

# DB2 Assignments 2 + 3



## **DB2 Assignments 2**

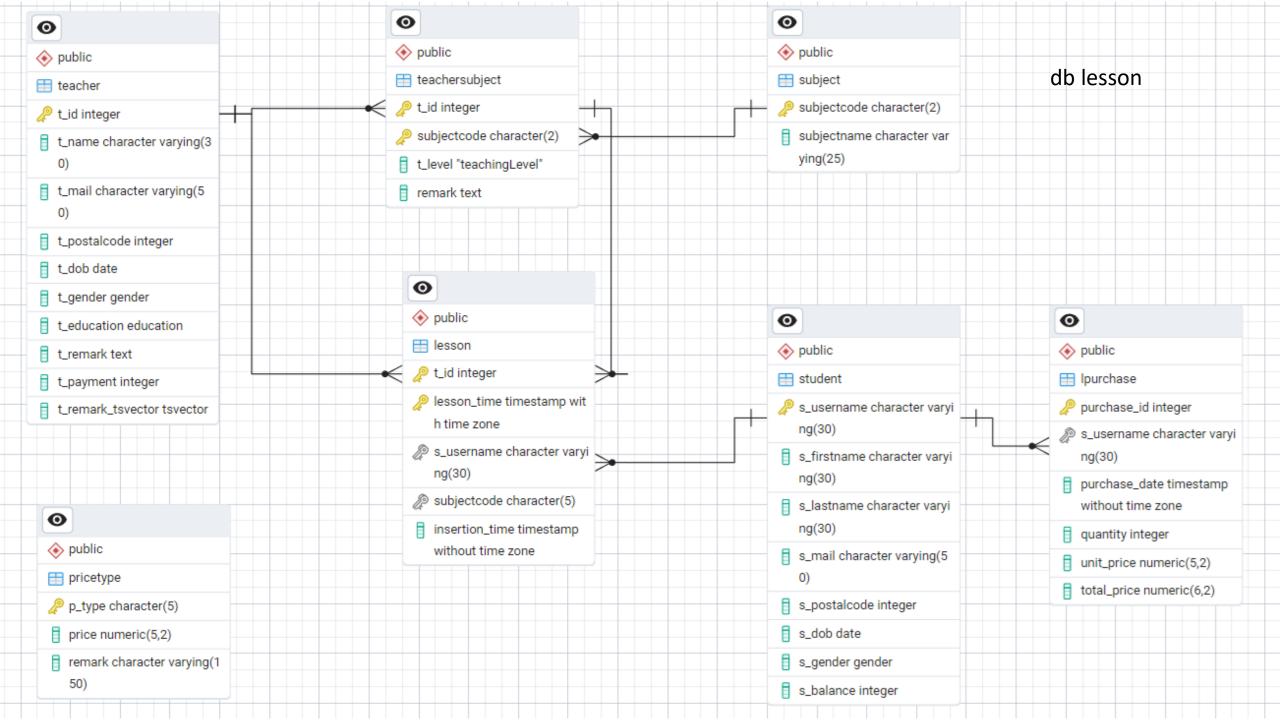


#### **Lesson Database**

Implement database lesson according to ERD on next slide.

ERD: ER-Diagram: visualized scheme of an existing database. An ERD is NOT a database design.

- add constraints (PKs, FKs) to fullfill integrity requirements,
- add check constraint to only allow purchases in increments of 5,
- insert values as provided in TEAMS,
- optional: add trigger to calculate price at purchase time depending on age of students,
  - 1. What event does the trigger get fired on?
  - 2. Is it a before or after trigger?
  - 3. Write a trigger function with the SQL code
  - 4. Create a trigger, associated with the specifc table and specific event
  - 5. Execute your trigger function within your trigger
  - 6. Test your trigger





#### **Referential Integrity**

Insert the following row into table lesson:

What error do you get and why?



## **Referential Integrity**

```
We schedule a couple of lessons in our database.

What happens when we insert the following two rows into table lesson?
```

```
INSERT INTO lesson (t_id, lesson_time, s_username, subjectcode) VALUES (14, '2024-04-08 05:22:12.000000', 'Mickey', 'EN');
```

```
INSERT INTO lesson (t_id, lesson_time, s_username, subjectcode) VALUES (14, '2024-04-08 05:22:12.000000', 'Rose', 'EN');
```

Does the database react as we expect?



# **Assignments 3**



Create the following table:

```
CREATE TABLE public.test
(
    "ID" serial,
    name character varying(30),
    PRIMARY KEY ("ID")
);

ALTER TABLE IF EXISTS public.test
    OWNER to postgres;
```



Run the following command sequence, in **PSQL**:

```
INSERT into test values (1,'Miller');
INSERT into test values (2,'Doe');
ROLLBACK;
START TRANSACTION;
INSERT into test values (3,'Neuer');
INSERT into test values (4,'Herrmann');
COMMIT;
INSERT into test values (5,'Niemann');
INSERT into test values (6,'Smith');
rollback;
```

Which rows are in the table after running the sequence? Explain!



