

Online Retail Application Database

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1. Introduction

The rise of e-commerce and online retailing has created a massive need for efficient database systems that can manage large volumes of products, orders, and payments. The Online Retail Application Database project aims to design a relational database that supports the backend of a typical online shopping platform.

Objectives:

- Design a normalized relational database for online retail.
- Implement SQL queries for product management, customer orders, and payments.
- Ensure data integrity and efficient retrieval.

2. System Requirements

2.1 Functional Requirements:

- Manage products, categories, customers, orders, and payments.
- Enable order tracking and invoice generation.

2.2 Non-Functional Requirements:

- Database normalization to at least 3NF.
- Indexing for performance improvement.
- Security measures (e.g., input validation).

3. Database Design

The following ER diagram illustrates the entity relationships:

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4. Database Schema and SQL

```
CREATE TABLE Categories (  
    category_id INT PRIMARY KEY,  
    category_name VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL  
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE Products (  
    product_id INT PRIMARY KEY,  
    product_name VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,  
    price DECIMAL(10,2) NOT NULL,  
    quantity_in_stock INT NOT NULL,  
    category_id INT,  
    FOREIGN KEY (category_id) REFERENCES Categories(category_id)  
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE Customers (  
    customer_id INT PRIMARY KEY,  
    name VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,  
    email VARCHAR(100),  
    phone VARCHAR(15)  
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE Orders (  
    order_id INT PRIMARY KEY,  
    customer_id INT,  
    order_date DATE,  
    status VARCHAR(50),  
    FOREIGN KEY (customer_id) REFERENCES Customers(customer_id)  
);
```

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```
CREATE TABLE OrderDetails (  
    order_detail_id INT PRIMARY KEY,  
    order_id INT,  
    product_id INT,  
    quantity INT,  
    subtotal DECIMAL(10,2),  
    FOREIGN KEY (order_id) REFERENCES Orders(order_id),  
    FOREIGN KEY (product_id) REFERENCES Products(product_id)  
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE Payments (  
    payment_id INT PRIMARY KEY,  
    order_id INT,  
    payment_date DATE,  
    amount_paid DECIMAL(10,2),  
    method VARCHAR(50),  
    FOREIGN KEY (order_id) REFERENCES Orders(order_id)  
);
```

5. Sample Data

```
INSERT INTO Categories VALUES (1, 'Electronics'), (2, 'Books');  
INSERT INTO Products VALUES (101, 'Laptop', 70000, 50, 1);  
INSERT INTO Products VALUES (102, 'Smartphone', 30000, 100, 1);  
INSERT INTO Products VALUES (103, 'Fiction Book', 500, 200, 2);  
INSERT INTO Customers VALUES (1, 'Ravi Kumar', 'ravi@mail.com', '9876543210');  
INSERT INTO Orders VALUES (201, 1, '2025-06-10', 'Shipped');  
INSERT INTO OrderDetails VALUES (301, 201, 101, 1, 70000);  
INSERT INTO Payments VALUES (401, 201, '2025-06-11', 70000, 'Credit Card');
```

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6. Key SQL Queries

a) List all products in stock:

```
SELECT product_name, price FROM Products WHERE quantity_in_stock > 0;
```

b) Get customer orders:

```
SELECT Orders.order_id, Customers.name, Orders.order_date  
FROM Orders JOIN Customers ON Orders.customer_id = Customers.customer_id;
```

c) Calculate total order cost:

```
SELECT order_id, SUM(subtotal) AS total_amount FROM OrderDetails GROUP BY order_id;
```

d) View full order details:

```
SELECT c.name, p.product_name, od.quantity, od.subtotal  
FROM OrderDetails od  
JOIN Orders o ON od.order_id = o.order_id  
JOIN Products p ON od.product_id = p.product_id  
JOIN Customers c ON o.customer_id = c.customer_id;
```

7. Normalization

The database is normalized to 3NF:

- No repeating groups or multivalued fields.
- Partial and transitive dependencies are removed.
- Foreign keys maintain referential integrity.

8. Future Enhancements

- Add user authentication and admin dashboard.
- Integrate delivery tracking and return/refund management.
- Analytics module for sales performance.

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9. Conclusion

The project successfully demonstrates the design and implementation of a structured, relational database for an online retail platform. It highlights the importance of proper schema design, normalization, and SQL proficiency.

10. Appendix

A. ER Diagram - Included above.

B. Full SQL Script - All SQL queries combined in the documentation.

C. Screenshots - If implemented using MySQL Workbench or phpMyAdmin.