

Introduction to Structured Query Language (SQL)



IOE 373 Lecture 04



Topics

- SELECT Queries
- WHERE Clause
- ORDER BY
- GROUP BY

Intro to SQL

Getting Information Out of Database

- Now we have the database
- How do we actually use the data?
- How can we retrieve what we want from the database?



SQL

- SQL - Structured Query Language
- It can be pronounced “Sequel” or “S-Q-L”.
- It was originally developed in the early 1970s by IBM as a way to manipulate and retrieve data stored in IBM’s relational DBMS
- Now the standard query language for relational databases
 - SQL became a standard of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) in 1986, and of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) in 1987



What SQL Can Do

- Most commonly used to retrieve data from a database (**SELECT**)
- Also commonly used to modify data. (**INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE**)
- SQL also contains commands for creating tables and other database objects (**CREATE**)
- And for maintaining data security through granting and denying privileges to users.



SELECT Statement

- Basic Syntax:
 - **SELECT** [Fields] **FROM** [Table(s)]
 - **SELECT** [Fields] **FROM** [Table(s)] **WHERE** [Conditions] **ORDER BY** [Fields] **ASC/DESC**
- Example:
 - **SELECT** ItemID, ItemName **FROM** ItemList
- Use (*) to select all fields
 - **SELECT** * **FROM** Students

Using SQL

- SELECT * FROM Students

Students			
UMID	StName	Email	Gender
10000001	Steve	steve@notexist.com	M
10000002	John	john@notexist.com	M
10000003	Mary	mary@notexist.com	F
10000004	Emily	emily@notexist.com	F
10000005	Mike	mike@notexist.com	M
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How SELECT Statements Work...

- SELECT **UMID**, **StName** FROM Students2

UMID	StName	Email	Gender
10000001	Steve	steve@notexist.com	M
10000002	John	john@notexist.com	M
10000003	Mary	mary@notexist.com	F
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UMID	StName
10000001	Steve
10000002	John
10000003	Mary
10000004	Emily
10000005	Mike
10000006	James

SELECT Statement

Using alias in Fields

SELECT StName **AS** StudentName
FROM Students2

Students2				
UMID	StName	StLastName	Email	Gender
10000001	Steve	Martin	steve@notexist.co m	M
10000002	John	Legend	john@notexist.com	M
10000003	Mary	Smith	mary@notexist.co m	F
10000004	Emily	Lake	emily@notexist.co m	F
10000005	Mike	Jones	mike@notexist.co m	M
10000006	James	Dee	james@notexist.co m	M



StudentName ▼
Steve
John
Mary
Emily
Mike
James

SELECT Statement

- Concatenates two fields

SELECT StName + ' ' + StLastName **AS** Name
FROM Students2

Students2				
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10000001	Steve	Martin	steve@notexist.co m	M
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Name
Steve Martin
John Legend
Mary Smith
Emily Lake
Mike Jones
James Dee

SELECT Statement

- Calculated fields:

SELECT CarID, KM/1.61 **AS** Miles
FROM CarData

CarData							
CarId	Model	Price	Age_08_04	Mfg_Month	Mfg_Year	KM	
1	TOYOTA Corolla	13500	23	10	2002	46986	
2	TOYOTA Corolla	13750	23	10	2002	72937	
3	TOYOTA Corolla	13950	24	9	2002	41711	
4	TOYOTA Corolla	14950	26	7	2002	48000	
5	TOYOTA Corolla	13750	30	3	2002	38500	
6	TOYOTA Corolla	12950	32	1	2002	61000	
7	TOYOTA Corolla	16900	27	6	2002	94612	
8	TOYOTA Corolla	18600	30	3	2002	75889	
9	TOYOTA Corolla	21500	27	6	2002	19700	
10	TOYOTA Corolla	12950	23	10	2002	71138	
11	TOYOTA Corolla	20950	25	8	2002	31461	
12	TOYOTA Corolla	19950	22	11	2002	43610	
13	TOYOTA Corolla	19600	25	8	2002	32189	
14	TOYOTA Corolla	21500	31	2	2002	23000	
15	TOYOTA Corolla	22500	32	1	2002	34131	
16	TOYOTA Corolla	22000	28	5	2002	18720	