- delete the data rows out of table test.
- run the same command sequence in PGAdmin4:

```
INSERT into test values (1,'Miller');
INSERT into test values (2,'Doe');
ROLLBACK;
START TRANSACTION;
INSERT into test values (3,'Neuer');
INSERT into test values (4,'Herrmann');
COMMIT;
INSERT into test values (5,'Niemann');
INSERT into test values (6,'Smith');
rollback;
```

https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/tutorial-transactions.html

Some client libraries issue BEGIN and COMMIT commands automatically, so that you might get the effect of transaction blocks without asking. Check the documentation for the interface you are using.

Which rows are in the table after running the sequence?

**Never use PGAdmin for transaction tests!** 



## PostgreSQL Autocommit

Most RDBMS know two modes for transaction commits. The modes are controlled by the **autocommit** command.

MariaDB: show variables like '%autocommit'

PostgreSQL: \echo :AUTOCOMMIT

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lesson=#\set AUTOCOMMIT off | on

In mariadb INNODB and PostgreSQL the default setting is:

Autocommit = ON

By default (without BEGIN), PostgreSQL executes transactions in "autocommit" mode, that is, each statement is executed in its own transaction and a commit is implicitly performed at the end of the statement (if execution was successful, otherwise a rollback is done). https://www.postgresql.org/docs/16/sql-begin.html



- Delete the data rows out of table test.
- Set autocommit OFF in command line
- Run the same command sequence again on command line

```
INSERT into test values (1,'Miller');
INSERT into test values (2,'Doe');
ROLLBACK;
START TRANSACTION;
INSERT into test values (3,'Neuer');
INSERT into test values (4,'Herrmann');
COMMIT;
INSERT into test values (5,'Niemann');
INSERT into test values (6,'Smith');
rollback;
```

Which rows are in the table after running the same sequence in PSQL but with autocommit off?



- Delete the data rows out of table test.
- Run the same command sequence again on command line –
   but without the last rollback command!

```
INSERT into test values (1,'Miller');
INSERT into test values (2,'Doe');
ROLLBACK;
START TRANSACTION;
INSERT into test values (3,'Neuer');
INSERT into test values (4,'Herrmann');
COMMIT;
INSERT into test values (5,'Niemann');
INSERT into test values (6,'Smith');
```

- Check that transaction is still active:
   SELECT \* FROM pg\_stat\_activity WHERE state IN ('active', 'idle in transaction');
- end transaction manually by typing command commit; in PSQL
- Check, which rows are in the table



#### PostgreSQL Autocommit

On the server side, PostgreSQL operates in autocommit mode.

On the client side, autocommit mode can be turned off in two ways:

- 1. Explicitly: By setting autocommit OFF
- 2. Implicitly: By starting a transaction with a BEGIN statement

If you disable autocommit, Postgres understands all commands as implicit transactions – independent of whether you explicitly start a transaction or not.

But: PostgreSQL will wait for a commit / rollback to finish a transaction.

If that command does not come, the session will remain in the state "idle in transaction". This means that locks may not be released.



#### **Transactions on Different Rows**

- Open 2 sessions in PSQL (command line sessions)
- Run two concurrent transactions that operate on the same table (teacher) but different rows.
- Run the transactions in default isolation level

T1: reads out t\_payment counter of **teacher 1**, then sleeps for some seconds, then sets payment counter to 0

T2: starts right after T1, increments t\_payment counter of **teacher 2** by 3, then commits

- Do both transactions run right through and commit?
- Change isolation level to repeatable read.
- Do both transactions run through and commit?
- What conclusions do you draw regarding PostgreSQL isolation mechanism?



#### **Transactions on Different Colums**

- Open 2 sessions in PSQL (command line sessions)
- Run two concurrent transactions that operate on the same table (teacher) on the same table (teacher) and on **the same row** but on **different columns**.
- Run the transactions in default isolation level

T1: reads out t\_payment counter of teacher 2, then does some application logic, then resets the counter of teacher 2 to 0

T2 updates t\_education of teacher 2, sets t\_education = 'Bachelor'

- Do both transactions run right through and commit?
- Can both transactions eventually commit?



#### **Transactions on Different Columns**

Change the isolation level to repeatable read:

T1: reads out t\_payment counter of teacher 2, then does some application logic, then resets the counter of teacher 2 to 0

T2 updates t\_education of teacher 2, sets t\_education = 'Bachelor'

- Do both transactions run right through and commit?
- Can both transactions eventually commit?
- Let T2 rollback instead of commit. What effect does this have on T1?



#### **Concurrent Write Transactions**

Run the 2 sequences of sliude 21 again, in default isolation level. The only difference is that T2 now also does some application code – simulated by select pg\_sleep() – see red line /\* client session 1 – Agency pays teacher 1\*/ Begin; select t payment from teacher where t id = 1; /\* some application code - calculating how much money teacher gets and doing the money transfer \*/ select pg sleep(20); update teacher set t payment=0 where t id = 1; commit; /\* Client Session 2 – teacher reports back hours \*/ Begin; update teacher set t\_payment = t\_payment + 3 where t\_id = 1; SELECT t payment FROM teacher WHERE t id = 1; select pg sleep(20); Explain the execution. commit;



## Isolation Levels – feel free to use AI for your answer.

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2. What anomalies (consistency problems) do the different levels prevent?

- 3. Which isolation levels does Postgres offer?
- 4. Which isolation levels does MySQL / MariaDB offer?