

CS5530

Mobile/Wireless Systems

Android Databases

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- Project extension
 - Midnight, May 10 the latest
 - I need to provide grade 72 hours after final exam
- Plan for today: database + final review
- Project demo on Monday



Database on Android

- SQLite
 - Requires limited memory at runtime (approx. 250 KByte)
 - ▶ Good candidate from being embedded into other runtimes
 - Supports data types TEXT, INTEGER and REAL
 - ▶ All other types must be converted into one of these fields before getting saved
 - ▶ SQLite does not validate if the types written to the columns are actually of the defined type

Table Name: Contacts

Field	Type	Key
id	INT	PRI
name	TEXT	
phone_number	TEXT	



Database on Android

- SQLite is embedded into every Android device
 - Using an SQLite database in Android does not require a setup procedure or administration of the database
 - If your app creates a database, this database is by default in directory `DATA/data/APP_NAME/databases/FILENAME` (needs root to access)
 - Package to import: `android.database.sqlite`



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 - Override methods to create and update database:
 - ▶ `onCreate()` is called automatically when the database is accessed but no tables have been created
 - ▶ `onUpgrade()` called, if the database version is increased. This method allows updating an existing database schema, or to drop the existing database and recreate it via the `onCreate()` method.



SQLiteOpenHelper

- Example

- @Override

```
public void onCreate(SQLiteDatabase db) {  
    String CREATE_CONTACTS_TABLE = "CREATE TABLE " + TABLE_CONTACTS + "("  
        + KEY_ID + " INTEGER PRIMARY KEY," + KEY_NAME + " TEXT,"  
        + KEY_PH_NO + " TEXT" + ")";  
    db.execSQL(CREATE_CONTACTS_TABLE);  
}
```

- @Override

```
public void onUpgrade(SQLiteDatabase db, int oldVersion, int newVersion) {  
    // Drop older table if existed  
    db.execSQL("DROP TABLE IF EXISTS " + TABLE_CONTACTS);  
    // Create tables again  
    onCreate(db);  
}
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- **SQLiteOpenHelper** provides `getReadableDatabase()` and `getWritableDatabase()` to get access to an `SQLiteDatabase` object
- **SQLiteDatabase** provides methods to open, query, update and close the database
 - More specifically the `insert()`, `update()` and `delete()` methods
 - Also provides the `execSQL()` method, which allows to execute an SQL statement directly



ContentValues

- Insert example
 - `db.insert(TABLE_CONTACTS, null, values);`
- execSQL example
 - `db.execSQL("DROP TABLE IF EXISTS " + TABLE_CONTACTS);`
- The object ContentValues allows to define key/values
 - The key represents the table column identifier and the value represents the content for this column
 - ContentValues can be used for inserts and updates of database entries



Adding Record

- Example

- ```
void addContact(Contact contact) {
 SQLiteDatabase db = this.getWritableDatabase();

 ContentValues values = new ContentValues();
 values.put(KEY_NAME, contact.getName());
 values.put(KEY_PH_NO, contact.getPhoneNumber());

 // Inserting Row
 db.insert(TABLE_CONTACTS, null, values);
 db.close(); // Closing database connection
}
```



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  - `query()` provides a structured interface for specifying the SQL query
    - ▶ `Cursor cursor = db.query(tableName, tableColumns, whereClause, whereArgs, groupBy, having, orderBy);`
    - ▶ `Cursor cursor = db.query(TABLE_CONTACTS, new String[] { KEY_ID, KEY_NAME, KEY_PH_NO }, KEY_ID + "=", new String[] { String.valueOf(id) }, null, null, null, null);`



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- Cursor
  - A query returns a Cursor object
  - A Cursor represents the result of a query and points to one row of the query result
    - ▶ Buffer the query results efficiently; as it does not have to load all data into memory
  - To get the number of elements of the resulting query, use `getCount()`
  - To move between individual data rows, use `moveToFirst()` and `moveToNext()`



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- Cursor

- `List<Contact> contactList = new ArrayList<Contact>();`  
`String selectQuery = "SELECT * FROM " + TABLE_CONTACTS;`  
`Cursor cursor = this.getWritableDatabase().rawQuery(selectQuery, null);`

```
// looping through all rows and adding to list
if (cursor.moveToFirst()) {
 do {
 Contact contact = new Contact();
 contact.setID(Integer.parseInt(cursor.getString(0)));
 contact.setName(cursor.getString(1));
 contact.setPhoneNumber(cursor.getString(2));
 contactList.add(contact);
 } while (cursor.moveToNext());
}
```

