Tech ABC Corp - HR Database

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Business Scenario

Business requirement

Tech ABC Corp saw explosive growth with a sudden appearance onto the gaming scene with their new Al-powered video game console. As a result, they have gone from a small 10 person operation to 200 employees and 5 locations in under a year. HR is having trouble keeping up with the growth, since they are still maintaining employee information in a spreadsheet. While that worked for ten employees, it has becoming increasingly cumbersome to manage as the company expands.

As such, the HR department has tasked you, as the new data architect, to design and build a database capable of managing their employee information.

Dataset

The <u>HR dataset</u> you will be working with is an Excel workbook which consists of 206 records, with eleven columns. The data is in human readable format, and has not been normalized at all. The data lists the names of employees at Tech ABC Corp as well as information such as job title, department, manager's name, hire date, start date, end date, work location, and salary.

IT Department Best Practices

The IT Department has certain Best Practices policies for databases you should follow, as detailed in the Best Practices document.

Step 1 Data Architecture Foundations

Step 1: Data Architecture Foundations

Hi,

Welcome to Tech ABC Corp. We are excited to have some new talent onboard. As you may already know, Tech ABC Corp has recently experienced a lot of growth. Our AI powered video game console WOPR has been hugely successful and as a result, our company has grown from 10 employees to 200 in only 6 months (and we are projecting a 20% growth a year for the next 5 years). We have also grown from our Dallas, Texas office, to 4 other locations nationwide: New York City, NY, San Francisco, CA, Minneapolis, MN, and Nashville, TN.

While this growth is great, it is really starting to put a strain on our record keeping in HR. We currently maintain all employee information on a shared spreadsheet. When HR consisted of only myself, managing everyone on an Excel spreadsheet was simple, but now that it is a shared document, I am having serious reservations about data integrity and data security. If the wrong person got their hands on the HR file, they would see the salaries of every employee in the company, all the way up to the president.

After speaking with Jacob Lauber, the manager of IT, he suggested I put in a request to have my HR Excel file converted into a database. He suggested I reach out to you as I am told you have experience in designing and building databases. When you are building this, please keep in mind that I want any employee with a domain login to be have read only access the database. I just don't want them having access to salary information. That needs to be restricted to HR and management level employees only. Management and HR employees should also be the only ones with write access. By our current estimates, 90% of users will be read only.

I also want to make sure you know that am looking to turn my spreadsheet into a live database, one I can input and edit information into. I am not really concerned with reporting capabilities at the moment. Since we are working with employee data we are required by federal regulations to maintain this data for at least 7 years; additionally, since this is considered business critical data, we need to make sure it gets backed up properly.

As a final consideration. We would like to be able to connect with the payroll department's system in the future. They maintain employee attendance and paid time off information. It would be nice if the two systems could interface in the future

I am looking forward to working with you and seeing what kind of database you design for us.

Thanks, Sarah Collins Head of HR

Data Architect Business Requirement

Purpose of the new database:

HR is asking for a database to store Employee's information. Since the company is growing steadily, some issues regarding data security and management have been raised, and thus, the former Excel-spreadsheet should be now a PostgreSQL database.

Current situation and management

The current data is been stored in a shared Excel spreadsheet, being the HR team in charge of its manual updating and managing.

Current data available

The current data is a human-readable file, storing personal data from all employees in the company, including the salaries.

• Further requests

The data should be stored for 7 years, according to regulations and it is considered critical.

Requested Data Management

The data should be managed by HR, although Management will also have Access to write in the DB.

Requested Data Security

Employees – Read only Access, salary information not displayed HR – Total access to the data Management level employees – total access to data.

Data Architect Business Requirement

Estimated size of database

205 rows of employee data.

• Estimated annual growth

20% per year for the following 5 years. (Approximately, 40 new employees per year)

Is any of the data sensitive/restricted

Salary data is restricted.

