## Introduction to Database Systems CSE 414

Lecture 20: Design Theory

#### Class Overview

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- Unit 2: Relational Data Models and Query Languages
- Unit 3: Non-relational data
- Unit 4: RDMBS internals and query optimization
- Unit 5: Parallel query processing
- Unit 6: DBMS usability, conceptual design
  - E/R diagrams
  - Schema normalization
- Unit 7: Transactions

## Database Design Process

**Conceptual Model:** 

product makes company price name address

Relational Model:

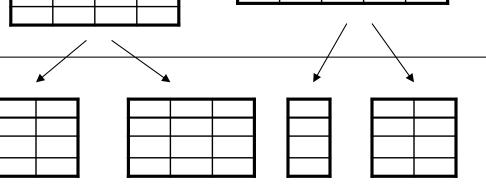
Tables + constraints

And also functional dep.

Normalization:

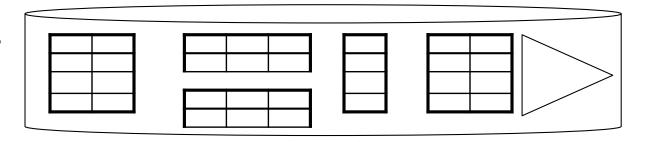
Eliminates anomalies

**Conceptual Schema** 



Physical storage details

**Physical Schema** 



## Entity / Relationship Diagrams

- Entity set = a class
  - An entity = an object

Product

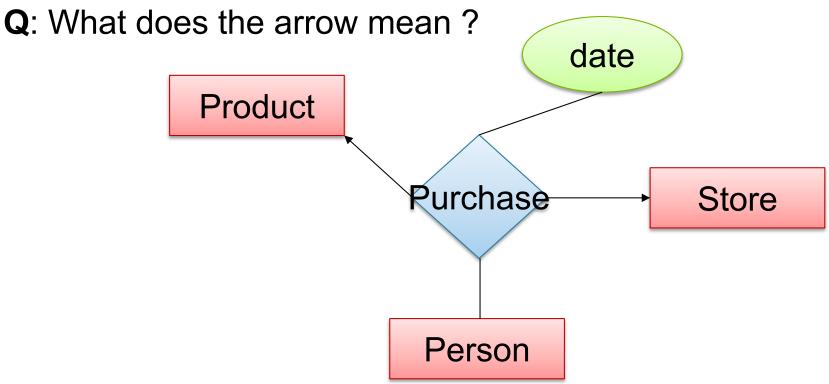
