Program 4: Final Project Topic: Online Quiz Portal

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#### **Documentation:**

This project is an online quiz portal where user can give tests of different programming languages and admin can add questions to the quizzes. Additionally, user can view results and evaluate their performance. Admin can view performance of all the users.

The project is a distributed 3-tier application, where clients can send the HTTP Requests using web browser as 1<sup>st</sup> tier, the middle tier is an application server which is hosted on Glassfish server. The middle layer is designed using Java servlets EJB's. servlets are responsible for receiving the requests from the webserver and process those requests and produce response to send back to the webserver. Sessions beans in the application are responsible for performing all the business logic. Entity beans hold the data in the form of entities and used by the session beans. Finally, the 3<sup>rd</sup> tier is a MySQL database server which is hosted on the Microsoft azure.

## Application gives below functionalities:

• Register/Login to the application:

The welcome page of the application is login page. If user is not already registered, then user can register by clicking on the register button. User needs to provide the full name, username and password. By default, user is added as user, however if user can register himself as admin by selecting the admin option as yes. If already registered, then user can give username and password and login to the application.

Here, Login servlet receives the request from login.jsp or register.jsp. Login servlet get the response from the UserBean. The UserBean handles all the business login to register new user and authenticate the user. User entity contains the details of the user that is being used by the userbeans. The UserBean creates the connection with the azure mysql db using jdbc driver and save/get user data from login table.

After successful authentication user session is created by the servlet and user then redirected to the respective homepage of application based on the profile of the user (i.e admin or user).

- Homepage to view quizzes and navigate:
  - Homepage lists all the programming language quizzes. Users can select the programming language and then start the quiz. Whereas the admin can select the programming language to add new questions to the quiz.
- Admin: add new questions :

After selecting the programming language admin lands to the page where he/she can add new questions to the quiz. Admin has been given an option to add more questions or finish adding question. Admin has to give question along with 4 options and correct answer for that question in the form.

From adminHome.jsp whenever admin selects the option the type of quiz added as query parameter. The AdminMain servlet use that parameter add into the session for further user. The AdminAction servlet receives the form data from the request. AdminAction servlet creates the question object and add into the quiz. Quiz is a collection of questions.

This Quiz object is then given to the adminbean which is responsible to perform database transactions and add the details to the question table.

### • user: take quizzes:

After selecting the programming language user lands to the page where quiz instructions are given. By default, quiz contains the 10 questions. Then user can start the quiz and 1 question appears on the screen at a time with 4 options. User needs to select the answer and go to the next question. User has given option to go back and forth between the questions. When user selects the 'save and finish exam' button quiz is submitted for evaluation.

The selected quiz type is added in query string and also saved in the session. Exam servlet receives the exam form data from exam.jsp. ExamServlet then get the type of exam from session and created the quiz object. This object is saved in session so that same object can be used until exam is not finished. Question along with user selected option is saved in question object and that question object is added to the quiz object. When user finished the exam then quiz object is given to quiz bean to evaluate the guiz result.

### • Evaluate the result of the quizzes:

When user finished the exam instantly result is evaluated and showed to the user. If user receives less than 5 marks, then failed remark is given otherwise passed remark is given.

QuizBean performs the business login to evaluate the result of the quiz. Here, result is decided by calculating the total correct answers by doing comparison of correct answers and user selected answers. This result is then saved to the userResult table in the database.

### View results of the quizzes:

User can view the result of all the quizzes by selecting my Result option from homepage. If quiz is passed, then it is shown in green color otherwise in red color.

QuizBean communicates with the azure mysql database to fetch the previous results of the user from userResult table. ResultServlet uses this data received from QuizBean and response is given to the userPanel.jsp.

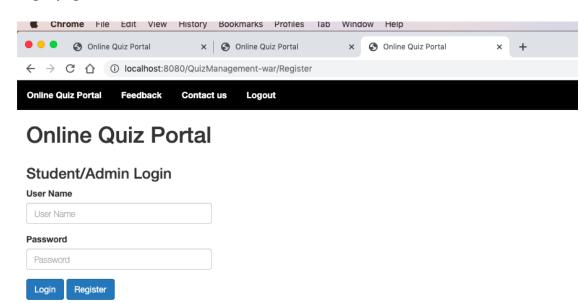
# Admin: view performance of all users:

Admin can view the results of all the users.

