

# Introduction to database systems

General informations

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**Written exams : No midterm exams**

## **Homeworks (40% of final grade)**

- 3 homeworks.
- Homework must be completed within the prescribed period (~ 10 days).
- Each day of overdue time brings a 3% lower grade from homework.
- The homework average must be positive (> 50%).
- Last year's students do not need to this part again if they passed it last year.

1. homework (end of October – beginning of November)

**Changing a group** is only possible if you find a suitable replacement.

**Contact hours:** By agreement in advance

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# Topics to be covered in tutorials

1. Relational model and SQL
2. Relational algebra
3. Relational calculus
4. QBE
5. Indexing (Tree and Hash)
6. Evaluation and Optimisation
7. Transactions and concurrency control
8. Logical design and normalisation
9. Entity-relational models
10. (Recap before the exam)

# Introduction to database systems

Relational model and SQL

# Relational data model - terminology

- **Relation** – two-dimensional table with columns and rows


Name	Gender	Age
Mark	Male	22
Ivo	Male	18
Tadeja	Female	21
Meta	Female	18

→ relation

# Relational data model - terminology

- **Attribute** – named column of the relation

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 attribute

- **Domain** – a set of „allowed“ values of one or more attributes
  - Examples: colour: {yellow, red, green, blue}  
date of birth: date

# Relational data model - terminology

- **Tuple** – one line in the relation.
- **Cardinality** – number of tuples in a relation.
- **Degree or arity** – number of attributes in a relation.

The diagram shows a table with 5 rows and 3 columns. The first row is the header with blue background. The following four rows are data rows with light blue background. A red bracket on the left side of the table, spanning all five rows, is labeled 'cardinality'. A red rectangle highlights the third row (Ivo, Male, 18), with a red arrow pointing from it to the word 'tuple'. A red bracket at the bottom of the table, spanning all three columns, is labeled 'Degree of a relation'.

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cardinality

tuple

Degree of a relation

# Standard SQL types in PostgreSQL database

- PostgreSQL supports the following types (and some others):
  - Int (-2 147 483 648 do 2 147 483 647)
  - Smallint (-32 768 do 32 767)
  - real
  - char(N)
  - varchar(N)
  - date
  - time
  - Timestamp

...

More: <https://www.postgresql.org/docs/9.5/datatype.html>



# Groups of SQL commands

- **DDL (Data Definition Language)**
  - Table creation - CREATE (TABLE, USER, VIEW,...)
  - Table alteration (ALTER TABLE)
  - Table deletion (DROP TABLE)
- **DML (Data Manipulation Language)**
  - **Record selection (SELECT)**
  - Record insertion (INSERT)
  - Record alteration (UPDATE)
  - Record deletion (DELETE)

# Groups of SQL commands

- **DCL (Data Control Language)**
  - (GRANT)
  - (REVOKE)
- **TPO (Transaction Processing Option)**
  - (COMMIT)
  - (ROLLBACK)
- **Keys**
  - PRIMARY KEY
    - UNIQUE and NOT NULL
  - FOREIGN KEY
    - REFERENCES

# DML group - selections

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SELECT *  
FROM Customers  
WHERE Country='Mexico';
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```

```
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```

```
GROUP BY attributes
```

```
HAVING     group conditions
```

```
ORDER BY attributes, expressions [asc|desc]
```

```
LIMIT      number of lines;
```

For selecting all attributes,  
use \*

Number of lines in the  
output

# DML group - selections

- **SELECT** for inquiry

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**SELECT**

\*

**FROM**

Customers

**WHERE**

Country = 'Mexico';

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# DML group - selections

- **SELECT** for inquiry

Lists the number of customers in each Mexican city

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FROM    Customers
WHERE   Country = 'Mexico'
GROUP BY City;
```

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ORDER BY City DESC
LIMIT 5;
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Return a sorted descending by the City column

Display only top 5

# Operators for comparison

=	equals
!= or <>	differs
> and >=	it is greater or it is greater or equal
< and <=	it is lower or it is lower or equal
IN (...)	corresponds to any element of the set
BETWEEN ... AND ...	is among the given values
LIKE '...%...'	corresponds to a pattern of a string of characters
IS NULL	is an unknown value
NOT ...	operator negation

# Operators for comparison

IN (...)

list details of all customers that live in one of the following countries: Mexico, Italy, Spain

```
SELECT *  
FROM Customers  
WHERE Country IN ('Mexico', 'Italy', 'Spain');
```

BETWEEN ... AND ...

list details of all customers aged between 20 – 30

```
SELECT *  
FROM Customers  
WHERE age BETWEEN 20 AND 30;
```

LIKE '...%...'

list details of all customers whose name begins with K

```
SELECT *  
FROM Customers  
WHERE name LIKE 'K%';
```

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Work environment setup

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Go to postgresQL: <http://www.student.famnit.upr.si/phppgadmin/>

Login as:

user:**OPBvaje**

pass:**OPBvaje**

Click on “PostgreSQL” → on the top right click “SQL”

Execute each of these two lines separately.

