

## How RU? #xyzabc



Lesson 1: Introduction to Databases & Firebase

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## **OVERVIEW**Key Topics aka JOB SKILLS

Firebase
Real-time Databases
Authentication
JSON
SMTP
Analytics
Firebase & Web
Full-stack Development
Unity

### **Learning Objectives**

- Describe and evaluate the differences and usages of SQL and NoSQL databases
- 2. Integrate Cloud platform into Game Engine
- 3. Work with authentication services for user management
- 4. Design appropriate data schemas for NoSQL based applications
- 5. Apply the concepts for designing NoSQL databases for application development
- 6. Transact data on Firebase
- 7. Perform real-time data synchronization
- 8. Present Firebase data in a systematic way
- 9. Build serverless applications using real-time databases and cloud services



#### DDA

## **SCHEDULE**

	Wk 1	Wk 2	Wk 3	Wk 4	Wk 5 (FHBL)	Wk 6	Wk 7	Wk 8	Wk 9	2-wk Break	Wk 12	Wk 13	Wk 14 (FHBL)	Wk 15	Wk 16	Wk 17
DEVELOPING DYNAMIC APPLICATIONS																
Synchronous Online																
Asynchronous																
Face 2 Face On Campus																

Week 2 - Week 5

Week 5 & Week 9

Week 6 – Week 10

Week 10 - 11

Week 14 - 17

All Weeks

Assignment 1 (SOLO - 20%)

Asynchronous

Assignment 2 w/ ITD (GROUP - 20%)

Break

IP Assignment 3 (GROUP - 30%)

Continual Assessment (30%)

<sup>\*</sup>Cher will be on reservist from Nov 5 - Nov 17 (affected classes TBA)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Synchronous/F2F schedule are tentative and may subject to change

## Who? #MODULEREP



## Let's make things better

As a class, let's decide on how we want our class environment to be like. Be it virtual, or F2F. We will work towards and commit to such expectations.

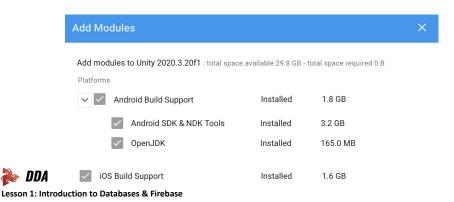
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https://bit.ly/dda-contract

# Clear your HDD #SOFTWARE

### SOFTWARE CHECK-IN

- Unity 2021.1.21 Add in Unity Hub
- Google Account https://accounts.google.com/SignUp
- Firebase Account requires Google Account https://firebase.google.com/
- iOS Module for Unity Unity Hub
- Android Module for Unity Unity Hub
- <u>Firebase Unity SDK</u> https://firebase.google.com/download/unity



## So what's a #DATABASE



#### We use Database for a lot of stuff

- Storing game inventory
- Game logs or logging every "sneaky" history on your browser
- Game logs can be also known as Player Stats
- Authorisation, being aware of what account, who it is, what credentials they have
- Allow access to data to create more vibrancy

#### To use Databases

- A web server (Apache, Nigx)
- A cloud server (Google Cloud, Digital Ocean, AWS)
- Backend services (Firebase, Amazon Web Services, Microsoft Azure)

#### Why Learn Database?

- Build fuller fledged applications
- Why they are relevant
- How people use them

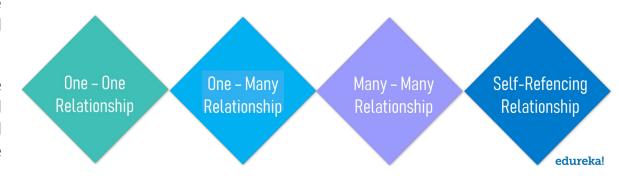
# So what's #SQL

## What is **SQL**

**SQL** aka Structured Query Language is the core of the relational database which is used for accessing and managing the databases.

This language is used to manipulate and retrieve data from a structured data format in the form of tables and holds relationships between those tables.

Common SQL: MYSQL, MSSQL



## SQL Explained





What is Database & SQL <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FR4QleZaPeM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FR4QleZaPeM</a>

MySQL = A Database Management System MySQL != SQL

There is no single database file Each database consists of multiple files/tables

Default DBMS most hosting providers use with PHP.



