

# Placement Tracker System

## 1. Introduction

### 1.1 Objectives

The objective of designing this database was to create a desktop and mobile application for our client that would automate the following task:

Desktop Application:

- Create new Students into the system.
- Create new Company into the system.
- Create new Company Sites into the system.
- Create new Job Vacancy into the system.
- To Browse or search current and past job vacancies
- To View report on status of given student and his or her application(s).
- To provide management reports to show:
  - Inactive Students (the name, programme and email address of student without an approved CV)
  - Active Students (the name, programme and email address of student with an approved CV and number of applications made)
  - Placement Events (the company, site, job title, closing date and number of applications made to date for vacancies with a closing date within the next seven days).
- Students who are placed (The name, programme, email address, company, site, job title and start date of students who have accepted an offer).
- Students who are not placed (the name, programme, email address of active students who have not accepted an offer).
- To display a management dashboard with:
  - A pie chart showing the proportion of placed to unplaced active students.
  - A stacked bar chart showing the number of active students placed and unplaced by programme.
  - A calendar of job vacancy closing dates.

Student's Mobile web application:

- To view, browse and search current job vacancies
- To allow student to record applications made and maintain his or her application(s) history.
- To allow a student to view a report on the status of his or her application(s).

### **1.2 Background Information**

Our team was given a task to create a desktop application where the University Administrator is able to maintain all data that has been stored in the system such as Student details, Companies Details, Companies Site Details and Job Vacancies. It was also our task to create a mobile app in which Students are able to maintain and check their application status, application history and to search for job vacancies. The development environment we used was Oracle Application Express (also known as APEX) as well as using SQL Developer, which was mainly used for adding some of the triggers with SQL as well as generating our data model. We were given a period of 6 weeks to develop the applications.

### **1.3 Method of Approach**

Firstly, we sat down as a group to establish our intentions, trying to identify each member of the group's strength and weaknesses and draw up the most appropriate action plan in regards to each member's capabilities. Then working together to draw up an ERD map for each member to follow as they proceeded to work on their own individualised assignments.

We endeavoured to split into two sub-groups within our group where one focused on the Desktop Administrator app, and the other focused on the Mobile app for students so as to cover as much ground as possible, and to work as efficiently as we were able to. That way we could all develop experiences in different aspects of development and later work together as a more experienced team when it came to compiling the final builds.

## 2. Analysis and Design

### 2.1 Tables, Triggers, and Sequences

#### 1. CREATE TABLE "APEX606"."STUDENTS"

```
( "STUDENTID" NUMBER,
  "STUDENT_NAME" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "STUDENT_DOB" DATE NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "TERM_HOME_ADDRESS" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "TERM_HOME_POSTCODE" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "HOME_ADDRESS" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE),
  "HOME_ADDRESS_POSTCODE" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE),
  "STUDENT_MOBILE_NO" NUMBER(11,0) NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "STUDENT_EMAIL_ADDRESS" VARCHAR2(255 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "PLACEMENT_NOTE" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE),
  "DATE_OF_CV_SUBMIT" DATE,
  "DATE_OF_CV_APPROVE" DATE,
  "PROGRAMME_ID" NUMBER NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "PASSWORD" VARCHAR2(10 BYTE),
  "USERNAME" VARCHAR2(50 BYTE),
  "STUDENT_LINE_NO" NUMBER(11,0),
  CONSTRAINT "STUDENTS_PK" PRIMARY KEY ("STUDENTID")
  CONSTRAINT "STUDENT_EMAIL_ADDRESS_CHK" CHECK (REGEXP_LIKE(STUDENT_EMAIL_ADDRESS, '[a-zA-Z0-9._%~]+@[a-zA-Z0-9._%~]+\.[a-zA-Z]{2,4}')) ENABLE,
  CONSTRAINT "USERNAME_NN" CHECK ( "USERNAME" IS NOT NULL) ENABLE,
  CONSTRAINT "STUDENTS_CON" UNIQUE ("USERNAME")
  CONSTRAINT "PROGRAMME_ID_FK" FOREIGN KEY ("PROGRAMME_ID") REFERENCES
  "APEX606"."PROGRAMME" ("PROGRAMME_ID") ENABLE
```

```
CREATE SEQUENCE "STUDENTS_SEQ" MINVALUE 1 MAXVALUE 9999999999999999999999999999 INCREMENT BY 1 START WITH 621 CACHE
20 NOORDER NOCYCLE NOPARTITION
/
```

### **CREATE OR REPLACE EDITIONABLE TRIGGER "APEX606"."BI\_STUDENTS"**

before insert or update of STUDENTID, USERNAME on "STUDENTS"  
for each row

begin

if :NEW."STUDENTID" is null then

select "STUDENTS\_SEQ".nextval into :NEW."STUDENTID" from sys.dual;

end if;

IF INSERTING OR UPDATING THEN

INSERT INTO USER\_ACCOUNT(USERNAME, PASSWORD, STUDENT\_NAME, STUDENT\_EMAIL\_ADDRESS)

