2 Databases & Data Modelling

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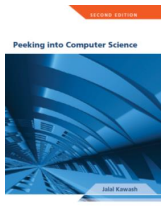

Reading Assignment

- Mandatory: Chapter 4 – Sections 4.4 & 4.5

Mapping ERDs to Schema

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At the end of this section, you will be able to:

1. Apply the mapping algorithm to translate an ERD to a database schema
2. Understand foreign keys

Objectives

1. Each **entity type** is translated to a table; its attributes become columns
2. Each **many-to-many relationship** type becomes a table; the columns are the primary keys of the participating entity types
   - JT: Recall the example from previous notes (Slide #38): Student-Classes
3. For each **one-to-many relationship** type, add the primary keys of the entity type on the one side as columns in the table corresponding to the entity type on the many side

Mapping Algorithm (4.1)

1. Each entity type is translated to a table; its attributes become columns

EMPLOYEE
- SIN
- First name
- Last name
- DOB
- Gender
- Salary
- Number
- Street
- City
- Postal Code

PROJECT
- Number
- Name
- Location

DEPARTMENT
-Number
-Name

Mapping Entity Types

EMPLOYEE
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PROJECT
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DEPARTMENT
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EMPLOYEE

SIN	Fname	Lname	DOB	Gender	Salary	Number	Street	City	Pcode

PROJECT

Pnumber	Pname	Location

DEPARTMENT

Dnumber	Dname

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EMPLOYEE
- SIN
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Entities (conceptual information to be stored)

EMPLOYEE

SIN	Fname	Lname	DOB	Gender	Salary	Number	Street	City	Pcode

PROJECT

Pnumber	Pname	Location

DEPARTMENT

Dnumber	Dname

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The actual tables in a database

JT's Extra:

3. Many to many relationships
   - Typically implemented as two one to many relationships in databases:

Students table

StudentID	StudentFirstName	...
123456	Jamie	
123457	Stacey	

Classes table

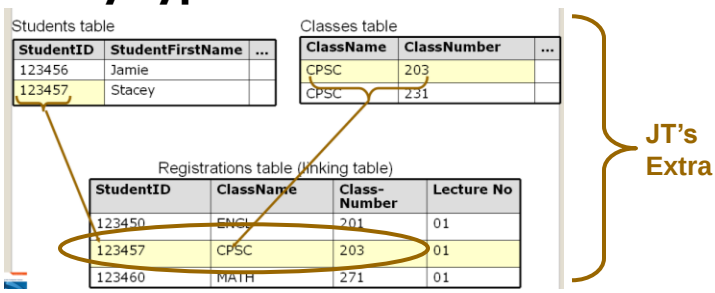
ClassName	ClassNumber	...
CPSC	203	
CPSC	231	

Registrations table (linking table)

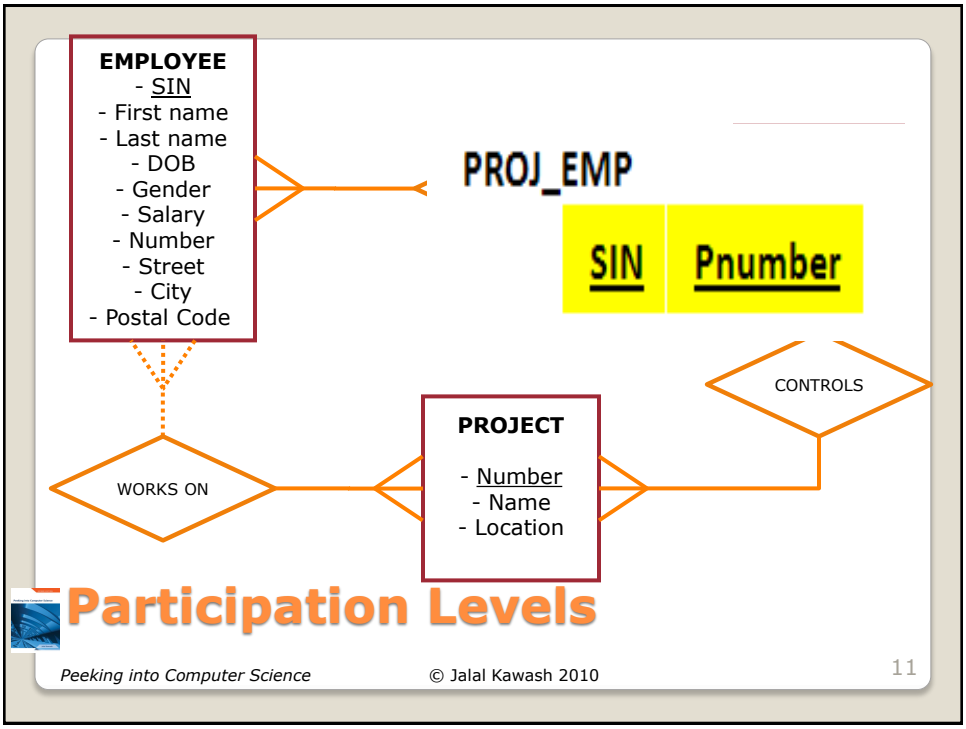
StudentID	ClassName	Class-Number	Lecture No
123450	ENGL	201	01
123457	CPSC	203	01
123460	MATH	271	01

JT's Extra: Recall Many : Many Relations Can't Be Directly Implemented

2. Each many-to-many relationship type becomes a table; the **columns are the primary keys of the participating entity types**



Mapping Many-Many Relationship Types



Participation Levels

- There will be no more tables
- Step 3 simply augments the existing tables (JT's extra i.e., you add more columns).

