DATABASE DESIGN

ONLINE LEARNING PLATFORM



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Introduction

Online learning platforms provide access to wide segments of education to a wider group of customers regardless of geographical location. This facilitates students from across the world to gain education. Therefore, there is a high requirement of data in this process, creating a tailor-made database for providing a platform for strong data scalability is important to ensure smooth operations. The elaboration of database design to best suit the operations of online learning platform is defined in this document including necessary tools and resources for the process. In this article fake data for online learning platform has been derived to draft a tailor-made presentation.

Mission Statement

The sole mission is transforming education by building accessibility, flexibility and affordability for students globally. It also aims toward empowering students with necessary skills for adapting to the rotating economy.

Mission Objectives

- Access to education Increasing global education reach to students for collective good in society
- Lifelong learning Fostering continuous education to encourage students gain skills throughout their lives
- Learning flexibility Self paced learning atmosphere, high portability for students to learn anywhere convenient
- Personalised learning experiences Tailor made learning pathways for creating experiences based on individual user experience
- Student engagement Interactive learning experiences for students along with consistent online feedback to keep students motivated
- Ensure security compliance Ensuring personalised data is compliant with global regulations and to improve learning experiences through data privacy and transparency

Database Design Brief

| Field Name | Type of Data | Particulars |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| submission_id | INT, Primary Key | Unique ID for each submission |
| assessment_id | INT, Foreign Key | ID of the assessments |
| | | (Assessments.assessment_id) |
| student_id | INT, Foreign Key | ID of the student (Users.user_id) |
| score | INT | Marks scored by the student |
| submission_date | TIMESTAMP | Date and time of the submission |

Tools Used for Database Design

Table for Users

| Column Name | Data Type | Description |
|-------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | INIT Drive on Alley | Linique ID for each upor |
| user_id | INT, Primary Key | Unique ID for each user |
| name | VARCHAR(200) | User's full name |
| email | VARCHAR(200) | User's email, must be unique |
| password | VARCHAR(200) | User's encrypted password |
| created_at | TIMESTAMP | Timestamp when the user was created |

Table for Courses

| Column Name | Data Type | Description |
|---------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| course_id | INT, Primary Key | Unique ID for each course |
| title | VARCHAR(200) | Course title |
| description | TEXT | Detailed course description |
| instructor_id | INT, Foreign Key | ID of the instructor (Users.user_id) |
| created_at | TIMESTAMP | Timestamp when the course was created |

Table for Lessons

| Column Name | Data Type | Description |
|-------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| lesson_id | INT, Primary Key | Unique ID for each lesson |
| course_id | INT, Foreign Key | ID of the course (Courses.course_id) |
| title | VARCHAR(200) | Title of the lesson |
| description | TEXT | Lesson content description |

Table for Enrollments

| Column Name | Data Type | Description |
|-----------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| enrollment_id | INT, Primary Key | Unique enrollment ID |
| student_id | INT, Foreign Key | ID of the student (Users.user_id) |
| course_id | INT, Foreign Key | ID of the course (Courses.course_id) |
| enrollment_date | TIMESTAMP | Date and time of enrollment |

Table for Submissions

| Column Name | Data Type | Description |
|-----------------|------------------|--|
| submission_id | INT, Primary Key | Unique ID for each submission |
| assessment_id | INT, Foreign Key | ID of the assessment (Assessments.assessment_id) |
| student_id | INT, Foreign Key | ID of the student (Users.user_id) |
| score | INT | Marks scored by the student |
| submission_date | TIMESTAMP | Date and time of the submission |

Table for Videos

| Column Name | Data Type | Description |
|-------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| video_id | INT, Primary Key | Unique ID for each video |
| lesson_id | INT, Foreign Key | ID of the lesson (Lessons.lesson_id) |
| title | VARCHAR(200) | Title of the video |
| video_url | VARCHAR(200) | URL or path to the video file |

Table for Assessments

| Column Name | Data Type | Description |
|---------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| assessment_id | INT, Primary Key | Unique ID for each assessment |
| lesson_id | INT, Foreign Key | ID of the lesson (Lessons.lesson_id) |
| title | VARCHAR(200) | Title of the assessment |
| total_marks | INT | Maximum marks for the assessment |

Entity Relationships

Users ↔ **Courses:** Teachers create several programs, but there is only one teacher for every course, creating a one-to-many relationship.

