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1 Short answers

1.1 Data independence

comes in two flavors: Physical data independence and Logical data independence. The principle function of data independence is to allow for changes without having to rewrite applications which use the data. Physical modifications would normally be made for performance reasons, but we don't want these changes to break queries. Logical changes would happen primarily when the conceptual scheme is altered. These might change some constraints, but shouldn't interfere with existing operations.

1.2 Primary keys

should be both stable and unique. It is important that any given row is always able to be referenced unambiguously, and that the method of reference never changes. To that end, primary keys should be either be made or chosen from immutable data. They also cannot be null.

1.3 DDL and DML

stand for Data Definition Language and Data Manipulation Language, respectively. They are two of the subsets of language defined for SQL. Data Definition Language has much to do with the creation and alteration of tables, especially of the physical data-types used for the information. Data Manipulation Language, meanwhile, is related to retrieving and editing tuples and records. If the initial database design is solid and meets the needs of the users, DDL may go untouched for years. DML, on the other hand, will certainly see frequent use in any living database.

```
/* Data Manipulation Language example */
SELECT name, length, width
FROM Parts
WHERE length > 12;
```

1.4 Foreign Keys

are the primary vehicle for describing and constraining relationships in our data. They allow tuples to reference other tuples, either in the same or in a different table. They provide database administrators a means to keep data consistent, both in the form of normalization, and in the form of referential integrity. Referential integrity is a constraint for the RDBMS which tells it to forbid the deletion of records which are being referenced by other records, meaning that to delete a record which is referenced, one must prune or re-assign all records from all tables which reference it in one shot.

1.5 "Three levels of schema" architecture

involves an external schema, conceptual schema, and internal schema. Several external schema can exist for any given database, which describe how users see the data. Conceptual schema describes the relationships between entities in a database. The internal or physical schema describes the datatypes and other physical storage requirements for the data.

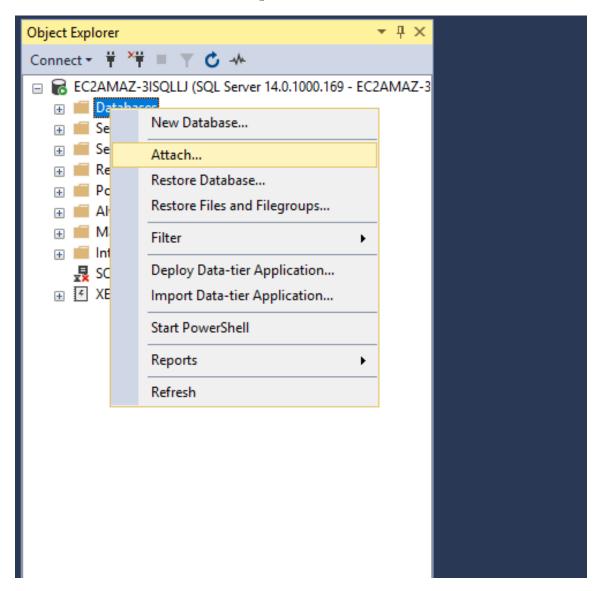
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2.1 Attaching using SSMS

2.1.1

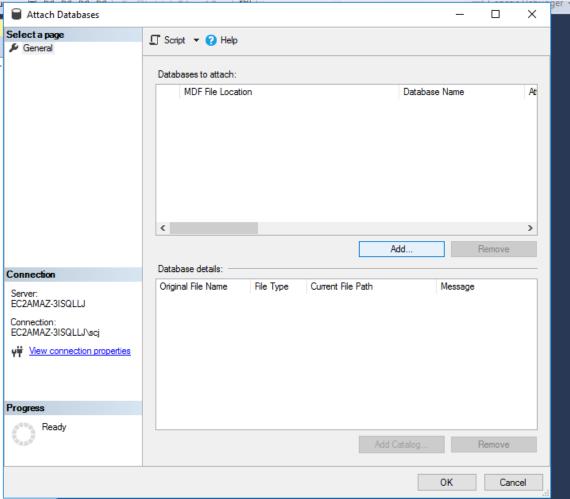
Right-click on Databases, select Attach... See figure 1

