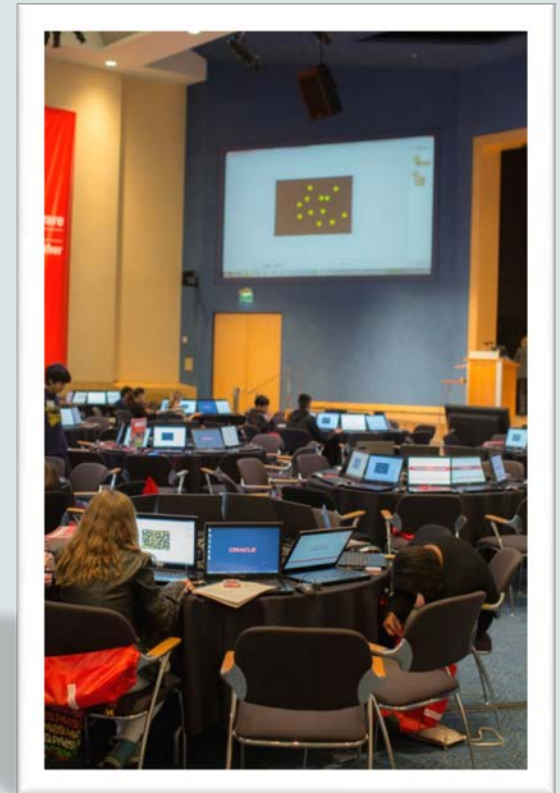





Database Foundations

4-1 Oracle SQL Developer Data Modeler



Road Map

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Oracle SQL
Developer
Data Modeler

Converting a
Logical Model
to a Relational
Model



Objectives

This lesson covers the following objectives:

- Use Oracle SQL Developer Data Modeler to create:
 - Entities, attributes, and UIDs with correct optionality and cardinality
 - Supertype and subtype entities
 - Arc, hierarchical, barred, and recursive relationships



Introduction to Oracle SQL Developer Data Modeler

Oracle SQL Developer Data Modeler offers a range of data and database modeling capabilities, enabling you to:

- Capture business rules and information
- Create process, logical, relational, and physical models
- Store metadata information in XML files
- Synchronize the relational model with the data dictionary



Oracle SQL Developer Data Modeler Interface: Example Overview

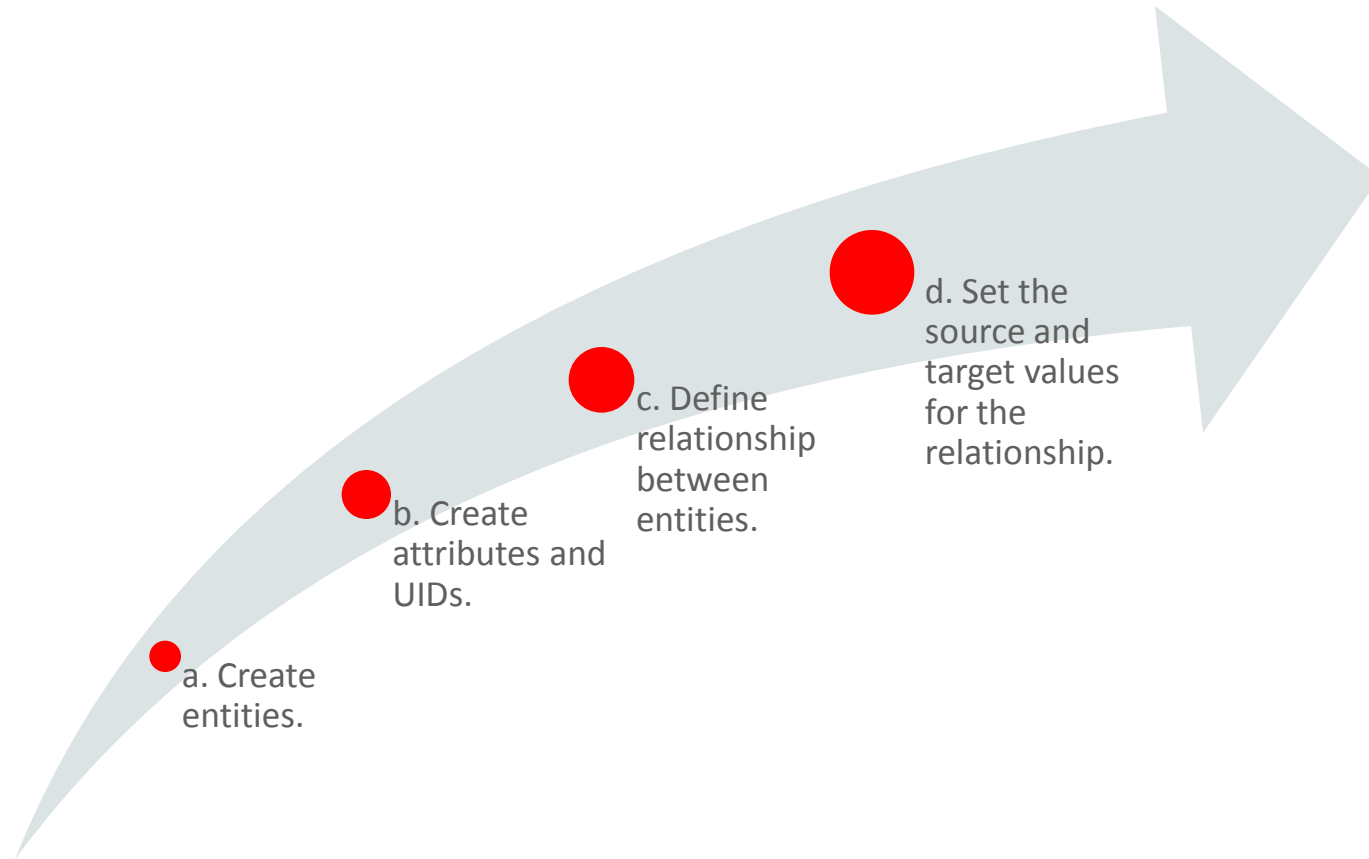
The screenshot shows the Oracle SQL Developer Data Modeler interface. The main window is titled "Oracle SQL Developer Data Modeler" and contains several panes:

