



Constituent Database

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The Challenge of Politics



Only **20% of Americans trust** their **elected officials** to do “what is right” according to the Pew Research center.



» Trust in Government

- Lack of trust in Government
- Build trust through communication





Goals of Our Database



» **Promote Communication & Effective Management**



Phone Communication

Promote communication between constituents and politicians



Newsletters

Enable leaders to easily send out newsletters



City-wide Events

Create mechanisms to analyze attendance at city events



Political Parties

Show politicians which ideologies are represented in their district



Addresses

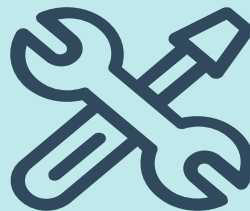
Effectively reach all residents' homes



Database Uses

» Simple Tasks: Adding and Modifying Data

1. Add constituents to newsletter lists
2. Add an address
3. Add a new constituent
4. Update a constituent's work phone number
5. Delete an event



» Simple Tasks: Retrieving Data

1. Retrieve the addresses of all constituents
2. Retrieve all supervisor names
3. Retrieve all newsletter names
4. Retrieve all primary languages spoken by constituents
5. Retrieve the names of all callers



» **Complex Tasks**

1. **Return the two-hour time slot during a week when more constituents pick up their phone**
2. **Output the number of eligible voters in each ward**
3. **Return the average percent of people who rsvp yes and come to events**
4. **Return the percent of people affiliated with a political groups in a ward**
5. **Return the number of people attending a particular political event and the number attendees above capacity**

» Extra Functionality

1. Incorrect Input Types
 - a. String instead of Int
2. Non-Valid Inputs
 - a. Referencing Nonexistent Value
3. Exceptions/Errors
4. User Determines When to Stop
5. Confirmation Of Successful Task





System Architecture

» Database

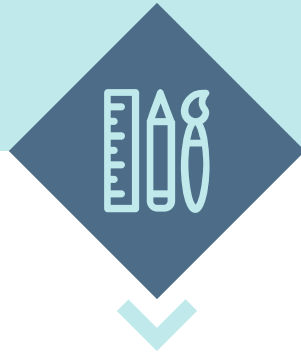
1. **Used MariaDB to create database**
2. **Assembled in phpMyAdmin**



» Interface

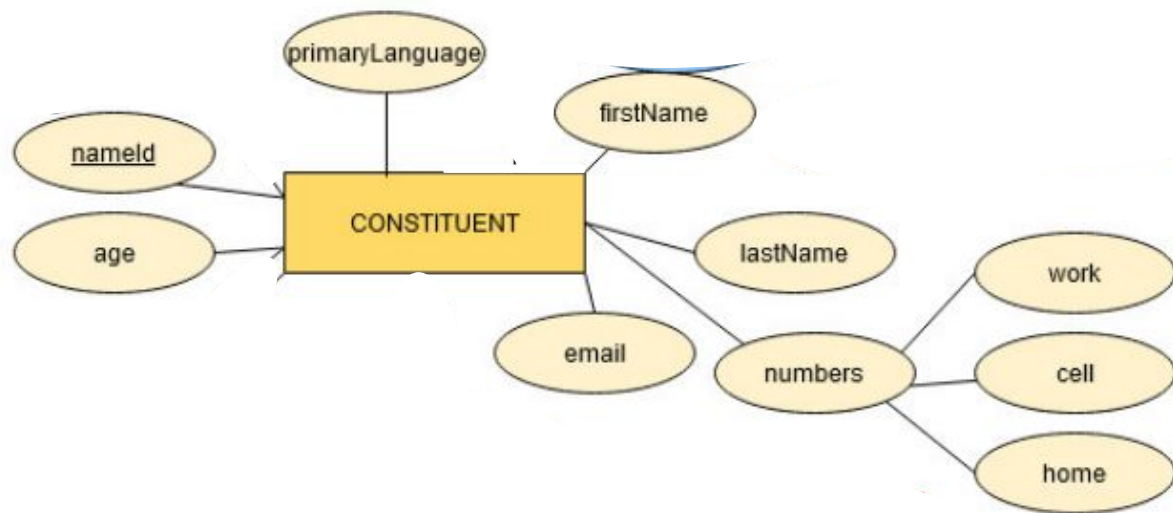
1. Java
 - a. Source Code
 - b. User Interface
2. Written in Eclipse
3. MariaDB jar to Translate from MySQL to Java
4. Talks to database through XAMPP
 - a. Apache Web Server