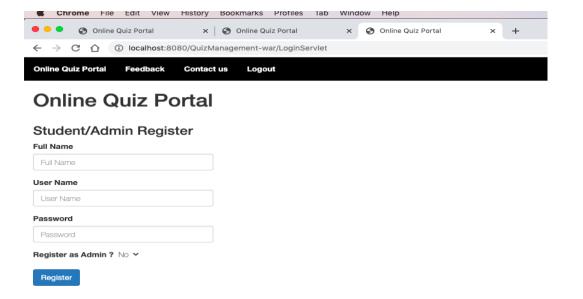
AdminBean gets the data from userResult for all users. This data is saved in hashmap with key as test id and value as inner hashmap. Inner hashmap has key as userid and value as result. AdminActions servlets get this hasmap and save into the request. adminPanel get the hasmap from request and show all the details in UI.

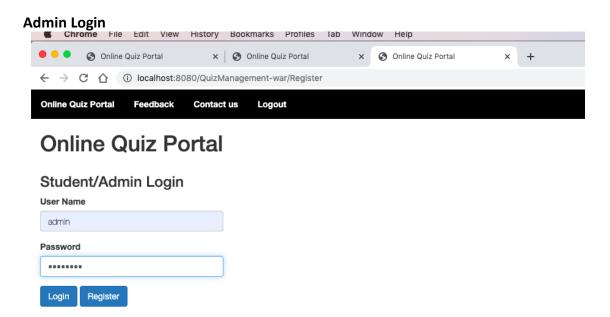
# **Execution Output:**

1. Snapshot of GUI Login page:



# Register:





# **Admin Homepage**









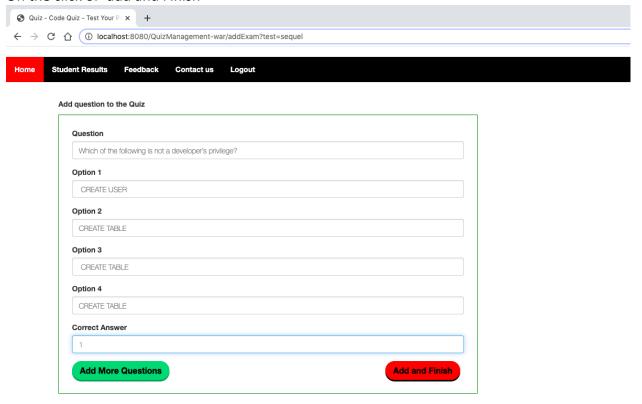