- Object Browser:** Located on the left, it shows a tree view of the data model. The "OE Relational Model" is selected, showing its components: Entities [10], Relations [6], Inheritances [], Views [13], SubViews [], Displays [], Multidimensional Models [], Relational Models [1], and Tables [10].
- Display Window:** The central pane shows the logical model for "OE.INVENTORIES" and "OE.PRODUCT_INFORMATION". The "OE.INVENTORIES" table has columns: PRODUCT_ID (NUMBER (8)), WAREHOUSE_ID (NUMBER (3)), and QUANTITY_ON_HAND (NUMBER (8)). It has a primary key INVENTORY_PK (PRODUCT_ID, WAREHOUSE_ID) and an index INVENTORY_IX (WAREHOUSE_ID, PRODUCT_ID). The "OE.PRODUCT_INFORMATION" table has columns: PRODUCT_ID (NUMBER (8)), PRODUCT_NAME (VARCHAR2 (50 BYTE)), PRODUCT_DESCRIPTION (VARCHAR2 (2000 BYTE)), CATEGORY_ID (NUMBER (2)), WEIGHT_CLASS (NUMBER (1)), WARRANTY_PERIOD (INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH), SUPPLIER_ID (NUMBER (8)), PRODUCT_STATUS (VARCHAR2 (20 BYTE)), LIST_PRICE (NUMBER (8,2)), MIN_PRICE (NUMBER (8,2)), and CATALOG_URL (VARCHAR2 (50 BYTE)). It has a primary key PRODUCT_INFORMATION_PK (PRODUCT_ID) and an index PROD_SUPPLIER_IX (SUPPLIER_ID).
- Navigator:** Located on the right, it shows a hierarchical view of the data model, including tables, views, and relationships.
- Main Menu:** Located at the top right, it contains a search bar and a search icon.

Handwritten labels with arrows point to these components:

- "Object Browser" points to the left pane.
- "Display Window" points to the central pane.
- "Navigator" points to the right pane.
- "Main Menu" points to the top right search bar.

Building an ERD by Using Oracle SQL Developer Data Modeler



Case Scenario: An Introduction



Faculty

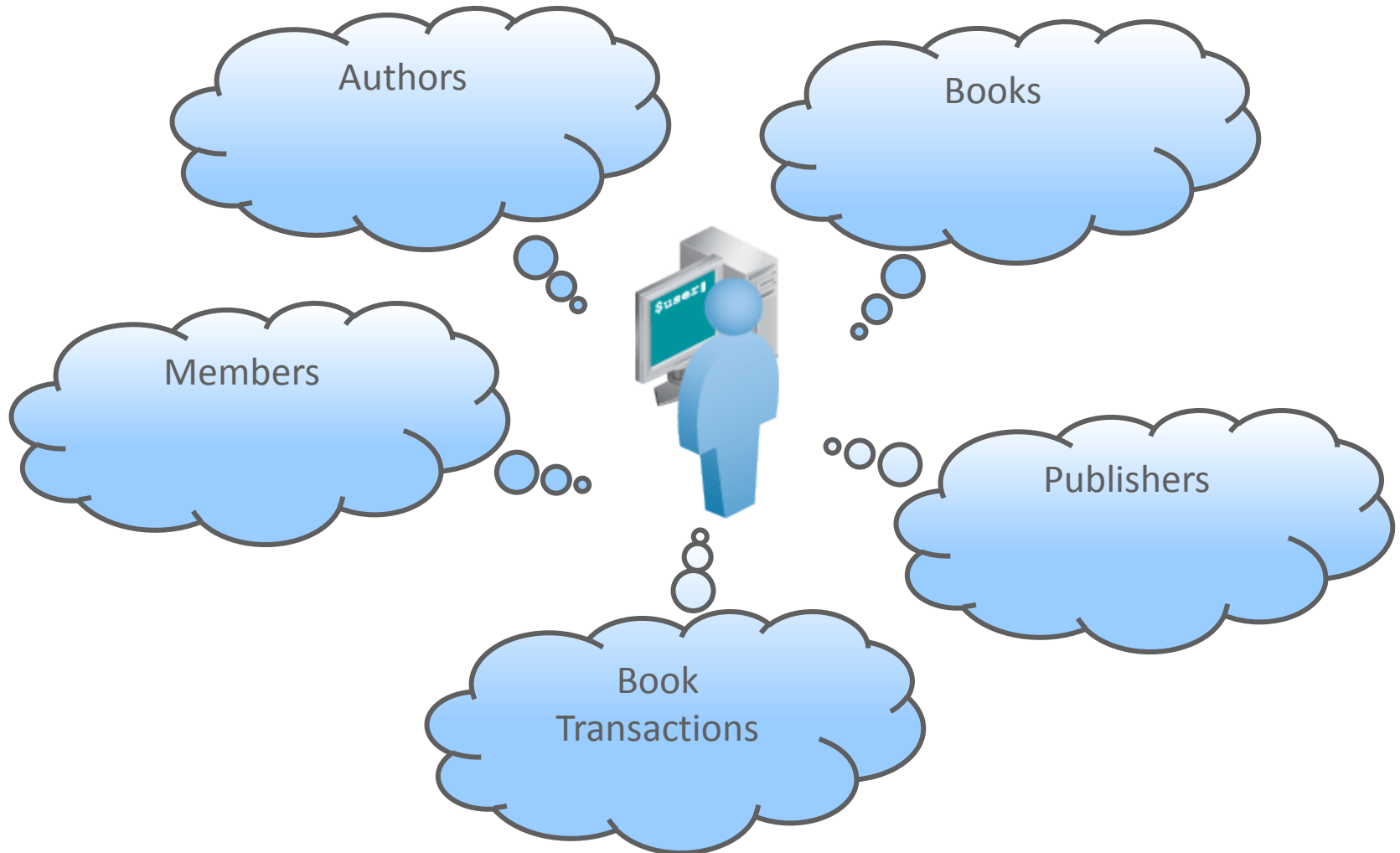
Sean, I would like you to create a simplified library database to manage the number of reference books in our department. As a first step, can you build a logical model using Oracle SQL Developer Data Modeler that we have installed in our student machines?

Glad to. I'll start by identifying the entities and their attributes. After that, I can use the Oracle SQL Developer Data Modeler tool to build the logical model.