CarID	Miles
1	29183.850931677
2	45302.4844720497
3	25907.4534161491
4	29813.6645962733
5	23913.0434782609
6	37888.198757764
7	58765.2173913043
8	47136.0248447205
9	12236.0248447205
10	44185.0931677019
11	19540.9937888199
12	27086.9565217391
13	19993.1677018634
14	14285.7142857143
15	21199.3788819876



SELECT Statement

- `SELECT * FROM table` is a good way to look at the entire table
- However, it will take a long time if the database is large
- When writing a SQL query, use specific Field names rather than `*` whenever possible

WHERE Clause

- Use WHERE clause to only select rows that satisfy some conditions
- Syntax:
 - **SELECT** [Fields] **FROM** [Table(s)] **WHERE** [Conditions]
- Example
 - **SELECT * FROM Students WHERE Gender = 'F'**
 - **SELECT Name FROM students WHERE Gender = 'F'**

PersonID	Name	Gender	Email
1	Tom	M	tom@umich.edu
2	Amy	F	amy@umich.edu
3	Kate	F	kate@umich.edu
4	Edward	M	edward@umich.edu
5	Matt	M	matt@umich.edu

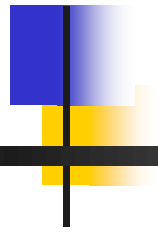
How SELECT Statements Work...

- SELECT **UMID**, **StName** FROM Students2
WHERE **Gender** = "F"

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UMID	StName
10000003	Mary
10000004	Emily



SELECT Statement

1. Pick the columns you specified right after SELECT
2. For each row, check conditions in WHERE clause
3. Display results that show up in both 1 and 2

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WHERE Clause

- WHERE Clause can also be used in other SQL commands, such as DELETE, UPDATE, INSERT
- You can use AND, OR, NOT, and parentheses to change the order of operation.
- Examples:
 - **WHERE** PlayerID = 7
 - **WHERE** TeamID=2 **AND** Age>24
 - **WHERE NOT** (TeamID=1 AND Age<=30)
 - **WHERE** Age>20 **OR** Age<30 [Will affect all records]
 - **WHERE** Age <20 **AND** Age>30 [Won't affect any record]

BETWEEN and IN in WHERE clauses

- BETWEEN and IN can be used to simplify WHERE clauses.
- BETWEEN combines two inequalities:

WHERE Age **BETWEEN** 24 **AND** 27

Is the same as

WHERE Age \geq 24 **AND** Age \leq 27

BETWEEN is always inclusive; that is, it includes the endpoints.

- **IN** combines multiple Ors:

WHERE TeamID **IN** (2,3,5,8)

Is the same as

WHERE TeamID=2 **OR** TeamID=3 **OR** TeamID=5 **OR**
TeamID=8



ORDER BY Clause

- By default, the query result is not sorted
- To sort the result, use ORDER BY Clause:
SELECT * FROM Players ORDER BY Age ASC
- **ASC** stands for “Ascending” order, **DESC** is the opposite
- Now youngest players is on top of the list, with the oldest at the bottom
- **ASC** is the default if you don’t specify **ASC** or **DESC**



ORDER BY Clause

- You can have more than one fields in ORDER BY Clause
- **SELECT** LastName, FirstName **FROM** Players **ORDER BY** LastName, FirstName
- First sorted by LastName, then FirstName (tie-breaker)
- Players with the same last names, those with first names beginning with A will be listed before those beginning with B



ORDER BY Clause

- You can also sort two fields with different orders
- **SELECT * FROM Players ORDER BY TeamID ASC, Age DESC**
- This query will display all members of team 1 before all members of team 2, but within each team, the oldest players will be listed first



TOP Clause

- Use TOP clause to select only the first of several records selected

SELECT TOP 5 LastName, FirstName, GPA **FROM** Students **ORDER BY** GPA **DESC**

- This will return the best 5 students in class
- Don't use this:

SELECT TOP 5 LastName, FirstName, GPA **FROM** Students **ORDER BY** GPA

- This will only select the worst 5 students.