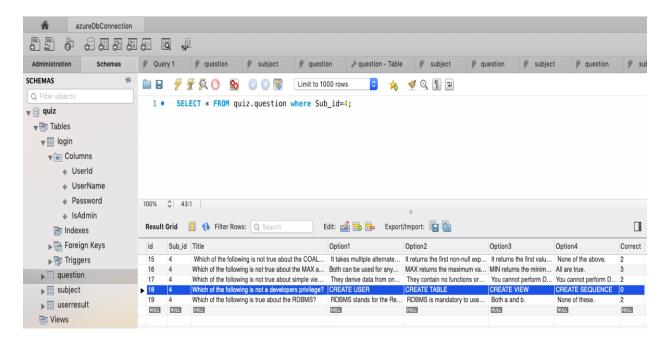


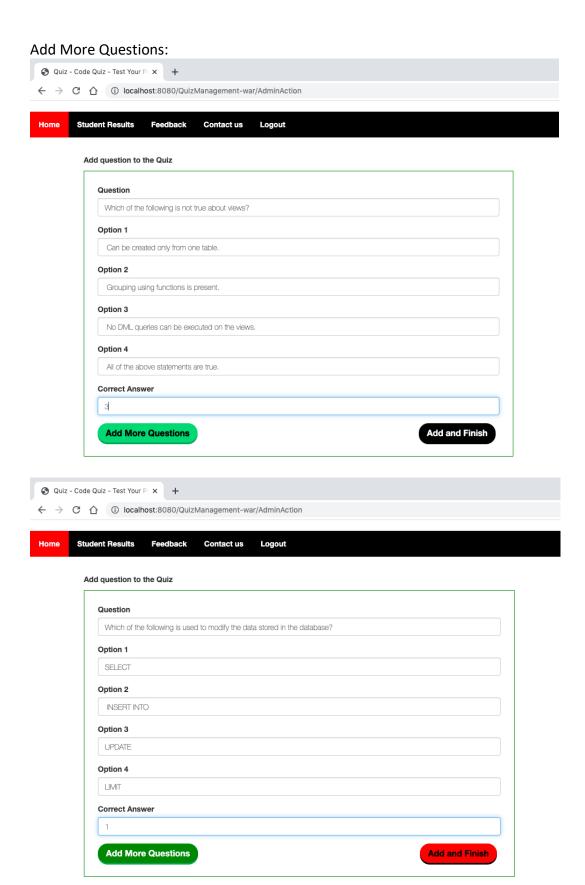
### Admin – add new questions to the quiz

On the click of 'add and Finish'

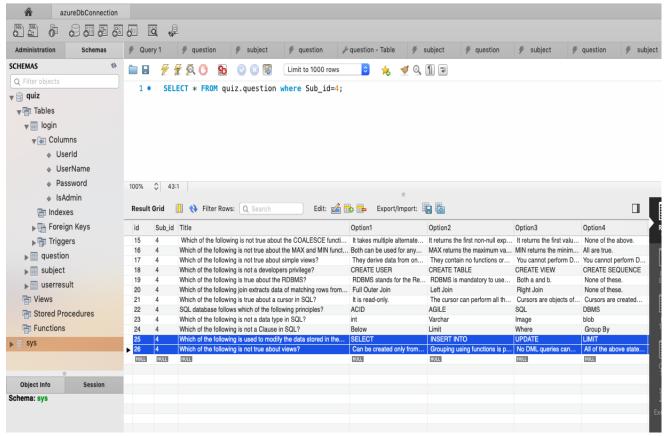


### **Database output:**



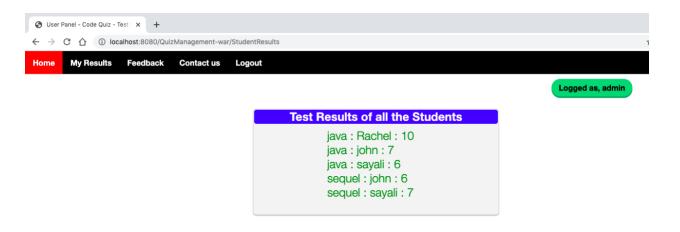


#### **Database screenshots after additions:**

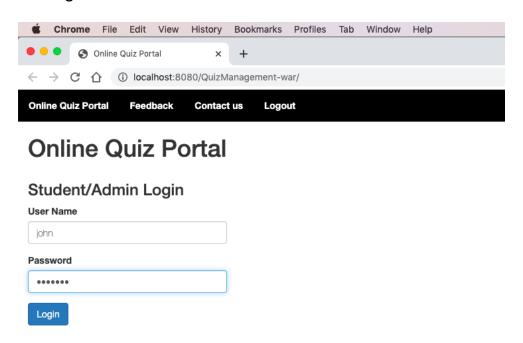


### user Results:

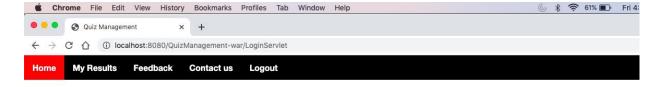
Admin can view the results of all the users