VALUES (:NEW.USERNAME, :NEW.PASSWORD, :NEW.STUDENT\_NAME, :NEW.STUDENT\_EMAIL\_ADDRESS);

If (:NEW.STUDENT\_DOB+NUMTOYMINTERVAL(17,'YEAR') >SYSDATE)

then

RAISE\_APPLICATION\_ERROR(-20000,'Student must be at least 17 years old to apply!');

end if;

end if;

end;

/

ALTER TRIGGER "APEX606"."BI\_STUDENTS" ENABLE;

## 2. CREATE TABLE "APEX606"."PROGRAMME"

```
(
    "PROGRAMME_ID" NUMBER NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "PROGRAMME_NAME" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE) CONSTRAINT "PROGRAMME_NAME_NN" NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "TYPE_OF_DEGREE" VARCHAR2(10 BYTE) CONSTRAINT "TYPE_DEGREE_NN" NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "MANDATORY_PLACEMENT" VARCHAR2(10 BYTE) CONSTRAINT "MANDATORY_PLACEMENT_NN" NOT NULL ENABLE,
    CONSTRAINT "PROGRAMME_ID_UNQ" UNIQUE ("PROGRAMME_ID")
)
```

```
CREATE SEQUENCE "PROGRAMMES_SEQ" MINVALUE 1 MAXVALUE 99999999999999999999 INCREMENT BY 1 START WITH 61
CACHE 20 NOORDER NOCYCLE NOPARTITION
/
```

```

CREATE OR REPLACE EDITIONABLE TRIGGER "APEX606"."BI_PROGRAMME"
before insert on "PROGRAMME"                for each row  begin
    if :NEW."PROGRAMME_ID" is null then
        select "PROGRAMME_SEQ1".nextval into :NEW."PROGRAMME_ID" from sys.dual;
    end if; end;

/

ALTER TRIGGER "APEX606"."BI_PROGRAMME" ENABLE;

```

### 3. CREATE TABLE "APEX606"."JOBS"

```
(
    "JOB_ID" NUMBER NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "JOB_TITLE" VARCHAR2(150 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "JOB_DESCRIPTION" VARCHAR2(500 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "SITE_ID" NUMBER NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "JOB_EMAIL_ADDRESS" VARCHAR2(150 BYTE),
    "CLOSING_DATE_APPLICATION" DATE NOT NULL ENABLE,
```

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```
"JOB_VACANCY" VARCHAR2(10 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,  
"PLACEMENT_START_DATE" DATE NOT NULL ENABLE,  
"PLACEMENT_END_DATE" DATE NOT NULL ENABLE,  
"SALARY" NUMBER NOT NULL ENABLE,  
"Application_Method" VARCHAR2(150 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,  
"CONTACT_ENQUIRY" NUMBER(11,0) NOT NULL ENABLE,  
CONSTRAINT "JOBS_PK" PRIMARY KEY ("JOB_ID"),  
CONSTRAINT "JOB_ADDRESS_CHK" CHECK (REGEXP_LIKE(JOB_EMAIL_ADDRESS, '[a-zA-Z0-9._%~]+@[a-zA-Z0-9._%~-]\.[a-zA-Z]{2,4}'))  
ENABLE,  
CONSTRAINT "JOBS_SITE_ID" FOREIGN KEY ("SITE_ID")  
REFERENCES "APEX606"."COMPANY_SITES" ("SITE_ID") ENABLE  
CREATE SEQUENCE "JOBS_SEQ" MINVALUE 1 MAXVALUE 99999999999999999999 INCREMENT BY 1 START WITH 21 CACHE 20  
NOORDER NOCYCLE NOPARTITION  
/  

```

```

CREATE OR REPLACE EDITIONABLE TRIGGER "APEX606"."BI_JOBS"
before insert on "JOBS"
  for each row  begin
    if :NEW."JOB_ID" is null then
      select "JOBS_SEQ4".nextval into :NEW."JOB_ID" from sys.dual;
    end if;
  end;

/

ALTER TRIGGER "APEX606"."BI_JOBS" ENABLE;

```

#### 4. CREATE TABLE "APEX606"."COMPANY\_SITES"

