

Programming Assignment 2 Report

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1. Project Idea

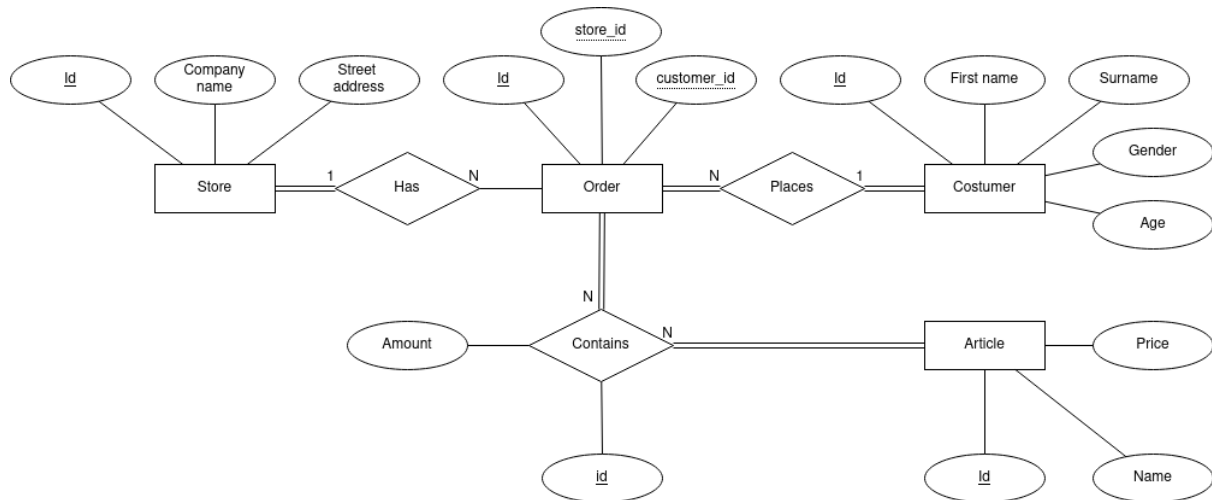
For this assignment I have designed and implemented a system to store customer, store, order and article data in one database.

I generated all the data using the tools supplied at <https://www.mockaroo.com>.

My program enables supervisor at a store chain to keep track of all its customers data and purchases, the chains supplied articles, all the chains stores different locations and more.

Thanks to me designing the database in Boyce-Codd Normal Form it is very easy to add future functions. For example; adding an employee table or maybe article categories. The possibilities are endless!

2. Schema Design



All of my entities has an AUTO_INCREMENTED id as primary key. This makes it easy to query for the exact result the user of the system wants to find. *Order* and *Article* has a many-to-many relationship. This makes it so that in the actual database design, I had to create a relation table; *OrdersArticles* to keep track of what articles and how many of it there was in each order. The *OrdersArticles* table is represented by the relationship *Contains* in between the entities *Order* and *Article*.

Apart from this the other stuff is quite straight forward. There's one customer per order, but a customer can have several orders, but at least one. Because if a customer doesn't have an order, it isn't a customer.

For each order there's a store. And for each store, there can be any amount of orders. Here we even allow for a store to have 0 orders, since that will be the case any time we open a new store.

The *Order* entity keeps track of its connected store and customer by keeping their respective primary keys as foreign keys.

3. SQL Queries

V: Combining *Orders*, *OrdersArticles* and *Articles* into one view.

The following view is made up of a multi relation query and uses two *INNER JOINS*. We join table *Orders* on table *OrdersArticles* by matching the primary key *Articles.articleid* to the foreign key *OrdersArticles.article*. We then join that with table *Articles* by matching primary key *Articles.articleid* with foreign key *OrdersArticles.article*.

This view becomes really useful when querying from specific orders or shopping carts.

```
CREATE VIEW ordersandarticles AS
  SELECT *
  FROM Orders
  INNER JOIN OrdersArticles ON
    Orders.orderid=OrdersArticles.order
  INNER JOIN Articles ON
    OrdersArticles.article=Articles.articleid;
```

Q: List the average age of the customers in each store.