Database Design

» Constituents



Highlights

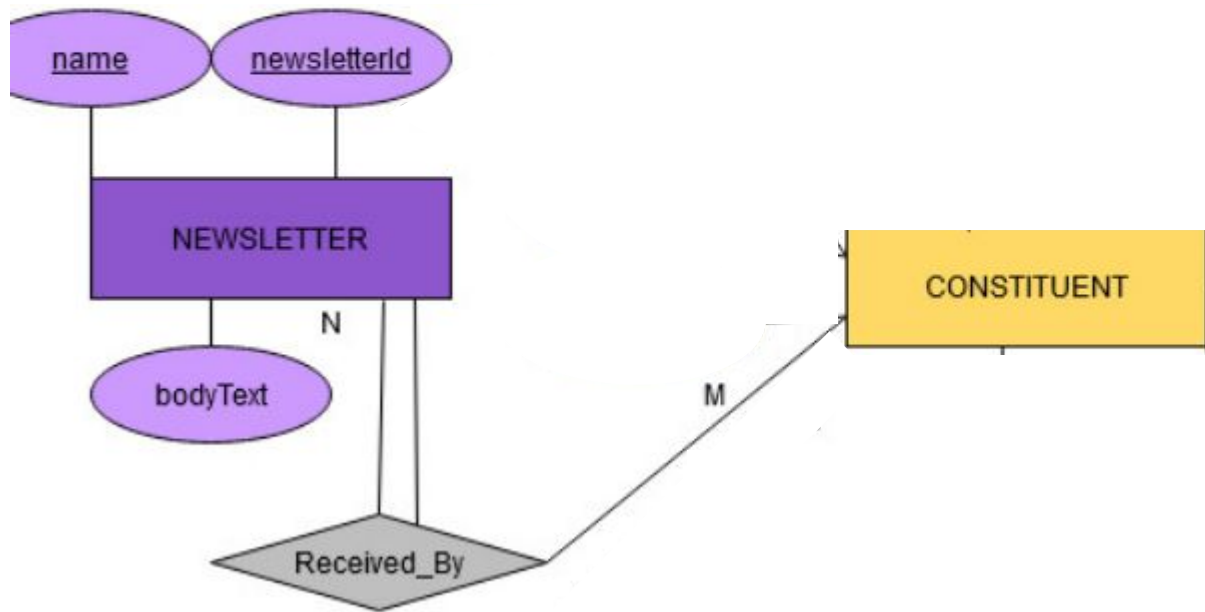
- Name
- Phone numbers
- Age
- Language

Data Source

- Voter registration lists



» Newsletters



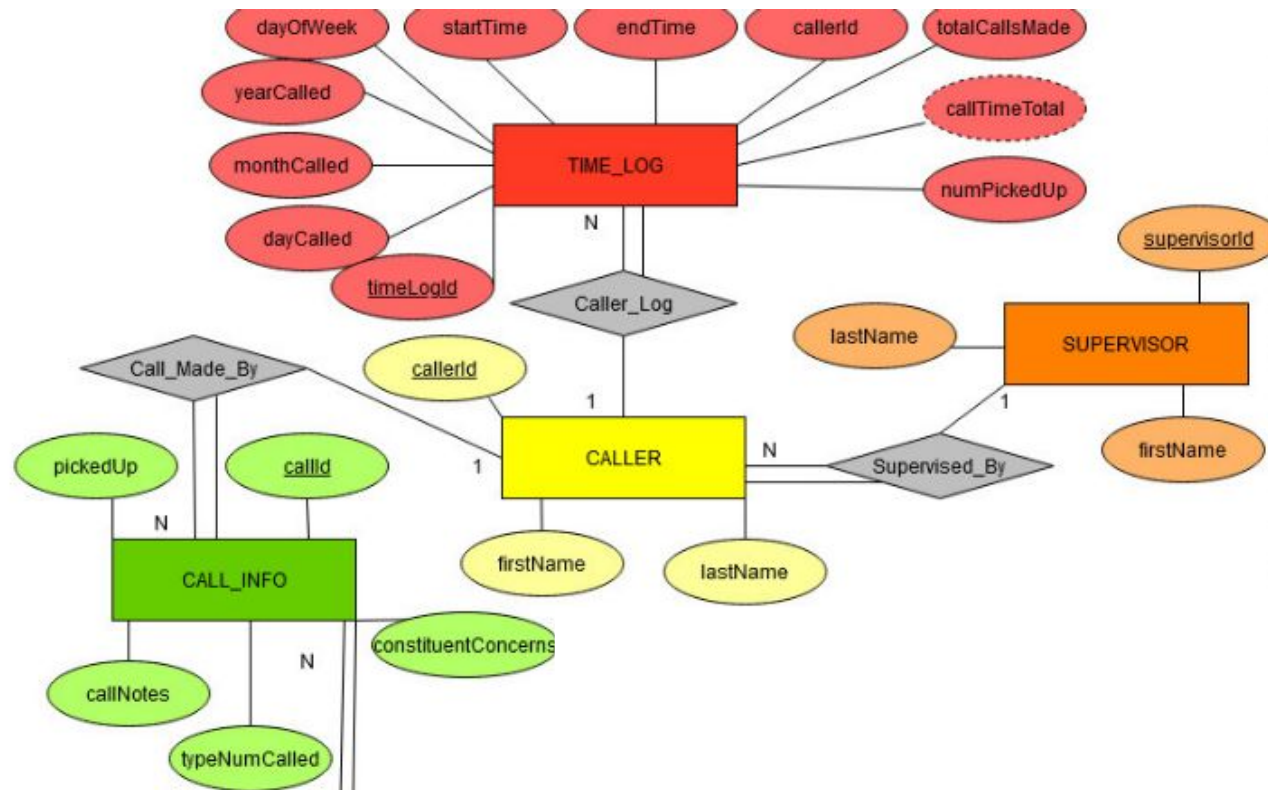
Highlights

- Name of Newsletter
- Text in newsletter

Data Source

- Politician's Head of Communications

» Calling



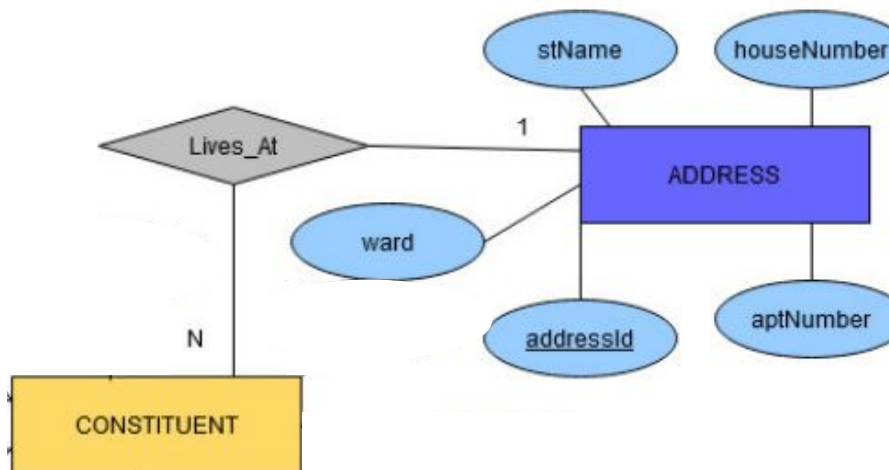
Highlights

- Callers
- Individual conversations
- Supervisors
- Sessions of calling

Data Source

- Collected by Politician's team

» Addresses



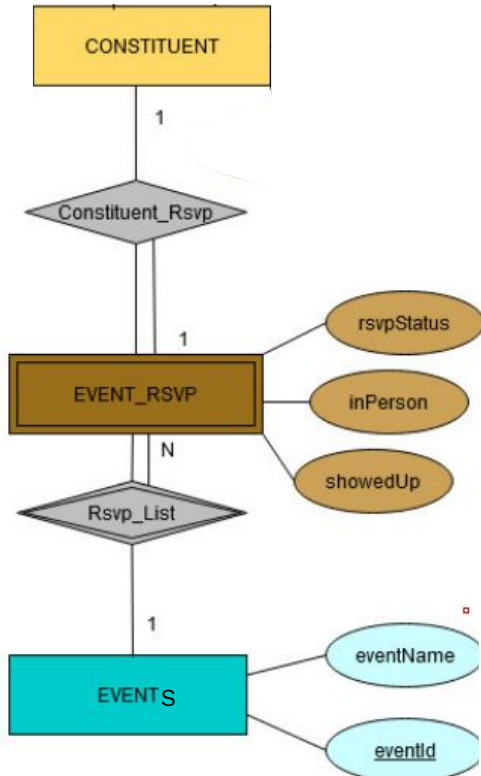
Highlights

- Ward
- House Information

Data Source

- Voter registration lists

» Event-tracking



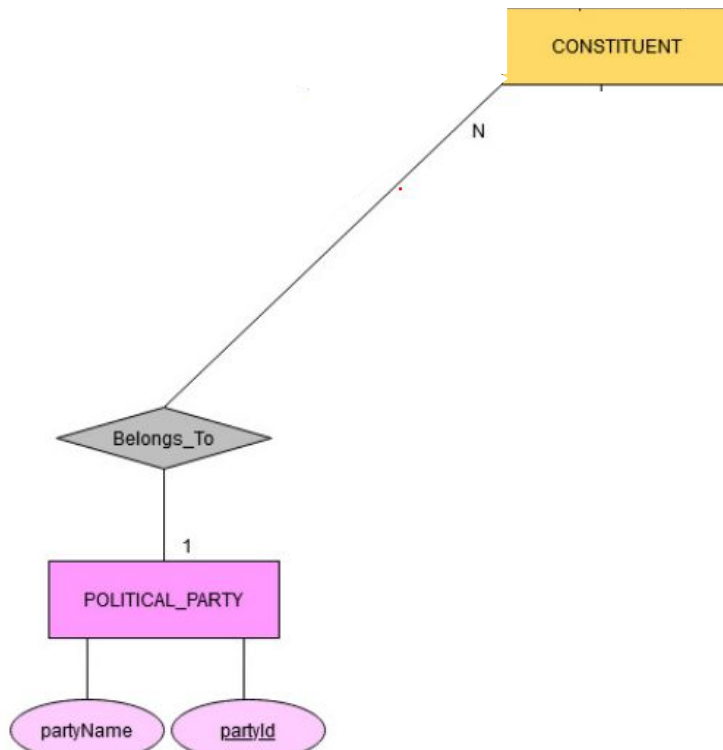
Highlights

- Constituent rsvp's
- Who attended
- Event name
- Event Id

