Nurburgring Lap Records DB

Pictured: Lexus LFA Nurburgring Edition

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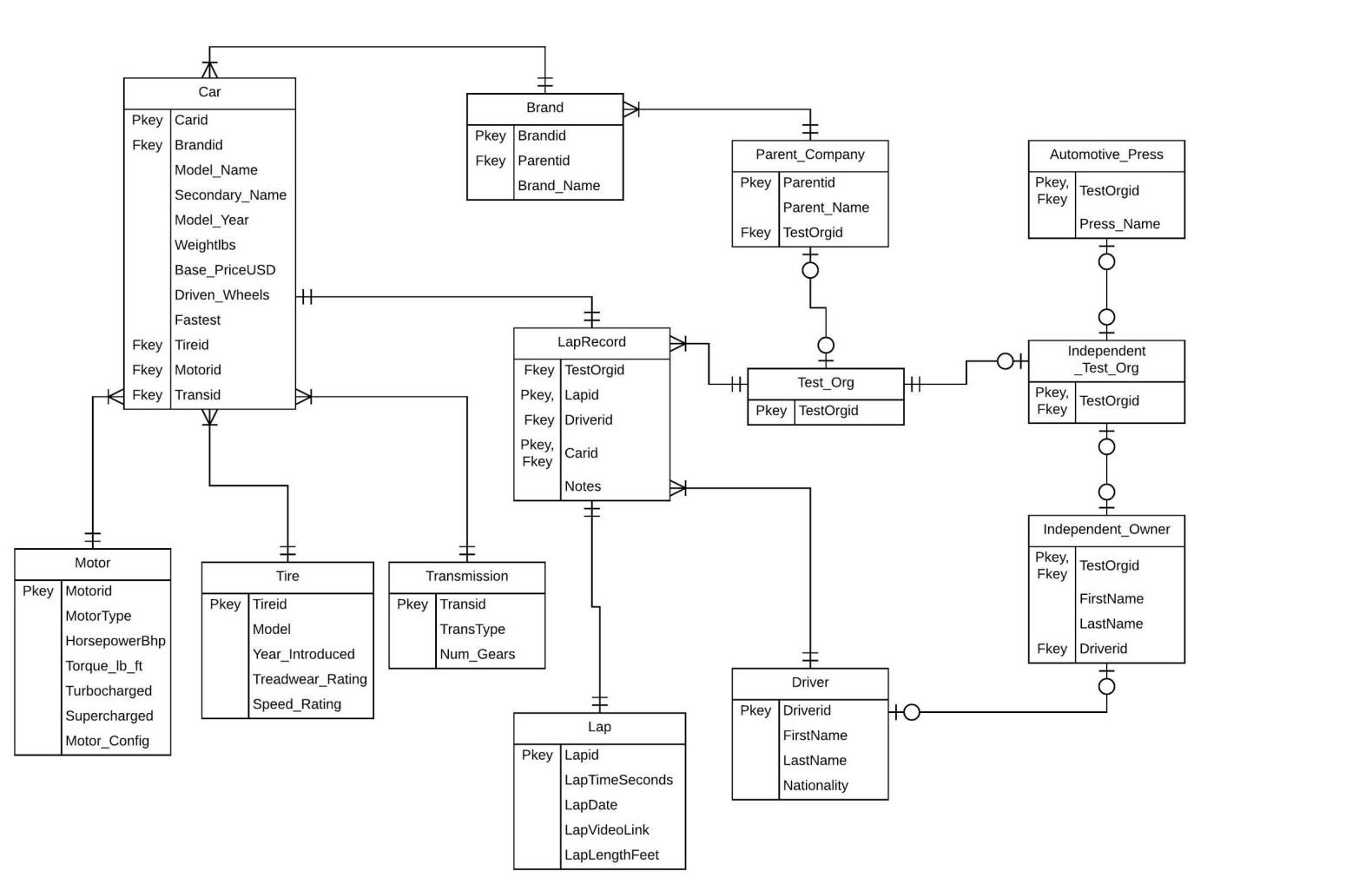
Executive Summary

The Nurburgring Nordschleife is a world famous racing circuit in Germany that is considered a benchmark for performance cars. Performance cars are regularly put through their paces to determine how long it takes them to go around the ‘ring. Nurburgring lap times are held in such high regard that they can become a part of a car’s identity alongside it’s horsepower, price, and other stats.

