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Unit III-E-R Diagram models and NORMAL FORMS

Topic : ER Diagrams - Entities, Attributes, Relationships



ER Diagram-Entities

- Entity Sets:
- Entity: a “thing” or “object” in the real world that is distinguishable from all other objects.
- Example: a particular person, car, house, etc.
- An entity has set of properties, and the values for some set of properties may uniquely identify an entity.
- An entity set is a collection of entities having the same properties



ER Diagram-Attributes

➤ Attributes:

- The properties that describe an entity are called attributes.
- In the customer entity customer id, name, street are the attributes



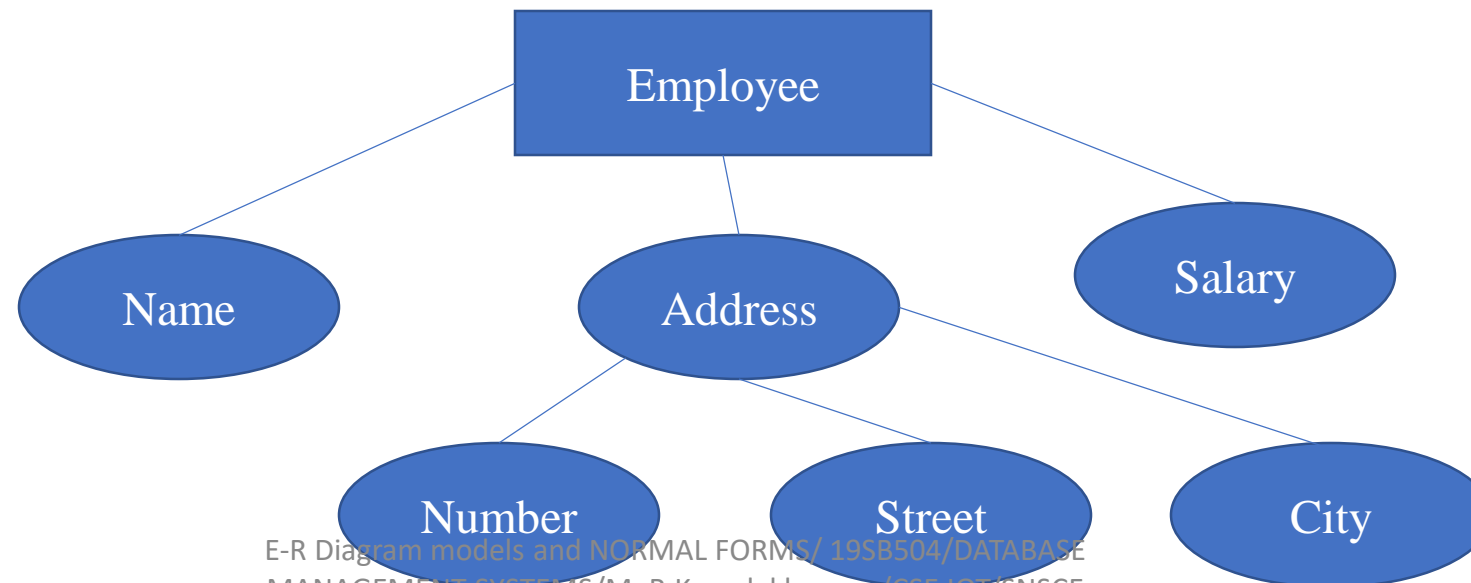
ER Diagram-Attributes

- Attributes – Types:
- Simple attribute:
 - An attribute that cannot be divided into further subparts (atomic).
 - Example: Customer-id of customer entity



ER Diagram-Attributes

- Attributes – Types:
- Composite attribute:
 - An attribute that can be divided into a set of subparts.