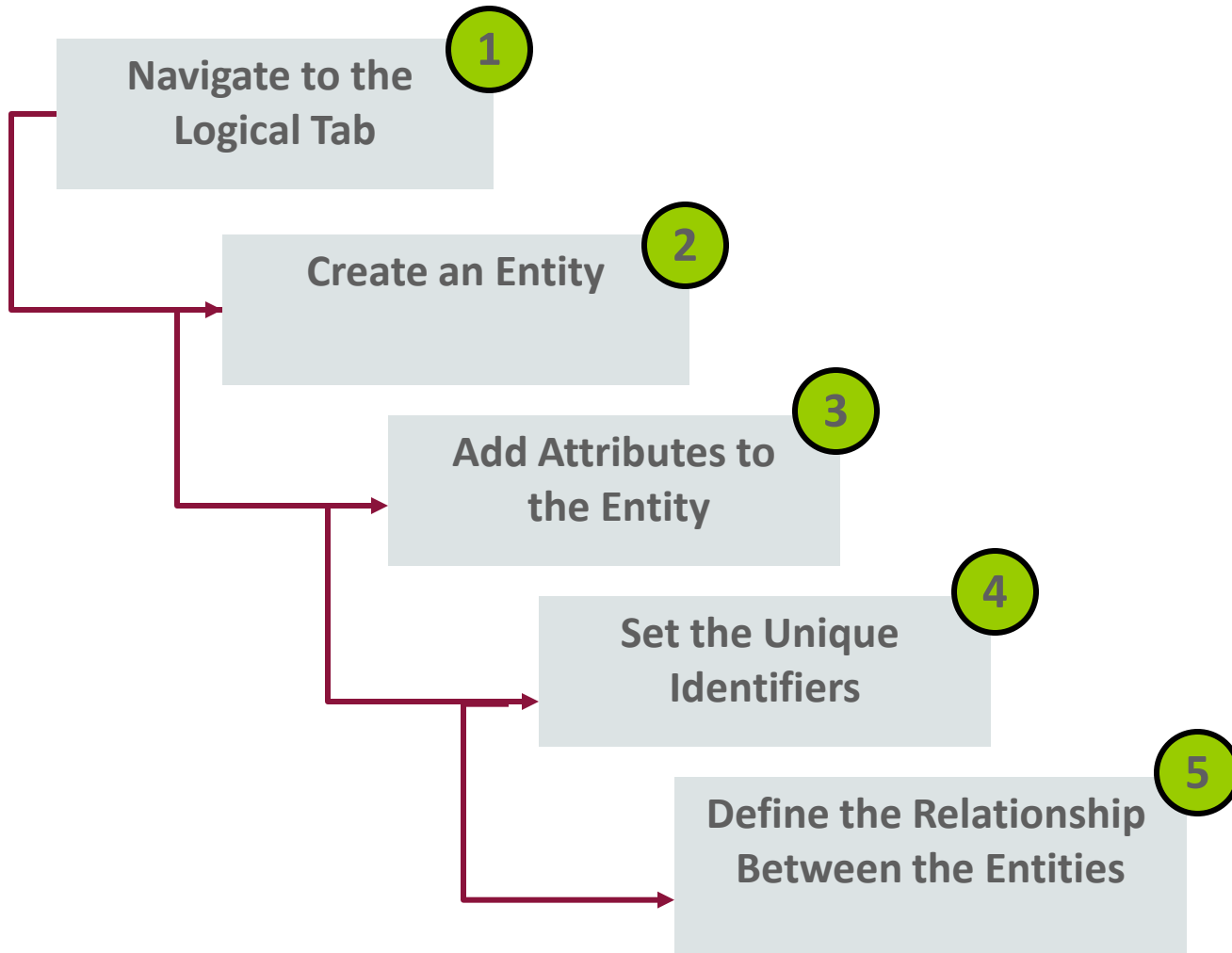


Student

Case Scenario: Identifying Entities

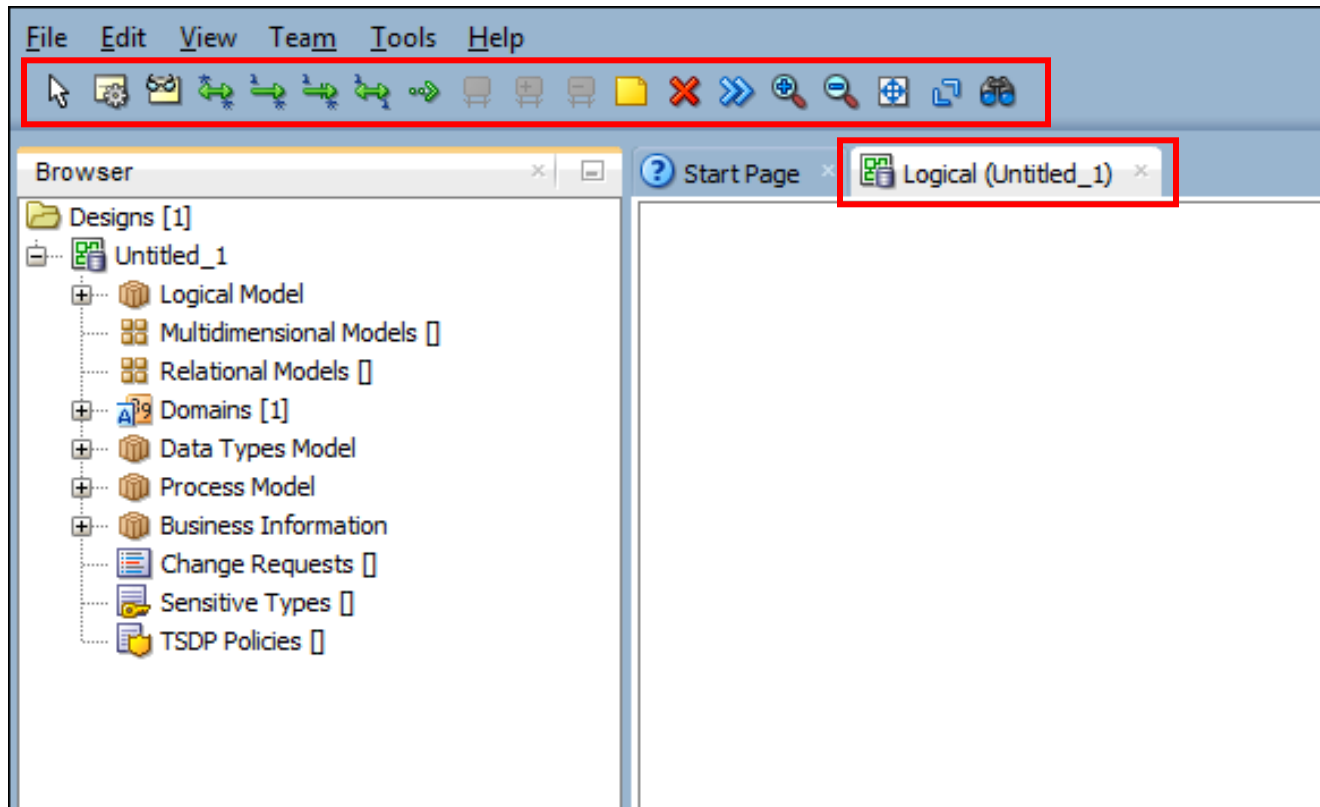