The E/R Diagram depicts the structure of the database, relationships between those tables, and the columns which make up the tables. Each of these thirteen tables are detailed in their individual slides, describing the table and displaying the sql code used to create them, and sample data for each one. After that, sample views, stored procedures, triggers, and security roles are demonstrated. This report also contains notes on the implementation and current issues, as well as possible future enhancements to the database. SQL is bolded for contrast.

E/R Diagram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TransType
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Lap
Pkey Lapid
LapTimeSeconds
LapDate
LapVideoLink
LapLengthFeet
Driver
Pkey Driverid
FirstName
LastName
Nationality

Test_Org Table

The Test_Org table keeps track of all organizations and entities which are responsible for a lap record at the Nurburgring. These consist of independent test organizations, and a parent company which may test its own vehicles.

Functional dependencies: TestOrgid →

SQL:

```
CREATE TABLE Test_Org(
TestOrgid          INT NOT NULL UNIQUE,
PRIMARY KEY(TestOrgid)
);
```

Data Output | Exp

	testorgid integer
1	0
2	1
3	2

Independent_Test_Org Table

The Independant_Test_Org table keeps track of all independent organizations and entities which have created a lap record at the track. These currently consist of automotive press and independent owners.

Functional dependencies: TestOrgid →

SQL:

```
CREATE TABLE Independent_Test_Org(
TestOrgid          INT NOT NULL UNIQUE
                   REFERENCES Test_Org(TestOrgid),
PRIMARY KEY(TestOrgid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Expl

	testorgid integer
1	1
2	2

Automotive_Press Table

The Automotive_Press table keeps track of all press organizations which have created a lap record at the track. Press organizations are independent organizations.

Functional dependencies: TestOrgid → Press_Name

SQL:

```
CREATE TABLE Automotive_Press(
TestOrgid                INT NOT NULL UNIQUE REFERENCES
Independent_Test_Org(TestOrgid),
Press_Name               TEXT NOT NULL,
PRIMARY KEY(TestOrgid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Message

	testorgid integer	press_name text
1	2	Sport Auto

Driver Table

The Driver table keeps track of all drivers which drove a car that made a lap record.

Functional dependencies: Driverid → FirstName, LastName, Nationality

SQL:

```
CREATE TABLE Driver(
Driverid        INT NOT NULL UNIQUE,
FirstName       TEXT NOT NULL,
LastName        TEXT NOT NULL,
Nationality     TEXT NOT NULL,
PRIMARY KEY(Driverid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	driverid integer	firstname text	lastname text	nationality text
1	0	Alan	Labouseur	American
2	1	Marco	Mapelli	Italian
3	2	Horst	Saurma	German

Independent_Owner Table

The Independent_Owner table tracks car owners who have their car used in a lap record. An owner may or may not be the driver during this lap.

Functional dependencies: TestOrgid → FirstName, LastName, Driverid

SQL:

```
CREATE TABLE Independent_Owner(
TestOrgid          INT  NOT NULL UNIQUE REFERENCES
Independent_Test_Org(TestOrgid),
FirstName          TEXT NOT NULL,
LastName           TEXT NOT NULL,
Driverid           INT REFERENCES Driver(Driverid),
PRIMARY KEY(TestOrgid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	testorgid integer	firstname text	lastname text	driverid integer
1	1	Alan	Labouseur	0

Parent_Company Table

The Parent_Company table tracks the parent companies of brand, and cars which record lap records. A parent company can also conduct a lap record as a test organization

Functional dependencies: Parentid → Parent_Name, TestOrgid

SQL:

```
CREATE TABLE Parent_Company (
  Parentid          INT NOT NULL UNIQUE,
  Parent_Name       TEXT NOT NULL,
  TestOrgid         INT UNIQUE REFERENCES Test_Org(TestOrgid),
  PRIMARY KEY(Parentid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	parentid integer	parent_name text	testorgid integer
1	0	Fiat	
2	1	Volkswagen Auto Group	0

Brand Table

The Brand table tracks the brands of cars which record a lap record. Cars have a brand, and brands have a parent company.

Functional dependencies: Brandid → Parentid, Brand_Name

SQL:

```
CREATE TABLE Brand (
  Brandid        INT NOT NULL UNIQUE,
  Parentid       INT NOT NULL REFERENCES Parent_Company(Parentid),
  Brand_Name     TEXT NOT NULL,
  PRIMARY KEY(Brandid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | Histo

	brandid integer	parentid integer	brand_name text
1	0	0	Ferrari
2	1	1	Lamborghini

Motor Table

The Motor table tracks data relevant to a motor, which is a part of each car which creates a lap record.

Functional dependencies: Motorid → Motor_Type, HorsePowerBHP, Torque_lb_ft, Turbocharged, Supercharged, Motor_Config

SQL:

```
CREATE TYPE motor_type_type AS ENUM ('Piston', 'Rotary', 'Electric', 'Other');
CREATE TYPE motor_config_type AS ENUM('H4', 'H6', 'I4', 'I6', 'V4', 'V8', 'V10',
                                      'V12', 'W8', 'W12', 'V16', 'other', 'N/A');
CREATE TABLE Motor (
  Motorid            INT NOT NULL UNIQUE,
  Motor_Type         motor_type_type NOT NULL,
  HorsepowerBHP      SMALLINT NOT NULL CHECK(HorsepowerBHP > 0),
  Torque_lb_ft       SMALLINT NOT NULL CHECK(Torque_lb_ft > 0),
  Turbocharged       BOOLEAN NOT NULL,
  Supercharged       BOOLEAN NOT NULL,
  Motor_Config       motor_config_type NOT NULL,
  PRIMARY KEY(Motorid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	motorid integer	motor_type motor_type_type	horsepowerbhp smallint	torque_lb_ft smallint	turbocharged boolean	supercharged boolean	motor_config motor_config_type
1	0	Piston	550	500	f	f	V8
2	1	Piston	640	490	f	f	V10
3	2	Electric	650	700	f	f	N/A

Tire Table

The Tire table tracks data relevant to a tire, which is a part of each car that creates a lap record.

Functional dependencies: Tireid → model, YearIntroduced, Treadwear_Rating, Speed_Rating

SQL:

```
CREATE TABLE Tire (
  Tireid                INT NOT NULL UNIQUE,
  model                 TEXT NOT NULL,
  YearIntroduced        SMALLINT NOT NULL CHECK(YearIntroduced > 1900),
  Treadwear_Rating      SMALLINT NOT NULL,
  Speed_Rating          TEXT NOT NULL
  PRIMARY KEY(Tireid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	tireid integer	model text	yearintroduced smallint	treadwear_rating smallint	speed_rating text
1	0	Pirelli	2014	60	V
2	1	Michelin	2017	300	H
3	2	Bridgestone	2009	150	Y

Transmission Table

The Transmission table tracks data relevant to a transmission, which is a part of each car that creates a lap record.

Functional dependencies: Transid → TransType, Num_Gears

SQL:

```
CREATE TYPE transtype_type AS ENUM ('double clutch', 'single clutch', 'torque-converter', 'direct drive', 'manual', 'other');
CREATE TABLE Transmission (
  Transid                    INT NOT NULL UNIQUE,
  TransType                          transtype_type NOT NULL,
  Num_Gears                  SMALLINT NOT NULL CHECK (Num_Gears > 0),
  PRIMARY KEY(Transid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	transid integer	transtype transtype_type	num_gears smallint
1	0	double clutch	7
2	1	direct drive	1
3	2	manual	6

Car Table

The Car table tracks all information relevant to a car. A car will appear in the database if it makes a lap record. A car has a motor, transmission, and tires, and also is a member of a brand.

Functional dependencies: Carid → Brandid, Model_Name, Secondary_Name, Fastest, Model_Year, Weightlbs, Base_PriceUSD, Driven_Wheels, Tireid, Motorid, Transid

