

Unit I - Introduction

Purpose of Database System - Views of data – Data models, Database Management system - Three-schema architecture of DBMS, Components of DBMS. **Entity – Relationship Model -** Conceptual data modelling - motivation, entities, entity types, attributes, relationships, relationship types, E/R diagram notations, Examples





- **Data Modelling** process of creating a data model for the data to be stored in a database.
- Two Types
 - ER
 - UML



- Initial phase -- characterize fully the data needs of the prospective database users.
- Second phase -- choosing a data model
- Final Phase -- Moving from an abstract data model to the implementation of the database
 - Logical Design Deciding on the database schema.
 - Redundancy
 - Incompleteness
 - Physical Design Deciding on the physical layout of the database



- Conceptual Data Model
 - Organized view of database concepts and their relationships.
 - The purpose of creating a conceptual data model is to establish entities, their attributes, and relationships.

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Design Approaches

- Entity Relationship Model
 - Models an enterprise as a collection of *entities* and *relationships*
 - Entity: a "thing" or "object"
 - Described by a set of *attributes*
 - Relationship: an association among several entities
 - Represented diagrammatically by an *entity-relationship diagram*

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- Represents the overall logical structure of a database.
- The ER data model employs three basic concepts:
 - Entity: A real-world thing

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- Attribute: Characteristics or properties of an entity
- **Relationship**: Dependency or association between two entities



