

1.204 Lecture 1

Course introduction Data models

Announcements

- **How-to install documents on Web:**
 - Java, Eclipse, submit problem sets (1.00 Web site)
 - SQL Server, Visual Paradigm, JDBC (1.204 Web site)
- **We will give you access to 1.00 Web site**
 - Sign up as 1.00/1.001 listener if you plan to sit in on 1.001
- **Software installation help**
 - Email me with questions or to set up a time for help
- **MySQL: Mac users can use MySQL to avoid Boot Camp, etc.**
 - No support for MySQL installation problems
- **Homework 0: Software installation, due Mon Feb 8. Ungraded.**
- **Homework 1: Air schedule, due Tue Feb 16. Graded.**
 - Initial modeling/coding exercise, using straightforward solution method
 - Homework 1 only: You may code in a language other than Java
- **Lecture notes: Printed notes handed out each lecture**
- **Readings: On reserve at Barker, and on electronic reserve**

Course outline

- **Staff:**
 - George Kocur
- **Class Monday, Wednesday 1-2:30pm**
- **Office hours**
 - George Kocur MW4:45-5:45
- **Prerequisite: 1.00/1.001/6.005.**
 - Can listen to 1.00 this semester
- **Grading:**
 - 7 homework sets (70%)
 - 2 quizzes (30%)
- **Bring your laptop to office hours for help**
 - Not needed in class, though you're welcome to bring it

Topics

- **Databases**
 - Data modeling, normalization
 - SQL, JDBC
- **Data structures**
 - Stacks, queues, trees/dictionaries, heaps, sets, graphs
- **Divide and conquer, greedy models**
 - Sorting, selection
 - Knapsack, job scheduling, spanning trees, shortest paths
- **Dynamic programming**
 - Resource allocation, job scheduling, knapsack
- **Branch and bound**
 - Knapsack, facility location
- **Linear/nonlinear systems, linear programming**
 - Nonlinear optimization, constrained and unconstrained
 - Network equilibrium (convex combinations), choice estimation
 - Solution of linear systems, linear programming
- **Approximate queuing theory**
 - Time-varying queues, deterministic queues, graphical methods

Homework

- **Homework topics**
 1. Informal algorithm design (warm-up homework)
 2. Database
 3. Network data structure
 4. Greedy algorithm
 5. Network algorithm
 6. Dynamic programming
 7. Branch and bound
 8. Nonlinear optimization
- **Work individually**
 - You may discuss approach to homework with others
 - You must write your own Java and SQL code
 - Please read Academic Honesty Guidelines in FAQ
- **Create one Eclipse project for the whole term**
 - Create src.xxx packages for each lecture, homework

Readings, computer systems

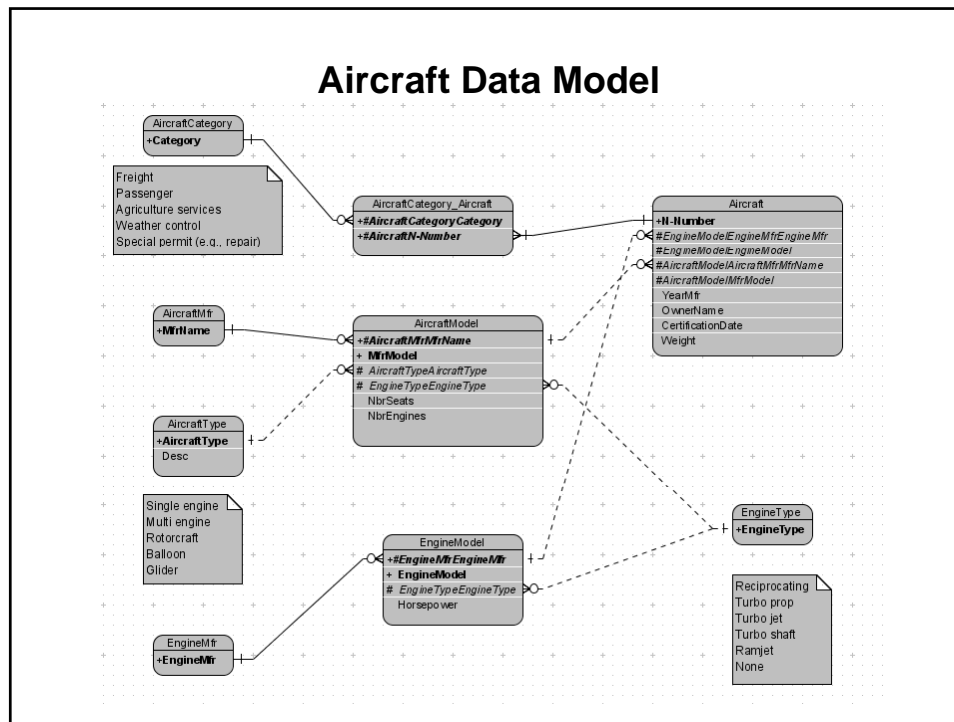
- Readings (some on electronic reserve) are sections from these books:
 - Computer Algorithms in C++ (2nd ed), Horowitz, Sahni, Rajasekaran
 - Introduction to Algorithms, Cormen, Leiserson, Rivest, Stein
 - Big Java, Horstmann
 - Murach's SQL Server 2008 for Developers, Syverson, Murach
 - JDBC API Tutorial and Reference, Fisher, Ellis, Bruce
 - Applications of Queuing Theory, Newell
 - Linear Programming, Chvatal
 - Numerical Recipes, Press et al (2nd or 3rd edition)
 - Urban Transportation Networks, Sheffi
- Use your own laptop or desktop computer
 - All software available for download
 - Either open source or free
 - TA will help with installation and initial usage
- 1.204 site on Stellar (stellar.mit.edu)
 - Lecture notes
 - Homework
 - Electronic reserve, online readings
 - Announcements

