

INFS 7901 Database Principle Project Report

Turtle Conservation and Research Database System



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Aim and Background

Aim: The aim of the Turtle Conservation and Research Database System is to provide a comprehensive platform that facilitates the conservation and study of turtles by collecting, managing, and analysing data concerning individual turtles, their species, habitats, and conservation efforts. The system aims to enable researchers and wildlife organizations to access, manage and analyse data easily, visualize and collaborate to ensure secure access control and user management.

Background: The declining population of turtles due to various factors, including habitat loss, pollution, and overexploitation, highlights the need for a centralized database system that facilitates the management and analysis of data concerning individual turtles, their species, habitats, and conservation efforts. The system's functionalities enable users to manage individual turtles, species, habitats, observations, conservation projects, and researcher profiles while providing secure access control and user management.

The Turtle Conservation and Research Database System has the following main components:

- (1) **Data Management:** The system allows users to add, delete, and update data related to all entities, including individual turtles, turtle species, habitats, tags, researchers, marine biologists, and conservationists. Users can also manage observations and conservation projects.
- (2) **Search Functionality:** The system includes a simple search function that allows users to search for information related to individual turtles, their species, habitats, researchers, and conservation efforts.
- (3) **Data Analysis and Visualization:** The system supports data analysis and visualization, enabling researchers to analyze and visualize data related to turtle populations, habitats, and conservation efforts.
- (4) **Secure Access Control and User Management:** The system ensures secure access control and user management, allowing administrators to manage user access and permissions to the system's data and functionalities.

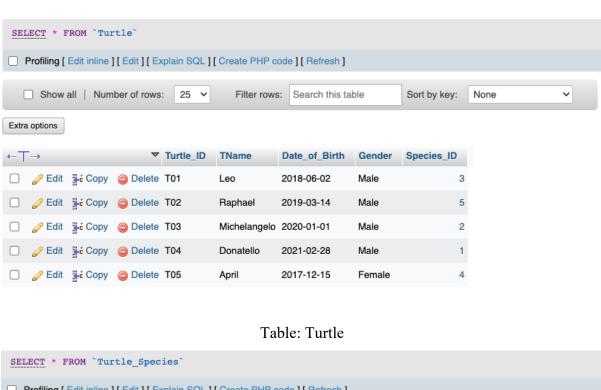
Query Demonstration

1. Join Operation

Table Turtle and Turtle_Species are connected by Species_ID, that is Turtle.Species_ID reference to Turtle_Species. Species_ID.

Result:

Before Join:



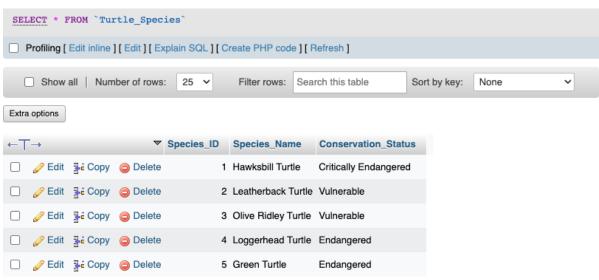
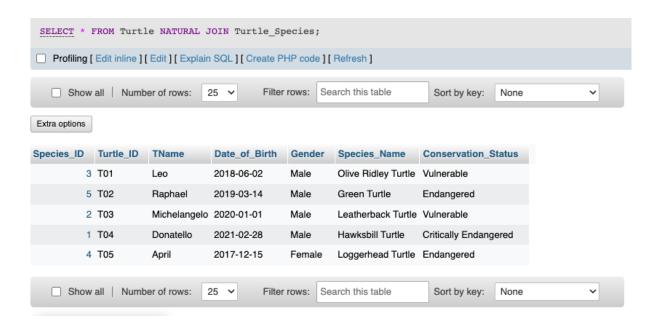


Table: Turtle_Species

After Join:



The Species_Name and Conservation_Status have been added to Table: Turtle.