EMPLOYEE

SIN	Fname	Lname	DOB	Gender	Salary	Number	Street	City	Pcode

PROJECT

Pnumber	Pname	Location

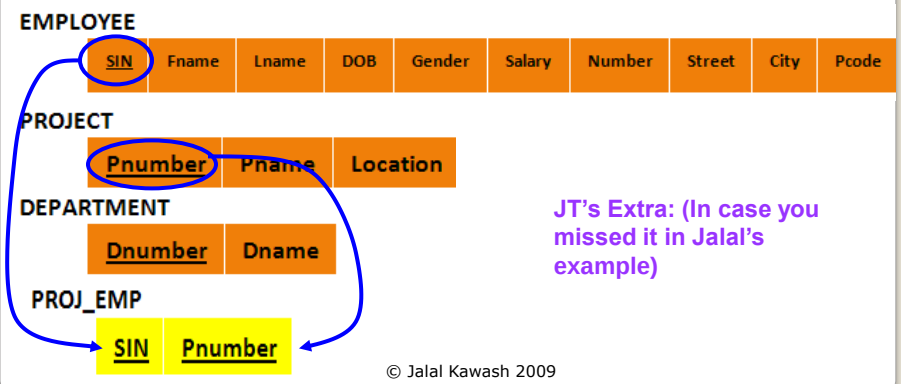
DEPARTMENT

Dnumber	Dname

PROJ_EMP

SIN	Pnumber

- There will be no more tables
- Step 3 simply augments the existing tables



JT's Extra: (In case you missed it in Jalal's example)

3. For each one-to-many relationship type, add the primary keys of the entity type on the **one side** as columns in the table corresponding to the entity type on the **many side**

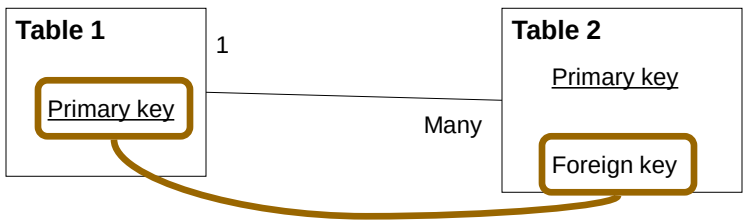
Mapping One-Many Relationship Types

- A key in one table that refers to a key in another field.

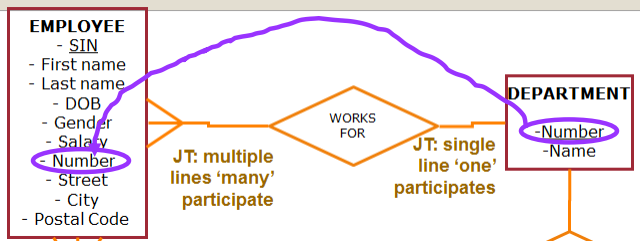
JT's Extra: Foreign Keys

3. For each *one-to-many relationship* type, add the primary keys of the entity type on the **one side** as columns in the table corresponding to the entity type on the **many side**

JT's Extra

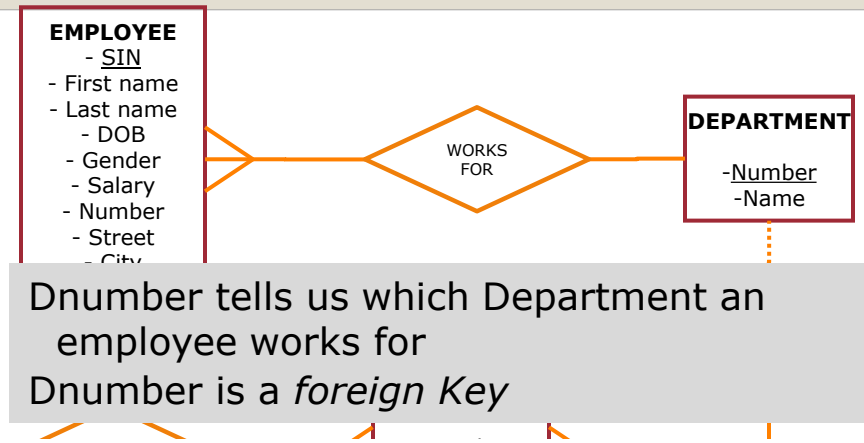


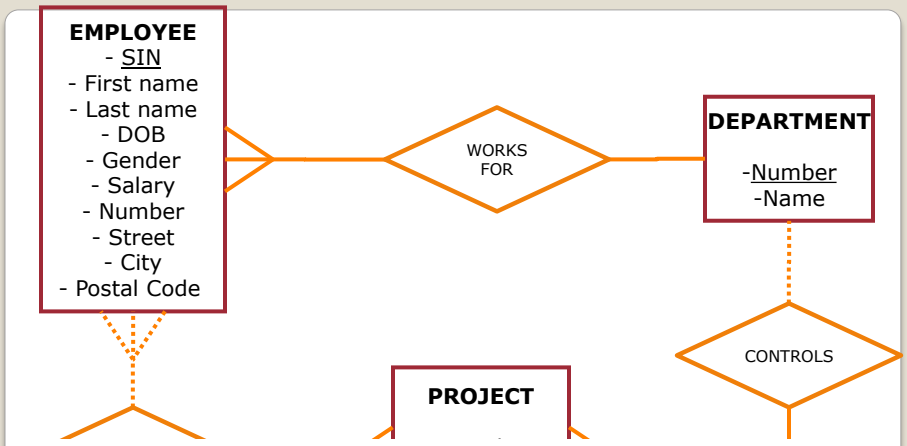
Mapping One-Many Relationship Types



- The relationship between Department and Employee is 1 to many.
- The primary of Department table ("One side")
- …becomes a column in the Employee table ("Many side").

