

STRUCTURED QUERY LANGUAGE (SQL)

DataBase Foundations

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- **SQL** is a **declarative language** that allows you to **query** and **manipulate** data in a **relational database**.
- SQL is a **standardized language** that is used to **create, update, delete,** and **query** data in a **relational database**.
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Data Definition Language (DDL)

DDL (*Data Definition Language*) is a **subset** of **SQL** that is used to **define** and **modify** the **structure** of a **database**.

PostgreSQL Example

```
CREATE DATABASE mydatabase ;
```

MySQL Example

```
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```



Data Definition Language (DDL)

DDL statements are used to **define** the **schema** of a **database**.

PostgreSQL Example

```
CREATE SCHEMA mySchema ;
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```
DROP SCHEMA mySchema ;
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MySQL Example

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Data Definition Language (DDL)

DDL statements are used to **define** the **data types** of the **columns** in a **table**.

PostgreSQL Example

```
CREATE TABLE myTable (  
    id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,  
    name VARCHAR(30)  
);
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DROP TABLE myTable;
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CREATE TABLE myTable (  
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DDL statements are used to **define** the **constraints** that **enforce** the **integrity** of the **data** in a **table**.

PostgreSQL Example

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS myTable (  
  id SERIAL PRIMARY KEY,  
  name VARCHAR(30) UNIQUE NOT NULL,  
  country VARCHAR(20) DEFAULT 'Colombia'  
);
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DDL statements are used to **create**, **alter**, and **drop database objects** such as **tables**, **indexes**, and **views**.

PostgreSQL Example

```
ALTER TABLE myTable ADD COLUMN email VARCHAR(50);
```

```
ALTER TABLE myTable ALTER COLUMN name  
TYPE VARCHAR(100);
```

MySQL Example

```
ALTER TABLE myTable ADD COLUMN email VARCHAR(50);
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```
ALTER TABLE myTable MODIFY COLUMN name  
VARCHAR(100);
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Thanks!

Questions?



Repo: github.com/engandres/ud-public/courses/databases-foundations

