

Databases.

Relational Databases.

RDBMS (Relational Database Management System) crash course ...

Relational Model

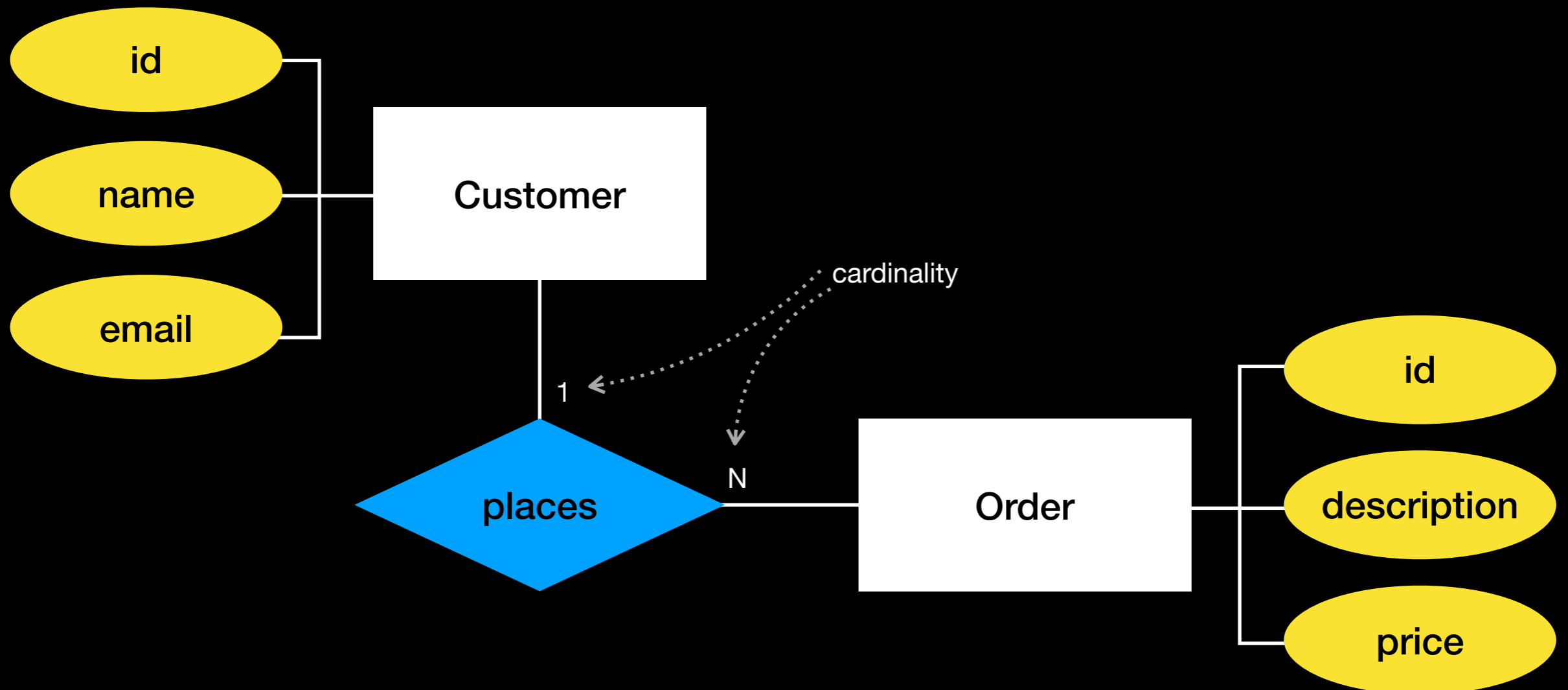
- Approach to describing and modeling relationships between data
- Individual records are grouped as **Tuples**
 - e.g., (“Jane Lee”, 12345678, “jane.lee@foo.edu”)
- Collections of tuples are grouped into **Relations**
 - Relations also describe the attributes of its records
 - e.g., (Name: Text, Id: Integer, Email: Text)

Relational Algebra

- Defines **mathematical operations** on/over relations
 - **Selection** filters out select records
 - **Projection** selects only specific attributes
 - **Join** combines data from multiple relations
- Supports **rigorous reasoning** about data analysis and manipulation!

Entity-Relationship (ER) model

- A way of visually describing relationships between data



Relations = Tables

- Practically, a **Table** represents a relation in a database
 - Each **Row** in a table is a record/tuple
 - **Columns** of the table delineate attributes of the data
- An RDBMS is a database designed around principles established by the relational model
 - Operations generally align with relational algebra

Structured Query Language (SQL)

- Standard language used to interact with RDBMSs
 - Declarative; i.e., it describes **what** operation to perform, not **how** to carry it out (lots of room for optimization!)
 - Operations: creating tables, inserting/updating/deleting records, querying (fetching) records, etc.
- Most major RDBMSes (e.g., MySQL, PostgreSQL, Oracle, MS SQL Server) support their own “dialect” of SQL

SQLite

“an in-process library that implements a self-contained, serverless, zero-configuration, transactional SQL database engine.”

Sample Database: Orders

```
CREATE TABLE customer (  
    id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY,  
    name TEXT,  
    email TEXT  
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE purchase_order (  
    id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY,  
    description TEXT,  
    price REAL,  
    customer_id INT,  
    FOREIGN KEY (customer_id) REFERENCES customer(id)  
);
```

Sample Queries

```
SELECT * FROM customer;
```

```
SELECT * FROM purchase_order  
WHERE customer_id = 1234;
```

```
SELECT c.name, o.description  
FROM customer c  
JOIN purchase_order o ON c.id = o.customer_id  
WHERE o.id = 2345;
```

Sample Updates

```
INSERT INTO customer (id, name, email)
VALUES (1234, 'Jane Doe', 'jane@foo.com');
```

```
UPDATE purchase_order
SET description = 'Atomizer'
WHERE id = 2345;
```

```
DELETE FROM purchase_order WHERE id = 2345;
```