JT's Extra: Mapping 1:Many





EMPLOYEE

SIN	Fname	Lname	DOB	Gender	Salary	Number	Street	City	Pcode	Dnumber

EMPLOYEE

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171717171	Debra	Beacon	15-Aug-1961	Female	70000	15	Bacon Hill	Ham Land	T2X Y0Y	1
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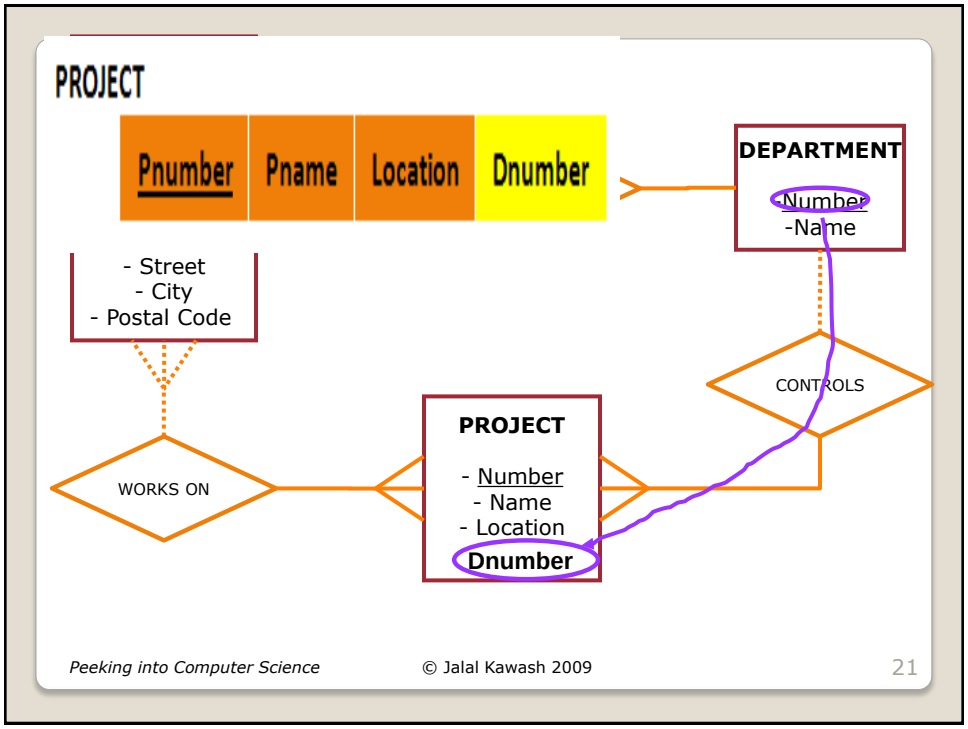

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PROJECT

Pnumber	Pname	Location	Dnumber
1	Web Shopping	Calgary	1
2	Backup	Calgary	1
3	New benefits	Toronto	2
4	XT345	Toronto	3

