# **SQL** Constraints

SQL constraints are used to specify rules for the data in a table.

#### **Syntax**

```
CREATE TABLE table_name (
    column1 datatype constraint,
    column2 datatype constraint,
    column3 datatype constraint,
    ....
);
```

### **NOT NULL Constraint**

```
CREATE TABLE Student (
    ID int NOT NULL,
    LastName varchar(255) NOT NULL,
    FirstName varchar(255) NOT NULL,
    Age int
);
```

## **UNIQUE** Constraint

```
CREATE TABLE Student (
    ID int NOT NULL UNIQUE,
    LastName varchar(255) NOT NULL,
    FirstName varchar(255),
    Age int
);
```

### **PRIMARY KEY Constraint**

```
CREATE TABLE Student (
    ID int NOT NULL,
    LastName varchar(255) NOT NULL,
    FirstName varchar(255),
    Age int,
    PRIMARY KEY (ID)
);
```

### **CHECK Constraint**

#### **Syntax**

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```
CREATE TABLE Student (
    ID int NOT NULL,
    LastName varchar(255) NOT NULL,
    FirstName varchar(255),
    Age int,
    CHECK (Age>=18)
);
```

# **SQL DEFAULT Constraint**

```
CREATE TABLE Student (
    ID int NOT NULL,
    LastName varchar(255) NOT NULL,
    FirstName varchar(255),
    Age int,
    Country varchar(255) DEFAULT 'USA'
);
```

# **FOREIGN KEY Constraint**

A **FOREIGN KEY** is a field (or collection of fields) in one table, that refers to the <u>PRIMARY KEY</u> in <u>another table.</u>

#### Table 1:

```
CREATE TABLE Customer (
    Cus_ID int NOT NULL Primary key,
    Cus_Name varchar(20) NOT NULL,
    Cus_Contact int,

);

Table 2:

CREATE TABLE Orders (
    Order_ID int NOT NULL Primary key,
    Order_Number int NOT NULL,
    Cus_ID int,
    FOREIGN KEY (Cus_ID) REFERENCES Customer(Cus_ID)
);
```

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