2. Aggregation Query

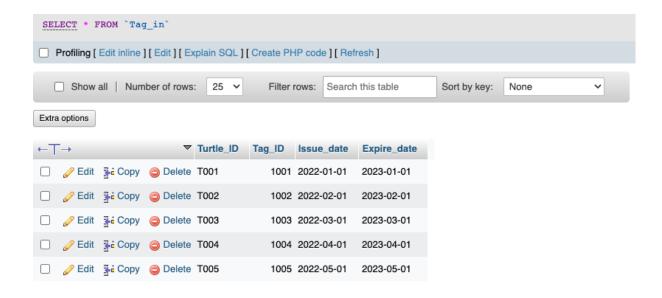
Query and Explanation

Counts the number of Expire date records which Issue date after 2022-03-01 from Table Tag in.

Result:



Original Tag in table:



3. Aggregation with Group-By

Query and Explanation

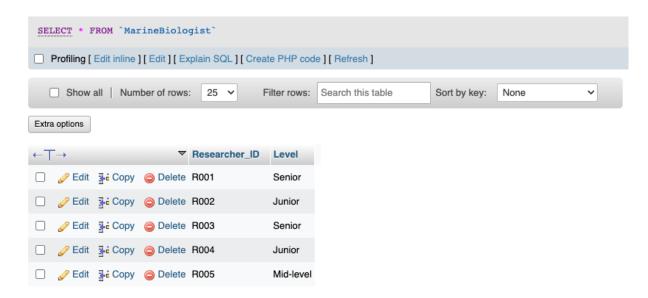
Using SELECT COUNT () and GROUP BY together.

Count Researcher_ID by level.

Result



Original table: MarineBiologist shows as following:



4. Delete Operation with Cascade

Query and Explanation

Delete the "S4" level records in table: Conservationist with cascade, which means the record in Conservationist Expertise would be delete as well.

```
DELETE FROM Conservationist WHERE LEVEL='S4';
```

before delete:

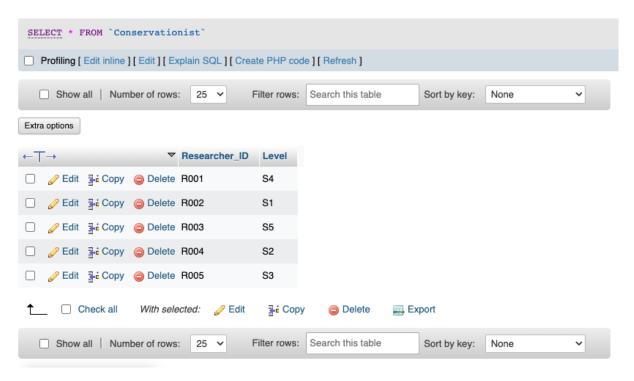


Table: Conservationist

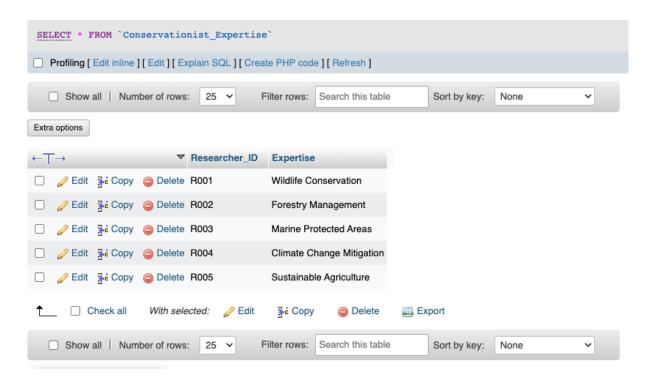


Table: Conservationist Expertise

After delete:

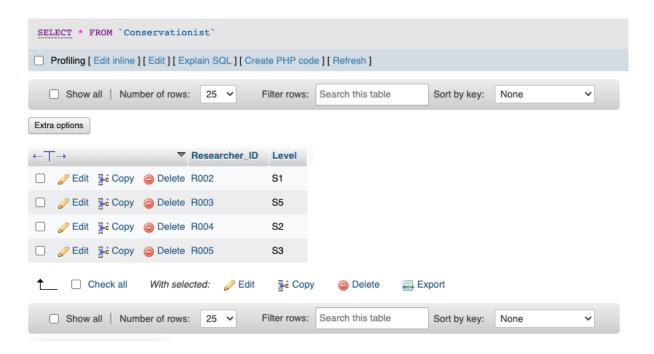


Table: Conservationist

We can see that the record of Researcher_ID = 'R001' were deleted in both tables.