Data Architect Technical Requirement

Justification for the new database

- By migrating the data from the spreadsheet to a database, there
 is more control on security and access to critical and sensible
 data.
- By having all data concentrated in a database, the possible issues with data integrity are reduced and thus the data is more reliable.

Database objects

Tables: employee, education, jobhist, salary, job, department, address, location, city, state

Views: Report

Data ingestion

For feeding the database, the selected method of data ingestion is ETL. Probably, an EXCEL file will be provided with new information, so the Extraction, Transformation and Loading will be all automated.

Data Architect Technical Requirement

Data governance (Ownership and User access)

Ownership: HR will own and maintain the data

User Access: Employees with domain login will have read access, employees from Management Depts will have write and read access.

Scalability

Replication is better for scalability, since 90% of the users will have reading access.

Flexibility

In order to connect with the payroll system, proper documentation will be needed regarding the data dictionary and Reference Data to integrate both data systems for reporting.

• Storage & retention

Storage (disk or in-memory): disk storage, 1 GB partition is enough.

Retention: 7 years.

Backup

Although the rate of increment for the data is low, it is still considered as critical. For this reason, the Backup will be schedule as follows, according to IT Best Practices Guide:

- Full backu 1x per week, incremental backup daily.

Step 2 Relational Database Design

Step 2: Relational Database Design

This step is where you will go through the process of designing a new database for Tech ABC Corp's HR department. Using the <u>dataset</u> provided, along with the requirements gathered in step one, you are going to develop a relational database set to the 3NF.

Using Lucidchart, you will create 3 entity relationship diagrams (ERDs) to show how you developed the final design for your data.

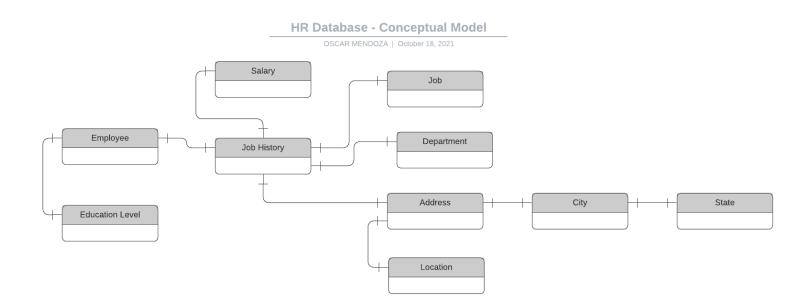
You will submit a screenshot for each of the 3 ERDs you create. You will find detailed instructions for developing each of the ERDs over the next several pages.

ERD

Conceptual

This is the most general level of data modeling. At the conceptual level, you should be thinking about creating entities that represent business objects for the database. Think broadly here. Attributes (or column names) are not required at this point, but relationship lines are required (although Crow's foot notation is not needed at this level). Create at least three entities for this model; thinking about the 3NF will aid you in deciding the type of entities to create.

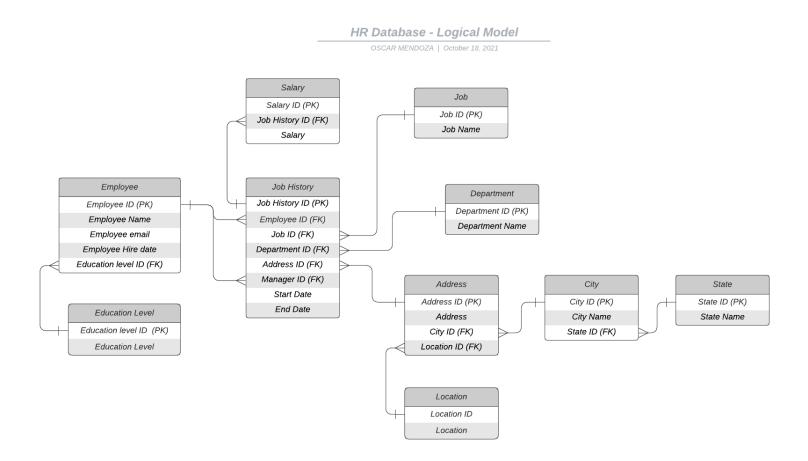
Use Lucidchart's built-in template for DBMS ER Diagram UML.



ERD

Logical

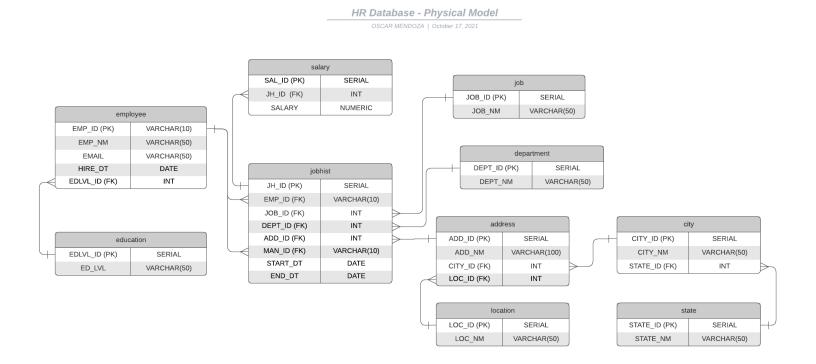
The logical model is the next level of refinement from the conceptual ERD. At this point, you should have normalized the data to the 3NF. Attributes should also be listed now in the ERD. You can still use human-friendly entity and attribute names in the logical model, and while relationship lines are required, Crow's foot notation is still not needed at this point.



ERD

Physical

The physical model is what will be built in the database. Each entity should represent a database table, complete with column names and data types. Primary keys and foreign keys should also be represented here. Primary keys should be in bold type with the (PK) designation following the field name. Foreign keys should be in normal type face but have the designation (FK) after the column name. Finally, in the physical model, Crow's foot notation is important.



Step 3 Create A Physical Database

Step 3: Create A Physical Database

In this step, you will be turning your database model into a physical database.

You will:

- Create the database using SQL DDL commands
- Load the data into your database, utilizing flat file ETL
- Answer a series of questions using CRUD SQL commands to demonstrate your database was created and populated correctly

Submission

For this step, you will need to submit SQL files containing all DDL SQL scripts used to create the database.

You will also have to submit screenshots showing CRUD commands, along with results for each of the questions found in the starter template.

Hints

Your DDL script will be graded by running the code you submit. Please ensure your SQL code runs properly!

Foreign keys cannot be created on tables that do not exist yet, so it may be easier to create all tables in the database, then to go back and run modify statements on the tables to create foreign key constraints.

After running CRUD commands like update, insert, or delete, run a SELECT* command on the affected table, so the reviewer can see the results of the command.

