



Table: Question

question_id	primary key
index	int #the order of a question e.g 1 ~ 75
description	varchar
weight	float #weight of a question in its own subcategory
user	#dummy for now
default	
subcategory_id	foreign key
category	char #we are putting security and business trust in the same
table(security/business)	

Table: Subcategory

subcategory_id	primary key
subcategory_index	varchar #because the index can be a serial of letters
weight	float
description	varchar
?category	char
#we need category to locate the subcategory of a question	

E.g

1) Mission and Security Requirements, Roles, Responsibilities and Policies [System Design]

Weight 0.0556

An 'overall' subcategory?

A subcategory has many questions

Table: Scale

description	varchar	
score	float	#user defined value e.g 0.0 ~ 0.95 in scale format
definition		
level	int	# 0 means insufficient, 6 means Not Applicable
subcategory	char	#(S for security/B for business)

The purpose of this table is to distinguish between two answer scales. Both Business and Security have an answer scale of 0-6. However, on Business questions, "5" means "Very High Level of Trust". On Security questions, "5" is labelled "Corporate Optimization".

For a question + its answers to appear, join on the "category" column.

This is a reference table, not an object table.

Table: Answer

company_id	foreign key	#the company that's being assessed
question_id	foreign key	
level	int	#as in Scale table

Company 1	Question 1	5
Company 1	Question 2	4
Company 1		
Company 1		

Is there a way to avoid duplicating the "company 1" entry over and over? Or is it okay to duplicate it?

Let's say it's okay to duplicate it for now.

"How to store score?" Could be a question for the TA.

Table: User

User_id (primary key)

User_role (admin, company representative, etc)

(integers are faster, but store as string so it's easier to maintain)

Company_id (foreign key -- If this user is a company representative, they will have a company associated with them. Else, this field can be NULLable)

Password (password, but stored securely -- with hashing and salting)

Username/email (for login)

Table: Company

#companies that answer the above questions, to be

improved

name varchar

company_id primary key

not needed if Score table is included

security_score float

trust_score float

financial_score float#(maybe not necessary)

company can be an external company or federal agency

choose one to implement

Table: subcategory score

#only subcategories

company_id

subcategory_id

score

Is it better to have this separate kind of table? Or should we calculate scores on-the-fly and have that code in our views/controllers?

Alternative to the "Table: subcategory score" idea:

Table: Score

category_id: Business or Security (because business, category will have different subcategories)

subcategory_id: "A", "B", "C", "D"....or "Overall", for the overall score (e.g. overall business, or overall security)

But, if subcategory_id is a foreign key, then overall must also be a foreign key. So overall must then be a distinct subcategory in the subcategory table?

value: The actual score value (float, valued from 0 to 1)

Company_id: Maybe?

The idea: to get a company's business scores, join on company_id and filter by category "B". This gives the join (the resulting view) the score for each subcategory of questioning. The overall score is calculated from the individual subcategory score (as a weighted average), and is also available to the join.