# CS-323: Project delivrable

This is first deliverable for the *Bookshelf* project of the introduction to database course (spring 2016 - Pr. Anastasia Ailamaki), which sums up our work. It also contains some justifications.

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## Part I

## Delivrable 1

## 1 Justifications

We started to take a look at the given data and tried to understand how tables where connected at a first glance by drawing a really simplified diagram. Once this was done, we started to look at more deeply to the data: how are they stored? May they be empty? Are they all relevant? Our major decision was not to drop any table, but only add and remove some fields to entities.

First, for everything that is related to publications, we quickly figured out how things were working. Therefore, we quickly decided to drop some of the unused id (such as its publication author or its publication content). As a primary key, we made the choice to inflate it using constraints. Furthermore, we also decided to separate the price into two fields, one for the amount and one for the currency, this solution being much more efficient while looking for some price range for instance.

Even though both publications and titles have each one a related type field we did not find it relevant to split them into different tables and/or explicit a IS-A relationship because of the way the datas are gathered.

Another part of the work was to analyse how tables were connected to remove potential redundancy. For instance, an award has a category but also a type, and a category has a type. These two types being always the same, we needed to drop out some content, what we've done by removing the type entry in a award. We also realise that, for instance in the author table, among the 80'000 birth places, only 10% were unique so we have started thinking about changing this attribute into a placeID and create a places table. There were some advantages (no redundancy, less space consumed) but some drawbacks (2 queries instead of one for each author) that finally made us stay with the given configuration (however, if another would be using a place, we will have done that).

Furthermore, to write properly the creation of the table, we needed to know exactly what entry may be null, and which ones could not. This was done by inspecting carefully the data and reading correctly the instructions. Then, the dilemma was for notes and web pages tables. Indeed, for note, we only have two entries: the ID and the raw note, whereas for a website, there are an ID, an URL but also some other IDs to relate it to other entities: among these 7 IDs, only one The type of each entry is explained in the following paragraph. Our final has been not the change the structure of these two tables since there is no WebpageID entry in tables as there is for note, but whether a web page is directly connected to the ID of its corresponding entity. Therefore, it implies to add an entry into these 7 tables, and we decided not to do this for practical reasons. Besides, we also thought about simply adding a simply URL entry into the note table, but this solution was also not satisfactory since before insert we would need to do a map from web page to note (not that hard) but since primary keys are only unique in one table, an author and a publication may have the same ID and this would imply much more work to know which website belongs to who.

As publications and titles both have a type we used an enum as a compromise between having a raw string field and creating normalisation for it. This avoids the redundancy and increase data consistency. Note that it would not be an option if the dataset usage would include adding new types (normalising is better in this case).

Last but not least, some intensive parsing has also been performed to know exactly how many characters were required for instance for each field, since we have encountered some difficulties with Cyrillic. We quickly realised that we should definitely parse these values before inserting them, it presents the advantages of being less memory consuming (6 characters become 1) and also the process of conversion is only done one time.

## 2 ER model

This entity-relation model only contains fields which are either directly use for relation or as primary key (underline then). For a more complete view of the table, refers to the next section. Fields are coloured in blue, direct relationships in yellow, relationships through a table in red.

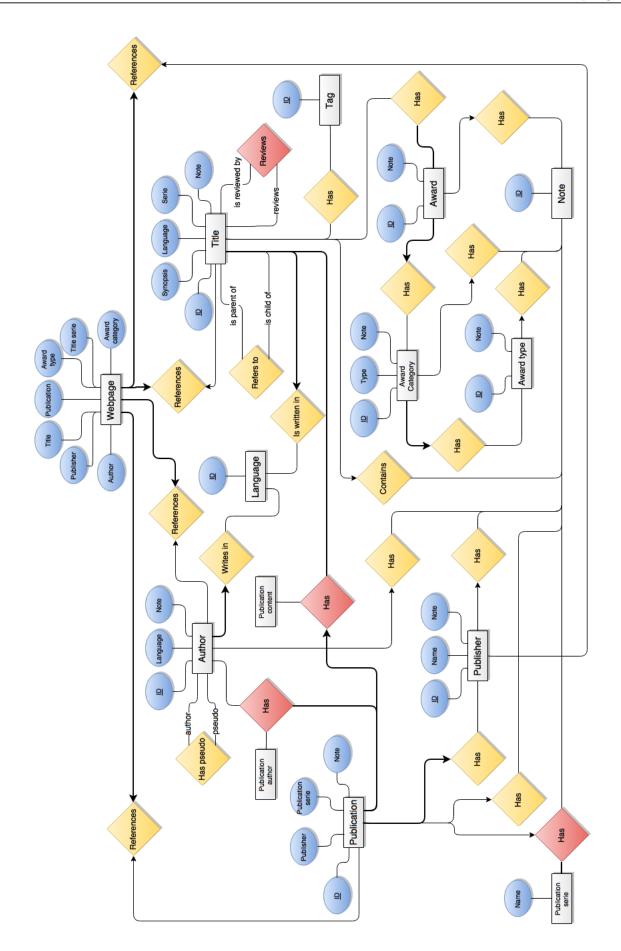
Note: If you find this diagram too small, a larger version is available online at the following address:

https://documents.epfl.ch/users/s/so/soccard/private/DBMS

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## 3 SQL schema

### 3.1 Entities

```
CREATE TYPE PUBLICATION_TYPE AS ENUM ('ANTHOLOGY', 'COLLECTION', 'MAGAZINE',
        'NONFICTION', 'NOVEL', 'OMNIBUS', 'FANZINE', 'CHAPBOOK');
CREATE TYPE TITLE_TYPE AS ENUM ('ANTHOLOGY', 'BACKCOVERART', 'COLLECTION',
        'COVERART', 'INTERIORART', 'EDITOR', 'ESSAY', 'INTERVIEW', 'NOVEL',
        'NONFICTION', 'OMNIBUS', 'POEM', 'REVIEW', 'SERIAL', 'SHORTFICTION',
        'CHAPBOOK');
CREATE TABLE authors
(
              INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
  id
              VARCHAR (256)
                               NOT NULL,
  legal_name VARCHAR(256),
  last_name
              VARCHAR (256),
  pseudonym
              INT, -- fk
  birth_place VARCHAR(256),
  birth_date DATE,
  death_date DATE,
  email
              VARCHAR (256),
              VARCHAR (256),
  image
  language_id INT, -- fk
             INT -- fk
  note_id
)
CREATE TABLE publications
  id
                 INT PRIMARY KEY
                                         NOT NULL,
  title
                 VARCHAR (256)
                                          NOT NULL,
                                         NOT NULL,
  date_pub
                 DATE
                                          NOT NULL, -- fk
  publisher_id
                 INT
  pages
                 INT,
  preface
                 INT,
                                         NOT NULL,
  packaging_type VARCHAR(16)
                 PUBLICATON_TYPE
                                     NOT NULL,
  isbn
                 BIGINT,
                 VARCHAR (256),
  cover
                 FLOAT,
  price
  currency
                 VARCHAR (8),
  pub_series_id INT, -- fk
  pub_series_num INT,
  note_id
                 INT -- fk
)
```



```
CREATE TABLE titles
               INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
                               NOT NULL,
  title
               VARCHAR (256)
  translator
               VARCHAR (256),
               INT, -- fk
  synopsis
               INT, -- fk
  note_id
               INT, -- fk
  series_id
  series_num
               INT,
  story_length VARCHAR(256),
               TITLE_TYPE,
  type
                                NOT NULL DEFAULT O, -- fk
               INT
  parent
  language_id
              INT, -- fk
  graphic
               BOOLEAN
                                NOT NULL
)
CREATE TABLE languages
         INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
  id
                         NOT NULL,
         VARCHAR (256)
  name
  code
         CHAR (3)
                          NOT NULL UNIQUE,
  script BOOLEAN
)
CREATE TABLE notes
       INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
  id
                        NOT NULL
  note TEXT
CREATE TABLE webpages
(
                          INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
  author_id
                          INT, -- fk
                          INT, -- fk
  publisher_id
                          INT, -- fk
  title_id
                          VARCHAR (256)
                                          NOT NULL UNIQUE,
  publications_series_id INT, -- fk
                          INT, -- fk
  award_type_id
  title_series_id
                          INT, -- fk
                         INT -- fk
  award_category_id
)
CREATE TABLE tags
       INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
  id
  name VARCHAR (256)
                     NOT NULL
CREATE TABLE titles_series
          INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
                         NOT NULL,
  title
          VARCHAR (256)
 parent INT DEFAULT 0, -- fk
  note_id INT -- fk
)
```

```
CREATE TABLE awards
              INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
                               NOT NULL,
  title
              VARCHAR (256)
                               NOT NULL,
  date
              DATE
                               NOT NULL, -- fk
  category_id INT
  note_id
              INT -- fk
)
CREATE TABLE awards_categories
          INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
                          NOT NULL,
        VARCHAR (256)
  name
  type_id INT
                           NOT NULL, -- fk
        INT,
 ordr
 note_id INT -- fk
)
CREATE TABLE awards_types
  id
              INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
              CHAR(2) UNIQUE,
  code
              VARCHAR (256)
                               NOT NULL,
  name
  note_id
              INT, -- fk
  awarded_by VARCHAR(256)
                               NOT NULL,
  awarded_for VARCHAR(256)
                               NOT NULL,
  short_name VARCHAR(256)
                               NOT NULL UNIQUE,
 poll
                               NOT NULL,
              BOOLEAN
              BOOLEAN
                               NOT NULL
 non_genre
)
CREATE TABLE publishers
          INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
  name
          VARCHAR (512)
                         NOT NULL,
  note_id INT -- fk
CREATE TABLE publications_series
          INT PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,
          VARCHAR (512)
                          NOT NULL,
 note_id INT -- fk
)
3.2 Relations
CREATE TABLE publications_authors
  publication_id INT NOT NULL, -- fk
                 INT NOT NULL, -- fk
  author_id
  CONSTRAINT pk_publications_authors PRIMARY KEY (publication_id, author_id)
)
CREATE TABLE titles_awards
  title_id INT NOT NULL, -- fk
  award_id INT NOT NULL, -- fk
  CONSTRAINT pk_titles_awards PRIMARY KEY (title_id, award_id)
)
```

```
CREATE TABLE titles_tags
(
    title_id INT NOT NULL, -- fk
    tag_id INT NOT NULL, -- fk
    CONSTRAINT pk_titles_tags PRIMARY KEY (title_id, tag_id)
)

CREATE TABLE reviews
(
    title_id INT NOT NULL, -- fk
    review_id INT NOT NULL, -- fk
    CONSTRAINT pk_reviews PRIMARY KEY (title_id, review_id)
)

CREATE TABLE publications_contents
(
    title_id INT NOT NULL, -- fk
    publication_id INT NOT NULL, -- fk
    CONSTRAINT pk_publications_contents PRIMARY KEY (title_id, publication_id)
)
```

