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References

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Active Record Documentation, <http://ar.rubyonrails.com/>

Databases

MySQL

<http://www.mysql.com/>

Open source

Later versions support Transactions

```
create database lectureExamples;
```

```
CREATE TABLE faculty (  
  name CHAR(20) NOT NULL,  
  faculty_id INTEGER AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY  
);
```

PostgreSQL

<http://www.postgresql.org/>

Open source

Now runs on Windows

```
create database lectureExamples;
```

```
CREATE TABLE faculty (  
  name CHAR(20) NOT NULL,  
  faculty_id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY  
);
```

Converting Types

SQL Type	Ruby Type
int, integer	Fixnum
decimal, numeric	Float
interval, date	Date
clob, blob, text	String
float, double	Float
char, varchar, string	String
datetime, time	Time
boolean	special handling needed

Normalization

First Normal Form

Keep attributes single valued

Put collections in separate table

Books

id	Title	Author1	Author2
1	Foo	you	me

Books

id	title
1	Foo

Authors

id	name
1	you
2	me

Join Table

book_id	author_id
1	1
1	2

Normalization

Second Normal Form

All non-key attributes must be fully dependent on the entire primary key

Don't repeat data

Books

id	title	publisher
1	Foo	you
2	Bar	you

Books

id	title	publisher_id
1	Foo	1
2	Bar	1

Publishers

id	name
1	you

Table Relationships

One-to-One



```
class Invoice < ActiveRecord::Base
  belongs_to :order
end
```

```
class Order < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_one :invoice
end
```

One-to-Many

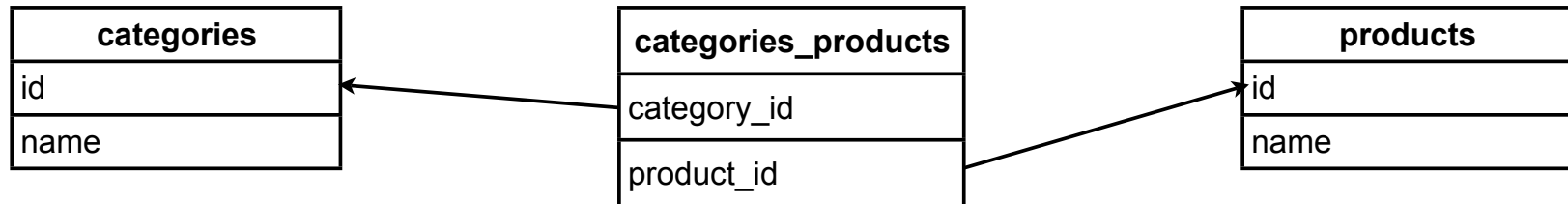


```
class LineItem < ActiveRecord::Base
  belongs_to :order
end
```

```
class Order < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_one :line_items
end
```

Table Relationships

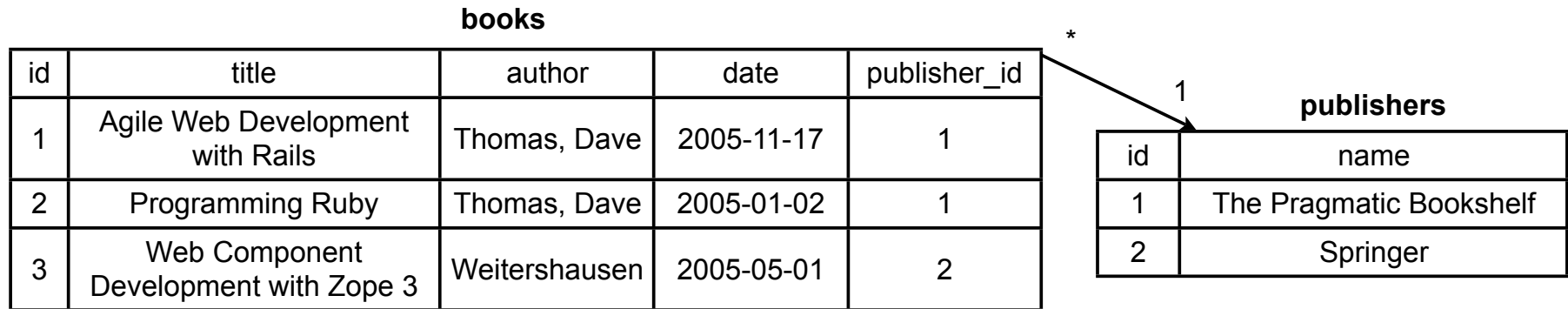
Many-to-Many



```
class Category < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_and_belongs_to :products
end
```

```
class Product < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_and_belongs_to :categories
end
```