# user Login:



# HomePage of the user Page:











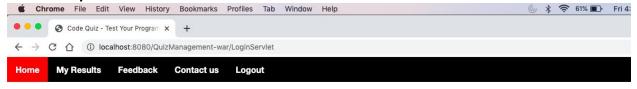








### Take Java quiz:













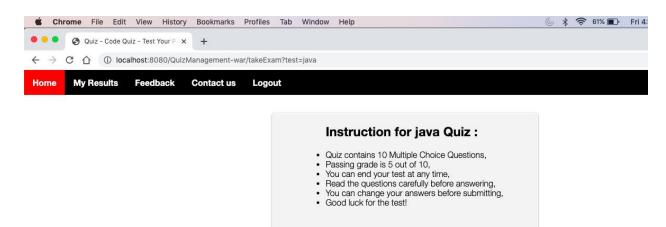




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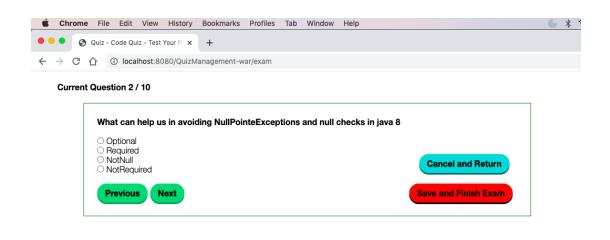


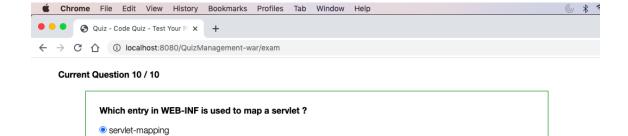
### Quiz Instructions:



### Java Quiz:







**Cancel and Return** 

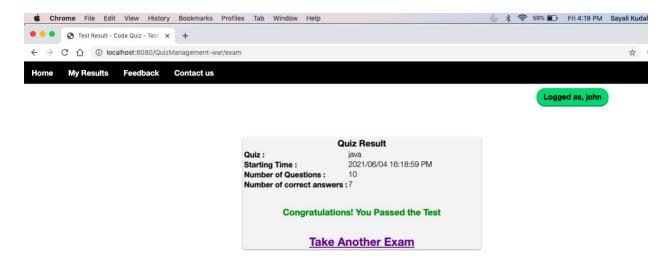
Save and Finish Exam

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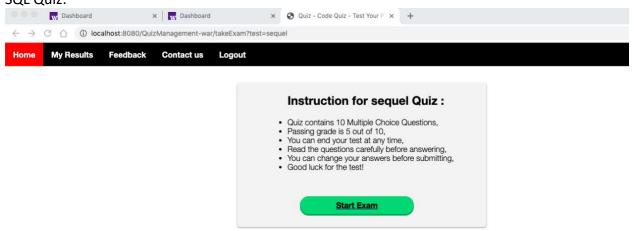
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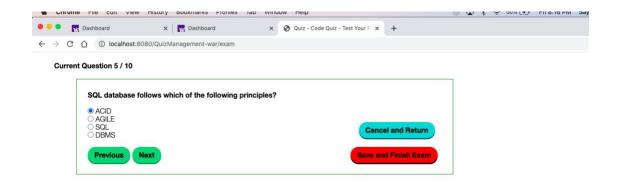
**Previous** 

