

Introduction of Datatype in SQL

* we must always specify the type of data that will be inserted in each column of the table

1. String Types:

* CHAR(n): fixed-length string, up to 255 characters

* VARCHAR(n): Variable-length string, up to 65,535 characters

* TEXT: Variable-length text field.

→ TINYTEXT: Up to ~~22~~ 255 characters

→ TEXT: Up to 65,535 characters

→ MEDIUMTEXT: Up to 16,777,215 characters

→ LONGTEXT: Up to 4,294,967,295 characters

* BLOB: Binary large object for storing binary data.

→ TINYBLOB, BLOB, MEDIUMBLOB, LONGBLOB for

* ENUM: Enumerated list of values (e.g. different sizes)

ENUM('Small', 'medium', 'large')

* SET: Similar to ENUM but allows multiple values from a list (e.g. SET ('A', 'B', 'C'))

2. Numeric Types of Datatypes

→ Integer

* INT: Integer, commonly used for whole numbers.

Range: -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647 (4 bytes)

* TINYINT: Very small integer: Range = -128 to 127 (1 byte).

- * ~~SIMALLINT~~: small integer Range: -32,768 to 32,767 (2 bytes)
- * ~~BIGINT~~ * MEDIUMINT: medium integer Range: -8,388,608 to 8,388,607 (3 bytes)
- * BIGINT: large integer Range: -9,223,372,036 to 9,223,372,036,854,775,807 (8 bytes)
- * Fixed point data represent exact values.
- * ~~FLOAT~~:
- * DECIMAL (M,D): Exact fixed-point decimal values, where M is the total number of digits and D is the number after the decimal.
- * Float: Single-precision floating-point
- * Double: Double-precision floating-point.
- * BIT: Stores binary values, useful for bitwise operator

4. Date and Time Types:

- * Date: Stores date in YYYY-MM-DD format
- * TIME: Stores time in HH:MM:SS format
- * DATETIME: Combines date and time in YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS format
- * TIMESTAMP: Similar to Date & Time, but automatically updates with the current timestamp
- * YEAR: Stores a year as a 4-digit format (e.g. 2024)

SQL Syntax

* **Data Definition Language (DDL)**: DDL in SQL is a subset of SQL commands used to define and manage database structure, such as tables, index, schemas and views. DDL commands are responsible for setting up the structure of the database objects without manipulating the data itself. The main DDL commands are:

1. CREATE
2. ALTER
3. DROP
4. TRUNCATE
5. RENAME

* **Create command**: The CREATE statement in SQL is used to define and create a new database objects such as tables, database, views, indexes and more. Here are some common uses of the Create Statement in SQL.

1. Creating a Database

Syntax: ~~Exe~~ CREATE DATABASE database-name;
Example: CREATE DATABASE companyDB;

(2) Creating a Table

Syntax: CREATE TABLE table-name(
 Column1 datatype constraints,
 Column2 datatype constraints,
 ...
)';

Example: CREATE TABLE Employees(

ID INT Primary KEY,
Name VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
Age INT,
Salary DECIMAL(10,2)
);

3. Creating a view

Syntax: CREATE VIEW view-name AS
SELECT columns From Table
WHERE condition;

Example: CREATE VIEW HighSalaryEmployees AS
SELECT Name, Salary FROM Employees
WHERE Salary > 50000;

4. Creating an Index

CREATE INDEX index-name ON table-name
(column);

Example: CREATE INDEX idx-name ON Employees
(Name);

5. Creating a User-Defined Function (UDF)

Syntax: CREATE FUNCTION function-name(parameters)
RETURNS return-type
AS
BEGIN
-- function logic
END;

Example CREATE FUNCTION GetFullName(@
firstName VARCHAR(50), @LastName VARCHAR(50))
RETURNS VARCHAR(100)
AS
BEGIN
RETURN @FirstName + ' ' + @LastName;
END;

(2) ALTER Command

The ALTER statement in SQL is used to modify the structure of an existing database object, typically a table. With ALTER you can add, modify or drop columns and constraints, or even rename a table.

Here are some common uses of the ALTER Statement:

1. Adding a column

Syntax: ALTER TABLE table-name

ADD column-name datatype constraint;

Example: ALTER TABLE Employees

ADD department VARCHAR(50);

2. Modifying a column (Update datatypes in column)

ALTER TABLE table-name

MODIFY COLUMN column-name new-datatype
constraints;

* Modifying Example: (Syntax may vary depending on the SQL dialect):

ALTER TABLE Employees

MODIFY COLUMN Age INT NOT NULL;

3. DROPPING a column

Syntax: ALTER TABLE table-name

DROP COLUMN column-name;

-Example: ALTER TABLE Employees

DROP COLUMN Age;

4 RENAMING a column

Syntax: ALTER TABLE table-name

RENAME COLUMN old-column-name TO new

Example: ALTER TABLE Employees

RENAME COLUMN Salary TO Betan

5. Adding constraints

Syntax: ALTER TABLE table-name

ADD CONSTRAINT constraint-name constraint-type
(column-name);

Example: ALTER TABLE Employees
ADD CONSTRAINT chk_salary CHECK (Salary > 0);

6. DROPPING CONSTRAINTS

Syntax: ALTER TABLE table-name

DROP CONSTRAINT constraint-name;

Example: ALTER TABLE Employees

DROP CONSTRAINT chk_salary;

7. RENAMING the TABLE

Syntax: ALTER TABLE old-table-name

RENAME TO new-table-name;

Example: ALTER TABLE Employees

RENAME TO Staff;

The ALTER command is versatile and essential for evolving database structures without requiring complete table recreation;