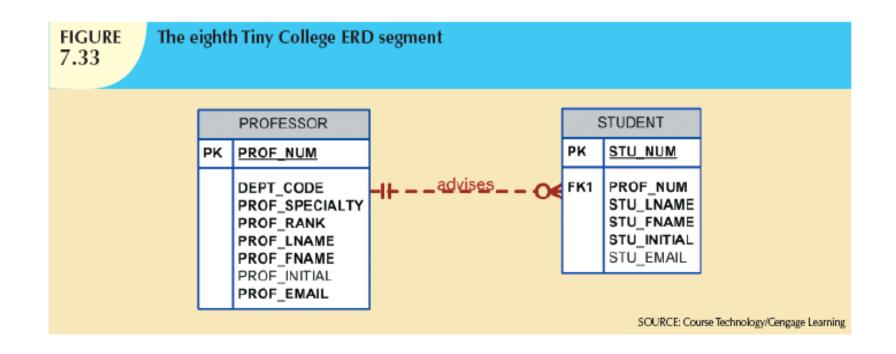












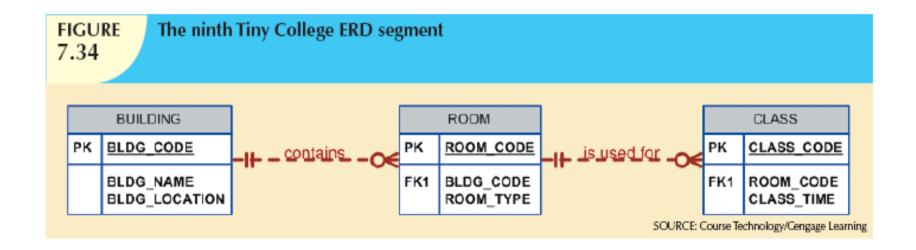
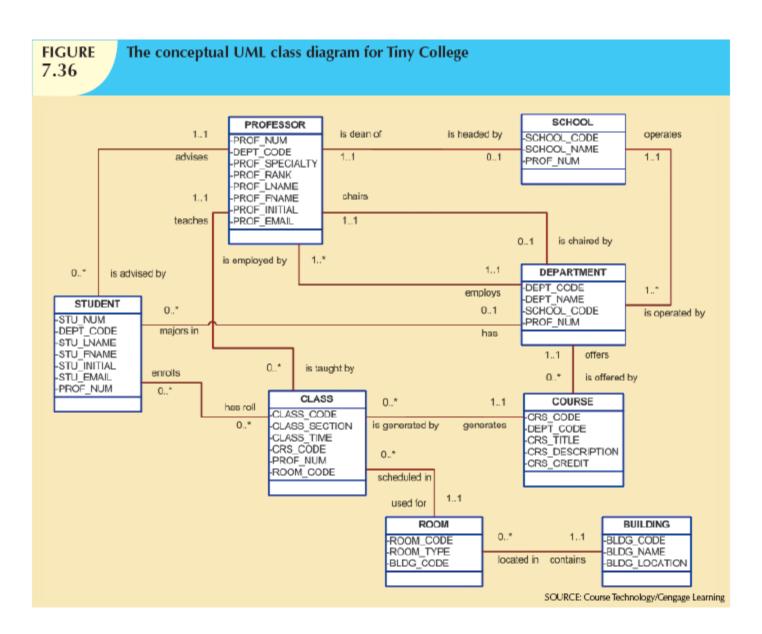
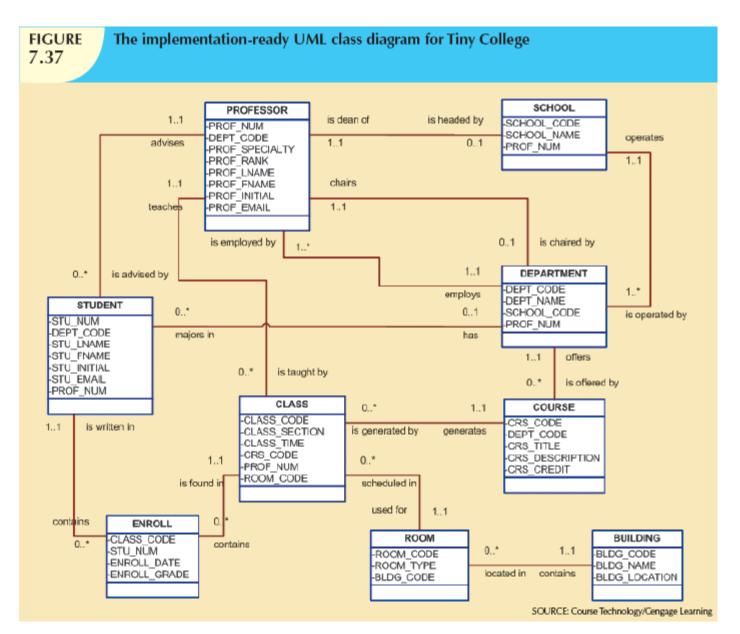