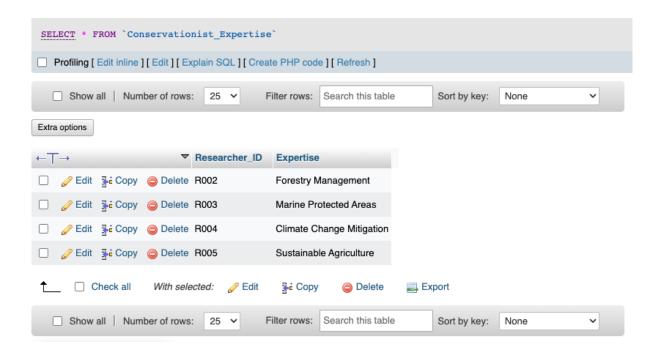


Table: Conservationist_Expertise

5. Update Operation

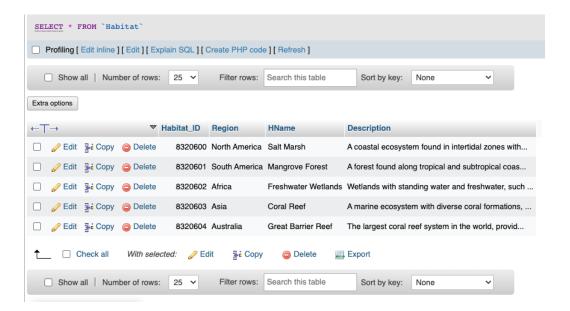
Query and Explanation

```
UPDATE Habitat SET Description = 'Unkown' WHERE Region = 'Asia';
```

Change the Asia Region Description to 'Unkown' in table: Habitat.

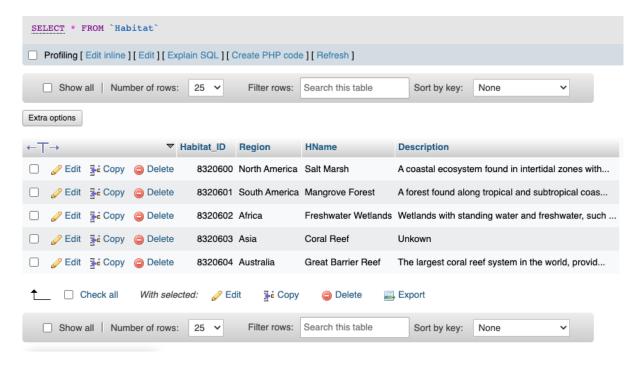
Result

before update:



After update:

The Description has been changed into 'Unkown'.



Conclusion:

I dedicated approximately 50 hours to complete this project. Most of the time was spent designing the E/R diagram and completing the SQL Dump. The schema, functional dependencies, and normalized schema took no more than 4 hours each, and the remaining time was spent sporadically on completing the report.

Designing the E/R diagram and mapping them to schema were my favorite parts of the project. It was a meaningful process that allowed me to bring my ideas to real project step by step. While using "draw.io" to draw the diagram was a bit challenging, it helped me to become familiar with the tool, and I believe it will benefit me in the future. On the other hand, SQL Dump was my least favorite part as it was a repetitive process that could be tedious but was necessary to perform meaningful queries. Fortunately, Phpmyadmin was very convenient and powerful, which saved me a lot of trouble overall.

The most helpful aspect of completing this project was the professor's slides, which were detailed and covered most of the knowledge I needed. Additionally, the tutor was very

helpful and patient to answer my questions. Also, ED forum helps a lot when I posted one question.

My advice to beginners is to follow the steps of database design strictly. It's essential to solve problems as they arise and not to carry them over to the next step as they may trigger a chain reaction. I recommend the following steps in database design:

- (1) Determine the purpose of your database.
- (2) Find and organize the necessary information.
- (3) Divide the information into tables.
- (4) Turn information items into columns.
- (5) Specify primary keys, Functional Dependencies and Foreign Keys.
- (6) Create table relationships.
- (7) Refine the design.
- (8) Apply normalization rules.

