

Assignment no. 3

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Title - Android database connectivity

Problem statement -

- Android - database connectivity - create an SQLite application for android application & perform database applications.

Theory -

What is SQLite?

It is an SQL database. So in SQL database, we store data base in tables. The tables are structure for storing data consisting rows & columns.

Android SQLite -

- It is very lightweight database which comes with android as. Android SQLite combines a clean SQL interface with a very small memory footprint & decent speed. For android SQLite, is "baked into" android runtime, so every android application can create its SQLite database.
- SQLite is typical relational database.

Android SQLite Helper -

- Android has features available to handle changing database schemes, which mostly depends on using SQLiteOpenHelper class.
- It is designed to get rid of two very common problems:

When application runs first time, we do not yet have a database. So we will have to create tables, indexes, starter data on so on.

— SQLiteOpenHelper is designed to wrap up these logic to create & custom subclass, upgrade as per our specifications.

```
public DatabaseHelper(Context context) {
    super(context, DB-NAME, null, DB-Version);
}
```

1. onCreate : To create database

2. OnUpgrade : It is called when scheme version we need not match the scheme version of database. It passes us a SQLite Database object

Opening & closing Android SQLite database connection :-

— Before performing any database operations like insert, delete, update in table, open database connectivity by calling getWritableDatabase() method

```
public DBManager open() throws SQLException {
    dbHelper = new DatabaseHelper(context);
    database = dbHelper.getWritableDatabase();
    return this;
}
```

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- The dbHelper is an instance of subclass of SQLiteOpenHelper
- To close database connection, following method is involved

```
public void close () {
    dbHelper.close();
}
```

Android SQLite cursor:-

- A cursor represents the entire result set of query. Once query is fetched a call to cursor moveToFirst() is made. calling moveToFirst() ~~too~~ does two things:
- It allows us to test whether query returned an empty set
- It moves cursor to first result.

```
public Cursor - fetch () {
    String[] columns = new String[] {
        DatabaseHelper.ID, DatabaseHelper.SUBJECT,
        DatabaseHelper.DESC };
    Cursor cursor = database.query(DatabaseHelper.
        TABLE-NAME,
        columns, null, null, null, null, null);
    if (cursor != NULL) {
        cursor.moveToFirst();
    }
    return cursor;
}
```


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- Conclusion- We learnt that,
- How to use SQLite DB & perform CRUD operations on it Android studio
 - How to use cursors.