Welcome to TDDD12 Database Technology



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Topics and Intended Learning Outcomes



Course Topics

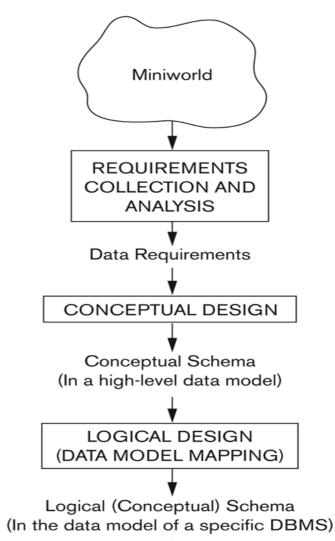
- 1. Fundamental concepts
- 2. Relational databases
- 3. SQL
- 4. EER modeling
- 5. Mapping of EER diagrams to relations
- 6. Functional dependencies and normalization

- 7. Stored procedures and triggers
- 8. Data structures for DBs
- 9. Introduction to Transaction Processing
- 10. Concurrency Control
- 11. Database Recovery
- 12. Query Processing



After the course you should be able to ...

- Design relational databases for different types of example domains by first creating a conceptual schema using the Enhanced Entity-Relationship (EER) model and then translating this conceptual schema into a corresponding logical schema captured in the relational data model.
- Analyze and improve the quality of given relational database schemas based on the formal measure of *normal forms*.





After the course you should be able to ...

- *Employ the SQL language* to query and to modify several example relational databases, as well as to create such a database with a given relational database schema.
- Compare the cost of finding and updating records in database storage files when using different approaches to organize and to index such files.
- Apply basic techniques that DBMSs can use to identify and to avoid problems that may occur when multiple users access a database concurrently.
- Apply recovery algorithms that DBMSs use to guarantee persistence of data even in the case of system failures.



Examination



Final Exam

- During the exam period after the course
- Dates: see pointer on the course Website





Four Assignments

- 1. Database design and EER modeling
- 2. SQL
- 3. Functional dependencies and normalization
- 4. BrianAir project, *4a*: initial design, *4b*: improved design *4c*: implementation, *4d*: urkund analysis
- Deadlines on the course Website
 - hard deadlines for assignments 4a and 4b (before assignment 3!)
- To be solved in pairs
 - register with lab partners in Webreg before March 31 (this Friday)
- Use MySQL server for assignments 2 and 4c
 - need access to MySQL server provided by LiU IT
 - instructions on the course Website

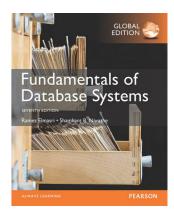


Organization of the Course



Structure of the Course

- Schedule on the course Website
- 12 lecture sessions
 - Flipped-classroom style
- 9 lab sessions
 - First three: focus on assignment #2 (SQL)
 - Remaining six: focus on assignment #4c (not all of these six lab sessions will be supervised)
- 1 teaching session
 - Discussion of #4a hand-ins (mandatory!)
- Text book: Elmasri and Navathe. *Fundamentals of Database Systems*, Addison Wesley, 7th edition



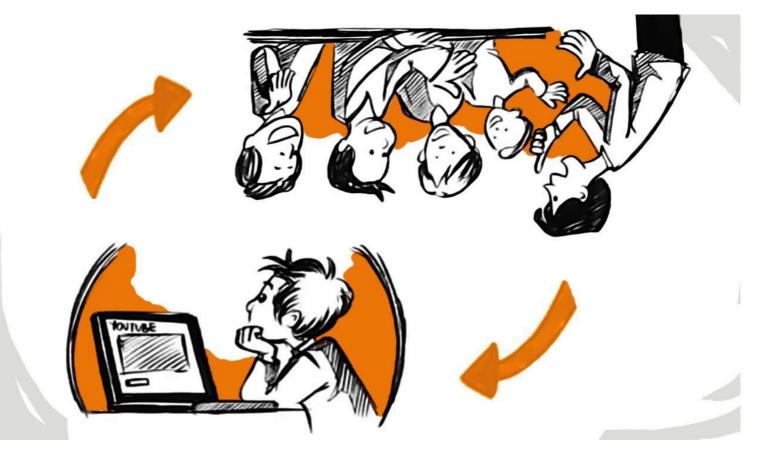






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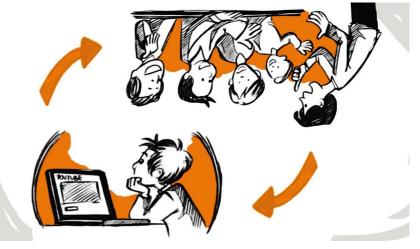
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- In contrast to trying to replicate traditional lectures
 - more flexibility in terms of when you watch the videos (plus, you can pause, repeat, fast-forward, etc.)
 - role of the lecture sessions: give you ample opportunity to ask questions and to reinforce your learning of the concepts





Database Technology Topic 1: Introduction

Did you watch the video lecture?

- 1) Yes, all of it
- 2) Yes, partially
- 3) No, sorry
- 4) Video lecture??

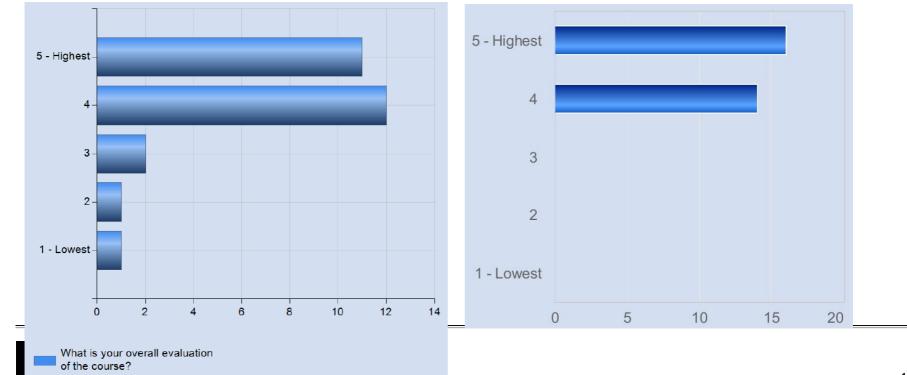


Earlier Versions of the Course



EvalLiUate Evaluations

	TDDD12 2021	TDDD12 2022
Overall number of students	116	130
Students who answered	27 (23.3%)	30 (23.1%)
Overall evaluation	4.15 (±0.99)	4.5 (±0.51)



Take-Aways from Free-Text Fields

- Most students like the flipped-classroom lectures, but not all
- Several complaints about having to watch videos in the evenings and, generally, about having to put in time for video watching

"At first I didn't like the flipped classroom concept, since the lectures became roughly twice as long (about two hours of watching videos plus two hours for the "actual" lecture), but then I realized that studying for the exam became a lot easier thanks to all the flipped classroom quizzes and exercises."

- Kept the flipped-classroom lectures
 - Lecture sessions are an optional part of the course designed to reinforce your understanding of the relevant concepts
 - Video watching sessions part of the schedule in TimeEdit
 - Attention: no need to watch the videos in exactly these time slots



Take-Aways from Free-Text Fields (cont'd)

- Lab assignments very much appreciated, including particularly the BrianAir project
- No changes to the assignments
 - Beware and plan ahead:

"There were sometimes very little time between the lecture of a topic and the deadline for the corresponding assignment. Since the assignments were of a reasonable degree of difficulty (i.e. not too difficult and not too simple), they could often be completed on time anyway. However, [...] it wouldn't hurt with a little more margin between lectures and deadlines."

- For each assignment, parts of it can be worked on already after earlier lectures
- Please let me know if you have issues!



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