University of Central Florida CGS 2545 Database Concepts

- Rename a table or a column temporarily by giving another name known as Alias.
- The use of table aliases is to rename a table in a specific SQL statement.
- The renaming is a temporary change and the actual table name does not change in the database.
- The column aliases are used to rename a table's columns for the purpose of a particular SQL query.

- Syntax
 - The basic syntax of a **table** alias is as follows

```
SELECT column1, column2....
FROM table_name AS alias_name
WHERE [condition];
```

The basic syntax of a column alias is as follows

```
SELECT column_name AS alias_name FROM table_name WHERE [condition];
```

- Example
 - Consider the following two tables.
 - Table 1 CUSTOMERS Table is as follows.

++		+		++
ID	NAME	AGE	ADDRESS	SALARY
++		++		++
1 1	Ramesh	32	Ahmedabad	2000.00
2	Khilan	25	Delhi	1500.00
3	kaushik	23	Kota	2000.00
4	Chaitali	25	Mumbai	6500.00
5	Hardik	27	Bhopal	8500.00
6	Komal	22	MP	4500.00
7	Muffy	24	Indore	10000.00
++		+		++

- Example
 - Table 2 ORDERS Table is as follows.

```
OID
       DATE
                               CUSTOMER ID
                                              AMOUNT
 102
       2009-10-08 00:00:00
                                                3000
 100
       2009-10-08 00:00:00
                                                1500
 101
       2009-11-20 00:00:00
                                                1560
       2008-05-20 00:00:00
 103
                                                2060
```

- Example
 - the following code block shows the usage of a table alias.

```
SQL> SELECT C.ID, C.NAME, C.AGE, O.AMOUNT
FROM CUSTOMERS AS C, ORDERS AS O
WHERE C.ID = O.CUSTOMER_ID;
```



- Example
 - the following code block shows the usage of a column alias.

```
SQL> SELECT ID AS CUSTOMER ID, NAME AS CUSTOMER NAME
  FROM CUSTOMERS
  WHERE SALARY IS NOT NULL;
```

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CUSTOMER_ID | CUSTOMER_NAME |
        1 Ramesh
         2 | Khilan
         3 | kaushik
         4 | Chaitali
         5 | Hardik
         6 | Komal
         7 | Muffy
```