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Database

2.1. Design of a database.

Relational model

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Relational model

Relational model

- It proposed by E.F.Codd (1970)
- The **relational model** is based on the mathematical concept of a **relation**
- The relational model represents the **database as a collection of relations**

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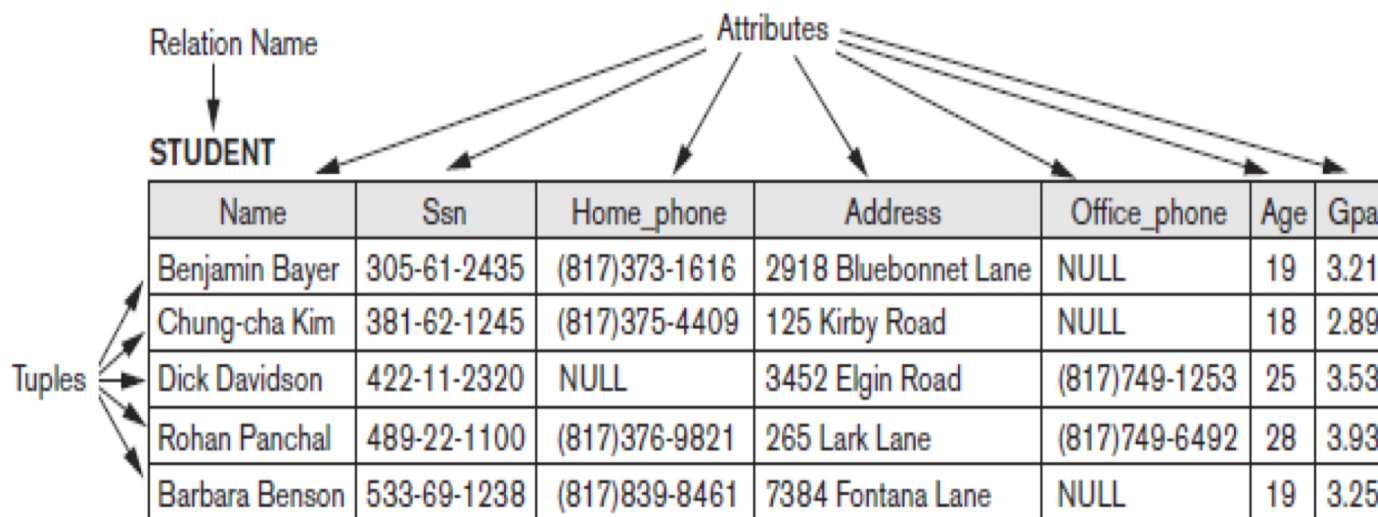
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Formal Terminology

- A table is called a **relation**
- A row is called a **tuple**
- A column header is called an **attribute**



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Formal Terminology

- A **relation** is a set of **tuples**
- Each **tuple** in the table represents a collection of related data values
- **Relation** and **attributes** names are used to help to interpret the meaning of the values in each row

The diagram illustrates the components of a relation. At the top, 'Relation Name' points to 'STUDENT'. 'Attributes' points to the column headers: 'Name', 'Ssn', 'Home_phone', 'Address', 'Office_phone', 'Age', and 'Gpa'. 'Tuples' points to the rows of data in the table.

	Name	Ssn	Home_phone	Address	Office_phone	Age	Gpa
	Benjamin Bayer	305-61-2435	(817)373-1616	2918 Bluebonnet Lane	NULL	19	3.21
	Chung-cha Kim	381-62-1245	(817)375-4409	125 Kirby Road	NULL	18	2.89
	Dick Davidson	422-11-2320	NULL	3452 Elgin Road	(817)749-1253	25	3.53
	Rohan Panchal	489-22-1100	(817)376-9821	265 Lark Lane	(817)749-6492	28	3.93
	Barbara Benson	533-69-1238	(817)839-8461	7384 Fontana Lane	NULL	19	3.25

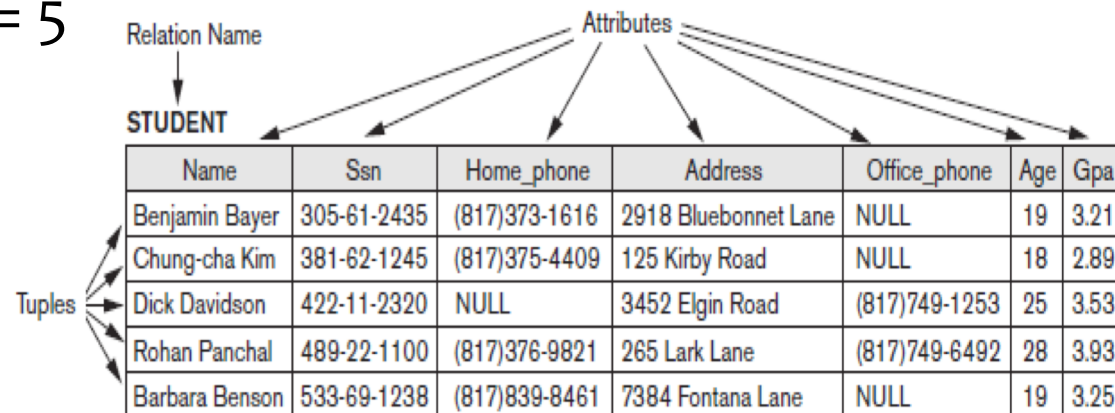
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Features