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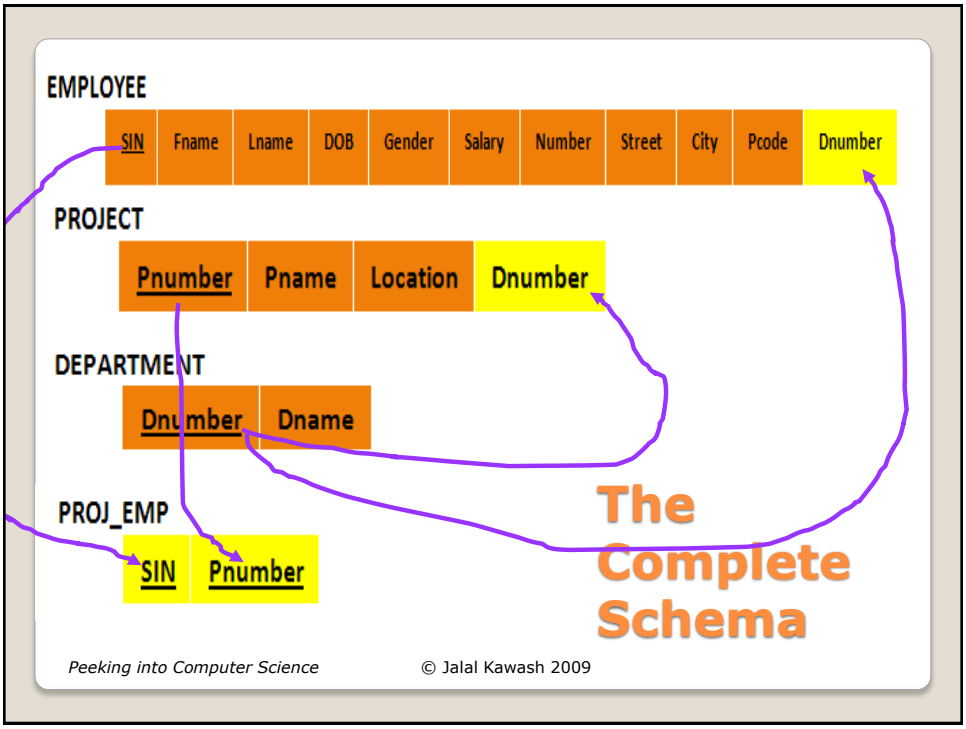
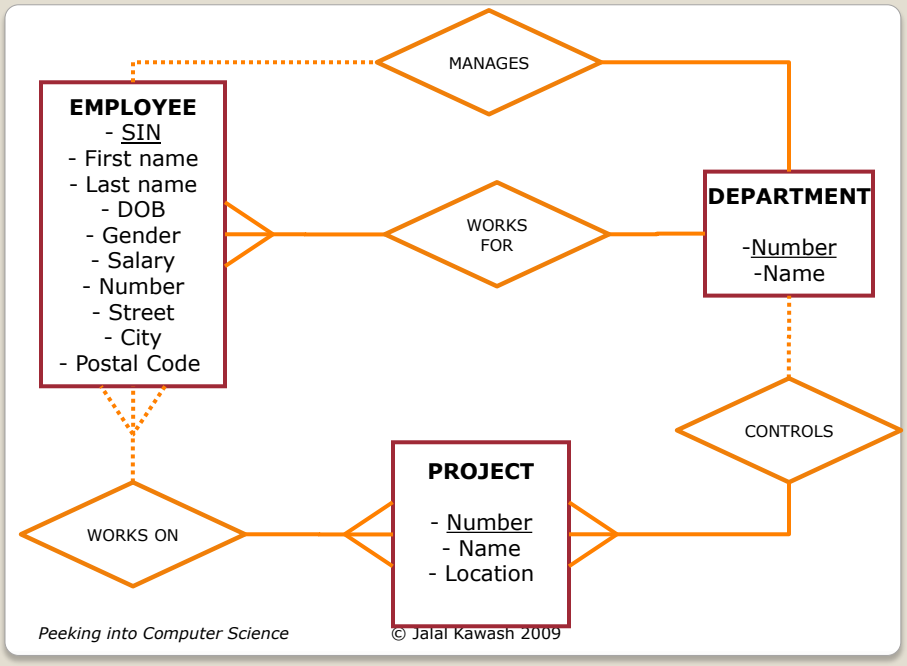


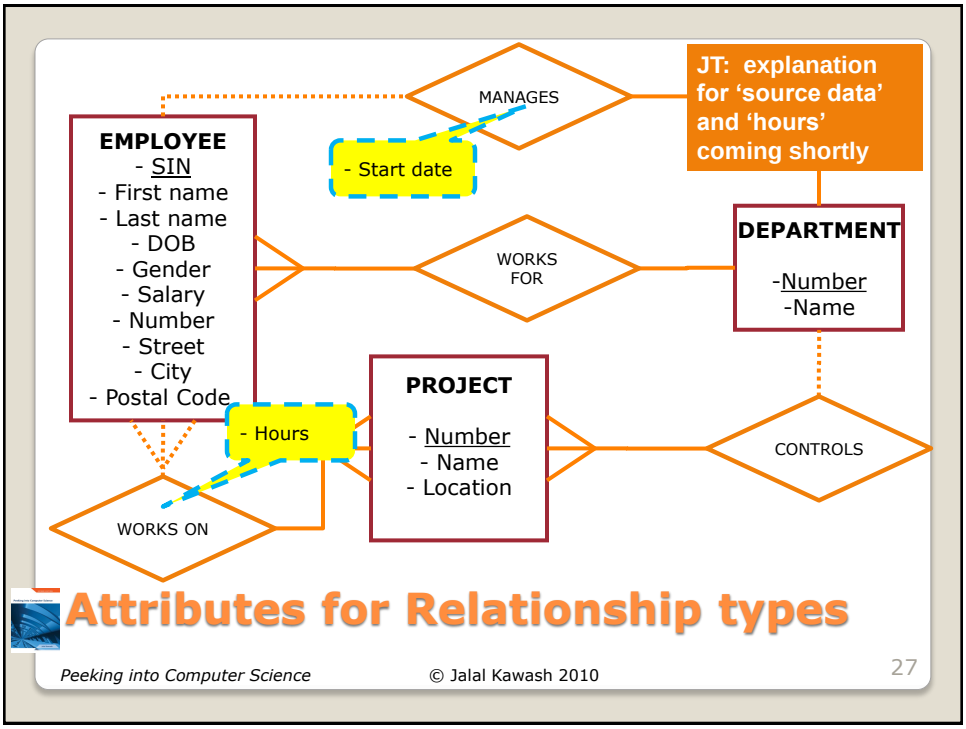
- The mapping algorithm does not include one-to-one relationship types
  - We need to include these
- Sometimes, relationship types may need to have their own attributes
- Will revise ERDs and the mapping algorithm to include these.