- CREATE USER "user\_name" WITH PASSWORD 'set\_password' CREATEDB SUPERUSER;
- CREATE DATABASE "name\_database" WITH OWNER "user\_name" TEMPLATE opb\_19\_20;
- Logout and login with a newly created username

# Create, Insert, Select

```
CREATE TABLE Cities (  
  PostID int,  
  Name varchar(255),  
  Region varchar(255),  
  Population int);
```

**We create a table called 'Cities' with attributes CityID, Name, Region in Population**

```
INSERT INTO Cities (PostID, Name, Region, Population)  
VALUES (6000, 'Koper', 'Primorska', 30000);
```

**We input the data about Koper**

```
SELECT *  
FROM Cities;
```

**We return the whole table of 'Cities'**

# Update, Alter

**UPDATE Cities**

**SET Population = 25000**

**WHERE PostID = 6000;**

**We update the value of population**

**ALTER TABLE Cities**

**ADD PRIMARY KEY (PostID);**

**We define 'PostID' as the primary key in the table 'Cities'**

# Integrity constraint – Domain, Entity, Key

```
INSERT INTO Cities (PostID, Name, Region, Population)
VALUES ('Thousand', 'Ljubljana', 'Osrednjeslovenska',
300000);
```

We get an error because we inputed a string value instead of an integer

(Domain constraint)

```
INSERT INTO Cities (Name, Region, Population)
VALUES ('Ljubljana', 'Osrednjeslovenska', 300000);
```

We get an error, because we left the ID empty ('PostID' = Null)

(Entity constraint)

```
INSERT INTO Cities (PostID, Name, Region, Population)
VALUES (6000, 'Ljubljana', 'Osrednjeslovenska', 300000);
```

Duplicate key error

(Key constraint)



# Integrity constraint – Reference

```
CREATE TABLE Districts (  
    DistrictID int NOT NULL,  
    PostID int,  
    PRIMARY KEY (DistrictID),  
    FOREIGN KEY (PostID) REFERENCES Cities(PostID));
```

We create a new table 'Districts' with primary key 'DistrictID' foreign key 'PostID' which is referenced from table 'Cities'

```
INSERT INTO Districts (DistrictID, PostID)  
VALUES (8, 6000);
```

Insert into table 'Districts'

```
INSERT INTO Districts (DistrictID, PostID)  
VALUES (69, 2000);
```

This insert does not work because table 'Cities' does not include 'PostID'=2000 which would be referenced

# Integrity constraint – Unique

```
ALTER TABLE Cities  
ADD UNIQUE (name);
```

We add a new constraint on the attribute 'name'.  
Values have to be unique on each insert

```
INSERT INTO Cities (PostID, Name, Region, Population)  
VALUES (1000, 'Koper', 'Osrednjeslovenska', 300000);
```

Does not work because the name 'Koper' is already taken

# Primary / Foreign Key

```
INSERT INTO Cities (PostID, Name, Region, Population)
VALUES (1000, 'Ljubljana', 'Osrednjeslovenska', 300000);
```

We add an additional row to 'Cities'

```
INSERT INTO Districts (DistrictID, PostID)
VALUES (12, 1000), (96,1000), (240, 1000);
```

And one into 'Districts'

```
SELECT *
FROM Cities C, Districts D
WHERE C.PostID=D.PostID;
```

We select all attributes from both tables where PostID is matched on both tables

```
SELECT C.postid, districtid, name, region
FROM Cities C, Districts D
WHERE C.PostID = D.PostID AND region='Primorska';
```

We select 'PostID', 'DistrictID', 'name' and 'region' where the latter equals 'Primorska'

# Delete

```
DELETE  
FROM Cities  
WHERE PostID = 6000;
```

Does not work because 'PostID' is referenced in table 'DistrictID' as foreign key

```
DELETE  
FROM Districts  
WHERE DistrictID = 12;
```

We delete a row where DistrictID equals 12

# Drop / Cascade

**DROP TABLE Cities;**

**Does not work because of the reference to the other table. We must use CASCADE**

**DROP TABLE Cities CASCADE;**

Now the table is deleted. Rows in 'Districts' that were referred from 'Cities' are also deleted.

**DROP TABLE Districts;**

Now we delete 'Districts' aswell.