Building an Entity Relationship Diagram



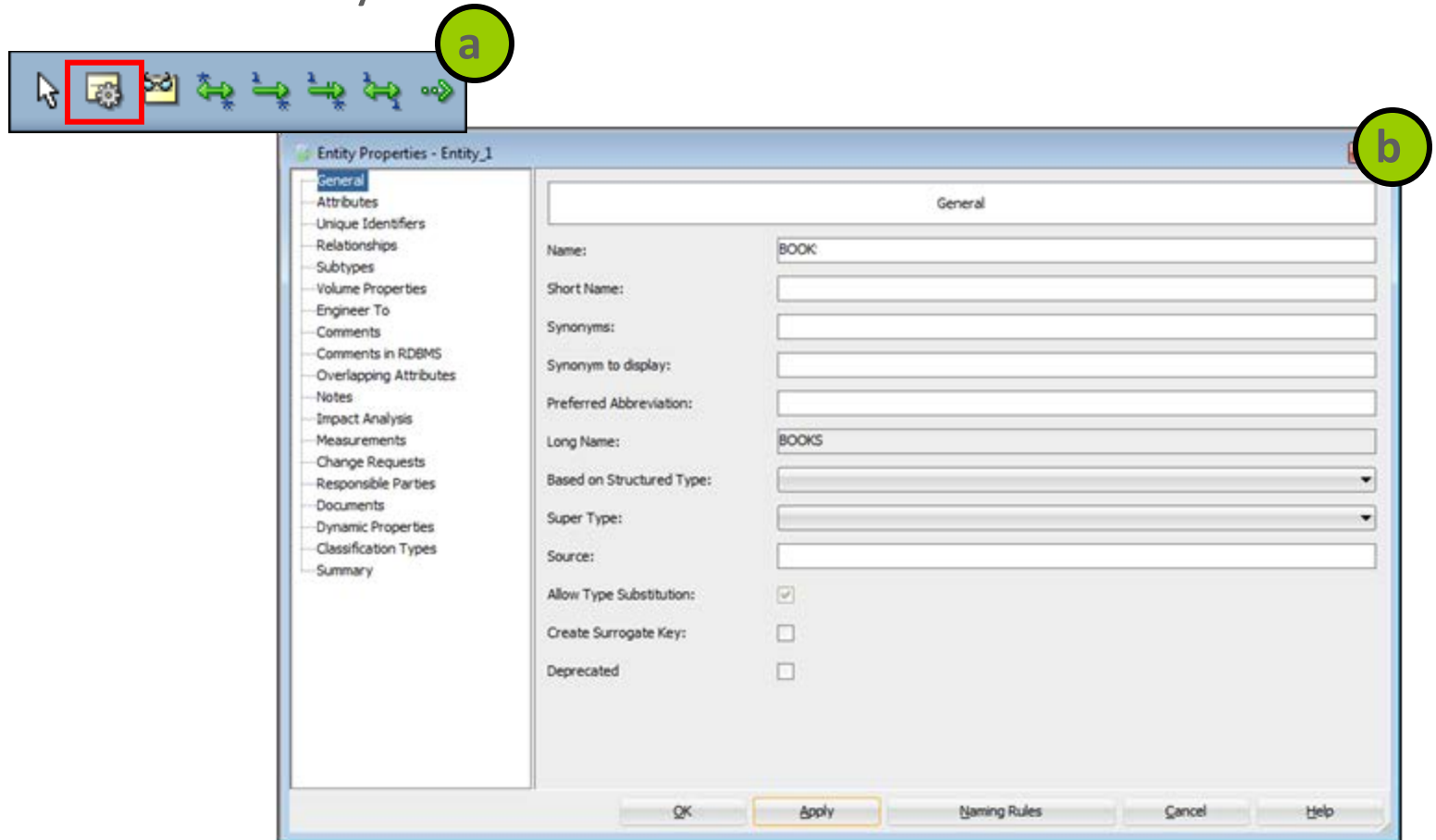
Building an ERD: Step 1

1. Navigate to the Logical tab.



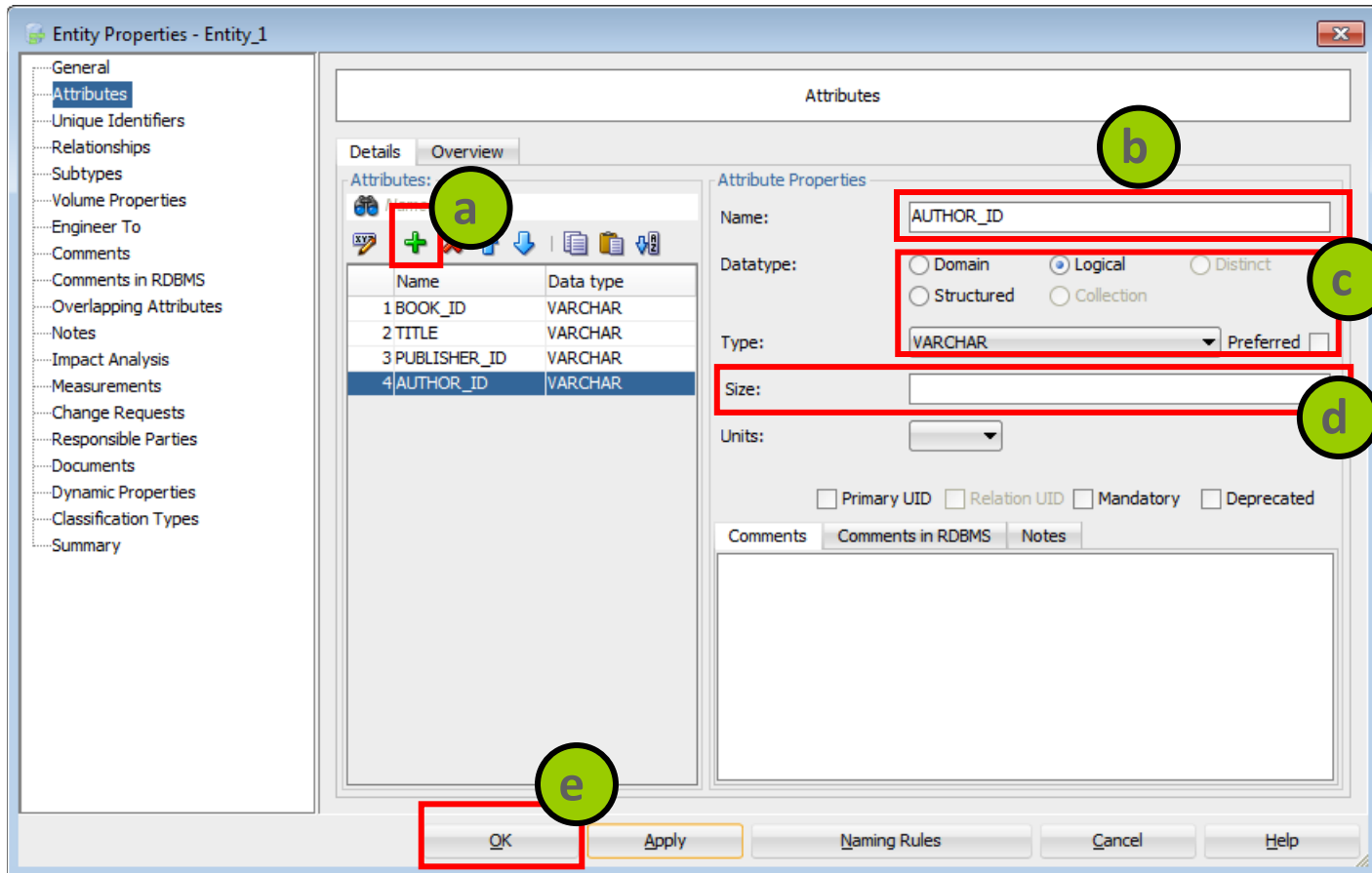
