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SQL Judge

1. Introduction

An SQL learning platform that allows users to learn and practice SQL queries. It it provides a set of features including user registration, problem submission, and a leaderboard. And last but not least, it has built in Blog and chatsheet.

Live URL : http://sql-judge.sharafat.xyz/

GitHub Repo: https://github.com/SharafatKarim/SQL-Judge

2. Objective

- To create a platform that allows users to learn and practice SQL queries in a fun and interactive way.
- To provide a set of features that will help users to learn and practice SQL queries.
- To create a platform that will help mentors and teachers to help spreading the knowledge of SQL and database management.
- To enable users to share their learningings through blogs and discussions.
- · A quick way to find chatsheet and resources related to SQL and database management.

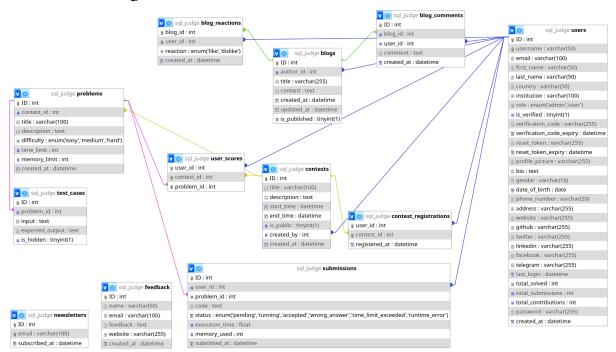
3. Technology

Layer	Technology
Frontend	HTML, CSS & JavaScript
Backend	PHP
Database	MySQL
Authentication	Session storage
Hosting	Localhost, infinityfree
Version control	Git
CI/ CD	GitHub

4. Database Characteristics

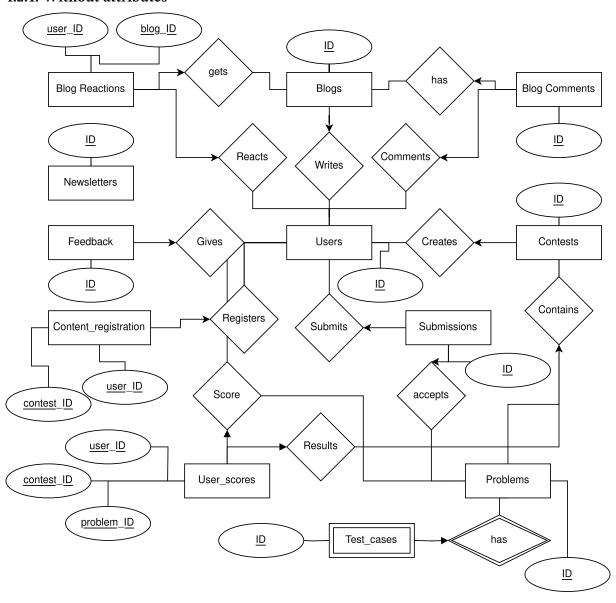
- **CRUD Operations** (Create, Read, Update, Delete) are used in the database in a centralized manner among different frontend instances.
- **Data Integrity** is Enforced through foreign keys and constraints. Also a DDL file is provided to create the database and tables alongside grapical references.
- **Normalization** is applied to reduce redundancy and save disk memory.
- **Auth Security**: Implemented through user authentication and authorization. Mainly session storage is used for user authentication.
- Php **PDO driver** is used for database interactions, so that it can also connect to other databases like PostgreSQL, SQLite, etc.
- Parameterized arguments were used to prevent SQL injection attacks and form validations.
- Database triggers were used to automatically update total_contribution, total_submission and total solved per user.
- Environment variables (.env) are used to store sensitive information like database credentials, so that they are not hardcoded in the codebase. Also, a .gitignore file is used so that database credentials and other sensitive information are not pushed to the public GitHub repository.