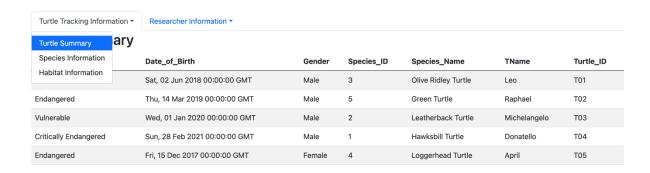
And when was doing the SQL DDL part, better to create table first, then add constraints like Foreign Key later by using Alter method, because the referencing table maybe not exist yet.

Responsive Web Design (GUI)

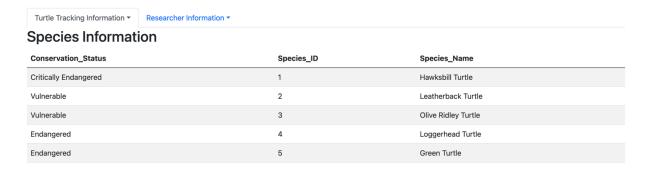
The following are screen shots of GUI display: in my project, two parts are handling the GUI and SQL assertions (GUI part): app/templates/index.html (SQL part):app/views.py

Turtle Tracking Information ▼	Researcher Information ▼					
Turtle Summary						
Conservation_Status	Date_of_Birth	Gender	Species_ID	Species_Name	TName	Turtle_ID
Vulnerable	Sat, 02 Jun 2018 00:00:00 GMT	Male	3	Olive Ridley Turtle	Leo	T01
Endangered	Thu, 14 Mar 2019 00:00:00 GMT	Male	5	Green Turtle	Raphael	T02
Vulnerable	Wed, 01 Jan 2020 00:00:00 GMT	Male	2	Leatherback Turtle	Michelangelo	T03
Critically Endangered	Sun, 28 Feb 2021 00:00:00 GMT	Male	1	Hawksbill Turtle	Donatello	T04
Endangered	Fri, 15 Dec 2017 00:00:00 GMT	Female	4	Loggerhead Turtle	April	T05

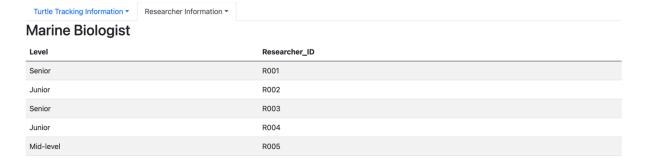
-1- Total web shows Turtle Tracking Information and Research Information



-2- Turtle Summary, Species Information, Habitat Information are sub-information.



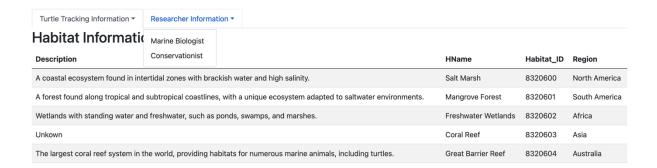
-3- Species Information display.



-4- Marine Biologist Information display.



-5- Marine Biologist Information display.



-6- Researcher's Sub Information display.

The following screenshots show SQL assertions and/or triggers functionalities with GUI

```
@app.route('/view2-tab')
def view2():
    return query("SELECT * FROM Turtle_Species")

@app.route('/view3-tab')
def view3():
    return query("SELECT * FROM Habitat")

@app.route('/view4-tab')
def view4():
    return query("SELECT * FROM MarineBiologist")

@app.route('/view5-tab')
def view5():
    return query("SELECT * FROM Conservationist")

@app.route('/view1-tab')
def view1():
    return query("SELECT * FROM Turtle NATURAL JOIN Turtle_Species|")
```

