

Documentation - TI Project

Setup

1. Have an OracleDB running with the port it is running on forwarded
2. Add a user in the database meant for the API to connect as, give permissions accordingly
3. In `api/src/main/resources/application.properties`, change the `db.url`, `db.username`, `db.password` according to the database url, username and password. Change `server.port` to select the port you'd like the API to run on.
4. *Run the API and make sure that port is forwarded.
5. To import client functions into your program, for C++, include `ApiClient.h` and `json.hpp` to use `nlohmann::json`. When compiling, use the `-lcurl` tag and `-std=c++11`. For Java, bring the `ApiClient` class into your project, and add the dependency `jackson-databind`.

*: When the code and properties for the API are finalized, run "mvn clean package". If there is an error about the maven-shade plugin, disregard it. Take the jar at `api/target/database-connection-service-1.0-SNAPSHOT.jar`. The API and all its dependencies will run from that one jar file.

1. Overview

This program provides a system for interacting with a relational database through a RESTful API and client implementations in both Java and C++. It simplifies database operations by abstracting SQL into API endpoints and allows users to execute queries, manage tables, and handle records programmatically.

2. Class Descriptions

2.1. DatabaseController

Package: `org.example.DatabaseAPI.controller`

- **Purpose:**
Acts as the primary controller for exposing RESTful endpoints for database operations.
- **Key Dependencies:**
 1. `DBHandler`: Abstract interface for database interaction.
 2. `OracleDBHandler`: Oracle-specific implementation of `DBHandler`.
- **Key Methods:**
 1. `execQuery(Map<String, String> request)`
 - **Endpoint:** `POST /api/execQuery`

- **Purpose:** Executes a SQL query and returns the result.
 - **Input:** JSON request body with the query string.
 - **Output:** Response entity with the query result or error message.
2. **createTable(String sqlStr)**
 - **Endpoint:** POST /api/createTable
 - **Purpose:** Executes a SQL statement to create a new table.
 - **Input:** SQL string for table creation.
 - **Output:** Response entity with the status of the operation.
 3. **listTables()**
 - **Endpoint:** GET /api/listTables
 - **Purpose:** Lists all database tables and their schema.
 - **Input:** None.
 - **Output:** Response entity containing table metadata.
 4. **insert(Map<String, Object> payload)**
 - **Endpoint:** POST /api/insert
 - **Purpose:** Inserts records into a specified table.
 - **Input:** JSON object with **tableName** and **values**.
 - **Output:** Response entity with the status of the operation.
 5. **delete(Map<String, Object> payload)**
 - **Endpoint:** POST /api/delete
 - **Purpose:** Deletes records matching conditions from a specified table.
 - **Input:** JSON object with **tableName**, **columns**, and **values**.
 - **Output:** Response entity with the status of the operation.
 6. **select(Map<String, Object> payload)**
 - **Endpoint:** POST /api/select
 - **Purpose:** Retrieves records from a table based on conditions.
 - **Input:** JSON object with **tableName**, **columns**, **whereClause**, and **params**.
 - **Output:** Response entity with query results.
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2.2. DatabaseConfig

Package: org.example.config

- **Purpose:**

Configures and provides a bean for the **OracleDBHandler** class, allowing dependency injection in the **DatabaseController**.
- **Key Methods:**
 1. **OracleDBHandler(String url, String user, String password)**

- **Purpose:** Creates an instance of `OracleDBHandler` using database connection properties from the `application.properties` file.
 - **Usage:** Injected into `DatabaseController`.
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2.3. ApiApp

Package: `org.example`

- **Purpose:**
Entry point for the Spring Boot application.
 - **Key Method:**
 - `main(String[] args)`
 - Bootstraps the application using `SpringApplication.run()`.
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2.4. DBHandler

Package: `org.example`

- **Type:** Abstract class
- **Purpose:**
Provides a base implementation for interacting with a relational database.
- **Key Attributes:**
 1. `url`: Database connection URL.
 2. `username`: Username for database authentication.
 3. `password`: Password for database authentication.
- **Key Methods:**
 1. `connect()`
 - **Purpose:** Establishes a connection to the database.
 - **Usage:** Used internally by all database operations.
 2. `execQuery(String query)`
 - **Purpose:** Executes a raw SQL query and returns the result.
 - **Logic:** Differentiates between `SELECT` and other SQL queries.
 3. `createTable(String sqlStr)`
 - **Purpose:** Executes a SQL statement to create a table.
 4. `listTables()` (Abstract)
 - **Purpose:** Lists all database tables and their metadata.
 - **To Be Implemented:** By subclasses for database-specific logic.
 5. `insert(String tableName, List<Object> values)` (Abstract)
 - **Purpose:** Inserts records into a table.