UNION Operator

- The **UNION** operator combines the results of multiple **SELECT** statements into one result.
- List all employees and managers with names starting with 'Z'

```
(SELECT Name, Salary FROM Employees  
WHERE name LIKE 'Z*')
```

UNION

```
(SELECT Name, Bonus FROM Managers  
WHERE name LIKE 'Z*')
```

- List all cities with names starting with 'Z' or 'Y'

```
(SELECT CityName, Population FROM City WHERE CityName LIKE 'Z*')
```

UNION

```
(SELECT CityName, Population FROM City WHERE CityName LIKE 'Y*')
```



UNION Operator

- Remark: one important rule for UNION operation is that the queries' fields must match.
- Each query must return the same number of fields and corresponding fields must have compatible data types
- In previous example, the first column (of both queries) is text type, and the second column is number type, so the two queries are compatible



Aggregate Data

- **SELECT MAX(Age) AS MaxAge FROM Players**
 - Returns the age of oldest players (one row, one column result)
- **SELECT AVG(Age) AS AvgAge FROM Players**
 - Average age of players.
- **SELECT COUNT(*) AS NumOldPlayer FROM Players WHERE Age >= 30**
 - Number of players age 30 or older



Aggregate Data

- **MIN:** Find the minimum value (or the earliest date for dates) in the specified field in the rows meeting the conditions.
- **MAX:** Find the maximum value (or the latest date for dates) in the specified field in the rows meeting the conditions.
- **SUM:** Add the values in the specified field in the rows meeting the conditions.
- **AVG:** Find the mean value of the specified field in the rows meeting the conditions.
- **STDEV:** Find the standard deviation of the values of the specified field in the rows meeting the conditions.
- **COUNT:** Find out how many rows there are which meet the conditions. For this course, always use COUNT(*), not COUNT(SomeField). They generally return the same numbers, but doing COUNT on a specific field may return a smaller number if that field contains NULLs

AAA: Always Alias Aggregates

- If your query says
- `SELECT MAX(Age) FROM Players`
- Access will return the following:

Expr1000
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- Access doesn't have a name for `MAX(Age)`, so it makes up one: "Expr1000"
- You should always alias aggregate with a meaningful name.
- **`SELECT MAX(Age) AS MaxAge FROM Players`**



GROUP BY

- The GROUP BY statement groups rows that have the same values into summary rows, like "find the number of customers in each country".
- The GROUP BY statement is often used with aggregate functions (COUNT(), MAX(), MIN(), SUM(), AVG()) to group the result-set by one or more columns.



GROUP BY Syntax

```
SELECT column_name(s)  
FROM table_name  
WHERE condition  
GROUP BY column_name(s)  
ORDER BY column_name(s)
```

GROUP BY

- Consider this table called *Workers*

WorkerID	YearsOfSchool	Sex	YearsWorking	UnionMember	Wage	Age	JobType
1026	12	M	8	No	\$9.36	26	Other
1053	12	F	16	No	\$4.80	34	Other
1080	14	M	14	No	\$13.98	34	Other
1107	5	M	44	No	\$14.00	55	Other
1134	9	M	16	No	\$4.80	31	Other
1161	13	M	32	No	\$21.25	51	Management
1188	14	M	16	No	\$16.14	36	Management
1215	14	M	2	No	\$7.50	22	Sales
1242	14	M	0	No	\$5.00	20	Sales
1269	12	M	20	Yes	\$9.00	38	Clerical
1296	12	F	15	No	\$4.10	33	Clerical
1323	12	F	26	No	\$5.00	44	Clerical
1350	2	M	16	No	\$3.75	24	Service
1377	12	F	6	No	\$3.60	24	Service
1404	11	M	3	No	\$7.50	20	Service
1431	17	M	31	No	\$24.98	54	Professional
1458	18	M	7	No	\$5.71	31	Professional
1485	18	F	40	No	\$22.20	64	Professional
1512	18	M	23	Yes	\$12.00	47	Professional