```
(
  "SITE_ID" NUMBER NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "SITE_NAME" VARCHAR2(150 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "COMPANY_NAME" VARCHAR2(150 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "SITE_EMAIL_ADDRESS" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "SITE_TEL_NO" VARCHAR2(50 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
```

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```
"SITE_POSTCODE" VARCHAR2(25 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,  
CONSTRAINT "COMPANY_SITES_PK" PRIMARY KEY ("SITE_ID")  
  
,  
  
    CONSTRAINT "SITE_EMAIL_ADDRESS_CHK" CHECK (REGEXP_LIKE(SITE_EMAIL_ADDRESS, '[a-zA-Z0-9._%~]+@[a-zA-Z0-9._%~]+\.[a-zA-Z]{2,4}')) ENABLE,  
  
    CONSTRAINT "COMPANY_NAME-FK" FOREIGN KEY ("COMPANY_NAME")  
REFERENCES "APEX606"."COMPANY" ("COMPANY_NAME") ENABLE  
  
CREATE SEQUENCE   "COMPANY_SITES_SEQ" MINVALUE 1 MAXVALUE 99999999999999999999999999 INCREMENT BY 1 START WITH 1  
CACHE 20 NOORDER NOCYCLE NOPARTITION  
  
/  
  
CREATE OR REPLACE EDITIONABLE TRIGGER "APEX606"."BI_COMPANY_SITES"  
before insert on "COMPANY_SITES"           for each row  begin  
    if :NEW."SITE_ID" is null then  
        select "COMPANY_SITES_NEW_SEQ".nextval into :NEW."SITE_ID" from sys.dual;  
    end if;  
end;  
  
/  
  
ALTER TRIGGER "APEX606"."BI_COMPANY_SITES" ENABLE;
```

## 5. CREATE TABLE "APEX606"."COMPANY"

```
(
    "COMPANY_NAME" VARCHAR2(150 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "COMPANY_EMAIL_ADDRESS" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "COMPANY_TEL_NO" VARCHAR2(50 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "COMPANY_POSTCODE" VARCHAR2(10 BYTE) NOT NULL ENABLE,
    CONSTRAINT "COMPANY_EMAIL_ADDRESS_CHK" CHECK (REGEXP_LIKE(COMPANY_EMAIL_ADDRESS, '[a-zA-Z0-9._%+-]@[a-zA-Z0-
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9. _% - ] + \. [ a - z A - Z { 2, 4 } ' ) ) ENABLE,
    CONSTRAINT "COMPANY_NAME_UQ" UNIQUE ("COMPANY_NAME")
```

```
CREATE SEQUENCE "COMPANIES_SEQ" MINVALUE 1 MAXVALUE 99999999999999999999 INCREMENT BY 1 START WITH 21 CACHE
20 NOORDER NOCYCLE NOPARTITION
/
```

```

CREATE OR REPLACE EDITIONABLE TRIGGER "APEX606"."BI_COMPANY"
before insert on "COMPANY"           for each row  begin
    if :NEW."COMPANY_NAME" is null then
        select "COMPANY_SEQ".nextval into :NEW."COMPANY_NAME" from sys.dual;
    end if;
end;

```

```
ALTER TRIGGER "APEX606"."BI_COMPANY" ENABLE;
```

## 6. CREATE TABLE "APEX606"."APPLICATION\_RECEIVED"

```
(
  "APPLICATION_ID" NUMBER CONSTRAINT "APPLICATION_ID_NN" NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "STUDENT_ID" NUMBER CONSTRAINT "STUDENT_ID_NN" NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "JOB_ID" NUMBER CONSTRAINT "JOB_ID_NN" NOT NULL ENABLE,
  "APPLICATION_STATUS" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE),
  "APPLICATION_ACCEPTED_DATE" DATE,
  "APPLICATION_DATE" DATE,
  PRIMARY KEY ("APPLICATION_ID")
```

```
CREATE SEQUENCE "SEQ_APPLICATION_RECEIVED" MINVALUE 1 MAXVALUE 99999 INCREMENT BY 1 START WITH 49 NOCACHE ORDER
NOCYCLE NOPARTITION
/
```

```
CREATE OR REPLACE EDITIONABLE TRIGGER "APEX606"."TRG_APPLICATION_RECEIVED"
BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE OF APPLICATION_ID,STUDENT_ID,JOB_ID,APPLICATION_ACCEPTED_DATE ON APPLICATION_RECEIVED
FOR EACH ROW BEGIN
IF INSERTING THEN
```



## DATABASE DEVELOPMENT

```
:NEW.APPLICATION_ID := SEQ_APPLICATION_RECEIVED.nextval;
END IF;
IF:NEW.STUDENT_ID != :OLD.STUDENT_ID OR :NEW.JOB_ID != :OLD.JOB_ID THEN

:NEW.APPLICATION_ACCEPTED_DATE := SYSDATE;

IF INSERTING or UPDATING THEN
INSERT INTO APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW(STUDENT_ID, JOB_ID, APPLICATION_STATUS, APPLICATION_DATE)
VALUES (:OLD.STUDENT_ID, :OLD.JOB_ID, :OLD.APPLICATION_STATUS, :OLD.APPLICATION_DATE);
END IF;

--ELSE
--RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR(-20000,'Warnig Duplicating Data');

END IF;

END;
/
ALTER TRIGGER "APEX606"."TRG_APPLICATION_RECEIVED" ENABLE;
```

