SQL
(STRUCTURED QUERY LANGUAGE)

LANGUAGE TO TALK TO DATABASES. IT ALLOWS YOU TO SELECT SPECIFIC DATA AND TO BUILD COMPLEX REPORTS.

DDL
(DATA DEFINITION LANGUAGE)

- Terminology:
  - **Table**, **row**, and **column** used for relational model terms *relation*, *tuple*, and *attribute*.

- SQL schema:
  - Identified by a **schema name**.
  - Includes an **authorization identifier** and **descriptors** for each element.

- Schema elements:
  - Include **tables**, **constraints**, **views**, **domains**, and **other constructs**.
  - Each statement in SQL ends with a **semicolon**.

- Foreign Key Errors:
  - A foreign key is a column or a set of columns in a table that is used to establish a link between the data in two tables.
  - The main issue that can arise with foreign keys is when you try to insert a value into a table that does not exist in the table that the foreign key references. This will result in an error.

- Constraints:
  - Used to limit the type of data that can be inserted into a table.
  - **Key constraint:** Primary key value cannot be duplicated.
  - **Entity integrity constraint:** Primary key value cannot be null.
  - **Referential integrity constraint:** The "foreign key " must have a value that is already present as a primary key, or may be null.

- Basic Data Types:
  - **Numeric**:
    - . *Integer numbers:* INTEGER, INT, and SMALLINT.
    - . *Floating-point (real) numbers:* FLOAT or REAL, and DOUBLE PRECISION.
  - **Character-string:**
    - . Fixed length: CHAR(*n*), CHARACTER(*n*)
    - . Varying length: VARCHAR(*n*), CHAR VARYING(*n*), CHARACTER VARYING(*n*)
  - **Boolean:**
    - . Values of TRUE or FALSE or NULL
  - **DATE:**
    - . Ten positions
    - . Components are YEAR, MONTH, and DAY in the form YYYY-MM-DD
    - . Multiple functions available in RDBMSs to change date formats

- Additional data types:
  - **Timestamp:**
    - . Includes the DATE and TIME fields
    - . Plus a minimum of six positions for decimal fractions of seconds
    - . Optional WITH TIME ZONE qualifier.
  - **INTERVAL:**
    - . Specifies a relative value that can be used to increment or decrement an absolute value of a date, time, or timestamp.

- **DATE, TIME, Timestamp, INTERVAL:**
  - Can be **cast** or converted to string formats for comparison.

CREATE :
- *This command is used to create a new table or database.*
- *For example, to create a new database with a table named "Employees", you would use:*

```
CREATE DATABASE myDatabase;

CREATE TABLE Employees (
    ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
    name VARCHAR(100),
    age INT
);
```

ALTER:
- *You can add, modify, or delete columns.*
- *In addition, ALTER TABLE can also be used to add and drop constraints and indexes.*
- *For example, to add a new column named "Email" to the "Employees" table, you would use:*

```
ALTER TABLE Employees
ADD email VARCHAR(255);

ALTER TABLE Employees
MODIFY COLUMN age SMALLINT;

ALTER TABLE Employees
DROP COLUMN email;

ALTER TABLE Employees
DROP CONSTRAINT CHK_Age
CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE Employees
DROP INDEX idx_name;
```

DROP:
- *This command is used to delete an existing database or object.*
- *For example, to delete the "Employees" table, you would use:*

```
DROP TABLE Employees;

DROP DATABASE myDatabase;
```

CASCADE and **RESTRICT** are options you can use with **DROP** and **ALTER**

CASCADE:
- *If used with DROP TABLE, it will drop the table and all its dependent tables.*
- *With ALTER TABLE, it will drop the column and any referential integrity constraint.*

```
DROP TABLE Employees CASCADE;

ALTER TABLE Employees DROP COLUMN
age CASCADE;
```

RESTRICT:
- *It is the opposite of CASCADE.*
- *If used with DROP TABLE or ALTER TABLE, SQL will check that there are no dependencies before allowing the operation.*

```
DROP TABLE Employees RESTRICT;

ALTER TABLE Employees DROP COLUMN
age RESTRICT;
```

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Insert
- This statement is used to insert new records into a table.

It can include the following clauses:
- *VALUES: Specifies the values of the new record.*
- *INTO: Specifies the table where the new records will be inserted.*

```
INSERT INTO Employees (Name, Age, Salary)
VALUES ('Juan, 30, 50000);
```

Update
- This statement is used to modify existing records in a table. It can include the following clauses:

- *SET: Specifies the column to update and the new value.*
- *WHERE: Specifies a condition for which records to update.*

```
UPDATE Employees SET Salary = 60000
WHERE Name = 'Juan;
```

Delete
- This statement is used to delete existing records in a table. It can include the following clause:

- *WHERE: Specifies a condition for which records to delete.*

```
DELETE FROM Employees WHERE Name = 'Juan';
```

DML 2/2
(DATA MANIPULATION LANGUAGE)

Basic querying

SELECT: *This clause is used to specify the columns that should be returned in the result set.*

- SELECT Name, Age, Salary FROM Employees; → *This command will select the 'Name', 'Age', and 'Salary' columns from the 'Employees' table.*

- **FROM:** This clause is used to specify the table to select data from.
  - SELECT * FROM Employees; → *This command will select all (*) columns from the 'Employees' table.*
- **WHERE:** This clause is used to filter records.
  - SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Age > 30; → *This command will select all employees older than 30.*
- **GROUP BY:** This clause is used to group rows that have the same values in specified columns.
  - SELECT Department, COUNT(*) FROM Employees GROUP BY Department; → *This command will count the number of employees in each department.*
- **HAVING:** This clause is used to filter the results of a GROUP BY operation.
  - SELECT Department, COUNT(*) FROM Employees GROUP BY Department HAVING COUNT(*) > 10; → *This command will count the number of employees in each department and only show the departments with more than 10 employees.*
- **ORDER BY:** This clause is used to sort the result set in ascending or descending order.
  - SELECT * FROM Employees ORDER BY Salary DESC; → *This command will select all columns from the 'Employees' table and sort the result set based on the 'Salary' column in descending order.*
- **LIMIT:** This clause is used to constrain the number of rows returned by the SELECT statement.
  - SELECT * FROM Employees LIMIT 10; → *This command will select all columns from the 'Employees' table but only return the first 10 rows.*
- **AS:** This keyword is used to rename a column or table using an alias.
  - SELECT Name AS EmployeeName FROM Employees; → *This command will select the 'Name' column and rename it to 'EmployeeName' in the result set.*

Advanced Querying

Summary Queries

COUNT: This function returns the number of rows that matches a specified criterion.
- SELECT COUNT(*) FROM Employees;

This command will return the total number of rows in the 'Employees' table.

SUM: This function returns the total sum of a numeric column.
- SELECT SUM(Salary) FROM Employees;

This command will return the total sum of the 'Salary' column in the 'Employees' table.

AVG: This function returns the average value of a numeric column.
- SELECT AVG(Salary) FROM Employees;

This command will return the average salary of all employees.

MAX: This function returns the highest value in a numeric column.
- SELECT MAX(Salary) FROM Employees;

This command will return the highest salary among all employees.

MIN: This function returns the lowest value in a numeric column.
- SELECT MIN(Salary) FROM Employees;

This command will return the lowest salary among all employees.

Subqueries

- A subquery is a query nested inside another query.
- It can return data that will be used in the main query as a condition to further restrict the data to be retrieved.

Comparators

SQL uses **comparison operators** such as =, <>, >, <, >=, <= in the WHERE clause. → `SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Salary >= 50000;`

Also we can use this **ADVANCED** comparators:

IN: Allows you to specify multiple values in a WHERE clause.
- SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Department IN ('Sales', 'Marketing');

Select all employees in the Sales or Marketing depts.

BETWEEN: Values within a given range. Can be numbers, text, or dates.
- SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Salary BETWEEN 50000 AND 60000;

Select all employees with a salary between 50000 and 60000.

DISTINCT: Only distinct (different) values.
- SELECT DISTINCT Department FROM Employees;

Select only the distinct values from 'Department'.

LIKE: Used to search for a specified pattern in a column.
-Often in conjunction with:
- %: For zero, one, or multiple characters.
- _: For a single character.
- SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Name LIKE 'J%';

Select all employees whose name starts with "J".

IS NULL / NOT NULL: Used to test for empty (NULL) or non-empty (NOT NULL) values.
- SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Department IS NULL;

Select all employees with no department assigned.
- SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Department IS NOT NULL;

Select all employees with a department assigned.

EXISTS / NOT EXISTS: EXISTS is used to test the existence of any record in a subquery.
NOT EXISTS tests for absence.
- SELECT * FROM Departments WHERE EXISTS (SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Departments.DepartmentId = Employees.DepartmentId);

Select all depts with at least one employee.
- SELECT * FROM Departments WHERE NOT EXISTS (SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Departments.DepartmentId = Employees.DepartmentId);

Select all departments with no employees.

ALL / ANY:
ALL is used to compare a value to all values in another value set.
ANY is used to compare a value to any values in another value set.
- SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Salary > ALL (SELECT Salary FROM Employees WHERE Department = 'Sales');

Select all employees who earn more than all the employees in sales.
- SELECT * FROM Employees WHERE Salary > ANY (SELECT Salary FROM Employees WHERE Department = 'Sales');

Select all employees who earn more than any employee in sales.

JOIN Clauses: The JOIN clause is used to combine rows from two or more tables, based on a related column between them. There are several types of JOINs: