PostgreSQL & Marten

The Swiss Army knife of database development

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Agenda

- History Lessons
- Postgres
- Marten basics
- Marten scaling
- Some gotchas
- Some useful patterns
- Mixing Marten and SQL

History Time - RDBMS

- Relational Databases proposed in 1970

- Oracle released their first RDBMS in 1979

- Microsoft SQL Server started as a fork of Sybase in 1989

- Rewritten as SQL Server 7 in 1998

- Postgres started as a project inside the University of California in 1986. Released as open source software in 1996

Postgres

- An open source relational database (RDBMS)

- It's fast, "free", extensible, reliable, lightweight

- Microsoft / Azure have a huge investment in it. Follow Claire Giordano (@clairegiordano@hachyderm.io)

- Works great with EF Core, Dapper, therefore is a good choice in .NET

NoSQL History

- Term became commonly used in 2009 to describe non-relational databases

- Key-Value, Graph, Document, Time Series, Object Databases, etc

- Document Databases (e.g. MongoDB, DynamoDB, CosmosDB) can be good general purpose databases (If you know how to model for them)

Marten

.NET Transactional Document DB and Event Store on PostgreSQL

https://martendb.io/

CODE TIME

https://github.com/DamianMac/martendemo