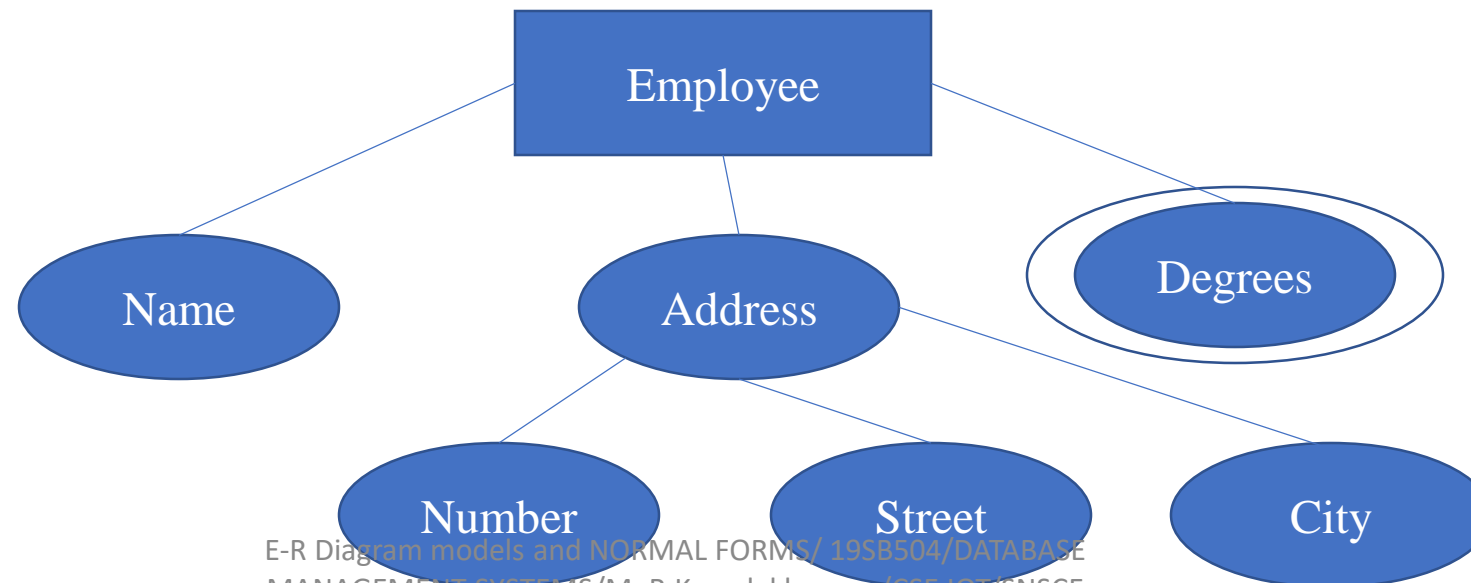
ER Diagram-Attributes

- Attributes – Types:
- Single value attribute:
 - An attribute having only one value in a particular entity.



ER Diagram-Attributes

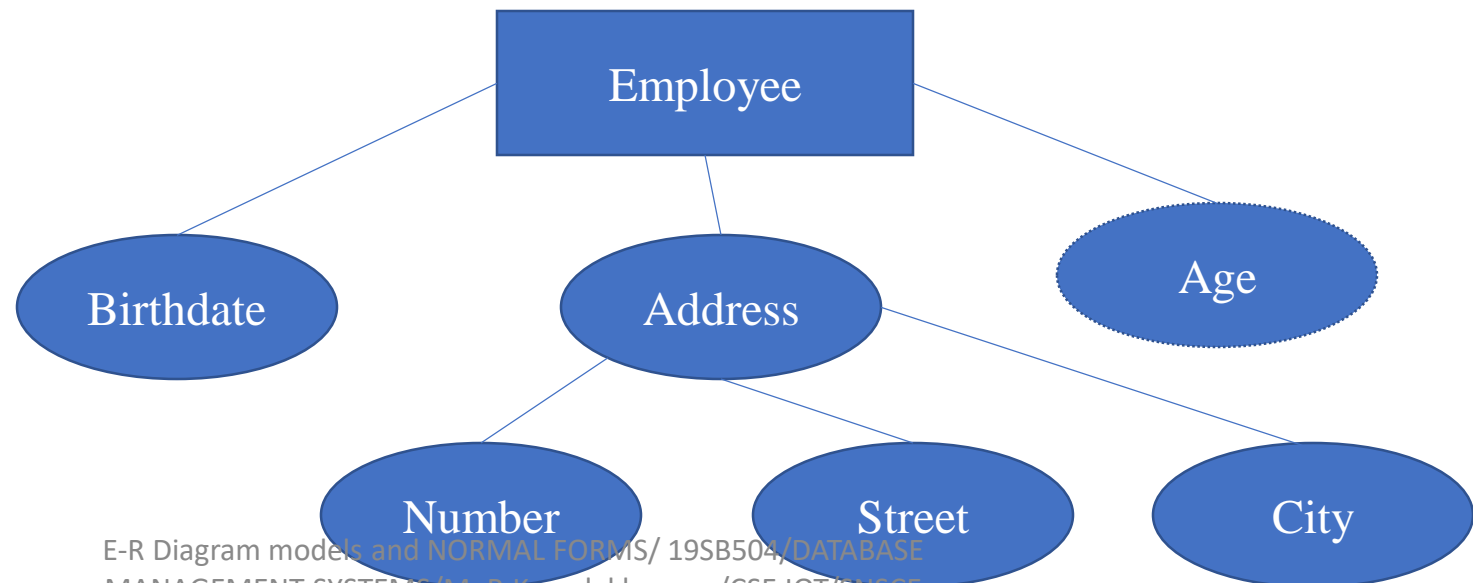
- Attributes – Types:
- Multi-valued attribute:
 - An attribute having more than one value for a particular entity.