## 3.3 Foreign keys

#### 3.3.1 Authors

```
ALTER TABLE authors

ADD FOREIGN KEY (language_id)

REFERENCES languages (id)

ON DELETE SET NULL;

ALTER TABLE authors

ADD FOREIGN KEY (pseudonym)

REFERENCES authors (id)

ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE authors

ADD FOREIGN KEY (note_id)

REFERENCES notes (id)

ON DELETE SET NULL;
```

#### 3.3.2 Publication authors

```
ALTER TABLE publications_authors ADD FOREIGN KEY (publication_id) REFERENCES publications (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;
```

ALTER TABLE publications\_authors
ADD FOREIGN KEY (author\_id)
REFERENCES authors (id)
ON DELETE CASCADE;

## 3.3.3 Publications

```
ALTER TABLE publications
ADD FOREIGN KEY (publisher_id)
REFERENCES publishers (id)
ON DELETE SET NULL;

ALTER TABLE publications
ADD FOREIGN KEY (note_id)
```

REFERENCES notes (id)
ON DELETE SET NULL;

ALTER TABLE publications
ADD FOREIGN KEY (pub\_series\_id)
REFERENCES publications\_series (id)
ON DELETE SET NULL;

#### 3.3.4 Publication contents

ALTER TABLE publications\_contents
ADD FOREIGN KEY (title\_id)
REFERENCES titles (id)
ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE publications\_contents
ADD FOREIGN KEY (publication\_id)
REFERENCES publications (id)
ON DELETE CASCADE;

#### 3.3.5 Publishers

ALTER TABLE publishers ADD FOREIGN KEY (note\_id) REFERENCES notes (id) ON DELETE SET NULL;

### 3.3.6 Publication series

ALTER TABLE publications\_series ADD FOREIGN KEY (note\_id) REFERENCES notes (id) ON DELETE SET NULL;

#### 3.3.7 Titles

ALTER TABLE titles
ADD FOREIGN KEY (synopsis)
REFERENCES notes (id)
ON DELETE SET NULL;