Building an ERD: Step 2

2. Create an entity.

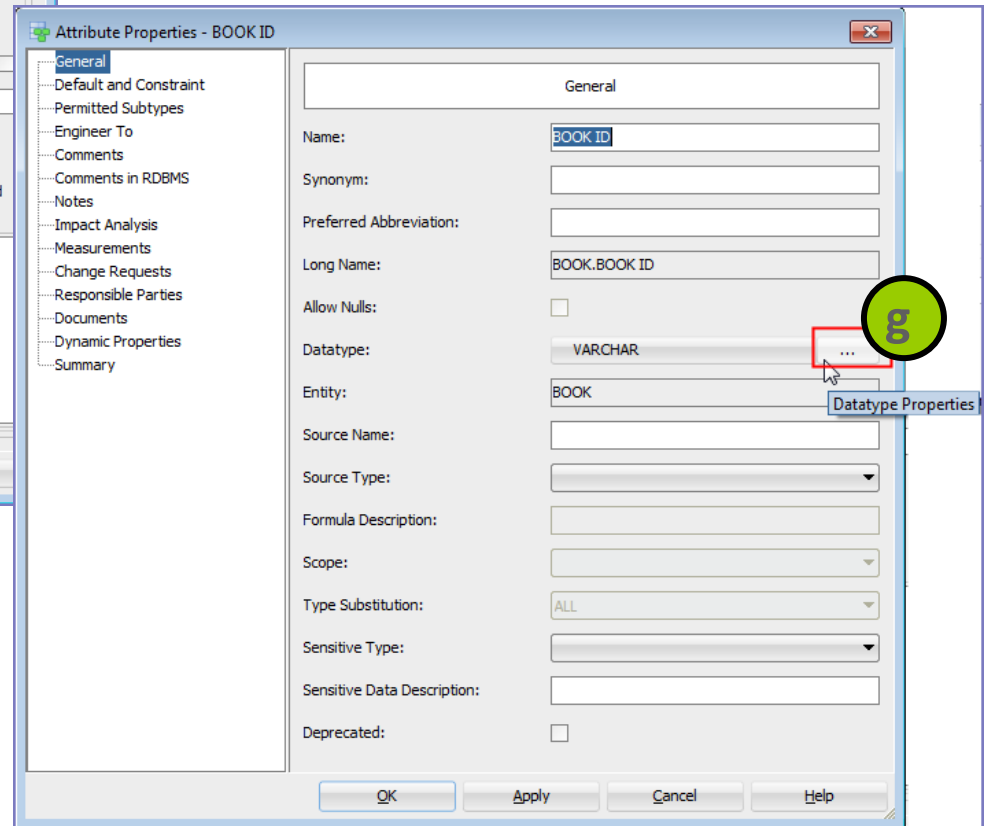
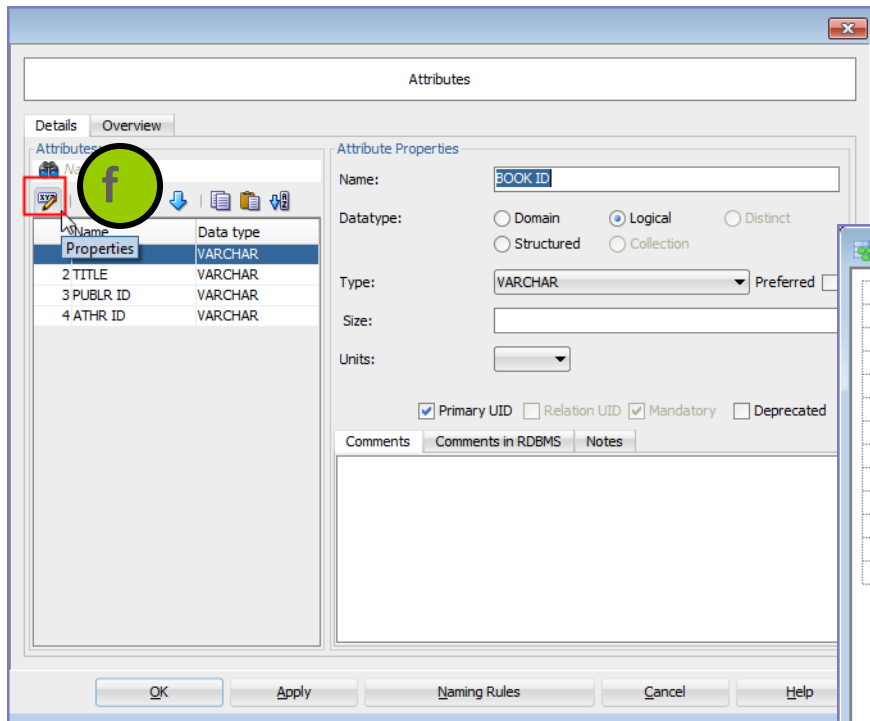