4.1. Schema Diagram

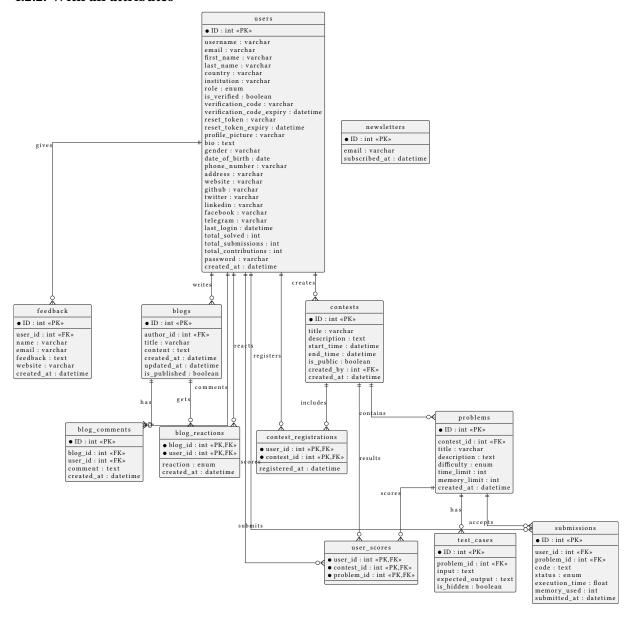


4.2. E-R Diagram

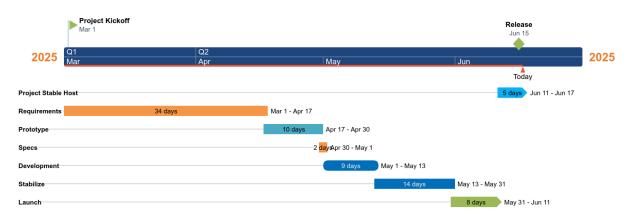
4.2.1. Without attributes



4.2.2. With all attributes



4.3. Gantt Chart



5. Database Implementation

5.1. DDL

Data definition language statements,

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5.1.1. Database Creation
CREATE DATABASE IF NOT EXISTS sql_judge;
USE sql_judge;
5.1.2. Table Creation
5.1.2.1. Users Table
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS users;
CREATE TABLE users (
    ID INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    username VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL UNIQUE,
    email VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,
    first name VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
    last name VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
    country VARCHAR(50),
    institution VARCHAR(100),
    role ENUM('admin', 'user') NOT NULL DEFAULT 'user',
    is_verified BOOLEAN DEFAULT FALSE,
    verification_code VARCHAR(255),
    verification_code_expiry DATETIME,
    reset token VARCHAR(255),
    reset_token_expiry DATETIME,
    profile picture VARCHAR(255),
    bio TEXT,
    gender VARCHAR(10),
    date_of_birth DATE,
    phone_number VARCHAR(20),
    address VARCHAR(255),
    website VARCHAR(255),
    github VARCHAR(255),
    twitter VARCHAR(255),
    linkedin VARCHAR(255),
    facebook VARCHAR(255),
    telegram VARCHAR(255),
    last_login DATETIME,
    total solved INT DEFAULT 0,
    total_submissions INT DEFAULT 0,
    total contributions INT DEFAULT 0,
    password VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
    created at DATETIME DEFAULT CURRENT TIMESTAMP
);
5.1.2.2. Feedback Table
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS feedback;
CREATE TABLE feedback (
    ID INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    user_id INT,
    name VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
    email VARCHAR(100),
    feedback TEXT NOT NULL,
```

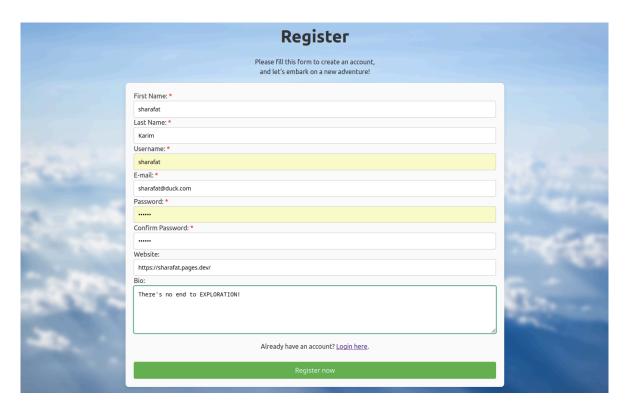
website VARCHAR(255),

```
created at DATETIME DEFAULT CURRENT TIMESTAMP,
    FOREIGN KEY (user_id) REFERENCES users(ID)
);
5.1.2.3. Blogs and Comments
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS blogs;
CREATE TABLE blogs (
    ID INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    author id INT NOT NULL,
    title VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
    content TEXT NOT NULL, -- HTML content
    created_at DATETIME DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    updated_at DATETIME ON UPDATE CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    is published BOOLEAN DEFAULT FALSE,
    FOREIGN KEY (author id) REFERENCES users(ID)
);
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS blog comments;
CREATE TABLE blog_comments (
    ID INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTO INCREMENT,
    blog id INT NOT NULL,
    user id INT NOT NULL,
    comment TEXT NOT NULL,
    created_at DATETIME DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    FOREIGN KEY (blog id) REFERENCES blogs(ID),
    FOREIGN KEY (user_id) REFERENCES users(ID)
);
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS blog reactions;
CREATE TABLE blog reactions (
    blog_id INT,
    user id INT,
    reaction ENUM('like', 'dislike') NOT NULL,
    created at DATETIME DEFAULT CURRENT TIMESTAMP,
    PRIMARY KEY (blog_id, user_id),
    FOREIGN KEY (blog id) REFERENCES blogs(ID),
    FOREIGN KEY (user id) REFERENCES users(ID)
);
5.1.2.4. Newsletters Table
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS newsletters;
CREATE TABLE newsletters (
    ID INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    email VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL UNIQUE.
    subscribed at DATETIME DEFAULT CURRENT TIMESTAMP
);
5.1.2.5. Contests, Problems
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS contests;
CREATE TABLE contests (
    ID INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTO INCREMENT,
    title VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,
    description TEXT,
    start_time DATETIME NOT NULL,
    end time DATETIME NOT NULL,
    is_public BOOLEAN DEFAULT TRUE,
```