SQL Dump:

phpMyAdmin SQL Dump
version 5.2.0
https://www.phpmyadmin.net/

Host: localhost
Generation Time: May 03, 2023 at 01:17 PM
Server version: 8.0.32
PHP Version: 8.2.2
SET SQL_MODE = "NO_AUTO_VALUE_ON_ZERO";
START TRANSACTION;
SET time_zone = "+00:00";
/*!40101 SET @OLD_CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT=@@CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT */;
/*!40101 SET @OLD_CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS=@@CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS */
/*!40101 SET @OLD_COLLATION_CONNECTION=@@COLLATION_CONNECTION */;
/*!40101 SET NAMES utf8mb4 */;
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Database: `Turtle_Research`
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Table structure for table `Association`

```
CREATE TABLE 'Association' (
 `Association_ID` decimal(10,0) NOT NULL,
 `Association` varchar(255) DEFAULT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
-- Dumping data for table `Association`
INSERT INTO 'Association' ('Association ID', 'Association') VALUES
('101', 'Marine Biological Association of the United Kingdom'),
('102', 'American Association of Marine Laboratories'),
('103', 'Society for Conservation Biology'),
('104', 'International Union for Conservation of Nature'),
('105', 'Marine Conservation Institute');
-- Table structure for table `Conservationist`
CREATE TABLE 'Conservationist' (
 `Researcher_ID` varchar(10) NOT NULL,
 `Level` char(10) DEFAULT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
```

```
-- Dumping data for table `Conservationist`
INSERT INTO `Conservationist` (`Researcher_ID`, `Level`) VALUES
('R001', 'S4'),
('R002', 'S1'),
('R003', 'S5'),
('R004', 'S2'),
('R005', 'S3');
-- Table structure for table `Conservationist_Expertise`
CREATE TABLE `Conservationist_Expertise` (
 `Researcher_ID` varchar(10) NOT NULL,
 `Expertise` varchar(50) NOT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
-- Dumping data for table `Conservationist_Expertise`
INSERT INTO 'Conservationist_Expertise' ('Researcher_ID', 'Expertise') VALUES
('R001', 'Wildlife Conservation'),
('R002', 'Forestry Management'),
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('R003', 'Marine Protected Areas'),
('R004', 'Climate Change Mitigation'),
('R005', 'Sustainable Agriculture');
-- Table structure for table 'Habitat'
CREATE TABLE 'Habitat' (
 'Habitat ID' int NOT NULL,
 'Region' varchar(255) DEFAULT NULL,
 'HName' varchar(255) DEFAULT NULL,
 'Description' varchar(1000) DEFAULT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
-- Dumping data for table 'Habitat'
INSERT INTO 'Habitat' ('Habitat ID', 'Region', 'HName', 'Description') VALUES
(8320600, 'North America', 'Salt Marsh', 'A coastal ecosystem found in intertidal zones with brackish water and
high salinity.'),
(8320601, 'South America', 'Mangrove Forest', 'A forest found along tropical and subtropical coastlines, with a
unique ecosystem adapted to saltwater environments.'),
(8320602, 'Africa', 'Freshwater Wetlands', 'Wetlands with standing water and freshwater, such as ponds,
swamps, and marshes.'),
(8320603, 'Asia', 'Coral Reef', 'A marine ecosystem with diverse coral formations, providing habitats for various
marine animals, including turtles.'),
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(8320604, 'Australia', 'Great Barrier Reef', 'The largest coral reef system in the world, providing habitats for

numerous marine animals, including turtles.');

Table structure for table `Live_in`

CREATE TABLE `Live_in` (
`Species_ID` int NOT NULL,
`Habitat_ID` int NOT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
Dumping data for table `Live_in`
INSERT INTO `Live_in` (`Species_ID`, `Habitat_ID`) VALUES
(1, 8320600),
(2, 8320601),
(3, 8320602),
(4, 8320601),
(5, 8320600);
Table structure for table `MarineBiologist`

