Final Year Project Management System



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Summary

The main purpose of this project was to understand the working of a database management system and the configuration of the database with a front-end by making a desktop-based Management System. A database schema was used provided by the supervisor, Mr. Samyan Wahla. For data population, the data were entered manually by the front end of the project.

For background research purposes a report was provided by Mr. Samyan Wahla (Lecturer in Computer Science department UET Lahore). In which whole working procedure, of the committee for management of the final year project of the Department of Computer Science UET Lahore, is streamlined.

This system is an automation of the working procedure followed by the committee for management of the final year project of the Department of Computer Science UET Lahore. This system supports the management of students, advisors, projects, groups, and evaluations. And all of tese tasks are now automated and the only thing users need to do is enter data in the system and the rest will be managed by a database configured in our system.

1. Introduction

1.1 Description

The manangement of Final year project is done in every University. Where the Data of Student Evaluations are managed by hand on registers. Inserting ,Deleting and Managing data is so inefficient. Due to which there is a large chance of errors in that case there is need of a such a system which can automate the process. Computer Science Department of UET Lahore has a mannual system and there is need to make a software application so that this process is done by desktop based application integrated with Database. In final year project management system the Application needs to maintain the students, groups and project, evaluations of those groups. The evaluations of each group is done by advisors. Student make a group of at least two students and a Advisor Board is Assigned to them which supervise there project. The board consists of Main Advisor, Co advisor and industry advisors.

The Main Advisor is the one who maintains manages, supervise, evaluates and leads the group. Where Co advisor and industry advisor Guides the group to make a life solving project. There are multiple evaluations of each group and this record help us in Final Evaluation.

Records are maintained according to the date a student is assigned to a group or the project is assigned to a group. Multiple group may work on same project similarly Same advisor can be assigned to multiple groups. The faculty added to the Advisor Data are according to there designation for example Assistant professor, Lecturer etc.

1.2 Motivation

The motivation of the project is to learn how Databases work and how to maintain Data in tables to easily use them in the future. The project is implement on C .NET Framework and SQL Server was used as Database. MoreOver, PDF report is generated at the last using ItextSharp which contains useful information related to groups and projects.

1.3 Target Audience

The target audience of this project is all the Universities where final year projects managed on paper. This desktop application will help them add students ,Advisors, Create groups and manage their evaluations on anytime. An advisor can

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supervise multiple projects and evaluate them. Students are evaluted on group based and hence assigned equal marks.

2. Operational Details

The management system is made for the single user which is most probably admin . Following are the details that the admin can : The Application is made for a single User who is Admin and manages all the System. Following are listed all the functionalities a user can perform.

- 1. The Admin can Add and Update all details of each Student.
- 2. Also just like Students user can add Advisors.
- 3. All listed projects will be added by admin and he will be able to update there title or discription.
- 4. Group will be created by admin and Assigned one of the projects.
- 5. Admin can Delete or remove a member from the group.
- 6. Evalutions of Each group will be taken by Admin and marks are added for each evalution.
- 7. Pdf Reports are Generated by Admin to have a look at the results of each group.

3. Database Design

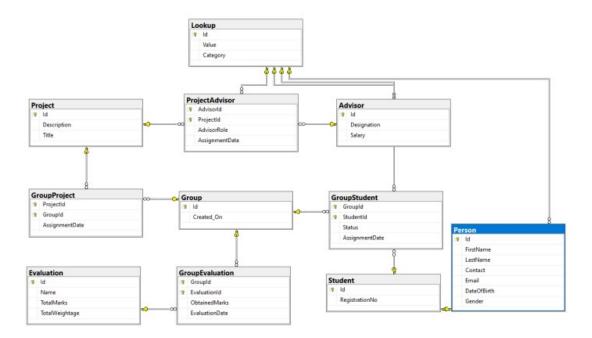


FIGURE 3.1: Database Design of System

3.1 Lookup

Lookup Table provided details about different table like gender of advisor, Student and Designation of Advisors and status of students in each group.

3.2 Person

Person consist of details that a student or advisor need. The person Id act as Key to Student and Advisor Table. The data of student is stored in the person table if student is deleted than its related information in person table is also deleted.

3.3 Student

Student table consist of student registration number and id through which it is linked to person table.

3.4 Group

Group contains information of its id and the date it is created on.

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3.5 GroupStudent

Group student table has the information of the student which group it has joined and if he is still active in that group.

3.6 Project

This table has project id as primary key ,title and its description.

3.7 GroupProject

The Group Project consist of project id and id of group it i

3.8 Evaluation

Evaluations consists of id and total marks and its weightage.

3.9 GroupEvaluation

Group Evaluations consists of obtained marks of each evaluation of a group.

3.10 Advisor

The advisor relation consists of the advisor's designation and the salray. Id acts as the primary key of the relation. The designation is a foriegn key for the parent Lookup table.