Attribute

city

Relationship

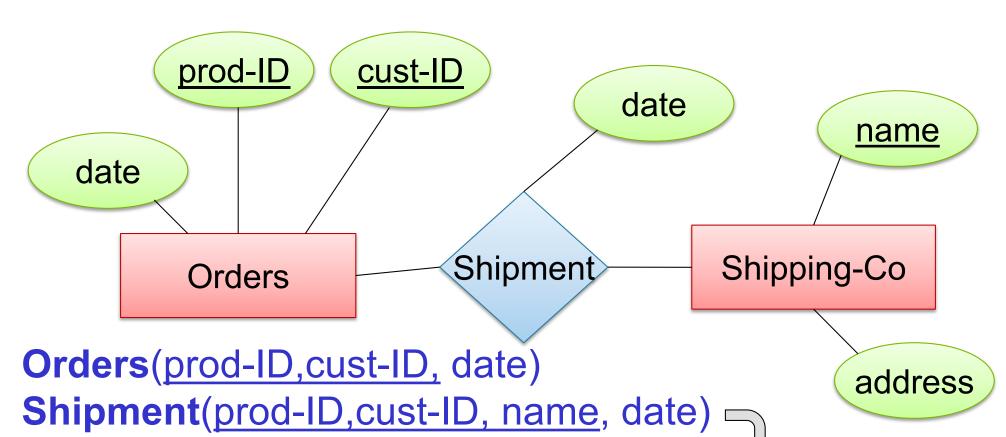


### Arrows in Multiway Relationships



**A**: Any person buys a given product from at most one store AND every store sells to every person at most one product

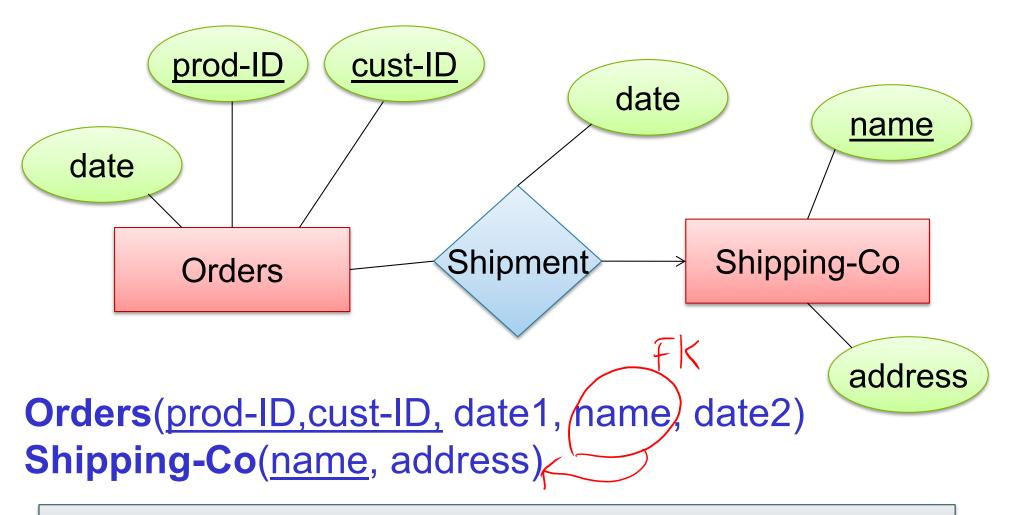
#### N-N Relationships to Relations



Shipping-Co(name, address)

prod-ID	cust-ID	name	date
Gizmo55	Joe12	UPS	4/10/2011
Gizmo55	Joe12	FEDEX	4/9/2011

#### N-1 Relationships to Relations



Remember: no separate relations for many-one relationship

## Subclasses to

# Relations

name

**Product** 

category

isa

#### **Product**

<u>Name</u>	Price	Category
Gizmo	99	gadget
Camera	49	photo
Toy	39	gadget

Sw.Product

Age Group

Name Name	platforms	
Gizmo	unix	

Software Product **Educational Product** 

price

isa

platforms

#### **Ed.Product**

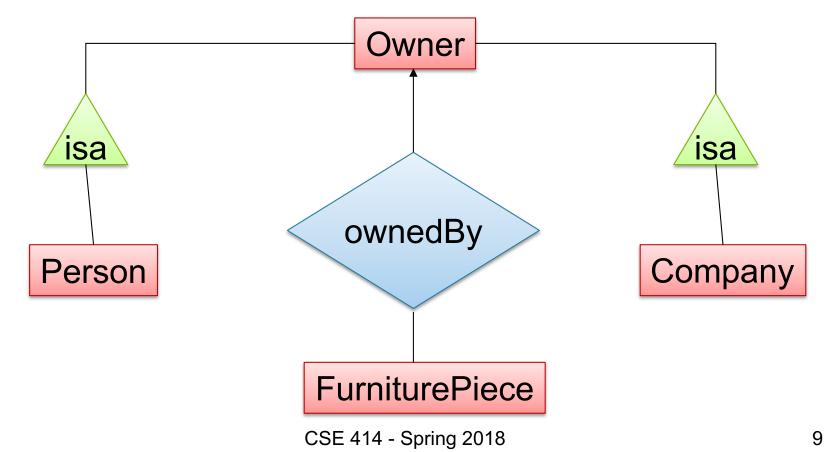
<u>Name</u>	Age Group
Gizmo	toddler
Toy	retired

