Introductory MySQL Commands

Principles of Databases (CS 365)

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• Use UTF-8 character sets whenever possible

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- In Windows my.cnf may be called my.ini and could be in one of many places. Read the official documentation from dev.mysql.com at https://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/8.0/en/option-files.html

The following command says, "Log in to MySQL as user (-u) root and tell the CLI to request my password (-p).

```
mysql -u root -p
```

You can also close the space between -u and root, as follows:

mysql -uroot -p

You can also append the password to the -p option. (No space character.) For example, if my password were password, I could log in as follows:

```
mysql -u root -ppassword
```

or

mysql -uroot -ppassword

Appending the password to the -p option is insecure, as the password would sit as a plain text entry in your CLI's history file.

In bash, for example, you'd find the password in .bash_history. You could clear it (and the rest of your history) with the -c flag to the history command:

history -c

The more secure option is to have MySQL request your password via your CLI.

```
mysql -u root -p
```

Exiting MySQL

Similar to exiting your CLI, exiting MySQL is simply...

EXIT

Warnings

If an error is generated, you can see the latest warning with

SHOW WARNINGS;

Checking the Status of the Database

You can view some important information, such as current user and database, IP address, and character set configurations, using the STATUS command:

STATUS

Creating a Database

Let's create a database called users with a default and collation character set of UTF-8.

CREATE DATABASE `users` DEFAULT CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 COLLATE utf8mb4_bin;

Note: This doesn't place focus on the new database; it simply creates it.

Creating a Database | Placing Focus

To work with a database, you need to focus on it by using the USE command. Let's focus on the users database:

USE users

If you now run STATUS, you'll see, Current database: users below Connection id.

Add a User to the Database with a Password

Let's create a user called the-user whose password is the-password.

```
CREATE USER 'the-user'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'the-Passw0rd!';
```

Provide a User Access to the Database

Let's now grant the-user all privileges to all the tables under the users database

GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON users.* to 'the-user'@'localhost';

Logging into the Database with the New User

Exit the database (exit), then log back in as the new user:

```
mysql -u the-user -p
```

Show Databases

You can see the databases to which you have access with the SHOW command:

SHOW DATABASES;

Create a Table

```
CREATE TABLE students (
  first_name VARCHAR(20) NOT NULL,
  last_name VARCHAR(20) NOT NULL
);
```

Note: Both are set to NOT NULL, meaning that an entry into the students table can only happen when both values are present. What happens when you try to defeat the NOT NULL rule?

Show Tables

Show the tables in the current database:

SHOW TABLES;

Flush the Contents of a Table

To empty the contents of a table is to flush them. Flushing means that MySQL will drop the tables, then recreate them without any entries.

TRUNCATE TABLE students;

Drop/Delete a Table

Let's delete the students table.

DROP TABLE students;

Note: This isn't the same as TRUNCATE, which flushes the tuples in the table, but doesn't delete the table.

Insert a Single Record in a Table (CREATE)

```
INSERT INTO students
  (first_name, last_name)
VALUES
  ("Fred", 'Flinstone');
```

Note: I can wrap values in inch marks (") or foot marks ('), as long as they're balanced.

Insert Multiple Records into a Table (CREATE)

```
INSERT INTO students
  (first_name, last_name)
VALUES
  ('Edward', 'Bobward'),
  ('Ed', 'Bob'),
  ('Frank', 'Enstein'),
  ('Johnny', 'Rotten');
```

Read All Records from a Table (READ)

SELECT * FROM students;

Read All Records from a Table with a Matching Clause (READ)

Let's get all students whose first name is Frank.

```
SELECT * FROM students WHERE first name = "Frank";
```

Pattern Matching

Let's get all students whose first name starts with "ed".

```
SELECT * FROM students WHERE first_name LIKE "Ed%";
```

or for a more case-insensitive search:

```
SELECT * FROM students WHERE UPPER(first_name) LIKE UPPER("ed%");
```

Pattern Matching

```
SELECT * FROM students WHERE last_name LIKE "%Bob";
```

Or, for a more case-insensitive search:

```
SELECT * FROM students WHERE UPPER(last_name) LIKE UPPER("%bob");
```

Pattern Matching

Get all track names that start with "Do" followed by 9 characters, listed alphabetically:

```
SELECT *
FROM track
WHERE track_name LIKE 'Do___'
ORDER BY track_name;
```

The underscore (_) character is a placeholder for any character.

