

SQL

- SQL stands for Structured Query Language. It is used for storing and managing data in relational database management system (RDMS).
- It is a standard language for Relational Database System. It enables a user to create, read, update and delete relational databases and tables.
- All the RDBMS like MySQL, Informix, Oracle, MS Access and SQL Server use SQL as their standard database language.
- SQL allows users to query the database in a number of ways, using English-like statements.

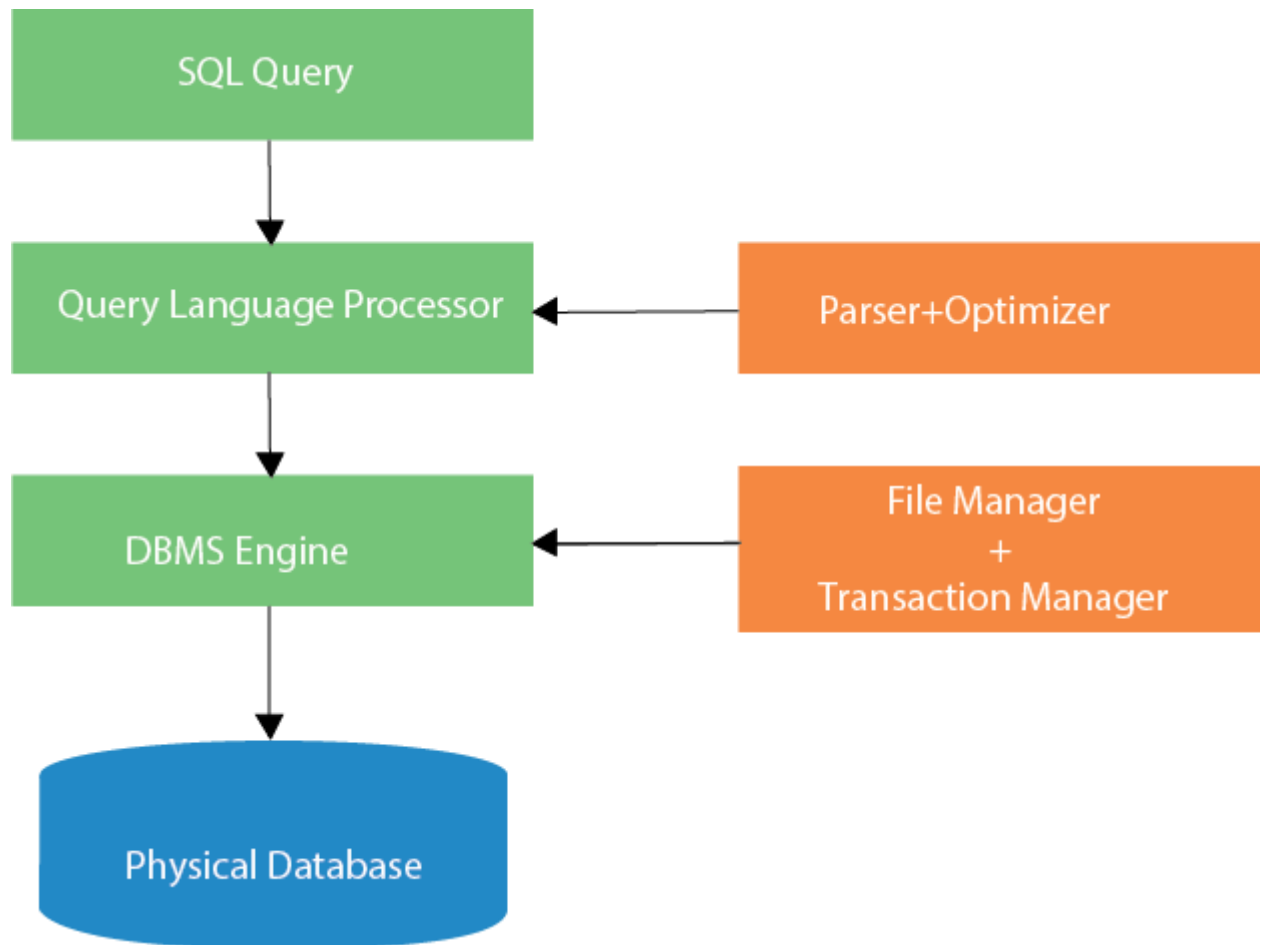
Rules:

SQL follows the following rules:

- Structure query language is not case sensitive. Generally, keywords of SQL are written in uppercase.
- Statements of SQL are dependent on text lines. We can use a single SQL statement on one or multiple text line.
- Using the SQL statements, you can perform most of the actions in a database.
- SQL depends on tuple relational calculus and relational algebra.

SQL process:

- When an SQL command is executing for any RDBMS, then the system figure out the best way to carry out the request and the SQL engine determines that how to interpret the task.
- In the process, various components are included. These components can be optimization Engine, Query engine, Query dispatcher, classic, etc.
- All the non-SQL queries are handled by the classic query engine, but SQL query engine won't handle logical files.



Characteristics of SQL

- SQL is easy to learn.
- SQL is used to access data from relational database management systems.
- SQL can execute queries against the database.
- SQL is used to describe the data.
- SQL is used to define the data in the database and manipulate it when needed.
- SQL is used to create and drop the database and table.
- SQL is used to create a view, stored procedure, function in a database.
- SQL allows users to set permissions on tables, procedures, and views.

Advantages of SQL

There are the following advantages of SQL:

High speed

Using the SQL queries, the user can quickly and efficiently retrieve a large amount of records from a database.

No coding needed

In the standard SQL, it is very easy to manage the database system. It doesn't require a substantial amount of code to manage the database system.

Well defined standards

Long established are used by the SQL databases that are being used by ISO and ANSI.

Portability

SQL can be used in laptop, PCs, server and even some mobile phones.

Interactive language

SQL is a domain language used to communicate with the database. It is also used to receive answers to the complex questions in seconds.

Multiple data view

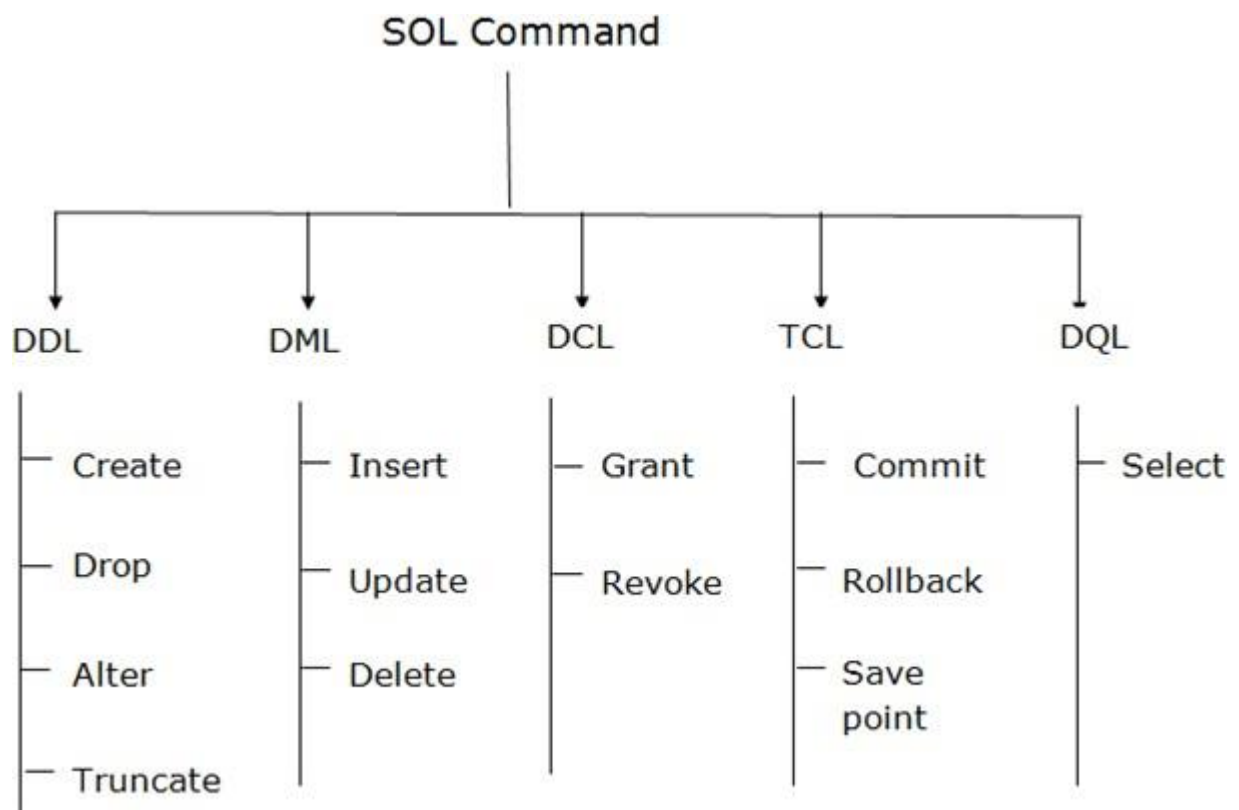
Using the SQL language, the users can make different views of the database structure.

SQL DatatypeSQL Commands

- SQL commands are instructions. It is used to communicate with the database. It is also used to perform specific tasks, functions, and queries of data.
- SQL can perform various tasks like create a table, add data to tables, drop the table, modify the table, set permission for users.

Types of SQL Commands

There are five types of SQL commands: DDL, DML, DCL, TCL, and DQL.



1. Data Definition Language (DDL)

- DDL changes the structure of the table like creating a table, deleting a table, altering a table, etc.
- All the command of DDL are auto-committed that means it permanently save all the changes in the database.

Here are some commands that come under DDL:

- CREATE
- ALTER
- DROP
- TRUNCATE

a. CREATE It is used to create a new table in the database.

Syntax:

1. CREATE TABLE TABLE_NAME (COLUMN_NAME DATATYPES[,....]);

Example:

1. CREATE TABLE EMPLOYEE(Name VARCHAR2(20), Email VARCHAR2(100), DOB DATE);

b. DROP: It is used to delete both the structure and record stored in the table.

Syntax

1. DROP TABLE table_name;

Example

1. DROP TABLE EMPLOYEE;

c. ALTER: It is used to alter the structure of the database. This change could be either to modify the characteristics of an existing attribute or probably to add a new attribute.

Syntax:

To add a new column in the table

1. ALTER TABLE table_name ADD column_name COLUMN-definition;

To modify existing column in the table:

1. ALTER TABLE table_name MODIFY(column_definitions....);

EXAMPLE

1. ALTER TABLE STU_DETAILS ADD(ADDRESS VARCHAR2(20));
2. ALTER TABLE STU_DETAILS MODIFY (NAME VARCHAR2(20));

d. TRUNCATE: It is used to delete all the rows from the table and free the space containing the table.

Syntax:

1. TRUNCATE TABLE table_name;

Example:

1. TRUNCATE TABLE EMPLOYEE;

2. Data Manipulation Language

SQL ALTER TABLE Statement

The `ALTER TABLE` statement is used to add, delete, or modify columns in an existing table.

The `ALTER TABLE` statement is also used to add and drop various constraints on an existing table.

ALTER TABLE - ADD Column

To add a column in a table, use the following syntax:

```
ALTER TABLE table_name
ADD column_name datatype;
```

The following SQL adds an "Email" column to the "Customers" table:

Example

```
ALTER TABLE Customers
ADD Email varchar(255);
```

ALTER TABLE - DROP COLUMN

To delete a column in a table, use the following syntax (notice that some database systems don't allow deleting a column):

```
ALTER TABLE table_name
DROP COLUMN column_name;
```

The following SQL deletes the "Email" column from the "Customers" table:

Example

```
ALTER TABLE Customers
DROP COLUMN Email;
```

ALTER TABLE - ALTER/MODIFY COLUMN

To change the data type of a column in a table, use the following syntax:

SQL Server / MS Access:

```
ALTER TABLE table_name  
ALTER COLUMN column_name datatype;
```

Oracle 10G and later:

```
ALTER TABLE table_name  
MODIFY column_name datatype;
```


- DML commands are used to modify the database. It is responsible for all form of changes in the database.
- The command of DML is not auto-committed that means it can't permanently save all the changes in the database. They can be rollback.

Here are some commands that come under DML:

- INSERT
- UPDATE
- DELETE

a. INSERT: The INSERT statement is a SQL query. It is used to insert data into the row of a table.

Syntax:

1. INSERT INTO TABLE_NAME
2. (col1, col2, col3,.... col N)
3. VALUES (value1, value2, value3, valueN);

Or

1. INSERT INTO TABLE_NAME
2. VALUES (value1, value2, value3, valueN);

For example:

1. INSERT INTO javatpoint (Author, Subject) VALUES ("Sonoo", "DBMS");

b. UPDATE: This command is used to update or modify the value of a column in the table.