```
created by INT NOT NULL,
    created at DATETIME DEFAULT CURRENT TIMESTAMP,
    FOREIGN KEY (created_by) REFERENCES users(ID)
);
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS contest_registrations;
CREATE TABLE contest registrations (
    user id INT NOT NULL,
    contest id INT NOT NULL,
    registered at DATETIME DEFAULT CURRENT TIMESTAMP,
    PRIMARY KEY (user_id, contest_id),
    FOREIGN KEY (user_id) REFERENCES users(ID),
    FOREIGN KEY (contest_id) REFERENCES contests(ID)
);
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS problems;
CREATE TABLE problems (
    ID INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    contest id INT,
    title VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,
    description TEXT NOT NULL,
    difficulty ENUM('easy', 'medium', 'hard') DEFAULT 'medium',
    time limit INT DEFAULT 2, -- in seconds
    memory_limit INT DEFAULT 256, -- in MB
    created at DATETIME DEFAULT CURRENT TIMESTAMP,
    FOREIGN KEY (contest_id) REFERENCES contests(ID)
);
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS test_cases;
CREATE TABLE test cases (
    ID INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTO INCREMENT,
    problem id INT NOT NULL,
    input TEXT,
    expected output TEXT,
    is_hidden BOOLEAN DEFAULT FALSE,
    FOREIGN KEY (problem_id) REFERENCES problems(ID)
);
5.1.2.6. Submissions and User Scores
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS submissions;
CREATE TABLE submissions (
    ID INT NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    user_id INT NOT NULL,
    problem id INT NOT NULL,
    code TEXT NOT NULL,
    status ENUM('pending', 'running', 'accepted', 'wrong_answer',
'time_limit_exceeded', 'runtime_error') DEFAULT 'pending',
    execution_time FLOAT,
    memory used INT,
    submitted_at DATETIME DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    FOREIGN KEY (user id) REFERENCES users(ID),
    FOREIGN KEY (problem id) REFERENCES problems(ID)
);
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS user_scores;
CREATE TABLE user scores (
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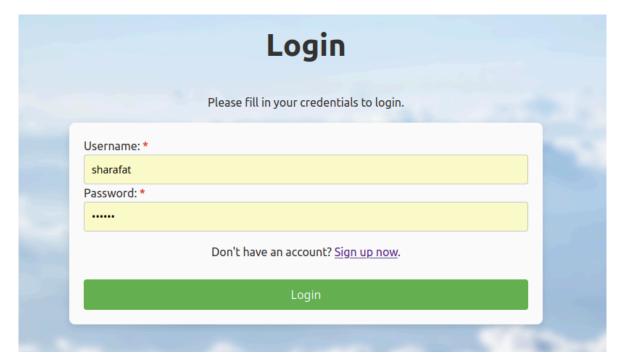
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user id INT NOT NULL,
    contest id INT NOT NULL,
    problem_id INT NOT NULL,
    PRIMARY KEY (user_id, contest_id, problem_id),
    FOREIGN KEY (user_id) REFERENCES users(ID),
    FOREIGN KEY (contest_id) REFERENCES contests(ID),
    FOREIGN KEY (problem id) REFERENCES problems(ID)
);
5.1.3. Triggers
-- A trigger to increment total_contributions for the author when a new blog is
published
DELIMITER $$
CREATE TRIGGER increment contributions after insert
AFTER INSERT ON blogs
FOR EACH ROW
BFGTN
    IF NEW.is published = TRUE THEN
        UPDATE users
        SET total_contributions = total_contributions + 5
        WHERE ID = NEW.author_id;
    END IF:
END$$
DELIMITER;
-- Trigger to decrement total_contributions when a blog is updated from published to
draft
DELIMITER $$
CREATE TRIGGER decrement contributions after update to draft
AFTER UPDATE ON blogs
FOR EACH ROW
BEGIN
    IF OLD.is_published = TRUE AND NEW.is_published = FALSE THEN
        UPDATE users
        SET total_contributions = total_contributions - 5
        WHERE ID = NEW.author id;
    END IF;
END$$
DELIMITER;
-- Trigger to increment total_contributions when a blog is updated from draft to
published
DELIMITER $$
CREATE TRIGGER increment contributions after update to publish
AFTER UPDATE ON blogs
FOR EACH ROW
BEGIN
    IF OLD.is_published = FALSE AND NEW.is_published = TRUE THEN
        SET total_contributions = total_contributions + 5
        WHERE ID = NEW.author id;
    END IF;
END$$
DELIMITER;
-- Trigger to increment total contributions by 1 when a new comment is added
```