TABLE 7.4

Components of the ERM

ENTITY	RELATIONSHIP	CONNECTIVITY	ENTITY
SCHOOL	operates	1:M	DEPARTMENT
DEPARTMENT	has	1:M	STUDENT
DEPARTMENT	employs	1:M	PROFESSOR
DEPARTMENT	offers	1:M	COURSE
COURSE	generates	1:M	CLASS
PROFESSOR	is dean of	1:1	SCHOOL
PROFESSOR	chairs	1:1	DEPARTMENT
PROFESSOR	teaches	1:M	CLASS
PROFESSOR	advises	1:M	STUDENT
STUDENT	enrolls in	M:N	CLASS
BUILDING	contains	1:M	ROOM
ROOM	is used for	1:M	CLASS
Note: ENROLL is the composite entity that implements the M:N relationship "STUDENT enrolls in CLASS."			

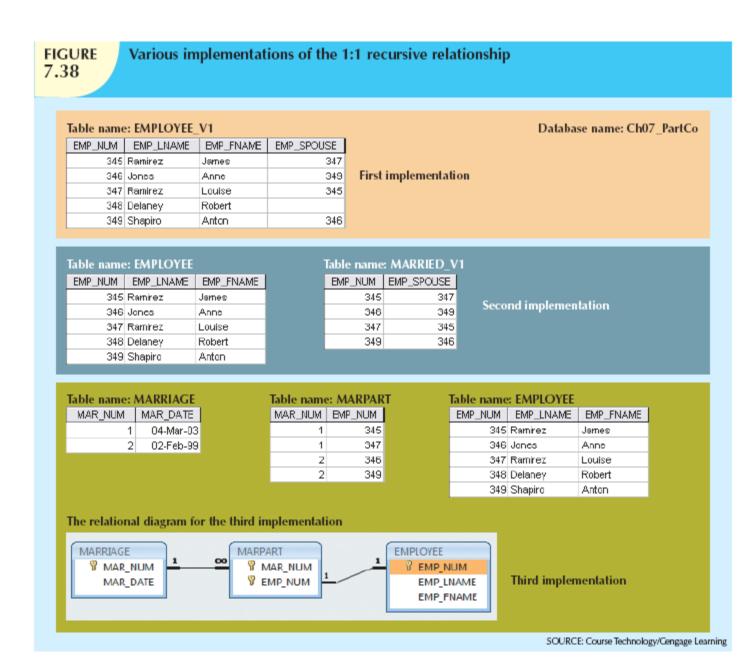




Database Design Challenges: Conflicting Goals

- Database designers must make design compromises
 - Conflicting goals: design standards, processing speed, information requirements
- Important to meet logical requirements and design conventions
- Design is of little value unless it delivers all specified query and reporting requirements
- Some design and implementation problems do not yield "clean" solutions

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Summary

- Entity relationship (ER) model
 - Uses ERD to represent conceptual database as viewed by end user
 - ERM's main components:
 - Entities
 - Relationships
 - Attributes
 - Includes connectivity and cardinality notations

Summary (cont'd.)

- Connectivities and cardinalities are based on business rules
- M:N relationship is valid at conceptual level
 - Must be mapped to a set of 1:M relationships
- ERDs may be based on many different ERMs
- UML class diagrams are used to represent the static data structures in a data model
- Database designers are often forced to make design compromises