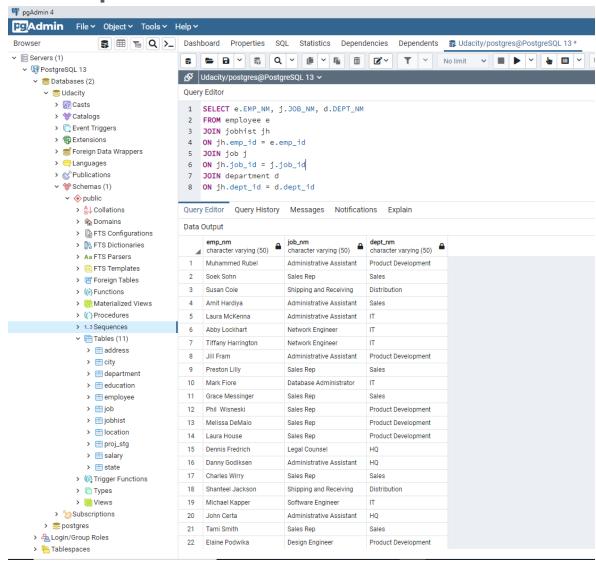
DDL

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/*Tables creation following the physical model*/
CREATE TABLE education(
    EDLVL_ID SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    ED LVL VARCHAR(50)
CREATE TABLE employee(
    EMP_ID VARCHAR(10) PRIMARY KEY,
    EMP_NM VARCHAR(50),
    EMAIL VARCHAR(50),
    HIRE_DT DATE,
    EDLVL_ID INT REFERENCES education(EDLVL_ID)
CREATE TABLE department(
    DEPT ID SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    DEPT NM VARCHAR(50)
CREATE TABLE job(
    JOB_ID SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    JOB_NM VARCHAR(50)
CREATE TABLE state(
    STATE_ID SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    STATE_NM VARCHAR(50)
CREATE TABLE city(
    CITY_ID SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    CITY_NM VARCHAR(50),
    STATE_ID INT REFERENCES state(STATE_ID)
CREATE TABLE location(
    LOC ID SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    LOC NM VARCHAR(50)
CREATE TABLE address(
    ADD ID SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    ADD_NM VARCHAR(100),
    CITY_ID INT REFERENCES city(CITY_ID),
    LOC_ID INT REFERENCES location(LOC_ID)
CREATE TABLE jobhist(
    JH ID SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    EMP_ID VARCHAR(10) REFERENCES employee(EMP_ID),
    JOB_ID INT REFERENCES job(JOB_ID),
    ADD_ID INT REFERENCES address(ADD_ID),
    MAN_ID VARCHAR(10) REFERENCES employee(EMP_ID),
    START_DT DATE,
    END_DT DATE
CREATE TABLE salary(
    SAL ID SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,
    JH_ID INT REFERENCES jobhist(JH_ID),
    SALARY NUMERIC
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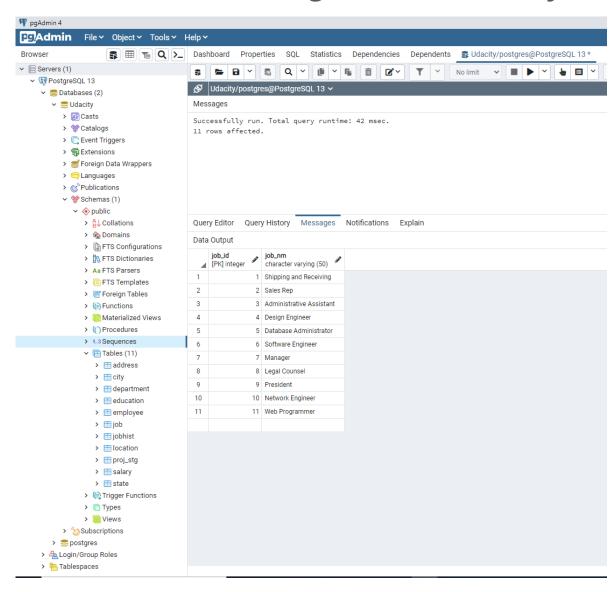
DDL - ETL