Read All Records from a Table's Column (READ)

Let's get all first_names from the students table.

```
SELECT first_name FROM students;
```

Read All Records from a Table's Column (READ)

```
Or last_names.
```

```
SELECT last_name FROM students;
```

Read All Records from a Table in Reverse Order (READ)

```
SELECT last_name, first_name FROM students;
```

Describe the Fields/Columns in a Table

There are at least 3 different ways to describe the structure of a table.

```
SHOW COLUMNS FROM students;
DESC students;
DESCRIBE students;
```

Update (UPDATE)

Let's change Frank's first name to Albert:

```
UPDATE students SET first_name="Albert" WHERE first_name="Frank";
```

Remove (DELETE)

Let's remove Johnny, who's no longer a student:

```
DELETE FROM students WHERE first_name="Johnny";
```

Remove a Database and Its Users

There are multiple ways to delete a database. The most common and modern way is...

DROP DATABASE IF EXISTS users;

or

DROP DATABASE users;

Remove a Database and Its Users

SCHEMA is synonymous with DATABASE. Thus, you could also say...

DROP SCHEMA IF EXISTS users;

or

DROP SCHEMA users;

Remove a Database and Its Users

We'll now need to remove the user — whose username is the-user — from MySQL.

```
DROP USER IF EXISTS 'the-user'a'localhost';
```

Stand up a Database in Two Commands

```
Log in to MySQL...

mysql -u root -p

...then load setup.sql:

source setup.sql
```

Stand up a Database in Two Commands

You can also stand up the database in one command:

```
mysql -u root -p < setup.sql
```

Remove all rows from a table.

DELETE FROM track;

Let's delete Every Country's Sun

```
DELETE FROM album WHERE album_name = "Every Country's Sun";
or
```

```
DELETE FROM album
WHERE (artist_id = 5 AND album_id = 2);
```

The latter makes use of the keys that we used to design the database. As such, it is more secure.

Let's delete all albums with an album_id of 1.

DELETE FROM ALBUM WHERE album_id = 1;

Let's delete an artist, their album(s), and those albums' tracks. First, let's choose a band, Melvins.

```
SELECT artist_id, artist_name, album_name
FROM artist INNER JOIN album
USING (artist_id)
WHERE artist_name = "Melvins";
```

Now we can delete everything related to The Melvins.

```
DELETE FROM artist, album, track USING artist, album, track
WHERE artist.artist_id = 4 AND
artist.artist_id = album.artist_id AND
artist.artist_id = track.artist_id AND
album.album_id = track.album_id;
```

Compare with...

```
DELETE FROM artist, album, track USING artist, album, track
WHERE artist.artist_id = 4 AND
artist.artist_id = album.artist_id AND
artist.artist_id = track.artist_id;
```

And, we can now verify:

```
SELECT track_name
FROM track
WHERE artist_id = 4;
```

Get all song titles, listed alphabetically:

```
SELECT * FROM track
ORDER BY track_name;
```

The result is an alphabetical—or lexicographical—list of tuples in ascending order (ASC), which is the default. Thus, the previous command is equivalent to the following:

```
SELECT * FROM track
ORDER BY track name ASC;
```

You may also list the result in descending (DESC) order:

```
SELECT * FROM track
ORDER BY track_name DESC;
```

Get and rename both attributes from the music schema's artist table:

```
SELECT artist_id AS ID, artist_name AS Artist
FROM artist;
```

AS is optional in the renaming. You could also do:

```
SELECT artist_id ID, artist_name Artist
FROM artist;
```

If using multiple words in a string, you'll need to wrap the content in foot marks (' ').

```
SELECT artist_id AS 'Unique ID', artist_name AS Artist
FROM artist;
```

You may also use backticks (``):

```
SELECT artist_id AS `Unique ID`, artist_name AS Artist
FROM artist;
```

The JOIN Statement

Get all artists and their albums. Note the different ways to do this.

```
SELECT artist name AS Artist, album name AS Album
FROM artist
JOIN album
WHERE (artist.artist id = album.artist id);
SELECT artist name AS Artist, album name AS Album
FROM artist
INNER JOIN album
USING (artist id);
```

The JOIN Statement

```
SELECT artist name AS Artist, album name AS Album
FROM artist
JOIN album
USING (artist id);
SELECT artist name AS Artist, album name AS Album
FROM artist
INNER JOIN album ON
(artist.artist id = album.artist id);
```

The JOIN Statement

```
SELECT artist_name AS Artist, album_name AS Album
FROM artist, album
WHERE (artist.artist_id = album.artist_id);
```

The default block_encryption_mode is aes-128-ecb, which does not require an initialization vector. We want the extra security attached to an initialization vector, so we need to set block_encryption_mode to aes-256-cbc.

First, let's check the current value of block_encryption_mode.

```
SHOW VARIABLES WHERE variable_name = "block_encryption_mode";
```

or

SELECT @@global.block_encryption_mode;

Let's now set it:

```
SET block_encryption_mode = 'aes-256-cbc';
```

According to the AES_ENCRYPT documentation, we'll need a key to unlock the encryption. We're advised to do this with a user-defined variable, as follows:

```
SET @init_vector = RANDOM_BYTES(16);
```

Let's test it:

SELECT @init_vector;

Now log in to MySQL and run setup. sql from the enclosed aesencrypt-example folder:

source setup.sql;

View all the entries:

```
SELECT * FROM user;
```

And, finally, run the following to view the unciphered passwords:

SELECT CAST(AES_DECRYPT(password, @key_str, @init_vector) AS CHAR) AS 'Plain Text Password' FROM user;

Revisit Simple Retrieval

Let's go back and do a simple retrieval of tuples, in this case, all albums by Mogwai in our music database.

```
SELECT album_name
FROM album, artist
WHERE artist_name="Mogwai"
AND
album.artist id = artist.artist id;
```

Creating a View (Virtual Relations)

Now let's create a view called "MogwaiAlbums" from the previous query:

```
CREATE VIEW MogwaiAlbums AS
SELECT album_name
FROM album, artist
WHERE artist_name="Mogwai"
AND
album.artist_id = artist.artist_id;
```

Simple Retrieval of a View's Content

Now, let's get all of Mogwai's albums, again, but via the view:

```
SELECT * FROM MogwaiAlbums;
```

which, incidentally, is equivalent to a sub query (a SELECT statement within another SELECT statement):

```
SELECT * FROM (
    SELECT album_name
    FROM album, artist
    WHERE artist_name="Mogwai"
    AND
    album.artist_id = artist.artist_id
) AS MogwaiAlbums;
```

Retrieve the Mogwai album whose name contains "Die"

SELECT album_name from MogwaiAlbums WHERE album_name LIKE "%Die%";

Drop a View

DROP VIEW IF EXISTS MogwaiAlbums;

Rename an Attribute

```
CREATE VIEW MogwaiAlbums(Album) AS
SELECT album_name
FROM album, artist
WHERE artist_name="Mogwai"
AND
album.artist_id = artist.artist_id;
```

Retrieve the Mogwai Album Whose Name Contains "Die", This Time Via the View

SELECT Album from MogwaiAlbums WHERE Album LIKE "%Die%";