LIBRARY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM USING PYTHON AND MySQL

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Introduction

With the rapid development of computer technology, the application of computer technology in all walks of life has been widely popular. The development of modern information technology has led to the progress of the library in the direction of automation, network, and digitization.

Due to the increase in the collection of library books and the increasing demand for information, the traditional manual management methods have many shortcomings, the main performance is that the efficiency of handling of borrowing books and returning books process is very low, obviously it cannot adapt to the current information society.

The Library Management System is an application for assisting a librarian in managing a book library. The system would provide basic set of features to add/update members, add/update books, and manage check in specifications for the systems based on the client's statement of need.

Literature Survey

Author	Contribution	Research Gap
Amin (2003)	Provides information about various open source software for use in libraries like, software tools for automation, software tools for value added services, software tools for digital library initiatives, miscellaneous supporting tools.	Doesn't mention the cost and resources required to develop and maintain the software.
Eby (2007)	Provides information on some of the available open source library management systems, digital library software, metasearch, link resolvers, federated search engines and OPAC software.	Doesn't mention the limitations for development of the software.
Hoffman & Yang (2012)	Studies the current usage of next generation online public access catalogues and discovery tools in academic libraries in the USA and Canada. They also reports that use of discovery tool is increasing. The author also provides update on next generation catalogue and discovery tool usage in academic libraries of both countries.	

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Dartmouth College Library report (2013)	Describes shortcomings of the present generation of library management systems and suggests improvements and inclusion of features in next generation systems like discovery, personalization, Reuse, collection development, collection management, electronic resource management system integration.	
Yang (2013)	Describes advanced features of next generation library management systems such as interoperability, electronic resource management, role based login, and other features such as support for different record formats, integration with other system.	Doesn't mention the vulnerabilities and security risks associated with the software.
Palmer & Choi (2014)	Assesses the state of open source software research in the library context by employing descriptive literature review. They found that most of the significant areas of research are digital repository software, OPAC and integrated library systems.	

Modules

- Database
 - book
 - users
 - day_to_day
 - ▶ author
 - category
 - publisher

- ► User Interface (UI)
 - ► Login page
 - ► Main UI
 - ▶ Themes
- **▶** Python Modules
 - ► Link to database
 - ► Link to GUI