Syntax:

1. UPDATE table_name SET [column_name1= value1,...column_nameN = valueN] [WHERE CONDITION]

For example:

1. UPDATE students
2. SET User_Name = 'Sonoo'

The SQL INSERT INTO Statement

The `INSERT INTO` statement is used to insert new records in a table.

INSERT INTO Syntax

It is possible to write the `INSERT INTO` statement in two ways:

1. Specify both the column names and the values to be inserted:

```
INSERT INTO table_name (column1, column2, column3, ...)  
VALUES (value1, value2, value3, ...);
```

2. If you are adding values for all the columns of the table, you do not need to specify the column names in the SQL query. However, make sure the order of the values is in the same order as the columns in the table. Here, the `INSERT INTO` syntax would be as follows:

```
INSERT INTO table_name  
VALUES (value1, value2, value3, ...);
```

3. WHERE Student_Id = '3'

c. DELETE: It is used to remove one or more row from a table.

Syntax:

1. DELETE FROM table_name [WHERE condition];

For example:

1. DELETE FROM javatpoint
2. WHERE Author="Sonoo";

3. Data Control Language

DCL commands are used to grant and take back authority from any database user.

Here are some commands that come under DCL:

- Grant
- Revoke

a. Grant: It is used to give user access privileges to a database.

Example

1. GRANT SELECT, UPDATE ON MY_TABLE TO SOME_USER, ANOTHER_USER;

b. Revoke: It is used to take back permissions from the user.

Example

1. REVOKE SELECT, UPDATE ON MY_TABLE FROM USER1, USER2;

4. Transaction Control Language

TCL commands can only use with DML commands like INSERT, DELETE and UPDATE only.

These operations are automatically committed in the database that's why they cannot be used while creating tables or dropping them.

Here are some commands that come under TCL:

- COMMIT
- ROLLBACK
- SAVEPOINT

a. Commit: Commit command is used to save all the transactions to the database.

Syntax:

1. COMMIT;

Example:

1. DELETE FROM CUSTOMERS
2. WHERE AGE = 25;
3. COMMIT;

b. Rollback: Rollback command is used to undo transactions that have not already been saved to the database.

Syntax:

1. ROLLBACK;

Example:

1. DELETE FROM CUSTOMERS
2. WHERE AGE = 25;
3. ROLLBACK;

c. SAVEPOINT: It is used to roll the transaction back to a certain point without rolling back the entire transaction.

Syntax:

1. SAVEPOINT SAVEPOINT_NAME;

5. Data Query Language

DQL is used to fetch the data from the database.

It uses only one command:

- SELECT

a. SELECT: This is the same as the projection operation of relational algebra. It is used to select the attribute based on the condition described by WHERE clause.

Syntax:

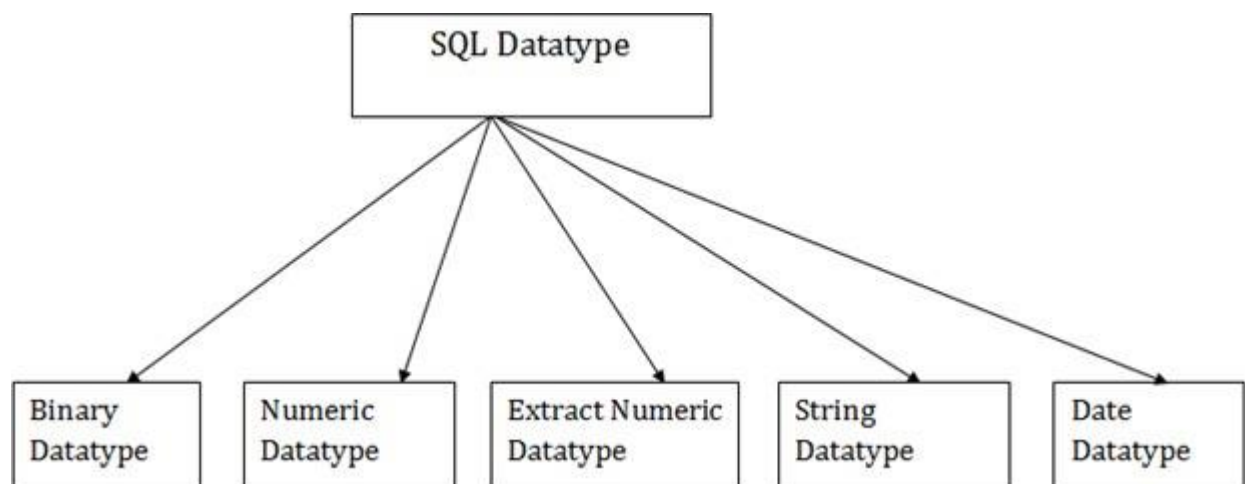
1. SELECT expressions
2. FROM TABLES
3. WHERE conditions;

For example:

1. SELECT emp_name
2. FROM employee
3. WHERE age > 20;

- SQL Datatype is used to define the values that a column can contain.
- Every column is required to have a name and data type in the database table.

Datatype of SQL:



1. Binary Datatypes

There are Three types of binary Datatypes which are given below:

Oracle Data Types

Oracle String data types

CHAR(size)	It is used to store character data within the predefined length. It can be stored up to 2000 bytes.
NCHAR(size)	It is used to store national character data within the predefined length. It can be stored up to 2000 bytes.
VARCHAR2(size)	It is used to store variable string data within the predefined length. It can be stored up to 4000 byte.
VARCHAR(SIZE)	It is the same as VARCHAR2(size). You can also use VARCHAR(size), but it is suggested to use VARCHAR2(size)
NVARCHAR2(size)	It is used to store Unicode string data within the predefined length. We have to must specify the size of NVARCHAR2 data type. It can be stored up to 4000 bytes.

Oracle Numeric Data Types

NUMBER(p, s)	It contains precision p and scale s. The precision p can range from 1 to 38, and the scale s can range from -84 to 127.
FLOAT(p)	It is a subtype of the NUMBER data type. The precision p can range from 1 to 126.
BINARY_FLOAT	It is used for binary precision(32-bit). It requires 5 bytes, including length byte.
BINARY_DOUBLE	It is used for double binary precision (64-bit). It requires 9 bytes, including length byte.

Oracle Date and Time Data Types

DATE	It is used to store a valid date-time format with a fixed length. Its range varies from January 1, 4712 BC to December 31, 9999 AD.
TIMESTAMP	It is used to store the valid date in YYYY-MM-DD with time hh:mm:ss format.

Oracle Large Object Data Types (LOB Types)

BLOB	It is used to specify unstructured binary data. Its range goes up to 2^{32} -1 bytes or 4 GB.
BFILE	It is used to store binary data in an external file. Its range goes up to 2^{32} -1 bytes or 4 GB.
CLOB	It is used for single-byte character data. Its range goes up to 2^{32} -1 bytes or 4 GB.
NCLOB	It is used to specify single byte or fixed length multibyte national character set (NCHAR) data. Its range is up to 2^{32} -1 bytes or 4 GB.
RAW(size)	It is used to specify variable length raw binary data. Its range is up to 2000 bytes per row. Its maximum size must be specified.
LONG RAW	It is used to specify variable length raw binary data. Its range up to 2^{31} -1 bytes or 2 GB, per row.

Data Type	Description
binary	It has a maximum length of 8000 bytes. It contains fixed-length binary data.
varbinary	It has a maximum length of 8000 bytes. It contains variable-length binary data.
image	It has a maximum length of 2,147,483,647 bytes. It contains variable-length binary data.

2. Approximate Numeric Datatype :

The subtypes are given below:

Data type	From	To	Description
float	-1.79E + 308	1.79E + 308	It is used to specify a floating-point value e.g. 6.2, 2.9 etc.
real	-3.40e + 38	3.40E + 38	It specifies a single precision floating point number

3. Exact Numeric Datatype

The subtypes are given below:

Data type	Description
int	It is used to specify an integer value.
smallint	It is used to specify small integer value.
bit	It has the number of bits to store.
decimal	It specifies a numeric value that can have a decimal number.
numeric	It is used to specify a numeric value.

4. Character String Datatype

The subtypes are given below:

Data type	Description
char	It has a maximum length of 8000 characters. It contains Fixed-length non-unicode characters
varchar	It has a maximum length of 8000 characters. It contains variable-length non-unicode charact
text	It has a maximum length of 2,147,483,647 characters. It contains variable-length non-un characters.

5. Date and time Datatypes

The subtypes are given below:

Datatype	Description
date	It is used to store the year, month, and days value.
time	It is used to store the hour, minute, and second values.
timestamp	It stores the year, month, day, hour, minute, and the second value.