CSE 180: Lab Section

- What must not happen?
- Transaction Isolation levels (Postgres)
- Adding and Dropping foreign key constraints
- Actions
- Adding CHECK constraints
- Unit testing





Student, Courses, & Enrolment

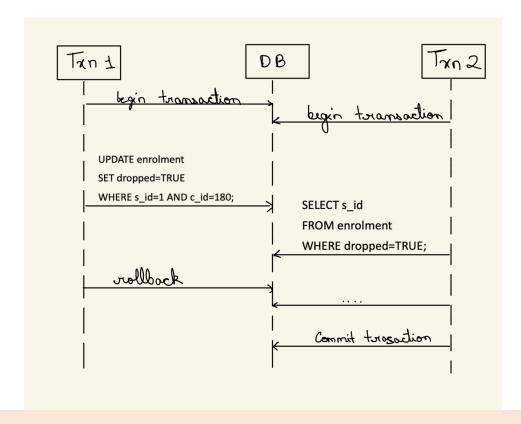
What must not happen?

Complex backend software often leads to business-logic mistakes.

Those possible mistakes are as follows:

- Dirty read
- Lost update
- Non-repeatable read
- Phantoms
- Serialization anomaly

- Dirty read:
- Read uncommitted changes of other transactions



Lost update:

- A lost update is when first transaction reads data into its local memory, and then the second transaction changes this data and commits its changes.
- After this, the first transaction updates the same data based on what it read into memory before the second transaction was executed.
- The update performed by the second transaction can be considered as a lost update.

Example:

- 1. The first transaction reads the number of dropped students for CSE 180.
- 2. The second transaction updates the dropped column for CSE 180 class.
- 3. The first transaction drops the course CSE 180 from the course table because there are very less students enrolled in it.

• Non repeatable read:

 One of the rows you have queried at different stages of transaction may be updated by other transactions.

Example:

- 1. Transaction 1 reads the student ids of CSE 180 from Enrolment table.
- 2. Transaction 2 modifies the dropped column for a few student of CSE 180 class.
- 3. Transaction 1 again reads the student ids of CSE 180 from Enrolment table.

In the above case, transaction 1 will see different/updated data.

Phantom:

New rows are added or removed by another transaction to the set of records being read.

Example:

- 1. Transaction 1 reads the student ids of CSE 180 from Enrolment table.
- 2. Transaction 2 deletes all the courses taken by s_id 1 from the Enrolment table.
- 3. Transaction 1 again reads the student ids of CSE 180 from Enrolment table.

In the above case, transaction 1 will see lesser data because s_id 1 has been removed from the Enrolment table.

Serialization Anomaly:

• The result of successfully committing a group of transactions is inconsistent with all possible orderings of running those transactions one at a time.

Example:

- 1. Transaction 1 reads the data of s_id=1 from enrolment with dropped=TRUE.
- 2. Transaction 2 reads the data of s_id=1 from enrolment with dropped=FALSE.
- 3. Based on the above records, transaction 1 WILL NOT charge the fee for CSE 180 but transaction 2 WILL charge the fee for the same course.

- The term isolation refers to how the concurrent transactions affect each other.
- In Postgres, the Isolation levels are defined in the following way:

Level	Dirty read	Non-repeatable read	Lost update	Phantoms	Serialization Anomaly
Read committed	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO
Repeatable Read	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO
Serializable	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES

• Syntax:

```
Read Committed:
BEGIN;
SET TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL READ COMMITTED;
<Query 1>
<Query 2>
...
• • •
<Query N>
COMMIT;
```

Example

Read Committed:

```
BEGIN;
SET TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL READ COMMITTED;
SELECT * FROM Student;
SELECT * FROM Enrolment;
COMMIT;
```

```
utgupta=# BEGIN;
BEGIN
utgupta=*# SET TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL READ COMMITTED;
SET
utgupta=*# SELECT * FROM Student;
 s_id | s_name
                                        | gpa | has_grad |
                                                                              email
    1 | DAVID
                            1997-01-01 | 3.80 | f
                                                           0123456
                                                                        david@pqrs.com
   2 | JULIA
                4567
                                                           1234589
                                                                        julia@pqrs.com
                            2000-02-18 | 3.90 | f
   3 | DAVID
                2468
                                                           9827123
                                                                        david1@pqrs.com
                            2000-02-01 | 3.80 | f
   4 | JOEL
                3412
                                                                        joel@pqrs.com
                            2002-03-23 | 3.34 | f
   5 | ABY
                4321
                            2000-01-01 | 3.32 | t
(5 rows)
utqupta=*# SELECT * FROM Enrolment;
 s_id | c_id | dropped
        180 | f
        160 | f
        215 | f
        181 | t
        160 | f
        180 | f
        280 | f
        181 | f
        181 | t
        180 | f
        280 | f
    5 I
(11 rows)
utgupta=*# COMMIT;
COMMIT
utgupta=#
```