3.11 ProjectAdvisor

Project Advisor table consists of advisor of that is assigned to each group. Along with there roles. The project and Advisor id act as primary key.

4. Graphic User Interface

4.1 Add Students

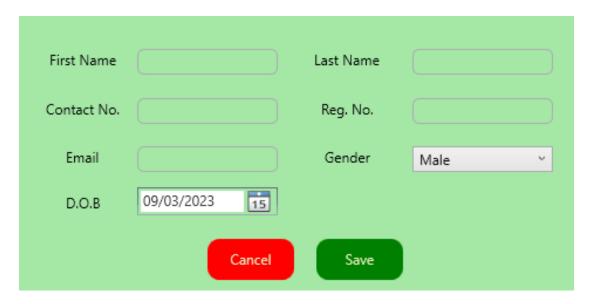


FIGURE 4.1: Add Student Window

4.2 Update Student



FIGURE 4.2: Update Student Window

4.3 View Students

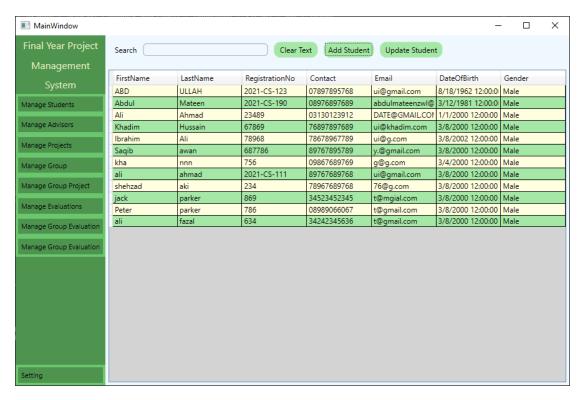


FIGURE 4.3: View Student Window

4.4 Add Advisor



FIGURE 4.4: Add Advisor Window

4.5 Update Advisor



FIGURE 4.5: Update Advisor Window

4.6 View Advisors

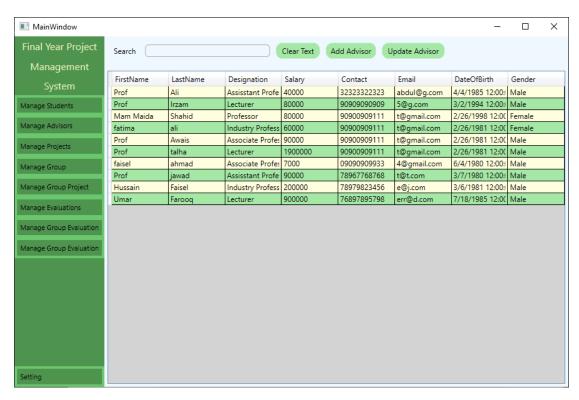


FIGURE 4.6: View All Advisors Window

4.7 Add Project



FIGURE 4.7: Add Project Window

4.8 View All Project



FIGURE 4.8: View Project Window

4.9 Update Project

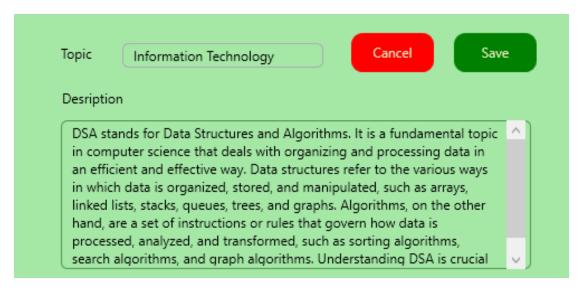


FIGURE 4.9: Update Project Window

4.10 View Groups



FIGURE 4.10: View Group Window

4.11 Add Group

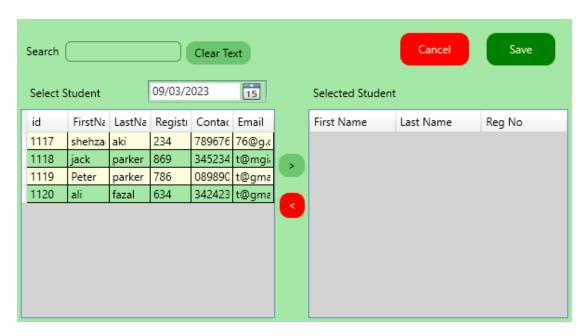


FIGURE 4.11: Add Group Window

4.12 Assign Project

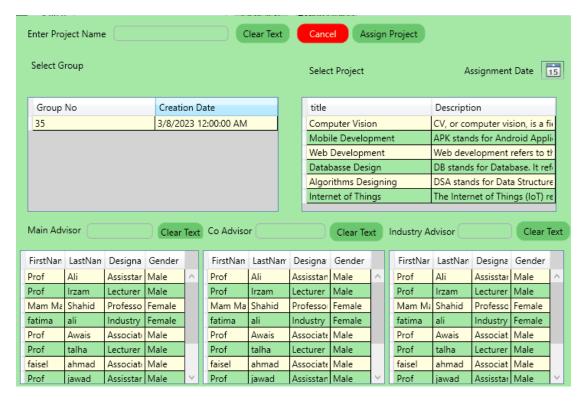


FIGURE 4.12: Assign Project Window

4.13 View Evaluations

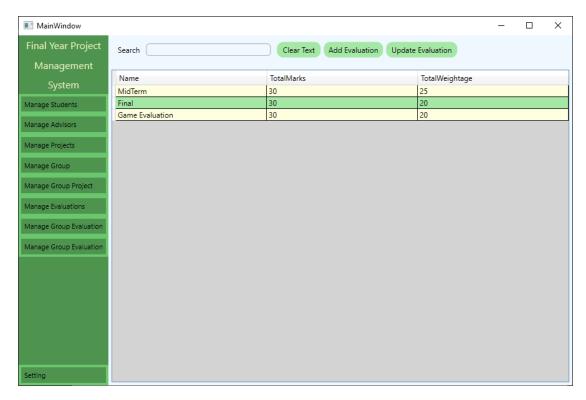


Figure 4.13: View Evaluations Window

4.14 Add Evaluations



FIGURE 4.14: Add Evaluations Window

4.15 Update Evaluations



Figure 4.15: Update Evaluations Window

4.16 View Group Evaluations

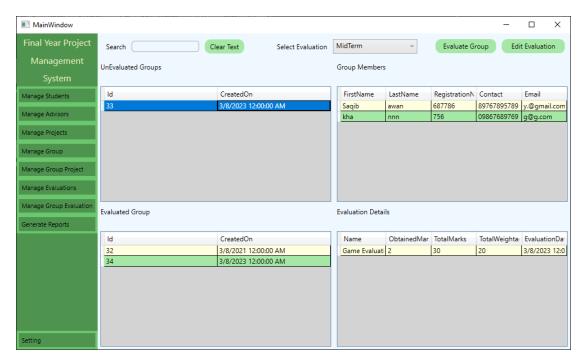


Figure 4.16: View Group Evaluations

4.17 Add Group Evaluations

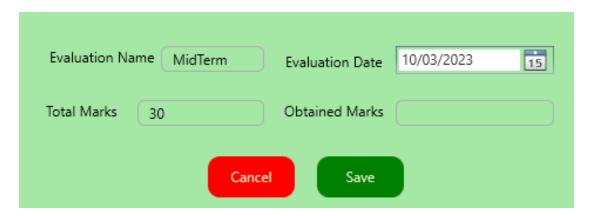


Figure 4.17: Add Evaluations Window

