

DATA 136 - Intro to data engineering

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SQL has two essential parts:

DDL

DML

CREATE

SELECT

ALTER

INSERT

DROP

UPDATE

DELETE

DDL: Create Table Construct

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

CREATE TABLE r ($A_1 D_1, A_2 D_2, \dots, A_n D_n$) 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),  
dept_name varchar(20), salary float)
```

```
INSERT INTO instructor values ('10212', 'Taylor', 'Biology',  
66000);
```

```
INSERT INTO instructor values ('10213', 'Alice', 'CS', 96000);
```

```
INSERT INTO instructor values ('10214', 'Benny', 'Chemistry',  
16000);
```

SQL data types...

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 *n* 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.

DDL: Domain Constraints

not null **null** is a symbol for missing data that is
treated special by the DBMS

primary key (A_1, \dots, A_n)

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

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

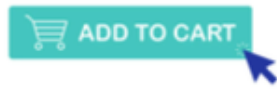
foreign key declaration on an attribute defines linking
conditions

multiple primary key columns allowed.

CREATE TABLE

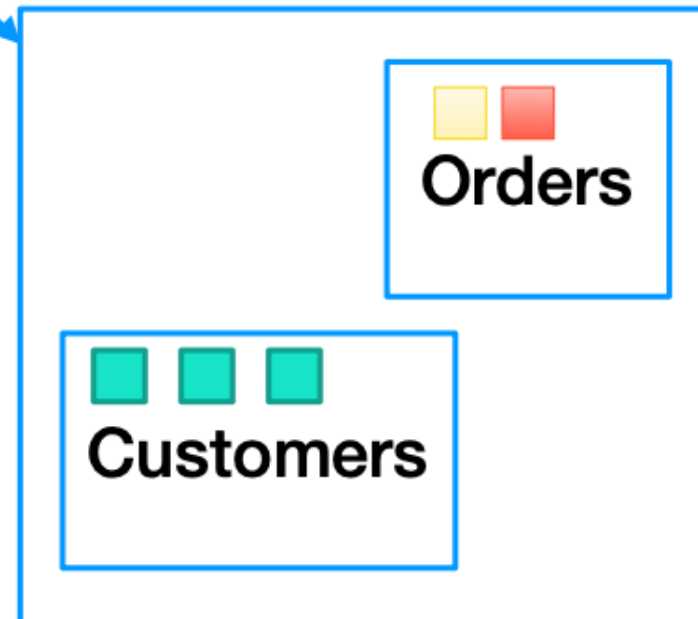
With Constraints