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INSERT INTO education(ED_LVL)
SELECT DISTINCT education_lvl
FROM proj_stg;
INSERT INTO employee
SELECT DISTINCT p.emp_id, p.emp_nm, p.email, p.hire_dt, e.edlvl_id
FROM proj_stg p
JOIN education e
ON p.education_lvl = e.ED_LVL;
INSERT INTO department(DEPT_NM)
SELECT DISTINCT department_nm
FROM proj_stg;
INSERT INTO job(JOB NM)
SELECT DISTINCT job title
FROM proj_stg;
INSERT INTO state(STATE NM)
SELECT DISTINCT state
FROM proj_stg;
INSERT INTO city(CITY NM, STATE ID)
SELECT DISTINCT p.city, s.STATE_ID
FROM proj stg p
JOIN state s
ON s.STATE_NM = P.state;
INSERT INTO location(LOC NM)
SELECT DISTINCT location
FROM proj_stg;
INSERT INTO address(ADD_NM, CITY_ID, LOC_ID)
SELECT DISTINCT p.address, c.CITY_ID, 1.LOC_ID
FROM proj_stg p
JOIN city c
ON p.city = c.CITY_NM
JOIN location 1
ON p.location = 1.LOC_NM;
INSERT INTO jobhist(EMP_ID, JOB_ID, DEPT_ID, ADD_ID, MAN_ID, START_DT, END_DT)
SELECT DISTINCT p.EMP_ID, j.JOB_ID, d.DEPT_ID, a.ADD_ID, e.EMP_ID AS MAN_ID, START_DT, END_DT
FROM proj_stg p
JOIN job j
ON p.job_title = j.JOB_NM
JOIN department d
ON p.department_nm = d.DEPT_NM
JOIN address a
ON p.address = a.ADD NM
LEFT JOIN employee e
ON p.manager = e.EMP NM;
INSERT INTO salary(JH ID, SALARY)
SELECT jh.JH_ID, p.salary
FROM proj_stg p
JOIN jobhist jh
ON p.emp_id = jh.emp_id AND p.start_dt = jh.start_dt AND p.end_dt = jh.end_dt;
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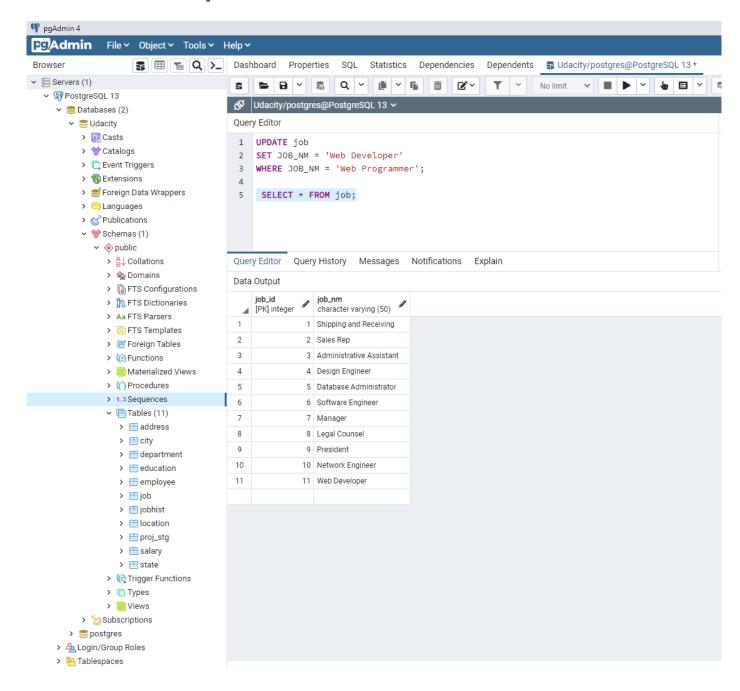
 Question 1: Return a list of employees with Job Titles and Department Names



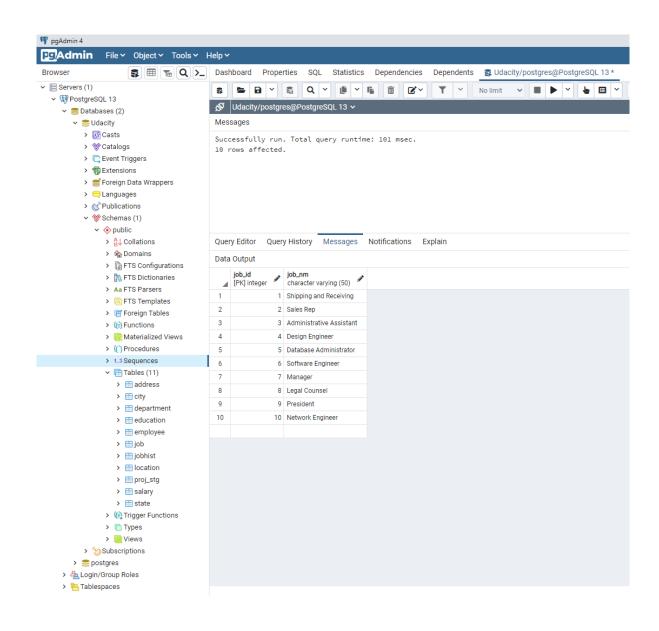
Question 2: Insert Web Programmer as a new job title