ALTER TABLE titles
ADD FOREIGN KEY (parent)
REFERENCES titles (id)
ON DELETE SET DEFAULT;

ALTER TABLE titles
ADD FOREIGN KEY (note\_id)
REFERENCES notes (id)
ON DELETE SET NULL;

ALTER TABLE titles
ADD FOREIGN KEY (series\_id)
REFERENCES titles\_series (id)
ON DELETE SET NULL;

ALTER TABLE titles
ADD FOREIGN KEY (language\_id)
REFERENCES languages (id)
ON DELETE SET NULL;

#### 3.3.8 Reviews

ALTER TABLE reviews
ADD FOREIGN KEY (title\_id)
REFERENCES titles (id)
ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE reviews
ADD FOREIGN KEY (review\_id)
REFERENCES titles (id)
ON DELETE CASCADE;

### 3.3.9 Webpages

ALTER TABLE webpages ADD FOREIGN KEY (author\_id) REFERENCES authors (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE webpages ADD FOREIGN KEY (title\_id) REFERENCES titles (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE webpages ADD FOREIGN KEY (award\_type\_id) REFERENCES awards\_types (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE webpages ADD FOREIGN KEY (award\_category\_id) REFERENCES awards\_categories (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;

#### 3.3.10 Title awards

ALTER TABLE titles\_awards ADD FOREIGN KEY (title\_id) REFERENCES titles (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;

3.3.11 Title tags

ALTER TABLE titles\_tags ADD FOREIGN KEY (title\_id) REFERENCES titles (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE title\_series ADD FOREIGN KEY (parent) REFERENCES title\_series (id) ON DELETE SET DEFAULT;

## **3.3.12** Awards

ALTER TABLE awards
ADD FOREIGN KEY (category\_id) ADD FOREIGN KEY (note\_id)
REFERENCES awards\_categories (id) REFERENCES notes (id) ALTER TABLE awards ON DELETE SET NULL;

3.3.13 Award categories

ALTER TABLE awards\_categories ADD FOREIGN KEY (type\_id) REFERENCES awards\_types (id) ON DELETE SET NULL;

ALTER TABLE webpages ADD FOREIGN KEY (publisher\_id) REFERENCES publishers (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE webpages ADD FOREIGN KEY (publications\_series\_id) REFERENCES publications\_series (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE webpages ADD FOREIGN KEY (title\_series\_id) REFERENCES title\_series (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE titles\_awards ADD FOREIGN KEY (award\_id) REFERENCES awards (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE titles\_tags ADD FOREIGN KEY (tag\_id) REFERENCES tags (id) ON DELETE CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE title\_series ADD FOREIGN KEY (note\_id) REFERENCES notes (id) ON DELETE SET NULL;

ON DELETE SET NULL;

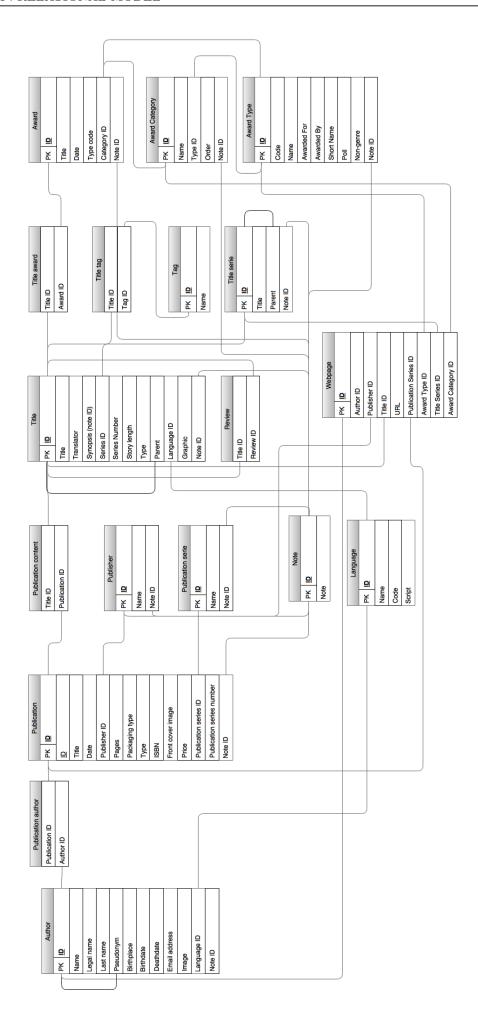
ALTER TABLE awards\_categories ADD FOREIGN KEY (note\_id) REFERENCES notes (id) ON DELETE SET NULL;