- **To Be Implemented:** By subclasses to validate data and handle database-specific operations.
- 6. **delete(String tableName, List<String> columns, List<Object> values)** (Abstract)
 - **Purpose:** Deletes records matching conditions from a table.
 - **To Be Implemented:** By subclasses for database-specific logic.
- 7. **select(String tableName, List<String> columns, String whereClause, List<Object> params)**
 - **Purpose:** Retrieves records from a table with filtering conditions.
 - **Logic:** Constructs the SQL query dynamically and sets parameters.
- 8. **toJavaLikeType(String dataType, int dataLength)** (Abstract)
 - **Purpose:** Converts SQL data types to Java-like types for metadata representation.
- 9. **generateExampleValue(String dataType, int dataLength)** (Abstract)
 - **Purpose:** Generates example values for database table columns.

2.5. OracleDBHandler

Package: `org.example`

- **Purpose:**
Implements Oracle-specific logic for database operations, extending the functionality of the abstract `DBHandler` class.
- **Key Methods:**
 1. **listTables()**
 - **Purpose:** Retrieves metadata about all tables in the Oracle database, including column names, data types, and example values.
 - **Logic:**
 - Executes a query on `user_tab_columns` to gather table schema information.
 - Formats the output with example values and column metadata.
 - **Output:** A `Result` object containing a formatted schema description or an error message.
 2. **toJavaLikeType(String dataType, int dataLength)**
 - **Purpose:** Maps Oracle SQL data types to equivalent Java-like data types.
 - **Logic:**
 - `VARCHAR2` and `CHAR` map to `String`.
 - `NUMBER` maps to `int`, `long`, or `double` depending on `dataLength`.
 - `DATE` maps to `LocalDate`.

3. **generateExampleValue(String dataType, int dataLength)**
 - **Purpose:** Generates example values for table columns based on data type.
 - **Logic:**
 - VARCHAR2 and CHAR produce "example_string".
 - NUMBER produces 123 or 1234567890 depending on length.
 - DATE produces LocalDate.now().
 4. **insert(String tableName, List<Object> values)**
 - **Purpose:** Inserts a row into a specified table.
 - **Logic:**
 - Validates table existence and column data types.
 - Prepares an INSERT INTO statement with placeholders for values.
 - Executes the statement and returns a Result indicating success or failure.
 5. **delete(String tableName, List<String> columns, List<Object> values)**
 - **Purpose:** Deletes rows from a table based on specified conditions.
 - **Logic:**
 - Validates table existence and column names.
 - Constructs a DELETE FROM statement with a dynamic WHERE clause.
 - Executes the statement and returns a Result indicating success or failure.
 6. **isValueCompatibleWithType(Object value, String expectedDataType)**
 - **Purpose:** Verifies if a given value matches the expected SQL data type.
 - **Logic:**
 - Validates VARCHAR2/CHAR as String, NUMBER as Number, and DATE as java.sql.Date or LocalDate.
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2.6. Result

Package: org.example

- **Purpose:**
Encapsulates the outcome of a database operation, including status, message, and optionally, data.
- **Key Attributes:**
 1. **status** (String): Indicates success or failure (**success** or **error**).

2. `message` (String): Describes the operation result.
 3. `data` (String, optional): Contains additional data, such as query results.
 - **Key Methods:**
 1. `Result(String status, String message)`
 - Constructor for operations without data.
 2. `Result(String status, String message, String data)`
 - Constructor for operations with data.
 3. `getStatus()`
 - Retrieves the operation status.
 4. `getMessage()`
 - Retrieves the operation message.
 5. `getData()`
 - Retrieves the operation data, if available.
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2.7. DatabaseControllerTest

Package: `org.example.DatabaseAPI.controller`

- **Purpose:**

Tests the `DatabaseController` class to validate the functionality of API endpoints using a stubbed `OracleDBHandler`.
- **Key Tests:**
 - `testExecQuery_Success()`
 - Validates successful execution of a SQL query.
 - `testExecQuery_MissingQuery()`
 - Ensures proper error handling for missing or invalid queries.
 - `testCreateTable_Success()`
 - Verifies table creation logic.
 - `testListTables_Success()`
 - Validates retrieval of table metadata.
 - `testInsert_Success()`
 - Tests data insertion functionality.
 - `testDelete_Success()`
 - Validates record deletion logic.
 - `testSelect_Success()`
 - Verifies data retrieval from a table.
- **Stub Implementation (`OracleDBHandlerStub`):**
 - Overrides methods in `OracleDBHandler` to return predefined results for testing.

