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Structured Analysis Entity-Relationship Model/Diagram (ER)

Topics covered



- ✧ What is Entity-Relationship Model (ER)?

- ✧ Constraints of relationship

 - Modality & Cardinality

- ✧ Forms of Cardinality

 - One-to-one

 - One-to-many

 - Many-to-many

Entity-Relationship Diagram (ER)



- ✧ Entity-Relationship Model is a popular notation used to show the relationship between entities. It was first introduced as part of entity-relationship model by Peter Chen in 1976.
- ✧ All of these modeling notations may be used for requirements definition and analysis as well as for design.
- ✧ In fact, the preferred approach is to use same notation starting at requirements analysis and continuing through the design of the software.
- ✧ ER Model creates a set of entities with their attributes, a set of constraints and relation among them.

Entity-Relationship Diagram (ER)



- ✧ **Entity** - An entity in ER Model is a real world being, which has some properties called **attributes**. Every attribute is defined by its corresponding set of values, called **domain**.
- ✧ For example, Consider a school database. Here, a student is an entity. Student has various attributes like **name**, **id**, **age** and **class** etc.
- ✧ The logical association among entities is called **relationship**. Relationships are mapped with entities in various ways. Mapping cardinalities define the number of associations between two entities.

Entity-Relationship Model (ER)

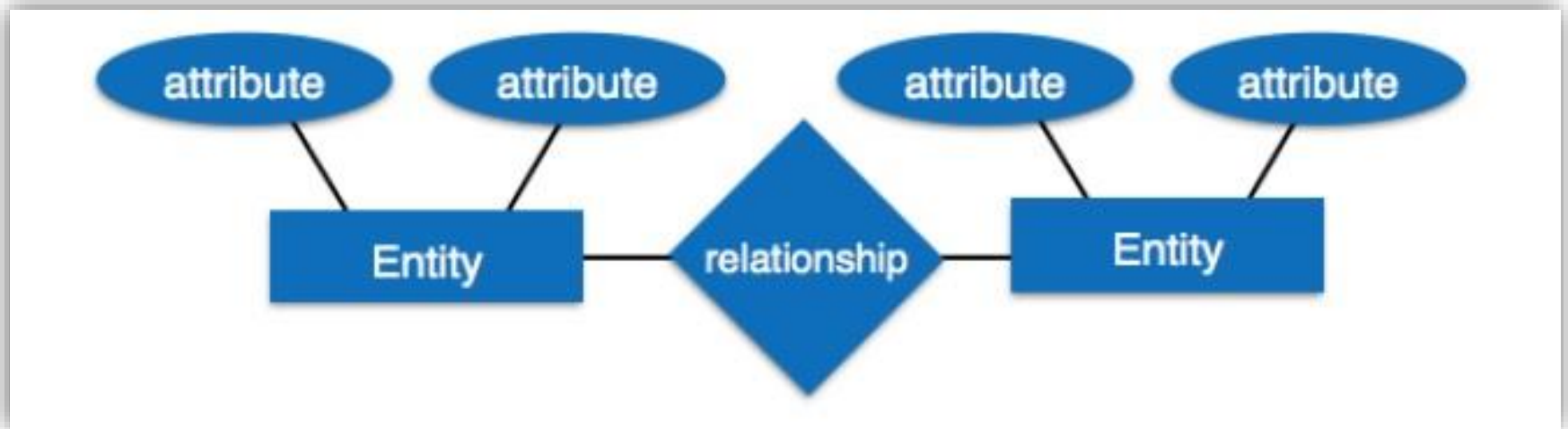


Figure 24: Entity-Relationship Model (ER)

The constraints of relationship



❖ Modality (Zero)