Figure 1: Per 2.1.1



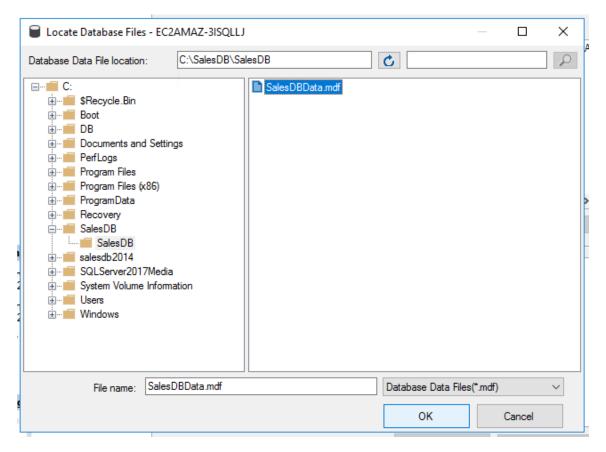
In Databases to Attach, choose Add See figure 2

Figure 2: Per 2.1.2



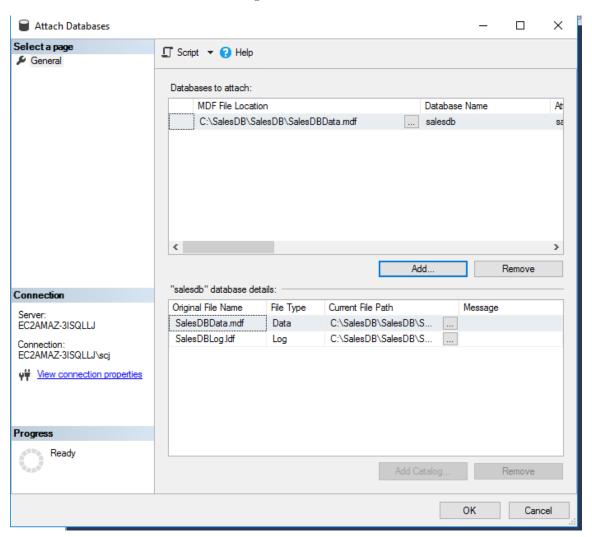
This opens a file explorer window for browsing, find the database file. See figure 3

Figure 3: Per 2.1.3



If there is a log file with the database, it will grab that as well. Click OK. See figure 4

Figure 4: Per 2.1.4



Thusly a database is attached under the master. See figure 5

Figure 5: Per 2.1.5

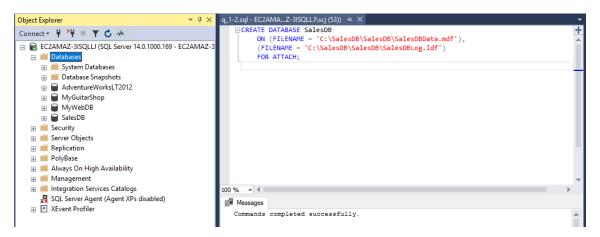


2.2 Attaching a database using DDL

```
CREATE DATABASE SalesDB

ON (FILENAME = 'C:\SalesDB\SalesDB\SalesDBData.mdf'),
   (FILENAME = 'C:\SalesDB\SalesDB\SalesDBLog.ldf')
   FOR ATTACH;
```

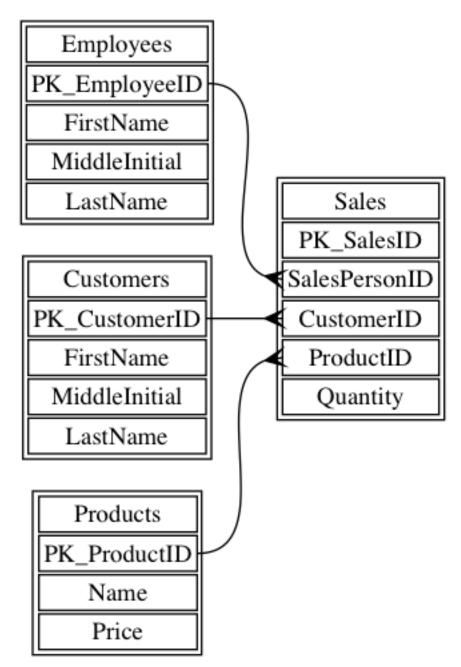
Figure 6: Per 2.2



2.3 Entity relationship diagram

showing Primary Keys as 'PK_', foreign keys with cardinality as crow's foot, and other attributes as part of the tables. See figure 7

