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1 Introduction

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Course: «course code» «course name»

«course moodle path»

1.1 Key dates

Duration: 6 weeks

Start:1900-01-01

End:1900-01-01

Formative assessment: TBD

Assessment 1 - Submission date: TBD

Assessment 2 - Submission date: TBD

1.2 Course Tutors

Course leader:Arthur Dent

Course lecturer:Ford Prefect

Course tutor:John Crichton

course tutor:Aeryn Sun

Support tutor:Ka D'Argo

Support tutor:Chiana

Support tutor:Rygel

Support tutor:Pa'u Zotoh Zhaan

1.3 Study goals

- Working with database (SQLite)
 - Find Moya
 - Escape from Scorpius
 - Feed Rygel
 - Save the galaxy

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...with realistic notes...

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2 Lesson 1: Course Introduction

Original URL: <https://www.noroff.no>

2.1 Reflection on the days lecture and tutorial

Lesson 1 was an introduction on the subject of *Programming Databases*. It gave a nice overview about the subject, how it is layed out, and perhaps most importantly the study goal. Compared to the 3 other subjects taken since the start of this course, it is the first subject where the subject was clearly outlined along with the goals.

There was a statement, see quote on page 2 from Prof. Johan Van Niekerk, which is important to keep in the back of mind. It should perhaps be pinned to the wall as a reminder of a pitfall to be cognizant of when surmounting challenging study phases. A reminder to wisely allocate the effort exerted, and lower the level of pondering on the vastness of relevant topics, but stay in focus inside the subject domain, at hand.

The statement resonated with me personally, since I regard lack of focus and wasted effort as one culprit of my struggle to keep up on course materials and assessments. I find it very easy to veer of on a tangent and wander away from the study material. For example, making search queries and delving into statistics, while addressing probability in discrete math.

2.2 Reflection Topics

None applicable for this lesson. No reflection topics given for this lesson.

2.3 Key Take-Away

Lesson date: 2077 01 15

Date taken: 2077 01 15

Revisited: N/A

Items/bullet points outlines below outlines key information from the day's lesson.

- Working with database (SQLite)

- Acquire fundamental skill about working with databases
- How to design as simple normalized database
- Understand database storage and data structure
- Understand database Normalization
- Be able to query and interface with databases
- How to script and automate database connection, mangagement and datamining
- Automate data manipulation and analysis, generating reports and statitics etc on data in databases, dataframes etc.
- Understanding and being able to manage and work with databases is therefore key to the field of Cyber-Security.

Course: UC1PR2101 - Programming Databases

1. New lesson structure.

- (a) The course is layed out to be taken with a more individual approach, akin to remote studies. More preparation are expected prior to lecture sessions.
- (b) Lessons are broken up into smaller topics.
- (c) Reflective Journals are not mandated. 20% of the mark will not be allocated to Reflective Journal submission.
- (d) Quizes will be smaller and with a formative purpose. There will be a practice Quizes.
- (e) Overall reduced number of submission for assessment. Course grades will be based on 1 or 2 larger assessments, instead of many smaller assessments.
- (f) Course assessment targets, along with target dates to be posted soon.

2. New Lecture structure.

- (a) Students are expected to engage with study material at least 1 day ahead.
- (b) Students are expected to be more prepared for each lecture topics.
- (c) Referenced resources are not "mandatory", students must choose what materials are applicable and important.

3. Tools and applications

- (a) SQLite
- (b) Python
- (c) PANDAS(?)

Learning Databases itself is a comprehensive part of software engineering and software development, which cannot be condensed in a 6 week course.

We are not software developers. Our purpose is to learn enough to be able to understand enough to know what we are looking at when we are working with someone elses (database) design templates...

- Prof. Johan Van Niekerk

Analogous to learning enough foriegn language; One is not expected to be a fluent speaker. But know enough, to converse and to be able to accomplish a specific goal. Deeper knowledge are obtained along the way, where fluency comes through effort and immersion over time.

My personal take on this (to make it relatable to the course) is as follows: A car crash forrensic investigator should know enough about a car to tell the pieces from eachother, but is not expected to fix, design or engineer a car to production.

2.4 Lessons Learned

This subsection summarizes the day's lesson topic.

- Why databases (in relation to CyberSecurity)?
 - Acquire fundamental skills about the purpose of databases
 - Understand how databases are key to modern data and information infrastructure
 - Get an overview of the majority of today's transactional databases and their use of relational database
 - Understand how systems and data breach are on the database connectivity and transactional level
- What is a database?
 - Acquire fundamental skills about what a database is
 - What databases are used for
 - What types of databases are in use
- Where does database fit into the ecosystem of "data"?
 - Be able to identify different ways of storing, structuring and organizing data.