3. Build Configuration

`pom.xml`

Purpose:

Defines the Maven build configuration for the project.

- **Key Sections:**

1. **Parent Definition:**

- Uses `spring-boot-starter-parent` for dependency management.

2. **Dependencies:**

- **Spring Boot Web:** For REST API development.
- **Oracle JDBC Driver:** For Oracle database connectivity.
- **JUnit 5:** For testing.
- **Spring Boot Test:** For Spring-specific test utilities.
- **H2 Database:** For in-memory testing.

3. **Plugins:**

- **Spring Boot Maven Plugin:** For building and running the application.
- **Maven Compiler Plugin:** Configured for Java 11.

4. C++ Client Functions Overview

The C++ implementation provides a client for interacting with the RESTful API defined earlier. It uses `libcurl` for HTTP requests and `nlohmann::json` for JSON parsing and manipulation. The client allows execution of SQL queries, table creation, listing tables, inserting data, deleting data, and selecting data.

4.1. `ApiClient.cpp`

Purpose:

Implements the methods defined in the `ApiClient` class for sending requests to the API and processing the responses.

Key Components:

1. **`sendRequest`**

- **Purpose:**

Handles HTTP communication with the API server. Configures `libcurl` for sending requests, including setting headers and handling response data.

- **Input:**

- `url` (String): Endpoint URL.
- `method` (String): HTTP method (`POST`, `GET`).

- **body** (String, optional): Request payload for **POST** requests.
 - **Output:**
 - Response body as a string. Returns an empty string on failure.
- 2. **execQuery**
 - **Purpose:**

Executes a SQL query by calling the **/api/execQuery** endpoint.
 - **Input:**
 - **query** (String): SQL query string.
 - **Output:**
 - Parsed JSON object containing the query results or an error message.
 - **Example:** `execQuery("SELECT * FROM PEOPLE")`
- 3. **createTable**
 - **Purpose:**

Creates a table in the database using the **/api/createTable** endpoint.
 - **Input:**
 - **tableSql** (String): SQL statement for table creation.
 - **Output:**
 - **true** if successful, **false** otherwise.
 - **Example:** `createTable("CREATE TABLE test (id INT, name VARCHAR(50))")`
- 4. **listTables**
 - **Purpose:**

Retrieves metadata about all tables in the database by calling the **/api/listTables** endpoint.
 - **Output:**
 - Parsed JSON object containing table metadata or an error message.
 - **Example:** `listTables()`
- 5. **insert**
 - **Purpose:**

Inserts a record into a table using the **/api/insert** endpoint.
 - **Input:**
 - **tableName** (String): Name of the target table.
 - **values** (String): JSON array representing the values to be inserted.
 - **Output:**
 - **true** if successful, **false** otherwise.
 - **Example:** `insert("PEOPLE", "[10, \"Doe\", \"John\", \"Renner Rd\", \"Dallas\"]")`
- 6. **deleteData**
 - **Purpose:**

Deletes records from a table using the **/api/delete** endpoint.
 - **Input:**
 - **tableName** (String): Name of the target table.
 - **columns** (String): JSON array of column names for the **WHERE** clause.

- **values** (String): JSON array of corresponding values.
 - **Output:**
 - **true** if successful, **false** otherwise.
 - **Example:** `deleteData("PEOPLE", ["\"FirstName\"", "\"John\""])`
7. **select**
- **Purpose:**
Retrieves records from a table using the `/api/select` endpoint.
 - **Input:**
 - **tableName** (String): Name of the target table.
 - **columns** (String): JSON array of column names to retrieve.
 - **whereClause** (String): SQL **WHERE** clause string.
 - **params** (String): JSON array of parameters for the **WHERE** clause.
 - **Output:**
 - Parsed JSON object containing query results or an error message.
 - **Example:** `select("PEOPLE", ["\"firstname\"", "\"address\"", "firstname LIKE ?", "\"A%\""])`

Helper Functions:

- **WriteCallback**
 - **Purpose:**
Processes HTTP response data and appends it to a string.
 - **Usage:**
Used as the callback function for `libcurl`.