Figure 7: Per 2.3

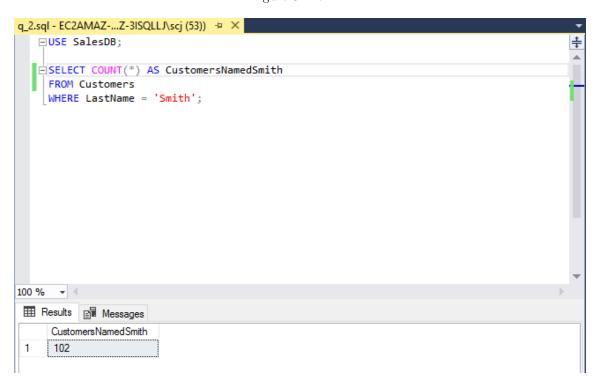


2.4 Count of customers named "Smith"

```
USE SalesDB;

<u>SELECT COUNT(*) AS</u> CustomersNamedSmith
<u>FROM Customers</u>
WHERE LastName = 'Smith';
```

Figure 8: Per 2.4

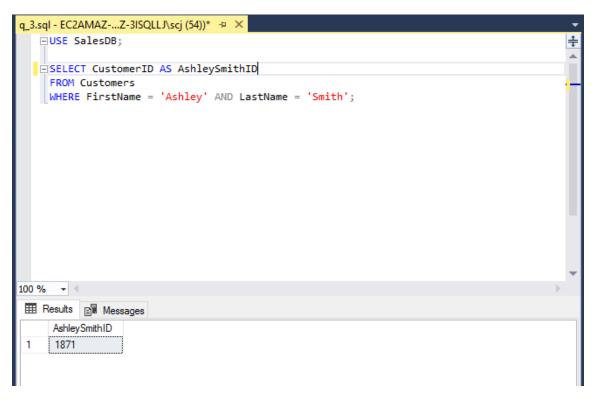


2.5 Ashley Smith's CustomerID

```
USE SalesDB;

SELECT CustomerID AS AshleySmithID
FROM Customers
WHERE FirstName = 'Ashley' AND LastName = 'Smith';
```

Figure 9: Per 2.5

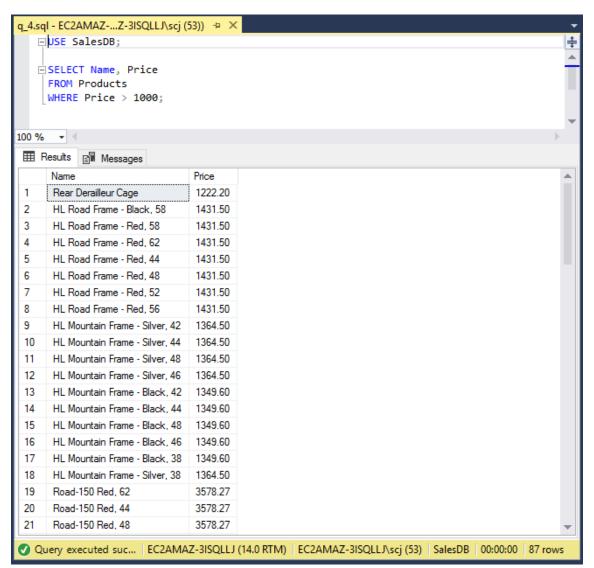


2.6 Names and prices of products more than \$1000

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See figure 10
USE SalesDB;
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SELECT Name, Price
FROM Products
WHERE Price > 1000;