Data models

- **Data model is representation of**
 - Things (or entities or classes) of importance to a system
 - How the things relate to each other
- **It is built and modified until it represents the system well enough to support a system model**
- **Data models are extended to become class diagrams in the Unified Modeling Language [UML] by adding the behaviors of each entity to the model**

Logical data modeling

- **Method to discover the data, relationships and rules of a system, collectively called the system rules**
- **Logical data models are the basis of:**
 - Physical data models, or actual databases
 - Applications, parts of which can be automatically generated from the data model
- **Small model for aircraft**
 - Says a lot about system structure
 - Gives good picture of what database should look like
 - Also gives good picture of underlying system rules



Aircraft System Rules

- An aircraft can be in many categories
- A category can be associated with many aircraft
- An aircraft model is built by one aircraft manufacturer
- An aircraft manufacturer builds many aircraft models
- An aircraft model is of one type
- An aircraft type can be associated with many aircraft models
- An engine type can be represented by many engine models
- Each engine model is of one engine type
- An aircraft model has one engine type
- An engine type may be in many aircraft types
- An aircraft has one engine model (it may have >1 engine)
- An engine model may be in many aircraft
- An engine manufacturer builds many engine models
- An engine model is built by one engine manufacturer

Data model purpose

- **Engineer needs to build logical data model so users and engineers both understand system rules**
 - Models enable users and developers to have single view of system
 - Sometimes users note this is first time they understood system rules!
- **Converting logical to physical data model (database) is very straightforward these days.**
 - Little need for separate physical model for online databases
 - Create integer system-generated keys instead of strings and composite keys for performance
 - We still create separate physical models for data warehouses, read-only databases and some other special cases
- **Model also serves as basis of class diagram for code**

Data modeling concepts

- **Entities (classes, tables)**
- **Attributes (properties)**
- **Relationships**
- **Keys (primary and foreign)**
- **Referential integrity**

Entity type and entity occurrence

Entity type

Department

DeptNbr
DeptName
DeptType
DeptStatus

Table, class

Entity occurrence

Department			
DeptNbr	DeptName	DeptType	DeptStatus
930	Receiving	Mfg	Active
378	Assembly	Mfg	Active
372	Finance	Adm	Active
923	Planning	Adm	Active
483	Construction	Plant	Inactive

Row, object

Entities

- “Department” is an entity type
 - In Java, “department” is a class
- “Department 101” is a row, or an occurrence of entity type “Department”
 - In Java, “department 101” is an object, which is an instance of class “department”
- Entities are things, often physical, that have facts associated with them.
- Processes are almost never entities. For example:
 - Aircraft certification is not an entity
 - Aircraft purchase is not an entity
 - Reports are not entities