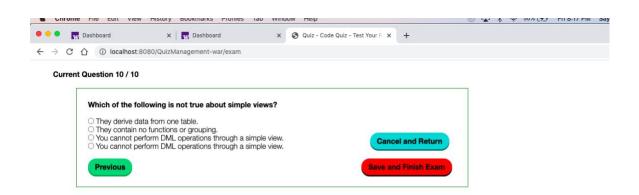
# Quiz Result after finishing the quiz

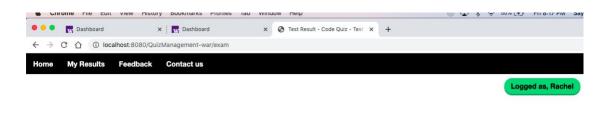


### SQL Quiz:







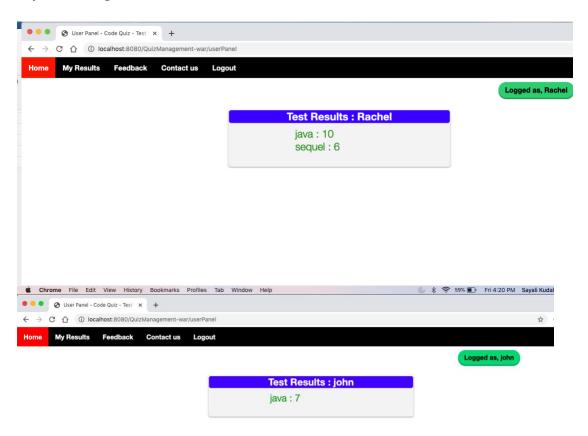


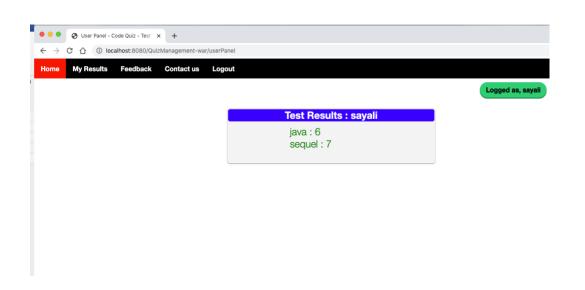
Quiz Result
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Starting Time: 2021/06/04 20:16:01 PM
Number of Questions: 10
Number of correct answers:6

Congratulations! You Passed the Test

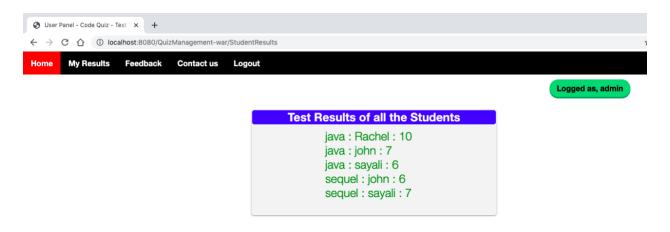
Take Another Exam

# My Result Page user:



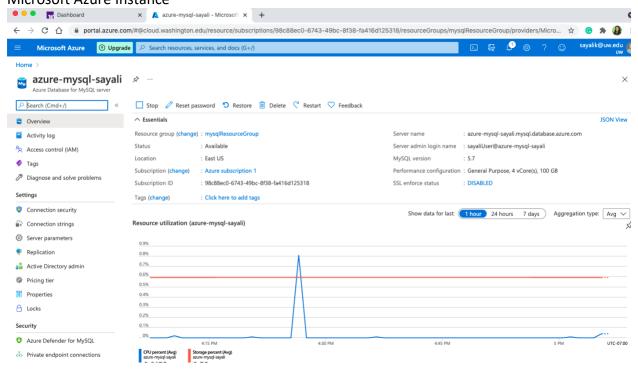


# My Result Page Admin:

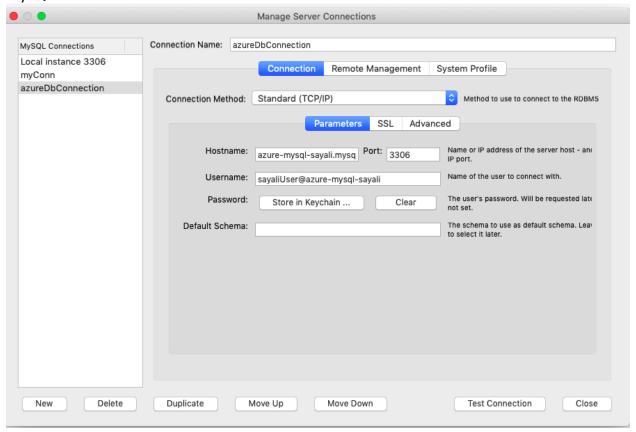


# 2. Snapshot of third tier:

# Microsoft Azure Instance



## MySQL Workbench Connection with azure



## Connection String in the code:

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           AdminBeanLocal.java
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Connection conn = DriverManager.getConnection(url, dbusername, dbpassword);
          QuizBean.java
QuizBeanLocal.java
           UserBean.java
UserBeanLocal.java
                                                            Statement st = conn.createStatement();
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                                                            String query1 = "SELECT Id FROM Quiz.subject where Name='" + quiz.getSubject() + "'";
           Question.j
Quiz.java
User.java
                                                            ResultSet rs = st.executeQuery(query1);
      if (rs.next()) {
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#### **Discussions:**

This project was great hands-on EJB servlet and JSP. As development of the 3 tier is done from the scratch it gives clear understanding how each layer communicates with one another.

### Performance:

The Online quiz portal application deals with many EJB components. Decomposition of many EJB can create the overhead and in turn degrade the performance of application. However, below measures are taken to improve the application performance:

- 1. The application is developed using Stateless Session Beans and Message Driven Beans which gives highest performance, because each stateless session bean instance can support multiple clients, although one at a time.
- 2. Servlet caches EJB reference. Due to this for every request application doesn't do JNDI lookup to get EJB reference.
- 3. The important attributes such as username, quiz type, user type is stored in the session, this avoids the calls to the application and database server, and this boosts the performance of the application.
- 4. When user starts the quiz, all the quiz questions are not loaded at once, instead it is maintained in the servlets and once user answers the first question next appears. This has reduced page loading time.
- 5. Unnecessary database calls are avoided and whenever possible all the required data is gathered in single call. This has improved the performance by removing the unnecessary roundtrips to the database server
- Azure MySQL database provides the monitoring system where key performance indicators and query statistics are visible and if any query takes the more time, then that query can be optimized.

The application provides below functionality in terms of reliability:

- 1. Microsoft azure MySQL database provides the high availability feature which improves the reliability of the application.
- 2. This application is developed using EJB's and can be deployed on cluster and benefit from the features such as load balancing, failover from remote client EJBs to improve the performance of the application.
- 3. The application is distributed 3 trier applications where database tier is deployed in azure cloud, hence even if one application server fails the data which is stored in 3<sup>rd</sup> party server will not impact.
- 4. User is not allowed to enter to website without proper authentication. Also, if user is normal user then user doesn't view the details such as score of other user.

The application provides below functionality in terms of usability:

- 1. The application is easy to use and understand.
- 2. The design of the website is self-evident and obvious.
- 3. Navigation menu is given so that users can navigate to different pages easily.
- 4. The GUI is simple, pleasant, and minimalistic.
- 5. The instructions given before the quiz is helpful to users while giving quiz.

Due to all these aspects usability of the application is improved, and users can perform the tasks easily.

#### Improvements in the project:

- 1. The quiz can have time limit.
- 2. Quiz questions can be fetched from the web or 3<sup>rd</sup> party source randomly along with the existing functionality where admin can add questions to the quiz.
- 3. Currently, in result only marks are shown. Functionality can be improved to view the past quiz details with user selected answers and correct answers.
- 4. Users can share the guiz score with one another and can invite other users to beat the score.
- 5. Hints can be given to the user while attempting the quiz.
- 6. Code can be improved by having the single file with database connection tasks.

#### Limitations:

- 1. The Quiz can have at the most 10 questions.
- 2. The admin cannot delete the already added questions. Every time last 10 questions which are recently added are selected as a quiz.
- 3. Fixed set of quizzes. Admin would be given an option to create new subject and add questions to it

#### **Lab Sessions:**

### Lab 8 output:



# Servlet Visits at /CountMultiplier

You are the 1st Visitor



# Servlet Visits at /CountMultiplier

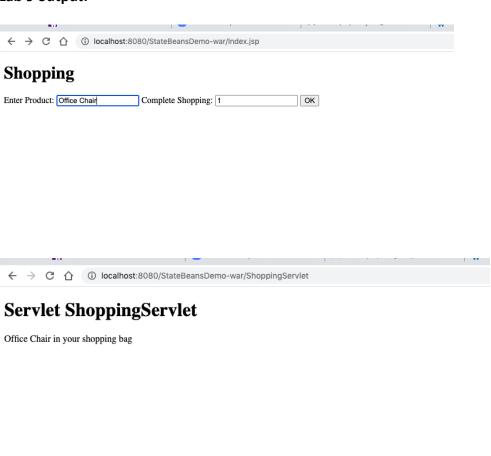
You are the 2nd Visitor



# Servlet Visits at /CountMultiplier

You are the 7th Visitor

# Lab 9 output:





# Servlet ShoppingServlet

Mouse in your shopping bag

Your items:
Office Chair
Apple Laptop
Desk Table
KeyBoard
Mouse
shopping completed.....Thank you!