ER Diagram-Attributes

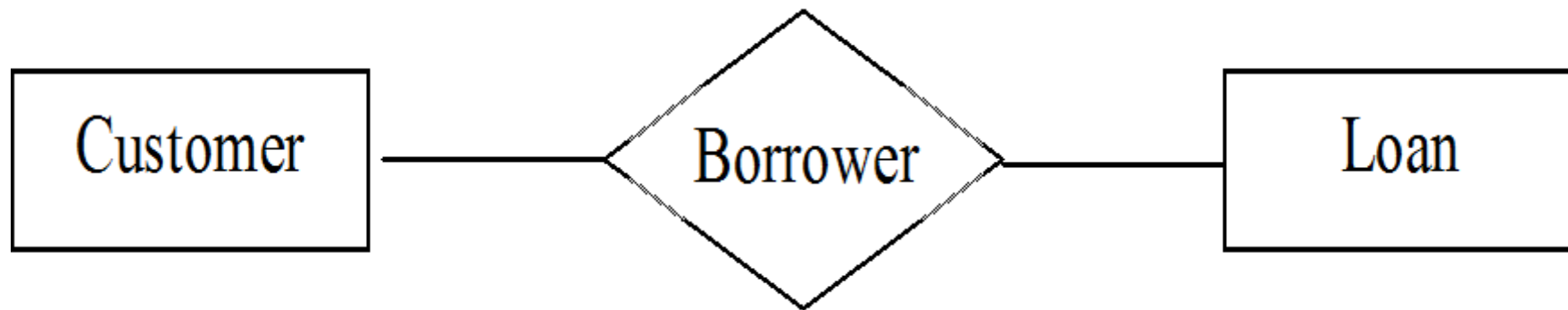
- Attributes – Types:
- Derived attribute:
 - An attribute that is derived from other related attributes or entities.





ER Diagram- Relationship

- Relationship set:
 - an association among several entities.
 - a set of relationships of the same type.





ER Model

➤ Mapping Cardinality:

- the number of entities to which another entity can be associated via a relationship set.
- For a binary relationship set R between entity sets A and B



ER Model

- Mapping Cardinality - One-to-one (1 : 1)
 - An entity in A is associated with at most one entity in B, and an entity in B is associated with at most one entity in A.
- One-to-many (1 : M)
 - An entity in A is associated with any number of entities in B. An entity in B can be associated with at most one entity in A.



ER Model

- Mapping Cardinality - Many-to-Many (M : N)
 - An entity in A is associated with any number of entities in B, and an entity in B is associated with any number of entities in A.
- Many to one (M : 1)
 - An entity in A is associated with at most one entity in B. An entity in B can be associated with any number of entities in A.



ER Model

- Ternary relation:
 - If a relationship connects three entities.
 - Entities: Product, Supplier and customer
 - Relationship: buy



ER Model

➤ Weak Entity Set:

➤ Entity types that do not have key attributes of their own are called weak entity types.

➤ Strong Entity Set:

➤ Entity types that have key attributes of their own are called strong entity types





Components of ER Diagram

Component	Description	Symbol
Entity	Rectangle	
Relationship	Diamond	
Attributes for any Entity	Ellipse	
Key Attribute for any Entity	the attribute name inside the Ellipse is underlined.	





Components of ER Diagram

Component	Description	Symbol
Derived Attribute for any Entity	dotted ellipse is created inside the main ellipse	
Multivalued Attribute for any Entity	Double Ellipse	



ER Diagram - Entity



Component	Example	Symbol
Entity	Employee, Manager, Department	 <pre>graph LR; Employee[Employee] --- works_for{works for}; works_for --- Department[Department];</pre>
Weak Entity	depends on another entity	 <pre>graph LR; LOAN[LOAN] --- Installment[Installment];</pre>



ER Diagram - Attribute

Component	Description	Symbol
Attribute (Name, Age, Address)	property or characteristic of an entity	
Key Attribute	main characteristic of an Entity	
Composite Attribute	have their own attributes	