- The **degree** of a relation is the number of attributes it contains
- The **cardinality** of a relation is the number of tuples it contains

Degree = 7

Cardinality = 5



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Domain

■ Domain

- A finite set of homogeneous and atomic values, characterized by a name.
- The set of allowed values for each attribute is called the domain of the attribute
- It is useful to specify a name for the domain, to help in interpreting its values

Attribute	Domain definition	Domain name
City	Character: size 15	DomainCity
Sex	Character: size 1, value M or F	DomainSex
salary	Monetary: 7 digits, range: 8000.00- 50000.00	DomainSalary

Schema

- A relational database usually contains many relations, with tuples in relations that are related in various ways
- A relational database schema is a set of relation schemas $S = \{R_1, R_2, \dots, R_m\}$ and a set of integrity constraints
- It is a structural description of relations in database

Schema example: Company

EMPLOYEE (Fname, Minit, Lname, Ssn ,Bdate, Address, Sex, Salary. Super_ssn, Dno)

DEPARTMENT (Dname, Dnumber, Mgr_ssn, Mgr_start_date)

DEPT_LOCATIONS (Dnumber,
Dlocation)

PROJECT (Pname,Pnumber,Plocation, Dnum)

WORKS_ON (Essn, Pno, Hours)

Relational Model Constraints

Relational Model Constrains Types

- In the relational database, there are many relations
- **Relations are related among themselves in different ways**
- There are **constrains** on the actual values in a database state
 - **Inherent model-based** constrains
 - **Schema-based** constrains
 - **Domain** constrains
 - **Key** constrains
 - **Constraints on NULLs, entity integrity** constrains,
 - **Referential integrity** constrains, **Foreign keys**
 - **Semantic integrity** constrains

Relational Model Constrains

Inherent model-based constrains

- A relation **cannot have duplicate** tuples (mandatory primary key)
- The **order of the tuples** and the order of the attributes is **not relevant**

Relational Model Constrains Schema-based constrains

- **Domain** constraints
- **Key** constraints
- Constraints on **NULLs**, **entity integrity** constraints,
- **Referential integrity** constraints, **Foreign keys**

Schema-based constraints

Domain constraints

- Domain constraints specify that within each tuple, the value of each attribute A must be an atomic value from the domain $\text{dom}(A)$.
- **Each attribute can only take a single value from the domain over which it is defined**
- Data types associated with domains:
 - Numeric data types for integers (integer) and real numbers (float)
 - Characters, Booleans, fixed-length strings, and variable-length strings
 - Date, time, timestamp
 - Subrange of values from a data type or as an enumerated data type in which all possible values are explicitly listed.

Schema-based constraints

Key constraints

- A relation is defined as a set of tuples
- All tuples in a relation must also be distinct
 - **Two tuples can not have the same combination of values for all their attributes.**

Schema-based constraints

Key constraints

- **Superkey:** An attribute, or set of attributes, that uniquely identifies a tuple within a relation
- **Candidate key:** a superkey such that no proper subset is a superkey within a relation (minimal)

STUDENT

Name	Ssn	Home_phone	Address	Office_phone	Age	Gpa
Dick Davidson	422-11-2320	NULL	3452 Elgin Road	(817)749-1253	25	3.53
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Chung-cha Kim	381-62-1245	(817)375-4409	125 Kirby Road	NULL	18	2.89
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Superkey = {Name, Office_phone, Home_phone}, {Name, Home_phone, Address}

Candidate Key = {Name, Home_phone}, {Ssn}

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Schema-based constraints

Key constraints

- **Primary key:** a candidate key chosen as the principal means of identifying tuples within a relation
 - **Choose an attribute that almost never changes**
 - E.g. email address is unique, but may change
- **Alternate Key:**
 - A relation always has a primary key.
 - In the worst case, the entire set of attributes could serve as the primary key, but usually some smaller subset is sufficient to distinguish the tuples. The candidate keys that are not selected to be the primary key are called alternate keys.

Schema-based constraints

Key constraints

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<u>License_number</u>	Engine_serial_number	Make	Model	Year
Texas ABC-739	A69352	Ford	Mustang	02
Florida TVP-347	B43696	Oldsmobile	Cutlass	05
New York MPO-22	X83554	Oldsmobile	Delta	01
California 432-TFY	C43742	Mercedes	190-D	99
California RSK-629	Y82935	Toyota	Camry	04
Texas RSK-629	U028365	Jaguar	XJS	04

Candidate Key = {License_number}, {Engine_serial_number}

=> **Primary Key** = {License_number}

Schema-based constraints

Key constraints

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Candidate Key = {Name, Home_phone}, {Ssn}

=> Primary Key = {Ssn}

Schema-based constraints

Key constraints

EMPLOYEE

Fname	Minit	Lname	<u>Ssn</u>	Bdate	Address	Sex	Salary	Super_ssn	Dno
John	B	Smith	123456789	1965-01-09	731 Fondren, Houston, TX	M	30000	333445555	5
Franklin	T	Wong	333445555	1955-12-08	638 Voss, Houston, TX	M	40000	888665555	5
Alicia	J	Zelaya	999887777	1968-01-19	3321 Castle, Spring, TX	F	25000	987654321	4
Jennifer	S	Wallace	987654321	1941-06-20	291 Berry, Bellaire, TX	F	43000	888665555	4
Ramesh	K	Narayan	666884444	1962-09-15	975 Fire Oak, Humble, TX	M	38000	333445555	5
Joyce	A	English	453453453	1972-07-31	5631 Rice, Houston, TX	F	25000	333445555	5
Ahmad	V	Jabbar	987987987	1969-03-29	980 Dallas, Houston, TX	M	25000	987654321	4
James	E	Borg	888665555	1937-11-10	450 Stone, Houston, TX	M	55000	NULL	1

Candidate Key = {FName, Lname, Bdate, Address}, {Ssn}

=> Primary Key = {Ssn}

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Schema-based constraints

Constraints on NULLs, Entity Integrity constraints

- No attribute that is part of the primary key of a relation can take a null value (entity integrity constraint)

Schema-based constraints

Referential Integrity constraints, and Foreign Keys

- The referential integrity constraint is specified between two relations
- It is used to maintain the consistency among tuples in the two relations.
- The referential integrity constraint states that a tuple in one relation that refers to another relation must refer to an existing tuple in that relation.

Schema-based constraints

Referential Integrity constraints, and Foreign Keys

- To define referential integrity more formally, first we define the concept of a foreign key
- A set of attributes FK in relation schema R1 is a foreign key of R1 that references relation R2 if it satisfies the following rules:
 - 1. The attributes in FK have the same domain(s) as the primary key attributes PK of R2; the attributes FK are said to reference or refer to the relation R2.
 - 2. A value of FK in a tuple t1 of the current state r1(R1) either occurs as a value of PK for some tuple t2 in the current state r2(R2) or is NULL. In the former case, we have $t1[FK] = t2[PK]$, and we say that the tuple t1 references or refers to the tuple t2.

Shema example: Movie Database

- We are going to design a database of movies. The data to be collected in the database are given by the following assumptions.
 - A director is identified by a code, he/she has a first name and a last name.

DIRECTOR (code, Fname, Lname)

- A movie is identified by a code, in addition, it must be collected: the title, year, duration, language, and country

MOVIE (code, Title, Year, Time, Lang, country)

Shema example: Movie Database

- More assumptions (2 different possibilities)
 - Option 1) A movie is directed by one director
 - Option 2) A movie may be directed by more than one director

MOVIE (Id, Title, Year, Time, Lang, Country, Id_Director)

DIRECTOR (Id, Fname, Lname)

Shema example: Movie Database

- Option 1) A movie is directed by **one** director

MOVIE (code, Title, Year, Time, Lang, Country, code_Director)

→ DIRECTOR (code, Fname, Lname)

MOVIE

<u>Code</u>	Title	Year	Time	Lang	Country	Code_Director
901	Vertigo	1958	128	English	UK	201
914	American Beauty	1999	122	English	UK	214
915	Titanic	1997	194	English	UK	215

DIRECTOR

<u>Code</u>	Fname	Lname
201	Alfred	Hitchcock
206	Ridley	Scott
207	Stanley	Kubrick

Shema example: Movie Database

- Option 2) a movie may be directed by **more than one** director

→ MOVIE (Code, Title, Year, Time, Lang, country)

MOVIE_DIRECTOR (Code Movie, Code Director)

→ DIRECTOR (Code, Fname, Lname)

Schema example: Movie Database

- Option 2) a director can direct several movies

MOVIE_DIRECTOR

<u>Code Movie</u>	<u>Code Director</u>
901	201
900	220
900	221

MOVIE (Code, Title, Year, Time, Lang, country)

MOVIE_DIRECTOR (Code_Movie, Code_Director)

DIRECTOR (Code, Fname, Lname)

MOVIE

<u>Code</u>	Title	Year	Time	Lang	Country
901	Vértigo	1958	128	English	UK
900	West Side Story	1961	194	English	UK

DIRECTOR

<u>Code</u>	Fname	Lname
201	Alfred	Hitchcock
220	Robert	Wise
221	Jerome	Robbins

Shema example: COMPANY Database

Design a database that manages the data of employees, departments and projects in a company.

The employees' data should be stored such as the family name, initial of the name, last name, social security number, date of birth, address, sex, and salary.

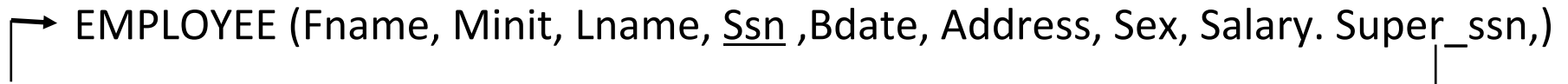
Each employee is identified by the social security number.

EMPLOYEE (Fname, Minit, Lname, Ssn, Bdate, Address, Sex)

Schema example: COMPANY Database

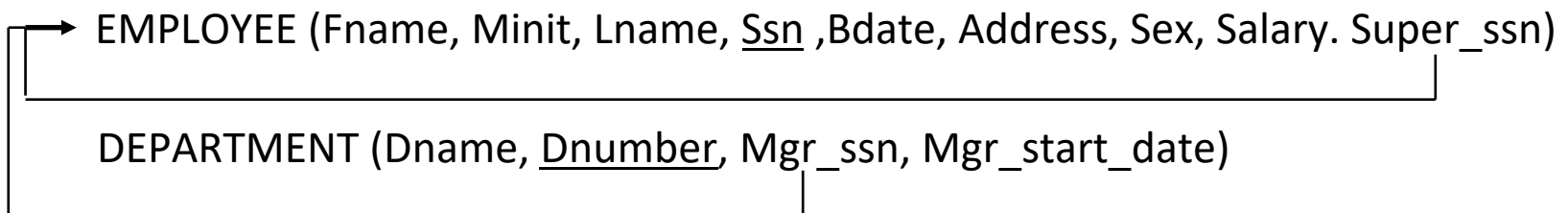
- Each employee has a supervisor, and this information needs to be collected.

→ EMPLOYEE (Fname, Minit, Lname, Ssn, Bdate, Address, Sex, Salary, Super_ssn,)



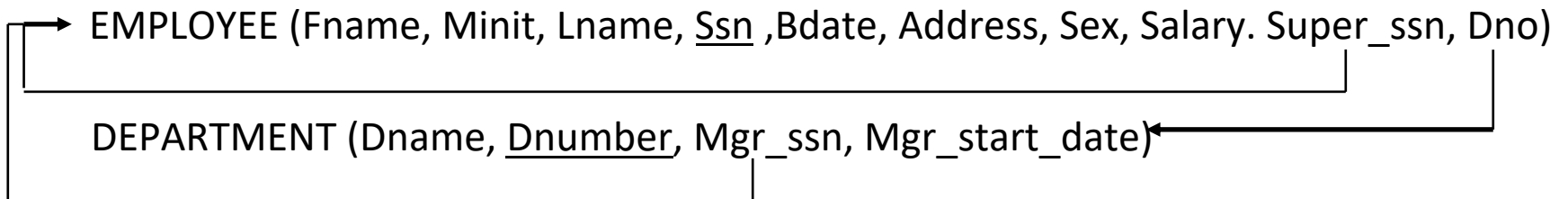
Shema example: COMPANY Database

- On the other hand, it will be necessary to store information about the departments. Thus, the departments are identified by a number, they have a name and it must be collected which employee is the manager of that department and the date since he is the manager. Each department has a unique manager.



Schema example: COMPANY Database

- Each employee belongs to a alone department.



Shema example: COMPANY Database

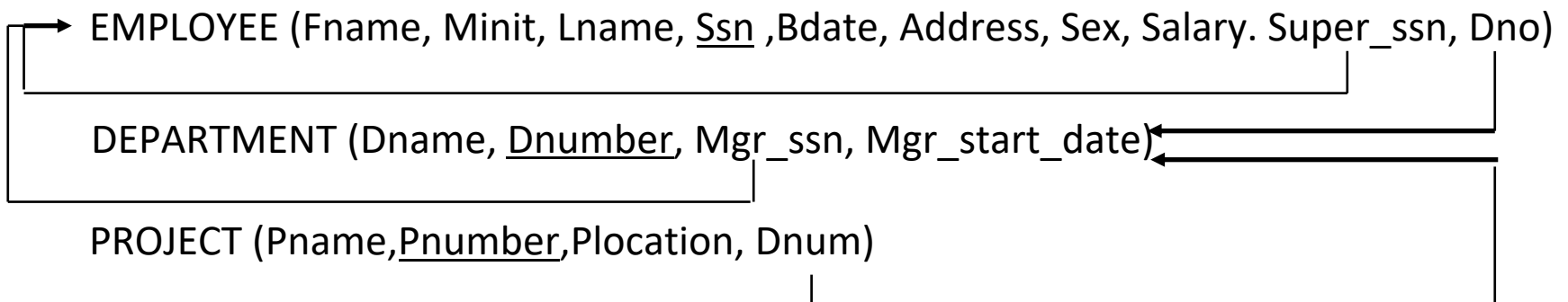
- The locations of the departments are collected. A department can have different locations.

→ DEPARTMENT (Dname, Dnumber, Mgr_ssn, Mgr_start_date)

DEPT_LOCATIONS (Dnumber,
Dlocation)

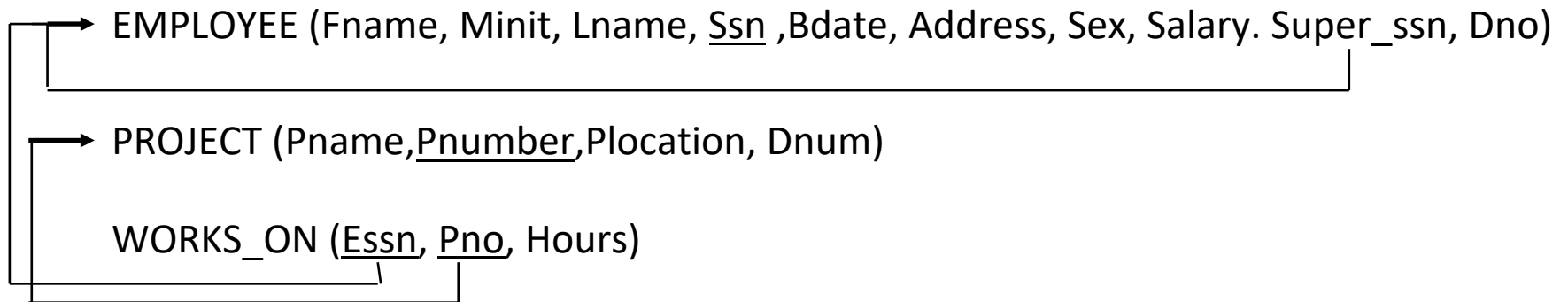
Schema example: COMPANY Database

- In addition, the projects in which the employees work, are stored.
- Each project is identified by number and has a name, they also have a unique location and are associated with a unique department.

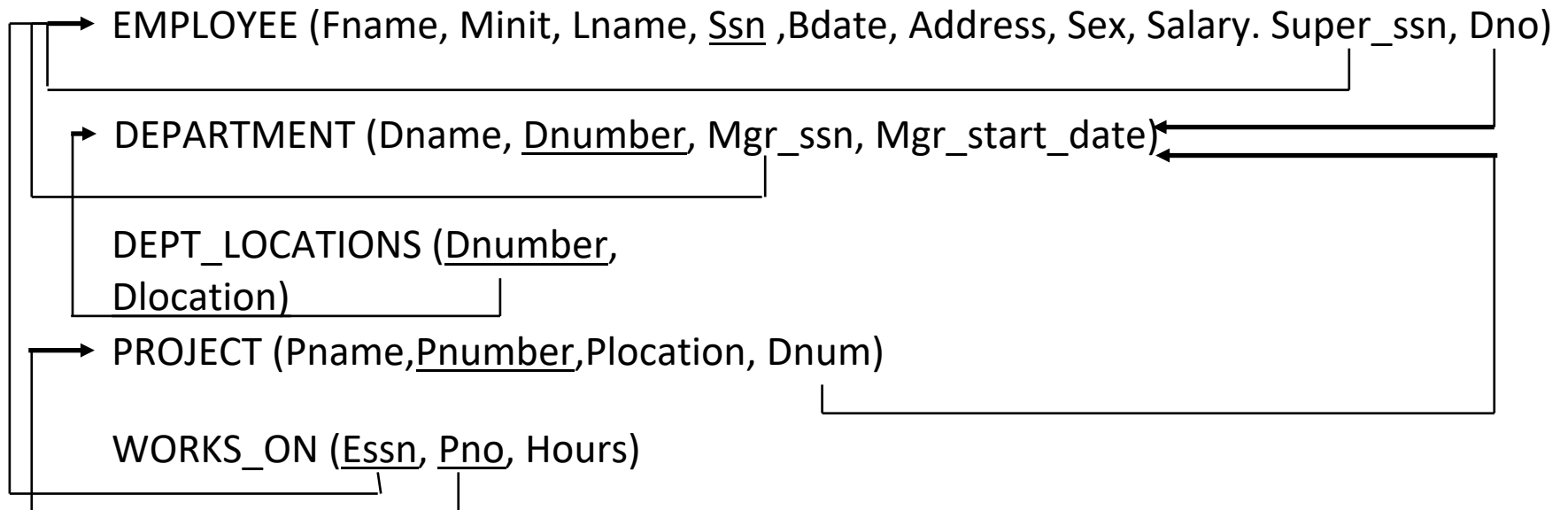


Schema example: COMPANY Database

- Finally, the management of hours worked by employees per project is collected.
- Thus, an employee can work on different projects and different employees can work on a project.



Schema example: COMPANY Database



Semantic integrity constraints Check

- In some cases, it may be necessary to specify a condition that must be met by the values of certain attributes of a database relation apart from the restrictions already seen in primary key, uniqueness and foreign key.

Example:

- for the EMPLOYEE relation, a restriction could be defined on the SALARY attribute that establishes that "the salary range of an employee can range between 100,000 and 500,000 €".

Semantic integrity constraints

Assertion

- Restrictions in which the condition is established on elements of different relations.

Example:

- " there is no employee that works in the accounting department that earns more than 200,000 euros"

Semantic integrity constraints

Trigger

- Sometimes it may be interesting to specify an action other than rejection when a certain semantic restriction is not met. In that case, we use the TRIGGERS that allow us to indicate a condition, specify the action we want to take place if the condition becomes True.

Update operations and dealing with Constraint Violations

Database modification or update operations

- Operations:
 - **Insert:** insert one or more new tuples in a relation
 - **Delete:** delete tuples
 - **Update** (or *Modify*): change the values of some attributes in existing tuples.
- Whenever these operations are applied, the constraints specified on the relational database schema **should not be violated.**

The Insert Operation

- The Insert operation provides a list of attribute values for a new tuple t that is to be inserted into a relation R .
- Insert can **violate** any of the four types of constraints.
 - **Domain constraints** can be violated if an attribute value is given that does not appear in the corresponding domain or is not of the appropriate data type.
 - **Key constraints** can be violated if a key value in the new tuple t already exists in another tuple in the relation $r(R)$.
 - **Entity integrity** can be violated if any part of the primary key of the new tuple t is NULL.
 - **Referential integrity** can be violated if the value of any foreign key in t refers to a tuple that does not exist in the referenced relation.

Example: COMPANY

The Insert Operation

- Operation:** Insert <'Alicia', 'J', 'Zelaya', '999887777', '1960-04-05', '6357 Windy Lane, Katy, TX', F, 28000, '987654321', 4> into EMPLOYEE.
- Result:** This insertion violates the **key constraint** because another tuple with the same Ssn value already exists in the EMPLOYEE relation, and so it is rejected.

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EMPLOYEE

Fname	Minit	Lname	<u>Ssn</u>	Bdate	Address	Sex	Salary	Super_ssn	Dno
John	B	Smith	123456789	1965-01-09	731 Fondren, Houston, TX	M	30000	333445555	5
Franklin	T	Wong	333445555	1955-12-08	638 Voss, Houston, TX	M	40000	888665555	5
Alicia	J	Zelaya	999887777	1968-01-19	3321 Castle, Spring, TX	F	25000	987654321	4
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Ahmad	V	Jabbar	987987987	1969-03-29	980 Dallas, Houston, TX	M	25000	987654321	4
James	E	Borg	888665555	1937-11-10	450 Stone, Houston, TX	M	55000	NULL	1

Example: COMPANY

The Insert Operation

- Operation: Insert <'Cecilia', 'F', 'Kolonsky', **NULL**, '1960-04-05', '6357 Windy Lane, Katy,TX', F, 28000, NULL, 4> into EMPLOYEE.
- Result: This insertion violates the **entity integrity constraint** (NULL for the primary key Ssn), so it is rejected.

EMPLOYEE

Fname	Minit	Lname	<u>Ssn</u>	Bdate	Address	Sex	Salary	Super_ssn	Dno
John	B	Smith	123456789	1965-01-09	731 Fondren, Houston, TX	M	30000	333445555	5
Franklin	T	Wong	333445555	1955-12-08	638 Voss, Houston, TX	M	40000	888665555	5
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Example: COMPANY

The Insert Operation

- Operation: Insert <'Cecilia', 'F', 'Kolonsky', '677678989', '1960-04-05', '6357 Windswept, Katy, TX', F, 28000, '987654321', 7> into EMPLOYEE.
- Result: This insertion violates the **referential integrity constraint** specified on Dno in EMPLOYEE because no corresponding referenced tuple exists in DEPARTMENT with Dnumber = 7.

EMPLOYEE (Fname, Minit, Lname, Ssn, Bdate, Address, Sex, Salary, Super_ssn, Dno)

DEPARTMENT (Dname, Dnumber, Mgr_ssn, Mgr_start_date)



DEPARTMENT

Dname	<u>Dnumber</u>	Mgr_ssn	Mgr_start_date
Research	5	333445555	1988-05-22
Administration	4	987654321	1995-01-01
Headquarters	1	888665555	1981-06-19

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Example: COMPANY

The Insert Operation

- Operation: Insert <'Cecilia', 'F', 'Kolonsky', '677678989', '1960-04-05', '6357 Windy Lane, Katy, TX', F, 28000, NULL, 4> into EMPLOYEE.
- Result: This insertion satisfies all constraints, so it is acceptable.

EMPLOYEE

Fname	Minit	Lname	<u>Ssn</u>	Bdate	Address	Sex	Salary	Super_ssn	Dno
John	B	Smith	123456789	1965-01-09	731 Fondren, Houston, TX	M	30000	333445555	5
Franklin	T	Wong	333445555	1955-12-08	638 Voss, Houston, TX	M	40000	888665555	5
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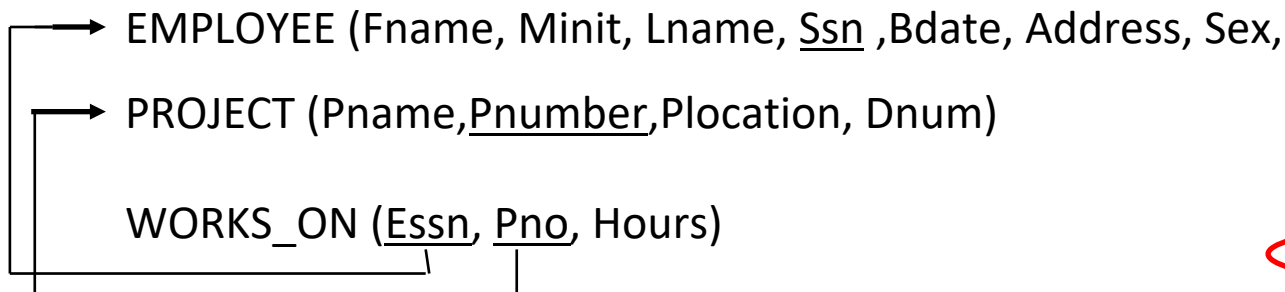
The Delete Operation