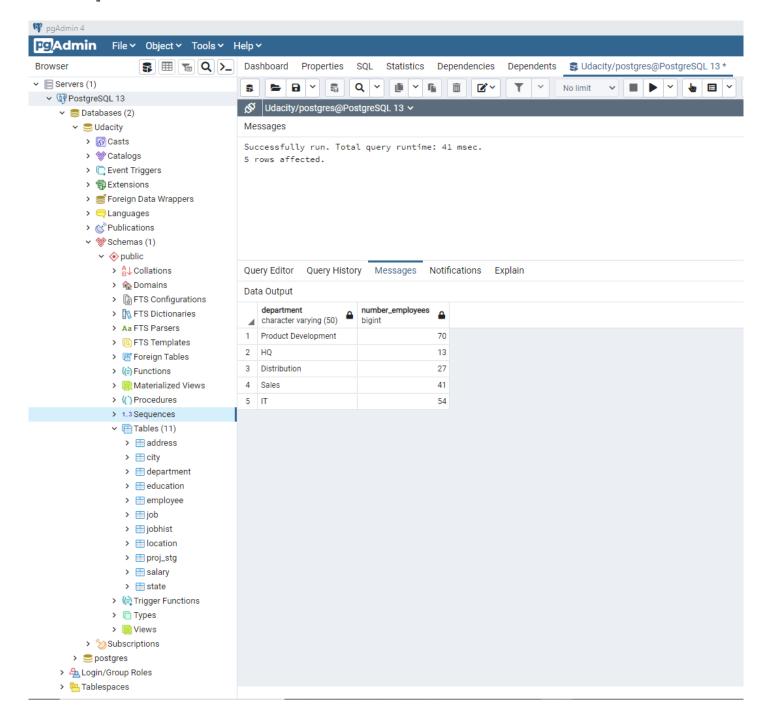
 Question 3: Correct the job title from web programmer to web developer



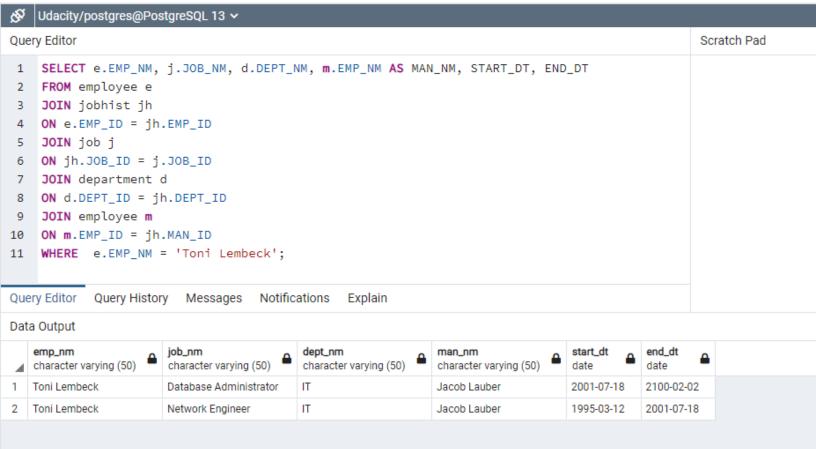
 Question 4: Delete the job title Web Developer from the database



Question 5: How many employees are in each department?



 Question 6: Write a query that returns current and past jobs (include employee name, job title, department, manager name, start and end date for position) for employee Toni Lembeck.



 Question 7: Describe how you would apply table security to restrict access to employee salaries using an SQL server.

Since salary data is stored in a separated table, access to this data would be done through table-level security. All data users with access permission (both on read and read/write roles) are identified and given permission using company's login credentials.

