

SQL Introduction

Module 5 Week 11

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Learning Objectives

Database Concept and Database Software

Relational Database Concept

Structured Query Language or SQL

- Table management query
- Data management query

What is Database

An organized collection of information stored electronically

A program that interact and manipulate data is called Database Management System(DBMS)

Data and Database Management System together are often referred to as Database

Database System

Relational Database

MySQL

Google Cloud SQL

PostgreSQL

AWS SQL Server

MariaDB

ElephantSQL

Non Relational Database

MongoDB

ElasticSearch

Redis

Bigtable

Neo4J

Firebase

Cassandra

Apache Ignite

Apache Graph



Relational Database

A collection of data pre-defined with relationships

Utilize SQL to retrieve and maintain data

The fundamental of relational database is **TABLE**

Table contains sets of **COLUMN**

Every piece of data is stored as a **ROW**

| User | | | | | Major | |
|------|----------------|------|-----|-------|-------|-----------|
| ID | EMAIL | NAME | AGE | MAJOR | ID | NAME |
| 1 | john@gmail.com | John | 25 | 1 | 1 | Biology |
| 2 | bob@gmail.com | Bob | 33 | 2 | 2 | Chemistry |



Exercise 1

There are 3 Students in a college

Each Students has a student ID, name, email

The college offer a few majors, and each student has to choose a major

A few year later, the college decide to rename a major

Before Actual SQL Language

| students | | | |
|----------|-------|-----------------|----------|
| id | name | email | major_id |
| 1 | John | john@gmail.com | 1 |
| 2 | Bob | bob@gmail.com | 2 |
| 3 | David | david@gmail.com | 1 |

| majors | |
|--------|------------------|
| id | name |
| 1 | Computer Science |
| 2 | Economy |

| SQL Terms | |
|--------------|--|
| Table | A fundamental Collection of data |
| Column | A field in a table that specify a piece of information |
| Row | One complete record |
| Primary key | A field (fields) that uniquely identify a record |
| Foreign key | A field (fields) that refer to the primary key in another table |
| *One-to-Many | A row in table A has many matching in table B. But a row in table B has only one matching in table A |



psql

A terminal-based front end interactive interface to connect to PostgreSQL

| Command | Usage |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| psql | To enter psql interface |
| \l | List all databases |
| \c database_name | To use a certain database |
| \dt | List all tables |
| \d table_name | Describe a table |
| \q | Quit psql |



SQL statements for Tables

| | |
|--------|---|
| CREATE | CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS table_name (column_name_1 datatype column_constraint, column_name_2 datatype column_constraint) |
| MODIFY | ALTER TABLE table_name action column_name [datatype column_constraint] |
| DELETE | DROP TABLE IF EXISTS table_name |



Exercise 2

1. Create a Table called **majors**, containing an auto incremented **id** and a **name**;
2. Create a Table called **students**, containing an auto incremented **id**, **name** and **email**.
3. Modify **students** table, add a column called **major_id**, that is a referencing the id of majors table
4. Modify **students** table, add a column called **year**
5. Drop **students** table
6. Drop **majors** table



SQL Statements for Data

| | |
|--------|--|
| CREATE | INSERT INTO table_name (column_1, column_2, ...) VALUES (value_1, value_2, ...), (value_3, value_4, ...) |
| READ | SELECT column_names FROM table_name WHERE conditions |
| UPDATE | UPDATE table_name SET column_name = value WHERE conditions |
| DELETE | DELETE FROM table_name WHERE conditions |



Exercise 2

1. Add a major called **Psychology** to **majors** table
2. Add a **second year** student called **Travis**, whose email is **travis@gmail.com**. His gpa is **3.2** and he does not have a major yet.
3. Pull report for all **students name** and **email**.
4. Pull report for all **third and fourth year students**
5. Pull report for the 3 students with **highest GPA**
6. Modify John's email to **john@hotmail.com**
7. Remove student **Ryan** from the table
8. Pull report for all students' name and major

Data from multiple table - JOIN

- To select data from multiple tables
- One table's primary key join with another table's foreign key

```
SELECT * FROM table_A JOIN table_B ON table_A.id == table_B.a_id;
```

- JOIN TYPE



SQL Aggregate Function

Functions to compute a single result from multiple rows

Some common aggregate functions are:

| | |
|-------|--------------------------------------|
| AVG | Calculate the average |
| COUNT | To count the total number of results |
| SUM | To summarize a column |
| MIN | Get the minimum value of a column |
| MAX | Get the maximum value of a column |



Exercise 3

- Calculate the average GPA for all students
- Get the number of students in their last (4) year
- Get the student with highest GPA from second year
- Get the average GPA for every major



Grouping Result

Grouping the rows that has same value in one or more columns into one summary column

GROUP BY often used with Aggregate functions

Use HAVING to filter the results

```
SELECT major_id, AVG(gpa) FROM students  
GROUP BY major_id HAVING AVG(gpa) > 3.0
```

GET the average GPA for Economy Major

GET all majors that have average GPA > 3.0

WHERE or HAVING

WHERE and HAVING may be used interchangeably in some situation

| | WHERE | HAVING |
|-----------|-----------------|----------------|
| usage | To filter data | To filter data |
| position | Before GROUP BY | After GROUP BY |
| act on | Database column | Grouped result |
| In result | Not necessary | YES |

```
SELECT majors.name, AVG(gpa) FROM students JOIN majors ON students.major_id = majors.id  
GROUP BY majors.name HAVING majors.name = 'Economy';
```

```
SELECT majors.name, AVG(gpa) FROM students JOIN majors ON students.major_id = majors.id  
WHERE majors.name = 'Economy'  
GROUP BY majors.name;
```