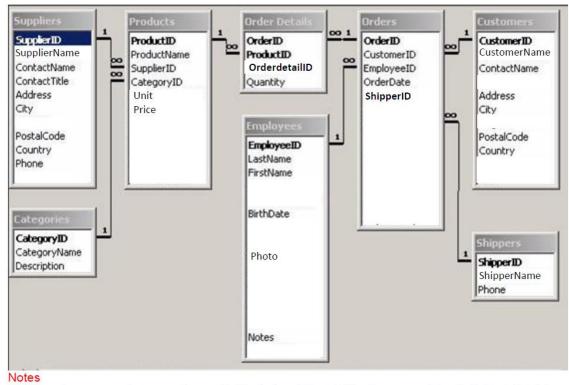
# SQL Lab Tutorial Objectives

- Practice writing SQL queries to retrieve required information from database
- Understand database concepts



• There is no space between the words "Order" and "Details" in the name of the OrderDetails table.

#### **SELECT Statement**

Used to retrieve data specified by the user

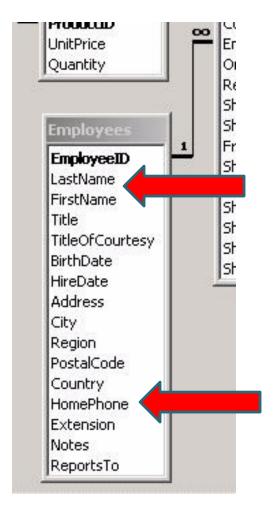
**Example:** You want to see first names and last names of employees in the Northwinds database.

In the SELECT statement you would specify these fields by:

SELECT LastName, FirstName

This statement's attributes must match the attribute names exactly as shown in the model. (Capitalization not required.)

#### SELECT LastName, FirstName



**Note:** Each attribute from each table in Northwinds represents a column (heading) in the data that is retrieved as shown below.

EmployeeID	LastName	FirstName	Title
10:	Jones	Aaron	Manager
103	2Smith	Ann	Director
10:	BEdwards	Jim	Associate

<sup>\*</sup>Example data only shown above

#### **FROM Clause**

Now that you have chosen attributes, the next requirement is to specify which table the attributes come from by using the "FROM" clause. The table(s) must contain the attributes listed in the SELECT statement.

Example (Q1):

Please do not copy and paste the query to W3Schols (it may not work because of formatting issues), but type the query there.

SELECT LastName, FirstName FROM Employees

The SELECT statement can also use an asterisk (\*) to include all fields from tables specified in the FROM clause.

**EXAMPLE** (Q2): You want to pull all of the attributes from the Employees table.

#### **SELECT** \*

FROM employees

Note: You can use this function with more than one table, but a <u>table join</u> is needed (which will be discussed later).

#### **WHERE Clause**

Though a query only requires a SELECT statement and a FROM clause, additional clauses are sometimes necessary for more complex requests.

When using the WHERE clause, you can set a specific condition by using an operator.

=	Equal	
>	Greater than	
<	Less than	
>=	Greater than or equal to	
<=	Less than or equal to	
<> or !=	Not equal to	

## Example (Q3):

SELECT CustomerName, ContactName, City

FROM Customers
WHERE city = "London"

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## Some other examples:

SELECT CustomerName, ContactName, City FROM Customers
WHERE city != "London"

SELECT CustomerName, ContactName, City FROM Customers
WHERE city <> "London"

#### **AGGREGATE FUNCTIONS**

These functions are used to return a single calculated value about specific attributes in the SELECT clause.

MIN ()	returns the smallest value in a given column
MAX ()	returns the largest value in a given column
SUM ()	returns the sum of the numeric values in a given column
AVG ()	returns the average value of a given column
COUNT ()	returns the total number of values in a given column
COUNT(*)	returns the number of rows in a table

#### **GROUP BY Clause**

**RULE:** ALWAYS USE THE **GROUP BY** CLAUSE WHEN YOU HAVE AN AGGREGATE FUNCTION (i.e. min, max, sum, etc.) IN THE **SELECT STATEMENT** WITH OTHER NON-AGGREGATE ATTRIBUTES.

In the GROUP BY clause you must list all the attributes that are NOT aggregates in order for the data to process correctly.

**Example (Q4):** Find the average price for each supplier.

SELECT SupplierID, AVG(Price)
FROM Products
GROUP BY SupplierID

## **HAVING Clause**

The HAVING clause is best described as a way to specify conditions for the aggregate functions that are in the SELECT statement.

It follows the GROUP BY clause and can be viewed as the "WHERE" clause for attributes involved with aggregate functions.

**Example (Q5):** Find supplier with an average price greater than \$20.

SELECT SupplierID, AVG(Price)
FROM Products
GROUP BY SupplierID
HAVING AVG(Price)>20

#### **ORDER BY Clause**

ORDER BY allows the user to sort the results in a specific order (ascending or descending). If you do not specify to sort in either order, your results will automatically be sorted in **ascending** order.

Add asc or desc at the end of the clause to specify.

**Example (Q6):** Find suppliers with an average price greater than \$20 with supplier IDs greater than 5. Sort SupplierIDs in descending order.

SELECT SupplierID, AVG(price)
FROM Products
WHERE SupplierID > 5
GROUP BY SupplierID
HAVING AVG(price)>20
ORDER BY SupplierID desc

\* Note: WHERE vs HAVING

#### **Conditions**

Compound conditions can be used to set even more parameters for the data. Many conditions can be used in both the WHERE and the HAVING clauses and are placed between the conditions.