- If you want to know the maximum age of all workers, you use this query:
• **SELECT MAX(Age) AS MaxAge FROM Workers**
• which will return

MaxAge

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GROUP BY

- But if you want to know the maximum age by JobType, use GROUP BY:
- **SELECT** JobType, **MAX**(Age) **AS** MaxAge
FROM Workers **GROUP BY** JobType
- Which returns

JobType	MaxAge
Clerical	44
Management	51
Other	55
Professional	64
Sales	22
Service	24



Another GROUP BY Example

- If you want to know how many men and women there are in the list:
- **SELECT Sex, COUNT(*) AS Num FROM Workers GROUP BY Sex**

Sex	Num
F	5
M	14



And Another One

- **SELECT** JobType, **Sex**, **COUNT(*)** **AS** Num
FROM Workers **GROUP BY** JobType, Sex

JobType	Sex	Num
Clerical	F	2
Clerical	M	1
Management	M	2
Other	F	1
Other	M	4
Professional	F	1
Professional	M	3
Sales	M	2
Service	F	1
Service	M	2

MAX/MIN vs. TOP

- Above, we saw the results of this query:
- **SELECT MAX(Age) AS MaxAge
FROM Workers**

MaxAge
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However, we can get the same result using TOP:

SELECT TOP 1 Age FROM Workers ORDER BY Age DESC

In addition, we can find out everything about the oldest worker using TOP, something we can't do with MAX:

SELECT TOP 1 * FROM Workers ORDER BY Age DESC

WorkerID	YearsOfSchool	Sex	YearsWorking	UnionMember	Wage	Age	JobType
1485	18	F	40	No	22.2	64	Professional

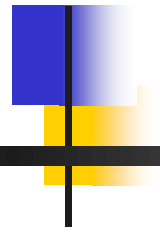


Combining TOP and Aggregates

- If you want to find one maximum or minimum and want to know something about the record that possesses that value, use TOP. In most cases, it will be preferable to MAX or MIN.
- However, if you want to calculate maximum or minimums by categories, use MAX and MIN along with **GROUP BY**. You can even combine **TOP** with **GROUP BY**:
- **SELECT TOP 3 JobType, AVG(Wage) AS AvgWage FROM Workers GROUP BY JobType ORDER BY AVG(Wage) DESC**

JobType	AvgWage
Management	18.695
Professional	16.2225
Other	9.388

- This tells us the three highest paying job categories and the corresponding average wages.

