# Chapter 7

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In [1]: %reload_ext sql
In [2]: %sql postgresql://postgres:postgres@localhost:5432/analysis
Out[2]: 'Connected: postgres@analysis'
    Table Design that Works for You
    Primary Key Syntax
In [3]: %%sql
        CREATE TABLE natural_key_example (
            licence_id varchar(10) CONSTRAINT license_key PRIMARY KEY,
            first_name varchar(10),
            last_name varchar(50)
        );
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
Done.
Out[3]: []

    we first use the column constraint syntax to declare licence_id as the primary key

   • followed by aname for the primary key and then the keywords PRIMARY KEY
   • an advantage of this is it is easy to understand at a glance which colum is the primary key
In [4]: %%sql
        DROP TABLE natural_key_example;
* postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
Done.
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• we simply delete the table

Out[4]: []

#### Out[5]: []

- here we use the CONSTRAINT after listing the final column
- we also give here the column which we want to declare as the key after giving the name of the key and the keyword PRIMARY KEY
- if you want to use more than one primary key you must use this syntax
- you then declare each primary key with commas (composite primary key)

- if we do the same operation (inserting some values into our table)
- since the id has to be unique, we will get an error
- a unique primary key protects the table from runining the integrity of the data

### 1.2 Creating a Composite Primary Key

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- if we want to create a composition of multiple columns as one primary key we this with the *composite primary key*
- the combination of unique student id and date column the student was in school each day during a school year
- the present colum of the type boolean represents if the student was there (present) in that day

## 1.3 Creating an Auto-Incrementing Surrogate Key

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In [11]: %%sql
         CREATE TABLE surrogate_key_example (
             order_number bigserial,
             product name varchar(50),
             order_date date,
             CONSTRAINT order_key PRIMARY KEY (order_number)
         );
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
Done.
Out[11]: []
In [12]: %%sql
         INSERT INTO surrogate_key_example (product_name, order_date)
         VALUES ('Beachball Polish', '2015-03-17'),
             ('Wrinkle De-Atomizer', '2017-05-22'),
             ('Flux Capacitor', '1985-10-26');
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
3 rows affected.
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Out[12]: []
In [13]: %%sql
         SELECT * FROM surrogate_key_example;
* postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
3 rows affected.
Out[13]: [(1, 'Beachball Polish', datetime.date(2015, 3, 17)),
          (2, 'Wrinkle De-Atomizer', datetime.date(2017, 5, 22)),
          (3, 'Flux Capacitor', datetime.date(1985, 10, 26))]
   • we used bigserial for autoincrementing the primary key