```
CREATE TYPE driven_wheels_type AS ENUM ('front', 'rear', 'all', 'other');
CREATE TABLE Car (
  Carid              INT NOT NULL UNIQUE,
  Brandid            INT NOT NULL REFERENCES Brand(Brandid),
  Model_Name         TEXT NOT NULL,
  Secondary_Name     TEXT NOT NULL,
  Fastest            BOOLEAN,
  Model_Year         SMALLINT NOT NULL CHECK(Model_Year > 1900),
  Weightlbs          INT NOT NULL CHECK(Weightlbs > 0),
  Base_PriceUSD      INT NOT NULL,
  Driven_Wheels      driven_wheels_type NOT NULL,
  Tireid                     INT NOT NULL REFERENCES Tire(Tireid),
  Motorid            INT NOT NULL REFERENCES Motor(Motorid),
  Transid            INT NOT NULL REFERENCES Transmission(Transid),
  PRIMARY KEY(Carid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	carid integer	brandid integer	model_name text	secondary_name text	fastest boolean	model_year smallint	weightlbs integer	base_priceusd integer	driven_wheels driven_wheels_type	tireid integer	motorid integer	transid integer
1	0	0	458	italia	f	2015	3100	300000	rear	0	0	0
2	1	0	458	speciale	t	2016	3000	400000	rear	2	2	2
3	2	1	huracan	performante	f	2017	3400	415000	all	1	1	1

Lap Table

The lap table tracks relevant information to a lap which are related to a lap record.

Functional dependencies: Lapid → LapTimeSeconds, LapDate, LapVideoLink, LapLengthFeet

SQL:

```
CREATE TABLE Lap(
Lapid                   INT NOT NULL UNIQUE,
LapTimeSeconds                SMALLINT NOT NULL CHECK(LapTimeSeconds > 0),
LapDate                 date NOT NULL CHECK(LapDate > '1900-01-01'),
LapVideoLink            TEXT,
LapLengthFeet           INT NOT NULL CHECK(LapLengthFeet > 0),
PRIMARY KEY(Lapid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	lapid integer	laptimeseconds smallint	lapdate date	lapvideolink text	laplengthfeet integer
1	0	410	2017-03-05	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ULSUcER1QQ	67600
2	1	440	2016-06-11	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5gEdJmIVqLY	67600
3	2	445	2015-08-01		68346

LapRecord Table

The LapRecord table records a lap record by storing the primary keys of the car, the driver who drove the lap, the test organization which brought the car, and the lap information. A car can only appear on the lapRecord table once.

Functional dependencies: Carid → TestOrgid, Lapid, Driverid, Notes

SQL:

```
CREATE TABLE LapRecord(
TestOrgid       INT NOT NULL REFERENCES Test_Org(TestOrgid),
Lapid           INT NOT NULL UNIQUE REFERENCES Lap(Lapid),
Driverid        INT NOT NULL REFERENCES Driver(Driverid),
Carid           INT NOT NULL UNIQUE REFERENCES Car(Carid),
Notes                   TEXT,
PRIMARY KEY(Carid)
);
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	testorgid integer	lapid integer	driverid integer	carid integer	notes text
1	1	0	0	1	What amazing driving skills!
2	0	1	1	0	
3	2	2	2	2	

MainTable View

This view displays only the most simple and key data to a lap record, the cars brand and names, along with the lap time by ascending lap time.

```
CREATE VIEW MainTable AS
SELECT LapTimeSeconds, Brand_Name, Model_Name, Secondary_Name
FROM Brand, Car, Lap, LapRecord
Where Car.Brandid = Brand.Brandid AND Lap.lapid=LapRecord.lapid
AND LapRecord.Carid = Car.Carid
ORDER BY LapTimeSeconds ASC;
```

```
Select * From MainTable;
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	laptimeseconds smallint	brand_name text	model_name text	secondary_name text
1	410	Ferrari	458	speciale
2	440	Ferrari	458	italia
3	445	Lamborghini	huracan	performante

VideoTable View

This view displays key data about a lap record along with a link to a video proof of the lap. Many will only believe in the validity of a lap time if they can see video evidence of it, so many users will want to filter by only entries with video links