ER Diagram - Relationship

Component	Description	Symbol
One to One Relationship	one student can enroll only for one course and a course will also have only one Student	
One to Many Relationship	1 student can opt for many courses	
Many to One Relationship	Student enrolls for only one Course but a Course can have many Students	

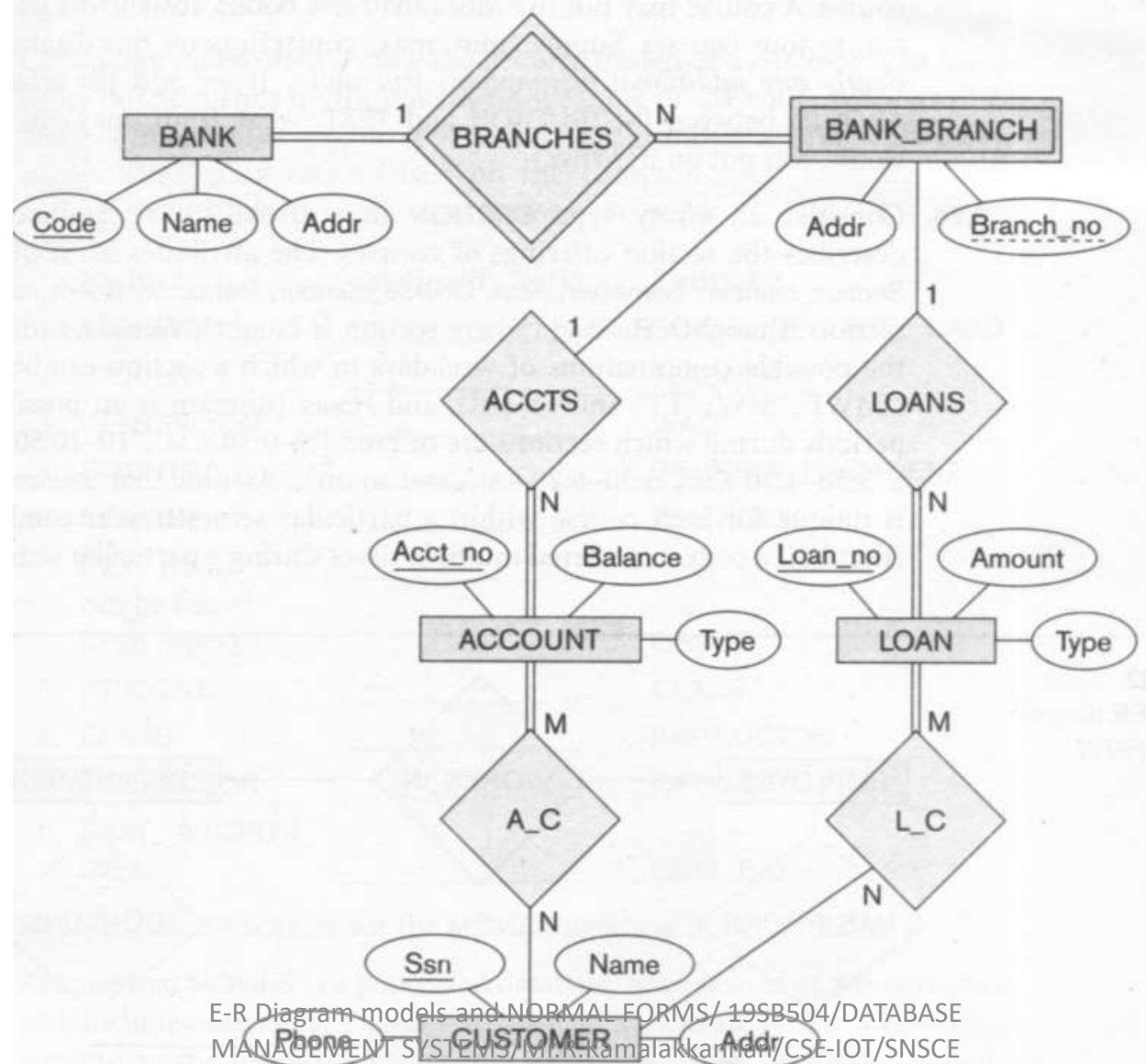


ER Diagram - Relationship

Component	Description	Symbol
Many to Many Relationship	one student can enroll for more than one courses. And a course can have more than 1 student enrolled in it	 <pre>graph LR; Student[Student] --- N1[N] --- enroll{enroll}; enroll --- N2[N] --- Course[Course];</pre>



ER Model





Thank You.....