



# Introduction to SQL

FinTech  
Lesson 7.1



# Learning Outcomes

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By the end of this unit, you will be able to:

01

Create a data model to represent the objects and relationships in a dataset.

02

Create schemas, tables, and databases for relational data.

03

Retrieve data using advanced database queries.

# Class Objectives

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By the end of today's class, you will:



Install and run PostgreSQL (SQL) and pgAdmin (GUI) on your computer.



Create databases and tables using pgAdmin.



Define SQL data types, primary keys, and unique values.



Load CSV files into a database and query the data.



Articulate and apply the four basic functions of persistent storage: Create, Read, Update, and Delete (CRUD) and apply them to a database.



Combine data from multiple tables using JOINS.

# Why SQL?

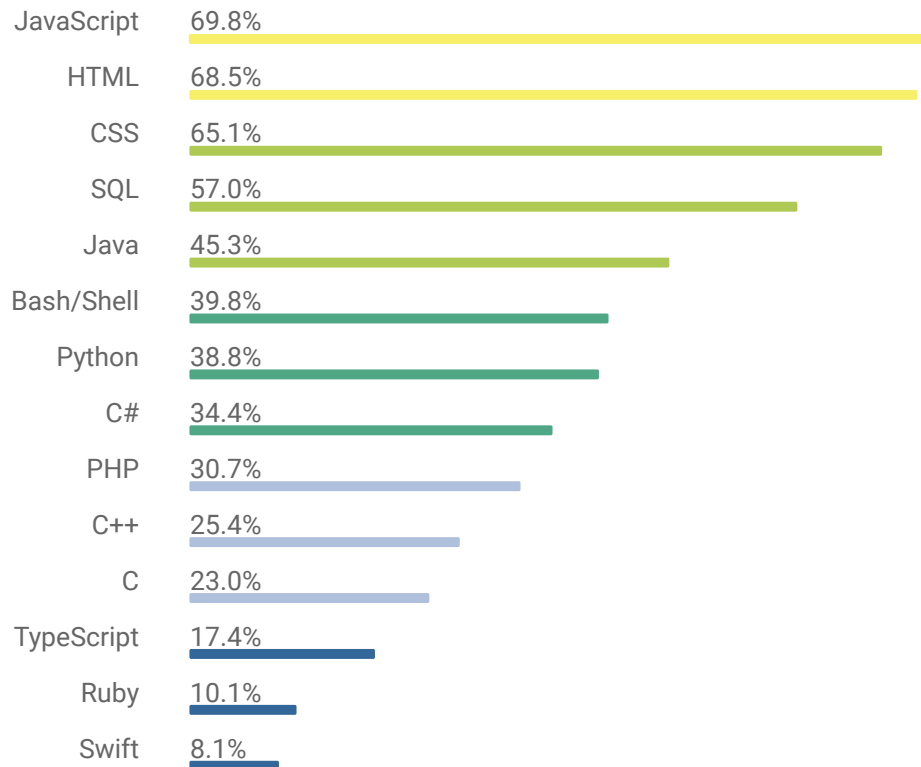
Structured Query Language (SQL) is one of the main query languages used to access data within relational databases.

**SQL** is designed to efficiently handle large amounts of data, resulting in high value to organizations.

Data is stored in tables similar to spreadsheets that you would create in Microsoft Excel, making it easy to visualize and search.

Experienced **SQL** programmers are in high demand.

## Programming, Scripting, and Markup Languages *(all respondents)*



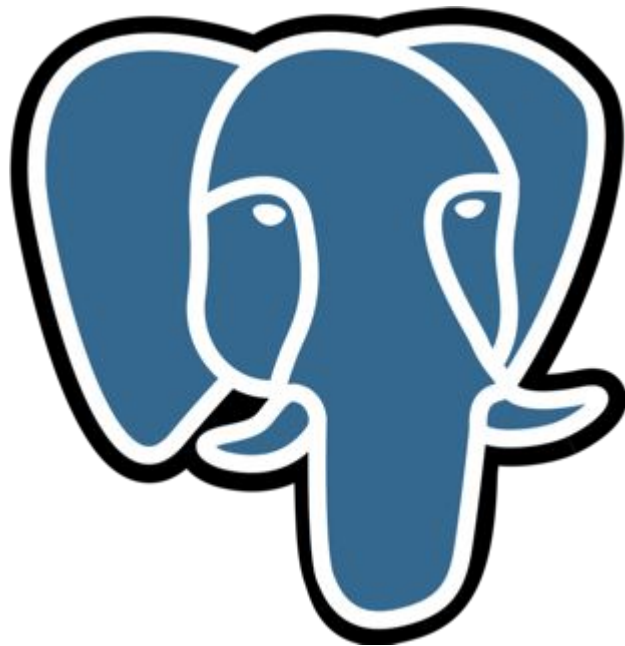
# Postgres and pgAdmin

# Postgres

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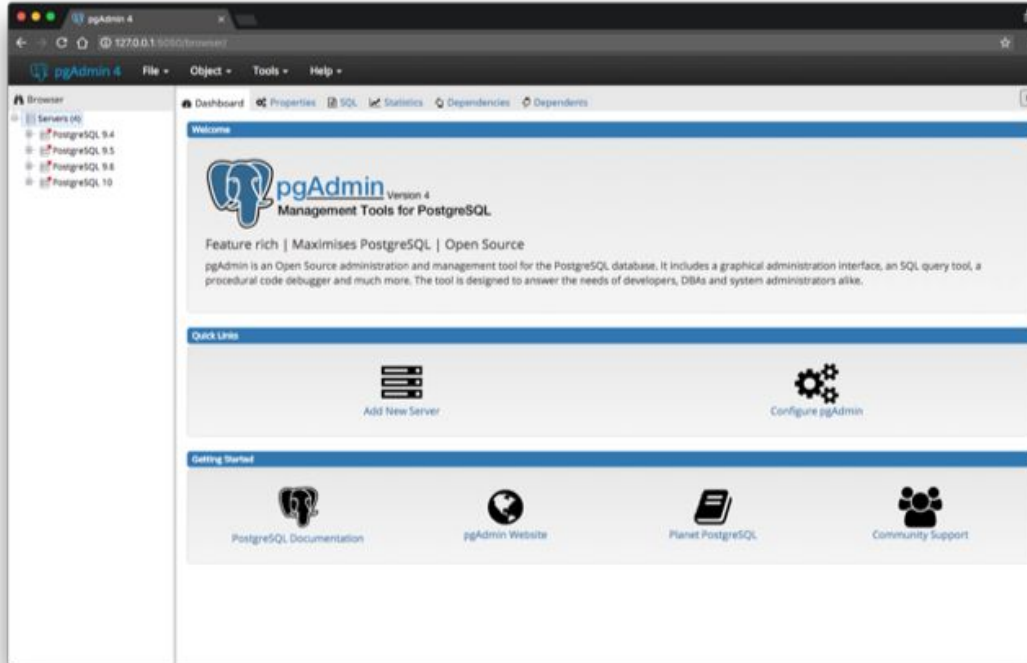
PostgreSQL (usually referred to as "Postgres") is an object-relational database system that uses the SQL language.

- Database engine
- Open source
- Great functionality



# pgAdmin

**pgAdmin** is a database management tool used with Postgres. It simplifies creation, maintenance, and use of database objects by providing a Graphical User Interface (GUI)



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A close-up, high-angle shot of a computer keyboard. The central focus is a large, white, rectangular key with rounded corners. On this key, there is a dark blue icon of a coffee cup with three wavy lines above it representing steam. Below the icon, the word "Break" is printed in a dark blue, serif font. The key is set against a light-colored, textured keyboard surface. Other keys are visible in the background, including one with a double quote symbol and another with a dash/slash symbol, but they are out of focus.

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# Create, Read, Update, Delete (CRUD)

# CRUD Operations

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**Create Read Update Delete** is a set of operations used with persistent storage.

|               |   |
|---------------|---|
| <b>Create</b> | INSERT INTO table (column1, column2, column3) |
| <b>Read</b>   | SELECT * FROM table                           |
| <b>Update</b> | UPDATE table SET column1 = VALUE WHERE id = 1 |
| <b>Delete</b> | DELETE FROM table WHERE id = 5                |

These tools are fundamental to all programming languages, not just SQL.

# Wildcards

## Wildcards: % and \_

Wildcards are used to substitute zero, one, or multiple characters in a string. The keyword **LIKE** indicates the use of a wildcard.

```
SELECT *  
FROM actor  
WHERE last_name LIKE 'Will%';
```

The **%** will substitute **zero, one, or multiple** characters in a query.

For example, all of the following will match: **Will**, **Willa**, and **Willows**.

```
SELECT *  
FROM actor  
WHERE first_name LIKE '_AN';
```

The **\_** will substitute one—and only one—character in a query.

**\_AN** returns all actors whose first name contains three letters, the second and third of which are **AN**.

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