Two Missing Things

- A department is ***managed*** by one employee
- Each department has a manager which is also an employee
- EMPLOYEE and DEPARTMENT are related by the MANAGES relationship type
- Each department can have only one manager, and each employee can manage at most one department. This is a one-to-one relationship

MANAGES Relationship Type




MANAGES
JT: explanation for 'source data' and 'hours' coming shortly
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WORKS FOR
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Attributes for Relationship types
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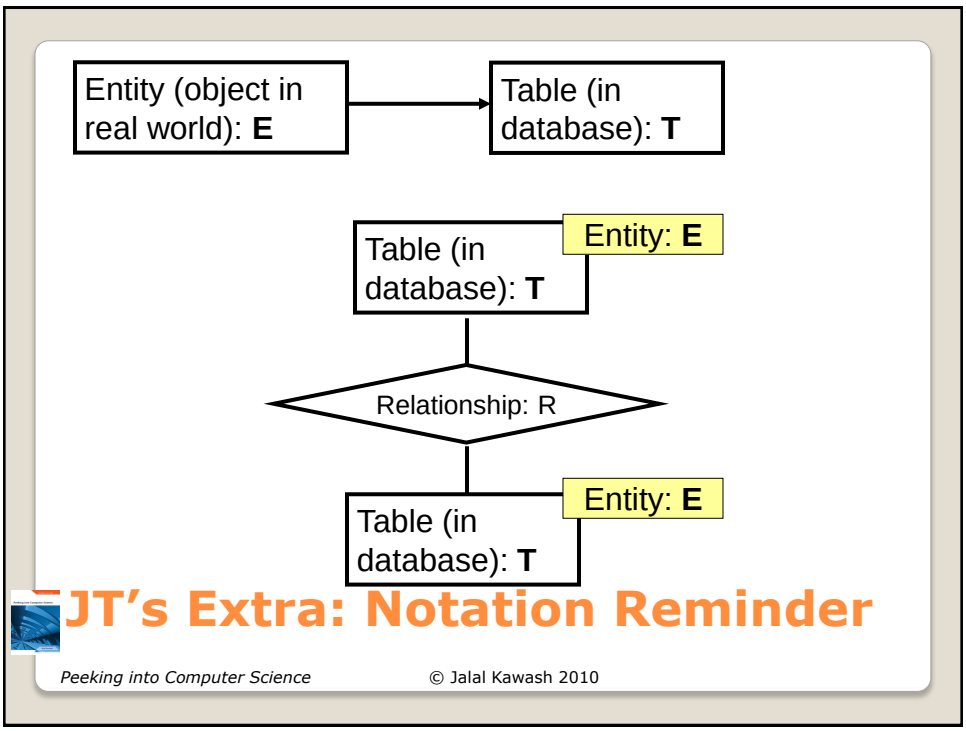
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Table (in database): T
Table (in database): T
Entity: E
Relationship: R
Table (in database): T
Entity: E
JT's Extra: Notation Reminder
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1. Each entity type E is translated to a table T (to emphasize that T is a result of E, we write T(E))
   - T's columns are E's attributes

Entity (DOG) attributes
Color (Rover = yellow)
Weight (Rover = 5 llbs)

Database Table (DOGS)

Name	Color	Weight
Rover	Yellow	5

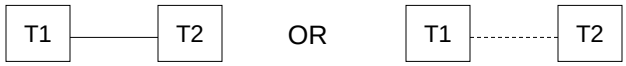
2. Each *many-to-many relationship* type R, relating entity types E1 and E2, becomes a table T (*relationship becomes a table*)
   - **T's columns are R's attributes**
   - the primary key of E1 and E2 is added as columns in T

Complete mapping Algorithm

3. For each one-to-many relationship type R, relating E1 to E2 with E1 on the "one" side:
   - add the primary key of E1 (one) as a column or columns in T(E2)
   - **any attributes that R has become columns in T(E2)**

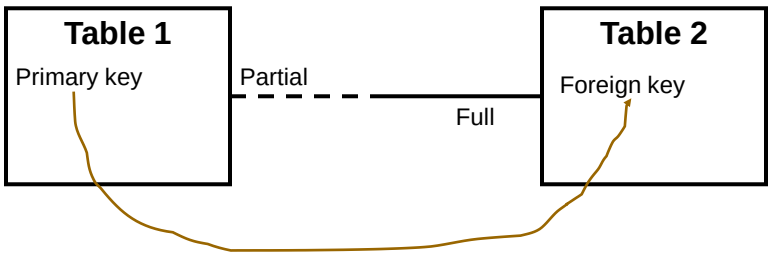
Complete mapping Algorithm

- To ensure compliance with good design principles, examine participation levels when determining which table's primary key is used as the other table's foreign key.
  - If both tables participate equally (both partial or both full) then the choice is arbitrary.



JT's Extra: 1 to 1 Relationships

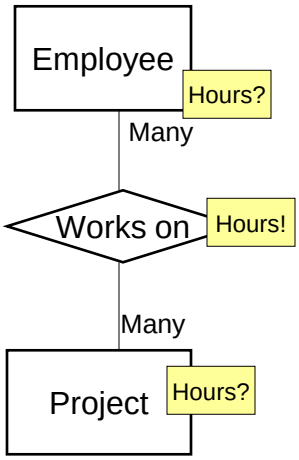
- If participation levels aren't equal: If one table partially participates in the relationship while the other table participates partially in the relationship.



