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An introduction to working with relational databases from Zope

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Although Zope has been around for quite a while arguably contains some fairly outdated code, it continues to find new users particularly amongst non-programmers who are looking for a way to work with existing data which is usually in some relational database (PostgreSQL, MySQL, MS SQL, Oracle, DB2, etc.). One of the reasons for this is at Zope provides an extremely powerful yet secure through the web environment.

The presentation is directed towards those users and will provide a brief introduction by example into the Zope way of doing things and at the same time highlighting how working within Zope (within its limitations) is automatic training in good programming methodology: data management is delegated to ZSQL methods, PythonScripts act as controllers and Zope Page Templates provide the views. Together they encourage modularity and reusability. The sample application and database will be available for download.

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