• Syntax:

```
Repeatable read:
BEGIN;
SET TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL REPEATABLE READ;
<Query 1>
<Query 2>
...
• • •
<Query N>
COMMIT;
```

Example

```
Repeatable read:

BEGIN;

SET TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL REPEATABLE READ;

SELECT * FROM Student;

SELECT * FROM Enrolment;

COMMIT;
```

```
utgupta=# BEGIN;
BEGIN
utgupta=*# SET TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL REPEATABLE READ;
SET
utgupta=*# SELECT * FROM Student;
 s id | s_name |
                                dob
                                        | gpa | has_grad |
                    ssn
                                                             phone
                                                                             email
                            1997-01-01 | 3.80 | f
                                                           0123456
                                                                       david@pgrs.com
    1 | DAVID
               | 1234
                                                                       julia@pqrs.com
   2 | JULIA
                4567
                            2000-02-18 | 3.90 | f
                                                           1234589
       DAVID
               1 2468
                            2000-02-01 | 3.80 | f
                                                           9827123
                                                                        david1@pqrs.com
       JOEL
                            2002-03-23 | 3.34 | f
                3412
                                                                        joel@pqrs.com
    5 | ABY
               | 4321
                            2000-01-01 | 3.32 | t
(5 rows)
utgupta=*# SELECT * FROM Enrolment;
 s_id | c_id | dropped
        180 | f
        160 | f
        215 | f
        181 | t
        160 | f
        180 | f
        280 | f
        181 | f
        181 | t
        180 | f
        280 | f
(11 rows)
utgupta=*# COMMIT;
COMMIT
utgupta=#
```

• Syntax: **Serializable:** BEGIN; SET TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL SERIALIZABLE; <Query 1> <Query 2> ... • • • <Query N> COMMIT;

Example

```
Serializable:
BEGIN;
SET TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL SERIALIZABLE;
SELECT * FROM Student;
SELECT * FROM Enrolment;
COMMIT;
```

```
utgupta=# BEGIN;
BEGIN
utgupta=*# SET TRANSACTION ISOLATION LEVEL SERIALIZABLE;
SET
utgupta=*# SELECT * FROM Student;
                                        | gpa | has_grad |
 s_id | s_name |
                                                                             email
    1 | DAVID
                 1234
                            1997-01-01 | 3.80 | f
                                                           0123456
                                                                        david@pqrs.com
       JULIA
                                                           1234589
                4567
                            2000-02-18 | 3.90 | f
                                                                        julia@pqrs.com
    3 | DAVID
                2468
                            2000-02-01 | 3.80 | f
                                                                        david1@pqrs.com
                                                           9827123
                                                                        joel@pqrs.com
    4 | JOEL
               3412
                            2002-03-23 | 3.34 | f
    5 I ABY
               | 4321
                            2000-01-01 | 3.32 | t
(5 rows)
utqupta=*# SELECT * FROM Enrolment;
 s_id | c_id | dropped
        180 | f
        160 | f
        215 | f
        181 | t
        160 | f
        180 | f
        280 | f
        181 | f
        181 | t
        180 | f
    5 | 280 | f
(11 rows)
utgupta=*# COMMIT;
COMMIT
utgupta=#
```

Adding and dropping a Foreign Key constraint

Dropping a foreign key constraint:

Let us drop the constraint enrolment_c_id_fkey.

Adding and dropping a Foreign Key constraint (cont.)