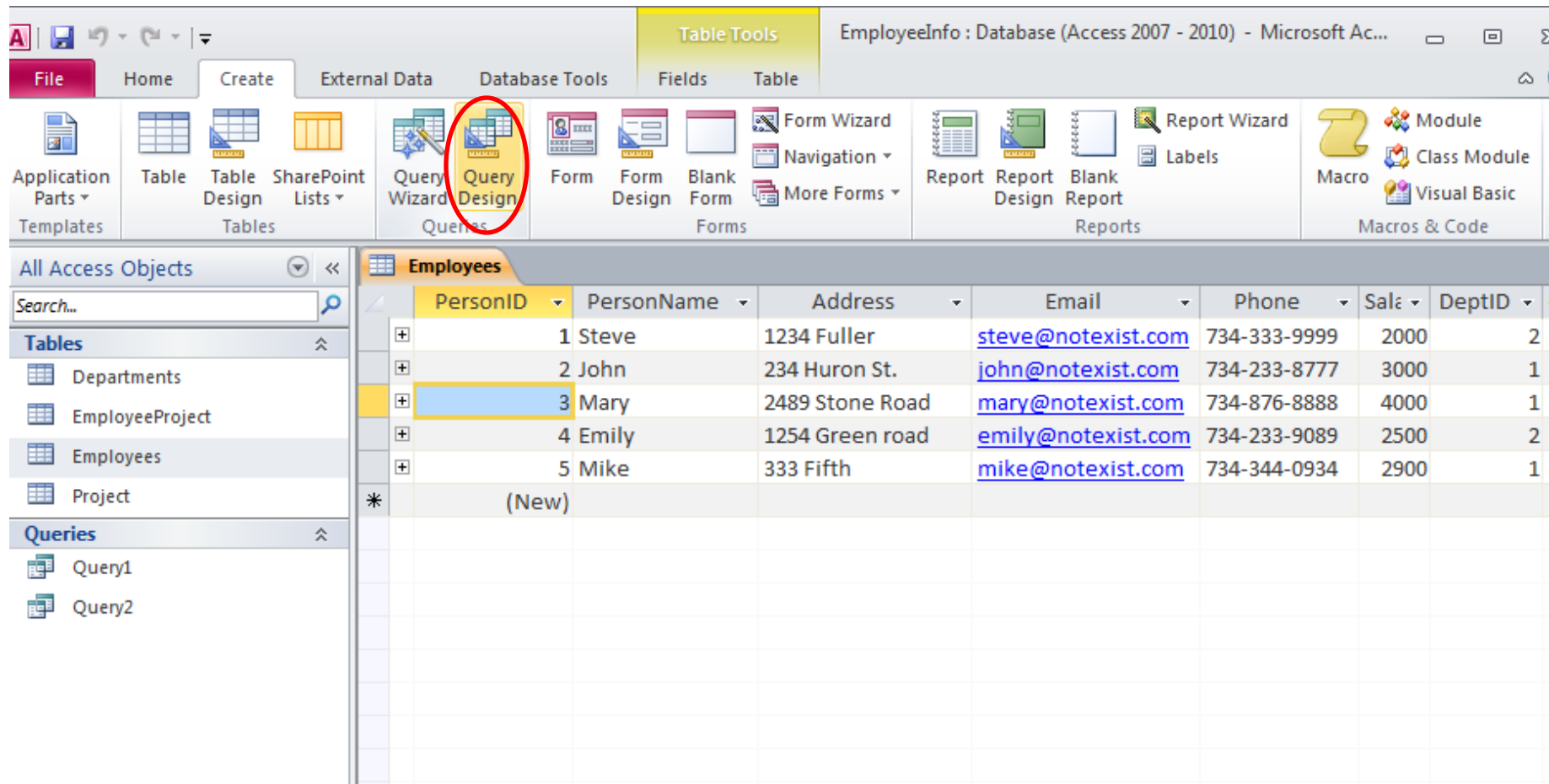


Using SQL In Access

- Open the EmployeeInfo Database (downloadable from Canvas)