```
DELIMITER $$
CREATE TRIGGER increment contributions after comment
AFTER INSERT ON blog comments
FOR EACH ROW
BEGIN
    UPDATE users
    SET total_contributions = total_contributions + 1
    WHERE ID = NEW.user id;
DELIMITER;
-- Trigger to increment total submissions by 1 when a new submission is added
DELIMITER $$
CREATE TRIGGER increment total submissions after insert
AFTER INSERT ON submissions
FOR EACH ROW
BFGTN
    UPDATE users
    SET total_submissions = total_submissions + 1
    WHERE ID = NEW.user_id;
END$$
DELIMITER;
-- Trigger to increment total solved by 1 when a new user scores entry is added
DELIMITER $$
CREATE TRIGGER increment total solved after user score insert
AFTER INSERT ON user_scores
FOR EACH ROW
BEGIN
    UPDATE users
    SET total solved = total solved + 1
    WHERE ID = NEW.user id;
END$$
DELIMITER:
5.1.4. Views
-- View to get the top 5 users based on total solved
CREATE VIEW top_rated_5 as
SELECT username, first_name, last_name, total_solved
FROM users
ORDER BY total_solved DESC LIMIT 5;
-- View to get the top 5 users based on total_contributions
CREATE VIEW top contributors 5 as
SELECT username, first name, last name, total contributions
FROM users
ORDER BY total contributions DESC LIMIT 5;
5.2. DML (SQL Queries)
5.2.1. Authentication
1. User Registration
  INSERT INTO users (username, email, first name, last name, password, website, bio)
  VALUES (:username, :email, :first name, :last name, :password, :website, :bio)
```



2. User Login

SELECT id, username, password FROM users WHERE username = :username"



3. Check if user already exists

SELECT id FROM users WHERE username = :username"

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Username: * This username is already taken.

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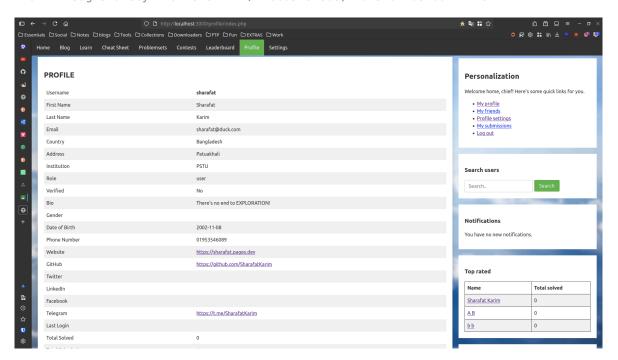
E-mail: *
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5.2.2. User Profile

1. Get user profile

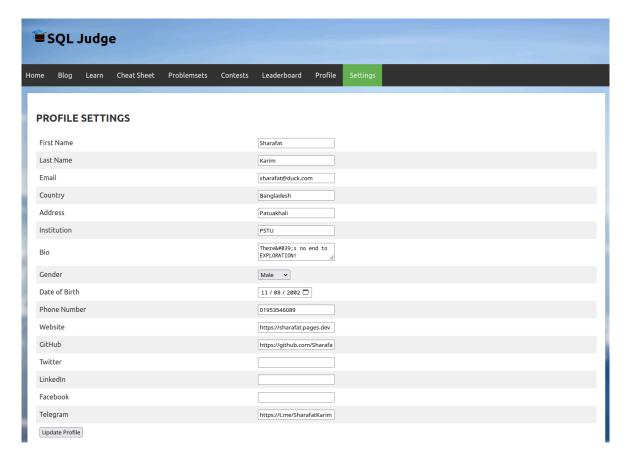
SELECT * FROM users WHERE username = :username

ID, username, email, first_name, last_name, country, institution, role,
is_verified, verification_code, verification_code_expiry, reset_token,
reset_token_expiry, profile_picture, bio, gendar, date_of_birth, phone_number,
address, website, github, twitter, linkedin, facebook, telegram, last_login,
total_solved, total_submissions, total_contributions, password, created_at
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2. Update user profile

```
UPDATE users SET
          first_name = :first_name,
          last_name = :last_name,
          email = :email,
          country = :country,
          address = :address,
          institution = :institution,
          bio = :bio,
          gender = :gender,
          date of birth = :date of birth,
          phone_number = :phone_number,
          website = :website,
          github = :github,
          twitter = :twitter,
          linkedin = :linkedin,
          facebook = :facebook,
          telegram = :telegram
        WHERE username = :username"
```

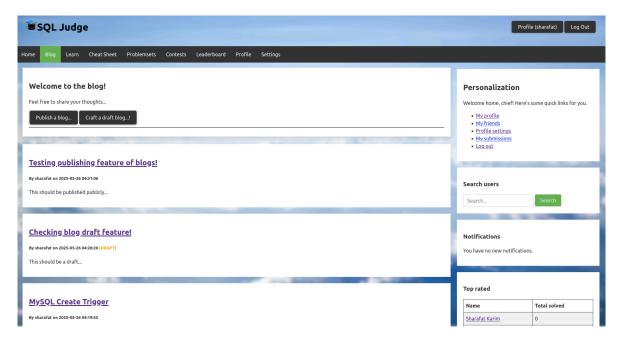


5.2.3. Blog

1. Get all blogs

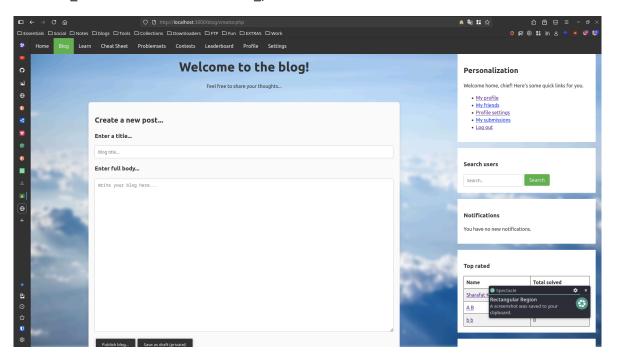
```
SELECT blogs.ID, blogs.title, blogs.content, blogs.created_at, users.username,
blogs.is_published
FROM blogs
JOIN users ON blogs.author_id = users.ID
WHERE blogs.is_published = 1 OR blogs.author_id = 1
ORDER BY blogs.created_at DESC

# ID, title, content, created_at, username, is_published
'9', 'Testing publishing feature of blogs!', 'This should be published
publicly...', '2025-05-26 04:31:06', 'sharafat', '1'
```



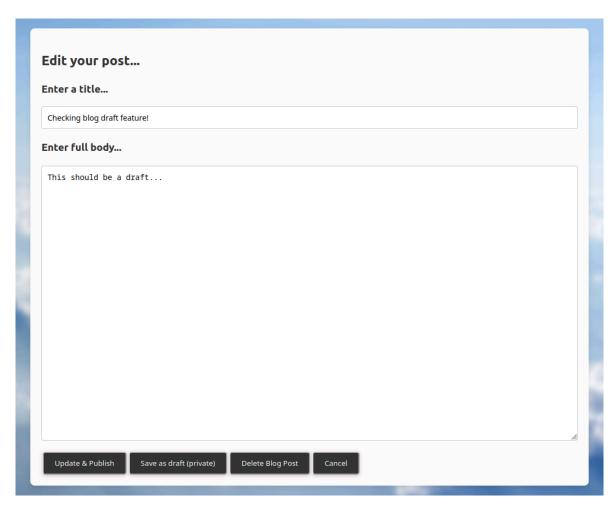
2. Insert a new data (blog)

INSERT INTO blogs (author_id, title, content, is_published) VALUES
(:author_id, :title, :content, :is_published)



3. Update a blog

```
UPDATE blogs SET
     title = :title,
     content = :content,
     is_published = :is_published
     WHERE ID = :blog_id"
```



4. Delete a blog

DELETE FROM blogs WHERE ID = :blog_id

5.2.4. Comment & React

1. Insert a new comment

INSERT INTO blog_comments (blog_id, user_id, comment) VALUES
(:blog_id, :user_id, :comment)



2. Get all comments for a blog

```
SELECT blog_comments.comment, blog_comments.created_at, users.username
FROM blog_comments
JOIN users
ON blog_comments.user_id = 1
WHERE blog_comments.blog_id = 1
ORDER BY blog_comments.created_at DESC

# comment, created_at, username
'interesting!', '2025-05-24 03:37:50', 'a'
```

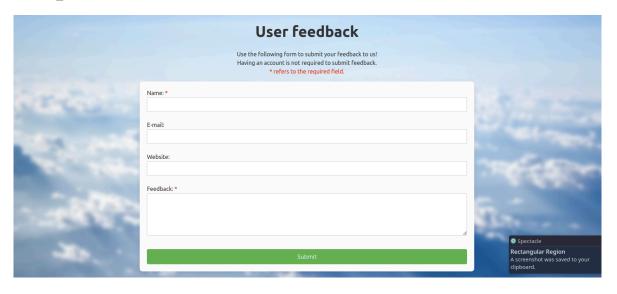
3. Fetch reactions