Databases

Databases organize data/information by following examples.

- Categorization
- Quantify
- Itemization
- Relation etc.

Database systems aim to resolve some data storage issues such as problematic *Data redundancy/duplication*:

- Storage, takes space
- Overhead, when updating
- Integrity, data consistency

Glossary:

Key Word/Expression	Elaboration/Comment
Database	A logical way to organize, store, label and describe relationships of data.
Third Normal Form	Relational databases. A database schema design see "Other source material" table in section 2.6. Ensures update and insert integrity to the database.
(Working in) Disconnected mode	A safe way to work with data in Databases, to avoid data corruption or data integrity error. Such corruption or error can occur when multiple connections are made and edits the same data at the same time. Tracking which changes, by which connections, is the most recent and valid change will be difficult. Working in "Disconnected Mode" will remedy this issue.
SQL	Structured Query Language - a standardized language to interface with databases
DDL	Data Definition Language - tells a database how its data will be stored or organized.
DML	Data Manipulation Language - tells the database how to operate the data.
Database Normalization	Structuring a relational database, reduce data duplication and improve data integrity.

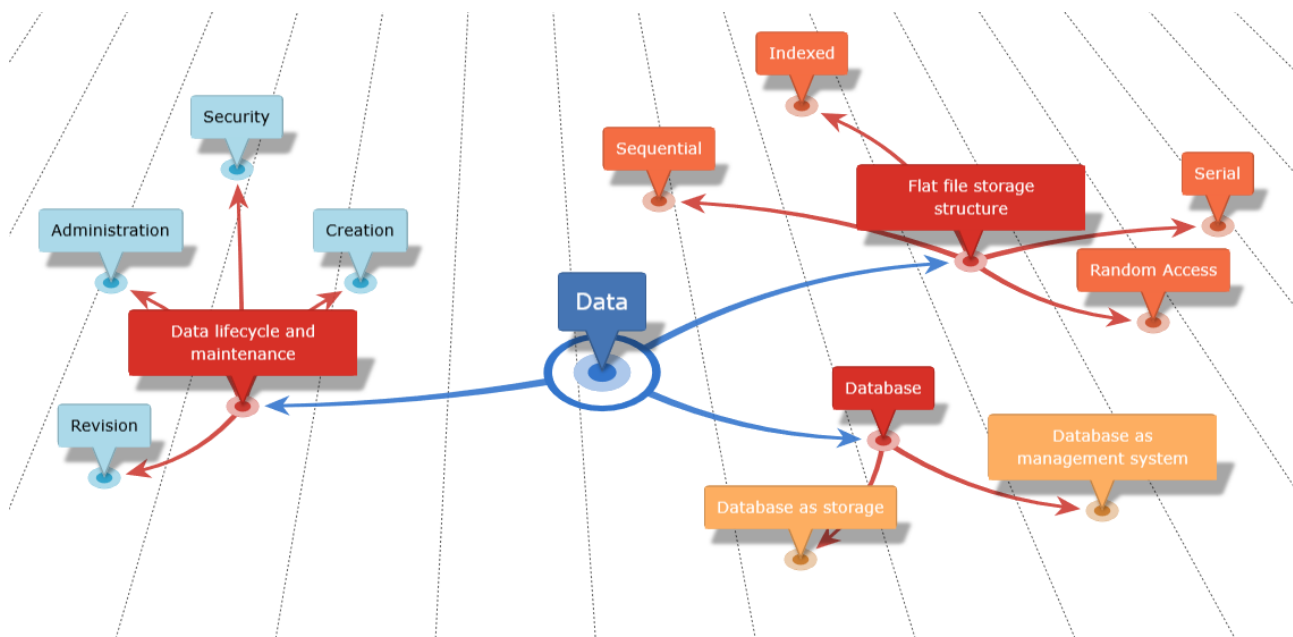


Figure 1: Data Mindmap

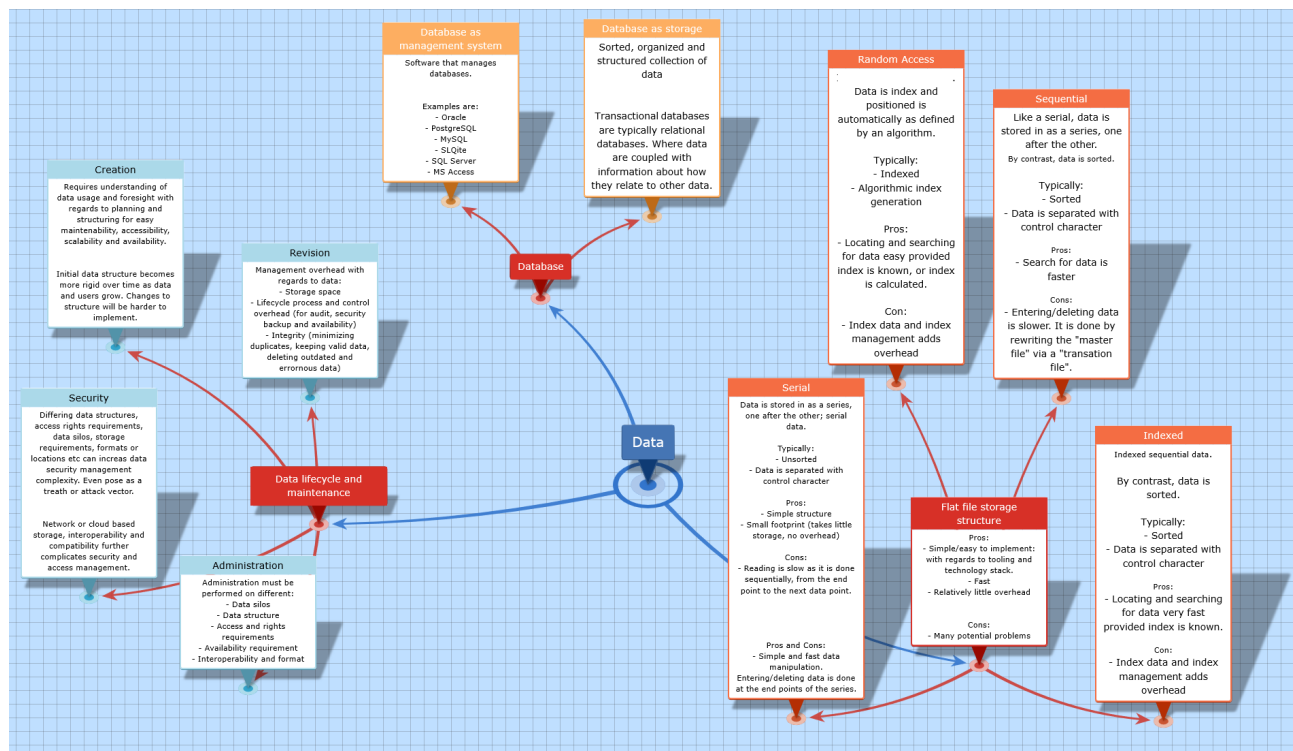


Figure 2: Data Mindmap - with detailed notes expanded

2.5 Action Points - Further Reading/Enquiry

Action Point	To-do description	Assigned to	Target date	Comment/Status
1	Verify/enroll to Teams channel membership for the course	N/A	ASAP	Assigned
2	Setup a home-lab with SQLite	N/A	ASAP	Assigned