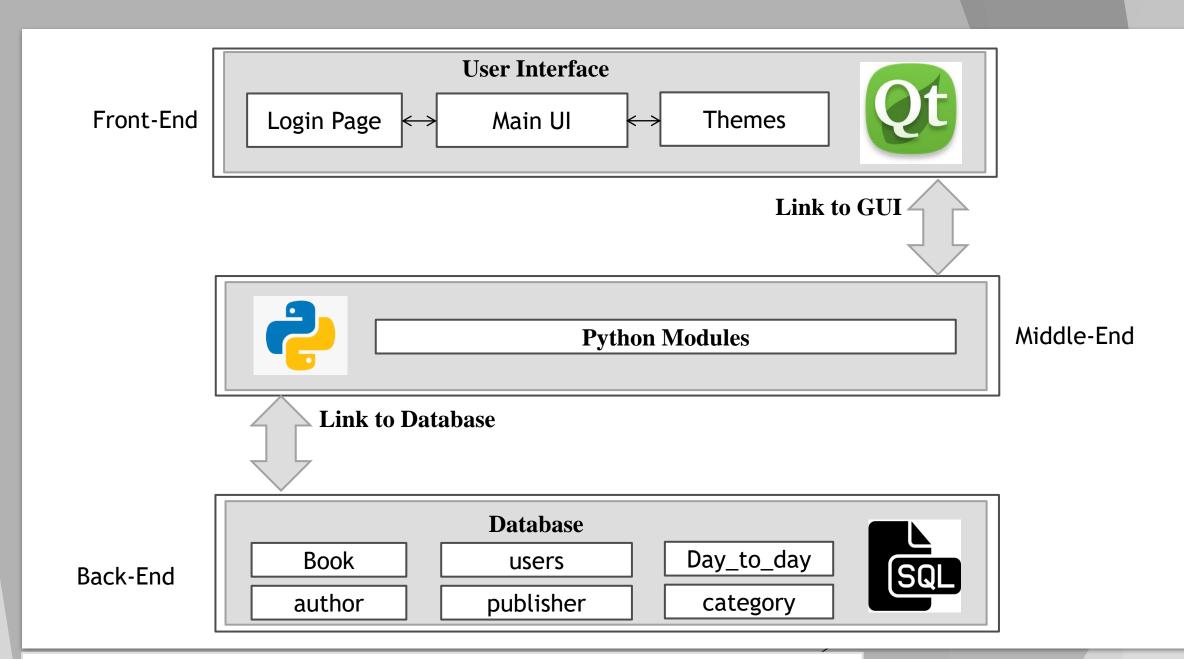


Diagram: Architecture Diagram for the Library Management System

Modules Introduction

Databas

- Contains the schemas and the data accessed and edited using the GUI.
- ▶ <u>Book</u>: Schema that stores information about books in the library.
- User: Schema that stores information about the users.
- <u>Day_to_day</u>: Schema that stores information about the operations carried out by users such as retrieve, rent, withdraw.
- Author: Schema that stores information about the authors of the books in library.
- ► <u>Category</u>: Schema that stores information about the categories of the books in library.
- <u>Publisher</u>: Schema that stores information about the publishers of the books in library.

Modules Introduction

User Interface

- The graphical view of the application for users to interact with.
- ▶ <u>Login Page</u>: Prompts the users to login upon launching the application.
- ▶ Main UI: Allows users to edit data in the database.
- ► Themes: Allows users to toggle between themes for the UI.

Python Modules:

- ► The most important part of the application since it allows direct links between the Database and the User Interface.
- ▶ <u>Link to database</u>: Allows modifying data in the database via python.
- ▶ Link to GUI: Allows the user to access the database via the GUI.

