

Indexing...

PERFORMANCE

The RDBMS **BOOSTER** 

DATABASE FOR SOFTWARE DEVELOPERS

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Book/Report Index



Telephone Index Book

ability

① **ability** /ə'bilɪti/ *noun* 1. the force or capacity to do something ○ *She has many abilities but singing isn't one of them.* (NOTE: The plural in this meaning is **abilities**.) □ **I'll do it to the best of my ability** I'll do it as well as I can 2. the fact of being clever ○ *a person of great or outstanding ability*

abject /'æbdʒekt/ *adj (formal)* 1. very bad ○ *abject poverty* 2. making you feel ashamed ○ *an abject apology* ○ *abject terror*

ablaze /ə'bleɪz/ *adv* 1. on fire ○ *Thirty hectares of trees were ablaze.* 2. shining brightly ○ *At midnight the house was still ablaze with lights.*

① **able** /'eɪb(ə)l/ *adj* 1. (NOTE: In this sense, **able** is only used with **to** and a verb.) □ **to be able to do something** to be capable of something or have the chance to do something ○ *They weren't able to find the house.* □ **will you be able to come to the meeting?** can you come to the meeting? 2. being strong enough or clever enough to do something ○ *He's a very able general.*

able-bodied /'eɪb(ə)l 'bɒdɪd/ *adj* fit and healthy

ably /'eɪbli/ *adv* in a very competent or efficient way. Synonym **capably**

abnormal /æb'nɔ:m(ə)l/ *adj* not normal.

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abrasive

abort /ə'bo:t/ *verb* 1. to stop something taking place 2. to perform an abortion on a foetus 3. (of a woman) to have an abortion or miscarriage

abortion /ə'bo:tʃ(ə)n/ *noun* the ending of a woman's pregnancy before a live infant can be born

abortive /ə'bo:tɪv/ *adj* attempted without success. Synonym **unsuccessful**. Antonym **successful**

abound /ə'baʊnd/ *verb* □ **to abound in or with** to be full of something (formal) ○ *The forests abound in game.*

① **about** /ə'baʊt/ *prep* 1. referring to something ○ *He told me all about his operation.* ○ *What do you want to speak to the doctor about?* 2. □ **to be about to do something** to be going to do something very soon ○ *We were about to go home when you arrived.* 3. approximately ○ *I've been waiting for about four hours.* ○ *She's only about fifteen years old.* □ **how about, what about** what do you think about (informal) ○ *We can't find a new chairperson for the club – what about Sarah?* □ **how about a cup of tea?** would you like a cup of tea? □ **while you're about it** at the same time as the thing you are doing ○ *While you're about it, can you post this letter?* □ **adv** in various places ○ *There were papers*

Dictionary

- Natural, Alphabetical order
- Hint of word range

What is an Index?

A database index is like an index in a book.
It helps MySQL find data faster.

Index in Database

How it works?

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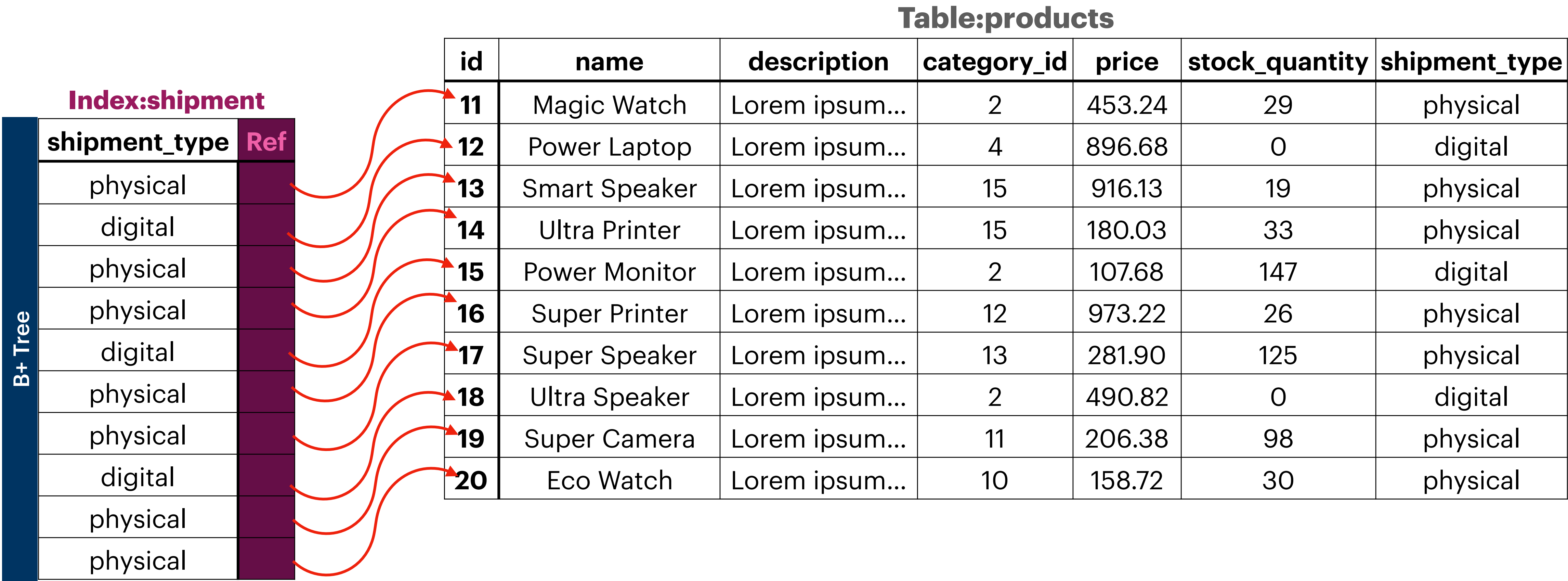
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Why Use Indexes?

- ☑ Significantly speeds up data retrieval operations.
- ☑ Improve performance of Joining, searching and analytical operations.
- ☑ Essential for enhancing performance on large databases.

Types of Index

PRIMARY INDEX

SECONDARY INDEX

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FULLTEXT INDEX

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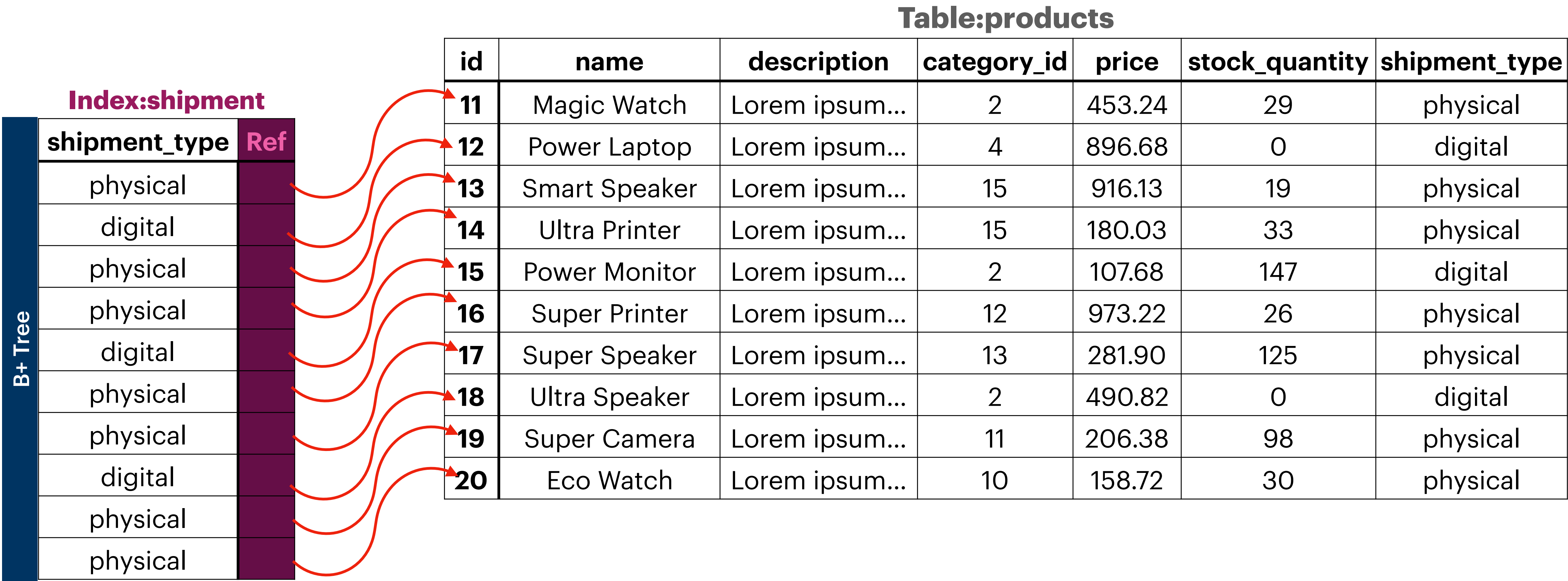
Always...

- ☑ A Unique index (always)
- ☑ NOT NULL (always)
- ☑ A table will have it
- ☑ One per table
- ☑ Data actually stored in this tree

Secondary KEY

- ☑ An Index that is not the primary key
- ☑ Any number of Secondary key may exists per table
- ☑ Always Refers back to the original record (by PK)

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Connected with PRIMARY KEY

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How this logic works with PRIMARY KEY?

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!!SURPRISE!!

THE TABLE ITSELF IS AN INDEX

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index-y

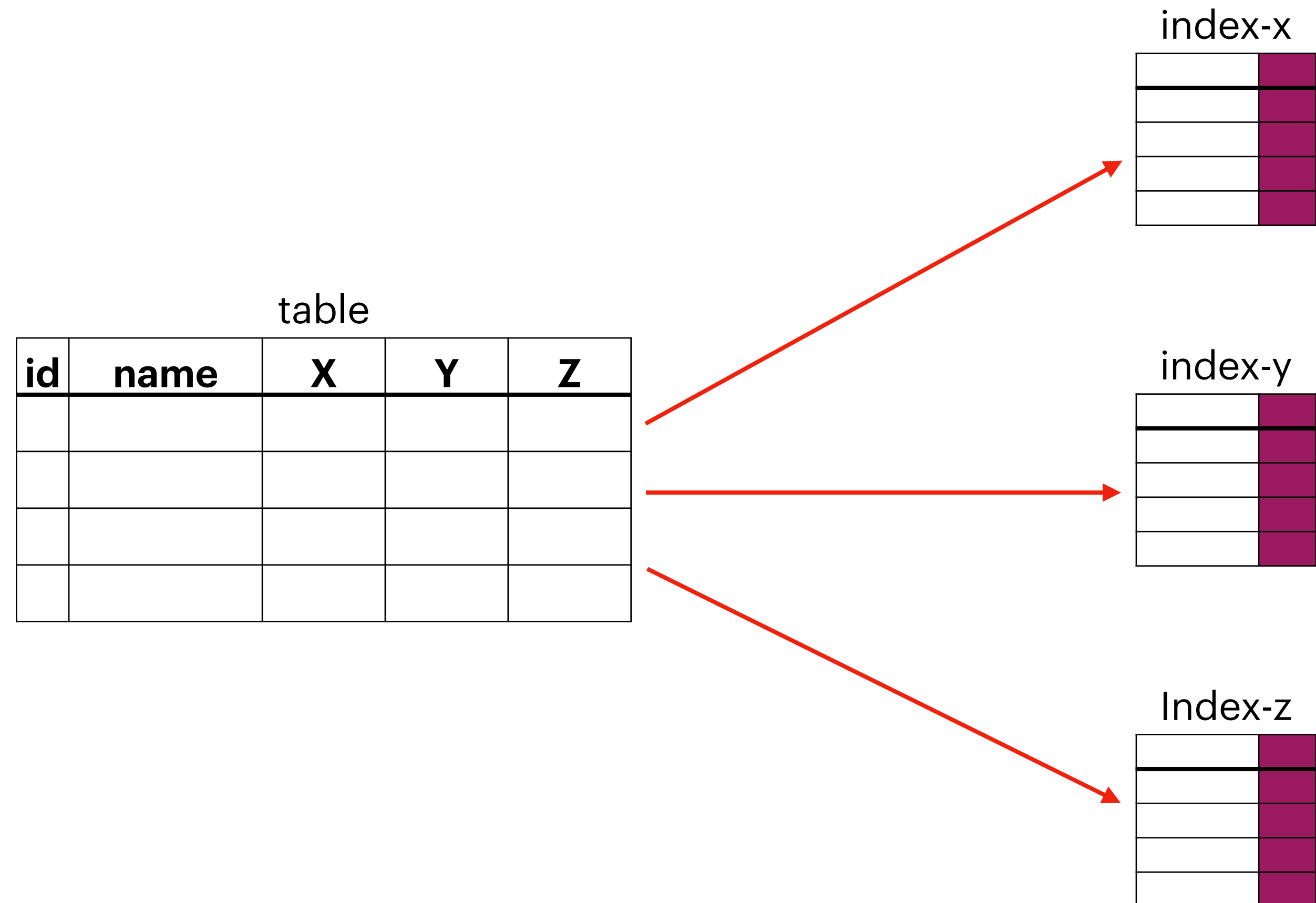
Index-z

table

id	name	X	Y	Z

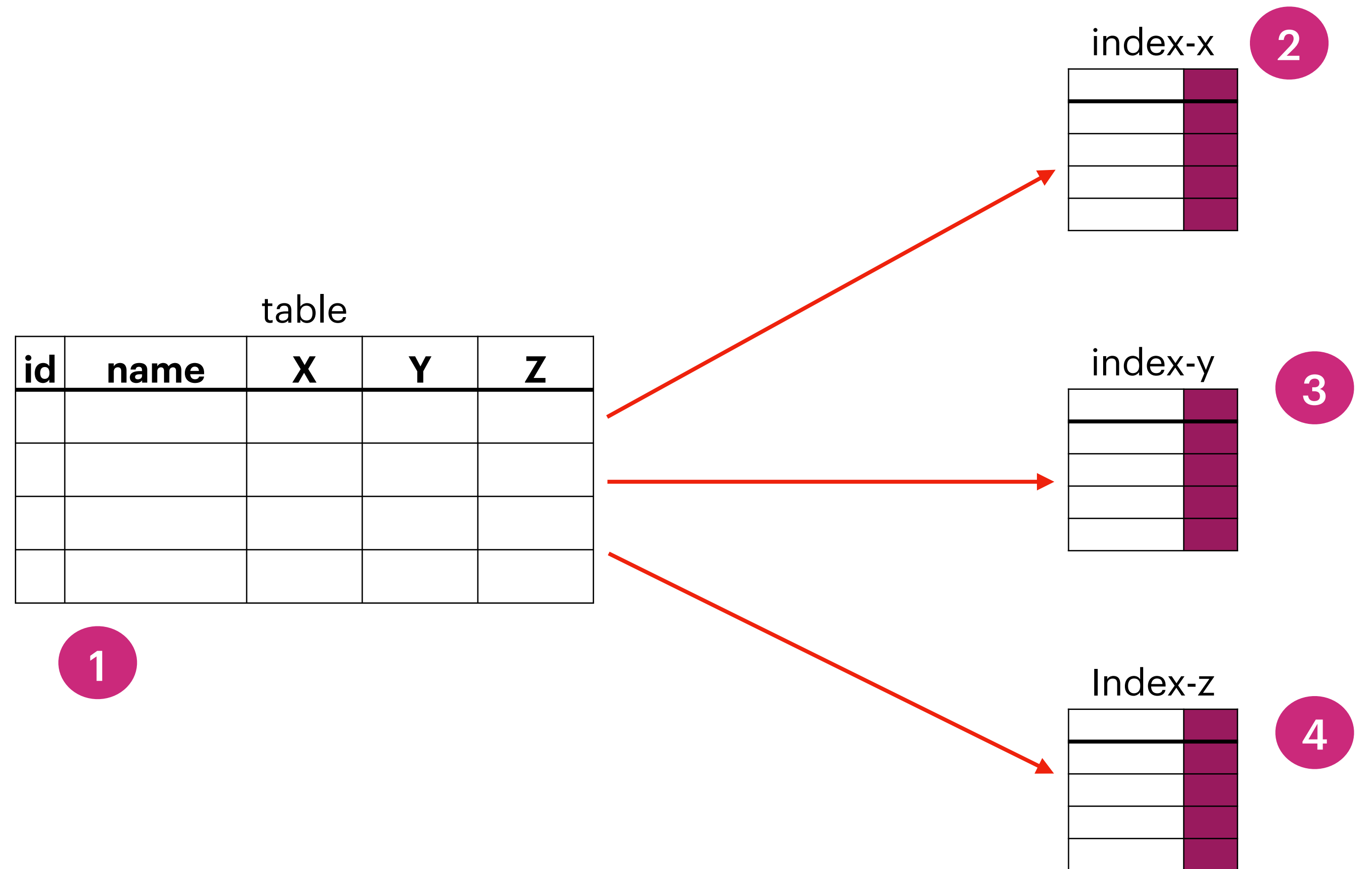
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► Redundancy (Storage concern)

► Cost of Update

► Re-balancing B-Tree

► Obfuscation of ID

table

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1

index-x

2

index-y

3

Index-z

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BIGINT UNSIGNED AUTO_INCREMENT



ULID - ONLY if you have an unavoidable reason

Planning Indexes

Where to add them?

- ☑ Observe the data-access pattern (Retrieve Queries)
- ☑ Consider all queries being run and their respective access patterns.
- ☑ Consider the entire query - includes sorting, grouping, and joining.

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Minimum Indexes / Too Much Indexes



Using Indexes

Let's make and try them

— Make Index

```
ALTER TABLE products ADD INDEX (name);
```

```
ALTER TABLE products ADD INDEX (stock_quantity);
```

```
ALTER TABLE products ADD INDEX (created_at);
```

```
ALTER TABLE products ADD INDEX (shipment_type);
```

— List Indexes

```
SHOW indexes FROM products;
```

— Remove Indexes

```
DROP INDEX `index_name` ON products;
```


Using Indexes

Let's make and try them

```
SELECT * FROM products WHERE name = 'Smart Printer'; -- Yes (Equality)
```

```
SELECT * FROM products WHERE stock_quantity > 100; -- Yes (Range)
```

```
SELECT * FROM products WHERE stock_quantity BETWEEN 100 AND 200; -- Yes (Range)
```

```
SELECT * FROM products WHERE ORDER BY created_at LIMIT 10; -- Yes (Sorting)
```

```
SELECT * FROM products ORDER BY created_at LIMIT 10 OFFSET 10000; -- No (inefficient because of huge offset)
```

```
SELECT shipment_type, COUNT(*) FROM products GROUP BY shipment_type; -- Yes (Grouping)
```

```
SELECT * FROM products WHERE YEAR(created_at) > '2022' LIMIT 10; -- No (Using function)
```

```
SELECT p.name, c.`name` FROM products p
```

```
JOIN categories c ON p.category_id = c.id
```

```
WHERE p.name = 'Smart Printer'
```

```
AND stock_quantity > 50; -- Yes (with Join)
```

Partial/Prefix Indexes

Let's make and try them

```
ALTER TABLE products ADD INDEX (name(4));
```

```
ALTER TABLE users ADD INDEX (email(6));
```

- ☑ Shorter index size (takes less space)
- ☑ Less cardinality

Using Index with Wildcard

Let's make and try them

```
SELECT * FROM products WHERE name LIKE 'ultra%';
```

```
SELECT * FROM products WHERE name LIKE 'ult%printer';
```

```
SELECT * FROM products WHERE name LIKE '%printer';
```

- ☑ Index can be used with wildcard queries
- ☑ But, only characters before the first wildcard (red marked) can use index

Functional Index

What is this?

```
-- Get the users registered in 2022  
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- ✓ We can make index on **function output** instead.

Functional Index

The Syntax and usages

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Notice the extra pair of parentheses

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- ☑ Keep the comparison **exactly same** as the function used in making index
- ☑ Can be used as a part of a Composite Index
- ☑ Internally works using a **Generated column**

Composite Index

Let's make and try them

-- We have a query with multiple conditions

```
SELECT name, price, stock_quantity, shipment_type
FROM products
WHERE shipment_type = 'physical'
      AND `name` LIKE 'Ultra%'
      AND stock_quantity > 0;
```

-- We can make an Index including all relevant columns

```
ALTER TABLE products ADD INDEX search_q (shipment_type, name, stock_quantity);
```

Composite Index

General rules of using composite index

- ☑ Composite Index can be utilized for one or multiple columns
- ☑ But, can access the index only in Left-To-Right index-defining order
- ☑ Can't skip or jump index columns
- ☑ Index can be used up to the first range condition (then skip subsequent conditions, if any)

Composite Index

General rules of using composite index

```
ALTER TABLE products ADD INDEX multicol_idx (col_a, col_b, col_c);
```

```
WHERE col_a = 'X' AND col_b = 100 AND col_c = 'Y';
```

```
WHERE col_a = 'X';
```

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FULLTEXT Index

Why do we need them?

-- Let's find films with the words 'Victory' and 'Drama' and ...

```
SELECT * FROM film_text WHERE title LIKE '%Victory%'
      OR description LIKE '%Victory%'
      OR title LIKE '%Drama%'
      OR description LIKE '%Drama%'
      OR ...;
```

- Too much conditions
- Not efficient at all (cannot use index)

FULLTEXT Index

How to use them (basic)

```
ALTER TABLE film_text ADD FULLTEXT INDEX search_film (title, description);
```

```
SELECT *
```

```
FROM film_text
```

```
WHERE MATCH(title, description) AGAINST('Any number of keywords');
```

FULLTEXT Index

How to use them (basic)

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- ☑ Supports *InnoDB* or *MyISAM* storage engine
- ☑ Can be used with only CHAR, VARCHAR and TEXT columns
- ☑ Words with 3/4 characters and stop-words are ignored (by default)

Questions?