Design Document:

AIM:

This SQL programming project involves the creation of a database host application that interfaces with a backend SQL database implementing a Contact List application.

INTRODUCTION:

This is a web application. A Contact Address Book is a personalized webpage that has been interfaced with a MySQL database and is used to store the user's contact details. The user has the following options –

- Viewing Contacts and Searching for a contact.
- Adding a new Contact
- Edit an Existing Contact
- Deleting a Contact

These functionality has been carried out in each of the named .php files provided. The GUI is fairly simple and easy to navigate through. All the contacts have been displayed on a single web page. The edit, delete and add functionalities are on separate web pages which the user can navigate to easily at the click of a button.

Tools and Technologies used:

XAMPP is used as a webserver solution. The project server is localhost.

Microsoft Excel was used for preprocessing/cleaning of the data.

This project has been done using HTML/CSS and some Javascript for the GUI design and navigation in the front-end.

PHP, an open source general scripting language is used for manipulation of text pages, and in particular for manipulating dynamic HTML pages at the Web server computer. PHP has libraries of functions for accessing databases stored under various types of relational database systems such as MySQL, which is the backend for this project.

As stated earlier, MySQL database is used to store the contact list information.

PHPMyAdmin was used to import the data onto the created database and query the data at the backend before the GUI was implemented.

Database Design:

The structure of the database was given and the relations were constructed according to the diagram given.

There are 4 tables, Contact, Address, Phone, Date.

However, a csv file that had all the data combined (Contacts.csv) was provided.

The data preprocessing was required to be carried out.

Microsoft Excel was used for this purpose.

The data was split and saved onto 4 individual csv files.

It was stored in accordance with the created tables in MySQL.

The Contact.csv consisted of the contact id, first name, middle name and last name.

The Address.csv, Phone.csv and Date.csv required the creation of a new column which was automatically filled with the number of entries and each contact_id that was a part of the Contact.csv file had its contact_id associated with the the respective address_id, phone_id and date_id to identify each contact and its respective attribute.

The phone number was required to be split into "area_code" and "Number" as shown in the design diagram. CSV has the functionality to achieve that.

Cascade Update and Delete have been used for the purpose of update and deletion of the contact.

This is done so as to delete all the records of the contact from all the tables in the database.

Assumptions made:

Any NULL Rows that were created during the cleaning process, for example, the contacts who do not have a Home or work cell phone number, that entry was deleted from the database so as to avoid too many NULL values in the DB.

The contact can have only a selected number of options, such as Address Type can be only Home or Work, Phone Type can only be Home, Work or Cell.

This is done to maintain the consistency of the database. Too many options can lead to a lot of redundant data.

If a contact has multiple types of phone numbers, Addresses, they will be displayed multiple times as they all reference the contact_id and that is the foreign key to all the tables in the database.

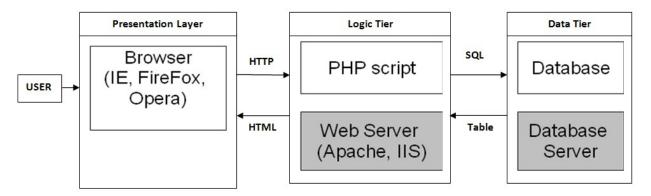
Therefore, when a join is performed, it takes all the combinations of the attributes of the contact.

Only 1 contact can be added at a time.

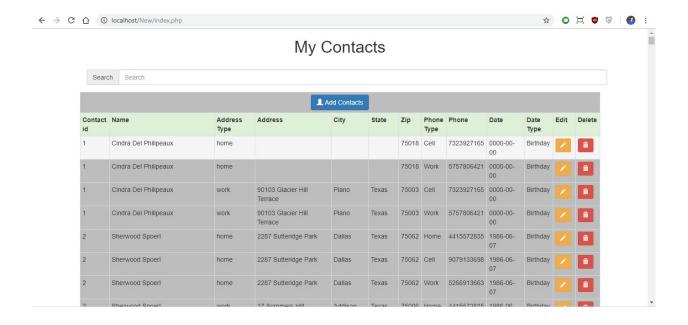
Only 1 contact can be edited at a time.

Design:

For most of the front end work, there is a large number of third parties that provide readymade .js and .css files that can be used for making the GUI more aesthetically pleasing with minimum amount of coding. One needs to only refer and link it in the page.

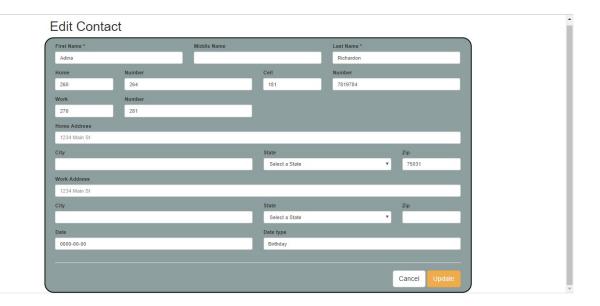


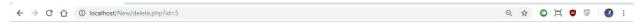
The GUI is fairly simple and easy to navigate.





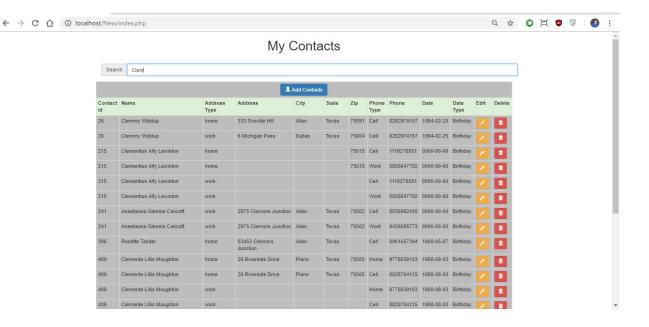






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Requirements:

Internet Connection (to load the third party .css and .js files)
Good amount of RAM.

Resources:

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