SQL In Access

- Click "Query Design", Select tables

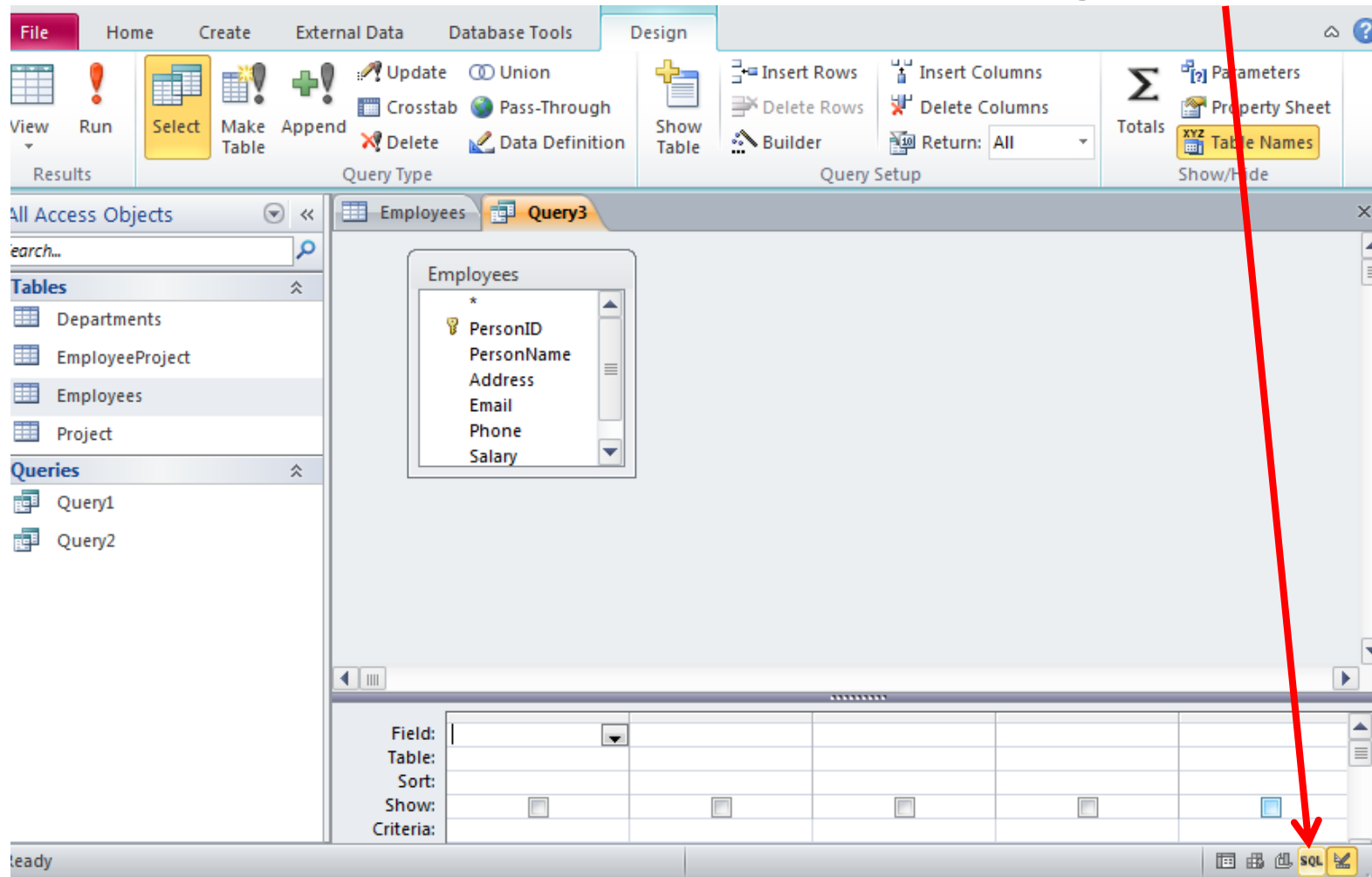


The screenshot shows the Microsoft Access interface. The ribbon is set to 'Database Tools' with the 'Table Tools' context tab active. The 'Query Design' icon is circled in red. The 'All Access Objects' pane on the left shows the 'Employees' table selected. The main window displays the 'Employees' table data.

PersonID	PersonName	Address	Email	Phone	Sal	DeptID
1	Steve	1234 Fuller	steve@notexist.com	734-333-9999	2000	2
2	John	234 Huron St.	john@notexist.com	734-233-8777	3000	1
3	Mary	2489 Stone Road	mary@notexist.com	734-876-8888	4000	1
4	Emily	1254 Green road	emily@notexist.com	734-233-9089	2500	2
5	Mike	333 Fifth	mike@notexist.com	734-344-0934	2900	1
*	(New)					