```
CREATE TABLE 'MarineBiologist' (
 `Researcher_ID` varchar(10) NOT NULL,
 `Level` char(10) DEFAULT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
-- Dumping data for table `MarineBiologist`
INSERT INTO `MarineBiologist` (`Researcher_ID`, `Level`) VALUES
('R001', 'Senior'),
('R002', 'Junior'),
('R003', 'Senior'),
('R004', 'Junior'),
('R005', 'Mid-level');
-- Table structure for table `MarineBiologist_Expertise`
CREATE TABLE `MarineBiologist_Expertise` (
 `Researcher_ID` varchar(10) NOT NULL,
 `Expertise` varchar(50) NOT NULL,
 `Experience` varchar(20) DEFAULT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
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-- Dumping data for table `MarineBiologist_Expertise`
INSERT INTO `MarineBiologist_Expertise` (`Researcher_ID`, `Expertise`, `Experience`) VALUES
('R001', 'Marine Mammals', '10 years'),
('R002', 'Coral Reefs', '5 years'),
('R003', 'Deep-Sea Ecology', '8 years'),
('R004', 'Fisheries Science', '3 years'),
('R005', 'Marine Microbiology', '6 years');
-- Table structure for table `Researcher`
CREATE TABLE 'Researcher' (
 `Researcher_ID` varchar(50) NOT NULL,
 `RName` varchar(255) DEFAULT NULL,
 `Association_ID` decimal(10,0) DEFAULT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
-- Dumping data for table 'Researcher'
INSERT INTO 'Researcher' ('Researcher_ID', 'RName', 'Association_ID') VALUES
('R001', 'John Doe', '101'),
('R002', 'Jane Smith', '102'),
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('R003', 'David Lee', '103'),
('R004', 'Emily Davis', '102'),
('R005', 'Michael Johnson', '104');
-- Table structure for table `Research_in`
CREATE TABLE `Research_in` (
 `Turtle_ID` varchar(255) NOT NULL,
 `Researcher_ID` varchar(50) DEFAULT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
-- Dumping data for table `Research_in`
INSERT INTO `Research_in` (`Turtle_ID`, `Researcher_ID`) VALUES
('T01', 'R001'),
('T05', 'R001'),
('T02', 'R002'),
('T04', 'R002'),
('T03', 'R003');
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-- Table structure for table `Tag_in`
CREATE TABLE 'Tag_in' (
 `Turtle_ID` varchar(50) NOT NULL,
 `Tag_ID` decimal(10,0) NOT NULL,
 `Issue_date` date DEFAULT NULL,
 `Expire_date` date DEFAULT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
-- Dumping data for table 'Tag in'
INSERT INTO `Tag_in` (`Turtle_ID`, `Tag_ID`, `Issue_date`, `Expire_date`) VALUES
('T001', '1001', '2022-01-01', '2023-01-01'),
('T002', '1002', '2022-02-01', '2023-02-01'),
('T003', '1003', '2022-03-01', '2023-03-01'),
('T004', '1004', '2022-04-01', '2023-04-01'),
('T005', '1005', '2022-05-01', '2023-05-01');
-- Table structure for table `Turtle`
CREATE TABLE 'Turtle' (
 `Turtle_ID` varchar(10) NOT NULL,
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`TName` varchar(50) DEFAULT NULL,
 'Date_of_Birth' date DEFAULT NULL,
 'Gender' varchar(10) DEFAULT NULL,
 `Species_ID` int DEFAULT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
-- Dumping data for table `Turtle`
INSERT INTO `Turtle` (`Turtle_ID`, `TName`, `Date_of_Birth`, `Gender`, `Species_ID`) VALUES
('T01', 'Leo', '2018-06-02', 'Male', NULL),
('T02', 'Raphael', '2019-03-14', 'Male', NULL),
('T03', 'Michelangelo', '2020-01-01', 'Male', NULL),
('T04', 'Donatello', '2021-02-28', 'Male', NULL),
('T05', 'April', '2017-12-15', 'Female', NULL);
-- Table structure for table `Turtle_Species`
CREATE TABLE `Turtle_Species` (
 `Species_ID` int NOT NULL,
 `Species_Name` varchar(255) DEFAULT NULL,
 `Conservation_Status` varchar(50) DEFAULT NULL
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8mb4 COLLATE=utf8mb4_0900_ai_ci;
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Dumping data for table `Turtle_Species`
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INSERT INTO `Turtle_Species` (`Species_ID`, `Species_Name`, `Conservation_Status`) VALUES
(1, 'Hawksbill Turtle', 'Critically Endangered'),
(2, 'Leatherback Turtle', 'Vulnerable'),
(3, 'Olive Ridley Turtle', 'Vulnerable'),
(4, 'Loggerhead Turtle', 'Endangered'),
(5, 'Green Turtle', 'Endangered');
Indexes for dumped tables
Indexes for table `Association`
ALTER TABLE `Association`
ADD PRIMARY KEY (`Association_ID`);
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Indexes for table `Conservationist`
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ALTER TABLE `Conservationist`
ADD PRIMARY KEY (`Researcher_ID`);
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Indexes for table `Conservationist_Expertise`

