

Databases 1 - Organisation and Creation

Lecture 14 - COMPSCI111/111G SS 2020

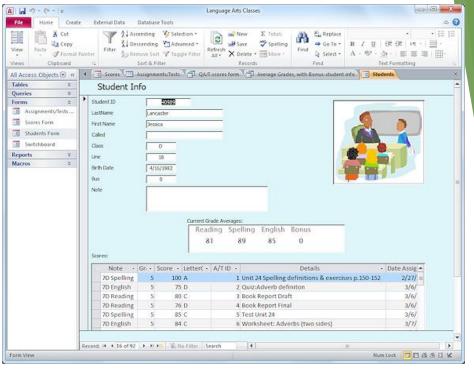
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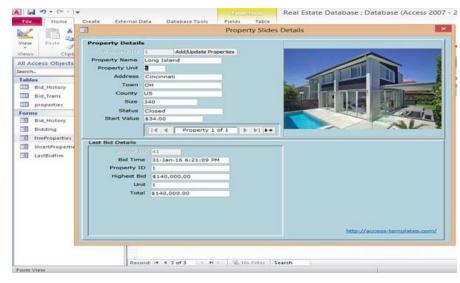
- What is a database?
- Understanding how data is organised in a database
- Creating a database in Microsoft Access

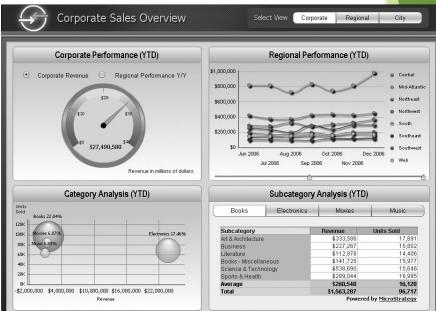
What is a database?

- ► A (typically large) collection of data about a particular topic, organized systematically
- Examples:
 - Catalogue of library books
 - Patients' files in a clinic
 - Entries in an address book
 - Students in a class
- Computers allow us to store and manage databases that contain very large amounts of information

Examples







Aspects of a database

- Before we can create our database, we need to decide how to:
 - 1. **Organise** data in our database
 - 2. Enter data in our database
 - 3. **Retrieve** data from our database
 - 4. **Present** the retrieved data to the user

1. Organising data - models

- A model defines how data is organised and structured within the database
 - We're going to look at the relational model in this course
- When deciding what data to store in a database, we need to think about:
 - Entities: things about which we store information
 - Eg. students in uni, courses in uni
 - Relationships: specific connections among entities
 - ▶ Eg. students enrolled in CompSci111/111G

Organising data - tables

- The relational model was developed by Edgar Codd in 1970
- Data is stored and organized in tables
 - A table's columns are called fields; an entity's attributes
 - ▶ A table's rows are called **records**; one instance of an entity
- A collection of tables form a database

Field

StudentId	Name	Address	Phone
12345	C. Brown	12 Apple St.	555-1234
67890	L. Van Pelt	34 Pear Ave.	555-5678
22222	P. Patty	56 Grape Blvd.	555-9999

Record

Organising data

Tables are connected together using relationships, thereby creating links between different entities

			Enrolments						
			StudentID	Code 🔷		Date en	rolled		
			5468975	COMPSCI101		01/01/2	016		
			1258956	COMPSCI101		15/12/2	015		
			1258956	COMPSCI107		15/12/2	015		
				_					
		Students						Courses	
II	Ď	Name	Date of birth		L	— Code		Title	Semester
546897	75	Joe Cameron	19/08/1992		С	OMPSCI111	Practic	al Computing	SS 2016
12589	56	Steve Smith	17/05/1995		С	OMPSCI101	Progra	mming	S1 2016
669782	26	Tom Bloggs	30/06/1965		С	OMPSCI107	Advand	ed Computing	S1 2016

Organising data

- There are two parts to a relationship; primary key and foreign key
- ▶ 1. Primary key:
 - Generally, all tables must have a primary key field
 - All records must have a value in the primary key field
 - ► The primary key's values must be unique