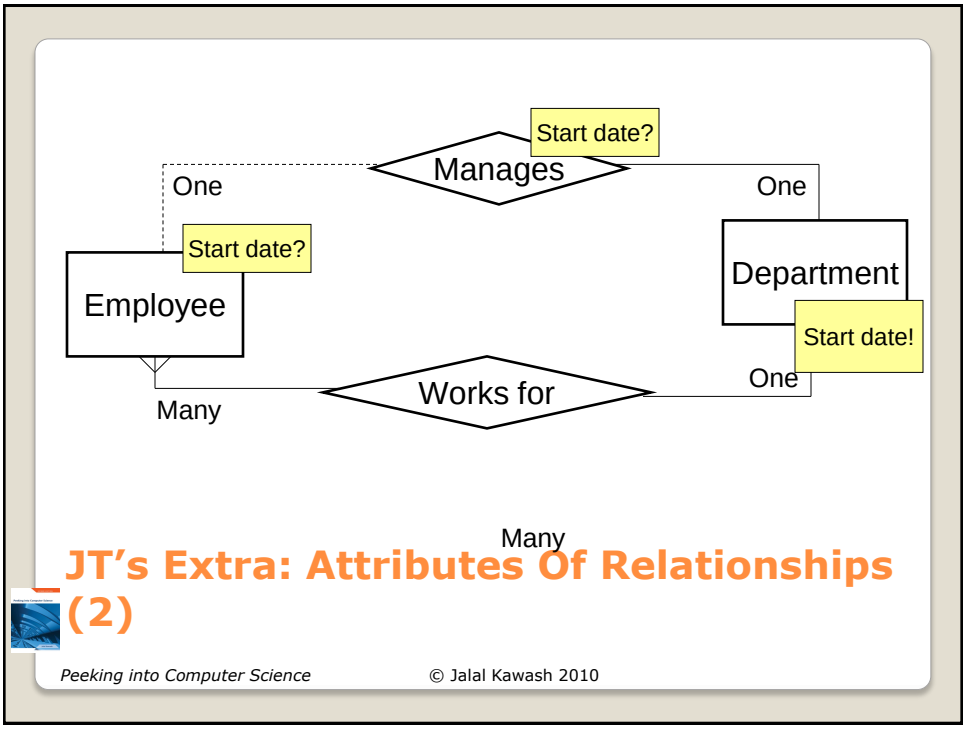
JT's Extra: 1 to 1 Relationships (2)

4. For each one-to-one relationship type R, relating E1 to E2 with E1 on a partial participation side or both E1 and E2 fully participate in R:
   - add the primary key of E1 (JT: partial) as a column or columns in T(E2, JT: full)
   - any attributes that R has become columns in T(E2)

Complete mapping Algorithm



JT's Extra: Attributes Of Relationships



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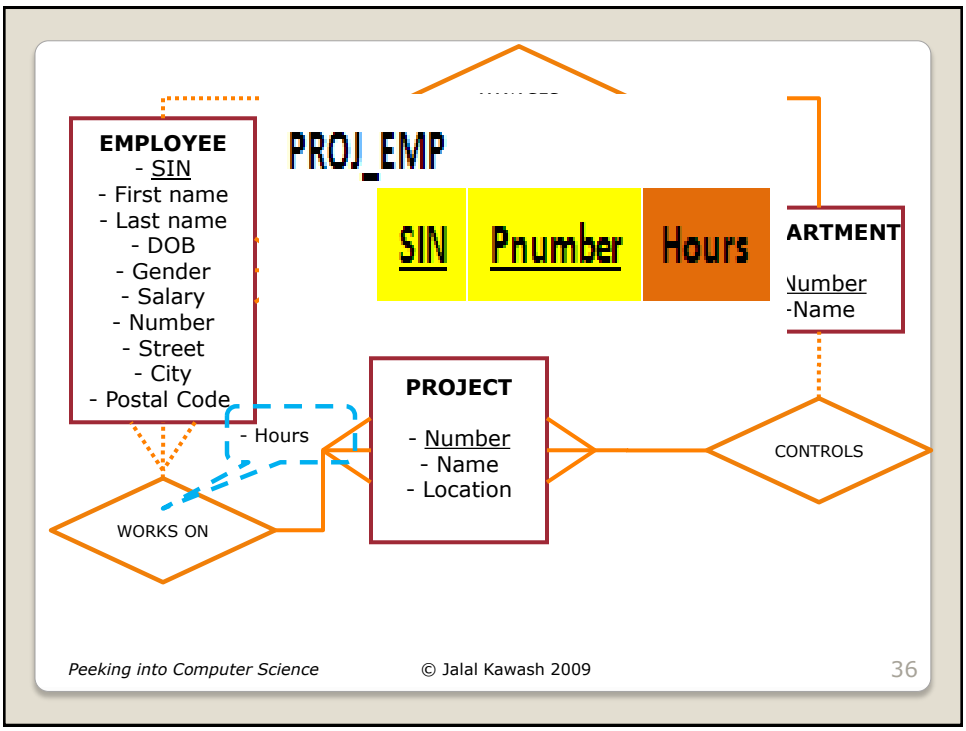