### 7. CREATE TABLE "APEX606"."APPLICATION\_HISTORY\_NEW"

```
(  "APPHISTORY_ID" NUMBER NOT NULL ENABLE,
   "STUDENT_ID" NUMBER,
   "JOB_ID" NUMBER,
   "APPLICATION_STATUS" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE),
   "APPLICATION_METHOD" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE),
   "UPDATE_TIME" DATE,
   "APPLICATION_DATE" DATE,
   CONSTRAINT "SYS_C00147762" PRIMARY KEY ("APPHISTORY_ID")
   CONSTRAINT "APPLICATION_HISTORY_STUDENT" FOREIGN KEY ("STUDENT_ID")
```

## DATABASE DEVELOPMENT

```
REFERENCES "APEX606"."STUDENTS" ("STUDENTID") ENABLE,  
CONSTRAINT "APPLICATION_HISTORY_JOB" FOREIGN KEY ("JOB_ID")  
REFERENCES "APEX606"."JOBS" ("JOB_ID") ENABLE  
;  
CREATE SEQUENCE "APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW_SEQ" MINVALUE 1 MAXVALUE 99999999999999999999 INCREMENT BY 1  
START  
WITH 1 CACHE 20 NOORDER NOCYCLE NOPARTITION  
/  

```

```

CREATE OR REPLACE EDITIONABLE TRIGGER "APEX606"."TRG_APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW"
BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE OF APPHISTORY_ID,UPDATE_TIME ON APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW FOR
EACH ROW
BEGIN
    IF INSERTING THEN
        :NEW.APPHISTORY_ID := SEQ_APPLICATION_HISTORY.nextval;
    end if;

```

```
IF:NEW.STUDENT_ID = :OLD.STUDENT_ID AND
:NEW.JOB_ID = :OLD.JOB_ID AND
:NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS = :OLD.APPLICATION_STATUS THEN
:NEW.UPDATE_TIME := SYSDATE;
```

```

IF INSERTING OR UPDATING THEN
    INSERT INTO APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW(STUDENT_ID, JOB_ID, APPLICATION_STATUS, APPLICATION_DATE)
VALUES (:NEW.STUDENT_ID, :NEW.JOB_ID, :NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS, :NEW.APPLICATION_DATE);
END IF;

END IF;

```

## DATABASE DEVELOPMENT

```
END;
/
ALTER TRIGGER "APEX606"."TRG_APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW" ENABLE;
```

## 8. CREATE TABLE "APEX606"."APPLICATION"

```
(
    "STUDENT_ID" NUMBER,
    "JOB_ID" NUMBER,
    "CV_SUBMITTED" VARCHAR2(10 BYTE) CONSTRAINT "CV_SUBMITTED_NN" NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "APPLICATION_STATUS" VARCHAR2(100 BYTE) CONSTRAINT "APPLICATION_STATUS_NN" NOT NULL ENABLE,
    "DATE_OF_ACCEPTED" DATE,
    "APPLICATION_DATE" DATE NOT NULL ENABLE,
    PRIMARY KEY ("STUDENT_ID", "JOB_ID"),
    CONSTRAINT "APPLICATION_STUDENT_ID_FK" FOREIGN KEY ("STUDENT_ID")
        REFERENCES "APEX606"."STUDENTS" ("STUDENTID") ENABLE,
    CONSTRAINT "APPLICATION_JOB_ID_FK" FOREIGN KEY ("JOB_ID")
        REFERENCES "APEX606"."JOBS" ("JOB_ID") ENABLE
)
```

```
CREATE SEQUENCE "APPLICATION_SEQ" MINVALUE 1 MAXVALUE 99999999999999999999 INCREMENT BY 1 START WITH 1 CACHE  
20 NOORDER NOCYCLE NOPARTITION
```

```

CREATE OR REPLACE EDITIONABLE TRIGGER "APEX606"."TRG_APPLICATION"
BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE OF DATE_OF_ACCEPTED ON APPLICATION
FOR EACH ROW
BEGIN
    IF(:NEW.DATE_OF_ACCEPTED > SYSDATE) THEN
        RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR(-20000, 'Applicant cannot be accepted before application is submitted');
    END IF;

```

IF INSERTING OR UPDATING THEN

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```
INSERT INTO APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW(STUDENT_ID, JOB_ID, APPLICATION_STATUS, APPLICATION_DATE)
VALUES (:NEW.STUDENT_ID, :NEW.JOB_ID, :NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS, :NEW.APPLICATION_DATE);

IF INSERTING OR UPDATING THEN
INSERT INTO APPLICATION_RECEIVED(STUDENT_ID, JOB_ID, APPLICATION_STATUS, APPLICATION_DATE)
VALUES (:NEW.STUDENT_ID, :NEW.JOB_ID, :NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS, :NEW.APPLICATION_DATE);

IF(:NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS = 'Offer Accepted') THEN
    INSERT INTO APPLICATION_RECEIVED(STUDENT_ID, JOB_ID, APPLICATION_ID)
VALUES (:NEW.STUDENT_ID, :NEW.JOB_ID,1);
    DELETE FROM APPLICATION WHERE (:NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS = 'Offer Accepted');
END IF;

DELETE FROM APPLICATION WHERE (:NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS = 'Applicant Withdraw');
DELETE FROM APPLICATION WHERE (:NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS = 'Applicant Rejected');

END IF;
END IF;

END;
/
ALTER TRIGGER "APEX606"."TRG_APPLICATION" ENABLE;
```

## 3. Development

### 3.1 Assumptions

We used a variety of Tables, Triggers and Sequences to construct our Placement Tracker System. Our core tables consist of the Students table, Company Table, Company Site Table, Jobs Table, Applications Table, Applications History Table. We also made assumptions when we developed our database; those assumptions are Application Received where this table was constructed to enable us to update all columns in the Application table, see figure 3 for illustration.

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Our core tables have different functionality; Student table which stores a list of all the students in University, enabling the administrator to easily maintain the record of students in the system; Company table which stores a list of all the companies where the Company name is a unique variable, enabling the administrator to easily maintain the record of Company in the system; Company Site table which stores a list of all the Company sites where Company Sites has a relationship with Company, see figure 3.2 for illustration; Job Table which stores a list of all the jobs that available, it is also associated with Company Site table; Application table which to be used to create an application for all students who wanted to take a placement; Application History table which stores all the applications that have been made by students.

Tables

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APXTEAM\_DEV\_FILES

APXES\_ACL

APXES\_WS\_FILES

APXES\_WS\_HISTORY

APXES\_WS\_LINKS

APXES\_WS\_NOTES

APXES\_WS\_ROWS

APXES\_WS\_TAGS

APXES\_WS\_WEBPG\_SECTIONS

APXES\_WS\_WEBPG\_SECTION\_HISTC

APXES\_ACCESS\_CONTROL

APXES\_ACCESS\_SETUP

APPLICATION

APPLICATION\_HISTORY\_NEW

APPLICATION\_RECEIVED

COMPANY

COMPANY\_SITES

JOBS

PROGRAMME

STUDENTS

APPLICATION\_RECEIVED

+

-

Table

Data

Indexes

Model

Constraints

Grants

Statistics

UI Defaults

Triggers

Dependencies

SQL

Add Column

Modify Column

Rename Column

Drop Column

Rename

Copy

Drop

Truncate

Create Lookup Table

Column Name	Data Type	Nullable	Default	Primary Key
APPLICATION_ID	NUMBER	No	-	1
STUDENT_ID	NUMBER	No	-	-
JOB_ID	NUMBER	No	-	-
APPLICATION_STATUS	VARCHAR2(100)	Yes	-	-
APPLICATION_ACCEPTED_DATE	DATE	Yes	-	-
APPLICATION_DATE	DATE	Yes	-	-
STUDENT_EMAIL_ADDRESS	VARCHAR2(100)	Yes	-	-
STUDENT_MOBILE_NO	NUMBER(11,0)	Yes	-	-

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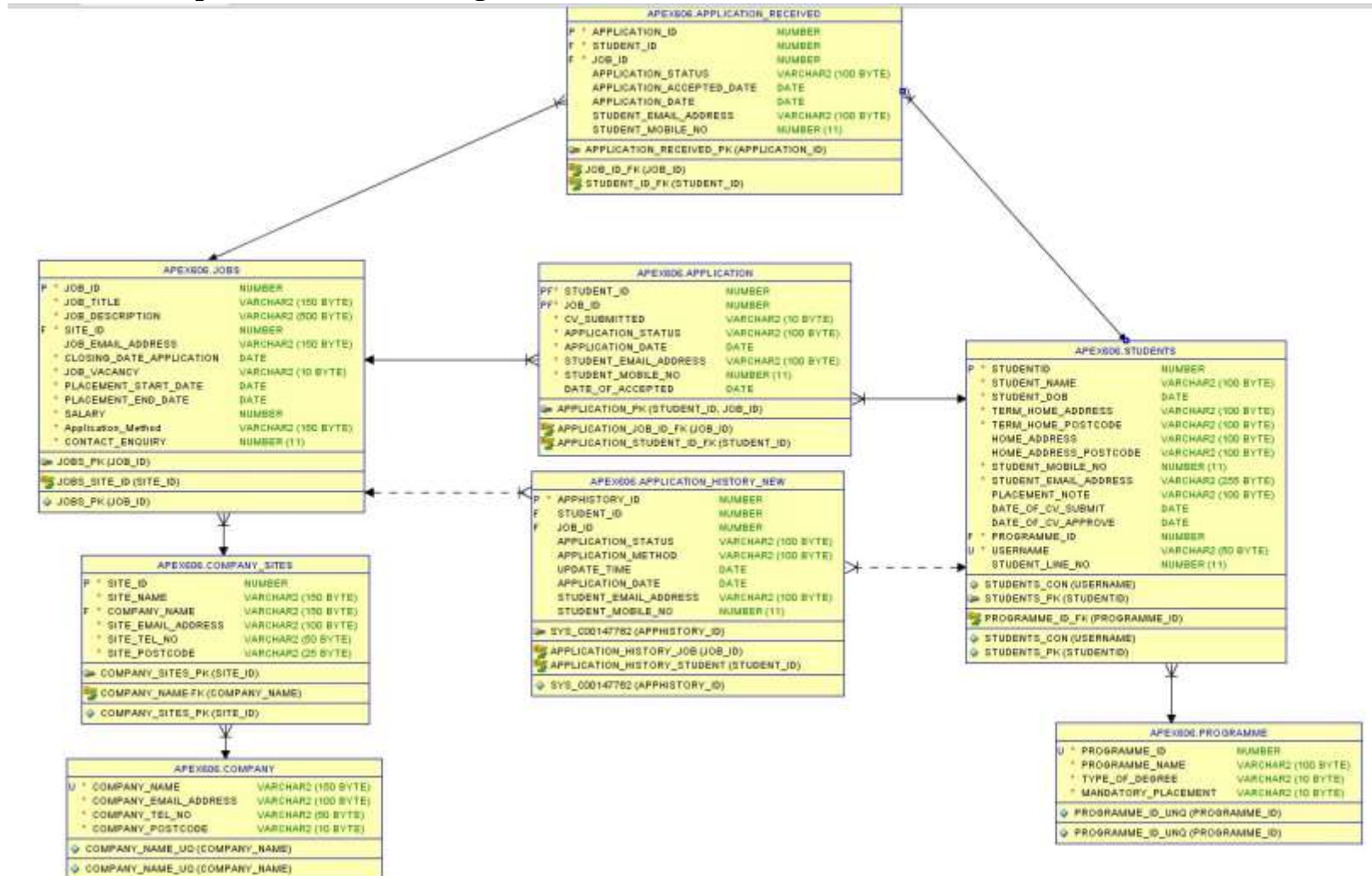
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Figure 3 Application Received table.

### 3.2 SQL Developer Data Modeller diagram



The screenshot above shows our Developer data modeller diagram, complete with the relationships.

## 4. Testing

We used triggers, sequences and SQL statements in our testing, many of which we have discarded or rewritten throughout the testing process to keep them as simple and efficient as we possibly could. We have now arrived at what we think is the simplest version possible, at least per what we have intended to do. Since we have finished the database we have tested every part of it robustly to ensure there are no system breaking bugs to crash the record, or to render it unusable, and we are confident that if any bugs remain they are minor and should not cause any real issues in the day-to-day usage of the system.

## 5. Evaluation

We feel that the system is complete enough to be functional for the University administrator and students to use our system. The regular creating, updating and checking the data that has been stored in the system can be easily managed and followed per the whims of the user without too much hassle or technical knowledge. If, however we were to start to it from scratch we may have decided, now that we are more experienced with the design process to use more SQL statement than triggers and sequences for navigating the database and forms. It would just tidy up the whole thing and keep all of data much more manageable for editing purposes. If we were to carry on maintaining the system throughout its life cycle, we would likely release an update to fix the issue with the pie chart so the user would be able to see the proportion of students unplaced to students placed properly.

## 6. Critical Appraisal

Our team tried to create variety of triggers and SQL statements to develop our database system. We had a struggle with coding the login page for the student mobile application, to pass data from Application to Application History, and to create the pie chart. After much researching over the internet and revising Oracle SQL code, we eventually found our solution. The first solution that we found was the following:

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- When on home page of APEX, click dropdown menu and select “Administration”
- Add the email addresses of all the students that we wanted to add (Exclude @ domain as part of the username)
- We then set the default password for these students, clicked next
- Confirmation screen appears, and now we have created our users.

For our second solution, we found how to be able to get data from the associated username. The SQL for this follows:

```
SELECT APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW.*, STUDENTS.USERNAME
FROM APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW
INNER JOIN STUDENTS
ON APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW.STUDENT_ID = STUDENTS.STUDENTID
INNER JOIN STUDENTS
ON APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW.STUDENT_EMAIL_ADDRESS = STUDENTS.STUDENT_EMAIL_ADDRESS
WHERE STUDENTS.USERNAME = LOWER (:P4_USERNAME)
```

And for our third solution we used triggers to pass data from Application to Application History. These are the triggers that we have used:

### **TRG\_APPLICATION**

```
CREATE OR REPLACE EDITIONABLE TRIGGER "TRG_APPLICATION" BEFORE INSERT OR UPDATE OF DATE_OF_ACCEPTED ON APPLICATION FOR EACH
ROW BEGIN

    IF (:NEW.DATE_OF_ACCEPTED > SYSDATE) THEN          RAISE_APPLICATION_ERROR(-20000, 'Applicant cannot be accepted before
application is submitted');      END IF;
```



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```
IF INSERTING OR UPDATING THEN      INSERT INTO APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW(STUDENT_ID, JOB_ID, APPLICATION_STATUS,
APPLICATION_DATE, STUDENT_EMAIL_ADDRESS, STUDENT_MOBILE_NO)      VALUES (:NEW.STUDENT_ID, :NEW.JOB_ID,
:NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS, :NEW.APPLICATION_DATE, :NEW.STUDENT_EMAIL_ADDRESS, :NEW.STUDENT_MOBILE_NO);

IF INSERTING OR UPDATING THEN      INSERT INTO APPLICATION_RECEIVED(STUDENT_ID, JOB_ID, APPLICATION_STATUS,
APPLICATION_DATE, STUDENT_EMAIL_ADDRESS, STUDENT_MOBILE_NO, CV_SUBMITTED)      VALUES (:NEW.STUDENT_ID, :NEW.JOB_ID,
:NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS, :NEW.APPLICATION_DATE, :NEW.STUDENT_EMAIL_ADDRESS, :NEW.STUDENT_MOBILE_NO, :NEW.CV_SUBMITTED);

IF(:NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS = 'Offer Accepted') THEN      INSERT INTO APPLICATION_RECEIVED(STUDENT_ID, JOB_ID,
APPLICATION_ID)      VALUES (:NEW.STUDENT_ID, :NEW.JOB_ID,1);      DELETE FROM APPLICATION WHERE (:NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS =
'Offer Accepted');      END IF;

DELETE FROM APPLICATION WHERE (:NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS = 'Applicant Withdraw');
DELETE FROM APPLICATION WHERE (:NEW.APPLICATION_STATUS = 'Applicant Rejected');

END IF;      END IF;

END;
/
ALTER TRIGGER  "TRG_APPLICATION" ENABLE
/
```

And finally, for our critical appraisal, we found that our pie chart did not work properly because even though we have our data store in our system all the data that counts as “application accepted” still counts as an unplaced student. We have been trying to fix our SQL statement but we could not find any other way to fix our solution. Here is the SQL that we used to create our pie chart:

```
select null as link, 'Placed Student' as label, count(*) as value

from APPLICATION_HISTORY_NEW

WHERE APPLICATION_STATUS ='Offer Accepted' UNION
```

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select null as link, 'Unplaced Student' as label, count ( distinct STUDENTS.STUDENTID) as value from

APPLICATION\_HISTORY\_NEW, STUDENTS

WHERE STUDENTS.STUDENTID = APPLICATION\_HISTORY\_NEW.STUDENT\_ID and APPLICATION\_STATUS = 'Application Submitted';

If we still had time we could fix it but because we only have a limited amount of time we are not able to find the solution.

## 7. Sets of screenshots

### Student Mobile Application

#### 7.1 Login Page

Username

rrasyidi


Password

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**Log In**

Login page

7.2 Application Details



Application Forms

Log Out

Cv Submitted\*

Yes

Application Status\*

Application Submitted

Application Date\*

05-NOV-16

Student Email Address\*

rrasyidi@students.plymouth.ac.uk

Student Mobile No\*

7658768567

Date Of Accepted

dd/mm/yyyy

Delete


Apply Changes

Application lists

View job details

Application Details page

7.3 Application History Form



Application History Forms

Log Out

Student Id	562
Job Id	201
Application Status	Application Submitted
Application Method	
Update Time	
Application Date	05-NOV-16
Student Email Address	rrasyidi@students.plymouth.ac.uk
Student Mobile No	7658768567