		Field Name	Data Type
	8	ID	AutoNumber
Primary key——		First Name	Text
		E-mail Address	Text
		Level	Text
		Room	Text
		Date of Birth	Date/Time

Organising data

- 2. Foreign key
 - A field in one table that is related to a primary key field in another table
 - Creates a connection between the two fields
 - Can take blank values and/or repeated value depending on the relationship type

Foreign key

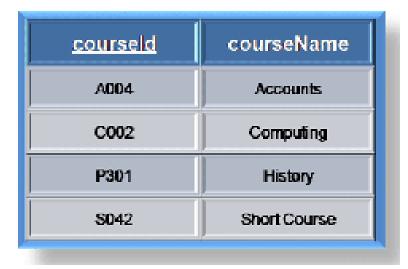
Enrolments						
StudentID Code Date enrolled						
5468975	COMPSCI101	01/01/2016				
1258956	COMPSCI101	15/12/2015				
1258956	COMPSCI107	15/12/2015				

Primary key

	Students					
ID ₹		Name	Date of birth			
5468975		Joe Cameron	19/08/1992			
1258956		Steve Smith	17/05/1995			
6697826		Tom Bloggs	30/06/1965			

Exercise 1

- Consider the following tables:
 - ▶ Identify the primary key:



Customer

FirstName	LastName	CustID
Elaine	Stevens	101
Mary	Dittman	102
Skip	Stevenson	103
Drew	Lakeman	104
Eva	Plummer	105

Table : Employee				
Employee_ID	Employee_Name			
1	Jhon —			
2	Alex			
3	James			
4	Roy			
5	Kay			

Exercise 2:

firstName studentld lastName courseld L0002345 C002 Jim Black L0001254 James Harradine A004 Holland C002 L0002349 Amanda L0001198 Simon McCloud S042

Relationship

courseName

Accounts

Computing

History

Short Course

courseld

A004

C002

P301

S042

▶ Identify the foreign key:

Customer	-	Contac
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Customer			Contact			
FirstName	LastName	CustID		CustID	ContactInformation	ContactType
Elaine	Stevens	101		101	555-2653	Work
Mary	Dittman	102		101	555-0057	Cell
Skip	Stevenson	103		102	555-8816	Work
Drew	Lakeman	104	1111	104	555 0949	Work
Eva	Plummer	105	111	103	555-0650	Work
Parent Table Primary		· \\\\	101	555-8855	Home	
		Key	\ \\	105	Plummer@akcomms.com	Email
			///	101	Stevens@akcomms.com	Email
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		ship \	103	Stevenson@akcomms.com	Email	
				105	555-5675	Work
			102	Dittman@akcomms.com	Email	

Table : Employee				
Employee_ID	Employee_Name			
1	Jhon —			
2	Alex			
3	James			
4	Roy			
5	Kay			

	Table : Salary						
	Employee_ID_Ref	Year	Month	Ī			
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	1	2012	May	Ī			
	1	2012	June	I			
	2	2012	April	ŀ			
	2	2012	May				
	2	2012	June	Ţ			

2. Referential integrity

- An important concept underlying relationships between tables
- Referential integrity requires all values of a foreign key field to be:
 - Present in the related primary key field, OR
 - Null (ie. blank)
- Helps to ensure the data in the primary key and foreign key is valid and consistent

Referential integrity

	Students					
IC) }	Name	Date of birth			
546897	75	Joe Cameron	19/08/1992			
125895	56	Steve Smith	17/05/1995			
669782	26	Tom Bloggs	30/06/1965			

Enrolments				
StudentID	Code	Date enrolled		
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1258956	COMPSCI101	15/12/2015		
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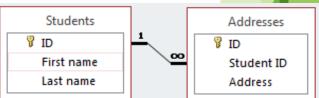
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Insert 6697826, COMPSCI105, 16/12/2016 into Enrolments \checkmark

Types of relationships

- There are three kinds of relationship that can exist between tables
- One to one: one record in PK related to one record in FK
 Students
 - Eg. student can only have one transcript