Attributes

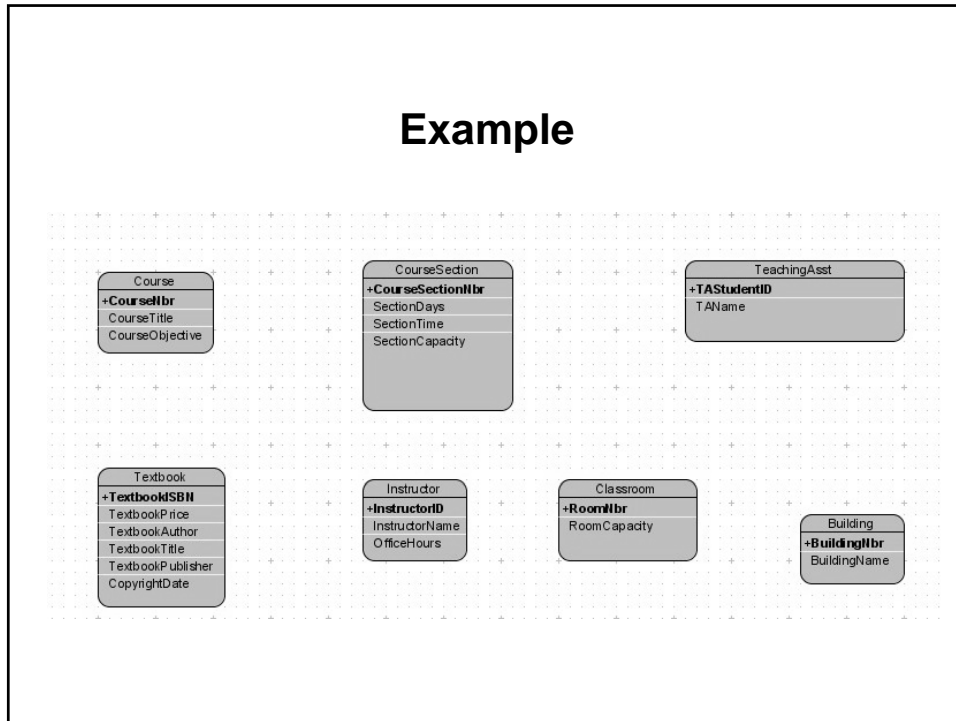
- **Attributes are a data item or property associated with an entity type**
 - They are typically nouns (quantity, type, color, ...)
 - Example: Employee
 - ID
 - Name
 - Social security number
 - Address
 - Phone

Entity type/attribute example

Identify which are types and which are attributes:

- | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| • Instructor | • Instructor office hours |
| • Teaching assistant (TA) | • Textbook title |
| • Course section number | • Classroom number |
| • Building name | • TA student ID |
| • Course number | • Instructor name |
| • Textbook price | • Textbook publisher |
| • TA name | • Section capacity |
| • Instructor ID | • Course objective |
| • Textbook author | • Copyright date |
| • Course title | • Building number |
| • Textbook | • Course section |
| • Classroom | • Course |
| • Textbook ISBN | • Building |
| • Section days | • Classroom capacity |
| • Section time | |

Example



Domain entity type

- Also called pick list, validation list, etc.
- Department name example

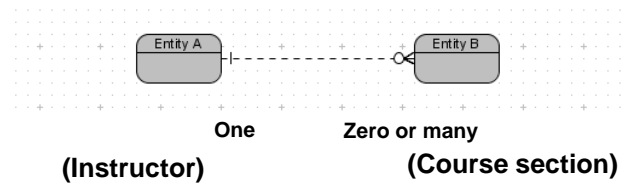
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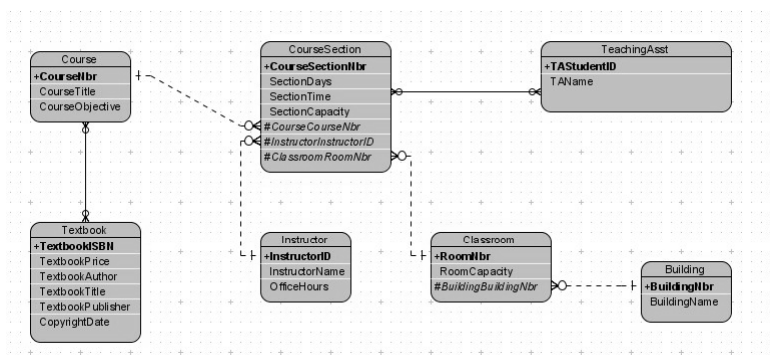
ValidDeptType
DeptType
Mfg
Adm
Plant
Sales
Operations

Relationships

- Entities are drawn as boxes, as in the broker diagram
- Relationships are lines between boxes
- Cardinality is the expected number of related occurrences between the two entities in the relationship
- Relationships + cardinality = system rules



Example



We're getting there: we've defined entities, attributes and relationships. We still have to add keys and more entities

Course example

- Course may be offered in many (0,1 or more) sections
- Course section must be associated with a course
- Course section may be taught by many (0,1 or more) TAs
- TA may teach many (0, 1 or more) course sections
- Course section must be taught by 1 instructor (??)
- Instructor may teach many sections
- Course may use many textbooks (all sections use same)
- Textbook may be used in many courses
- Building may contain many rooms
- A room is in only one building
- A course section may use a room
- A room may be used by many course sections (not at same time)

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