3	Look up and learn SQL (DDL, DML etc)	N/A	ASAP	Assigned
4	Look up and learn UML	N/A	ASAP	Assigned

2.6 Other source materials

Resource Type	Source description, Book title, URL, etc.
Wikipedia - 3rd Normal Form	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Third_normal_form
Wikipedia - SQLite	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SQLite
Youtube - SQLite	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=byHcYRpMgI4
YouTube - SQLite usecases	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jib2AmRb_rk
SQLite - Official	https://sqlite.org/index.html

2.7 Issues Noted and Area of Improvements

Issue number	Issue description / Area of Improvement
1	N/A
2	N/A

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3 Section «number»: «Lesson topic»

Replace the double angle brackets with the lesson number and name.

Original URL: «link to the original blog post on the Moodle blog»

Replace the double angle brackets with the URL to the reflective journal blog.

3.1 Reflection on the days lecture and tutorial

Add critical reflective thoughts about your learning experiences. Delete this text

Lesson/Topic goals/Study Plan:

- *Why...*
- *What...*
- *How...*

3.2 Reflection Topics

When there are guided topics add them as sub-headings and include your critical discussion of the topic(s)

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3.2.1 Provided topic 1

topic 1 example reflective discussion

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3.2.2 Provided topic 2

topic 2 example reflective discussion

3.3 Key Take-Away

Lesson date: «yyyy mm dd»

Date taken: «yyyy mm dd»

Revisited: «comment or yyyy mm
dd»

This subsection outlines key information from the day's lesson in bullet points.