Dropping a foreign key constraint:

ALTER TABLE Enrolment

DROP CONSTRAINT enrolment_c_id_fkey;

```
utgupta=# ALTER TABLE Enrolment
             DROP CONSTRAINT enrolment_c_id_fkey;
utqupta-#
ALTER TABLE
utgupta=# \d enrolment
           Table "university.enrolment"
         | Type | Collation | Nullable | Default
 Column
 s_id | integer |
                             | not null
 c id | integer |
                              not null
 dropped | boolean |
                             | not null
Indexes:
    "enrolment_pkey" PRIMARY KEY, btree (s_id, c_id)
Foreign-key constraints:
    "enrolment_s_id_fkey" FOREIGN KEY (s_id) REFERENCES student(s_id)
```

Adding and dropping a Foreign Key constraint (cont.)

Adding a foreign key constraint:

ALTER TABLE Enrolment

ADD CONSTRAINT new_enrolment_course FOREIGN KEY (c_id) REFERENCES Courses (c_id);

```
utqupta=# ALTER TABLE Enrolment
              ADD CONSTRAINT new enrolment course FOREIGN KEY (c id)
utqupta-#
                  REFERENCES Courses (c id);
utgupta-#
ALTER TABLE
utgupta=# \d enrolment;
           Table "university.enrolment"
           Type | Collation | Nullable | Default
 Column
 s id
         | integer |
                                 not null
 c id
          integer |
                                 not null
 dropped | boolean |
                                not null
Indexes:
    "enrolment_pkey" PRIMARY KEY, btree (s_id, c_id)
Foreign-key constraints:
    "enrolment_s_id_fkey" FOREIGN KEY (s_id) REFERENCES student(s_id)
    "new_enrolment_course" FOREIGN KEY (c_id) REFERENCES courses(c_id)
```

Actions

- Actions defines the steps for the child table when a row from a parent table is deleted.
- In our case, Student is the parent table and Enrolment is the child table.

Following are the plausible actions:

1. CASCADE:

- 1. If a parent row is deleted then the data of the child row will also be deleted.
- 2. If a parent row is updated then the data of the child row will also be updated.

2. RESTRICT:

- 1. A parent row will not get deleted if there is a row in the child table which references the row in the parent.
- 2. A parent row will not get updated if there is a row in the child table which references the row in the parent.

3. SET NULL:

- 1. The data of the child row will be set to NULL if the parent row is deleted.
- 2. The data of the child row will be set to NULL if the parent row is updated.

Drop the old foreign key constraint

ALTER TABLE Enrolment

DROP CONSTRAINT new enrolment course;

ALTER TABLE Enrolment

DROP CONSTRAINT enrolment_s_id_fkey;

```
utqupta=# ALTER TABLE Enrolment
utgupta-#
              DROP CONSTRAINT new_enrolment_course;
ALTER TABLE
utqupta=# ALTER TABLE Enrolment
              DROP CONSTRAINT enrolment_s_id_fkey;
utgupta-#
ALTER TABLE
utgupta=# \d enrolment;
            Table "university.enrolment"
            Type
                     Collation | Nullable |
 Column
                                            Default
          integer
                                 not null
 s id
 c id
           integer
                                 not null
 dropped
           boolean |
                                 not null
Indexes:
    "enrolment_pkey" PRIMARY KEY, btree (s_id, c_id)
```

Add the new foreign key constraints

```
ALTER TABLE Enrolment

ADD CONSTRAINT new_enrolment_course FOREIGN KEY (c_id)

REFERENCES Courses (c_id)

ON UPDATE CASCADE;
```

```
ALTER TABLE Enrolment

ADD CONSTRAINT new_enrolment_student FOREIGN KEY (s_id)

REFERENCES Student (s_id)

ON DELETE CASCADE;
```

```
utgupta=# ALTER TABLE Enrolment
utgupta-# ADD CONSTRAINT new enrolment course FOREIGN KEY (c id)
utgupta-#
utgupta-#
                REFERENCES Courses (c id)
                    ON UPDATE CASCADE:
ALTER TABLE
utgupta=# ALTER TABLE Enrolment
utgupta-# ADD CONSTRAINT new enrolment student FOREIGN KEY (s id)
utgupta-# REF
utgupta-#
                REFERENCES Student (s id)
                    ON DELETE CASCADE:
ALTER TABLE
utgupta=# \d enrolment;
           Table "university.enrolment"
 Column | Type | Collation | Nullable | Default
 s_id | integer | | not null |
 c id | integer | | not null |
 Indexes:
    "enrolment pkey" PRIMARY KEY, btree (s_id, c_id)
Foreign-key constraints:
    "new_enrolment_course" FOREIGN KEY (c_id) REFERENCES courses(c_id) ON UPDATE CASCADE
    "new_enrolment_student" FOREIGN KEY (s_id) REFERENCES student(s_id) ON DELETE CASCADE
```