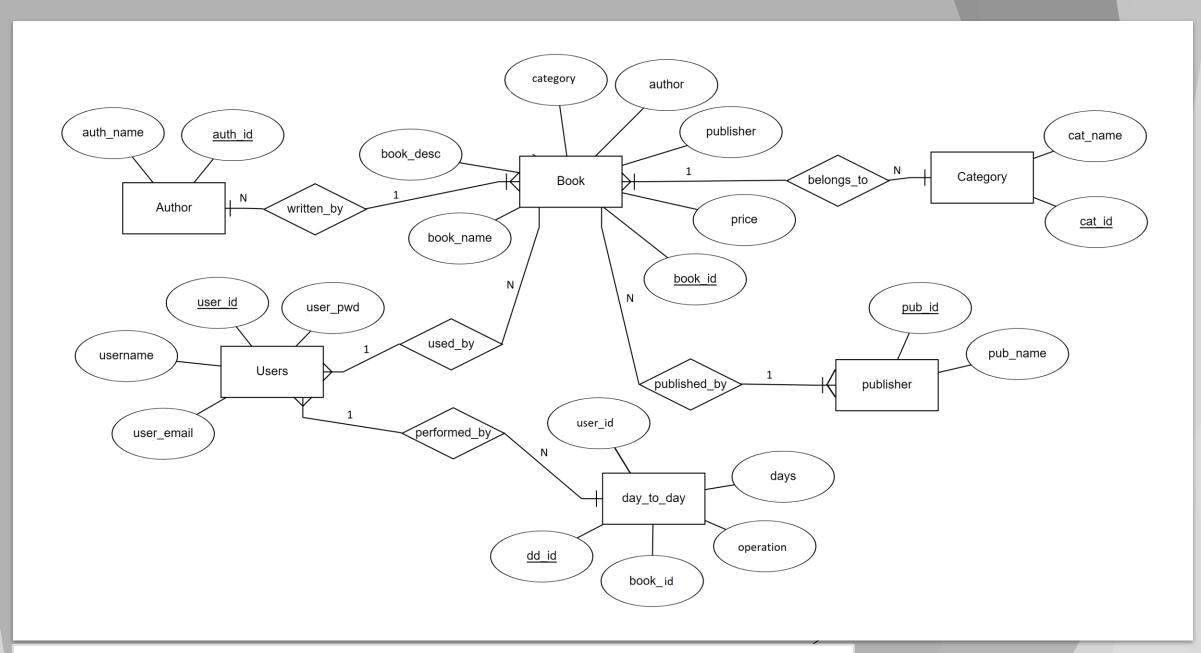


Diagram: Entity-Relation Diagram

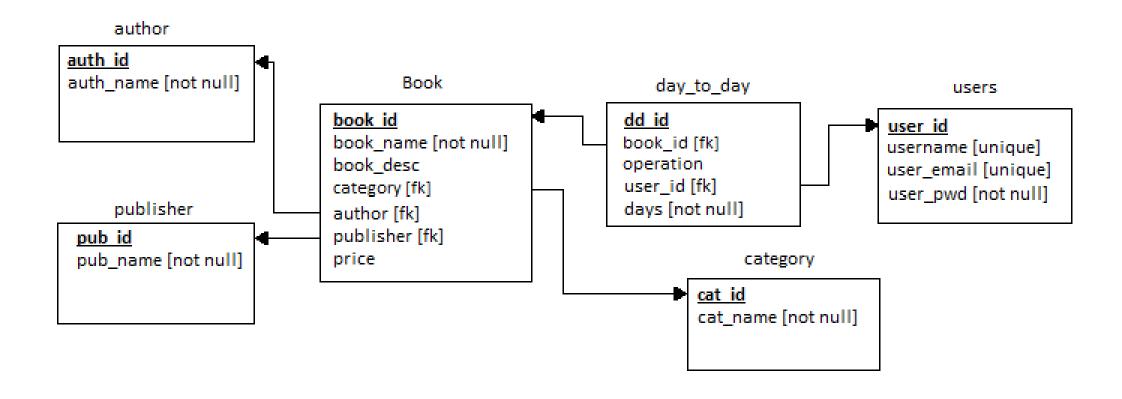


Diagram: Schema Diagram

Normalized Tables

All Tables are in Boyce-Codd Normal Form (BCNF)

Table: Book

TABLE	ATTRIBUTE	DATATYPE	CONSTRAINT
	book_id	int	primary key
	book_name	varchar	not null
	book_desc	varchar	
Book	Category	varchar	foreign key category (cat_id)
	Author	varchar	foreign key author (auth_id)
	Publisher	varchar	foreign key pub(pub_id)
	Price	int	

Candidate Keys: {book_id, book_name, book_desc}

Table: Users

TABLE	ATTRIBUTE	DATATYPE	CONSTRAINT
	user_id	int	primary key
	username	varchar	Unique
Users	user_email	varchar	unique
	user_pwd	varchar	not null

Candidate Keys: {user_id, username, user_email}

Table: day_to_day

TABLE	ATTRIBUTE	DATATYPE	CONSTRAINT	
day_to_day	dd_id	int	primary key	
	Book_id	int	foreign key Book (book_id)	
	operation	varchar		
	user_id	int	foreign key Users (user_id)	
	days	int	not null	

Candidate Keys: {dd_id}

Table: category

TABLE	ATTRIBUTE	DATATYPE	CONSTRAINT
	cat_id	varchar	primary key
Category	cat_name	varchar	not null

Candidate Keys: {cat_id, cat_name}

Table: author

TABLE	ATTRIBUTE	DATATYPE	CONSTRAINT
Author	auth_id	varchar	primary key
	auth_name	varchar	not null

Candidate Keys: {auth_id, auth_name}

Table: publisher

TABLE	ATTRIBUTE	DATATYPE	CONSTRAINT
Publisher	pub_id	varchar	primary key
	pub_name	varchar	not null

Candidate Keys: {pub_id, pub_name}

User Interface

(Subject to change)

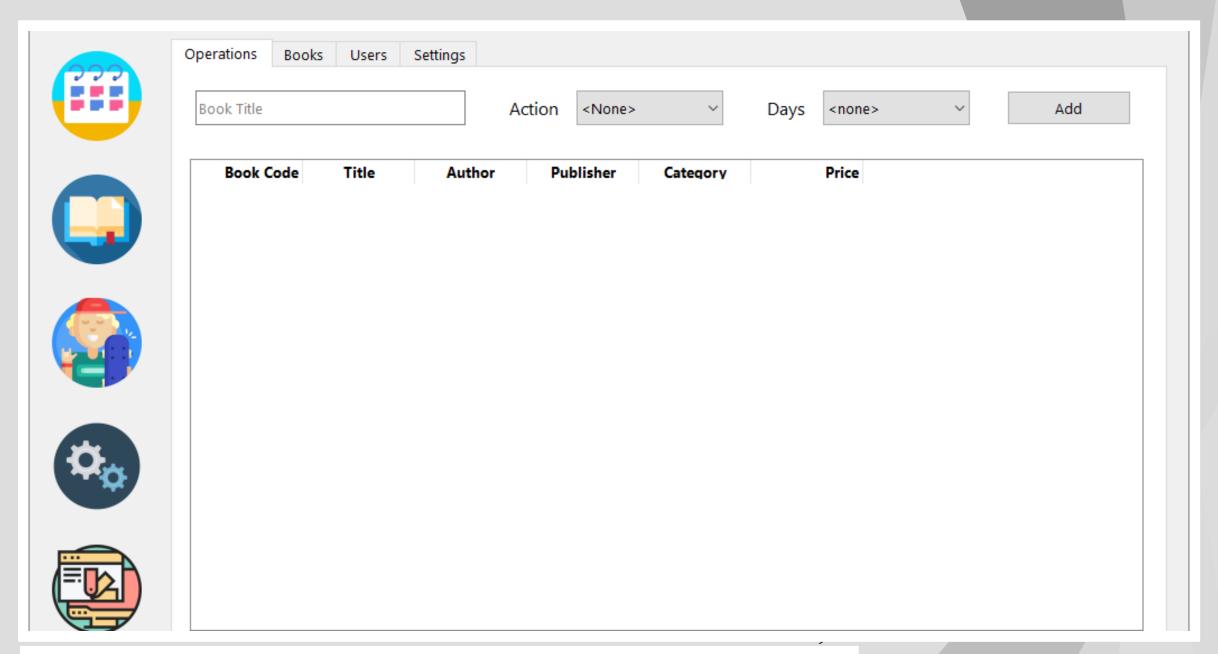


Image: Operations Tab

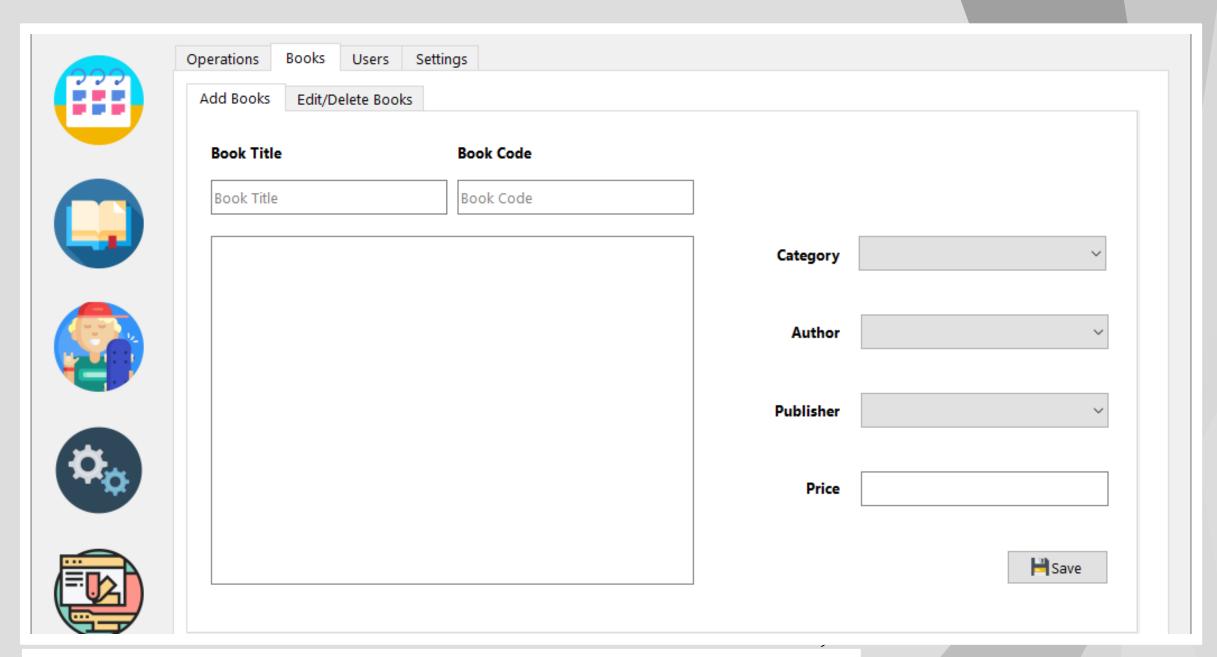


Image: Add Books Tab in the Books Tab

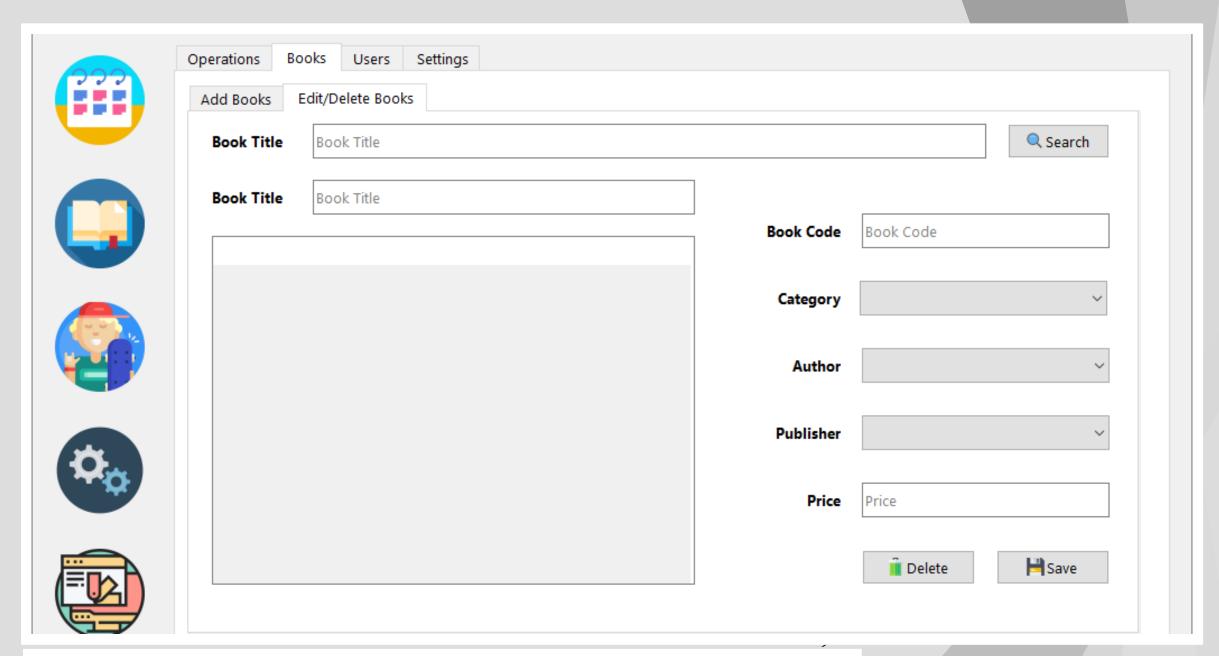


Image: Edit/Delete Books Tab in the Books Tab

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Image: Users Tab with 'Add New User' and 'Edit User Information' groups

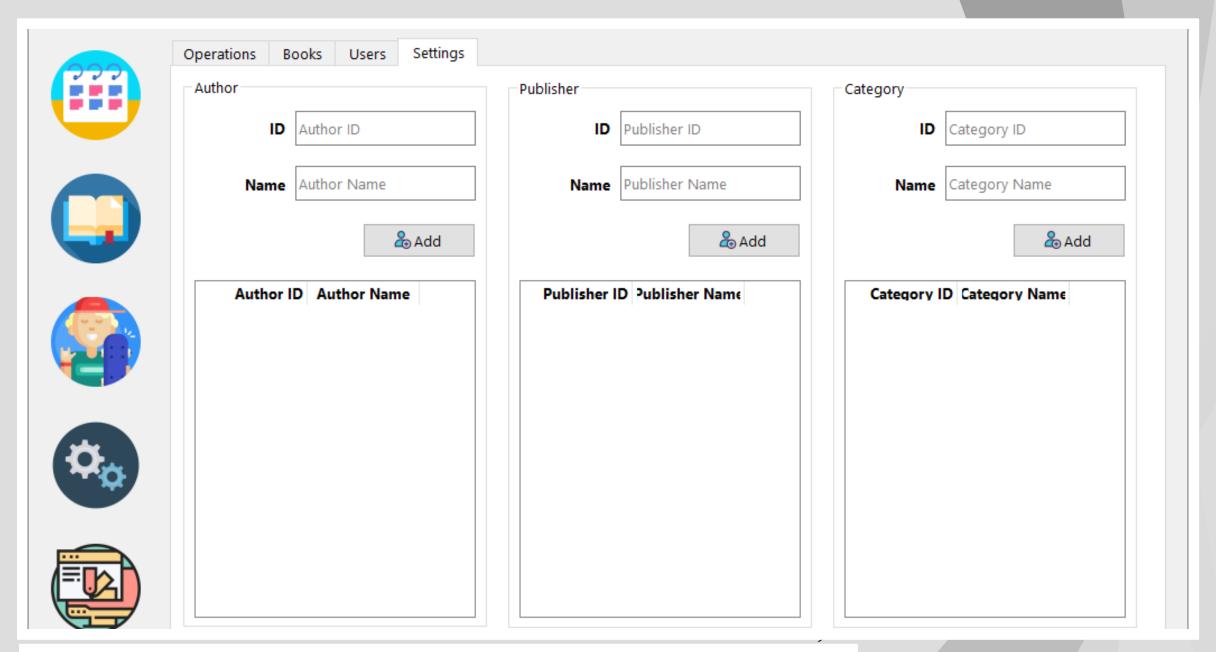


Image: Settings Tab

Database Schemas

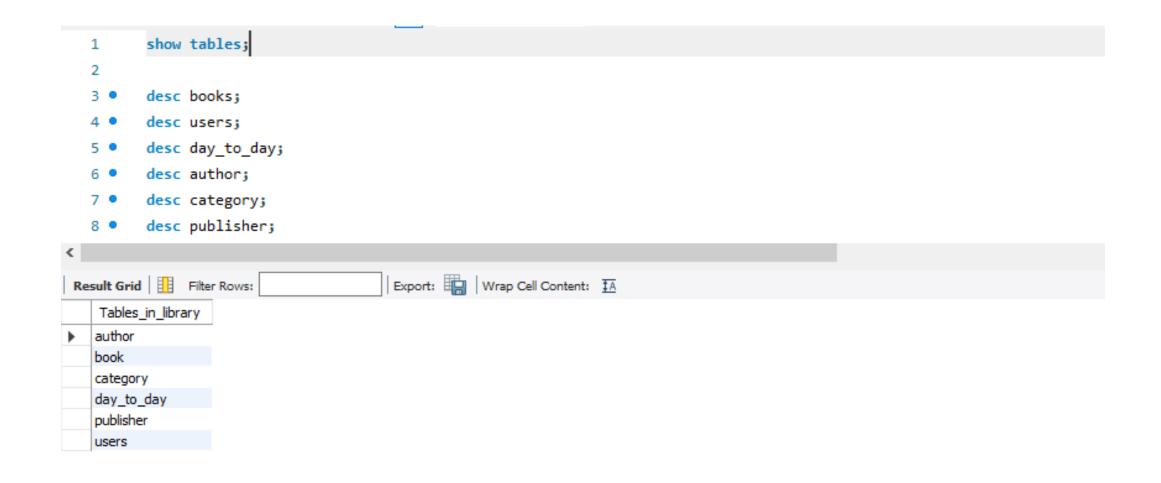


Image: Tables in the database

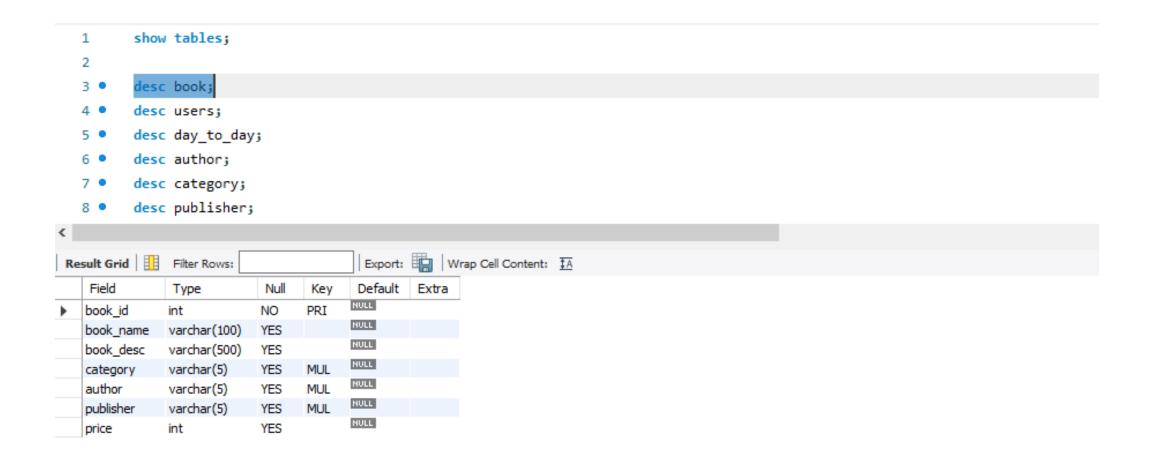


Image: Schema for book table

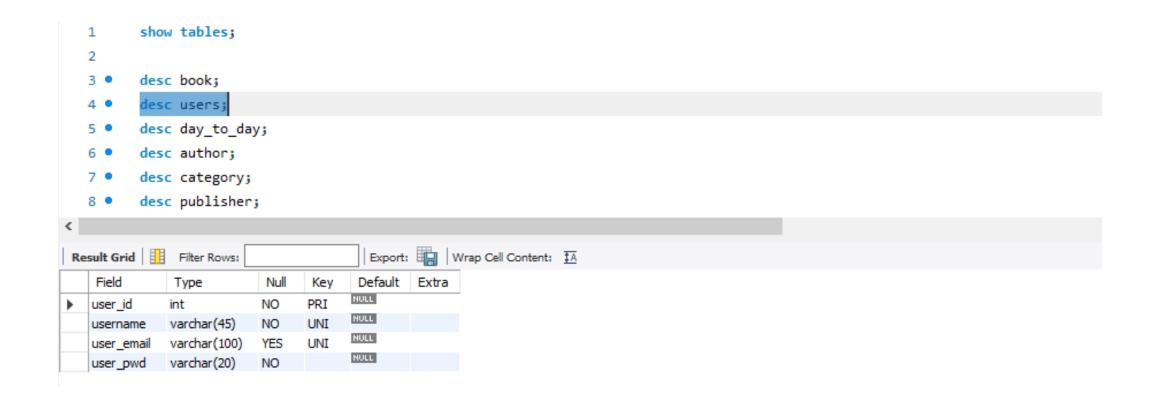


Image: Schema for Users table

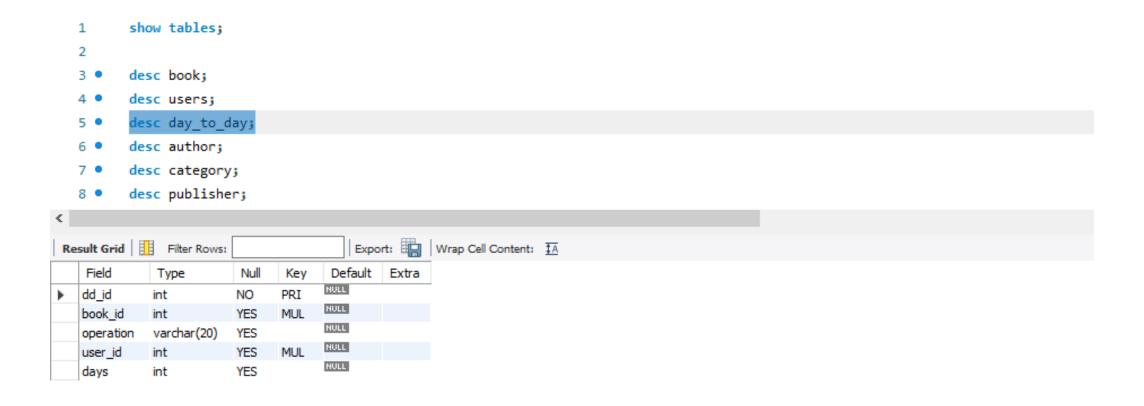


Image: Schema for day_to_day table

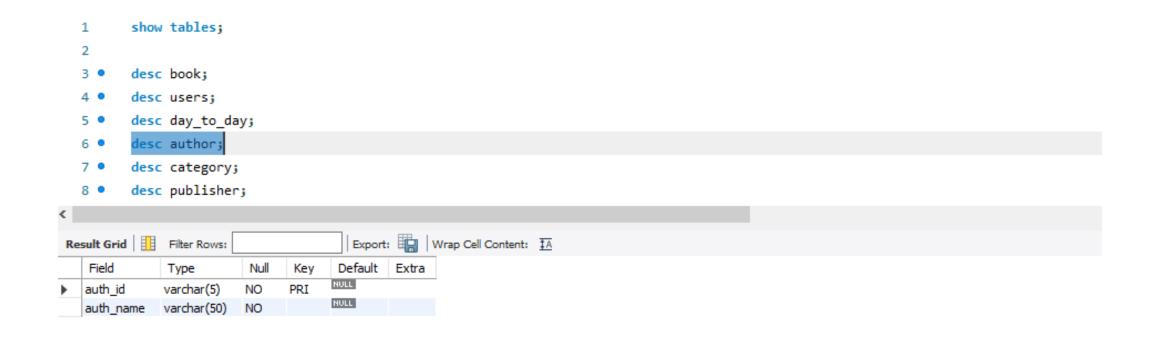