Data Source

- Collected by Politician's team

» Political Parties



Highlights

- Political parties in each ward

Data Source

- Voter registration lists



Logical Design

Map

TimeLog

<u>timeLogId</u>	startTime	endTime	dayCalled	monthCalled	yearCalled	dayOfWeek	totalCallsMade	callerId	numPickedUp
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Caller

<u>callerId</u>	firstName	lastName	supervisorId
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Supervisor

<u>supervisorId</u>	firstName	lastName
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CallInfo

constituentNameId	typeNumCalled	pickedUp	callNotes	<u>callId</u>	callerId	constituentConcerns
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Constituent

<u>nameId</u>	partyId	firstName	lastName	age	addressId	workNum	cellNum	homeNum	email	primaryLanguage	numPoliticalEventsAttended
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Unique Identifiers

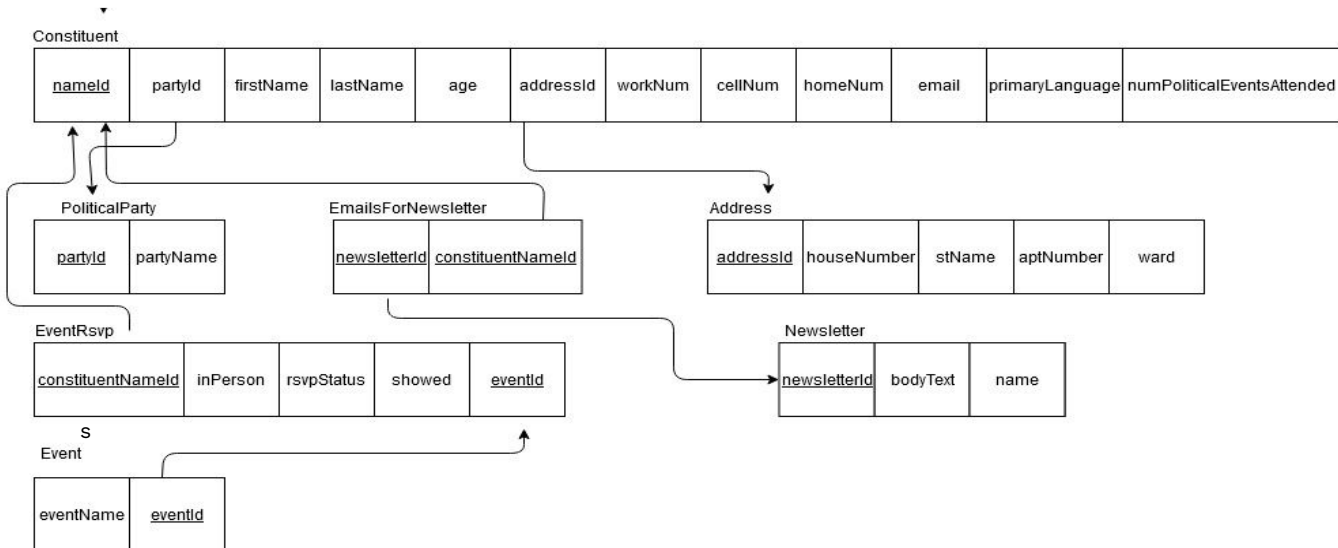
- **TimeLog:**
Timelog Id
- **Caller:**
Caller Id
- **Supervisor:**
Supervisor Id
- **CallInfo:**
Call Id
- **Constituent:**
Name Id



Unique Identifiers

- **Political Party:**
Party Id
- **Address:**
Address Id
- **Event Rsvp:**
Constituent Name Id
Event Id
- **Event:**
Event Id
- **Emails for Newsletter:**
Newsletter Id
Constituent Name Id

Map





Physical Design Choices



» Indexes and Denormalization

Index on constituents

- Convenience

No other indexes

- Small data-sets
- High storage costs
- Not useful to index addresses

No denormalization

- Not worth the storage costs

Thank you!