## 3.3.14 Award types

ALTER TABLE awards\_types ADD FOREIGN KEY (note\_id) REFERENCES notes (id) ON DELETE SET NULL;

4 Appendix : Relational Model





## Part II

## Delivrable 2

## 5 Modifications and improvements

#### 5.1 Justifications

We are now considering award\_category as a weak entity of award\_type since it doesnt make sense for a category to exist without type. Therefore, the primary key of the category is now not only cat\_ID but also a tuple containing cat\_ID and type\_ID. This leads us to store again in our award table the type\_ID attribute to make the connection between awards and their categories.

After analyzing the data, the graphic attribute may be null, we lead us to remove the NOT NULL constraint on this attribute.

While inserting, we removed some of the notes entries due to bad formatting or empty content. Advanced data such as dates or combined page numbers have been parse the best possible. When that was not sufficient the field might have been replaced by null or replaced by the nearest value (e.g. 0/0/xxxx to 1/1/xxxx) as discussed in class. The translator field of titles has been extracted into a many to many relationship. The parser also been adapted to manage  $\t$  as an escape character for tabulation.

In the DDL and according to the data, the following changes have been made:

- publisher\_id in publication is now nullable
- type in publication is now nullable
- parent in titles is now nullable
- url in webpages is now not unique, as many url could reference different items
- code in award\_type is now not unique, as two awards could share the same initials
- drop table statements have been added to make easier the deletion and creation of the database
- dead foreign key values removal queries have been added to allow the creation of corresponding foreign keys
- a constraint ensuring at least of the entities is linked in each webpages entries has been added for not having a page referencing no entity

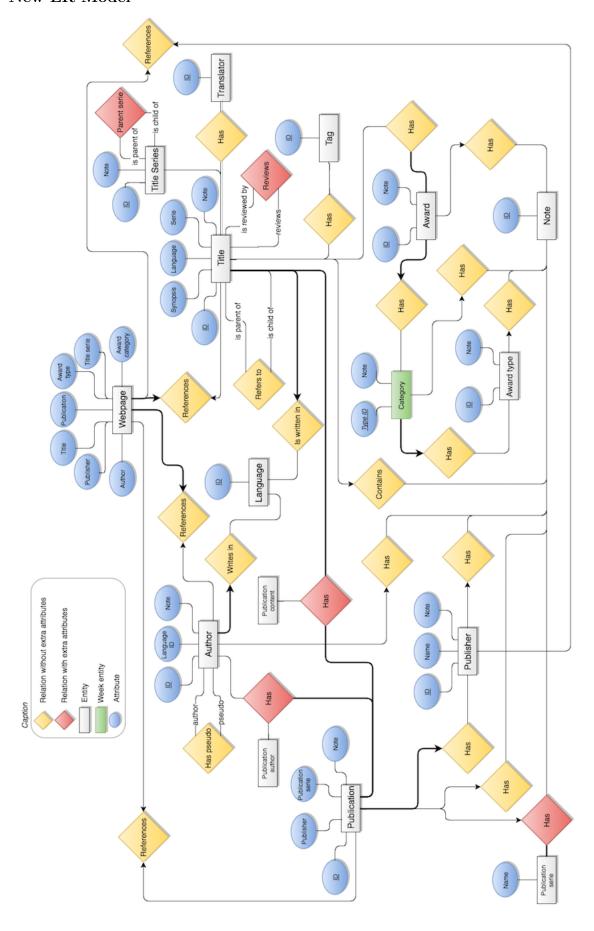
About cascade justifications, we decided with one of the TAs to only specify the behaviour for deleting as updating is not involved in the project. If not specified otherwise, we set the deleted field to null as they entities lifetime are independent of each others:

- authors\_id and pseudonym are linked to the same person, thus requiring a cascade deletion.
- all many to many relationship have a cascade deletion, as there is no meaning of a two entity mapping missing one of the entity.
- $\bullet$  webpages have a cascade deletion whenever one the referring entity is deleted.
- awards\_categories has a cascade deletion as it is a weak entity.

The enumerations values have been kept as inline values for flexibility and simplicity reasons as discussed with one of the teaching assistants. The full inserts are batched and executed in about 12 minutes.