• Let us **DELETE** a row from Student table where **s_id=5**;

```
utgupta=# select * from student;
 s_id | s_name |
                                 dob
                                                 has_grad |
                                                                phone
                                                                                 email
                     ssn
                                           gpa
        DAVID
                 1234
                                                              0123456
                                                                           david@pqrs.com
                              1997-01-01
        JULIA
                 4567
                              2000-02-18
                                                              1234589
                                                                           julia@pqrs.com
        DAVID
                 2468
                              2000-02-01 | 3.80
                                                              9827123
                                                                           david1@pqrs.com
        JOEL
                 3412
                              2002-03-23 | 3.34
                                                                           joel@pqrs.com
                              2000-01-01 | 3.32
        ABY
                | 4321
(5 rows)
```

DELETE FROM Student WHERE s_id = 5;

```
utgupta=# select * from student;
 s_id | s_name |
                                 dob
                                                 | has_grad |
                                                                phone
                                                                                 email
                     ssn
                                           gpa
        DAVID
                 1234
                              1997-01-01
                                                              0123456
                                                                            david@pqrs.com
        JULIA
                 4567
                              2000-02-18
                                                              1234589
                                                                            julia@pqrs.com
        DAVID
                 2468
                              2000-02-01 | 3.80
                                                              9827123
                                                                            david1@pqrs.com
        JOEL
                 3412
                              2002-03-23 | 3.34
                                                                            joel@pqrs.com
                              2000-01-01 | 3.32
        ABY
                | 4321
(5 rows)
```

DELETE FROM Student WHERE s_id = 5;

```
utgupta=# DELETE FROM Student WHERE s_id = 5;
DELETE 1
utgupta=# SELECT * FROM Student;
 s id | s name |
                                dob
                                                 has grad
                                                              phone
                                                                              email
                    ssn
                                          gpa
                                                                         david@pqrs.com
    1 | DAVID
                 1234
                             1997-01-01
                                          3.80
                                                            0123456
       JULIA
                 4567
                                                                         julia@pqrs.com
                             2000-02-18 |
                                          3.90
                                                            1234589
       DAVID
                 2468
                             2000-02-01
                                                                         david1@pqrs.com
                                          3.80 | f
                                                            9827123
       JOEL
                 3412
                             2002-03-23 | 3.34 | f
                                                                         joel@pqrs.com
(4 rows)
utgupta=# SELECT * FROM Enrolment;
 s_id | c_id | dropped
         180
         181
    2 |
         160
              f
    2 1
         280
    2 |
         181
         180 | f
(6 rows)
```

• Let us update Course c_id 180 to 130.

```
UPDATE Courses

SET c_id = 130

WHERE c_id = 180;
```

```
utgupta=# UPDATE Courses
utgupta-# SET c_id = 130
utgupta-#
                  WHERE c_{id} = 180;
UPDATE 1
utgupta=# SELECT * FROM Courses;
 c_id | c_name
                    credits
  181 | DB 2
  215 | DB GRAD 1 |
  160 | CG
  280 | CV SEM
  130 | DB 1
(5 rows)
utgupta=# SELECT * FROM Enrolment;
 s_id | c_id | dropped
        181 | t
        160
         280
        181
        130
         130
(6 rows)
```

Drop the old foreign key constraint:

ALTER TABLE Enrolment

DROP CONSTRAINT new enrolment course;

Drop the primary key constraint: (Primary key can't have NULL values)

ALTER TABLE Enrolment

DROP CONSTRAINT enrolment_pkey;

DROP the NOT NULL constraint:

ALTER TABLE ENROLMENT

ALTER COLUMN c_id DROP NOT NULL;

Add new foreign key constraints:

```
ALTER TABLE Enrolment

ADD CONSTRAINT new_enrolment_course FOREIGN KEY (c_id)

REFERENCES Courses (c_id)

ON UPDATE SET NULL;
```

```
utgupta=# ALTER TABLE Enrolment
              ADD CONSTRAINT new enrolment course FOREIGN KEY (c id)
utqupta-#
utqupta-#
                  REFERENCES Courses (c id)
utgupta-#
                      ON UPDATE SET NULL;
ALTER TABLE
utgupta=# \d enrolment;
            Table "university.enrolment"
 Column I
            Type
                   | Collation | Nullable | Default
 s id
          integer
                                 not null
 c id
          integer
 dropped | boolean |
                                not null
Foreign-key constraints:
    "new_enrolment_course" FOREIGN KEY (c_id) REFERENCES courses(c_id) ON UPDATE SET NULL
    "new enrolment student" FOREIGN KEY (s id) REFERENCES student(s id) ON DELETE CASCADE
```

- Our Courses and Enrolment tables are as follows:
- Let us update Courses c_id = 130 to c_id = 180.

```
UPDATE Courses

SET c_id = 180

WHERE c_id = 130;
```

```
utgupta=# UPDATE Courses
              SET c_id = 180
utgupta-#
                  WHERE c_{id} = 130;
utgupta-#
UPDATE 1
utgupta=#
utgupta=# SELECT * FROM Courses;
 c_id | c_name
                    credits
  181 | DB 2
                          5
5
2
  215 | DB GRAD 1
  160 | CG
  280 | CV SEM
  180 | DB 1
(5 rows)
utgupta=# SELECT * FROM Enrolment;
 s_id | c_id | dropped
         181 | t
         160 | f
         280 | f
         181 | t
(6 rows)
```

Adding CHECK constraint

Adding a CHECK constraint on the GPA column:

The current description of the student table is as follows:

```
utgupta=# \d student;
                          Table "university.student"
  Column I
                    Type
                                    Collation | Nullable |
                                                                Default
 s id
            integer
                                                not null
            character varying(30)
 s name
            character(9)
 ssn
 dob
                                                not null |
                                                           '2000-01-01'::date
            date
            numeric(3,2)
 gpa
            boolean
 has grad |
            character(10)
 phone
            character varying(50)
 email
Indexes:
    "student pkey" PRIMARY KEY, btree (s id)
    "student email key" UNIQUE CONSTRAINT, btree (email)
    "student phone s name key" UNIQUE CONSTRAINT, btree (phone, s name)
    "student ssn key" UNIQUE CONSTRAINT, btree (ssn)
Referenced by:
    TABLE "enrolment" CONSTRAINT "new enrolment student" FOREIGN KEY (s id) REFERENCES student(s id) ON DELETE CASCADE
```

Adding CHECK constraint (cont.)

Adding a CHECK constraint on the GPA column:

ALTER TABLE Student

ADD CONSTRAINT gpa_check_constraint

CHECK (gpa \geq 0 AND gpa \leq 4);

```
utgupta=# \d student;
                          Table "university.student"
  Column
                                    Collation | Nullable |
                                                                 Default
 s id
           integer
                                                not null
           character varying(30)
 s_name
            character(9)
 ssn
 dob
            date
                                                not null | '2000-01-01'::date
 gpa
           numeric(3,2)
 has grad | boolean
 phone
            character(10)
          | character varying(50) |
 email
Indexes:
    "student_pkey" PRIMARY KEY, btree (s_id)
    "student email key" UNIQUE CONSTRAINT, btree (email)
    "student_phone_s_name_key" UNIQUE CONSTRAINT, btree (phone, s name)
    "student ssn key" UNIQUE CONSTRAINT, btree (ssn)
Check constraints:
    "gpa check constraint"    CHECK (gpa >= 0::numeric AND gpa <= 4::numeric)
Referenced by:
    TABLE "enrolment" CONSTRAINT "new_enrolment_student" FOREIGN KEY (s_id) REFERENCES student(s_id) ON DELETE CASCADE
```

Unit testing

Let us update the GPA of Student with s_id = 1 to 2.0. (This will meet the CHECK constraint)

```
UPDATE Student

SET gpa = 2

WHERE s_id = 1;
```

```
utgupta=# UPDATE Student
utqupta-#
              SET gpa = 2
utqupta-#
                  WHERE s_{id} = 1;
UPDATE 1
utgupta=# SELECT * FROM Student;
                                 dob
 s id | s name
                                                  has grad
                                                                phone
                                                                                 email
                    ssn
                                           gpa
                              2000-02-18
        JULIA
                 4567
                                           3.90
                                                              1234589
                                                                           julia@pqrs.com
        DAVID
                 2468
                              2000-02-01
                                                              9827123
                                                                           david1@pqrs.com
                                           3.80
        JOEL
                 3412
                              2002-03-23 |
                                           3.34
                                                                           joel@pqrs.com
        DAVID
                 1234
                              1997-01-01
                                                                           david@pqrs.com
                                                              0123456
(4 rows)
```

Unit testing (cont.)

Let us update the GPA of Student with s_id = 1 to -2.0. (This will violate the CHECK constraint)

```
UPDATE Student

SET gpa = -2

WHERE s_id = 1;
```

```
utgupta=# UPDATE Student
utgupta-# SET gpa = -2
utgupta-# WHERE s_id = 1;
ERROR: new row for relation "student" violates check constraint "gpa_check_constraint"
DETAIL: Failing row contains (1, DAVID, 1234 , 1997-01-01, -2.00, f, 0123456 , david@pqrs.com).
utgupta=#
```

Create commands (Students)

```
CREATE TABLE STUDENT (
                                                                      CREATE TABLE COURSES (
                                                                                  C ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
            S_ID INT,
                                                                                  C_NAME CHAR(9) UNIQUE,
                                                                                  CREDITS INT DEFAULT 5 NOT NULL
            S NAME VARCHAR(30),
            SSN CHAR(9),
            DOB DATE DEFAULT '2000-01-01' NOT NULL,
            GPA NUMERIC(3,2),
                                                                      CREATE TABLE ENROLMENT (
            HAS_GRAD BOOL,
                                                                                  S_ID INT REFERENCES STUDENT,
            PHONE CHAR(10),
                                                                                  C ID INT REFERENCES COURSES,
                                                                                  DROPPED BOOL NOT NULL,
            EMAIL VARCHAR(50),
                                                                                   PRIMARY KEY(S ID, C ID)
            PRIMARY KEY (S_ID),
            UNIQUE (EMAIL),
            UNIQUE (PHONE, S_NAME),
            UNIQUE (SSN)
```

Insert Commands (Students)

Student

```
INSERT INTO STUDENT VALUES (1, 'DAVID', '1234', '1997-01-01', 3.8, false, '0123456', 'david@pqrs.com');

INSERT INTO STUDENT VALUES (2, 'JULIA', '4567', '2000-02-18', 3.9, false, '1234589', 'julia@pqrs.com');

INSERT INTO STUDENT VALUES (3, 'DAVID', '2468', '2000-02-01', 3.8, false, '9827123', 'david1@pqrs.com');

INSERT INTO STUDENT VALUES (4, 'JOEL', '3412', '2002-03-23', 3.34, false, NULL, 'joel@pqrs.com');

INSERT INTO STUDENT (S_ID, S_NAME, SSN, GPA, HAS_GRAD, PHONE, EMAIL) VALUES (5, 'ABY', '4321', 3.32, true, NULL, NULL);
```

Courses

```
INSERT INTO COURSES VALUES (180, 'DB 1');
INSERT INTO COURSES VALUES (181, 'DB 2');
INSERT INTO COURSES VALUES (215, 'DB GRAD 1');
INSERT INTO COURSES VALUES (160, 'CG');
INSERT INTO COURSES VALUES (280, 'CV SEM', 2);
```

Enrolment

```
INSERT INTO ENROLMENT VALUES (1, 180, false);
INSERT INTO ENROLMENT VALUES (5, 160, false);
INSERT INTO ENROLMENT VALUES (5, 215, false);
INSERT INTO ENROLMENT VALUES (1, 181, true);
INSERT INTO ENROLMENT VALUES (2, 160, false);
INSERT INTO ENROLMENT VALUES (5, 180, false);
INSERT INTO ENROLMENT VALUES (2, 280, false);
INSERT INTO ENROLMENT VALUES (5, 181, false);
INSERT INTO ENROLMENT VALUES (2, 181, true);
INSERT INTO ENROLMENT VALUES (3, 180, false);
INSERT INTO ENROLMENT VALUES (5, 280, false);
```