    when you insert data into the table you can omit the order_number column

   • it will be added automatically and incremented also automatically
1.3.1 Foreign Keys
In [34]: %%sql
         CREATE TABLE licenses (
             license_id varchar(10),
             first_name varchar(50),
             last_name varchar(50),
             CONSTRAINT licenses_key PRIMARY KEY (license_id)
         );
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
Done.
Out[34]: []
In [35]: %%sql
         CREATE TABLE registrations (
             registration_id varchar(10),
             registration_date date,
             license_id varchar(10) REFERENCES licenses (license_id),
             CONSTRAINT registration_key PRIMARY KEY
              (registration_id, license_id)
         );
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
Done.
Out[35]: []
```

- the last insert statement had an licence\_id which was not in the licences table
- ourforeign key was not existed so we get an error
- this is somehow good, because we can guarantee the integrity of the data

#### 1.3.2 Automatically Deleting Related Records with CASCADE

- to delete a row in licenses and have that action automatically delete any relted rows in registrations
  - we can specify this with
    - \* ON DELETE CASCADE

#### 1.3.3 The CHECK Constraint

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- a CHECK constraint evaluates whether the data added to a column meets the expected criteria which we specify with a logical test
- if this criteria aren't met, we get an error
- it can prevent columns having nonsencial data (such as a grade 'Z')
  - CHECK (logical expression) after all columns are defined
- we can also combine more than one logical test with AND

#### 1.3.4 The UNIQUE Constraint

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In [49]: %%sql
         CREATE TABLE unique_constraint_example (
             contact_id bigserial CONSTRAINT contact_id_key PRIMARY KEY,
             first_name varchar(50),
             last_name varchar(50),
             email varchar(200),
             CONSTRAINT emaiol_unique UNIQUE (email)
         );
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
Done.
Out[49]: []
In [50]: %%sql
         INSERT INTO unique_constraint_example (first_name, last_name, email)
         VALUES ('Samantha', 'Lee', 'slee@example.org');
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
1 rows affected.
Out[50]: []
In [51]: %%sql
         INSERT INTO unique constraint example (first name, last name, email)
         VALUES ('Betty', 'Diaz', 'bdiaz@example.org');
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
1 rows affected.
Out [51]: []
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- this will occur an error
- the email column we expect this to be unique
- those adresses change over time and can be null
- we use **UNIQUE** to ensure to have one email address for one contact
- the main difference between this and the primary key is, that this value can be null

#### 1.3.5 The NOT NUILL Constraint

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- Sometimes we want columns not be null
- we declare this with the **NOT NULL** keyword
- if we attend an insert for the table and don't include values for those columns, the database will notify us the violation

#### 1.3.6 Removing Constraints or Adding Them Later

- to remove a priamary key, foreign key, or a unique constraint you would use this stament:
  - ALTER TABLE table\_name DROP CONSTRAINT constraint\_name;
- to drop a NOt NULL constraint, we have to use the ALTER COLUMN statement also:
  - ALTER TABLE table\_name ALTER COLUMN column\_name DROP NOT NULL;

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Out[60]: []

    we drop the primary key

In [62]: %%sql
         ALTER TABLE not_null_example ADD CONSTRAINT student_id_key PRIMARY KEY (student_id);
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
(psycopg2.errors.InvalidTableDefinition) multiple primary keys for table "not_null_example" are
[SQL: ALTER TABLE not_null_example ADD CONSTRAINT student_id_key PRIMARY KEY (student_id);]
(Background on this error at: http://sqlalche.me/e/f405)
  • we add a new primary key
In [64]: %%sql
         ALTER TABLE not_null_example ALTER COLUMN first_name DROP NOT NULL;
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
Done.
Out[64]: []

    we drop a colum which is NOT NULL

In [59]: %%sql
         ALTER TABLE not null example ALTER COLUMN first name SET NOT NULL;
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
Done.
Out[59]: []
  • we set a new column which is NOT NULL
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# 1.4 Speeding Up Queries with Indexes

- In the same way a book indexes, SQL indexes are working the same
- the primary key can be seen as an Index too
- they are many other index types which will be handled now

#### 1.4.1 B-Tree: PostgreSQL's Default Index

In [65]: %%sql

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CREATE TABLE new_york_adresses (
             longtitude numeric(9,6),
             latitude numeric(9,6),
             street_number varchar(10),
             street varchar(32),
             unit varchar(7),
             postcode varchar(5),
             id integer CONSTRAINT new_york_key PRIMARY KEY
         );
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
Done.
Out[65]: []
In []: %%sql
        COPY new_york_adresses
        FROM '/Users/ugurtigu/Documents/Learn/Docs/SQL/city of new york.csv'
        WITH (FORMAT CSV, HEADER);
In [77]: %%sql
         SELECT * FROM new_york_adresses
        LIMIT 10;
 * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
10 rows affected.