## MySQL DataTypes

Data Type	Range	UNSIGNED
INT	-2.1 billion to 2.1 billion	0 to 4.2 billion
TINYINT	-128 to 127	0 to 255
SMALLINT	-32,768 to 32,767	0 to 65,535
MEDIUMINT	-8.3 million to 8.3 million	0 to 16.7 million

Data Type	Uses	
VARCHAR	Short, variable length text	
CHAR	Short, fixed length text, e.g., encrypted passwords	
TEXT	Long text, e.g., articles	
ENUM	One value from a predefined list	
BLOB	Images, sound files, compressed files	

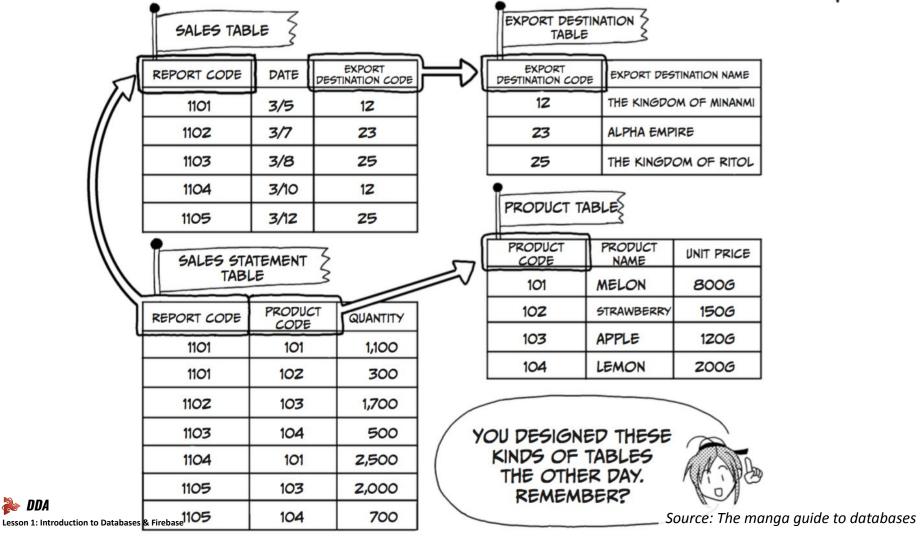
Data Type	Uses		
FLOAT	Decimal values		
DOUBLE	Very large decimal values		
DECIMAL	Values where rounding errors are unacceptable, e.g., currency		

Data Type	Uses
DATE	YYYY-MM-DD
TIME	hh:mm:ss
DATETIME	YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm:ss
TIMESTAMP	YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm:ss
YEAR	YYYY

## SQL (TL;DR;)

Structured Query Language (or SQL in short) is a relational database language used for formulating statements that are processed by a database server

It is used by a number of commercial DBMS (Database Management System) products including Microsoft SQL Server, Oracle, SYBASE, mySQL and DB2



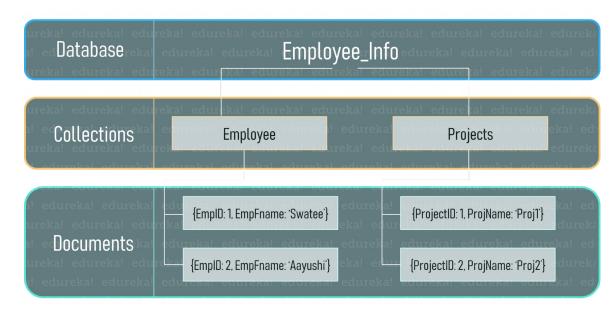
# So what's #NOSQL

## What is **NoSQL**

NoSQL, or most commonly known as Not only SQL database, provides a mechanism for storage and retrieval of unstructured data.

This type of database can handle a humongous amount of data and has a dynamic schema. So, a NoSQL database specific has no query language, а few no or verv relationships, but has data stored in the format of collections and documents.

So, a database can have a 'n' number of collections and each collection can have 'm' number of documents.



Document: JSON documents, Key-value: key-value pairs,

## What is NoSQL





## SQL

Best fit for data with tables and rows

Works better for small datasets

Frequent updates

Strong dependency on multi-row transactions

Modify large volume of records

## **NoSQL**

Best fit for unstructured data

Works better for large datasets

High write loads

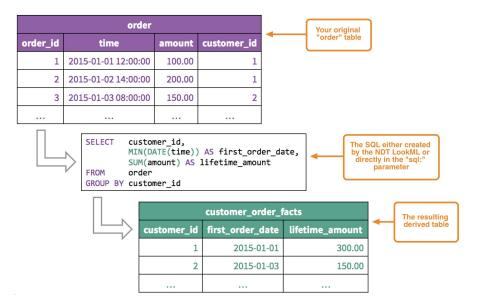
High availability in unstable environment

Data is location based

edureka!