Figure 10: Per 2.6

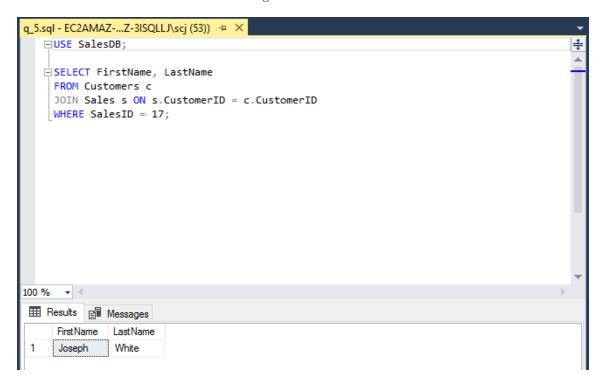


2.7 Name of customer from sale 17

```
USE SalesDB;

SELECT FirstName, LastName
FROM Customers c
JOIN Sales s ON s.CustomerID = c.CustomerID
WHERE SalesID = 17;
```

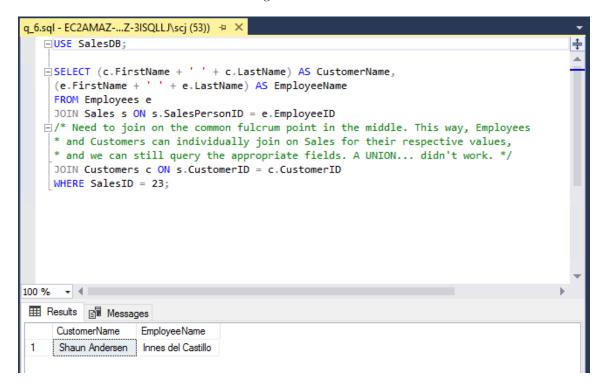
Figure 11: Per 2.7



2.8 Customer and Employee from sale 23

```
USE SalesDB; \frac{\text{SELECT}}{\text{SELECT}} \text{ (c.FirstName + '_{||}' + c.LastName)} \underline{\text{AS}} \text{ CustomerName,}}{\text{AS}} \text{ (e.FirstName + '_{||}' + e.LastName)} \underline{\text{AS}} \text{ EmployeeName}} \\ \frac{\text{FROM}}{\text{FROM}} \text{ Employees e} \\ \underline{\text{JOIN}} \text{ Sales s } \underline{\text{ON}} \text{ s.SalesPersonID} = \text{e.EmployeeID}}{\text{/* Need to join on the common fulcrum point in the middle. This way, Employees}} \\ * \text{ and Customers can individually join on Sales for their respective values,}} \\ * \text{ and we can still query the appropriate fields. A UNION... didn't work. */}} \\ \underline{\text{JOIN}} \text{ Customers c } \underline{\text{ON}} \text{ s.CustomerID} = \text{c.CustomerID}} \\ \underline{\text{WHERE}} \text{ SalesID} = 23;}
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Figure 12: Per 2.8



2.9 Customer, Employee, and product details of Sale 31

```
USE SalesDB;
\underline{\mathtt{SELECT}} (c.FirstName + '_{\sqcup}' + c.Lastname) \underline{\mathtt{AS}} CustomerName,
(e.FirstName + '□' + e.LastName) AS EmployeeName,
ProductName,
ProductCost,
TotalPurchase
FROM ( -- Subquery for the products-sales join
         SELECT
         p.Name AS ProductName,
         p.Price AS ProductCost,
         (p.Price * s.Quantity) AS TotalPurchase
         FROM Products p
         \underline{JOIN} Sales s \underline{ON} s.ProductID = p.ProductID
         WHERE SalesID = 31
) AS PurchasedProductDetails,
Customers c
<u>JOIN</u> Sales s <u>ON</u> c.CustomerID = s.CustomerID
JOIN Employees e ON e.EmployeeID = s.SalesPersonID
WHERE SalesID = 31;
```

Figure 13: Per 2.9