Out[77]: [(Decimal('-73.939546'), Decimal('40.725332'), '608', 'MORGAN AVENUE', None, '11222',
          (Decimal('-73.923303'), Decimal('40.692213'), '962', 'BUSHWICK AVENUE', None, '11221
          (Decimal('-73.918562'), Decimal('40.700381'), '309', 'HARMAN STREET', None, '11237',
          (Decimal('-73.923921'), Decimal('40.693764'), '1115', 'GREENE AVENUE', None, '11221'
          (Decimal('-73.918152'), Decimal('40.699605'), '1341', 'GREENE AVENUE', None, '11237'
          (\texttt{Decimal('-73.916312'), Decimal('40.701468'), '1415', 'GREENE AVENUE', None, '11237')}
          (Decimal('-73.937288'), Decimal('40.704293'), '185', 'MOORE STREET', None, '11206',
          (Decimal('-73.938597'), Decimal('40.704417'), '3', 'BUSHWICK COURT', None, '11206',
          (Decimal('-73.941511'), Decimal('40.703775'), '100', 'MOORE STREET', None, '11206',
          (Decimal('-73.960914'), Decimal('40.704585'), '135', 'RODNEY STREET', None, '11211',
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#### Benchmarking Query Performance with Explain

We will measure the performance of the query with the EXPLAIN keyword

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In [82]: %%sql
                   EXPLAIN ANALYSE SELECT * FROM new_york_adresses
                    WHERE street = 'BROADWAY';
  * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
7 rows affected.
Out[82]: [('Bitmap Heap Scan on new_york_adresses (cost=76.23..6368.64 rows=3072 width=46) (a
                      (" Recheck Cond: ((street)::text = 'BROADWAY'::text)",),
                      (' Heap Blocks: exact=2157',),
                      (' -> Bitmap Index Scan on street_idx (cost=0.00..75.46 rows=3072 width=0) (actua
                                            Index Cond: ((street)::text = 'BROADWAY'::text)",),
                      ('Planning Time: 0.666 ms',),
                      ('Execution Time: 16.249 ms',)]
In [83]: %%sql
                   EXPLAIN ANALYSE SELECT * FROM new_york_adresses
                   WHERE street = '52 STREET';
  * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
7 rows affected.
Out[83]: [('Bitmap Heap Scan on new_york_adresses (cost=5.63..563.21 rows=155 width=46) (actually contents and contents are contents as a content of the contents are contents as a content of the contents are contents as a content of the content o
                      (" Recheck Cond: ((street)::text = '52 STREET'::text)",),
                      (' Heap Blocks: exact=704',),
                      (' -> Bitmap Index Scan on street_idx (cost=0.00..5.59 rows=155 width=0) (actual
                                            Index Cond: ((street)::text = '52 STREET'::text)",),
                      ('Planning Time: 0.163 ms',),
                      ('Execution Time: 5.701 ms',)]
In [84]: %%sql
                   EXPLAIN ANALYSE SELECT * FROM new_york_adresses
                   WHERE street = 'ZWICKY AVENUE';
  * postgresql://postgres:***@localhost:5432/analysis
7 rows affected.
Out[84]: [('Bitmap Heap Scan on new_york_adresses (cost=5.63..563.21 rows=155 width=46) (actual
                      (" Recheck Cond: ((street)::text = 'ZWICKY AVENUE'::text)",),
                      (' Heap Blocks: exact=6',),
                      (' -> Bitmap Index Scan on street_idx (cost=0.00..5.59 rows=155 width=0) (actual
                                            Index Cond: ((street)::text = 'ZWICKY AVENUE'::text)",),
                      ('Planning Time: 0.160 ms',),
                      ('Execution Time: 0.700 ms',)]
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• we have a parallel seq scan which means that the table will be scanned fully

#### Adding the Index

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- similar to creating constraints we use CREATE INDEX keywords followed by a name we chose for the index (street\_idx)
- than **ON** is added follwing by the target table and column
- this statement will scan the values in the street column and build the index from them
- when we now run the 3 statement we did with the EXPLAIN keyword we can see a better performance
- instead of a seq scan we now have a index scan on street\_idx
- instead of visiting each row
- Consider the following two tables from a database you're making to keep track of your vinyl LP collection. Start by reviewing these CREATE TABLE statements.
- The albums table includes information specific to the overall collection of songs on the disc. The songs table catalogs each track on the album. Each song has a title and its own artist column, because each song might. feature its own collection of artists.

CREATE TABLE albums (album\_id bigserial, album\_catalog\_code varchar(100), album\_title text, album\_artist text, album\_time interval, album\_release\_date date, album\_genre varchar(40), album\_description text);

CREATE TABLE songs (song\_id bigserial, song\_title text, song\_artist text, album\_id bigint);

- Use the tables to answer these questions:
- 1. Modify these CREATE TABLE statements to include primary and foreign keys plus additional constraints on both tables. Explain why you made your choices.

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- Both tables get a primary key using surrogate key id values that are auto-generated via serial data types.
- The songs table references albums via a foreign key constraint. Note that the reference is a bigint (not a serial anymore)
- In both tables, the title and artist columns cannot be empty, which is specified via a NOT NULL constraint. We assume that every album and song should at minimum have that information.
- In albums, the album\_release\_date column has a CHECK constraint because it would be likely impossible for us to own an LP made before 1925.

#### In []: