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**Final Term Project for Database Foundat**

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**Objective** - Answer business questions by utilizing provided data to gain information.

**Technology Used**

i. Operating System - Ubuntu 16.04 LTS  
ii. Database - MySQL  
iii. Languages - Python2.7 for data cleaning, R for data cleaning and data loading to MySQL  
iv. Editors - Markdown (for the final report)

**Overall Process Flow**

And discrepancies in the Data and Flow

- Data Cleaning**
  - One of the first steps in cleaning the data was establishing the format in which the data was provided
  - The 4 files were ".txt" (tab) separated
  - The carriage return for end of line (EOL) was "\n"
  - The data in "dataset3" had 3 extra tab spaces at the end of each line
  - Removed these as the first step in the cleaning
  - There was no quoting used for any of the fields
  - After this the data was loaded into R using a tab-separated CSV read
  - This threw new issues with dataset3
  - There were a lot of special characters that were causing the file to get truncated before being read
  - Implemented an encoding enforcer in Python to remove these special characters
  - Progressing from the data load the next step was to separate the files into the 10 normalized tables as follows
  - The data was sanitized based on the constraints provided as part of the data dictionary
  - The "invoice" table had multiple entries for a single "inv\_num"
  - Removed the second listing in each of these cases based on an ascending order for the cust\_code
  - The "vendor" table had an empty duplicate for "vend\_id=13" with no data in the "vend\_name" and "v"
  - Removed the empty row from the dataset
  - Changed employee\_id to emp\_num in "invoice" table to maintain uniformity in naming
  - Changed emp\_num to inv\_emp\_num in "department" table
  - Fixed datetime field emp\_hire\_date in "employee" table
  - Fixed datetime field inv\_date in "invoice" table
  - Fixed datetime field sal\_from in "salary\_history" table
  - Fixed datetime field sal\_to in "salary\_history" table
  - There was a column constraint on "sal\_to" which was not allowed to hold NULL values
  - Removed said table constraint when creating the table as there were quite a few rows with NULL
  - Created the following primary keys
    - in table salary\_history : emp\_num, sal\_from
    - in table suppliers : prod\_sku
    - in table line : inv\_num, prod\_sku
  - We can now move on to answering the query questions and the prediction analysis
- Exploratory Data Analysis**
  - The EDA reveals characteristic numbers related to the database, helping in understanding the data validating more complex queries.
  - Table: brand
    - There are 9 unique brands
    - The split is on "brand\_type" - 4 contractors, 2 Premium and 3 Value
  - Table: customer
    - 1362 unique customers present in the database
    - On average a customer has a balance amount of \$578
    - 25% of the customers are from the state of New York or Philadelphia
  - Table: department
    - There are 8 unique departments in the firm
    - Each department has their own unique supervisor
  - Table: employee
    - There are 383 employees at the firm
    - The "TRUCKING" department employs the most people with "PURCHASING" the least with 25

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