```
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) );
```



```
INSERT INTO Orders  
VALUES (1, 4, 'Toaster', 'None', 1);
```

Database



Orders

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0 items	25,784.31 EUR	77,352.93 EUR	31,475.72 EUR	45,877.22 EUR

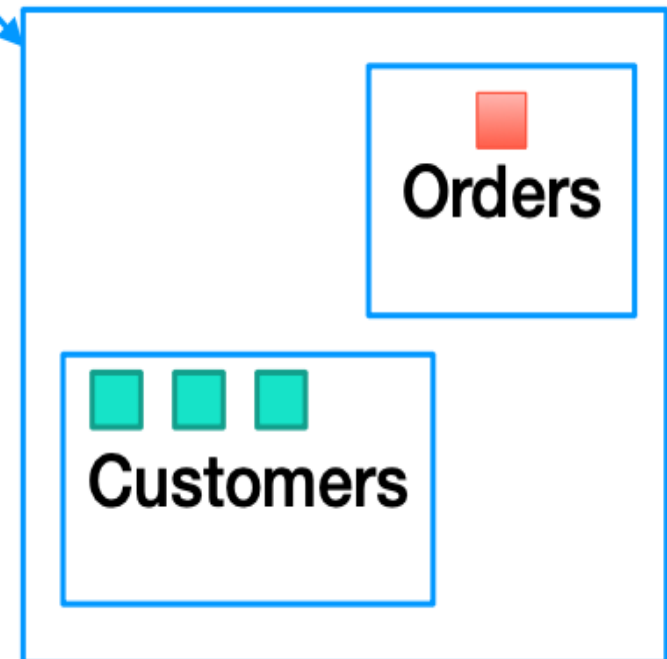
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Select *

FROM Orders, Customers

WHERE Orders.CustomerId = 5

Database



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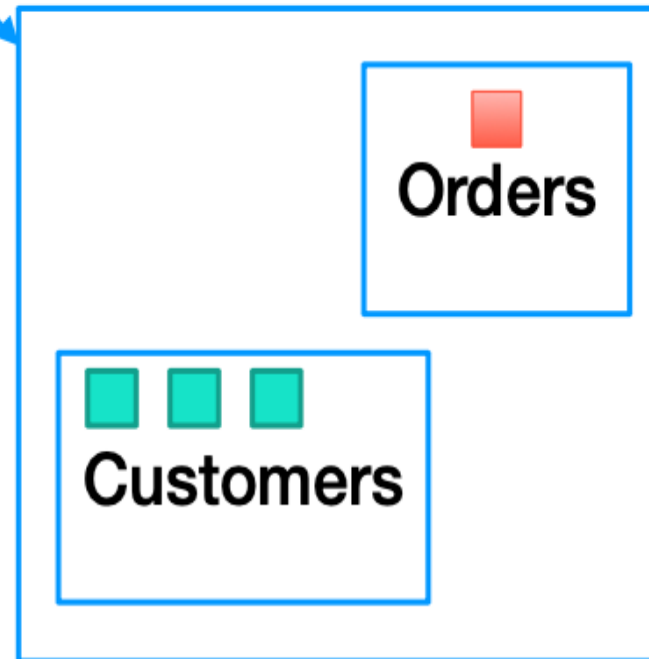
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Database



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FROM Orders, Customers

WHERE Orders.CustomerId = 5

WHERE Orders.CustomerID=

Customers.CustomerID

DML: Basic Query Structure

The SQL **data-manipulation language (DML)** provides the ability to query information, and insert, delete and update tuples

A typical SQL query has the form:

select A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n **from** r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m **where** P

A_i represents an attribute (column, row)

R_i represents a relation (aka table)

P is a predicate (Boolean expression)

The result of an SQL query is a relation (table)

Give us some of the data; slice & dice, maybe add up, maybe join.

SELECT syntax... everything is
optional...

SELECT <expression that
doesn't depend on tables>

SELECT syntax... everything is
optional...

SELECT <columns>

FROM <tables>

SELECT syntax... everything is
optional...

SELECT <columns>

FROM <tables>

WHERE <conditions>

SELECT syntax

```
SELECT *  
FROM enrolled, student  
WHERE enrolled.sid =  
student.sid
```

SELECT syntax with compound predicate

```
SELECT *  
FROM enrolled, student  
WHERE enrolled.sid =  
student.sid AND  
gpa >= 3.9
```

SELECT from JOIN

```
SELECT *  
FROM enrolled JOIN student  
ON enrolled.sid =  
student.sid
```


AGGREGATES

Functions that return a single value from a collection of tuples:

- **AVG(col)** → Return the average col value.
- **MIN(col)** → Return minimum col value.
- **MAX(col)** → Return maximum col value.
- **SUM(col)** → Return sum of values in col.
- **COUNT(col)** → Return # of values for col.

HAVING

Filters output results

Like a **WHERE** clause for a **GROUP BY**

```
SELECT AVG(s.gpa) AS avg_gpa, e.cid  
FROM enrolled AS e, student AS s  
WHERE e.sid=s.sid  
GROUP BY e.cid  
HAVING avg_gpa>3.9;
```

OUTPUT REDIRECTION

```
SELECT *  
FROM (SELECT...) as  
enrolled, student  
WHERE enrolled.sid =  
student.sid AND  
gpa >= 3.9
```

OUTPUT CONTROL

ORDER BY <column*> [ASC|DESC]

→ Order the output tuples by the values in one or more of their columns.

SELECT FROM enrolled

WHERE cid = '15-721'

ORDER BY grade DESC, sid ASC

SQL order of operations...

- FROM (indicate table)
- WHERE (filter rows)
- GROUP BY (apply aggregates)
- HAVING (filter aggregates)
- SELECT (filter columns)
- ORDER BY (order rows)
- LIMIT/OFFSET (filter rows)

SQL syntactical order

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Databases to play around with:

- chinook.db: computer system for a record store. (What's a record store?)
- portal_mammals.sqlite: observations of creatures at an long-term ecological research site
- We can ask for all the rows, rows that have X property in Y column, rows that have Z aggregate property in Y column grouped by W, and, of course, we can join if we can specify the join conditions right.