Other ways to convert are possible

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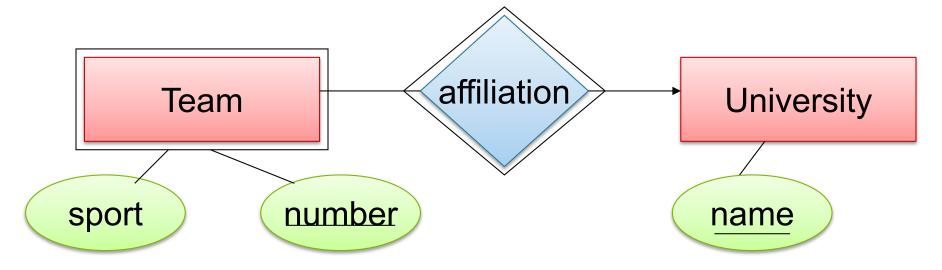
# Modeling Union Types with Subclasses

Solution 2: better, more laborious



## Weak Entity Sets

Entity sets are weak as their key comes from other classes to which they are related.



Team(sport, <u>number, universityName</u>) University(<u>name</u>)

### Referential Integrity Constraints

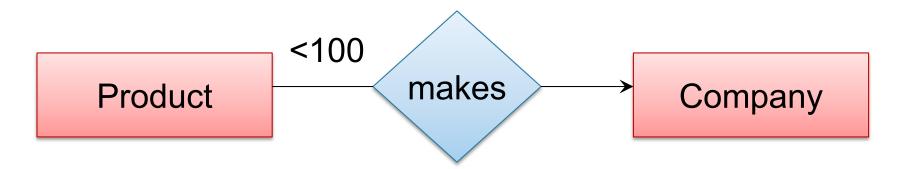


Each product made by at most one company. Some products made by no company



Each product made by *exactly* one company.

#### Other Constraints



Q: What does this mean?

A: A Company entity cannot be connected

by relationship to more than 99 Product entities

#### Constraints in SQL

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- Keys, foreign keys
- Attribute-level constraints
- Tuple-level constraints
- Global constraints: assertions

Most complex

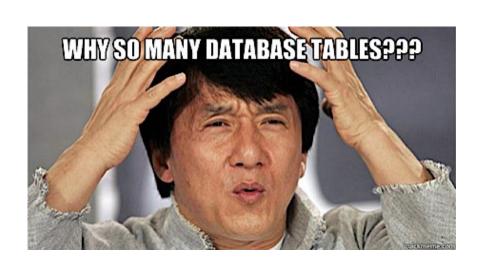
simplest

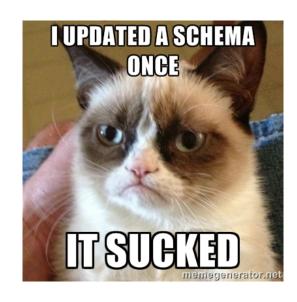
 The more complex the constraint, the harder it is to check and to enforce

# What happens when data changes?

- SQL has three policies for maintaining referential integrity:
- NO ACTION reject violating modifications (default)
- CASCADE after delete/update do delete/update
- SET NULL set foreign-key field to NULL
- SET DEFAULT set foreign-key field to default value
  - need to be declared with column, e.g.,
     CREATE TABLE Product (pid INT DEFAULT 42)

## What makes good schemas?





### Relational Schema Design

Name	SSN	<u>PhoneNumber</u>	City
Fred	123-45-6789	206-555-1234	Seattle
Fred	123-45-6789	206-555-6543	Seattle
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One person may have multiple phones, but lives in only one city

Primary key is thus (SSN, PhoneNumber)

What is the problem with this schema?

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#### Relation Decomposition

#### Break the relation into two:

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#### Anomalies have gone:

- No more repeated data
- Easy to move Fred to "Bellevue" (how ?)
- Easy to delete all Joe's phone numbers (how ?)

# Relational Schema Design (or Logical Design)

How do we do this systematically?