The following query is a multi relation query and uses two *JOINS*, just like our view. We do as we did with the view except on different tables. What's interesting in this query is that we get to use aggregation. Whenever we do aggregation in a query, it always has to be followed by a *GROUP BY*. In this query we wanted to know the average age of the customers in each store, hence we decide to *GROUP BY store*.

```
SELECT AVG(Customers.age), Stores.name
FROM Stores
JOIN Orders ON Orders.store=Stores.storeid
JOIN Customers ON Orders.customer=Customers.customerid
GROUP BY store
ORDER BY AVG(Customers.age);
```

Q: List all of the chains Stores and their respective addresses.

This query is an easy one but functional if the stores manager ever just need a list of all their sister stores and their respective addresses. I chose to sort the query by *name* just because I thought it would look nicer, this could be crucial if the chain were to grow.

```
SELECT name, address
FROM Stores
ORDER BY name;
```

Q: List the amount of customers each store has.

Does your store have more customers than your sister stores? No? Then get to work!

This query is important for friendly competition between stores. This is a multi relation query.

We join tables Orders and Stores together, then we count the amount of customers

GROUPed BY store to get the amount of *customers* per store.

```
SELECT COUNT(customer), Stores.name
FROM Orders
JOIN Stores ON Orders.store=Stores.storeid
GROUP BY store
ORDER BY COUNT(customer);
```

Q: List the price and name for an article.

This query might be the most useful one. It lists the *name* and *price* of an article based on its *articleid*. This will be the query that for example cashiers use when they scan the bar codes or if the customers of manager just wants to check up on an article naming or pricing.

```
SELECT name, price
FROM Articles
WHERE articleid=?;
```

Q: List the customer who placed an order.

If we have to take a return from a customer. The customer brings the receipt. On the receipt, there's an *orderid*. Now we want to know if this is the customer who bought it. We check up on the *orderid* and in return we get the customer's credentials, knowing for sure who the customer that bought the item was we can safely pay the customer back.

In this multi relation query we join *Customers* and *Orders* on the *customerid*, which is a foreign key in *Orders* and primary key in *Customers*.

```
SELECT Customers.customerid, Customers.firstname,  
       Customers.lastname  
FROM Orders  
INNER JOIN Customers ON customer=Customers.customerid  
WHERE orderid = ?;
```

Q: List the shopping cart from an order.

Using this query the store could make good analytical statistics to know what is bought in combination with what, or the query could be used as a customer service. Maybe the customer can log in from home to check all their previous shopping carts.

In this query we make full use of our view. We *SELECT* all the relevant information and show it in nice alphabetical order based on *name*. The search is made based on *orderid*.

```
SELECT name, price, amount  
FROM ordersandarticles  
WHERE orderid = ?  
ORDER BY name;
```

4. Discussion and Resources

The project uses libraries; mysql.connector, csv and tkinter.

Mysql.connector is used for connection to and querying from mysql database.

Csv is used for reading .csv-files into python.

Tkinter is used to create the interface in which the user uses the program and queries from the database. It was my first time ever creating a graphical user interface, so I knew I needed something that was fairly easy to use. I did some looking around and found these two sources that both used tkinter in a way that suited me perfectly:

<https://github.com/Ramooooona/Python-GUI-MySQL>

<https://realpython.com/python-gui-tkinter/>

I had no issues what so ever with my data thanks to the fact that I myself generated all the data that I needed through; <https://www.mockaroo.com>.

At first I was thinking about using already existing data from <https://www.dataportal.se/>. But I changed my mind after thinking about good database normalization structures. It seemed like all the data that was up for grabs was very poorly organized. Basically just randomly thrown into a .csv-file.

Source code: <https://github.com/krukke/store-database>

Check readme.txt for installation instructions.

Video demonstration: <https://youtu.be/e8M7IrLe8Bs>