- One to many: one record in PK related to multiple records in FK
 - Eg. student can have multiple addresses



Transcript

Transcript data

Student ID

₿ ID

₽ ID

First name

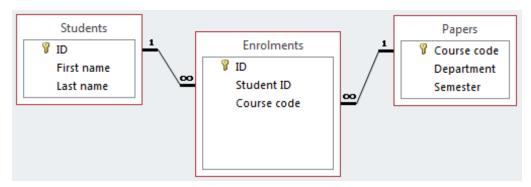
Last name

Types of relationships

Many to many: multiple records in PK related to multiple records in FK



- ► E.g. An Author can write several Books, and a Book can be written by several Authors
- E.g. many students can be enrolled in many papers
- The many-to-many relationships are usually implemented by a pair of one-to-many relationships



Aspects of a database

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 - 1. Organize data in our database
 - Models, tables, relationships
 - 2. Enter data in our database
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3. Database Management System (DBMS)

- Application software that is used to manage databases.
- Four main functions:
 - Definition
 - Update
 - Querying
 - Administration
- Examples:
 - Microsoft Access
 - Microsoft SQL Server
 - MySQL



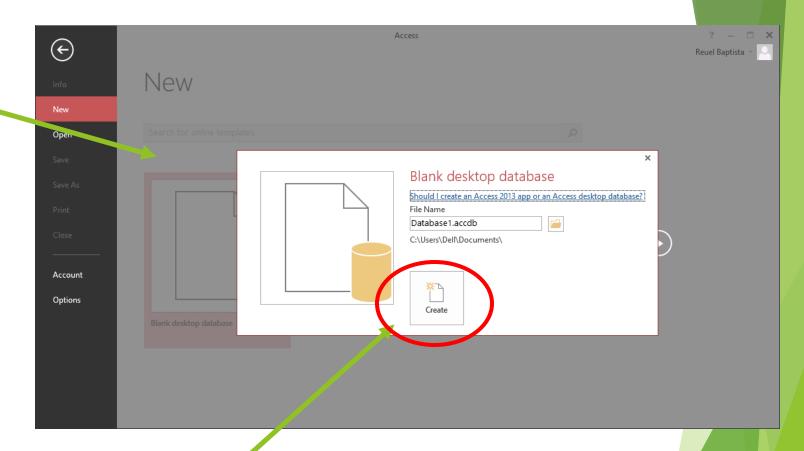




Creating a database



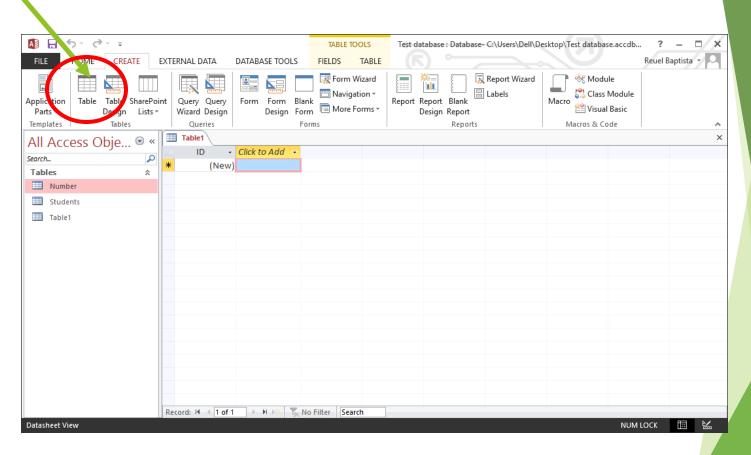




Creating a new database

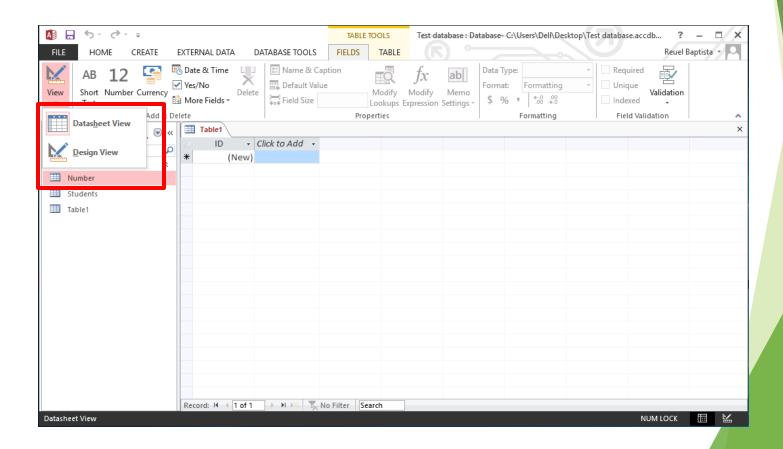
Creating a table

New table button

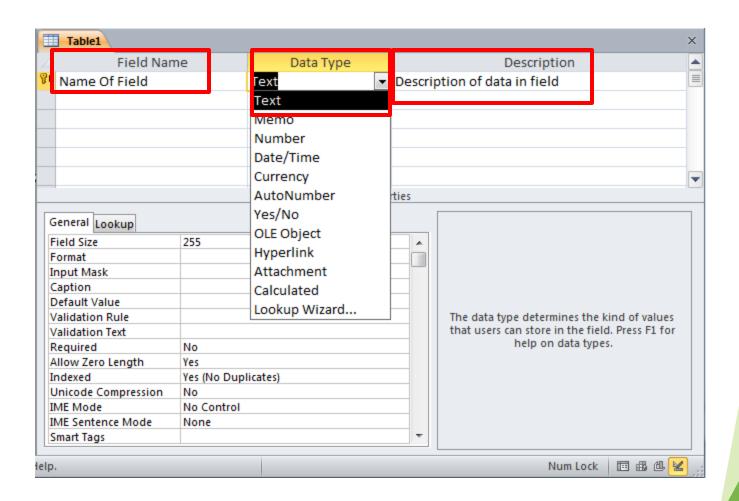


Creating a table

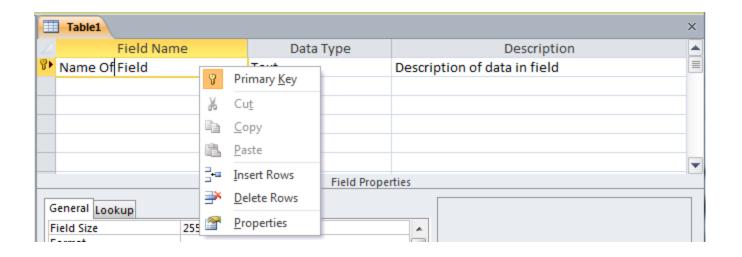
- Design view: create/view the fields in the table
- Datasheet view: create/view data in the table