**AND**: this operator joins two or more conditions, and displays a row only if that row's data satisfies ALL conditions that are listed

## Example (Q7):

FROM products
WHERE ProductID>5 AND CategoryID=4
AND Price>10

**OR**: this operator joins two or more conditions, but returns a row if ANY of the conditions listed are true for that row's data.

## Example (Q8):

SELECT SupplierID, SupplierName
FROM Suppliers
WHERE (SupplierID>2 AND SupplierID<10) OR
(Country= "USA")

\*Note that Supplier ID 2 is pulled because of its country only. (2 is not greater than 2.)

Example (Q9)

SELECT SupplierID, SupplierName
FROM Suppliers
WHERE SupplierID=2 OR SupplierID=5 OR
SupplierID=8

IN: used to test whether or not a value (stated before the keyword IN) is "in" the list of values provided after the keyword IN

**Example (Similar to Q10):** Write a query to show SupplierID and SupplierName of suppliers with SupplierID equal to 1, 2, or 3.

SELECT SupplierID, SupplierName FROM Suppliers
WHERE SupplierID IN ('1', '2', '3')

#### Just in case that you may still receive an error like

Please try WHERE SupplierID IN (1, 2, 3)

Error in SQL:

Data type mismatch in criteria expression.

**NOT IN:** Excludes the items listed. WHERE SupplierID NOT IN ('1', '2', '3')

BETWEEN: Used to return data within a range.

## **Example (Similar to Q11)**

Write a query to show SupplierID and SupplierName of suppliers with SupplierID between 1 and 5

SELECT SupplierID, SupplierName FROM Suppliers WHERE SupplierID BETWEEN 1 AND 5

Note: using the BETWEEN clause <u>includes</u> the numbers in the range (1 and 5 in this example)

**NOT BETWEEN:** Used to return data NOT within the specified range.

WHERE SupplierID NOT BETWEEN 3 AND 5

**LIKE:** allows you to select only rows that are "like" what you specify

**Example (Q12):** You want to pull all customers' cities that start with "S" and postal codes that start with "9".

SELECT CustomerName, City, PostalCode FROM Customers
WHERE City LIKE 'S%' AND PostalCode LIKE '9%'

Note: When specifying specific data single quotations are used. The percent sign "%" can be used as a wild card to match any possible character that might appear before or after the characters specified. Capitalization does matter here.

#### **TABLE JOINS**

Table joins are a must when you are wanting to incorporate attributes from more than one table into a single query.

A table join is inserted into the WHERE or JOIN ON clause, which involves the attribute(s) that each of the tables share (primary key of at least one table).

**Example (Q13):** You want to see a list of order IDs and which employees placed each order (organized alphabetically by employee last name).

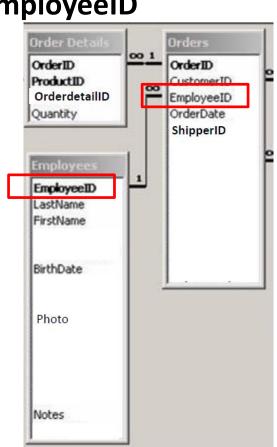
SELECT orderID, LastName, FirstName FROM orders, employees

WHERE employees.employeeID=orders.employeeID

**ORDER BY LastName** 

Notice the join made in the WHERE clause because attributes in the SELECT statement are from two separate tables.

In the WHERE clause, we want to put the table name before the attribute name because both tables share the same attribute.



#### Or you can use JOIN Statement

SELECT orderID, LastName, FirstName FROM orders

**JOIN** employees

ON employees.employeeID=orders.employeeID

**ORDER BY LastName** 

How many orders does the first employee (LastName=Buchanan) processed? You can either manually count the number of orders or use the clause count(OrderID) in your query.

SELECT LastName, FirstName, count(OrderID)
FROM orders, employees
WHERE employees.employeeID=orders.employeeID
GROUP BY LastName

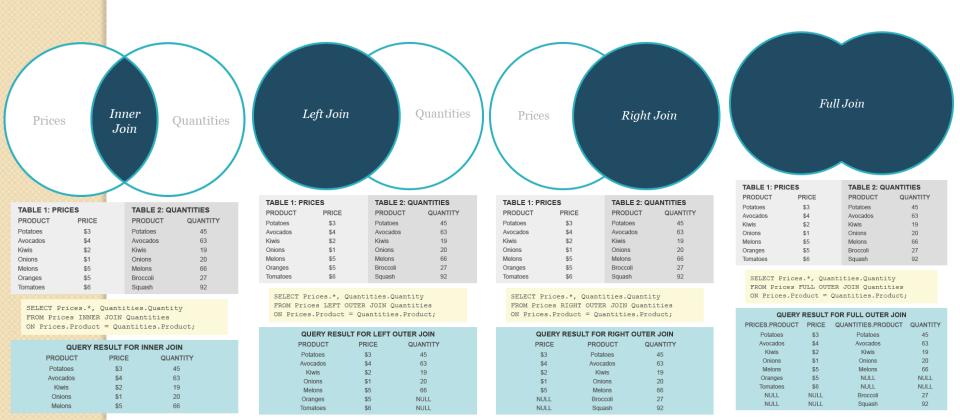
SELECT LastName, FirstName, count(OrderID)
FROM orders, employees
WHERE employees.employeeID=orders.employeeID AND
LastName='Buchanan'



## **JOIN Types**

In SQL, a **join** is used to compare and combine — literally join — and return specific rows of data from two or more tables in a database. An **inner join** finds and returns matching data from tables, while an **outer join** finds and returns matching data *and* some dissimilar data from tables (Source <u>diffen.com</u>).

Inner Join is the default SQL join you get when you use the JOIN keyword by itself.



## Thanks! I hope you have a better understanding of Basic SQL Querying