### Example of SQL

#### Lots of tables involved and we need to maintain relationships



#### Image reference & Reading

https://docs.looker.com/data-modeling/learning-lookml/derived-tables

### **Example of NoSQL**

We deal with collections of JSON documents { <key>:<value>} pairs

```
{
    "_id": "5ffbff2a74fa860c000edb3f",
    "time": "2015-01-01T04:00:00.000Z",
    "amount": 100,
    "customer_id": 1,
    "order_id": 1,
    "_created": "2021-01-11T07:32:58.635Z",
    "_createdby": "interactivedevict@gmail.com",
    "_changedby": "interactivedevict@gmail.com",
    "_version": 0
}
```

```
{
    "_id": "5ffbff3d74fa860c000edb46",
    "time": "2015-01-01T18:00:00.0002",
    "amount": 200,
    "customer_id": 1,
    "order_id": 2,
    "_created": "2021-01-11T07:33:17.019Z",
    "_changed": "2021-01-11T07:34:25.037Z",
    "_createdby": "interactivedevict@gmail.com",
    "_cyension": 1,
    "_recent_changed": true
}
```

#### Adapted from RESTdb

order_id	time	amount	customer_id
1	2015-01-01 12::00	100.00	1
2	2015-01-02 02::00	200.00	1
3	2015-01-03 08::00	150.00	2



## Let's Discuss #Databases

#### #CA

## Database Discussion Challenge (GROUP)

In this activity, your team(<=4) will pick a topic and create a slide deck to share with the class.

- Wait for tutor to form breakout rooms.
- Include all team members names in deck + comments
   5 min VIVA after 30 mins :)
- Slide deck of ~5 slides

#### **Topics**

- Uses of NoSQL DB
- 2. How to use Databases for Virtual Reality
- 3. Advantages of **SQL DB**
- 4. Advantages of **NoSQL DB**
- 5. Disadvantages of **SQL DB**
- 6. Disadvantages of NoSQL DB

Submit as Powerpoint titled "DDAWk01-teamname-yourtopic.pptx" E.g DDAWk01-Squids-AdvantagesofNoSQL.pptx "Leader" - Submit the file in **Google Classroom** 





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## JSON looks like object literal syntax but it is just data, not an object:

```
{
   "name": "Pikachu",
   "hp": 200,
   "attack": 999,
   "defense": 999,
   "type": "electric"
}
```

```
LITERAL OBJECTS

let hotel = {

    name: 'Raffles Hotel',
    rooms: 100,
    booked: 24,
    gym: true,
    roomTypes: ['twin','suite','delux'],

    checkAvailability: function() {
     return this.rooms - this.booked;
    }

};
```

### JSON data is made up of keys and values:

In JSON, the **key** should be placed in **double quotes** (not single quotes).

The key (or name) is separated from its value by a **colon**.

Each key/ value pair is separated by a comma. However, note that there is *no* comma after the last key/value pair



## **JavaScript Object Notation**

- JSON is purely a string with a specified data format it contains only properties, no methods.
- JSON requires double quotes to be used around strings and property names. Single quotes are not valid other than surrounding the entire JSON string.
- Even a single misplaced comma or colon can cause a JSON file to go wrong, and not work. You should be careful to validate any data you are attempting to use (although computer-generated JSON is less likely to include errors, as long as the generator program is working correctly). You can validate JSON using an application like JSONLint.
- JSON can actually **take the form of any data type** that is valid for inclusion inside JSON, not just arrays or objects. So for example, a single string or number would be valid JSON.
- Unlike in JavaScript code in which object properties may be unquoted, in JSON only quoted strings may be used as properties.



Reference

## Simple Player Class that stores the data position and health

#### **JSON Utility**

https://docs.unity3d.com/ScriptReference/JsonUtility.html

```
//JSON Output
{
    "position":{"x":5.0,"y":0.0,"z":1.0},
    "health":80
}
```

```
using System.Collections;
       using System.Collections.Generic;
       using UnityEngine;
       public class SimpleJson: MonoBehaviour
           // Start is called before the first frame update
           void Start()
11
                Debug.Log("SimpleJson started");
12
13
               Player player = new Player();
                player.position = new Vector3(5, 0, 1);
                player.health = 80;
17
                //converting data from an object to a string
                string json = JsonUtility.ToJson(player);
                Debug.Log(json);
                //parsing back json string to object
                Player loadedPlayer = JsonUtility.FromJson<Player>(json);
23
                Debug.LogFormat("\nPlayer Data: Position {0} // Health {1} ",
                    loadedPlayer.position, loadedPlayer.health);
           private class Player
29
                public Vector3 position;
                public int health;
```



# Let's Start #JSON #DEMO in C#

#CA

## JSON Challenge (GROUP)

In this activity, you will craft how a **JSON** structure can look like in a game

#### Choose a part of the game

Level System, Inventory, Players, Enemy, Stats, Game Mechanics, Gamification, Dialogue, Chat/Messaging, Leaderboard, etc.