❖ Cardinality

- One-to-one
- One-to-many
- Many-to-many

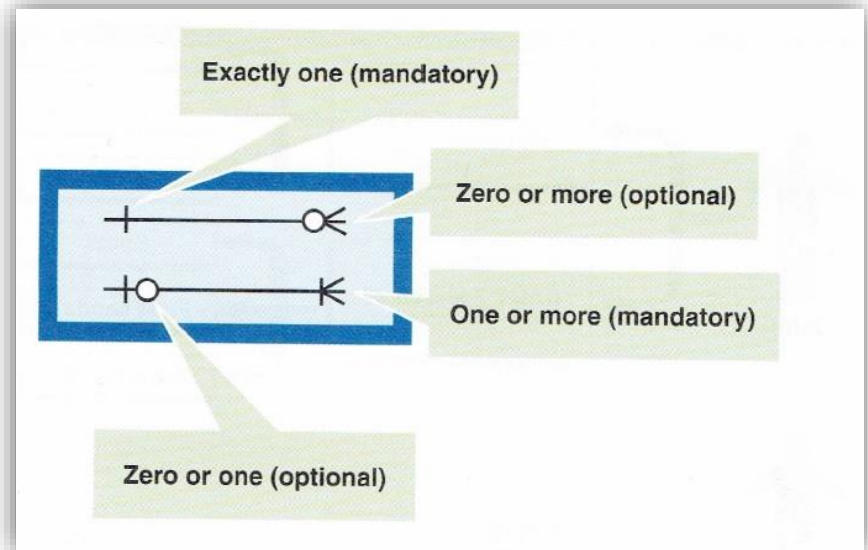


Figure 25: Constraints of relationship

Modality (zero or one, zero or many)



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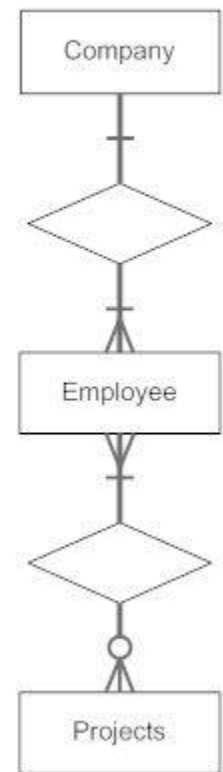
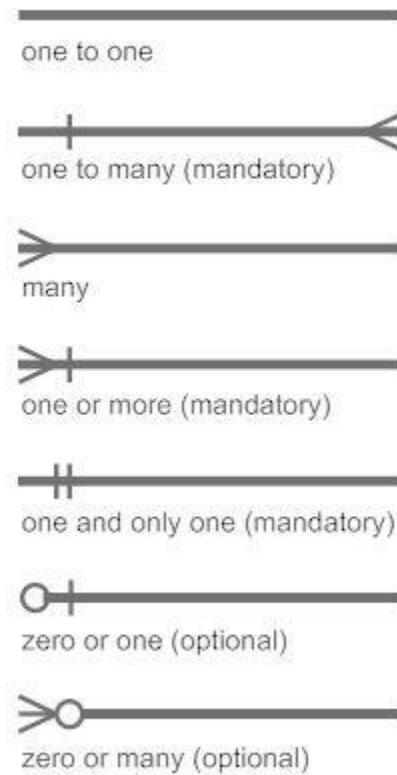


Figure 26: zero or one, zero or many

Cardinality (One-to-one)



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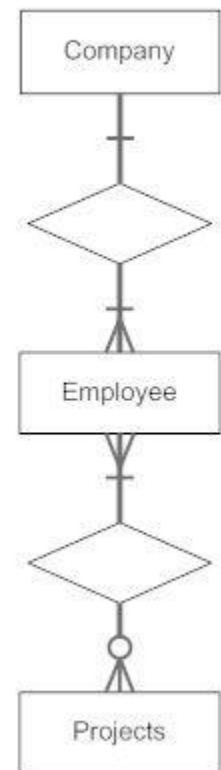
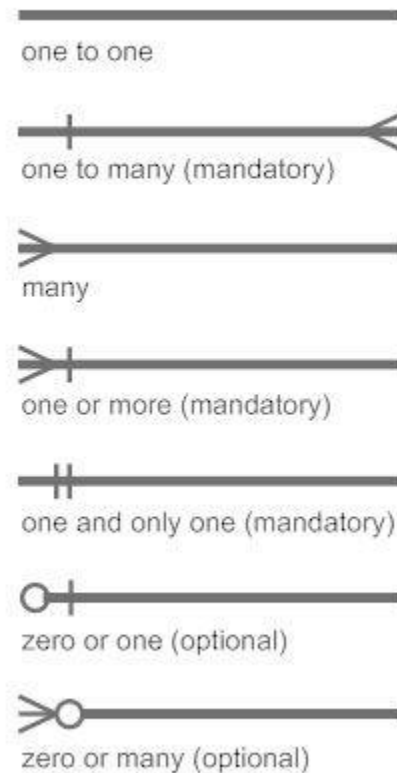


Figure 27: One-to-one

Cardinality (One-to-many)



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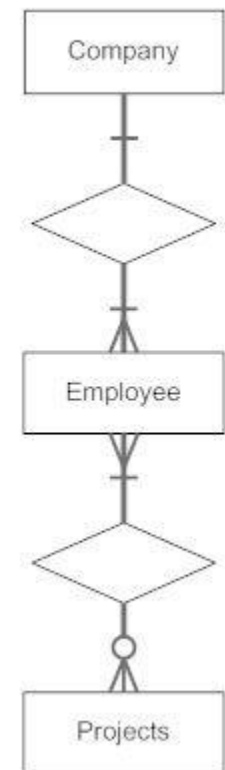
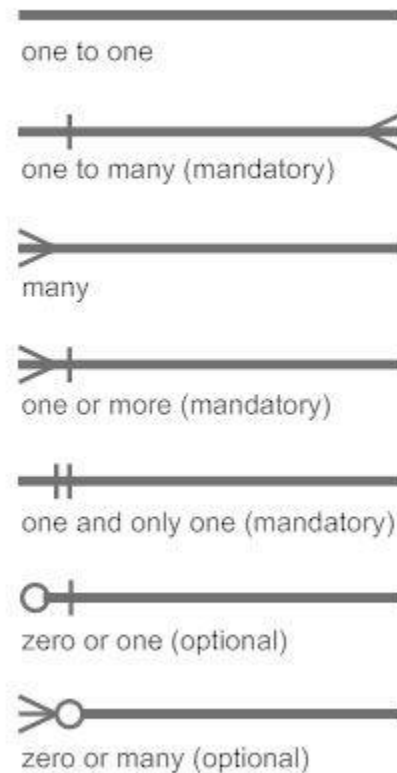


Figure 27: One-to-many

Cardinality (Many-to-many)



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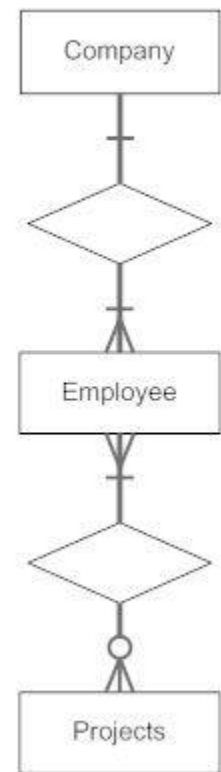
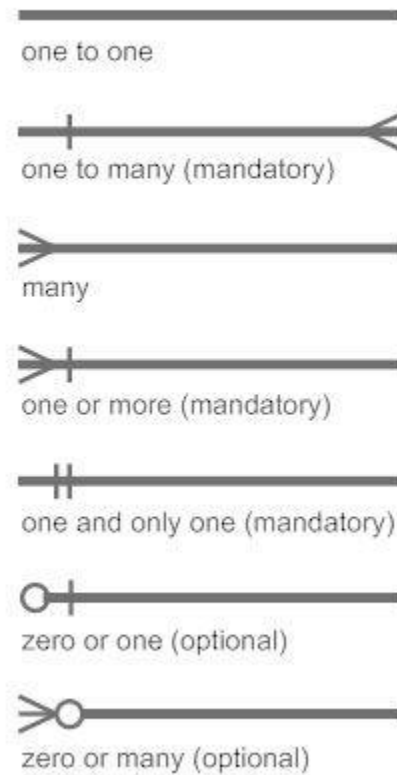


Figure 28: Many-to-many



Quiz?

Explain in ER model the relationship between programmers and modules where a programmer may write several modules and each module may also be written by several programmers.



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