Start with some relational schema

- Find out its <u>functional dependencies</u> (FDs)
- Use FDs to <u>normalize</u> the relational schema

## Functional Dependencies (FDs)

#### **Definition**

If two tuples agree on the attributes

$$A_1, A_2, ..., A_n$$

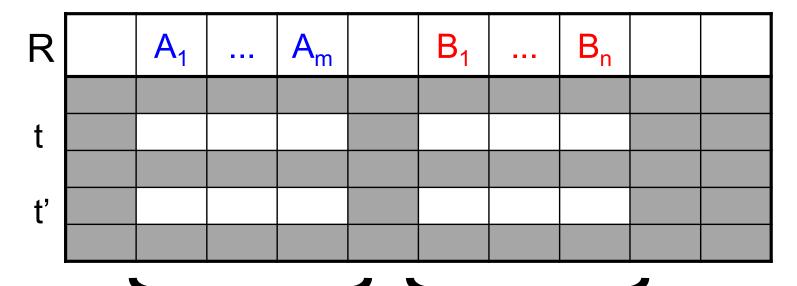
then they must also agree on the attributes

Formally:

$$A_1...A_n$$
 determines  $B_1...B_m$ 

$$A_1, A_2, ..., A_n \rightarrow B_1, B_2, ..., B_m$$

## Functional Dependencies (FDs)



if t, t' agree here then t, t' agree here

An FD holds, or does not hold on an instance:

EmplD	Name	Phone	Position
E0045	Smith	1234	Clerk
E3542	Mike	9876	Salesrep
E1111	Smith	9876	Salesrep
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EmpID → Name, Phone, Position

Position → Phone

but not Phone > Position

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But not Phone → Position

name → color
category → department
color, category → price

name	category	color	department	price
Gizmo	Gadget	Green	Toys	49
Tweaker	Gadget	Green	Toys	99

Do all the FDs hold on this instance?

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Tweaker	Gadget	Green	Toys	49
Gizmo	Stationary	Green	Office-supp.	59

#### Buzzwords

FD holds or does not hold on an instance

 If we can be sure that every instance of R will be one in which a given FD is true, then we say that R satisfies the FD

 If we say that R satisfies an FD, we are stating a constraint on R

## Why bother with FDs?

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## An Interesting Observation

If all these FDs are true:

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category → department
color, category → price

Then this FD also holds:

name, category → price

If we find out from application domain that a relation satisfies some FDs, it doesn't mean that we found all the FDs that it satisfies!

There could be more FDs implied by the ones we have.

#### Closure of a set of Attributes

**Given** a set of attributes A<sub>1</sub>, ..., A<sub>n</sub>

The **closure** is the set of attributes B, notated  $\{A_1, ..., A_n\}^+$ , s.t.  $A_1, ..., A_n \rightarrow B$ 

```
Example:
```

- 1. name → color
  - 2. category → department
  - 3. color, category → price

#### Closures:

```
name+ = {name, color}
{name, category}+ = {name, category, color, department, price}
color+ = {color}
```

### Closure Algorithm

```
Repeat until X doesn't change do:

if B_1, ..., B_n \rightarrow C is a FD and

B_1, ..., B_n are all in X

then add C to X.
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 $X = \{A1, ..., An\}.$ 

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```
{name, category}* =
      { name, category, color, department, price }
```

Hence: name, category → color, department, price

In class:

$$\begin{array}{c} A, B \rightarrow C \\ A, D \rightarrow E \\ B \rightarrow D \\ A, F \rightarrow B \end{array}$$

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What is the key of R?

#### Practice at Home

#### Find all FD's implied by:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} A, B & \rightarrow & C \\ A, D & \rightarrow & B \\ B & \rightarrow & D \end{array}$$

#### Step 1: Compute X<sup>+</sup>, for every X:

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A+ = A, B+ = BD, C+ = C, D+ = D

AB+ = ABCD, AC+=AC, AD+=ABCD,
BC+=BCD, BD+=BD, CD+=CD

ABC+ = ABD+ = ACD+ = ABCD (no need to compute— why?)

