Database Beavers, Inc.

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Link: http://flip2.engr.oregonstate.edu:4221/

Github: https://github.com/CS340-Database-Beavers/cs340-dbb-step4

Summary of Changes

Throughout the term, our database has evolved to better meet the needs of our client Beavers for Better through peer and self reviews. Below are the changes, in chronological order, that we have made to our database's design:

- Review 0 (project step 1 changes):
 - UX: Added a nav bar to the page header.
 - UX: Added a pencil icon when a user hovers over editable cells.
 - UX: Added a way to filter columns in the table.
- Review 1 (project step 2 changes):
 - Changed the table role types to roles. Made to make att. name more concise.
 - UX & Clarity: Changed the date to date_of_work in employee_projects to make column purpose clearer.
 - Added deadline and start_date as fields to the projects table. Made this change to meet company's need to quickly assess total project time and project due date.
- Review 2 (project step 3 changes):
 - Initial database only connected to json files.
 - Added query that returns the number of active employees of each role. Added to meet company's need to see where current strength/weakness areas are.
- Review 3 (project step 4 changes):
 - Database now connected in app.js with post queries.
 - Added navigation buttons that are persistent across all pages. Change made at the suggestions of Nash Bernhart and Paul Lipp to prove UX.
 - Project requirement: changed the roles attribute in employees to be NULLable.
 This change also meets our company's need to not have to immediately assign new employees or interns a role.
- Review 4 (project step 5 changes):
 - UX & Clarity: Changed 'is_active' attribute of employees table to be a FK to table 'statuses', which lists statuses that an employee can be assigned.
 - Data integrity: added many checks to tables to ensure data integrity.
 - Data integrity: Added client-side data validation
 - UX & Data integrity: CREATE and EDIT calls from the UI are simplified to dropdowns of all options.
 - UX: Patched UI bug where handlebars was displaying the mariaDB column name and a blank input field in the add new employee form.
 - UX & data integrity: removed edit options where it does not make sense.
 - o Data integrity: deleting an employee now changes their status to 'fired.'
- Final Changes made
 - Added two TRIGGER statements to enable limited deletion in salaries, roles, and projects. Allows deletion of erroneous values while maintaining data integrity.
 - Created SQL queries to enable faster sorting performed on the back end
 - Various UX/UI changes.

Project Outline

This project outlines the database that will be used by the company "Beavers for Better" or BB. Beavers for Better is a company of 230 employees that focuses on creating custom-made, state-of-the-art robotic solutions for their clients. Though they are exceptional at creating these solutions, they have found that their current organization methods are causing problems; namely, projects are being completed late due to misunderstandings about who is, isn't, and will be, working on a project. Additionally, as the company continues to grow, managers want a system that tracks how many hours each employee is working and what projects they are working on. Managers hope such a system can help them keep track of employees, give them insights into their workflow, and provide better estimates to clients regarding how long a project will take.

As a bonus, managers hope such a system can track each employee's current salary and their salary history. This would not only allow them to see the cost of employee salaries over a given time period, but it would also allow them to easily calculate every employee's pay at the end of the month.

All-in-all, Beavers for Better wants a database that will track employees, the projects employees are working on and how long they are working on them, and each employee's payroll.

Database Outline

- employees: The records and employment data of those employed past and present
 - > employee id: int, unsigned, PK, NN, UQ, AI
 - > hire_date: date, NN
 - > employee status: unsigned int, NN, FK
 - > name: varchar, NN
 - > role: unsigned int, NULLable
 - address: varchar
 birthdate: date, NN
 Relationships with

statuses

- Cardinality: 1:M with employee_status as a foreign key in the statuses table
- Participation: not mandatory for statuses, mandatory for employees

roles

- Cardinality: 1:M implemented with role_id as a foreign key in employees table
- Participation: not mandatory for roles, not mandatory for employees

