Introduction to SQL

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- A standard language used in most DBMS.
- Both as a DDL and DML language.
 - DDL (Data Definition Language): define the schema of the database.
 - DML (Data Manipulation Language): provides commands to manipulate the database (query, insert, update, delete).

SQL Continued

- Based on relational algebra, but not entirely identical.
 - Relations ⇔ Tables
 - Tuples ⇔ Rows
 - Attributes ⇔ Columns

Basic DDL Commands in SQL

- CREATE: to define new tables (to define relation schemas)
- DROP: to delete table definitions (to delete relation schemas)
- ALTER: to change the definitions of existing tables (to change relation schema)
- Other features as DDL
 - Specify referential integrity constraints (FKs)
 - Specify user-defined attributes constraints

Basic DML Commands in SQL

- INSERT: to add new rows to table
- **UPDATE**: to change the "state" (the value) of rows.
- DELETE: to remove rows
- **SELECT**: a query command that uses relation algebra *like* expressions

 Various options available to handle the enforcement/violation of integrity constraints

Platforms of This Course

- Platform 1: MySQL
 - Open source, free software
 - Available on Windows and Linux.
 - Easily installed on your own PC.
- Platform 2: Oracle 10g Enterprise Edition
 - Available through IT&E labs
 - Proprietary, popular DBMS
 - Please see http://labs.ite.gmu.edu/reference/faq_oracle.htm for details.

MySQL

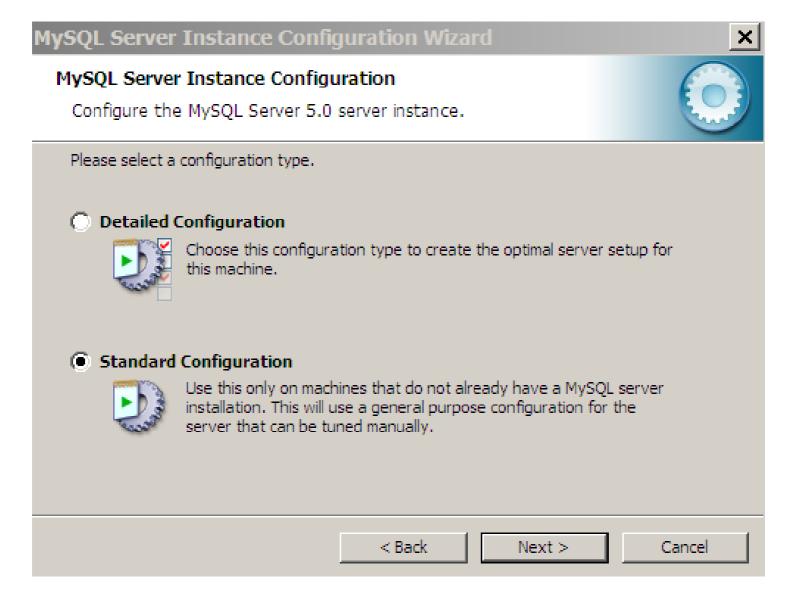
- Open source and free
- Generally not as powerful as Oracle
- Still, it is an industrial strength package.
 - Users include Amazon, NASA, Google, Yahoo ...
- A commercial edition is also available (MySQL Enterprise) --- You are paying for the services.

Installation on Windows

- Download the Essential Version of MySQL 5.0 from mysql.com
- Click on the .exe file to start installation.
- In Setup Type, Choose "Complete"



Use Standard Configuration



Install As Windows Service



Set Root Password

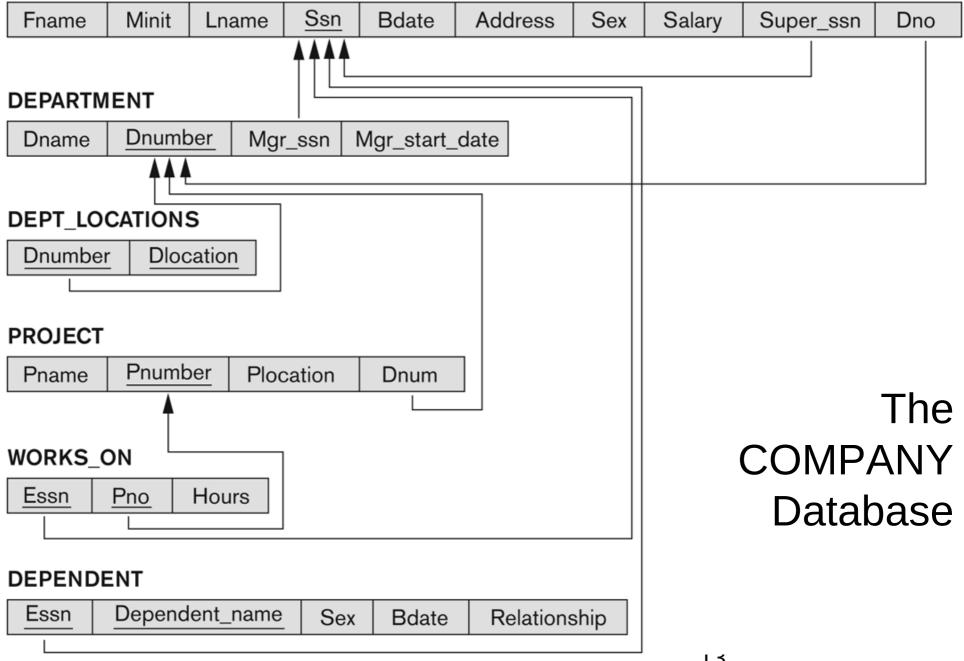


Launch MySQL

- Use the Start menu to launch the "MySQL Command Line Client"
- Enter the root password

```
MySQL Command Line Client
Enter password: *********
Welcome to the MySQL monitor. Commands end with ; or \setminus g.
Your MySQL connection id is 2 to server version: 5.0.26-community-nt
Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the buffer.
mysql> _
```

EMPLOYEE



Create the COMPANY Database

To create
 create datatbase COMPANY;

 To use (or switch to) the database use COMPANY;

 Subsequent commands will operate on the COMPANY database by default.

CREATE TABLE

```
CREATE TABLE DEPARTMENT (
Dname VARCHAR(10) NOT NULL,
Dnumber INTEGER Default 0,
Mgr_ssn CHAR(9),
Mgr_Sartdate CHAR(9),
PRIMARY KEY (Dnumber),
UNIQUE (Dname),
FOREIGN KEY (Mgr_ssn)
REFERENCES EMPLOYEE (Ssn));
```

- The "UNIQUE" clause specifies secondary keys.
- EMPLOYE) has to be created first for the FK Mgr_ssn to refer to it.

Additional Data Types

• DATE:

 Made up of year-month-day in the format yyyy-mmdd

• TIME:

 Made up of hour:minute:second in the format hh:mm:ss

TIMESTAMP:

Has both DATE and TIME components

• Decimal (*i,j*):

- *i*: total number of digits
- *j*: the number of digits after the decimal point
- Others: Boolean, Float, Double Precision

Adding the Dno FK to EMPLOYEE

- If "create table EMPLOYEE" is issued first, we cannot specify Dno as a FK in that create command.
- An ALTER command must be used to change the schema of EMPLOYEE, after the "create table DEPARTMENT," to add a FK.

```
alter table EMPLOYEE
add constraint
foreign key (Dno)
  references DEPARTMENT (Dnumber);
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```

The Check Clause

- Used to specify user-defined constraints
- Assume that dept. numbers are from 0 to 99.

```
create table DEPARTMENT (
    ...
    Dnumber INTEGER Default 0
        check (Dnumber>=0 AND Dumber<=99),
    ...);</pre>
```

"Check" can also be a clause of the entire table.

```
create table DEPARTMENT (
    ...
    Dept_create_date date,
    Mgr_start_date date,
    check (Dept_create_date <= Mgr_start_date)
);</pre>
```

Add Columns to Existing Tables

- To add spouse SSN (S_ssn) to EMPLOYEE
 alter table EMPLOYEE add column S_ssn char(9);
 - The new attribute will have NULLs in all the tuples of the relation right after the command is executed

Alternatively, we can set a default value.

```
alter table EMPLOYEE add column S_ssn char(9) default "000000000";
```

Delete Columns from Existing Tables

To delete column S_ssn
 alter table EMPLOYEE drop column S_ssn;

 Reminder: changing relation schemas typically indicates ill-executed design phase of the database.

Referential Integrity Options

- Causes of referential integrity violation for a foreign key FK (consider the Mgr_ssn of DEPARTMENT).
 - On Delete: when deleting the foreign tuple
 - What to do when deleting the manager tuple in EMPLOYEE ?
 - On Update: when updating the foreign tuple
 - What to do when updating/changing the SSN of the manager tuple in EMPLOYEE is changed?
- Actions when the above two causes occur.
 - **Set Null**: the Mgr_ssn is set to null.
 - **Set Default**: the Mgr_ssn is set to the default value.
 - **Cascade**: the Mgr_ssn is updated accordingly
 - If the manager is deleted, the department is also deleted.

The Mgr_ssn Example

```
CREATE TABLE DEPARTMENT (
...

Mgr_ssn CHAR(9),
...

FOREIGN KEY (Mgr_ssn)

REFERENCES EMPLOYEE (Ssn)

ON DELETE ???

ON UPDATE ???

);
```

Another Example

```
Create table EMP(
 ESSN
             CHAR(9),
           INTEGER DEFAULT 1,
 DNO
 SUPERSSN CHAR(9),
 PRIMARY KEY (ESSN),
 FOREIGN KEY (DNO) REFERENCES DEPT
         ON DELETE SET DEFAULT
         ON UPDATE CASCADE,
  FOREIGN KEY (SUPERSSN) REFERENCES EMP
         ON DELETE SET NULL
         ON UPDATE CASCADE);
```

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 PRIMARY KEY (ESSN),
 FOREIGN KEY (DNO) REFERENCES DEPT
         ON DELETE SET DEFAULT
         ON UPDATE CASCADE,
  FOREIGN KEY (SUPERSSN) REFERENCES EMP
         ON DELETE SET NULL
         ON UPDATE CASCADE);
```

Miscellaneous Commands

- show databases;
 - Show all the databases on the server
- show tables;
 - Show all the tables of the present database
- show columns from table EMPLOYEE;
- drop table t_name;
 - Delete the entire table *t_name*
- drop database db_name;
 - Delete the entire database *db_name*
- load data infile *f_name* into table *t_name*;
 - To be discussed with the next homework.