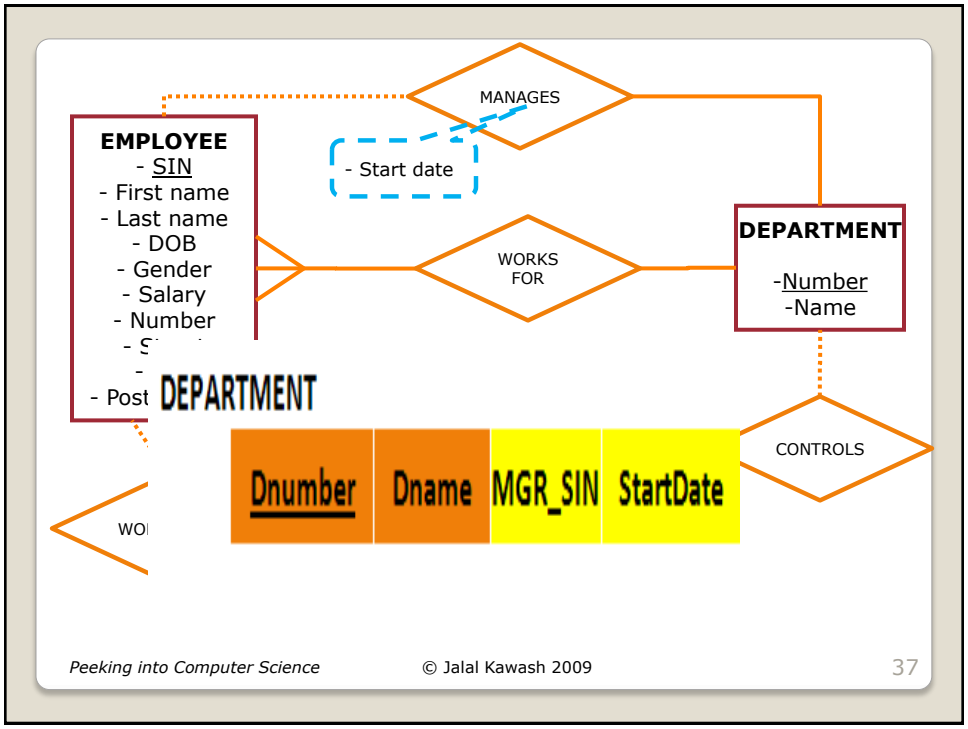
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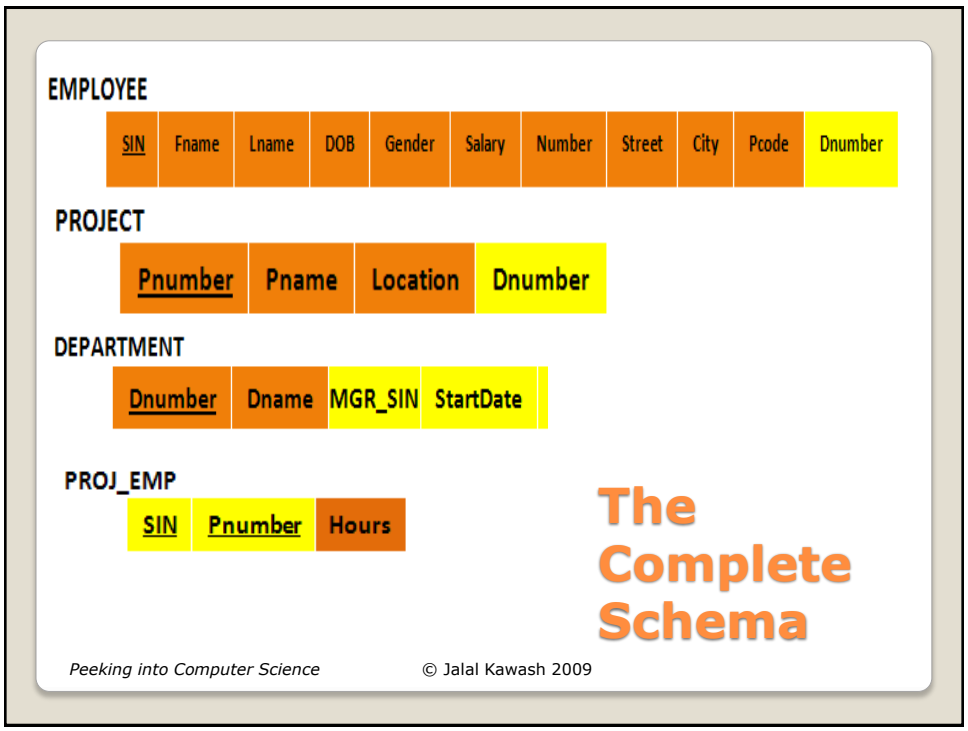
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Design Principles

What makes a Good Design?

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At the end of this section, you will be able to:

1. List and entertain the three basic design principles
2. Understand how our mapping algorithm satisfies these three principles

Objectives

1. Meaning of a Schema should be easily explained
2. Reduce Redundancy
3. Reduce NULL values

Basic Design Principles

1. Design a schema so that its meaning can be easily explained

- Do NOT combine attributes from different entity types into a single table

Design Principle (1)

Dnumber	Dname	MGR_SIN	StartDate	Pnumber	Pname	Location

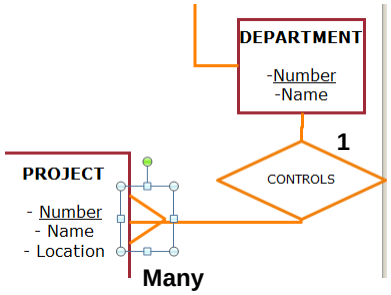
- Project, department, or controls table?
  - JT: what is the collective info stored, it's a smattering of unrelated attributes.