salaries

- Cardinality: 1:1 implemented with employee_id as a foreign key in salaries
- Participation: Mandatory for salaries, not mandatory for employees

projects

- Cardinality: M:N implemented with employee_id and project_id as foreign keys of a composite entity employees_projects
- Participation: Not mandatory for employees, not mandatory for projects
- * statuses: the various statuses that an employee can have (e.g. "active", "sick", "fired")
 - status id: unsigned, int, NN, AI, PK
 - Status_name: varchar(45), NN, Unique
 - Relationships with
 - > Employees
 - Cardinality 1:M implemented with *status_id* as FK in **employees** table.
 - Participation: Not mandatory for statuses, mandatory for employees
- roles: The job type employees are hired to fill
 - > role id: int, unsigned, PK, NN, UQ, AI
 - > role name: varchar, NN
 - > Relationships with

employees

- Cardinality: 1:M implemented with role_id as a foreign key in employees table
- Participation: Not mandatory for employees, mandatory for roles
- projects: All projects the company has ever assigned an employee to
 - project_id: int, unsigned, PK, NN, UQ, AI
 - > project name: varchar(255), NN
 - > start_date: date, NN
 - > deadline: date, NN
 - > is ongoing: tinyint, NN
 - > perecent_completed: int, unsigned
 - > Relationships with

employees

- Cardinality: M:N implemented with employee_id and project_id as foreign keys of a composite entity employees projects
- Participation: Mandatory for **projects**, not mandatory for **employees**
- salaries: All pay rates an employee has ever had
 - > salary_id: int, PK, NN, UQ, AI
 - > effective_date: date, NN
 - > pay amount: decimal(10,2), NN
 - > employee id: int, unsigned, NN
 - > Relationships with
 - employees

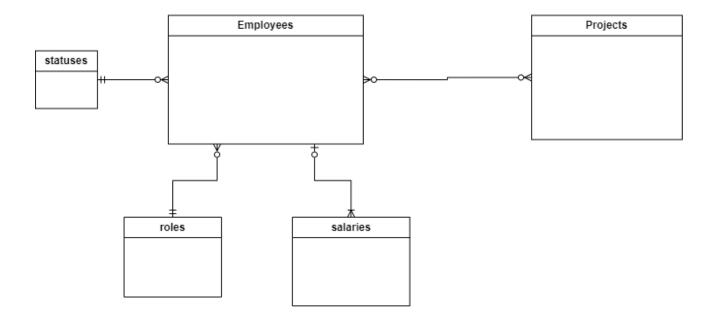
- Cardinality: 1:1 implemented with employee_id as a foreign key in salaries
- Participation: Not mandatory for **employees**, mandatory for **salaries**
- employees_projects: A composite entity used to track employee and project relationships as well as employee hours spent on a project
 - > employee id: int, PK, NN
 - > project id: int, PK, NN
 - > date_of_work: date, PK, NN
 - > number_hours: tinyint, unsigned, NN
 - > Relationships with