```
CREATE View VideoTable AS
SELECT LapTimeSeconds, Brand_Name, Model_Name, Secondary_Name,
LapVideoLink
FROM Brand, Car, Lap, LapRecord
Where Car.Brandid = Brand.Brandid AND Lap.lapid=LapRecord.lapid
AND LapRecord.Carid = Car.Carid AND LapVideoLink IS NOT NULL
ORDER BY LapTimeSeconds ASC;
```

Select * From VideoTable;

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	laptimeseconds smallint	brand_name text	model_name text	secondary_name text	lapvideolink text
1	410	Ferrari	458	speciale	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ULSUcER1QQ
2	440	Ferrari	458	italia	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5gEdJmIVqLY

recordSearchByCarNames Stored Procedure

This stored procedure allows a user to input the name of a car, using its model name and secondary name, to find the lap time of that car around the Nurburgring.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION recordSearchByCarNames(TEXT,TEXT, REFCURSOR) RETURNS refcursor AS
$$
DECLARE
  NameOne TEXT      := $1;
  NameTwo TEXT        := $2;
  resultset   REFCURSOR := $3;
BEGIN
  OPEN resultset FOR
    SELECT LapTimeSeconds, Brand_Name, Model_Name, Secondary_Name
    FROM   Brand, Car, Lap, LapRecord
    WHERE  Car.Brandid = Brand.Brandid AND Lap.lapid=LapRecord.lapid
AND LapRecord.Carid = Car.Carid AND Model_Name=NameOne AND Secondary_Name=NameTwo;
  RETURN resultset;
END;
$$
LANGUAGE plpgsql;

SELECT recordSearchByCarNames('458', 'italia', 'results');
FETCH ALL FROM results;
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	laptimeseconds smallint	brand_name text	model_name text	secondary_name text
1	440	Ferrari	458	italia

recordSearchByMaxTime Stored Procedure

This stored procedure allows a user to filter out records by inputting the slowest time they want to see records for. Only records with lower times will be displayed.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION recordSearchByMaxTime(INT, REFCURSOR) RETURNS refcursor AS
$$
DECLARE
  MaxTime   INT           := $1;
  resultset   REFCURSOR := $2;
BEGIN
  OPEN resultset FOR
    SELECT LapTimeSeconds, Brand_Name, Model_Name, Secondary_Name
    FROM   Brand, Car, Lap, LapRecord
    WHERE  Car.Brandid = Brand.Brandid AND Lap.lapid=LapRecord.lapid
AND LapRecord.Carid = Car.Carid AND LapTimeSeconds<=MaxTime;
  RETURN resultset;
END;
$$
LANGUAGE plpgsql;

SELECT recordSearchByMaxTime(430, 'results');
FETCH ALL FROM results;
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	laptimeseconds smallint	brand_name text	model_name text	secondary_name text
1	410	Ferrari	458	speciale

FastestCar Trigger

The FastestCar Trigger assigns the value of true to a car with the fastest time around the track.

```
CREATE OR REPLACE FUNCTION fastestCar() RETURNS TRIGGER AS
$$
BEGIN
IF (SELECT LaptimeSeconds
        FROM Lap, Car, LapRecord
        WHERE LapRecord.carid=Car.Carid AND Lap.lapid=LapRecord.lapid
        AND NEW.Carid=LapRecord.Carid)
  <=
        (SELECT LapTimeSeconds
        FROM Lap
        ORDER BY LapTimeSeconds ASC
        Limit 1)
THEN
        UPDATE Car
        SET Fastest = TRUE
        WHERE Car.carid=New.carid;
        END IF;
        RETURN NEW;
        END;
$$LANGUAGE plpgsql;
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	carid integer	brandid integer	model_name text	secondary_name text	fastest boolean	model_year smallint	weightlbs integer	base_priceusd integer	driven_wheels driven_wheels_type	tireid integer	motorid integer	transid integer
1	0	0	458	italia	f	2015	3100	300000	rear	0	0	0
2	1	0	458	speciale	t	2016	3000	400000	rear	2	2	2
3	2	1	huracan	performante	f	2017	3400	415000	all	1	1	1

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	lapid integer	laptimeseconds smallint	lapdate date	lapvideolink text	laplengthfeet integer
1	0	410	2017-03-05	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6ULSUcER1QQ	67600
2	1	440	2016-06-11	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5gEdJmIVqLY	67600
3	2	445	2015-08-01		68346

```
CREATE TRIGGER fastestCar
After INSERT ON LapRecord
FOR EACH ROW
EXECUTE PROCEDURE fastestCar();
```

