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# **PB007 Week 07**

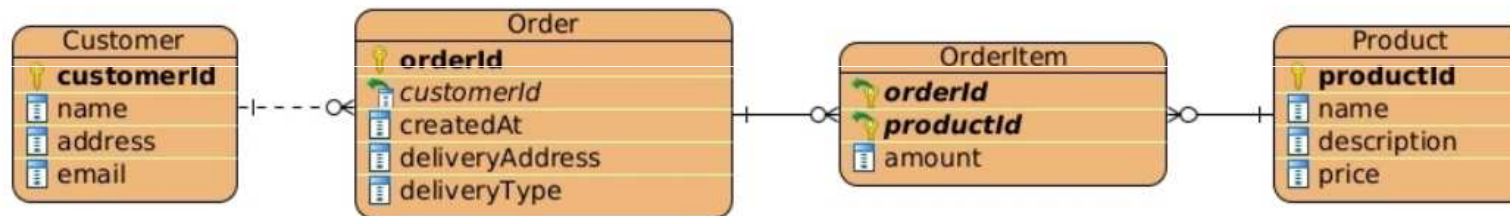
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1 Entity-Relationship Diagram



# Entity-Relationship Diagram

- Entity-Relationship Diagram (ERD) is a data model representing the logical structure of a database
- Its main components are:
  - Entities (Entity types)
  - Relations (Relation types)
  - Attributes (Attribute types)



# Notation

Symbol	Meaning
<b>Relationships (Cardinality and Modality)</b>	
+○ —————	Zero or More
≧ —————	One or More
≡ —————	One and only One
≦○ —————	Zero or One

Where we are

# Class diagram vs. ERD

## Class diagram

- models both data and operations
- classes relate to different types of relationships (associations, dependencies, generalization, aggregation, composition)
- usually represent business domain concepts

## Entity-relationship model

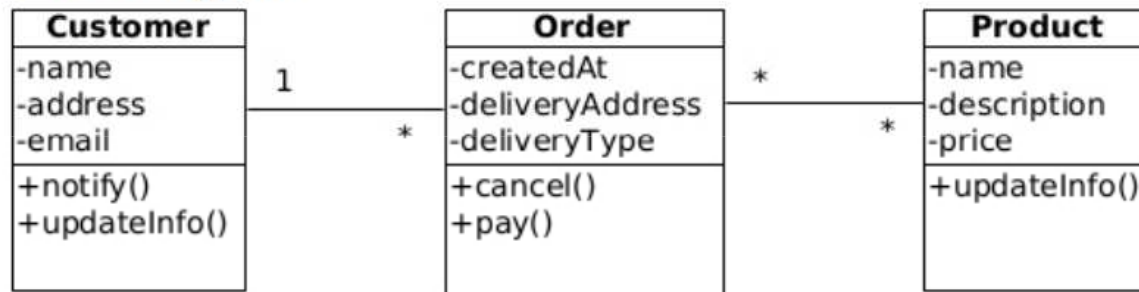
- models data only
- contains only simple relationships
- represents database tables

# Object-Relational Mapping (ORM)

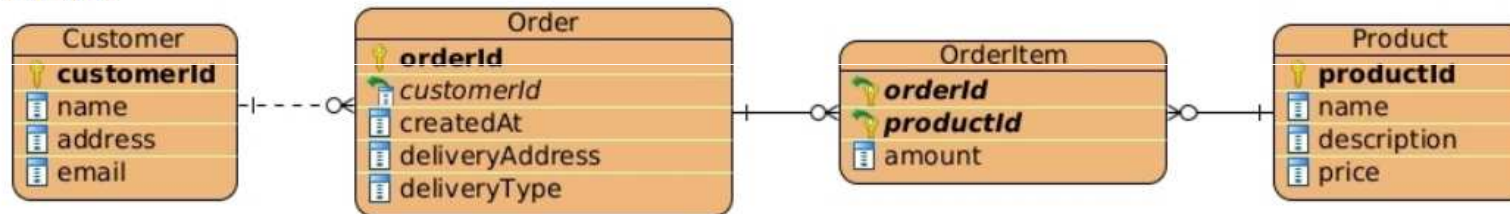
- **Object-Relational Mapping (ORM)** is a technique for conversion of data between relational database and object-oriented language.
  - relational database  $\Leftrightarrow$  object-oriented language
  - (persistent) class  $\Leftrightarrow$  entity type (table)
  - object  $\Leftrightarrow$  entity (table row)
  - class attribute  $\Leftrightarrow$  entity attribute (table column)
  - association/aggregation/composition  $\Leftrightarrow$  relation (connection via foreign keys)
  - inheritance  $\Leftrightarrow$  1:1 mapping, merge to superclass, propagation to subclasses
- **Note:**
  - not all classes must be persistent

# Object-Relational Mapping (ORM)

Class diagram:

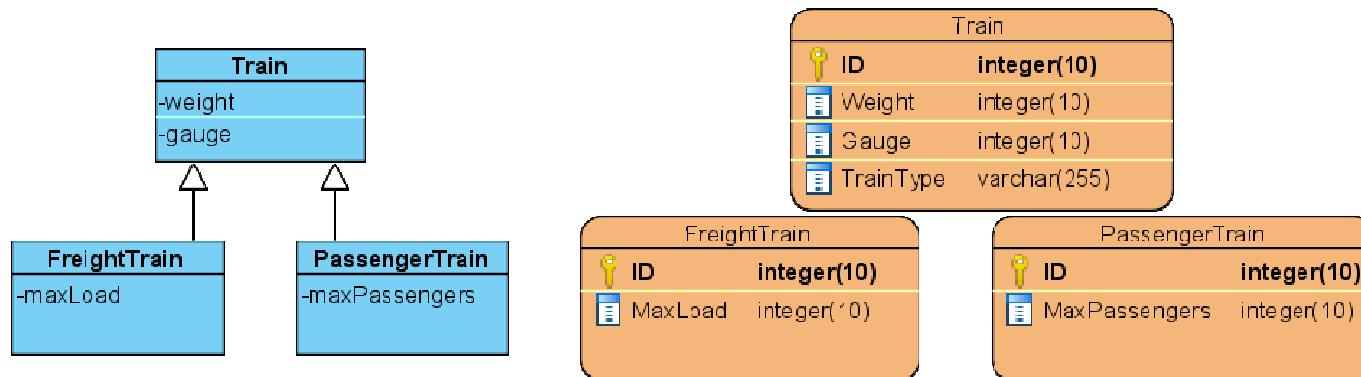


ERD:



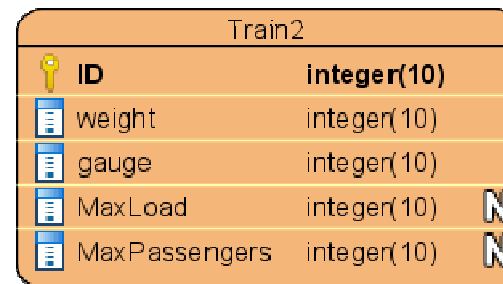
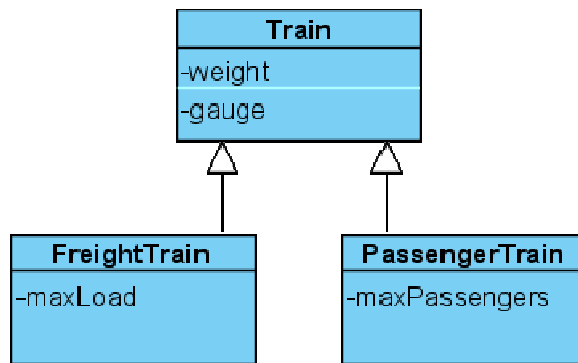
# ORM - Inheritance - 1:1 mapping

- Each class becomes a table
- An attribute (*TrainType*) differentiates the subclass type
- One object instance in multiple tables
  - more difficult data access



# ORM - Inheritance - Merge to superclass

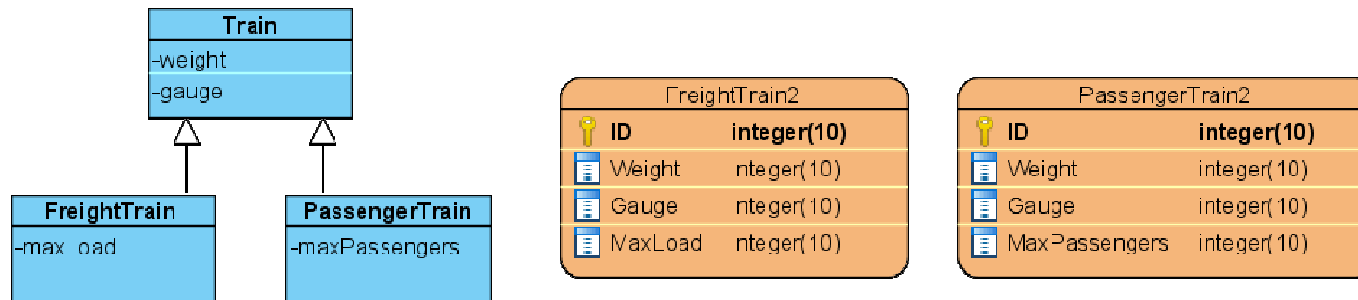
- All attributes in **one table**
- Some attributes will have NULL value
  - breaks 4.NF
- Suitable for "big parents, small children"
  - superclasses with many attributes
  - only a few subclasses with only a few attributes





# ORM - Inheritance - Propagation to subclasses

- Superclass attributes are **copied to subclass tables**
  - many similar tables
- Suitable for "small parents, big children"
  - superclasses with only a few attributes
  - many subclasses with many attributes

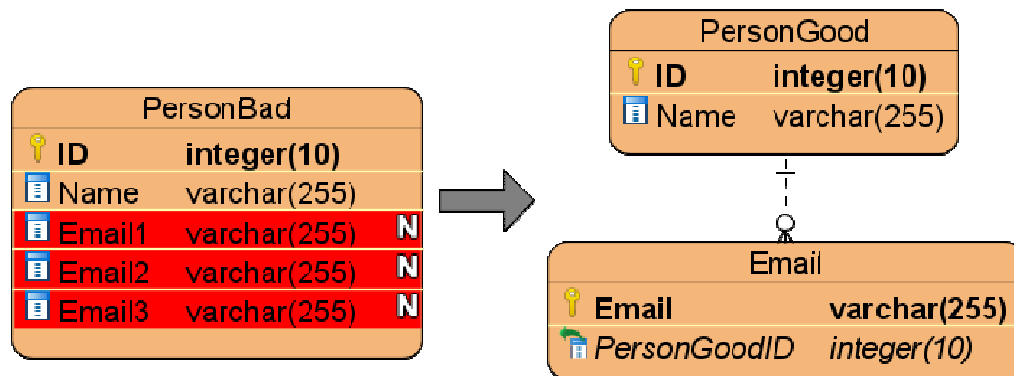


# Normal forms

- Normal forms are used to achieve good database design.
- They help with:
  - elimination of repetitive data
  - reduce table complexity
  - prevent anomalies (for update, insert, delete)

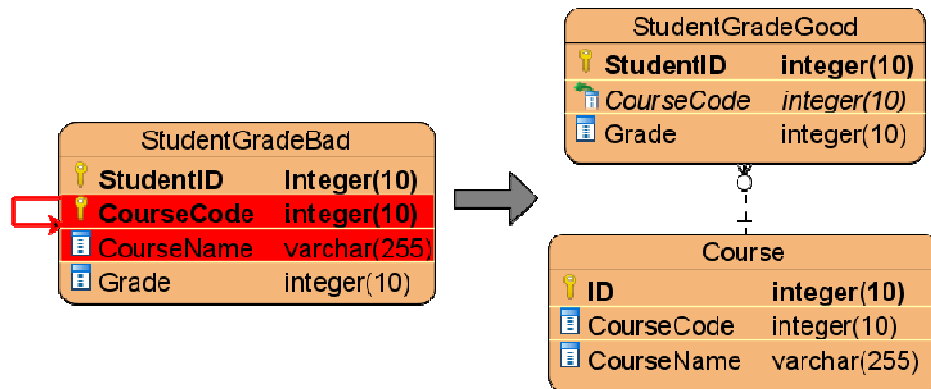
# 1NF

- Satisfies 0. NF
- Each attribute is **atomic**
- Problem: composed attributes



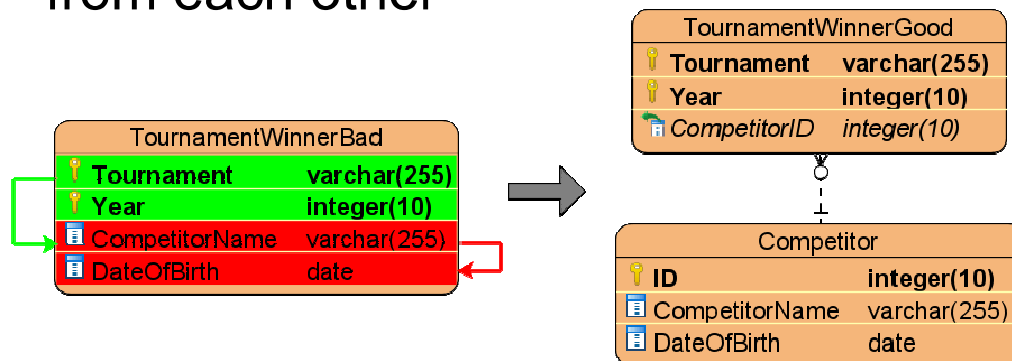
# 2NF

- Satisfies 1. NF
- No **partial dependency**
  - each non-key attribute is fully dependent on every candidate key
- Problem: inferring non-key attributes from only a part of candidate key



# 3NF

- Satisfies 2. NF
- No **transitive dependency**
  - each non-key attribute is dependent on candidate keys only
  - => non-key attributes are mutually independent
- Problem: inferring non-key attributes from each other



# Activity: Game

- Link: [source code](#)
- Draw entity/entities for assigned class(es)

# Task for this week

- Review the **analytical class diagrams** from the previous session.  
Fix any problem.
- Create Entity-Relationship Diagram
- Update use case diagram
- Submit this week's report in homework vault [week07](#) in format **surname1-surname2-surname3.pdf**