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ALTER TABLE `Conservationist_Expertise`
 ADD PRIMARY KEY (`Researcher_ID`, `Expertise`);
-- Indexes for table `Habitat`
ALTER TABLE 'Habitat'
 ADD PRIMARY KEY ('Habitat_ID');
-- Indexes for table 'Live in'
ALTER TABLE `Live_in`
 ADD PRIMARY KEY (`Species_ID`, `Habitat_ID`);
-- Indexes for table `MarineBiologist`
ALTER TABLE `MarineBiologist`
 ADD PRIMARY KEY (`Researcher_ID`);
-- Indexes for table `MarineBiologist_Expertise`
ALTER TABLE `MarineBiologist_Expertise`
 ADD PRIMARY KEY (`Researcher_ID`, `Expertise`);
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-- Indexes for table `Researcher`
ALTER TABLE 'Researcher'
 ADD PRIMARY KEY ('Researcher_ID'),
 ADD KEY `Association_ID` (`Association_ID`);
-- Indexes for table `Research_in`
ALTER TABLE `Research_in`
 ADD PRIMARY KEY (`Turtle_ID`),
 ADD KEY `Researcher_ID` (`Researcher_ID`);
-- Indexes for table `Tag_in`
ALTER TABLE `Tag_in`
 ADD PRIMARY KEY (`Turtle_ID`,`Tag_ID`);
-- Indexes for table `Turtle`
ALTER TABLE 'Turtle'
 ADD PRIMARY KEY (`Turtle_ID`),
 ADD KEY `Species_ID` (`Species_ID`);
-- Indexes for table `Turtle_Species`
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```
ALTER TABLE `Turtle_Species`
ADD PRIMARY KEY ('Species_ID');
-- Constraints for dumped tables
-- Constraints for table 'Researcher'
ALTER TABLE 'Researcher'
ADD CONSTRAINT 'Researcher ibfk 1' FOREIGN KEY ('Association ID') REFERENCES 'Association'
(`Association_ID`);
-- Constraints for table `Research_in`
ALTER TABLE 'Research in'
 ADD CONSTRAINT `Research_in_ibfk_1` FOREIGN KEY (`Researcher_ID`) REFERENCES `Researcher`
(`Researcher_ID`),
ADD CONSTRAINT `Research_in_ibfk_2` FOREIGN KEY (`Turtle_ID`) REFERENCES `Turtle` (`Turtle_ID`),
 ADD CONSTRAINT `Research_in_ibfk_3` FOREIGN KEY (`Researcher_ID`) REFERENCES `Researcher`
(`Researcher_ID`),
 ADD CONSTRAINT `Research_in_ibfk_4` FOREIGN KEY (`Turtle_ID`) REFERENCES `Turtle` (`Turtle_ID`),
 ADD CONSTRAINT `Research in ibfk 5` FOREIGN KEY (`Researcher ID`) REFERENCES `Researcher`
(`Researcher_ID`),
ADD CONSTRAINT 'Research in ibfk 6' FOREIGN KEY ('Turtle ID') REFERENCES 'Turtle' ('Turtle ID'),
 ADD CONSTRAINT 'Research in ibfk 7' FOREIGN KEY ('Turtle ID') REFERENCES 'Turtle' ('Turtle ID');
-- Constraints for table `Turtle`
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ALTER TABLE `Turtle`
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ADD CONSTRAINT `Turtle_ibfk_1` FOREIGN KEY (`Species_ID`) REFERENCES `Turtle_Species` (`Species_ID`);

COMMIT;

/*!40101 SET CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT=@OLD_CHARACTER_SET_CLIENT */;

/*!40101 SET CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS=@OLD_CHARACTER_SET_RESULTS */;

/*!40101 SET COLLATION_CONNECTION=@OLD_COLLATION_CONNECTION */;