One-to-Many

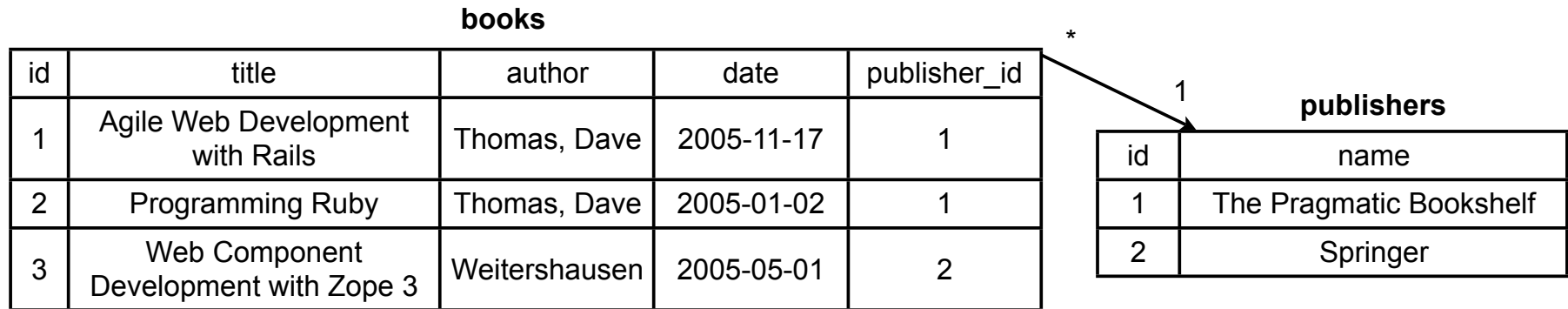


```
CREATE TABLE `books` (  
  `id` int(11) NOT NULL auto_increment,  
  `title` varchar(100) NOT NULL,  
  `author` varchar(50) NOT NULL,  
  `date` date default '0000-00-00',  
  `publisher_id` int(11) NOT NULL,  
  PRIMARY KEY (`id`)  
)
```

```
CREATE TABLE `publishers` (  
  `id` int(11) NOT NULL auto_increment,  
  `name` varchar(50) NOT NULL,  
  PRIMARY KEY (`id`)  
)
```

```
constraint fk_publisher foreign key (publisher_id) references publishers(id)
```

One-to-Many



```
require "rubygems"
require_gem "activerecord"
```

```
ActiveRecord::Base.establish_connection(
  :adapter => "mysql",
  :host => "localhost",
  :database => "cs683BookStore_development",
  :username => "whitney")
```

```
class Book < ActiveRecord::Base
  belongs_to :publisher
end
```

```
class Publisher < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_many :books
end
```

```
springer = Publisher.create(:name => 'Springer')
```

```
ruby = Book.new
ruby.title = 'Web Component Development with Zope 3'
ruby.author = 'Weitershausen'
ruby.date = Time.now
ruby.publisher = springer
ruby.save
```

```
from_database = Book.find_by_author('Weitershausen')
puts from_database.publisher.name
```

Added Methods

```
class Book < ActiveRecord::Base
  belongs_to :publisher
end
```

Methods Added to Book

```
publisher(force_reload=false)
publisher=(object)
build_product(attributes={})
create_product(attribute={})
```

```
class Publisher < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_many :books
end
```

Methods Added to Publisher

```
books(force_reload=false)
books<<aBook
books.push(book1, ...)
books.delete(book1, book2,...)
books.clear
books.find(options...)
books.build(attributes={})
books.create(attributes={})
books.size
books.empty?
```

Automatic Saving - One Way

```
springer = Publisher.find_by_name('Springer')  
  
networking = Book.new  
networking.title = 'Fundametantal Networking in Java'  
networking.date = Time.now  
springer.books<<networking
```

Book networking is now saved in the database

```
addison = Publisher.new  
addison.name = 'Addison-Wesley'  
  
ruby = Book.find_by_title('Programming Ruby')  
ruby.publisher = addison
```