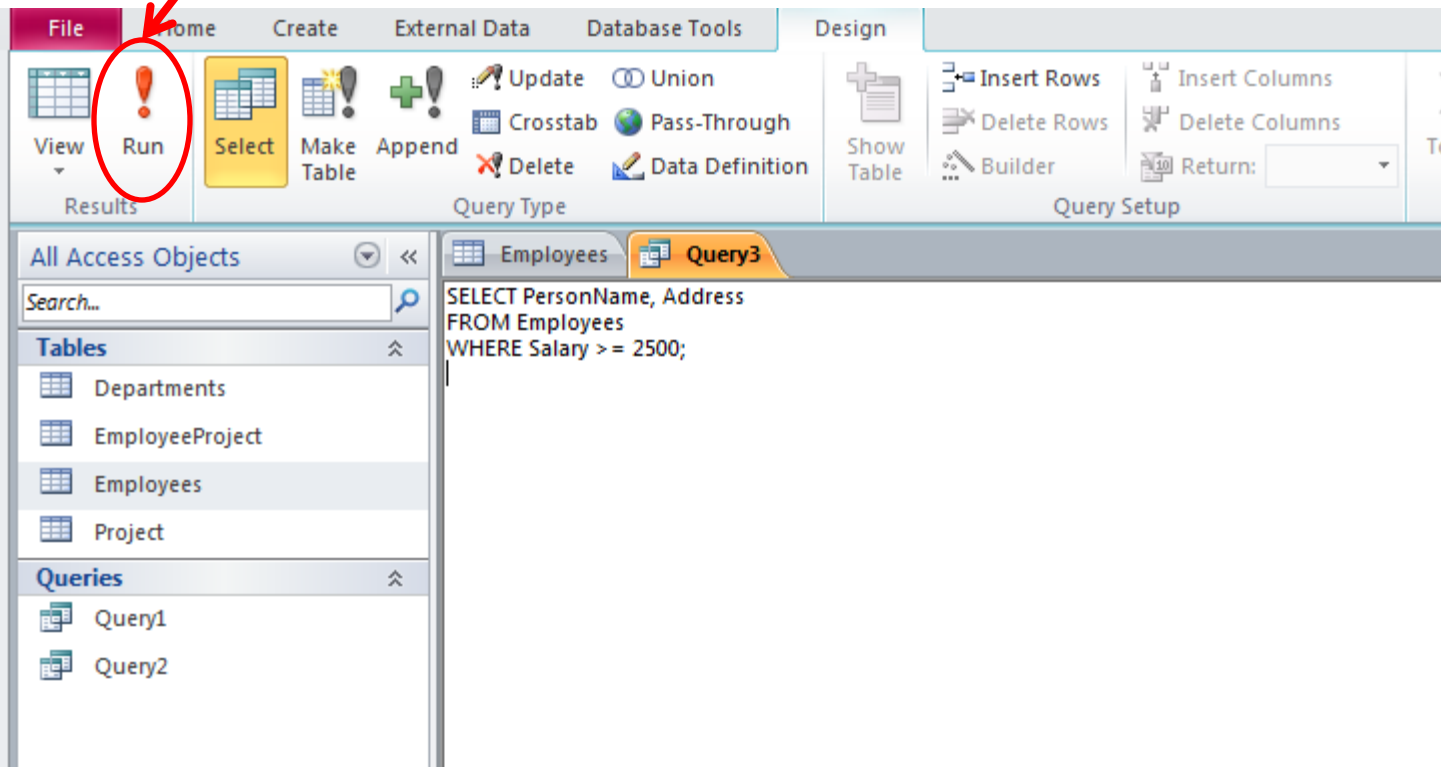
Enter SQL Mode

Click "SQL" Button at the bottom right

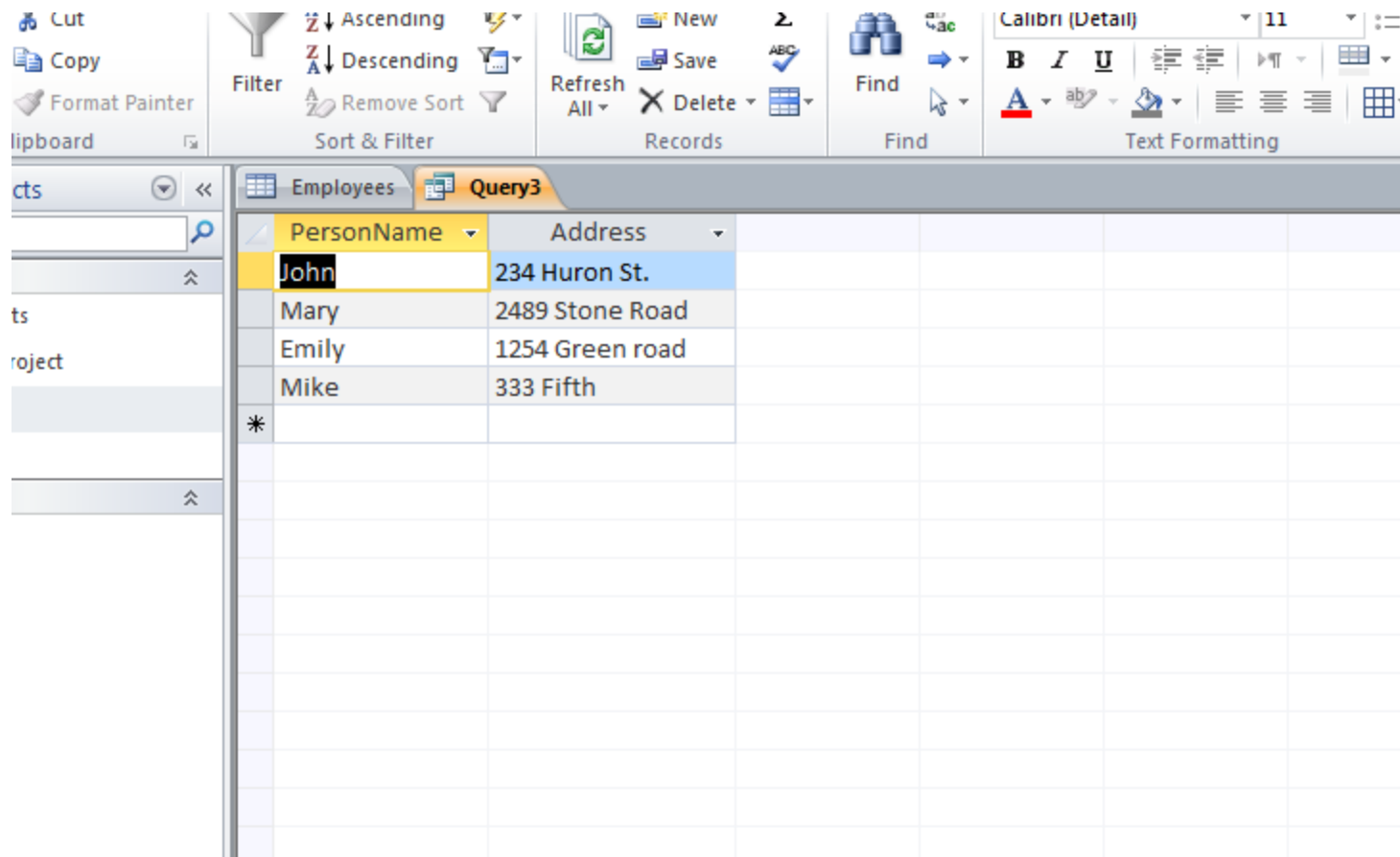


Type In SQL Query

- Type in your SQL query and click Run



- You will see the result of the query



The screenshot displays the Microsoft Access interface. The top ribbon includes tabs for Filter, Sort & Filter, Records, Find, and Text Formatting. The main window shows a table named 'Query3' with two columns: 'PersonName' and 'Address'. The table contains four rows of data, with the first row highlighted in blue. The first row shows 'John' and '234 Huron St.'. The second row shows 'Mary' and '2489 Stone Road'. The third row shows 'Emily' and '1254 Green road'. The fourth row shows 'Mike' and '333 Fifth'. A row with an asterisk (*) is visible below the data rows.

PersonName	Address
John	234 Huron St.
Mary	2489 Stone Road
Emily	1254 Green road
Mike	333 Fifth
*	