Design view



Design view

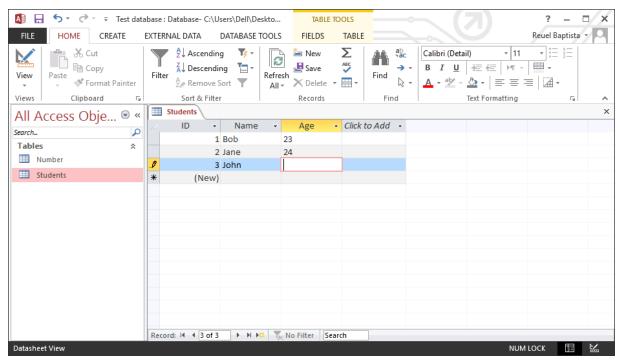


Datasheet view

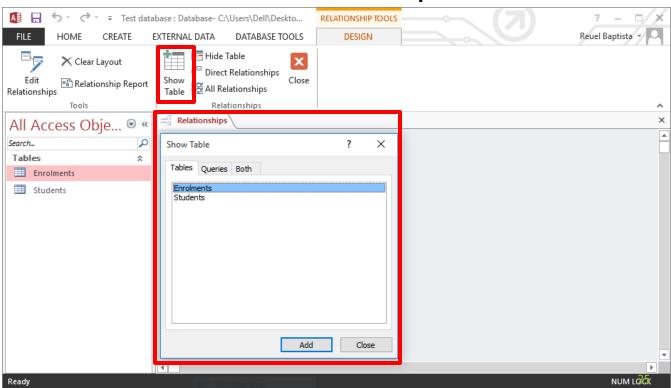
Allows us to enter data into our table

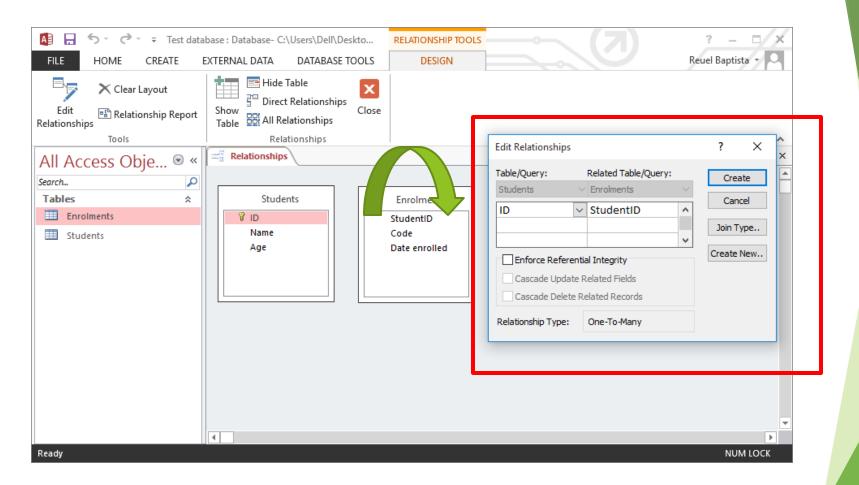
Need to ensure that we enter the correct type of data in each field (eg. no text in a number

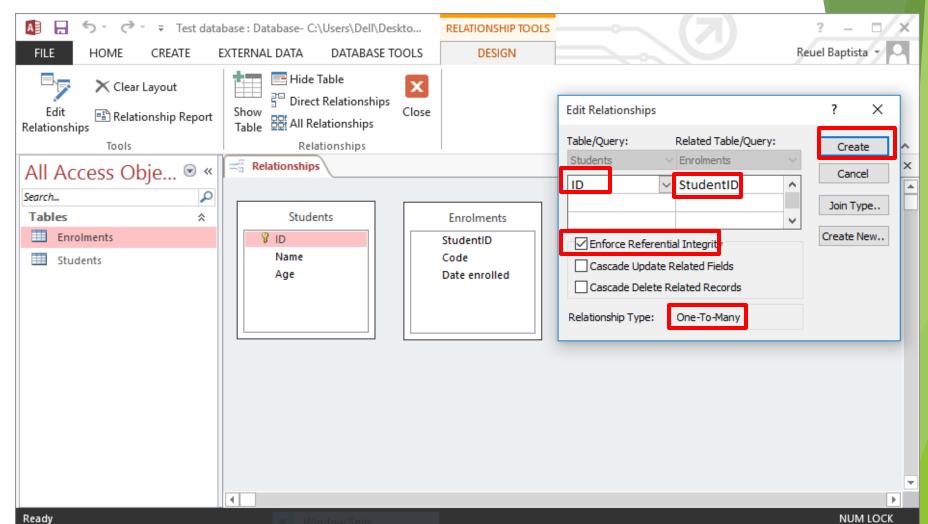
field)

