IST 659 Database Administration Concepts and Management Project DB Design for capturing IoT data into MySQL

For the project concept, I would like to use this opportunity to create a model for an application which I am running as a startup. Currently, the application has data stored in MongoDB (noSQL database) and I am trying to build the application with MySQL Backend in AWS

Basically, converting MongoDB collections to SQL Database tables and views

About the Application: It's a mobile app used by Security company guards and other workers who patrol an office or location. The App captures patrol scan details (Location capture, QR Code Scan, Photo Attendance and Incident Reports) which are all monitored in central location

Below is the high-level description of how the data is broken up currently in mongoDB collections

Scans: Provides transaction information of each scan or location tag by a user

Companies: List of Companies created in the system

Users: List of users created in the system

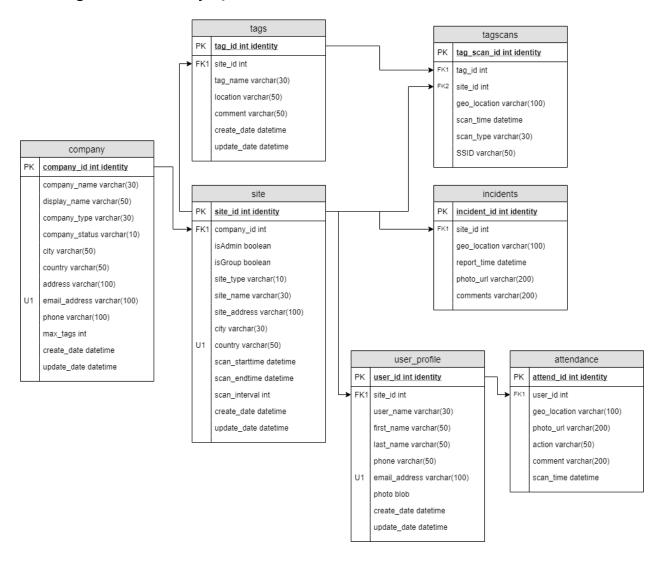
Admins: Admin users who oversee number of users in a company or group

Time Dimension: Linking ScanTime/CreateTime to Time dimension to slice data by

Year/Month/Day/Week

User Patrol Configuration: It has data related to user, their patrol start time, end time, how many points installed in the location they are supposed to scan per day and other details for the user

Modeling of database in MySQL



Company: Stores all the company details

max_tags - how many tags are sold to this company company_status - active/inactive if there is a needed to deactivate a company company_type - type of company (bank, telecom offices, residential complexes etc)

Site: Stores all the site details

site_type - big office, small office, small residential complex, big residential complex

tags: Has all the tag details issued to each site

tag_name – tag name that is assigned for each tag id location – where the tag has been installed in site's premises comments – any information about tag/location for reference

user_profile: contains all users attached to the site

tagscans: stores all tag scanning transactions that happens in each site

captures details from app like site_id, tag_id, exact location (latitude, longitude) captured on the phone when the scan happened, type of scan, SSIS captures the nearest wi-fi connection of the app

incidents: stores all incident transaction that happens in each site

captures information from incidents reports from app for each incident such as site_id, exact location of incident, incident date/time, URL of incident photo uploaded to cloud storage (not storing in database), comments about incident

attendance: stored check-in/check-out transaction that happens in each site

captures which user from the site has checked-in/checked-out of a site. Also captures additional details like exact location of check-in/check-out as per the phone location coordinates, URL of attendance photo when checking in or checking out, action is check-in or check-in, comments (if any), scan_time which is the exact time the user performed this action

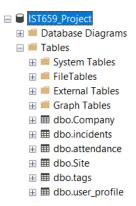
Relationships: I have used Arrows — for connecting table relationship. All arrows point to one to many relationship from source table to target table where the arrow is pointed to

Note: All transactions like tagscans, incidents and attendance are kept in different transaction tables instead of 1 transaction type for 2 reasons

- To avoid having to add more columns to cater to different type of transactions which captures different type of information
- Each transaction servers different business use case and can easily be projected to front end for reporting without having to filter data out from each transaction table

Database Design:

Database with a name IST659_Project created in my local machine in SQL Server as test environment to MySQL database that will be implemented in AWS



DB Table design scripts:



Data imported to the tables:





Please note that only a sample of tagscans attached to the document. Close to 500K records were loaded into tagscans table

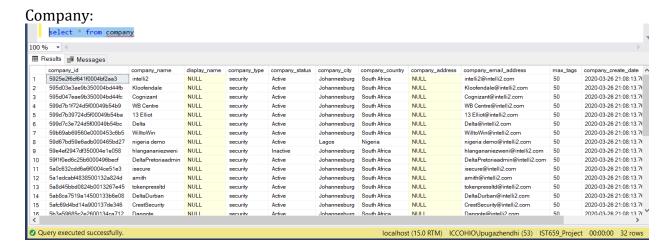
Changes to Datamodel and table structure:

There were several changes made on the final table structure compared to the initial model proposed

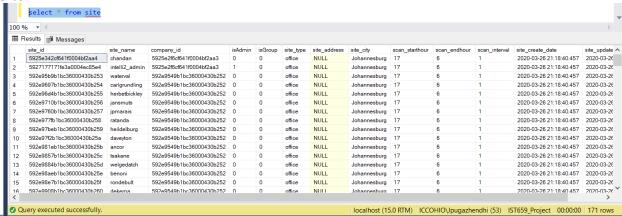
- 1. Link between site and tag tables with site_id has been removed since tags are not dependent on sites
- 2. Several columns across all tables have been change to NULL where there are no values in the data that needs to be loaded to respective tables
- 3. Foreign keys between tables have been removed as some of the data that needed to be migrated to MYSQL doesn't support the foreign key constraint since the data has been taken from a NoSQL database and I needed all data to be migrated

4. Tagscans, incidents and attendance table datatime field converted to varchar since the actual data that need to be migrated is in the format '13 FEB 2020 17:00:00 GMT'. The data conversion for these date time fields will be implemented in the front-end application

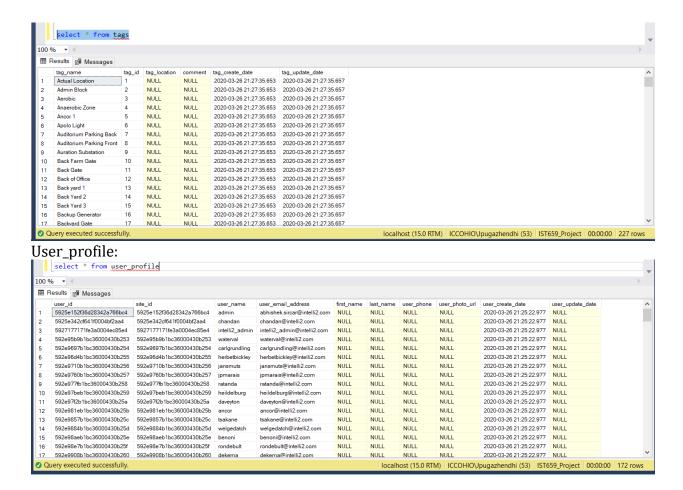
Data Questions:



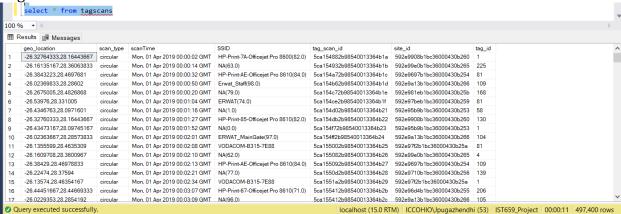
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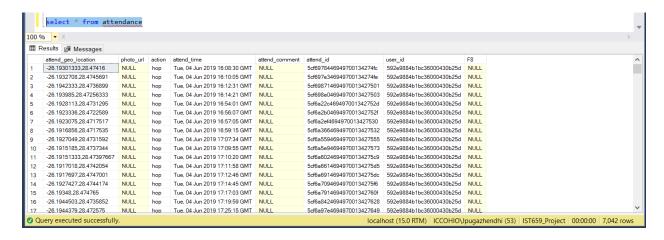
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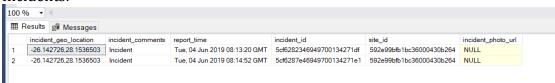
Tagscans:



Attendance:

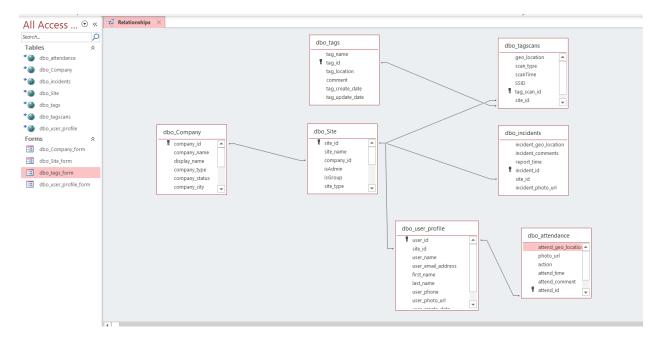


Incidents:



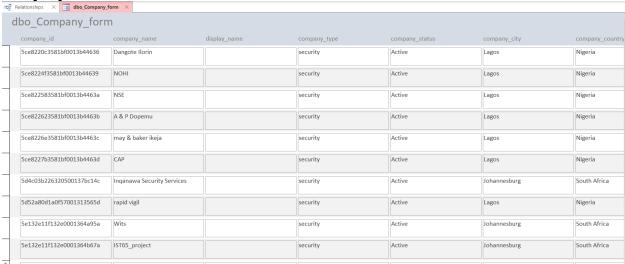
Data Relationships:

Just like the initial proposed design, the tables were linked Only exception below is the relationship between site and tag tables removed



Forms:

Company_form:



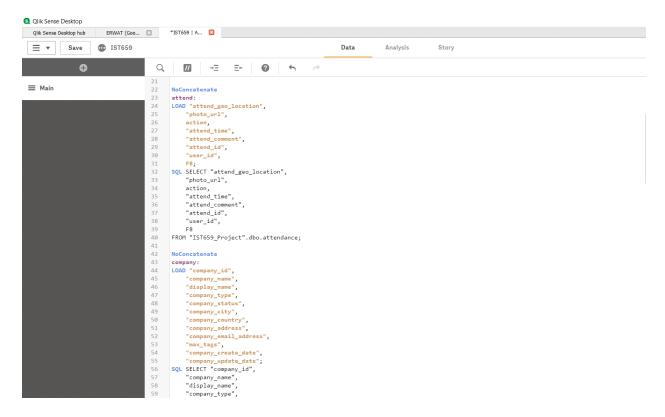
Created a form to enter new company back to company table. Created new record with company_name IST659_project (last entry) in the screenshot. Entry got written into the DB table 'company'

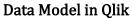


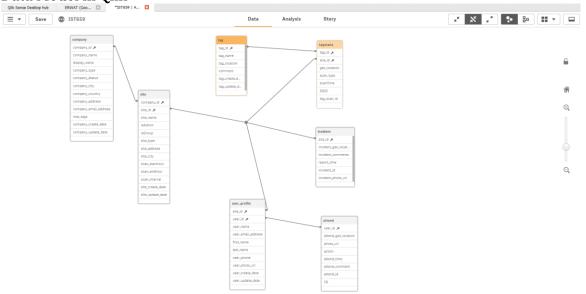
Similary other forms were created dbo_site_form to write data into table site, dbo_tag_form for tag table and dbo_user_profile_form for table user_profile

Reports:

I used Qliksense to pull data from IS659_Project data to load all tables into the BI tool





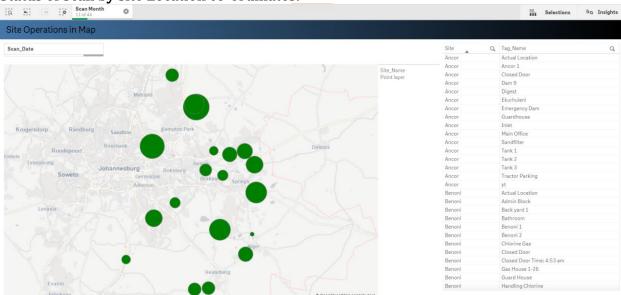


Graphs and Reports generated with the data in Qlik:

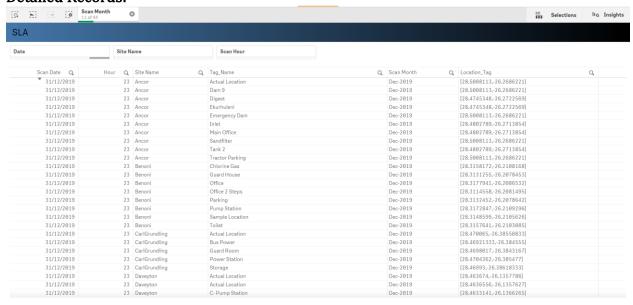
Monthly Report:



Status of Scan by site Location co-ordinates:



Detailed Records:



Summary:

Database was created and tables (company, site, user_profile, tag, tagscans, incidents and attendance) were created to load data into those tables

Primary keys were set on each table to uniquely identify a record on each table. Keys were created which tie each table to another table thus establishing a snowflake type of schema

Created a live connection through ODBC database connection in MS Access to all the tables. Created forms for company, site, user_profile and tags. Only these tables need the forms to create new entries manually. All other tables are transaction data supplied by a mobile app action

All data from the respective tables were loaded to Qliksense Business Intelligence application and a snow flake schema model designed in Qliksense to use for reporting

Some transformation and enrichment rules were applied on the data imported to create Scan_month, Scan_Year , Scan_Week, Scan_Hour, Day/Night Shift based on scan Hour and few other metrics like Expected_Scan_Count, Total_Scans and % of Scans were designed to be used in the final graphs

Monthly scan reports, location wise charts, detailed records were created in qliksense based on the data imported from IST659_Project tables for Year 2019