Image: Schema for author table

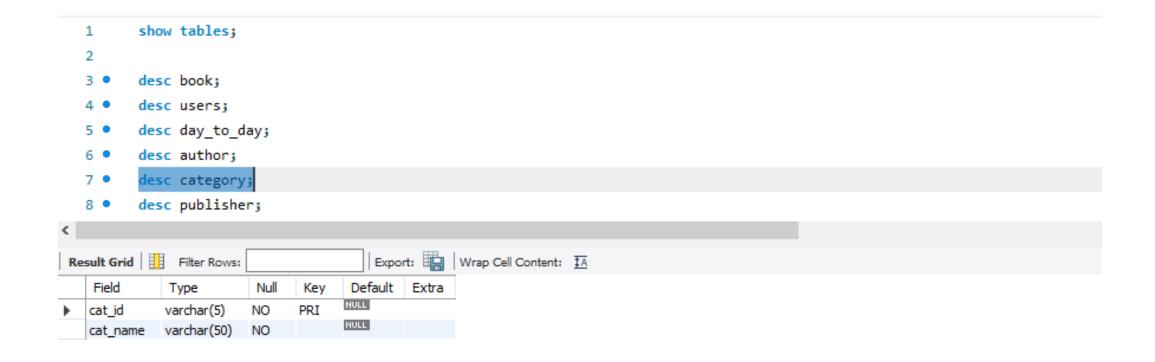


Image: Schema for category table

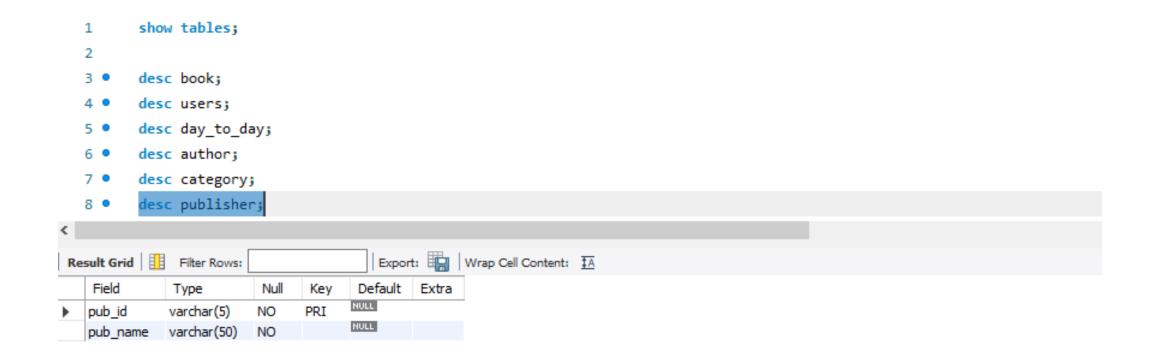


Image: Schema for publisher table