Building an ERD: Step 3

3. Add attributes to the entity.

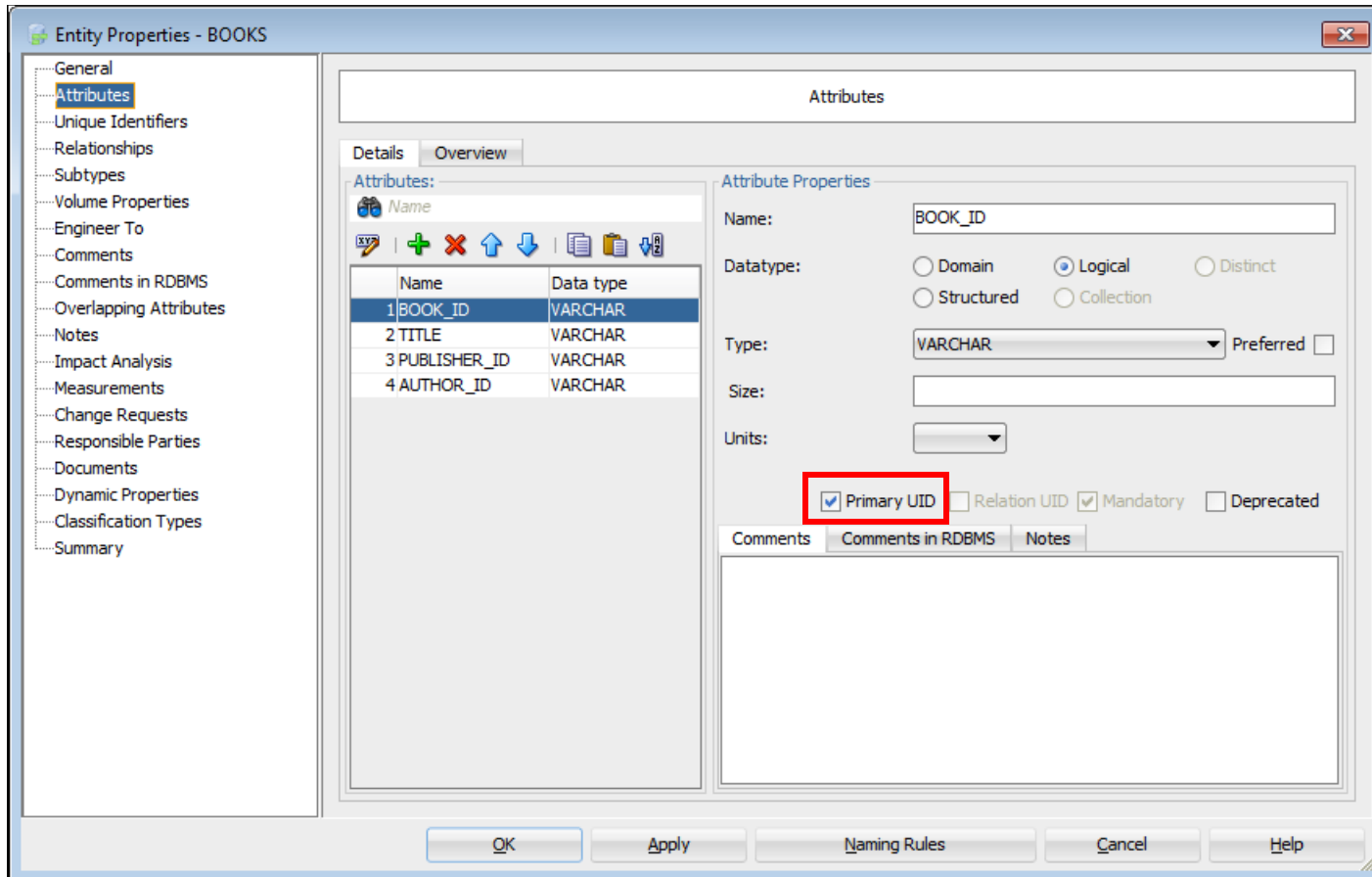


Editing the Attribute Properties



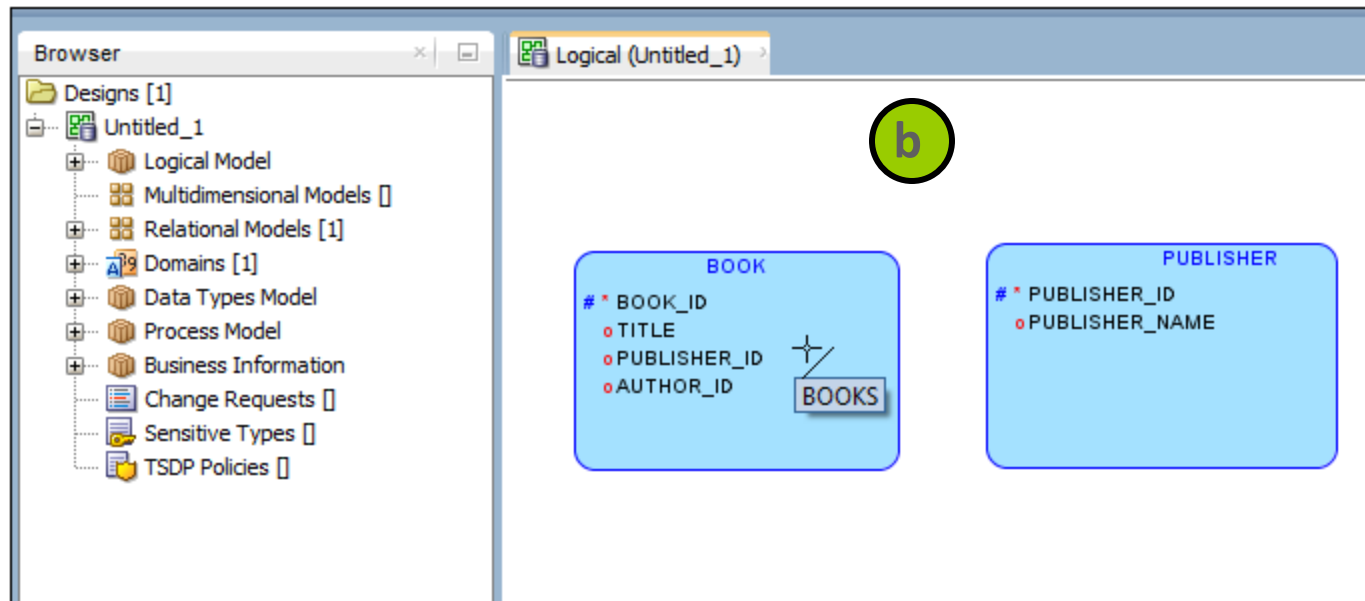
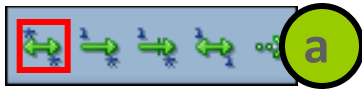
Building an ERD: Step 4