Students ↔ **Courses:** Students may sign up for more than one course, and courses may have a large enrollment. This Enrollments database manages this many-to-many relationship.

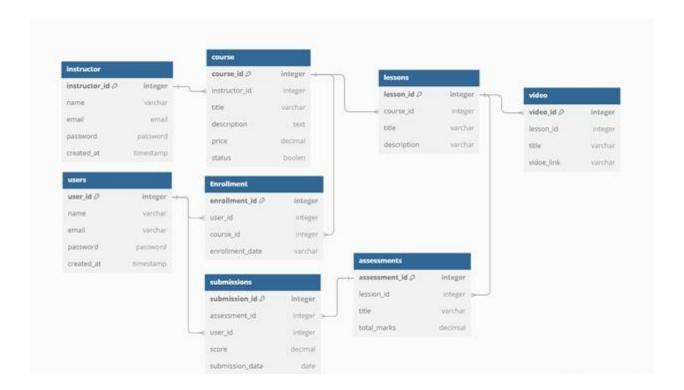
Courses ↔ **Lessons:** Every course has several lessons that are connected one to many.

Lessons ↔ **Videos**: A one-to-many link can be established by including many videos in each lesson

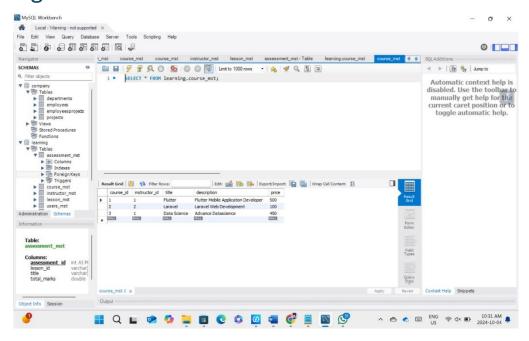
Lessons ↔ **Assessments:** A one-to-many relationship can be created by having many assessments for each lesson.

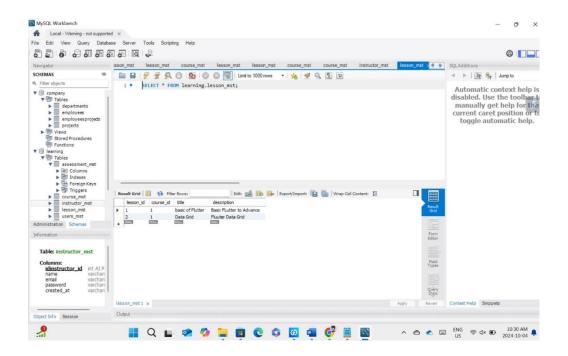
Students ↔ **Assessments:** Through the Submissions table, a many-to-many relationship is formed between students as they submit many tests, each of which can be taken by students.

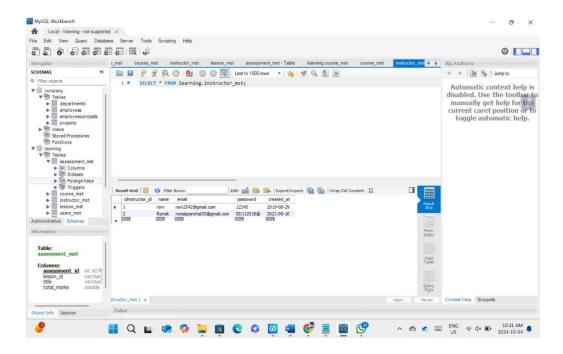
Entity Diagram



Running Databases







Conclusion

An online learning platform's essential functions are handled by the way this database is structured. While preserving scalability and data integrity, it facilitates the creation of courses by numerous instructors, the enrollment and progression of students in these courses, and the platform's tracking of evaluations and submissions. The table relationships guarantee flexibility in handling user interactions and course material. A dynamic and captivating learning environment can be built on top of the database by carefully planning and maintaining these relationships.