4.18 Update Group Evaluation

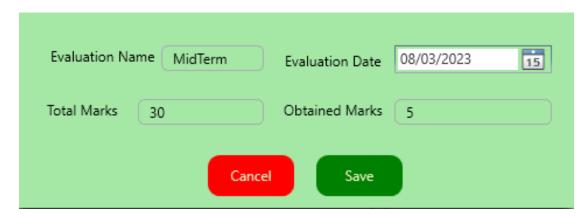


Figure 4.18: Update Group Evaluations Window

4.19 Generate Report

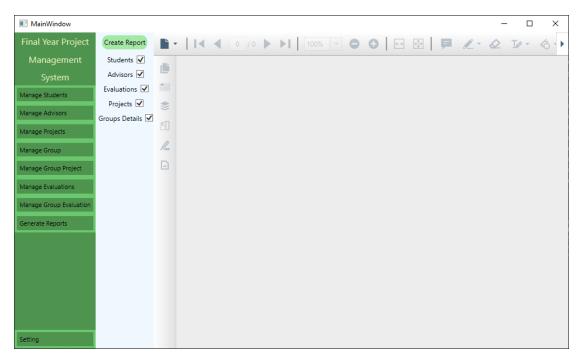


FIGURE 4.19: Generate Report Window

5. Testing

The Application is tested at each and every stage multiple times. The queries used for are tested on ms SQL Server first. The Graphic User interface is responsive to a large to extinct. All the validations are checked under multiple conditions and values. The major challenge is to first time work with DataBase. And test the results of each query. There are some problems in deleting record of any tuple if is being used by any other table. The Application is totally responsive by using Grids in WPF.

6. Limitations

The following are the limitations of the project:

- 1. The application is made for Single User who is admin and manages all the records.
- 2. The Data Entered by the admin is unable to delete in any way.
- 3. Group can not be edited ie. Students in each group can not be edited.
- 4. Once a group is assigned advisor can not be edited.
- 5. There is no verification system that if the number or email provided by the student or advisor is valid.

7. Conclusion

The Final Year Projects Management system Made for DataBase Mangement system Lab for learning purpose provided great experience to learn and understand basics of DataBase and learn how database is used in real life. The Project help me understand storing and retrieving large amounts of data to change it using Graphic User Interface.