employees

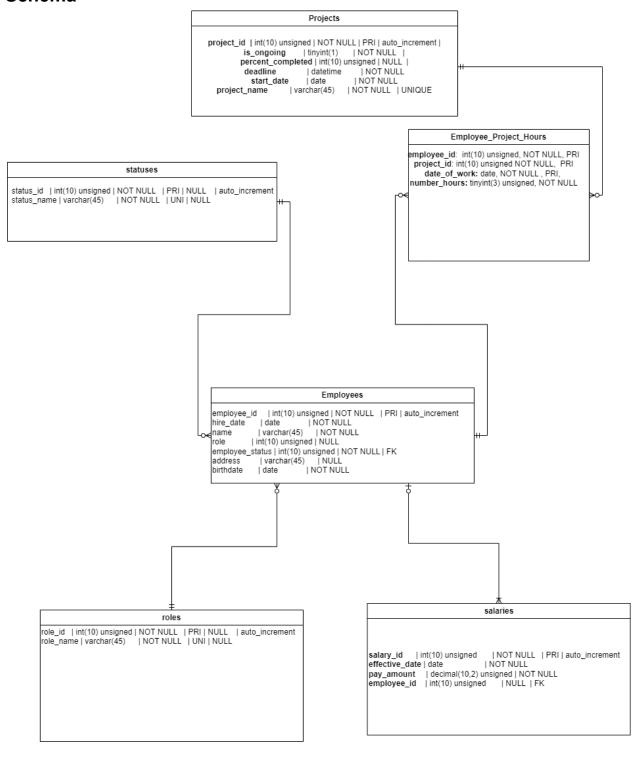
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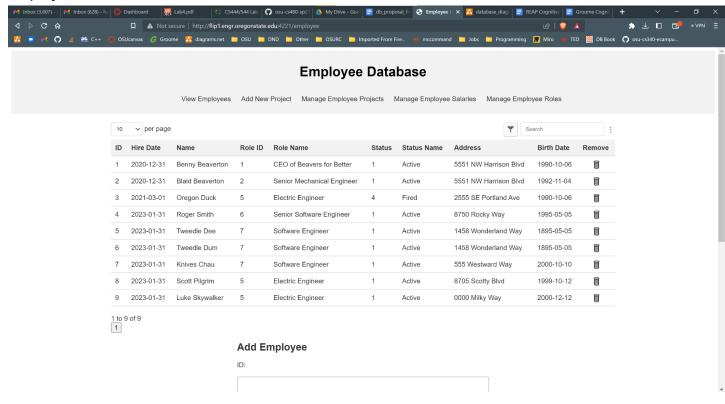


Schema

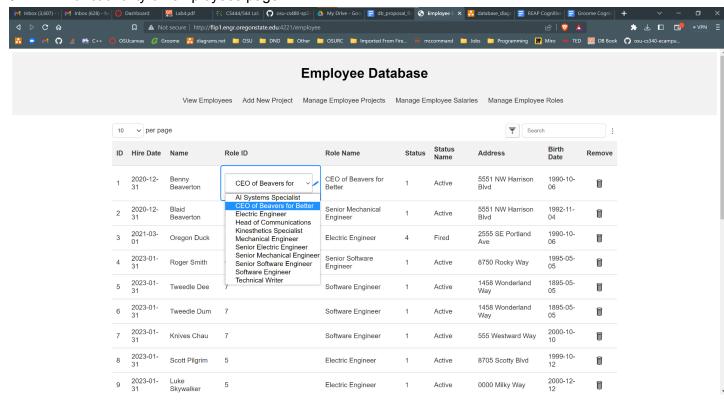


Screen Captures

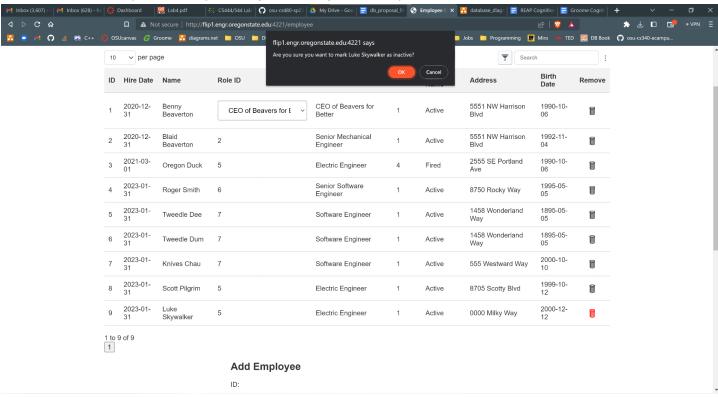
Employees table of our Database



UPDATE functionality on employees page



UPDATE functionality on Employees page (marking an employee as inactive)



DELETE functionality on employee_projects page (deleting a workday entry)