## 5.2 New ER Model





## 6 Queries implementation

## 6.1 For every year, output the year and the number of publications for said year

1. Description of logic: We are using the DATE\_PART function provided by Postgresql to extract the year of the date stored for each publication. Then we simply do a GROUP BY on the year and count the number of entries.

#### 2. SQL statement:

```
SELECT DATE_PART('year', p.date_pub) AS year, COUNT(*) AS count
FROM publications p
GROUP BY DATE_PART('year', p.date_pub)
ORDER BY year ASC;
```

3. Results (partial):

count
8667
8166
11970
14204
15526
19150
22470
22317
22923
21219
17206
1590
445
4

## 6.2 Output the names of the ten authors with most publications

1. Description of logic: This query simply joins the authors and their publications and then GROUP BY on the authors name. We just have to count the number of entries, ORDER BY that count and set a limit to 10.

## 2. SQL statement :

```
SELECT a.name, COUNT(*) AS count
FROM publications_authors p
INNER JOIN authors a ON p.author_id = a.id
GROUP BY a.name
ORDER BY count DESC
LIMIT 10;
```

## 3. Results:

name	count
uncredited	2912
Isaac Asimov	2389
Edgar Rice Burroughs	2287
Robert A. Heinlein	1878
Arthur C. Clarke	1512
Andre Norton	1505
Stephen King	1504
Robert Silverberg	1481
Philip K. Dick	1398
Terry Pratchett	1354



## 6.3 What are the names of the youngest and oldest authors to publish something in 2010?

- 1. Description of logic: Slightly more complicated this query uses nested subqueries to first select publications of 2010, then to select the maximum and minimum birth dates of author that have some publication of 2010.
- 2. SQL statement:

```
SELECT a.name
FROM authors a
WHERE a.birth_date = (
SELECT MAX(a.birth_date) AS max
FROM publications_authors pa
JOIN authors a ON pa.author_id = a.id
WHERE pa.publication_id IN (
  SELECT pub.id
  FROM publications pub
  WHERE DATE_PART('year', pub.date_pub) = '2010'
)) OR
a.birth_date = (
SELECT MIN(a.birth_date) AS max
FROM publications_authors pa
JOIN authors A ON pa.author_id = a.id
WHERE pa.publication_id IN (
  SELECT pub.id
  FROM publications pub
  WHERE DATE_PART('year', pub.date_pub) = '2010'
));
```

#### 3. Results:

name
Robert Henryson
Gavin Douglas
Greg Kurzawa
Laramie Sasseville
Brooke Vaughn
Pancham Yadav
Euripides
Aubrey Smith
Augustin Lardy
Livy
Michel Saint-Romain
Gan Bao
Timothy F. Mitchell
Gottfried von Strassburg

## 6.4 How many comics (graphic titles) have publications with less than 50 pages, less than 100 pages, and more (or equal) than 100 pages?

- 1. Description of logic: After joining titles and publications, filtering them using the graphic field of titles and setting the condition on the number of pages, we just have to count the number of entries.
- 2. SQL statement:

```
SELECT COUNT(*)
FROM titles t
JOIN publications_contents AS pc ON t.id = pc.title_id
JOIN publications AS p ON pc.publication_id = p.id
WHERE t.graphic = 'YES'
AND p.Pages < 50;</pre>
```



#### 3. Results:

AND p.Pages >= 100;

count
153

count
202

count
194

## 6.5 For every publisher, calculate the average price of its published novels (the ones that have a dollar price)

1. Description of logic: This query joins the publications and authors via the publications\_authors table. Then it filters the publications to keep only the ones that have a price in dollar. Finally it groups everything on the authors name and do an average on the price.

#### 2. SQL statement:

```
ELECT pr.name, AVG(p.price) AS average
FROM publications p
JOIN publishers pr ON p.publisher_id = pr.id
WHERE p.currency = '$'
GROUP BY pr.name
ORDER BY average DESC;
```

## 3. Results (partial, 10 first):

name	avg
Library Fellows of the Whitney Museum of American Art	2200
The Pennyroyal Press	1000
Pickering & Chatto	795
Epic Ink Books	500
The Book Club of California	375
Tradition Books	357
Charnel House	344.88235294117646
Subterranean Press & PS Publishing	300
Sirius Science Fiction	262.5
Kluwer Academic Publishers	259



## 6.6 What is the name of the author with the highest number of titles that are tagged as science fiction?

1. Description of logic: This query use a subquery. This subquery links authors with their publications, the publications with their titles and finally the titles with their tags. A simple filter on tags to keep only the ones that have the keyword sf (meaning science fiction), then group by authors name, count the entries for each authors and order by this counter. Then the main query is there to keep the name without the counter.

