Exercises: Introduction to Entity Framework

This document defines the **exercise assignments** for the "Databases Advanced – EF Core" course @ Software University.

1. Import the SoftUni Database

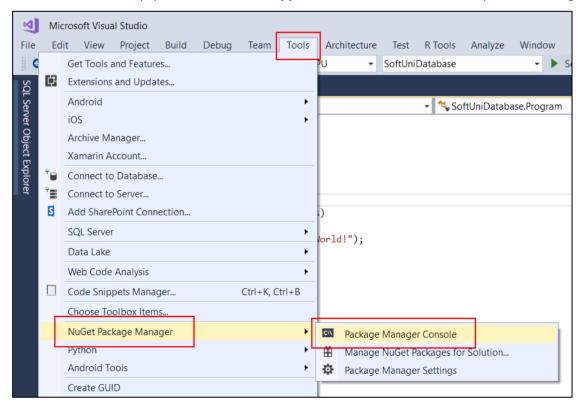
Import the SoftUni database into SQL Management Studio by executing the provided .sql script.

```
SoftUni-Database...
          -- This script will create a sample database "SoftUni" in
         -- MS SQL Server and will populate sample data in its tables.
     6
         USE master
     8
         CREATE DATABASE SoftUni
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         USE SoftUni
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    15 □CREATE TABLE Towns(
    16
           TownID int IDENTITY NOT NULL,
    17
           Name VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
    18
           CONSTRAINT PK_Towns PRIMARY KEY CLUSTERED(TownID ASC)
    19
```

2. Database First

Model the existing database by using Database First.

First create a new empty .Net Core ConsoleApplication and after it is created open the Package Manager Console:

















It will look something like this:

```
Package Manager Console
                                                                                                ▼ -Þ X
                               ▼ Default project: SoftUniDatabase
                                                                                - X
Each package is licensed to you by its owner. NuGet is not responsible for, nor does it grant any
licenses to, third-party packages. Some packages may include dependencies which are governed by
additional licenses. Follow the package source (feed) URL to determine any dependencies.
Package Manager Console Host Version 4.4.0.4475
Type 'get-help NuGet' to see all available NuGet commands.
PM>
```

Use it to run the following commands one by one:

```
Install-Package Microsoft.EntityFrameworkCore.Tools -v 2.2.0
Install-Package Microsoft.EntityFrameworkCore.SqlServer -v 2.2.0
Install-Package Microsoft.EntityFrameworkCore.SqlServer.Design
```

These are the packages you will need, in order to scaffold our SoftUniContext from the SoftUni database.

Next, we must execute the command to scaffold our context class. It will consist of 4 things:

First, the name of the command:

```
Scaffold-DbContext
```

Second, the connection we will be using (our connection string):

```
-Connection "Server=<ServerName>;Database=<DatabaseName>;Integrated
Security=True;"
```

For **ServerName**, use the name of your local MS SQL Server instance or ".".

For **DatabaseName**, use the name of the database you want to use, in this case – **SoftUni**.

Third, we need to declare our service provider, we'll be using Microsoft.EntityFrameworkCore.SqlServer:

```
-Provider Microsoft.EntityFrameworkCore.SqlServer
```

And the fourth thing we'll do, is to give it a directory where all of our models will go (e.g. **Models**):

```
-OutputDir Data/Models
```

Our final command will look like this:

```
Scaffold-DbContext -Connection "Server=.;Database=SoftUni;Integrated Security=True;"
-Provider Microsoft.EntityFrameworkCore.SqlServer -OutputDir Data/Models
```

Execute the whole command on a single line

Entity Framework Core has successfully mapped the database schema to C# classes. However, it isn't good enough with names – all classes have been pluralized. Use the Solution Explorer in Visual Studio to move the SoftUniContext class out of Models into the Data folder and rename all of our classes properly. Use right click → Rename or the F2 shortcut and press OK on this pop up window after each class:







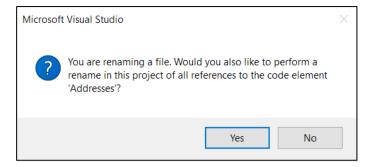












This way Visual Studio will also rename the classes everywhere they're used.

The final result should look like this:

- C# SoftUni
 - Dependencies
 - Data
 - C# SoftUniContext.cs
 - Models
 - C# Address.cs
 - C# Department.cs
 - C# Employee.cs
 - C# EmployeeProject.cs
 - C# Project.cs
 - C# Town.cs
 - c# StartUp.cs

Don't forget to fix the **SoftUniContext's** namespace after moving it and add a reference to the **Models** namespace:

Make sure that your namespaces are **exactly** the same as these:

SoftUni SoftUni.Data SoftUni.Models

Finally, we want to clean up the packages we won't be using anymore from the package manager GUI or by running these commands:

Uninstall-Package Microsoft.EntityFrameworkCore.Tools -r

Uninstall-Package Microsoft.EntityFrameworkCore.SqlServer.Design -RemoveDependencies

3. Employees Full Information

NOTE: You will need method public static string GetEmployeesFullInformation(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Now we can use the SoftUniContext to extract data from our database. Your first task is to extract all employees and return their first, last and middle name, their job title and salary, rounded to 2 symbols after the decimal separator, all of those separated with a space. Order them by employee id.

Example























```
Guy Gilbert R Production Technician 12500.00

Kevin Brown F Marketing Assistant 13500.00
...
```

4. Employees with Salary Over 50 000

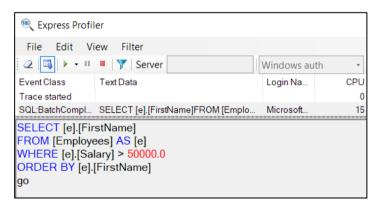
NOTE: You will need method public static string GetEmployeesWithSalaryOver50000(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Your task is to extract all employees with salary over 50000. Return their first names and salaries in format "{firstName} - {salary}".Salary must be rounded to 2 symbols, after the decimal separator. Sort them alphabetically by first name.

Example

Output
Brian - 72100.00
Dylan - 50500.00

Use **Express Profiler** and check if the query Entity Framework Core sent is correct (there is only one query, but there may be more that are performed by EF for checks).

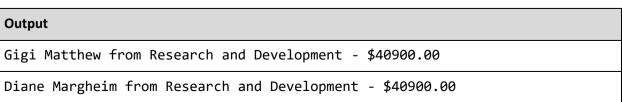


5. Employees from Research and Development

NOTE: You will need method public static string GetEmployeesFromResearchAndDevelopment(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Extract all employees from the **Research and Development** department. Order them by **salary** (in ascending order), then by **first name** (in descending order). Return only their **first name**, **last name**, **department name** and **salary** rounded to **2 symbols**, after the decimal separator in the format shown below:

Example



















...

Use Express Profiler and check if the made query by Entity Framework is correct (there is only one query).

```
SELECT [e].[FirstName], [e].[LastName], [e.Department].[Name] AS [DepartmentName], [e].[Salary] FROM [Employees] AS [e] INNER JOIN [Departments] AS [e.Department] ON [e].[DepartmentID] = [e.Department].[DepartmentID] WHERE [e.Department].[Name] = 'Research and Development' ORDER BY [e].[Salary], [e].[FirstName] DESC go
```

6. Adding a New Address and Updating Employee

NOTE: You will need method public static string AddNewAddressToEmployee(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Create a new address with **text** "**Vitoshka 15**" and **TownId 4**. Set that address to the employee with last name "**Nakov**".

Then order by **descending** all the employees by their **Address' Id**, take **10** rows and from them, take the **AddressText**. Return the results each on a new line:

Example

Output
Vitoshka 15
163 Nishava Str, ent A, apt. 1

After this **restore** your **database** for the tasks ahead!

Hints

Create the address and find the employee with last name equal to "Nakov" in order to assign the address to him.

7. Employees and Projects

NOTE: You will need method public static string GetEmployeesInPeriod(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Find the first **10** employees who have **projects** started in the period **2001 - 2003** (inclusive). Print each employee's **first name**, **last name**, **manager's first name** and **last name**. Then return **all** of their **projects** in the format "-- <**ProjectName**> - <**StartDate**> - <**EndDate**>", each on a **new row**. If a project has no end date, print "**not finished**" instead.

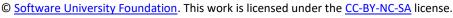
Constraints

Use date format: "M/d/yyyy h:mm:ss tt".

Example

Output





















```
Guy Gilbert - Manager: Jo Brown
--Half-Finger Gloves - 6/1/2002 12:00:00 AM - 6/1/2003 12:00:00 AM
--Racing Socks - 11/22/2005 12:00:00 AM - not finished
```

8. Addresses by Town

NOTE: You will need method public static string GetAddressesByTown(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Find all addresses, ordered by the number of employees who live there (descending), then by town name (ascending), and finally by address text (ascending). Take only the first 10 addresses. For each address return it in the format "<AddressText>, <TownName> - <EmployeeCount> employees"

Example

Output
163 Nishava Str, ent A, apt. 1, Sofia - 3 employees
7726 Driftwood Drive, Monroe - 2 employees

9. Employee 147

NOTE: You will need method public static string GetEmployee147(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Get the employee with id 147. Return only his/her first name, last name, job title and projects (print only their names). The projects should be ordered by name (ascending). Format of the output.

Example

Output
Linda Randall - Production Technician
HL Touring Handlebars

Departments with More Than 5 Employees 10.

NOTE: You will need method public static string GetDepartmentsWithMoreThan5Employees(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Find all departments with more than 5 employees. Order them by employee count (ascending), then by department name (alphabetically).

For each department, print the **department name** and the **manager's first** and **last name** on the **first row**. Then print the first name, the last name and the job title of every employee on a new row.















Order the employees by first name (ascending), then by last name (ascending).

Format of the output: For each department print it in the format "< DepartmentName> - < ManagerFirstName> <ManagerLastName>" and for each employee print it in the format "<EmployeeFirstName> <EmployeeFirstName> - <JobTitle>".

Example

Output
Engineering - Terri Duffy
Gail Erickson - Design Engineer
Jossef Goldberg - Design Engineer

11. Find Latest 10 Projects

NOTE: You will need method public static string GetLatestProjects(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Write a program that return information about the last 10 started projects. Sort them by name lexicographically and return their name, description and start date, each on a new row. Format of the output

Constraints

Use date format: "M/d/yyyy h:mm:ss tt".

Example

Output

All-Purpose Bike Stand

Research, design and development of All-Purpose Bike Stand. Perfect all-purpose bike stand for working on your bike at home. Quick-adjusting clamps and steel construction.

9/1/2005 12:00:00 AM

12. Increase Salaries

NOTE: You will need method public static string IncreaseSalaries(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Write a program that increase salaries of all employees that are in the Engineering, Tool Design, Marketing or Information Services department by 12%. Then return first name, last name and salary (2 symbols after the decimal separator) for those employees whose salary was increased. Order them by first name (ascending), then by last name (ascending). Format of the output.

















Example

Output
Ashvini Sharma (\$36400.00)
Dan Bacon (\$30688.00)

13. Find Employees by First Name Starting With "Sa"

NOTE: You will need method public static string GetEmployeesByFirstNameStartingWithSa(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Write a program that finds all employees whose first name starts with "Sa". Return their first, last name, their job title and salary, rounded to 2 symbols after the decimal separator in the format given in the example below. Order them by first name, then by last name (ascending).

Example

```
Output

Sairaj Uddin - Scheduling Assistant - ($16000.00)

Samantha Smith - Production Technician - ($14000.00)

...
```

Delete Project by Id

NOTE: You will need method public static string DeleteProjectById(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Let's **delete** the project with id **2**. Then, take 10 projects and return their names, each on a new line. Remember to restore your database after this task.

Example

Output
Classic Vest
Full-Finger Gloves

Hints

If we try to delete the project directly:

```
var project = context.Projects.Find(2);
context.Projects.Remove(project);
context.SaveChanges();
```

















This happens:

```
Unhandled Exception: System.Data.Entity.Infrastructure.DbUpdateExcepti
on: An error occurred while updating the entries. See the inner except
ion for details. ---> System.Data.Entity.Core.UpdateException: An erro
r occurred while updating the entries. See the inner exception for det
ails. ---> System.Data.SqlClient.SqlException: The DELETE statement co
nflicted with the REFERENCE constraint "FK_EmployeesProjects_Projects
  The conflict occurred in database "SoftUni", table "dbo.EmployeesPro
 ects", column 'ProjectID'.
The statement has been terminated.
  at System.Data.SqlClient.SqlConnection.OnError(SqlException excepti
 on, Boolean breakConnection, Action`1 wrapCloseInAction)
at System.Data.SqlClient.SqlInternalConnection.OnError(SqlException
 exception, Boolean breakConnection, Action`1 wrapCloseInAction)
```

The project is referenced by the junction (many-to-many) table EmployeesProjects. Therefore we cannot safely delete it. First, we need to remove any references to that row in the **Projects** table.

This is done by removing the project from all employees who reference it.

```
var project = context.Projects.Find(2);
//TODO: Delete project from employees who reference it
context.Projects.Remove(project);
context.SaveChanges();
```

15. Remove Town

NOTE: You will need method public static string RemoveTown(SoftUniContext context) and public StartUp class.

Write a program that deletes a town with name "Seattle". Also, delete all addresses that are in those towns. Return the number of addresses that were deleted in format "{count} addresses in Seattle were deleted". There will be employees living at those addresses, which will be a problem when trying to delete the addresses. So, start by setting the AddressId of each employee for the given address to null. After all of them are set to null, you may safely remove all the addresses from the context. Addresses and finally remove the given town.

Example

Output

44 addresses in Seattle were deleted