Sample Reports 1

Report 1: This query reports the engine information of a car

```
SELECT Brand_Name, Model_Name, Secondary_Name, Motor_Type, HorsepowerBHP,
Torque_lb_ft,
        Turbocharged, Supercharged, Motor_Config
        FROM Brand, Car, Motor
        WHERE Brand.Brandid=Car.Brandid AND Motor.Motorid=Car.Motorid
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	brand_name text	model_name text	secondary_name text	motor_type motor_type_type	horsepowerbhp smallint	torque_lb_ft smallint	turbocharged boolean	supercharged boolean	motor_config motor_config_type
1	Ferrari	458	italia	Piston	550	500	f	f	V8
2	Ferrari	458	speciale	Electric	650	700	f	f	N/A
3	Lamborghini	huracan	performante	Piston	640	490	f	f	V10
4	Lamborghini	aventador	SV	Electric	650	700	f	f	N/A

Sample Reports 2

Report 2: This query reports the record making cars owned and tested by an independent owner.

```
Select Independent_Owner.FirstName, Independent_Owner.LastName, Model_Name,
Secondary_Name, Base_PriceUSD
        FROM Independent_Owner, Car, LapRecord, Test_Org, Independent_Test_Org
        WHERE Car.Carid=LapRecord.Carid
            AND LapRecord.TestOrgid=Test_Org.TestOrgid
            AND Test_Org.TestOrgid=Independent_Test_Org.TestOrgid
            AND Independent_Test_Org.TestOrgid=Independent_Owner.TestOrgid;
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	firstname text	lastname text	model_name text	secondary_name text	base_priceusd integer
1	Alan	Labouseur	458	speciale	400000
2	Alan	Labouseur	aventador	SV	100

Sample Reports 3

Report 3: This query reports the each car tested by an automotive press organization, and the press organization which tested it.

```
Select Press_Name, Brand_Name, Model_Name,
        Secondary_Name
        FROM Brand, Car, LapRecord, Test_Org, Independent_Test_Org, Automotive_Press
        WHERE Car.Brandid=Brand.Brandid
        AND Car.Carid=LapRecord.Carid
        AND LapRecord.TestOrgid=Test_Org.TestOrgid
        AND TEST_ORG.TestOrgid=Independent_Test_Org.TestOrgid
        AND Independent_Test_Org.TestOrgid= Automotive_Press.TestOrgid;
```

Output pane

Data Output | Explain | Messages | History

	press_name text	brand_name text	model_name text	secondary_name text
1	Sport Auto	Lamborghini	huracan	performante

Security: Users and Groups

In this database, the database admin, or DBA, has the exclusive rights to make edits to the database, and can make any changes to the database that they need to.

```
CREATE ROLE DBA;

GRANT ALL ON ALL TABLES IN SCHEMA PUBLIC TO DBA;
```

The second role is for a Viewer, which has the rights to view all of the contents of the database, but is not given privileges for any changes.

```
CREATE ROLE Viewer;

REVOKE ALL ON ALL TABLES IN SCHEMA PUBLIC FROM Viewer;

GRANT SELECT ON ALL TABLES IN SCHEMA PUBLIC TO Viewer;
```

Implementation Notes

- This implementation of a Nurburgring records database records a lot of extra data not directly related to the lap record, such as how much torque the car's motor has, or who tested the car. This extra information allows a user to filter laps based on these pieces of data, allowing them to glean insights and information from the database.
- What classifies as a record is not specified. If a van went around the Nurburgring in a fast enough time, the DBA could decide to add it to the database.

Known Issues

- In the current version of this database, a driver can also be a private owner. A driver does not have the same connection to a press org or parent org, even though they may be employed by that org.
- Triggers need to be revised for usefulness and functionality.

Future Enhancements

- Add aforementioned driver org relationships
- The Tire table could be improved with more columns for tire brand and names, and width.
- The LapLengthFeet field should be changed to a new type which contains the various (67,600ft, 68,346ft) standardized lap lengths, rather than an int field.