BCD+ = BCD, ABCD+ = ABCD
```

#### Step 2: Enumerate all FD's X $\rightarrow$ Y, s.t. Y $\subseteq$ X<sup>+</sup> and X $\cap$ Y = $\emptyset$ :

 $AB \rightarrow CD, AD \rightarrow BC, ABC \rightarrow D, ABD \rightarrow C, ACD \rightarrow B$ 

# Keys

- A **superkey** is a set of attributes  $A_1, ..., A_n$  s.t. for any other attribute B, we have  $A_1, ..., A_n \rightarrow B$
- A key is a minimal superkey
  - A superkey and for which no subset is a superkey

# Computing (Super)Keys

For all sets X, compute X<sup>+</sup>

If X<sup>+</sup> = [all attributes], then X is a superkey

Try reducing to the minimal X's to get the key

# Example

Product(name, price, category, color)

name, category → price category → color

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What is the key?

(name, category) + = { name, category, price, color }

Hence (name, category) is a key
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# Key or Keys?

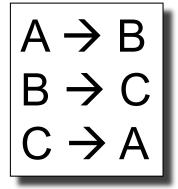
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or

or

what are the keys here?

# Eliminating Anomalies

### Main idea:

- X → A is OK if X is a (super)key
- X → A is not OK otherwise
  - Need to decompose the table, but how?

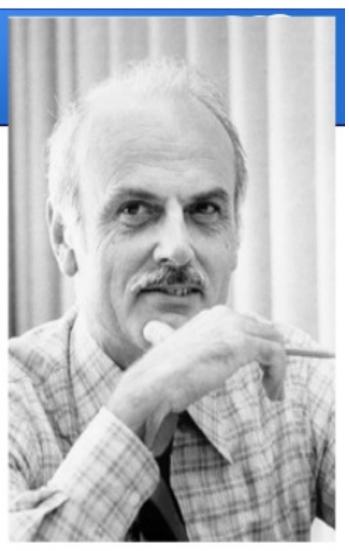
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Dr. Raymond F. Boyce

## Edgar Frank "Ted" Codd

"A Relational Model of Data for Large Shared Data Banks"



# **Boyce-Codd Normal Form**

There are no "bad" FDs:

## **Definition**. A relation R is in BCNF if:

Whenever X→ B is a non-trivial dependency, then X is a superkey.

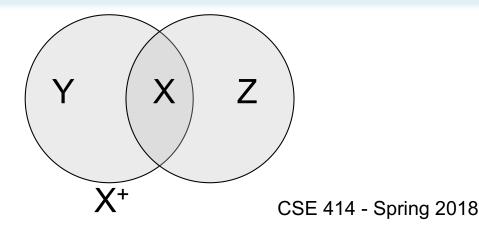
Equivalently:

## **Definition**. A relation R is in BCNF if:

 $\forall$  X, either  $X^+ = X$  or  $X^+ = [all attributes]$ 

# **BCNF** Decomposition Algorithm

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Normalize(R)
find X s.t.: X \neq X^+ and X^+ \neq [all attributes]
if (not found) then "R is in BCNF"
let Y = X^+ - X; Z = [all attributes] - X^+
decompose R into R1(X \cup Y) and R2(X \cup Z)
Normalize(R1); Normalize(R2);
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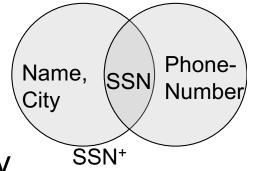
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SSN → Name, City

The only key is: {SSN, PhoneNumber}

Hence SSN → Name, City is a "bad" dependency



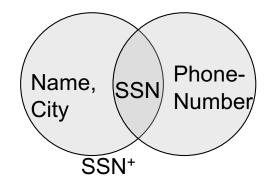
In other words:

SSN+ = SSN, Name, City and is neither SSN nor All Attributes

# **Example BCNF Decomposition**

Name	<u>SSN</u>	City
Fred	123-45-6789	Seattle
Joe	987-65-4321	Westfield

SSN → Name, City



# SSNPhoneNumber123-45-6789206-555-1234123-45-6789206-555-6543987-65-4321908-555-2121987-65-4321908-555-1234

#### Let's check anomalies:

- Redundancy?
- Update ?
- Delete ?