Publisher addison is **not** saved
ruby not updated

```
addison = Publisher.new  
addison.name = 'Addison-Wesley'
```

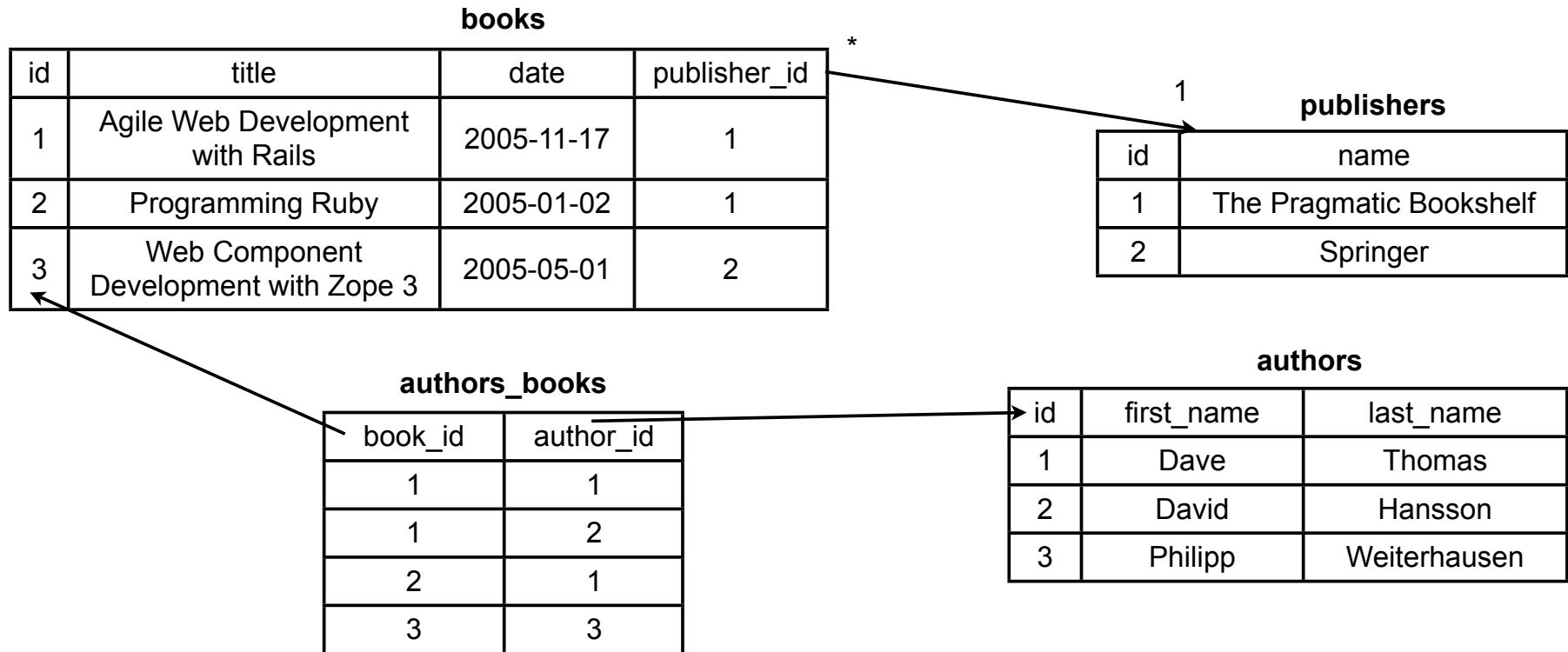
```
ruby = Book.find_by_title('Programming Ruby')  
ruby.publisher = addison  
ruby.save
```

Now addison is saved in the database
ruby is updated

Changing the Defaults

```
class Publisher < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_many :books ,
    :class => 'PaperBook',
    :foreign_key => 'bk_id',
    :dependent => :destroy
end
```

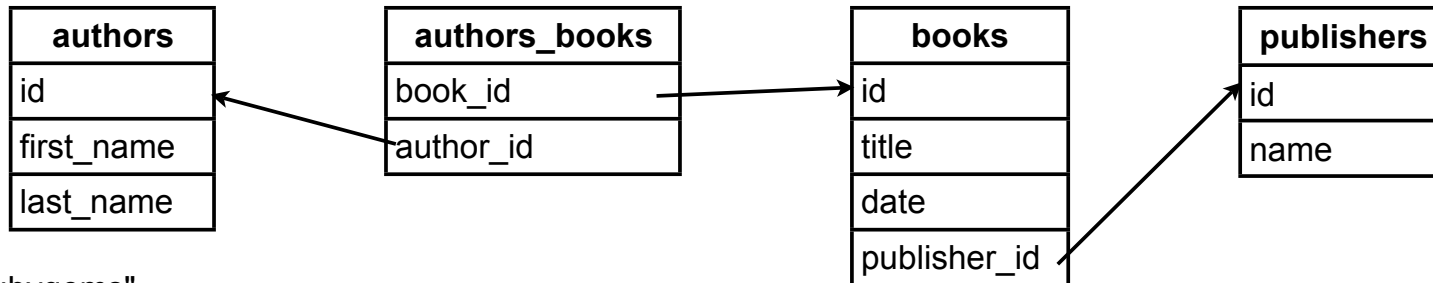
Many-to-Many



```
CREATE TABLE `authors_books` (
  `author_id` int(11) NOT NULL,
  `book_id` int(11) NOT NULL,
  PRIMARY KEY (`author_id`,`book_id`)
) TYPE=MyISAM
```

```
CREATE TABLE `authors` (
  `id` int(11) NOT NULL auto_increment,
  `first_name` varchar(30) NOT NULL,
  `last_name` varchar(20) NOT NULL,
  PRIMARY KEY (`id`)
) TYPE=MyISAM
```

Many-to-Many



```
require "rubygems"
require_gem "activerecord"
```

```
ActiveRecord::Base.establish_connection(
  etc)
```

```
class Book < ActiveRecord::Base
  belongs_to :publisher
  has_and_belongs_to_many :authors
```

```
  def to_s
    "#{title} by #{authors.collect {|a| a.to_s + ' ' }}"
  end
end
```

```
class Publisher < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_many :book
end
```

```
class Author < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_and_belongs_to_many :books
```

```
  def to_s
    "#{first_name} #{last_name}"
  end
end
```

```
thomas = Author.find_by_last_name('Thomas')
```

```
thomas.books.each {|book| puts book}
```

```
rails = Book.find(1)    #two authors
rails.authors.each {|author| puts author}
```

```
ruby = Book.find(2)    #one author
ruby.authors.each {|author| puts author}
```

Added Methods

```
class Author < ActiveRecord::Base
  has_and_belongs_to_many :books
end
```

Methods Added to Author

```
books(force_reload=false)
books<<aBook
books.push_with_attributes(book1, ...)
books.delete(book1, book2,...)
books=objects
books.clear
books.empty?
books.size
books.find(id)
```


Concurrent Edits

Thread 1

a = Book.find(1)

a.title = "Foo"

a.save

Thread 2

b = Book.find(1)

b.title = "Bat"

b.save

Optimistic Locking

Version each row

Add integer column 'lock_version' of zeros to table

Check version each update

Throw StaleObjectError if version changes before you update

```
CREATE TABLE `books` (  
  `id` int(11) NOT NULL auto_increment,  
  `title` varchar(100) NOT NULL ,  
  `date` date default '0000-00-00',  
  `publisher_id` int(11) NOT NULL,  
  `lock_version` int(11) default '0',  
  PRIMARY KEY (`id`)  
)
```

Thread 1

```
a = Book.find(1)
```

```
a.title = "Foo"
```

```
a.save #now throws StaleObjectError
```

Thread 2

```
b = Book.find(1)
```

```
b.title = "Bat"
```

```
b.save
```

reload

Thread 1

```
a = Book.find(1)
puts a.title
```

```
puts a.title
a.reload
puts a.title
```

Thread2

```
b = Book.find(1)
b.title = "Foo"
b.save
puts b.title
```

Output

Agile Web Development

Foo

Agile Web Development

Foo

Detecting when a save fails

```
begin
  a = Book.find(1)
  a.title = "Bar"
  a.save!
rescue RecordInvalid
  puts 'No Save'
end
```

```
b = Book.find(1)
b.title = "Foo"
saved = b.save
if saved
  puts 'Successful save'
else
  puts 'No save'
end
```