```
SELECT reaction, COUNT(*) as count
FROM blog_reactions
WHERE blog_id = 1 GROUP BY reaction
```

5.2.5. feedback

1. Insert a new feedback

INSERT INTO feedback (user_id, name, email, feedback, website) VALUES
(:user_id, :name, :email, :feedback, :website)



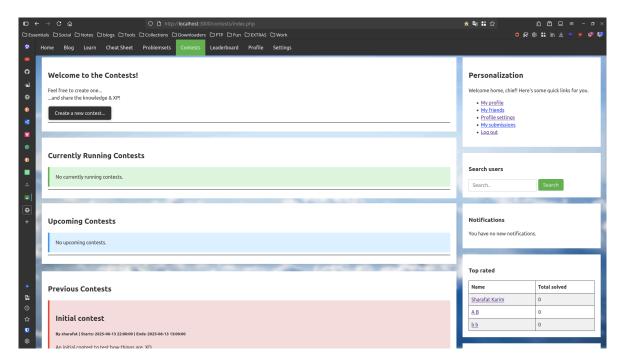
5.2.6. Contest

1. Get all upcoming contests

```
SELECT contests.*, users.username
FROM contests
JOIN users
   ON contests.created_by = users.ID
WHERE contests.start_time > NOW()
ORDER BY contests.start_time ASC;
```

2. Get all ongoing contests

```
SELECT contests.*, users.username
FROM contests
JOIN users
   ON contests.created_by = users.ID
WHERE contests.start_time <= NOW()
   AND contests.end_time > NOW()
ORDER BY contests.start_time ASC;
```



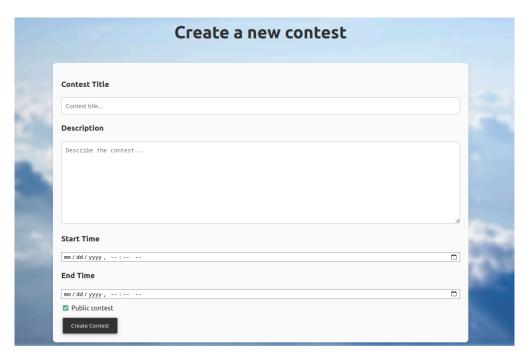
3. Get all previous contests

```
SELECT contests.*, users.username
FROM contests
JOIN users
   ON contests.created_by = users.ID
WHERE contests.end_time <= NOW()
ORDER BY contests.start_time ASC;

# ID, title, description, start_time, end_time, is_public, created_by, created_at, username
'3', 'A past title!', 'A title happended to be happed in the past.', '1992-06-13
00:00:00', '2000-06-21 00:00:00', '1', '1', '2025-06-13 05:03:46', 'sharafat'
'2', 'Second one...', 'A second contest!', '2025-06-13 10:00:00', '2025-06-13
11:00:00', '1', '1', '2025-06-13 04:28:17', 'sharafat'
'1', 'Initial contest', 'An initial contest to test how things are, XD',
'2025-06-13 22:00:00', '2025-06-13 13:00:00', '1', '1', '2025-06-13 04:22:07',
'sharafat'</pre>
```

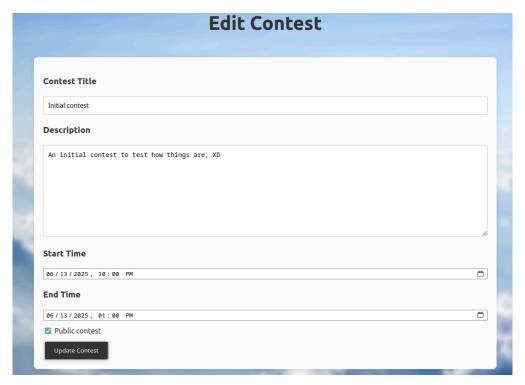
4. Add new contest

```
INSERT INTO contests (title, description, start_time, end_time, is_public,
created_by)
VALUES (:title, :description, :start_time, :end_time, :is_public, :created_by)
```



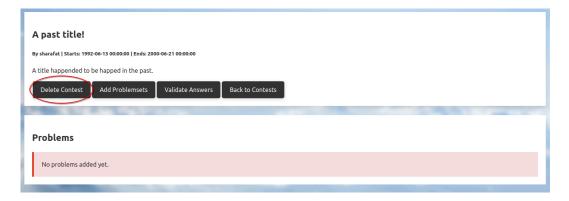
5. Update contest

```
UPDATE contests SET
    title = :title,
    description = :description,
    start_time = :start_time,
    end_time = :end_time,
    is_public = :is_public
    WHERE ID = :contest_id"
```



6. Delete contest

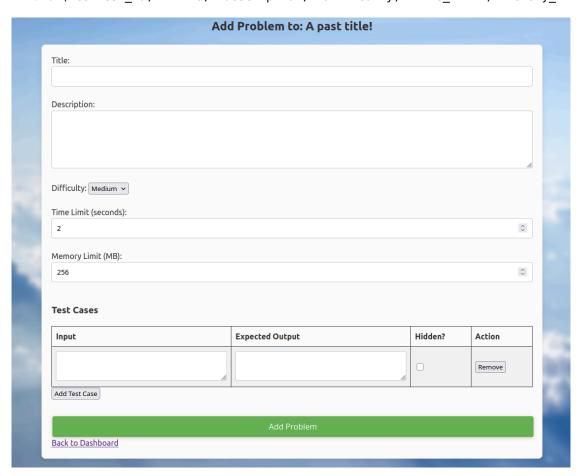
```
DELETE FROM contests WHERE ID = :contest_id
```



5.2.7. Problemsets

1. Add a new problem

INSERT INTO problems (contest_id, title, description, difficulty, time_limit,
memory_limit)
VALUES (:contest_id, :title, :description, :difficulty, :time_limit, :memory_limit)



2. Delete a problem

DELETE FROM problems WHERE ID = :problem_id

3. Get all problems from previous contests

```
SELECT problems.*, contests.title AS contest_title
FROM problems
JOIN contests
ON problems.contest_id = contests.ID
```

```
WHERE contests.end_time <= NOW()
ORDER BY contests.end_time DESC, problems.ID ASC;

# ID, contest_id, title, description, difficulty, time_limit, memory_limit, created_at, contest_title
'2', '1', 'Bye! Bye!', 'Print the title!', 'easy', '2', '256', '2025-06-13
15:42:11', 'Initial contest'</pre>
```

```
Problems from Previous Contests

Title Contest

Byel Byel Initial contest
```

5.2.8. Leaderboard

1. Get top 5 users based on total_solved

```
SELECT *
FROM top_rated_5

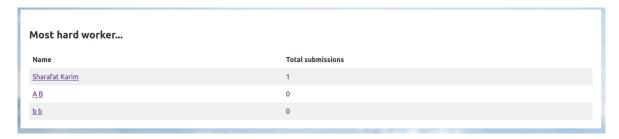
# username, first_name, last_name, total_solved
'sharafat', 'Sharafat', 'Karim', '1'
'a', 'A', 'B', '0'
'b', 'b', 'b', '0'
```

Top rated				
Total solved				
0				
0				
0				

2. Get 50 user's rank based on total_contribution

3. Get 50 user's rank based on total_submission

```
'A', 'B', 'a', '2'
'b', 'b', 'b', '0'
```



4. Get 50 user's rank based on total_contribution

Most contribution	
Name	Total contributions
Sharafat Karim	32
AB	1
<u>b b</u>	0

5.2.9. Newsletters

1. Insert a new newsletter subscription

INSERT INTO newsletters (email) VALUES (:email)



6. Limitations

- The platform is currently hosted on a free hosting service, which may have limitations on performance and uptime.
- Currenty the creator of the contest has to manually review the submissions and update the user scores. This can be automated in the future.
- Markdown editor is not implemented yet, so users cannot format their blogs and comments using markdown syntax everywhere.

7. Conclusion

Finally we can conclude that, SQL Judge platform will help mentors and teachers to help spreading the knowledge of SQL and database management. It will also help students to learn and practice SQL queries in a fun and interactive way. The platform is designed to be user-friendly and easy to navigate, making it accessible to users of all skill levels.

8. References

8.1. Documentations

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