

Introduction to ERwin

Database Design & Modelling

Software



The following Editions can be downloaded for Free on Internet:

CA ERwin Data Modeler Community Edition

SQL Server Express Edition



- 1. Design and Create Tables
- 2. Make a SQL Script

- 3. Execute the Script within SQL Server
- 4. Start using your Database, Insert Data, etc.



Database Design & Modelling

Database Design – ER Diagram

ER Diagram (Entity-Relationship Diagram)

- Used for Design and Modeling of Databases.
- Specify Tables and <u>relationship</u> between them (Primary Keys and Foreign Keys)



Relational Database. In a relational database all the tables have one or more relation with each other using Primary Keys (PK) and Foreign Keys (FK). Note! You can only have one PK in a table, but you may have several FK's.

Database - "Best Practice"

- Tables: Use <u>upper case</u> and <u>singular</u> form in table names not plural, e.g., "STUDENT" (not "students")
- Columns: Use Pascal notation, e.g., "StudentId"
- Primary Key:
 - If the table name is "COURSE", name the Primary Key column "Courseld", etc.
 - "Always" use <u>Integer</u> and <u>Identity(1,1)</u> for Primary Keys. Use UNIQUE constraint for other columns that needs to be unique, e.g. "RoomNumber"
- Specify Required Columns (NOT NULL) i.e., which columns that need to have data or not
- Standardize on few/these **Data Types**: *int*, *float*, *varchar(x)*, *datetime*, *bit*
- Use English for table and column names
- Avoid abbreviations! (Use "RoomNumber" not "RoomNo", "RoomNr", ...)

Database Design & Implementation

Recommended Steps:

- 1. Database Modelling/Design using ERwin
- 2. Generate SQL Table Script using ERwin (you might need to adjust/improve it in order to make it more robust)
- 3. Generate Tables in SQL Server using the SQL Script generated by ERwin
- 4. Create Stored Procedures, View, Triggers, etc. inside SQL Server if needed.



ERwin



- Tool for Database Modelling (ER Diagrams)
- Free!
- Forward and Reverse Engineering with a 25 object limit

Download here:

http://erwin.com/products/data-modeler/community-edition



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Exercise





Lets try to create the following Tables, Columns, Primary Keys and Foreign Keys using ERwin:

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Create Tables and Columns



Create Primary Key (PK) – Foreign Key (FK) Relationships



Click first on the PK table and then on the FK table using the "Relationship" Tool. The Relationship Connection is then Created Automatically

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• AUTHOR

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- PUBLISHER
- CATEGORY (e.g., Programming, Control Systems, ..)

(You can try this on your own)



Create SQL Scripts with ERwin

Create SQL Script







SQL Server

Execute the SQL Script within SQL Server

Microsoft SQL Server



A Graphical User Interface to the database used for configuration and management of the database

Microsoft SQL Server Management Studio



Microsoft SQL Server – Create a New Database









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