- 1. Based on your proposed features, craft your structure (think deeper) and simulate some data
- 2. You may use the following resource to help you https://isoneditoronline.org/

#### CA GOLD: Create a C# script to handle your json

Submit a JSON titled "DDAWk01-studentid-studentname.json" E.g DDAWk01-16012010D-SeongGiHun.json "Leader" - Submit the file in Google Classroom

List team members in the comment





20 - 30 minutes

# So, what the \*\*\* #FIREBASE





### Frontend

(Developer builds)

- User interface
- Client-side logic

API



### Backend

(Vendor provides as a service)

- Database management
- Cloud storage
- User authentication
- Push notifications
- Hosting

Reading Refence https://blog.back4app.com/backend-as-a-service-firebase/



## The Many Whys

Cloud Based + Managed service + Security backed by Google

Dynamic range of services in Firebase - Auth, Hosting, Databases, etc

**Analytics** - Insights on how your app is performing

Crashlytics - Figure out why your app is crashing and where

Authentication - OAuth, Google, Facebook, Social Media

Scalable - Able to scale to size as you grow due to Google Infrastructure

Storage Hosting, secure file storage

**Sync Real-Time Data -** Allows sync across multiple devices)



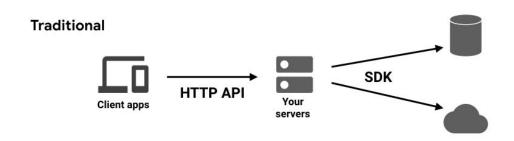
### Traditional vs Firebase

Hosted in the cloud - Maintained and operated by Google

Client SDKs are used to interact with Firebase services directly

Traditional Development requires you to work with both frontend and backend software

With Firebase, backend is bypassed and the focus is on the Client interacting with Firebase services based on the administrative rights given

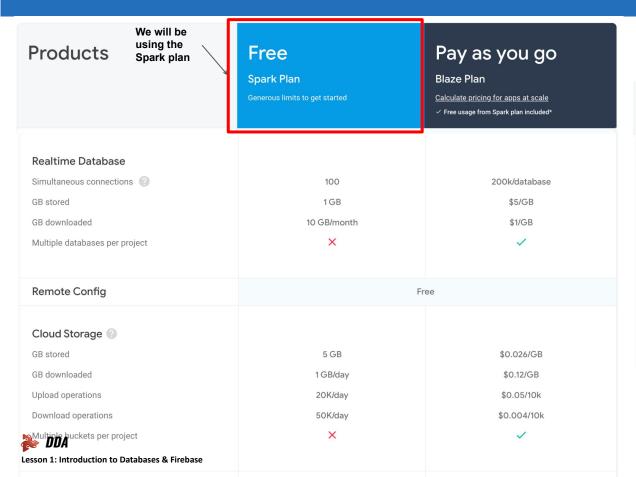






Lesson 1: Introduction to Databases & Firebase

# Firebase Pricing



#### https://firebase.google.com/

Products	Free Spark Plan Generous limits to get started	Pay as you go Blaze Plan Calculate ericing for arons at scale  - Free usage from Spark plan included*
A/B Testing	Free	
Analytics	Free	
App Distribution	Free	
App Indexing	Free	
Authentication  Phone Auth- US, Canada, and India  Phone Auth- All other countries  Other Authentication services	10k/month 10k/month	\$0.01/verification \$0.06/verification
Cloud Firestore Stored data	1 GiB total	Free up to 1 GiB total Then \$0.108 per additional GiB
Network egress	10 GiB/month	Free up to 10 GiB/month Then Google Cloud pricing
Document writes	20K writes/day	Free up to 20K writes/day Then Google Cloud pricing
Document reads	50K reads/day	Free up to 50K reads/day Then Google Cloud pricing
Document deletes	20K deletes/day	Free up to 20K deletes/day Then Google Cloud pricing

#### What we are in for

**Authentication** — user login and identity "Federated Identity"

**Realtime Database** — Realtime, cloud hosted, NoSQL database

**Cloud Storage** — massively scalable file storage

**Analytics** — Numbers behind the game





#### Build

Accelerate app development with fully managed backend infrastructure

#### View all build products

- Cloud Firestore
- Authentication



#### Release & Monitor

Release with confidence and monitor performance and stability

#### View all release & monitor products

- Crashlytics
- Google Analytics



#### Engage

Boost user engagement with rich analytics, A/B testing, and messaging campaigns

#### View all engage products

- Remote Config
- Cloud Messaging

- Cloud Firestore
- Machine Learning
- (...) Cloud Functions
- **Authentication**
- Hosting
- Cloud Storage
- Realtime Database