4. Set the UID.



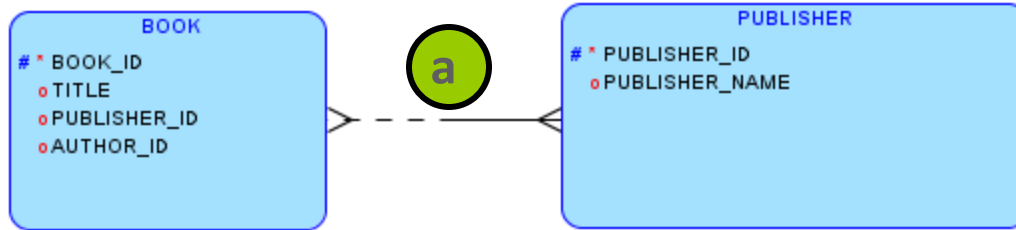
Building an ERD: Step 5

5. Define the relationships between the entities.



Building an ERD: Step 6

6. Set the source and target values for the relationship.



The screenshot shows the 'Relation Properties - Relation_9' dialog box. The 'General' tab is selected. The 'Name' field is 'BOOK_PUBLR_RELATION'. The 'Source' is 'BOOK' and the 'Target' is 'PUBLR'. The 'Name on Source' is 'published by' and the 'Name on Target' is 'has published'. The 'Source to Target Cardinality' is '← *' and the 'Target to Source Cardinality' is '→ *'. The 'Delete Rule' is 'NO ACTION'. A green circle labeled 'b' is on the left sidebar, a green circle labeled 'c' is on the 'General' tab, and a green circle labeled 'd' is on the 'Source' dropdown.

Property	Value
Name	BOOK_PUBLR_RELATION
Use surrogate keys	<input type="checkbox"/>
Source Cardinality	Source: BOOK
Target Cardinality	Target: PUBLR
Source key	
Target key	
Name on Source	published by
Name on Target	has published
Source Entity Synonym	BOOK
Target Entity Synonym	PUBLR
Source to Target Cardinality	← *
Target to Source Cardinality	→ *
Source Optional	<input type="checkbox"/>
Target Optional	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transferable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dominant Role	None
Identifying	<input type="checkbox"/>
Delete Rule	NO ACTION

Case Scenario: Entity Types



Faculty

Sean, I was wondering if we could include new types of membership categories such as:

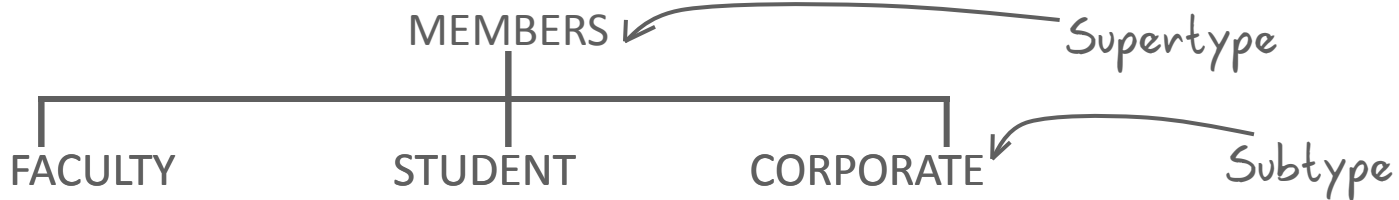
- Student Membership
- Faculty Membership
- Corporate Membership

This can definitely be achieved. I can create a common entity that would hold membership details that are common to all the three membership categories. This would be a **supertype** entity. The specific membership categories would inherit the properties of the supertype entity, in addition to their own specific attributes. Hence, the specific membership category would be a **subtype** entity.

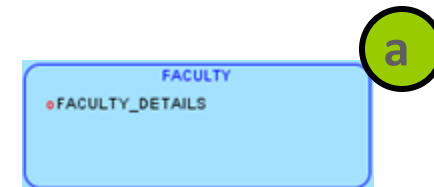


Student

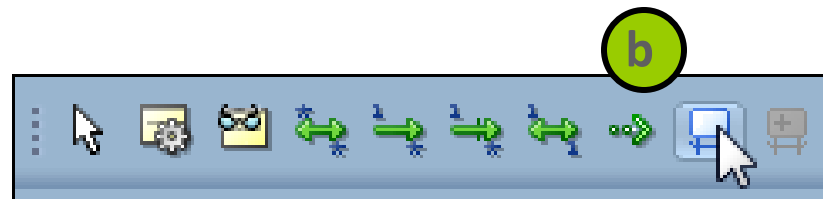
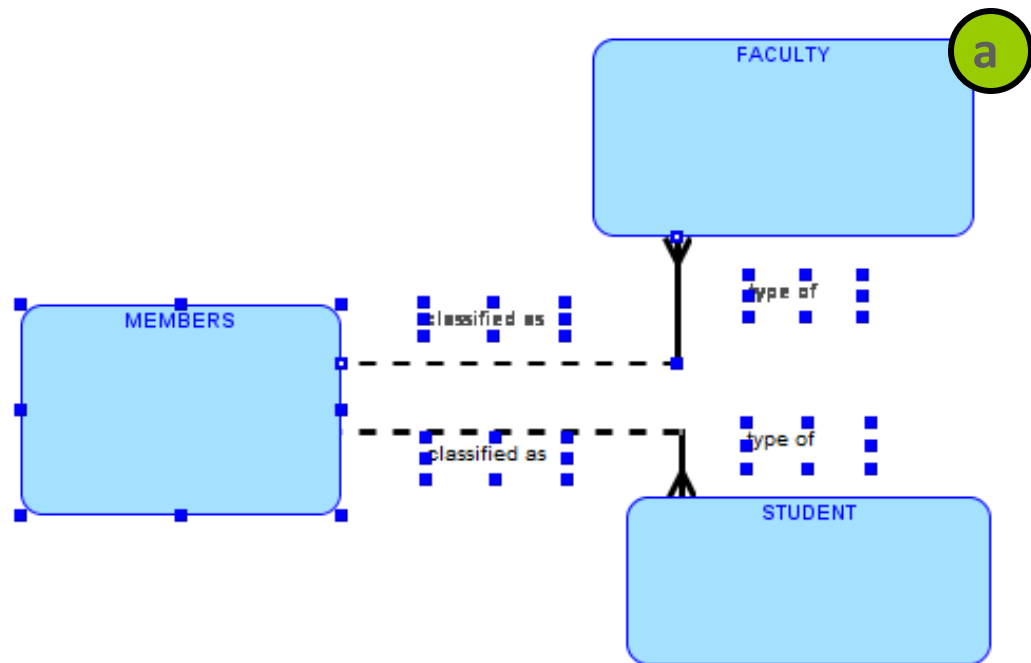
Creating the Supertype Entity



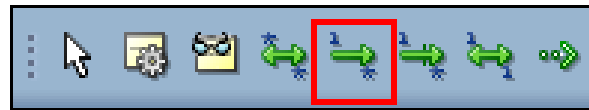
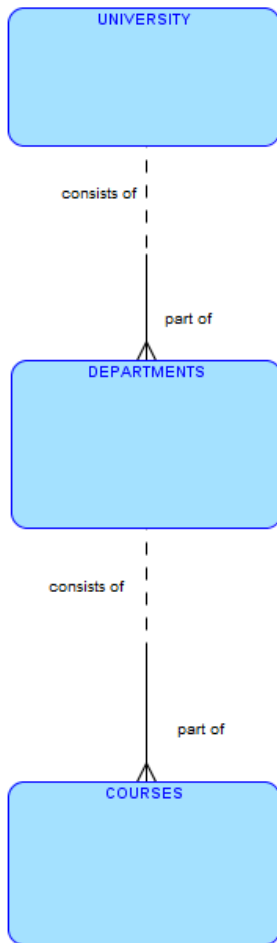
The screenshot shows the 'Entity Properties - FACULTY' dialog box. The 'General' tab is active. The 'Name' field is 'FACULTY'. The 'Long Name' field is 'FACULTY'. The 'Super Type' dropdown menu is set to 'MEMBERS' and is highlighted with a red box and a green circle labeled 'b'. The 'Source' field is empty. The 'Allow Type Substitution' checkbox is checked. The 'Create Surrogate Key' checkbox is unchecked. The 'Deprecated' checkbox is unchecked. The 'OK', 'Apply', 'Naming Rules', 'Cancel', and 'Help' buttons are at the bottom.



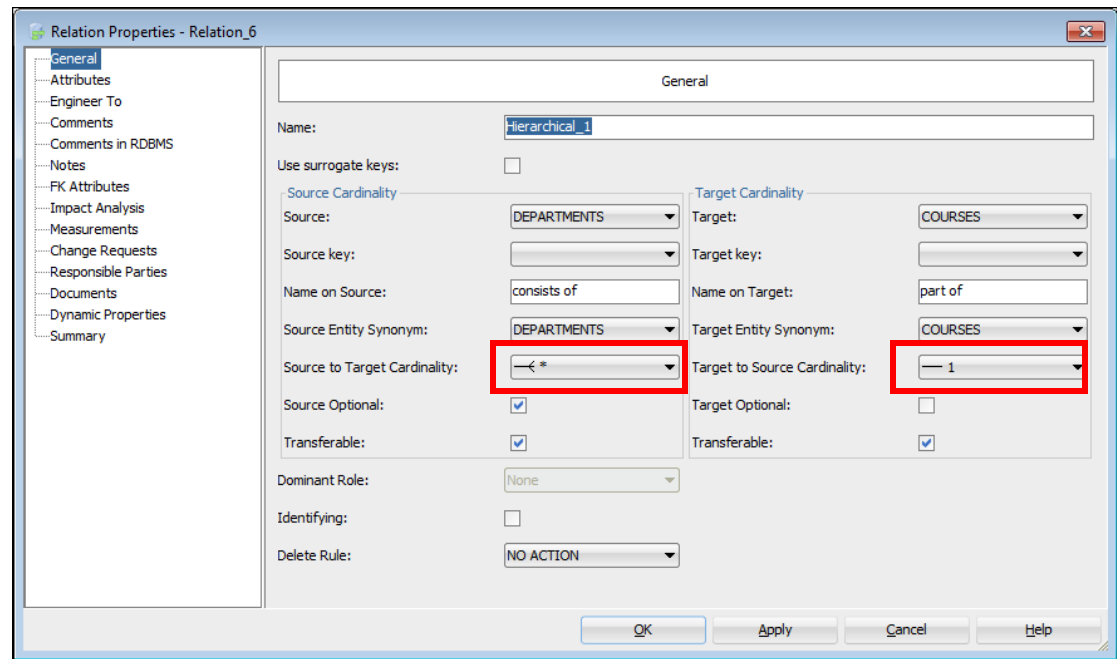
Creating the Arc Relationship



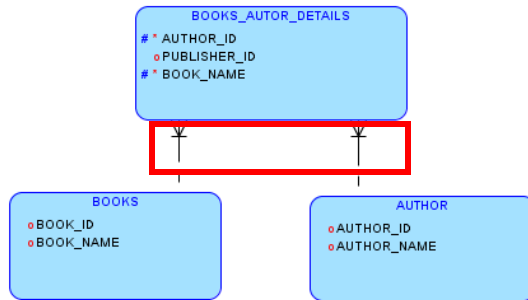
Creating the Hierarchical Relationship



1:N Relationship



Creating the Barred Relationship

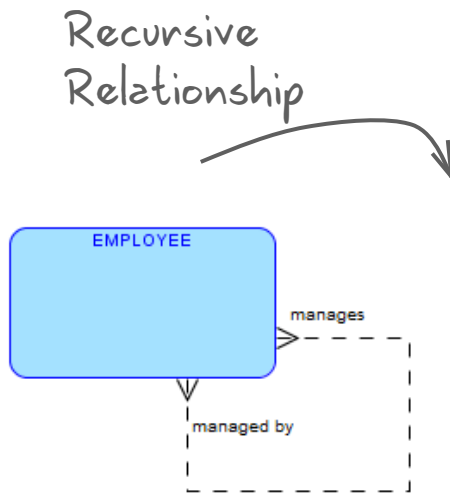


The screenshot shows the 'Relation Properties - Relation_8' dialog box. The 'General' tab is active. The 'Name' field is 'Relation_8'. The 'Source Cardinality' is 'AUTHOR' and the 'Target Cardinality' is 'BOOKS'. The 'Source key' is 'AUTHOR.PUBLISHER PK' and the 'Target key' is empty. The 'Source Entity Synonym' is 'AUTHOR' and the 'Target Entity Synonym' is 'BOOKS'. The 'Source to Target Cardinality' is '← *' and the 'Target to Source Cardinality' is '— 1'. The 'Source Optional' and 'Transferable' checkboxes are checked. The 'Identifying' checkbox is checked and highlighted with a red box. The 'Delete Rule' is 'NO ACTION'.

Identifying Relationship

Creating the Recursive Relationship

In a relationship, if the same entity participates more than once, it is termed a recursive relationship.



Relation Properties - Relation_9

General

Name: Recursive

Use surrogate keys:

Source Cardinality: Source: EMPLOYEE Target: EMPLOYEE

Source Entity Synonym: EMPLOYEE Target Entity Synonym: EMPLOYEE

Source to Target Cardinality: < * Target to Source Cardinality: * >

Source Optional: Target Optional:

Transferable: Transferable:

Dominant Role: None

Identifying:

Delete Rule: NO ACTION

OK Apply Cancel Help

Summary

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