4.2. ApiClient.h

Purpose:

Declares the `ApiClient` class and its methods.

Key Components:

1. **Attributes:**
 - **baseUrl** (String): Base URL for the API server.
2. **Methods:**
 - **execQuery**: Executes a SQL query.
 - **createTable**: Creates a table in the database.
 - **listTables**: Retrieves metadata about tables.
 - **insert**: Inserts data into a table.
 - **deleteData**: Deletes records from a table.

- **select**: Selects records from a table.
- **sendRequest**: Handles HTTP communication.

5. Java Client Functions for API Interaction

5.1. `ApiClient.java`

Purpose:

Provides a Java-based client for interacting with the RESTful API. It uses the `HttpClient` library for sending HTTP requests and `ObjectMapper` from Jackson for JSON parsing and serialization.

Key Methods:

1. **`execQuery(String query)`**
 - **Description**: Executes a SQL query using the `/api/execQuery` endpoint.
 - **Input**: SQL query string.
 - **Output**: A `JsonNode` containing the query results or an error message.
 - **Example**: `execQuery("SELECT * FROM PEOPLE")`
2. **`createTable(String tableSql)`**
 - **Description**: Creates a table using the `/api/createTable` endpoint.
 - **Input**: SQL statement for table creation.
 - **Output**: A boolean indicating success or failure.
 - **Example**: `createTable("CREATE TABLE test (id INT, name VARCHAR(50))")`
3. **`listTables()`**
 - **Description**: Retrieves a list of all database tables and their metadata using the `/api/listTables` endpoint.
 - **Output**: A `JsonNode` containing table metadata or an error message.
 - **Example**: `listTables()`
4. **`insert(String tableName, String values)`**
 - **Description**: Inserts data into a specified table using the `/api/insert` endpoint.
 - **Input**:
 - **tableName**: Name of the target table.
 - **values**: JSON array representing the data to insert.
 - **Output**: A boolean indicating success or failure.
 - **Example**: `insert("PEOPLE", "[10, \"Doe\", \"John\", \"Renner Rd\", \"Dallas\"]")`
5. **`deleteData(String tableName, String columns, String values)`**

- **Description:** Deletes records from a table using the `/api/delete` endpoint.
- **Input:**
 - `tableName`: Name of the target table.
 - `columns`: JSON array of column names for the `WHERE` clause.
 - `values`: JSON array of values corresponding to the columns.
- **Output:** A boolean indicating success or failure.
- **Example:** `deleteData("PEOPLE", ["FirstName"], ["John"])`
- 6. **`select(String tableName, String columns, String whereClause, String params)`**
 - **Description:** Retrieves data from a table using the `/api/select` endpoint.
 - **Input:**
 - `tableName`: Name of the target table.
 - `columns`: JSON array of columns to retrieve.
 - `whereClause`: SQL `WHERE` clause as a string.
 - `params`: JSON array of parameters for the `WHERE` clause.
 - **Output:** A `JsonNode` containing the query results or an error message.
 - **Example:** `select("PEOPLE", ["firstname", "address"], "firstname LIKE ?", ["A%"])`

Helper Methods:

- **`sendRequest(HttpRequest request)`**
 - **Purpose:** Sends HTTP requests and processes responses.
 - **Input:** An `HttpRequest` object.
 - **Output:** A `JsonNode` containing the response data or `null` if an error occurs.

5.3. `pom.xml`

Purpose:

Defines the Maven configuration for the Java client project.

Key Sections:

1. **Dependencies:**
 - **`jackson-databind`:** For JSON parsing and serialization.
2. **Build Plugins:**
 - **`Maven Compiler Plugin`:** Ensures compatibility with Java 11.

Usage Notes

1. Setup:

- Configure the `baseUrl` in `ApiClient` to point to the API server (e.g., `http://localhost:8080`).

2. Execution:

- Use the `Main` class to test the functionality of the client methods.
- Replace SQL queries, table names, and conditions to adapt to your database schema.

3. Error Handling:

- Ensure valid JSON formatting for input data (`values`, `columns`, etc.).
- Catch exceptions in `sendRequest` and log error messages for debugging.