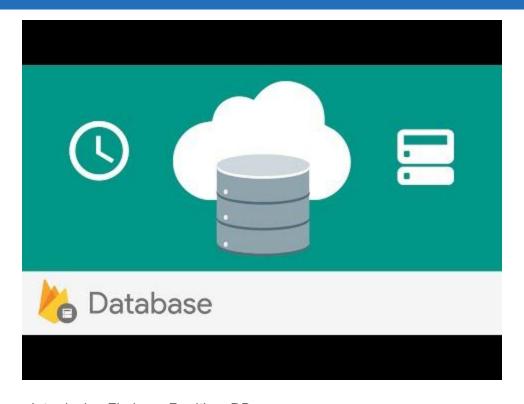
- Crashlytics
- Performance
  Monitoring
- Test Lab
- . App Distribution
- . Google Analytics

- In-App Messaging
- Predictions
- A/B Testing
- Cloud Messaging
- □ Remote Config
- @ Dynamic Links



List of Firebase services

#### Firebase Real Time Databases





#### SDK vs API

# SDK Software Development Kit

It's a set of software tools and programs used by developers to create applications for specific platforms.

- Compiler: Translates from one programming language to the one in which you will work
- Code samples: Give a concrete example of an application or web page
- Code libraries (framework): Provide a shortcut with code sequences that programmers will use repeatedly
- Testing and analytics tools: Provide insight into how the application or product performs in testing and production environments
- Documentation: Gives developers instructions they can refer to as they go
- Debuggers: Help teams spot errors in their code so they can push out code that works as expected

#### Java SDK, iOS SDK, Firebase SDK, Facebook SDK

# API Application Programming Interface

APIs enhance both the development experience and the end-user experience by adding specific features

- Connecting disparate software applications for a stronger overall product offering.
- Shortening the development cycle through automation.
- Reducing resources that would otherwise need to be allocated for in-house work.
- Improving brand recognition and trust.
- Providing new services to end-users with maximum efficiency.

#### Rules of SDK vs API

- SDKs usually contain APIs, but APIs don't contain SDKs
- SDKs enable developers to create apps and work as the building blocks for your software
- APIs enable certain functions of applications within the parameters of the SDK with which they're bundled.

	API	SDK
Purpose	Connects and integrates software	Contains a variety of development tools
Characteristics	Lightweight, fast, usually specialized	More robust, usually includes many utilities
Use Case	Used for adding specific functions to an application	Used for creating new applications or adding many functionalities with one package

# **SDK Explained Simply**



SDKs Explained <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=676FMfkYxOk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=676FMfkYxOk</a>

# **API Explained Simply**





# Let's Start #FIREBASE #DEMO

#### #CA

## Firebase - Write Data (SOLO)

In this activity, we tap on how to write data to our Firebase Realtime Database

- 1. Follow through the setup guide
- 2. Based on your suggested JSON structure, adopt a simplified structure and create the appropriate C# scripts and Unity UI to write to Firebase Firebase Realtime Databases

# CA GOLD: Create additional data to be stored (e.g Leaderboard) Deliverables

.JSON export from Firebase Export Package of your scripts Video clip of your Firebase code in action (show firebase before and after when you run)





# Setting Up Firebase

Refer to Guide for extended version Install Unity Modules

Official Firebase Unity Guide

https://firebase.google.com/docs/unity/setup



### Summary

- NoSQL vs SQL database
- What is JSON
- How JSON works in C# & Unity
- API vs SDK
- What is Firebase
- Getting Started with Firebase Real Time Databases and Unity



WEEK 2

# NEXT WK HOME BASED!

Lesson Mode
SYNCHRONOUS
MS TEAMS





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#### READING

https://medium.com/firebase-developers/what-is-firebase-the-complete-story-abridged-bcc730c5f2c0 https://www.ibm.com/cloud/blog/sdk-vs-api https://rapidapi.com/blog/api-vs-sdk/

API vs SDK What's the Diff: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kG-fLp9BTRo&t=3s">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kG-fLp9BTRo&t=3s</a>
Working with JSON <a href="https://www.nylas.com/blog/the-complete-guide-to-working-with-json/">https://www.nylas.com/blog/the-complete-guide-to-working-with-json/</a>
How do NoSQL databases work <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0buKQHokLK8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0buKQHokLK8</a>
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