Application history list

Delete

Application History form

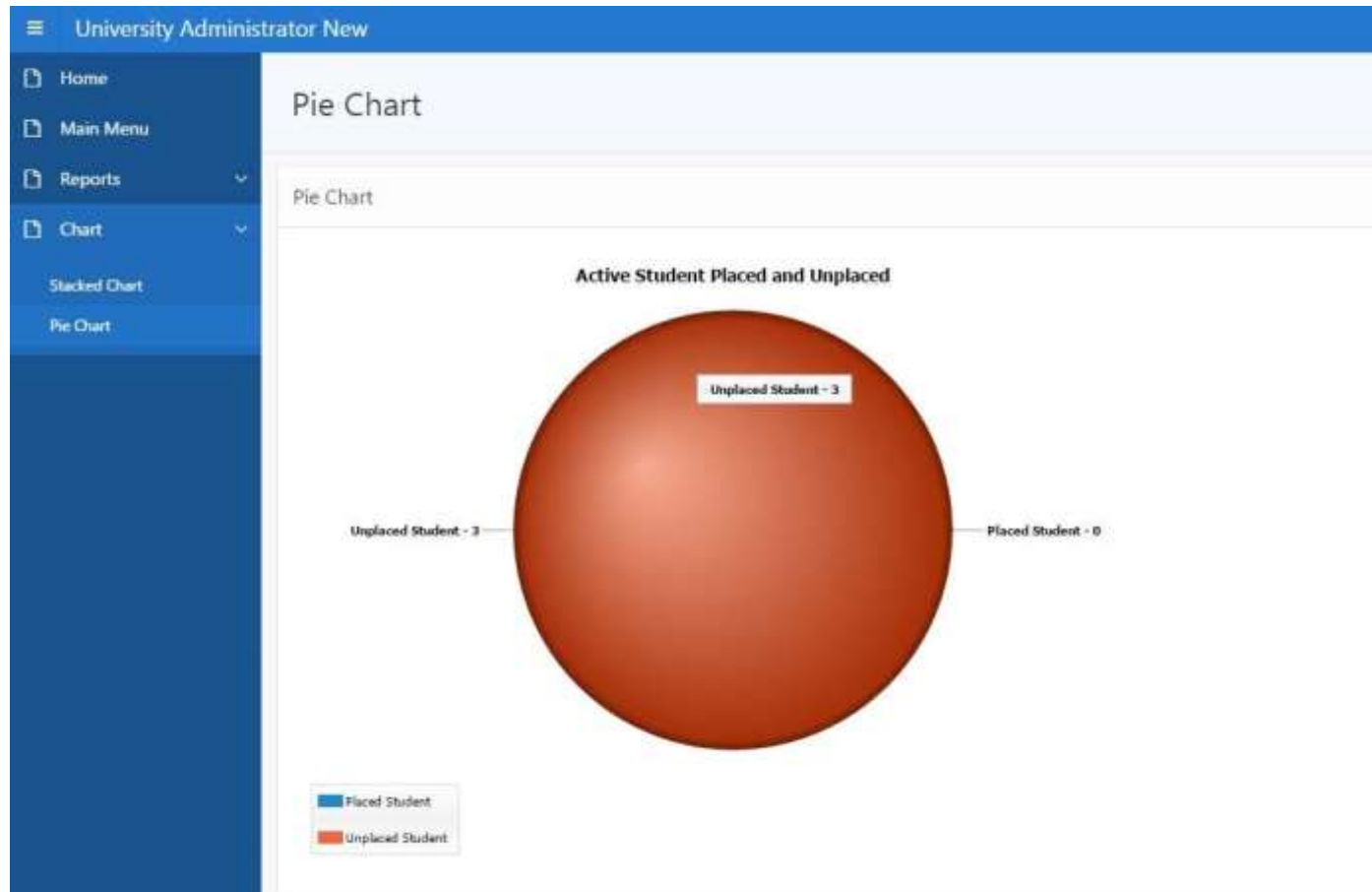
Desktop Application

7.4 Stack bar chart



Stack bar chart form

## 7.5 Pie Chart



Pie chart form

## 8. Project Plan

Placement Application Tracking System					
Week beginning	Task	Member Assigned	To be Finished by		Progress
					Status
					Pending/Success (L/NL)
10/7/2016	Normalisation table(s) and ERD	Everyone	10/10/2016; 15PM		Success Live
	Students				
	Company sites				
	Programme				
	Jobs				
	Companies				
	Application				
	Application Method				
	Application Status				
	Application history				
10/7/2016	Oracle SQL (optional)	Everyone	Complete		Complete Live
	Oracle Application express (Mandatory)	Everyone	2/11/2016; 23:59 PM (EXPECTED)		Complete Live
10/10/2016	Implementation Oracle Application Express:				
	Administrator's desktop application:				Live



## DATABASE DEVELOPMENT

	<u>To enter and maintain data relating to students,</u>	Rafi	01/11/2016; 23:59 PM (EXPECTED)	Success	Live
	<u>companies, company sites and job vacancies</u>				
	<u>To browse/search current and past job vacancies</u>	Rafi	01/11/2016; 23:59 PM	Success	Live
	<u>To view a report on status student application(s)</u>	Rafi	01/11/2016; 23:59 PM	Success	Live
	<u>To provide management report to show</u>	Rafi	01/11/2016; 23:59 PM	Success	Live
	<u>To display a management dashboard with a chart</u>	Rafi	01/11/2016; 23:59 PM	Success	Live
	<b>Student's mobile web application:</b>		01/11/2016; 23:59 PM	Success	Live
	<u>To view/browse/search current job vacancies</u>	Cliff, Sandra, Tom		Success	Live
	<u>To allow a student to record applications made and maintain her</u>	Cliff, Sandra, Tom	05/11/2016; 23:59 PM	Success	Live
	<u>application(s) history</u>				
30/10/2016					

## DATABASE DEVELOPMENT

	<b><u>To allow a student to view a report on the status of his/her application(s)</u></b>	<b>Cliff, Sandra, Tom</b>	<b>05/11/2016; 23:59 PM</b>	<b>Success</b>	<b>Live</b>
	<b>Final test and revision Oracle Application</b>	<b>Everyone</b>	<b>05/11/2016; 23:59 PM</b>	<b>Success</b>	<b>Live</b>

The above is our project plan, with displays our progress over the past 6 weeks.