A schema with no clear meaning

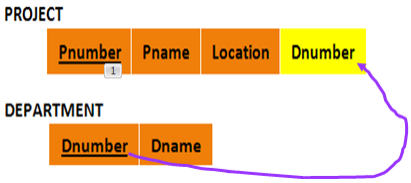
2. Design a schema so that Redundancy is reduced

- Unnecessary Redundancy can lead to modification anomalies

Design Principle (2)



With 1:Many relationship the primary key of the '1' became foreign key on the 'many' side



JT: Recall Department And Project

- Assume the schema definition for Project and Department
  - migrating Pnumber to DEPARTMENT

PROJECT

Pnumber	Pname	Location

DEPARTMENT

Dnumber	Dname	MGR_SIN	StartDate	Pnumber

Unnecessary Redundancy

DEPARTMENT

Dnumber	Dname	MGR_SIN	StartDate	Pnumber
1	IT	171717171	12-Feb-2008	1
1	IT	171717171	12-Feb-2008	2
2	Finance	123456789	1-Mar-2002	3
3	Marketing	66635	1-Jan-2005	4

More than one place to change IT

PROJECT

Pnumber	Pname	Location
1	Web Shopping	Calgary
2	Network Upgrade	Calgary
3	New Benefits	Toronto
4	Product XT345	Toronto

- ABC company decides to change the name of **IT** department to **Technology**

Modification Anomaly Example

EMPLOYEE

SIN	Fname	Lname	DOB	Gender	Salary	Number	Street	City	Pcode	Dnumber
171717171	Debra	Beacon	15-Aug-1961	Female	70000	15	Baron Hill	Calgary	T2X Y0Y	1
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666333999	Saleh	Dice	25-Mar-1970	Male	90400	66	Straight Way	Toronto	T4E T6B	3

DEPARTMENT

Dnumber	Dname	MGR_SIN	
1	IT	171717171	12-Feb-2008
2	Finance	123456789	1-Mar-2002
3	Marketing	666333999	1-Jan-2005

The only place to change IT

SIN	Pnumber	Hours
171717171	1	15
171717171	2	20
171717171	4	5
181817178	1	30
181817178	2	10
123456789	3	40
666333999	4	40

PROJECT

Pnumber	Pname	Location	Dnumber
1	Web Shopping	Calgary	1
2	Network Upgrade	Calgary	1
3	New Benefits	Toronto	2
4	Product XT345	Toronto	3

No Anomalies Here

DEPARTMENT

Dnumber	Dname	MGR_SIN	StartDate	Pnumber
1	IT	171717171	12-Feb-2008	1
1	IT	171717171	12-Feb-2008	2
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IT occurs in more than one place

PROJECT

Pnumber	Pname	Location
1	Web Shopping	
2	Network Upgrade	
3	New Benefits	
3	Product XT345	Toronto

Must change all occurrences of IT here and elsewhere

- Refers to empty fields of a record.
- Primary keys cannot be null but other fields may be null.

JT's Extra: Null Values

3. Design a schema so that NULL values are minimized as much as possible

- Waste space
- Result in confusion:
  - A NULL value could mean:
    - Does not apply
    - Unknown
    - To be recorded

Design Principle (3)

PROJ_EMP

SIN	Pnumber	Hours
171717171	1	15
171717171	2	NULL
171717171	4	5
181817178	1	30
181817178	2	10
123456789	3	NULL
666333999	4	40

1. **Arrangement to work until completion**
2. **We do not know the hours yet**
3. **Someone else will enter it (it is known)**

NULL Values Confusion

- We migrated the managers SIN (partial participation side) to the DEPARTMENT table (full participation side)
  - JT: this is what we should do

NULL Values Example

- What if we migrated the department Number to the EMPLOYEE table?
  - JT: again this is what should be done (1:many, primary key of 'one' becomes foreign key of many)

NULL Values Example

EMPLOYEE

SIN	Fname	Lname	DOB	Gender	Salary	Number	Street	City	Pcode	Dnumber
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DEPARTMENT

Dnumber	Dname	MGR_SIN	StartDate
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Original Design

EMPLOYEE

SIN	Fname	Lname	DOB	Gender	Salary	Number	Street	City	Pcode	Dnumber

DEPARTMENT

Dnumber	Dname	MGR_SIN	StartDate

JT: Manager Info (Manager 'Manages' A Department)

- Manager info stored in 'employees' table rather than department table.

JT: What If Manager Info Stored Elsewhere?

EMPLOYEE

SIN	Fname	Lname	DOB	Gender	Salary	Number	Street	City	Pcode	Dnumber	MGR_Dnumber	StartDate
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JT's Extra: zoom

DEPARTMENT

Dnumber	Dname
1	IT
2	Finance
3	Marketing

R_Dnumber	StartDate
1	12-Feb-2008
NULL	NULL
2	1-Mar-2002
NULL	NULL
3	1-Jan-2005

Alternative

- JT's Extra (Null): Many to many relationships: directly modeled in a database.

Students table

StudentID	**StudentFirstName**	**StudentLastName**
123456	Jamie	Smyth
123457	Stacey	Walls
123458	Angel	Lam

Classes table

ClassName	***ClassNumber***	***Lecture No***	**ClassDescription**
CPSC	*203*	*01*	Introduction to Computers
CPSC	*231*	*01*	Introduction to Computer Science I
CPSC	*233*	*01*	Introduction to Computer Science II

- JT's Extra (Null): Many to many relationships: directly modeled in a database.

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Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	…	Class 'N'
CPSC 203	PSYC 205	MATH 221	MATH 251	SOCI 201		NULL
CPSC 203	ART 201	MATH 271	NULL	NULL		NULL
CPSC 203	CHIN 201	KINE 221	MGIS 323	OPMA 341		NULL

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- JT's Extra (Null): Many to many relationships: directly modeled in a database.

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S_1	S_2	S_3	S_4	S_5	S_6	S_7	…	S_N
Bill	Bob	Mary	Jane	NULL	NULL	NULL		NULL
Jim	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL		NULL
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