1. «Main Item 1

- (a) sub item 1 1
- (b) sub item 1 2
- (c) sub item 1 3
- (d) sub item 1 4
- (e) sub item 1 5
- (f) sub item 1 6

2. Main Item 2

- (a) sub item 2 1
- (b) sub item 2 2
- (c) sub item 2 3
- (d) sub item 2 4

3. Main Item 3

4. ..

5. .»

3.4 Lessons Learned

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Glossary:

Expand and elaborate on new words, expressions and topic terminology with a glossary list.

Key Word/Expression	Elaboration/Comment
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3.5 Action Points - Further Reading/Enquiry

To-do list relevant to complete/expand on the lesson topic.

Action Point	To-do description	Assigned to	Target date	Comment/Status
1	«Task name»	«Task description»	«Task owner»	«Other details»
2	«Task name»	«Task description»	«Task owner»	«Other details»

3.6 Other source materials

External course related material. Insert book title, ISBN, URL etc.

Item number	Resource Type	Source description, Book title, URL, etc.
1	«Input»	«Input»

3.7 Issues/Solutions Noted and Area of Improvements

Issues noted; what has failed with regards to tools, the lecture itself, missing course material, wrong information or solution in the course assignment etc. Any area of improvement with regards to how previous task has been managed, how to more efficiently proceed with the course personally. Suggestions for improvement suggestions to course leader.

Item number	Issue description / Area of Improvement	Comments / Solution
1	«input»	«input»

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6 Conclusion

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Conclusion

This section exhibits usefull \LaTeX packages relevant for Noroff year 1 course.

7 Code snippet sample

7.1 Stylized Code Typesetting Sample

```
print('Hello World')
```

Listing 1: This is "Hello World" in Python

Every code tutorial has a "Hello World"!

```
# This is a simple python code for testing.  
  
def mySquareFunc(myVal):  
    myRes = int(myVal) ** 2  
    return myRes  
  
mySquareFunc(input("Type in a number to square"))
```

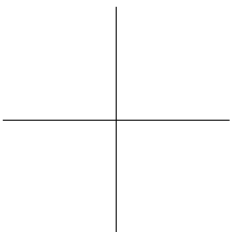
Listing 2: This is another Python code

This is the conclusion page with a code listing.

8 TiKZ package

8.1 TiKZ package - Graph and illustration Sample

A very simple use of TiKZ package.



Source: <https://ctan.uib.no/graphics/pgf/base/doc/pgfmanual.pdf>

8.2 TiKZ package - Drawing Sample

A drawing with TiKZ

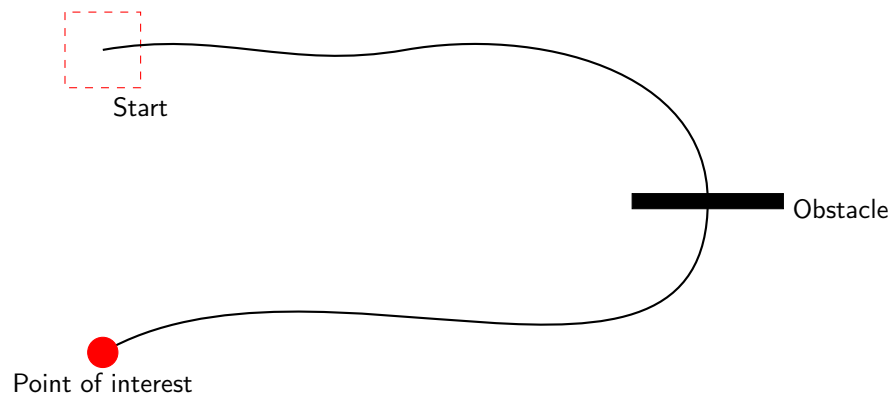
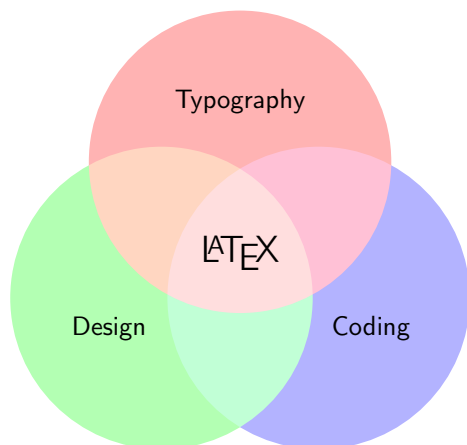


Figure 3: An example graphic made with tikz.