Step 4 Above and Beyond (optional)

Step 4: Above and Beyond

This last step is called Above and Beyond. In this step, I have proposed 3 challenges for you to complete, which are above and beyond the scope of the project. This is a chance to flex your coding muscles and show everyone how good you really are.

These challenge steps will bring your project even more in line with a real-world project, as these are the kind of "finishing touches" that will make your database more usable. Imagine building a car without air conditioning or turn signals. Sure, it will work, but who would want to drive it.

I encourage you to take on these challenges in this course and any future courses you take. I designed these challenges to be a challenge to your current abilities, but I ensured they are not an unattainable challenge. Remember, these challenges are completely optional - you can pass the project by doing none of them, or just some of them, but I encourage you to at least attempt them!

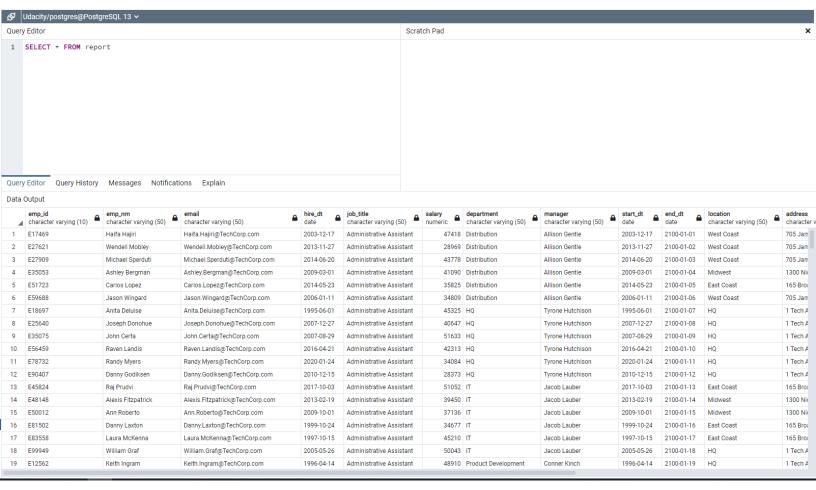
Standout Suggestion 1

Create a view that returns all employee attributes; results should resemble initial Excel file

```
Query Editor
 1 /* CREATE VIEW */
 2 CREATE VIEW report AS
 3 SELECT jh.EMP_ID AS EMP_ID,
          e.EMP_NM AS EMP_NM,
          e.email AS EMAIL,
          e.HIRE_DT AS HIRE_DT,
 6
          j.JOB_NM AS JOB_TITLE,
 7
          s.SALARY AS SALARY,
d.DEPT_NM AS DEPARTMENT,
 8
 9
          m.EMP_NM AS MANAGER,
10
11
          jh.START_DT AS START_DT,
          jh.END_DT AS END_DT,
13
          1.LOC_NM AS LOCATION,
          a.ADD_NM AS ADDRESS.
14
          c.CITY_NM AS CITY,
15
           st.STATE_NM AS STATE,
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17
           ed.ED_LVL AS EDUCATION_LEVEL
18 FROM employee e
19 JOIN education ed
20 ON e.edlvl_id = ed.edlvl_id
21 JOIN jobhist jh
22 ON e.emp_id = jh.emp_id
23 JOIN job j
24 ON jh.job_id = j.job_id
25 JOIN salary s
26 ON jh.jh_id = s.jh_id
27 JOIN employee m
28 ON jh.man_id = m.emp_id
29 JOIN department d
30 ON d.dept_id = jh.dept_id
31 JOIN address a
32 ON a.add_id = jh.add_id
33 JOIN location l
34 ON a.loc_id = l.loc_id
35 JOIN city c
36 ON a.city_id = c.city_id
37 JOIN state st
38 ON st.state_id = c.state_id
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Query Editor Query History Messages Notifications Explain
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Standout Suggestion 3

Implement user security on the restricted salary attribute.

Create a non-management user named **NoMgr**. Show the code of how your would grant access to the database, but revoke access to the salary data.