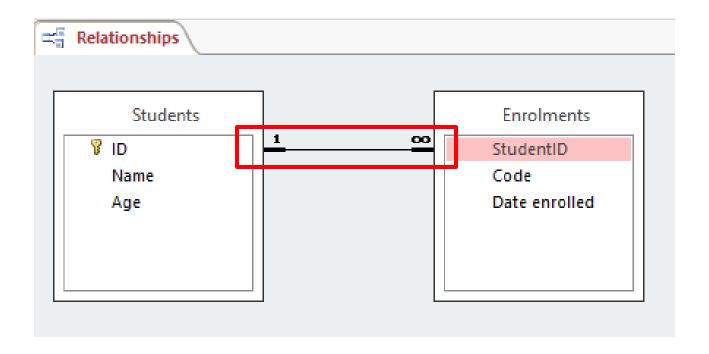


- Relationships view allows us to create relationships between fields in different tables
- ▶ Database Tools tab → Relationships button

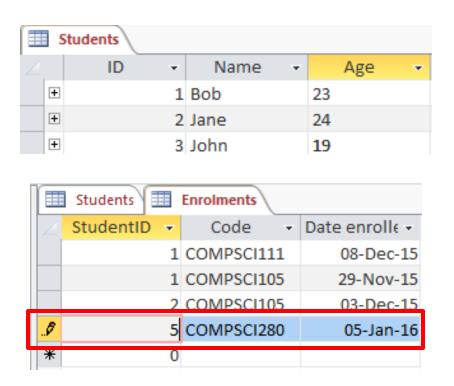


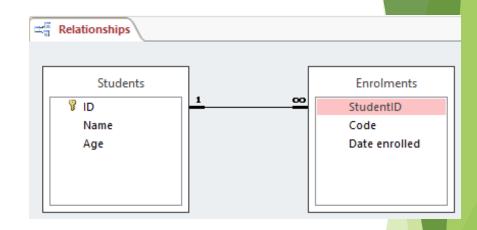






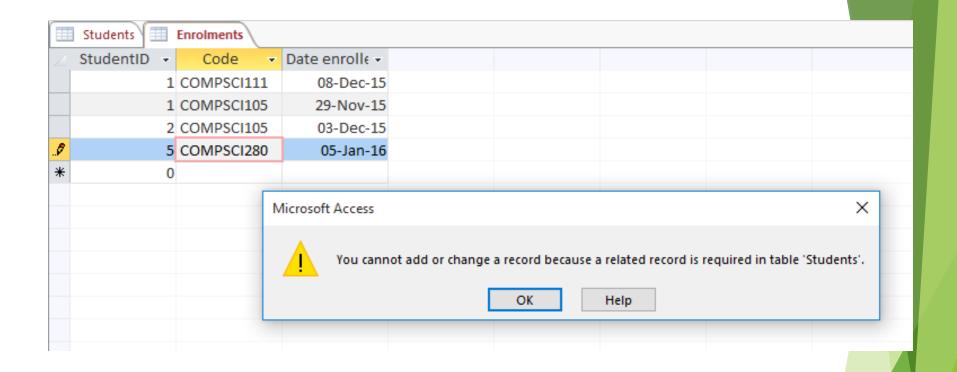
Inserting data





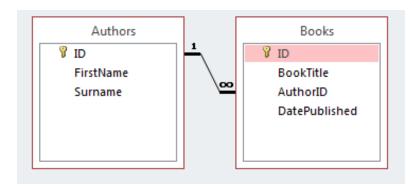
Can we insert this record in the Enrolments table?

Inserting data



This won't work; StudentID's value ('5') doesn't exist in the primary key ID

Exercise 3



Authors	_	
ID	FirstName	Surname
1	Sarah	Buchman
2	Wendy	Heydemark
3	Hallie	Hull

Books	_	
ID	BookTitle	AuthorID
1	200 Years of German Humor	1
2	Ask Your System Administator	2
3	How about Never?	1

- 1. What is the primary key ...?
- 2. What is the primary key and foreign key ...?

Summary

- A database is used to store information in a systematic and orderly manner
- The relational model uses tables to store information about entities and relationships to connect tables together
- Relationships require tables, primary keys, foreign keys
- Referential integrity helps to maintain consistency in our database
- Microsoft Access is a popular DBMS that we can use to insert and manage data in our database