Source: <https://www.latex-tutorial.com/tutorials/tikz/>

8.3 TiKZ package - Venn diagram Sample

A venn diagram with TiKZ



Source: <https://texample.net/tikz/examples/venn/>

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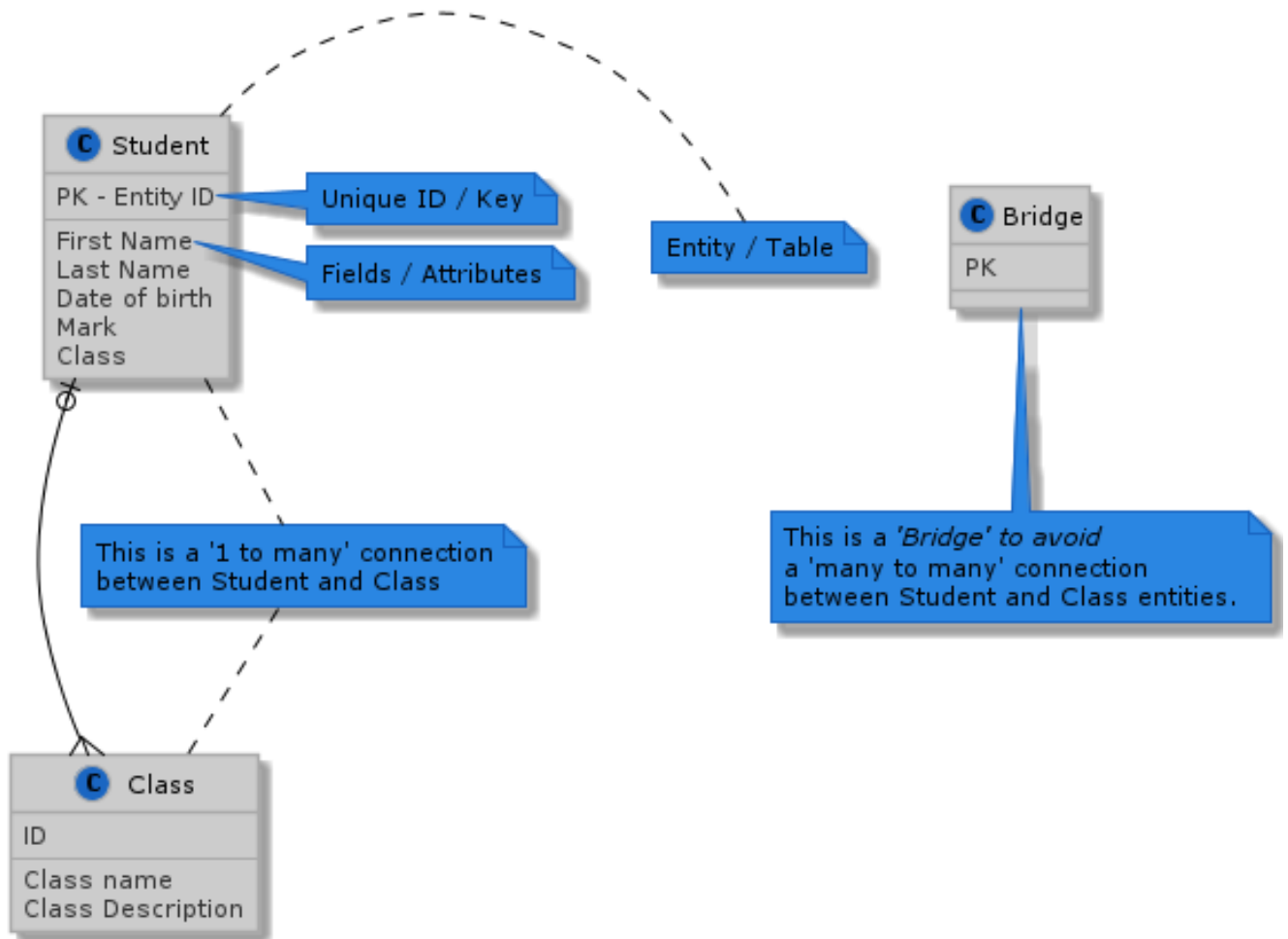


Figure 4: Sample ERD .png

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A Appendix

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B Bibliography

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