#### 2. SQL statement:

```
SELECT a.name
FROM authors a
JOIN (
        SELECT a.name AS n, COUNT(*) AS count_sf
        FROM authors a
        JOIN publications_authors pa ON a.id = pa.author_id
        JOIN publications p ON pa.publication_id = p.id
             publications_contents pc ON pc.publication_id = p.id
        JOIN titles t ON pc.title_id = t.id
        JOIN titles_tags tt ON t.id = tt.title_id
        JOIN tags ON tt.tag_id = tags.id
        WHERE tags.name '%science-fiction%'
        GROUP BY a.name
        ORDER BY count_sf DESC
        LIMIT 1)
c ON c.n = a.name;
```

#### 3. Results:

name Maurice Level

## 6.7 List the three most popular titles (i.e., the ones with the most awards and reviews)

1. Description of logic: Here we order the titles on their number of awards and reviews and then simply sum them and order them on that total. Note that union is mandatory as otherwise we will miss some datas (e.g. all titles that only appear to have awards or titles).

## 2. SQL statement:

```
SELECT t.title, ts.count_awards + ts.count_reviews as total
FROM (
    SELECT ta.title_id, 0 AS count_reviews, COUNT(ta.award_id) AS count_awards
    FROM titles_awards ta
    GROUP BY ta.title_id
    UNION
    SELECT r.title_id, COUNT(r.review_id) AS count_reviews, 0 AS count_awards
    FROM reviews r
    GROUP BY r.title_id
) as ts
    INNER JOIN titles t on t.id = ts.title_id
ORDER BY total DESC
LIMIT 3;
```

## 3. Results:

title	total
The Wonderful Wizard of Oz	100
Sky Island	54
The Sea Fairies	48



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## 7 Interface

## 7.1 Screenshots

### 7.1.1 Menu



Figure 1: Menu view

## 7.1.2 Selection



Figure 2: Selection view

### **7.1.3** Preset



Figure 3: Preset view

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## 7.1.4 Search

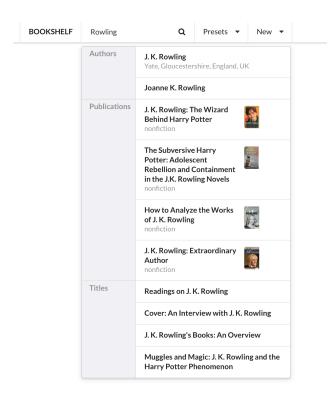


Figure 4: Search view

## 7.1.5 Insert

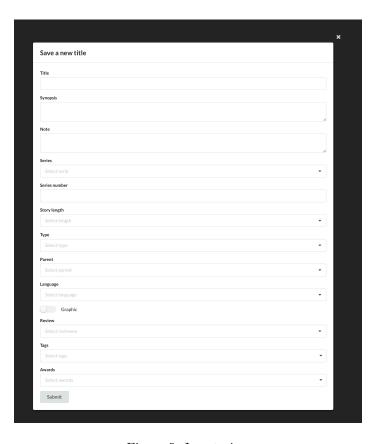


Figure 5: Insert view



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### 7.1.6 Result

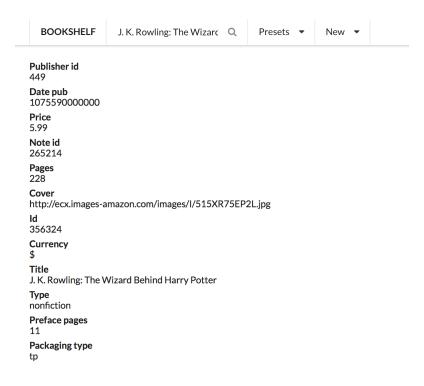


Figure 6: Result view

## 7.2 Implementation details

The search field is using ajax to access our backend server in Scala (cf. search). For each search query, we run in parallel 3 queries using LIKE statements to find all relevant results and send it be aggregated to the requester. We limit the number of result to 4 for visibility reason. The user is able to always enter the main field (either name or title), a secondary field for more information about the entry (but not searchable) and optionally a picture of the entry if relevant. Once the entry is select more information about the result in a formatted way (cf. result).

## Part III Delivrable 3

