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History

- ❓ **IBM** *Sequel language* developed as part of System R project at the IBM San Jose Research Laboratory
- ❓ Renamed **Structured Query Language (SQL)**
- ❓ ANSI and ISO standard SQL:
 - ❓ SQL-86, SQL-89, SQL-92
 - ❓ SQL:1999, SQL:2003, SQL:2008
- ❓ Commercial systems offer most, if not all, SQL-92 features, plus varying feature sets from later standards and special proprietary features.
 - ❓ Not all examples here may work on your particular system.

Data Definition Language

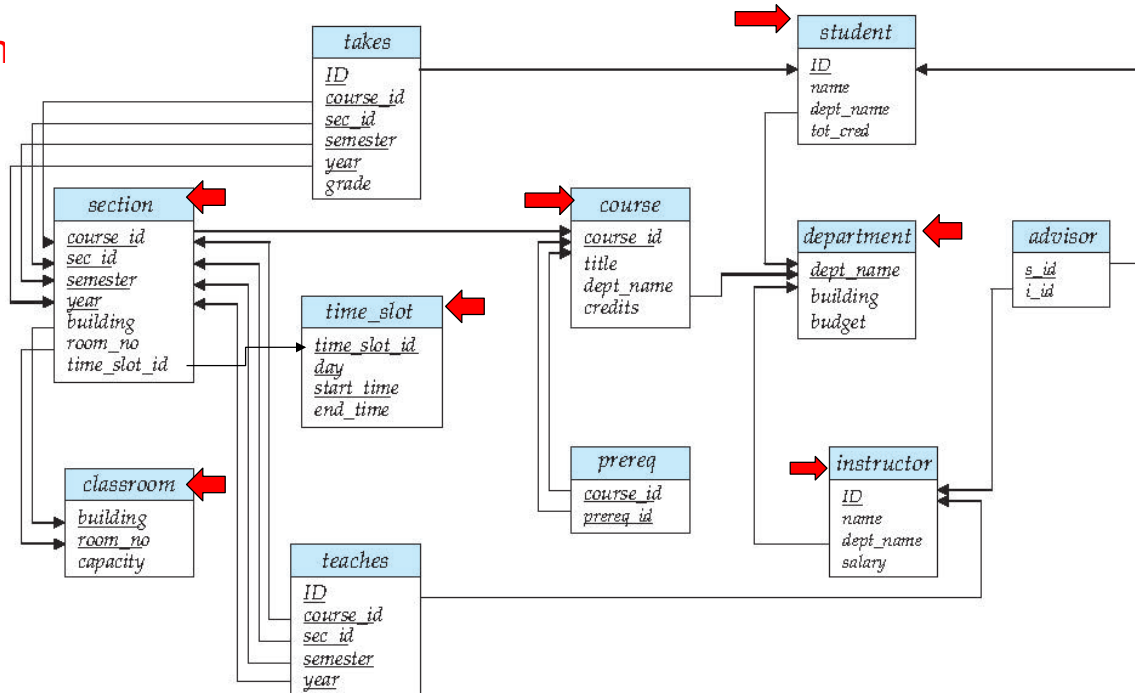
The SQL **data-definition language (DDL)** allows the specification of information about relations, including:

- ❓ The **schema** for each relation.
- ❓ The **domain** of values associated with each attribute.
- ❓ Integrity **constraints**
- ❓ And as we will see later, also other information such as
 - ❓ The set of **indices** to be maintained for each relations.
 - ❓ **Security and authorization** information for each relation.
 - ❓ The **physical storage structure** of each relation on disk.

Basic Types in SQL

- ? **char(n).** Fixed length character string, with user-specified length n .
- ? **varchar(n).** Variable length character strings, with user-specified maximum length n .
- ? **int.** Integer (a finite subset of the integers that is **machine-dependent**).
- ? **smallint.** Small integer (a **machine-dependent** subset of the integer domain type).
- ? **numeric(p,d).** Fixed point number, with user-specified precision of ' p ' digits, with ' d ' digits to the right of decimal point.
- ? **real, double precision.** Floating point and double-precision floating point numbers, with **machine-dependent** precision.
- ? **float(n).** Floating point number, with user-specified precision of at least n digits.

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Create Table Construct

? An SQL relation is defined using the **create table** command:

```
create table r (A1 D1, A2 D2, ..., An Dn,  
                (integrity-constraint1),  
                ...,  
                (integrity-constraintk))
```

? *r* is the name of the relation

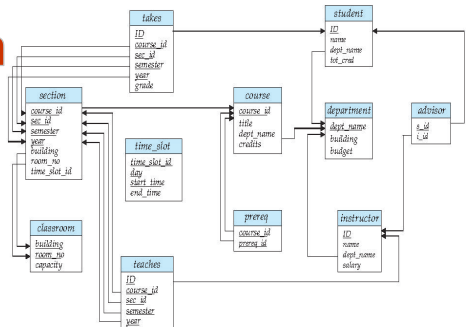
? each *A_i* is an attribute name in the schema of relation *r*

? *D_i* is the data type of values in the domain of attribute *A_i*

? Example:

```
create table instructor (  
    ID           char(5),  
    name         varchar(20) not null,  
    dept_name    varchar(20),  
    salary       numeric(8,2))
```

Integrity Constraints in



? **not null**

? **primary key** (A_1, \dots, A_n)