- The Delete operation can violate only **referential integrity**. This occurs if the tuple being deleted is referenced by foreign keys from other tuples in the database.
- Several options are available if a deletion operation causes a violation.
 - **restrict**, is to reject the deletion.
 - **cascade**, is to attempt to cascade (or propagate) the deletion by deleting tuples that reference the tuple that is being deleted.
 - **set null or set default**, is to modify the referencing attribute values that cause the violation; each such value is either set to NULL or changed to reference another default valid tuple.

Example: COMPANY

The Delete Operation

- Operation: Delete the WORKS_ON tuple with Essn = '999887777' and Pno = 10.
- Result: This deletion is acceptable and deletes exactly one tuple.



WORKS_ON

<u>Essn</u>	<u>Pno</u>	Hours
123456789	1	32.5
123456789	2	7.5
666884444	3	40.0
453453453	1	20.0
453453453	2	20.0
333445555	2	10.0
333445555	3	10.0
333445555	10	10.0
333445555	20	10.0
999887777	30	30.0
999887777	10	10.0
987987987	10	35.0
987987987	30	5.0
987654321	30	20.0
987654321	20	15.0
888665555	20	NULL

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Navathe

Example: COMPANY

The Delete Operation

- Operation: Delete the EMPLOYEE tuple with Ssn = '666884444'.
- Result: This deletion is not acceptable, because there are tuples in WORKS_ON that refer to this tuple. Hence, if the tuple in EMPLOYEE is deleted, **referential integrity** violations will result. In this case, **options** must be defined.

EMPLOYEE (Fname, Minit, Lname, Ssn, Bdate, Address, Sex, Salary, Super_ssn, Dno)

WORKS_ON (Essn, Pno, Hours)

WORKS_ON

EMPLOYEE

Fname	Minit	Lname	<u>Ssn</u>	Bdate	Address	Sex	Salary	Super_ssn	Dno
John	B	Smith	123456789	1965-01-09				445555	5
Franklin	T	Wong	333445555	1955-12-08				665555	5
Alicia	J	Zelaya	999887777	1968-01-19	3321 Castle, Spring, TX	F	25000	987654321	4
Jennifer	S	Wallace	987654321	1941-06-20	291 Berry, Bellaire, TX	F	43000	888665555	4
Ramesh	K	Narayan	666884444	1982-09-15	975 Fire Oak, Humble, TX	M	38000	333445555	5

Example: COMPANY

The Delete Operation

- **OPTION restrict:**

- Operation: Delete the EMPLOYEE tuple with Ssn = '666884444'.
- Result: This deletion is rejected. The delete operations isn't done.

EMPLOYEE (Fname, Minit, Lname, Ssn, Bdate, Address, Sex, Salary, Super_ssn, Dno)

WORKS_ON (Essn, Pno, Hours)

EMPLOYEE

Fname	Minit	Lname	<u>Ssn</u>	Bdate
John	B	Smith	123456789	1965-01-09
Franklin	T	Wong	333445555	1955-12-08
Alicia	J	Zelaya	999887777	1968-01-19
Jennifer	S	Wallace	987654321	1941-06-20
Ramesh	K	Narayan	666884444	1982-09-15

WORKS_ON

<u>Essn</u>	<u>Pno</u>	Hours	Super_ssn	Dno
123456789	1	32.5		
123456789	2	7.5	445555	5
666884444	3	40.0	665555	5

Example: COMPANY

The Delete Operation

OPTION cascade:

- Operation: Delete the EMPLOYEE tuple with Ssn = '666884444'.
- Result: The deletion in EMPLOYEE is done, also the related tuples in relation WORKS_ON will be deleted.

EMPLOYEE (Fname, Minit, Lname, Ssn, Bdate, Address, Sex, Salary, Super_ssn, Dno)

WORKS_ON (Essn, Pno, Hours)

EMPLOYEE

Fname	Minit	Lname	<u>Ssn</u>	Bdate
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Franklin	T	Wong	333445555	1955-12-08
Alicia	J	Zelaya	999887777	1968-01-19
Jennifer	S	Wallace	987654321	1941-06-20
Ramesh	K	Narayan	666884444	1992-09-15

WORKS_ON

<u>Essn</u>	<u>Pno</u>	Hours	Super_ssn	Dno
123456789	1	32.5		
123456789	2	7.5	445555	5
666884444	3	40.0	665555	5

The Update Operation

- The Update (or Modify) can violate only **referential integrity**. This occurs if the tuple being updated is referenced by foreign keys from other tuples in the database.
- It is necessary to specify a condition on the attributes of the relation to select the tuple (or tuples) to be modified

The Update Operation

- Options exist to deal with referential integrity violations caused by update
 - **restrict**, is to reject the update.
 - **cascade**, is to attempt to cascade (or propagate) the update by updating tuples that reference the tuple that is being updated.
 - **set null or set default**, is to modify the referencing attribute values that cause the violation; each such value is either set to NULL or changed to reference another default valid tuple.

Example: COMPANY

The Update Operation

- Operation: Update the salary of the EMPLOYEE tuple with Ssn = '999887777' to 28000.
- Result: Acceptable

EMPLOYEE (Fname, Minit, Lname, Ssn, Bdate, Address, Sex, Salary, Super_ssn, Dno)

Example: COMPANY

The Update Operation

- Operation: Update the Dno of the EMPLOYEE tuple with Ssn = '999887777' to 1.
- Result: Acceptable.

EMPLOYEE (Fname, Minit, Lname, Ssn, Bdate, Address, Sex, Salary, Super_ssn, Dno)

DEPARTMENT (Dname, Dnumber, Mgr_ssn, Mgr_start_date)

DEPARTMENT

Dname	<u>Dnumber</u>	Mgr_ssn	Mgr_start_date
Research	5	333445555	1988-05-22
Administration	4	987654321	1995-01-01
Headquarters	1	888665555	1981-06-19

Example: COMPANY

The Update Operation

- Operation: Update the Dno of the EMPLOYEE tuple with Ssn = '999887777' to 7.
- Result: Unacceptable, because it violates **referential integrity**.

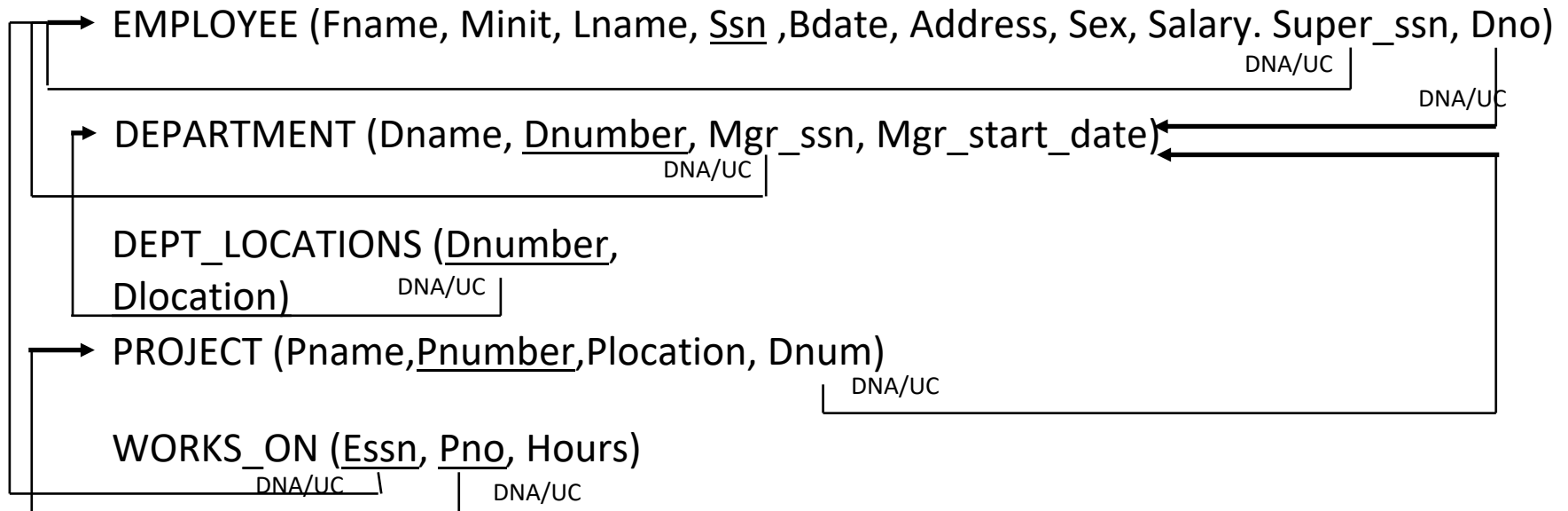
Example: COMPANY

The Update Operation

- Operation: Update the Ssn of the EMPLOYEE tuple with Ssn = '999887777' to '987654321'.
- Result: Unacceptable, because:
 - it violates **primary key constraint** by repeating a value that already exists as a primary key in another tuple;
 - it violates **referential integrity constraints** because there are other relations that refer to the existing value of Ssn.

Example: COMPANY

Final schema



- by default **DNA/UC**
- or **DC/UC** if there are semantic assumptions

DNA: delete restrict
UC: update cascade
DC: delete cascade

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