? **foreign key** (A_m, \dots, A_n) **references** r

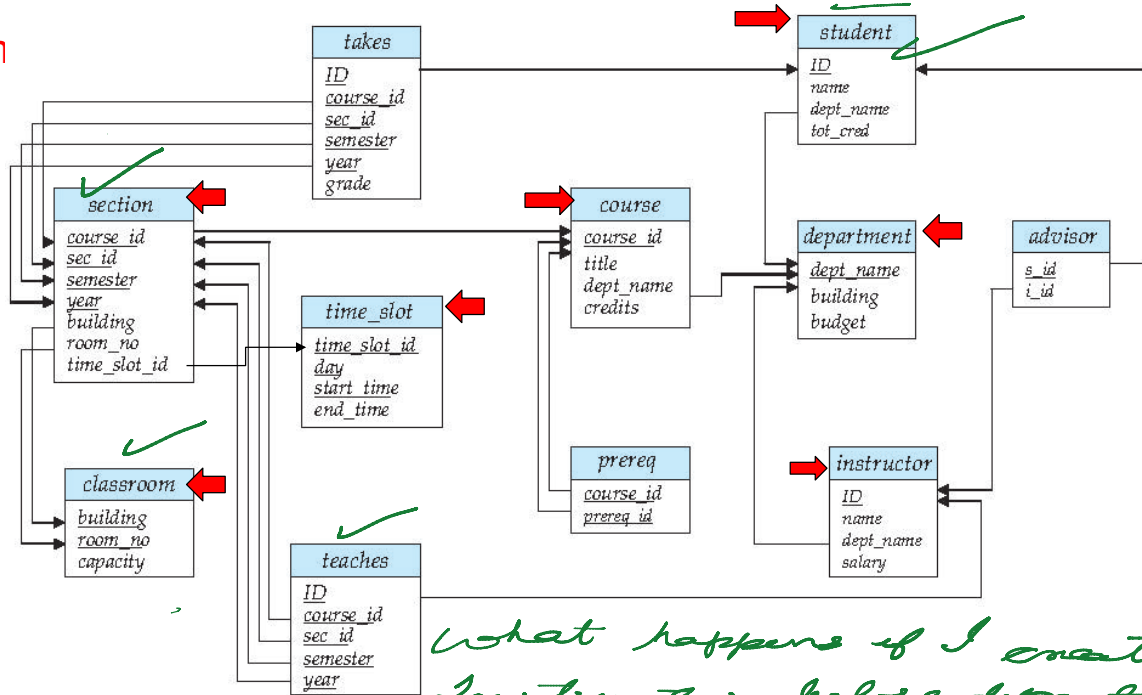
Example: Declare *ID* as the primary key for *instructor*

```
create table instructor (  
    ID          char(5),  
    name        varchar(20) not null,  
    dept_name   varchar(20),  
    salary       numeric(8,2),  
    primary key (ID),  
    foreign key (dept_name) references department)
```

primary key declaration on an attribute automatically ensures **not null**

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And a Few More Relation Definitions

- [?] create table *student* (**
 ID **varchar(5),**
 name **varchar(20) not null,**
 dept_name **varchar(20),**
 tot_cred **numeric(3,0),**
 primary key (*ID*),
 foreign key (*dept_name*) references *department*);
- [?] create table *takes* (**
 ID **varchar(5),**
 course_id **varchar(8),**
 sec_id **varchar(8),**
 semester **varchar(6),**
 year **numeric(4,0),**
 grade **varchar(2),**
 primary key (*ID*, *course_id*, *sec_id*, *semester*, *year*),
 foreign key (*ID*) references *student*,
 foreign key (*course_id*, *sec_id*, *semester*, *year*) references *section*);
- [?] Note:** *sec_id* can be dropped from primary key above, to ensure a student cannot be registered for two sections of the same course in the same semester

And still more

 **create table** *course* (
 course_id **varchar(8) primary key**,
 title **varchar(50)**,
 dept_name **varchar(20)**,
 credits **numeric(2,0)**,
 foreign key (*dept_name*) **references** *department*));

-  Primary key declaration can be combined with attribute declaration as shown above

Changes to the table

? **insert into** *instructor* **values** ('10211', 'Smith', 'Biology', 66000);

? **drop table** *student*

? Deletes the table and its contents

? **delete from** *student* [*where conditions*];

? Deletes all contents of table, **but retains table**

? **alter table**

? **alter table** *r* **add** *A D*

? where *A* is the name of the attribute to be added to relation *r* and *D* is the domain of *A*.

? All tuples in the relation are assigned **null** as the value for the new attribute.

? **alter table** *r* **drop** *A*

? where *A* is the name of an attribute of relation *r*

? Dropping of attributes not supported by many databases

Drop and Alter Table Constructs

 **alter table**

 **Alter table** table_Name **Modify** Col_Name datatype
constraint(s)

 **Alter table** *r* **modify** *A* *D* C(s)

 where *A* is the name of the attribute to be added to
relation *r* and *D* is the domain of *A*.

- Update the contents

```
UPDATE table_name SET column_name = new_value WHERE some_condition;
```

Lets take a sample table **student**,

student_id	name	age
101	Adam	15
102	Alex	
103	chris	14

```
UPDATE student SET age=18 WHERE student_id=102;
```

S_id	S_Name	age
101	Adam	15
102	Alex	18
103	chris	14