

# Database Design & Applications

The Database Language - Creating and Managing Tables

## Objectives

- Describe the main database objects
- Create tables
- Describe the data types that can be used when specifying column definition
- Alter table definitions
- Drop and truncate tables
- Create and Maintain Constraints

## Database Objects

| Object   | Description  |
|----------|--|
| Table    | Basic unit of storage; composed of rows and columns          |
| View     | Logically represents subsets of data from one or more tables |
| Sequence | Numeric value generator                                      |
| Index    | Improves the performance of some queries                     |

# Naming Rules

## Table names and column names:

- Must begin with a letter
- Must be 1–30 characters long
- Must contain only A–Z, a–z, 0–9, \_, #, and \$
- Must not duplicate the name of another object owned by the same user
- Must not be an MS SQL server reserved word

# CREATE DATABASE

A SQL Server database can be created, altered and dropped using:

1. Graphically
2. Using Query

Syntax:

**CREATE DATABASE databasename;**

Example:

**CREATE DATABASE Sample;**

- When a database is created the following two file get generated:
  - **.MDF File** : Data File (Contains actual data)
  - **.LDF File**: Transaction Log file (Used to recover the database)

# ALTER DATABASE

## Syntax:

ALTER DATABASE databasename MODIFY Name= newdatabasename;

## Example:

ALTER DATABASE Sample MODIFY NAME =Sample1;

- Alternatively, you can also use system stored procedure:

Execute sp\_renameDB 'olddatabasename',newdatabasename';

## Example :

Execute sp\_renameDB 'Sample' , 'Sample1';



# DROP DATABASE

## Syntax:

DROP DATABASE databasename;

## Example:

DROP DATABASE Sample;

- Dropping a database, deletes the LDF and MDF file.
- You cannot drop a database which is in use.



# Data Types

- A database table contains multiple columns with specific data types such as numeric or string.
- Each data type in MSSQLSERVER can be determined by the following characteristics:
  - The kind of values it represents.
  - The space that takes up and whether the values are a fixed-length or variable length.
  - The values of the data type can be indexed or not.
  - How TSQL compares the values of a specific data type.



## Numeric Data Types

| Data Type      | Description   | Storage |
|----------------|---|---------|
| TINYINT        | Signed nonnegative 0 to 255 integers.   | 1 byte  |
| SMALLINT       | Signed integers from -32768 to 32767<br>Unsigned integers from 0 to 65535   | 2 bytes |
| INTEGER or INT | Signed integers from -2147483638 to 214747483637<br>Unsigned integers 0 to 4294967925   | 4 bytes |
| BIGINT         | Signed integers from -9223372036854775808 to 9223372036854775807 and Unsigned integers 0 to 18446744073709551615 unsigned integers. | 8 bytes |

## Numeric Data Types

| Data Type                                    | Description  |
|--|--|
| <b>Decimal(size,[d])</b><br>Or<br><b>Dec</b> | Allows small numbers with floating decimal point.<br><b>size</b> : specifies maximum number of digits<br><b>d</b> : specifies the maximum number of digits to the right of the decimal |
| <b>Numeric(size,[d])</b>                     | Synonym of Decimal   |
| <b>Real</b>                                  | Used for floating point value.   |
| <b>Money</b>                                 | Used for representing monetary values. Money value corresponds to 8 byte Decimal values and are rounded to 4 digits after the decimal point.   |
| <b>Small Money</b>                           | Corresponds to Money data type but stored in 4 bytes   |

## String Data Types

| Data Type             | Description   |
|-----------------------|---|
| <b>CHAR[(size)]</b>   | Holds up to 8000 characters and allows a fixed length string. If size is omitted the length of the string assumed to be 1.  |
| <b>VARCHAR(size)</b>  | Holds up to 8000 characters and allows a variable length string.  |
| <b>NCHAR</b>          | Fixed Length string of Unicode character with a maximum length of 4000 characters. In CHAR datatype each character is stored in 1byte, but in NCHAR datatype each character is stored in 2 bytes. |
| <b>NVARCHAR(size)</b> | Stores variable length Unicode character data with a maximum length of 4000 characters.   |

## Date and Time Data Types

| Data Type            | Description   |
|----------------------|---|
| <b>DATETIME</b>      | A combination of date and time values in the format: YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS, where the supported range is from '1753-01-01 00:00:00' to '9999-12-31 23:59:59'. Time component is stored in 4 bytes |
| <b>SMALLDATETIME</b> | A combination of date and time values in the format: YYYY-MM-DD HH:MI:SS, where the supported range is from '1900-01-01 00:00:00' to '2079-12-31 23:59:59'. Time component is stored in 2 bytes |
| <b>DATE</b>          | Supported range is from '0001-01-01 00:00:00' to '9999-12-31'. Stored in 3 bytes.   |
| <b>TIME</b>          | Stored in 3-5 bytes and has an accuracy of 100 nanoseconds.   |

## Data Definition Language (DDL)

- **Data Definition Language (DDL)** is a syntax for creating and modifying database objects such as tables, indexes, and users.
- Following commands comes under the DDL category:
- CREATE
- ALTER
- DROP
- TRUNCATE



# The Create Table Statement

```
CREATE TABLE tbl_name  
    (column_definition, . . .);
```

Arguments:

| Name            | Description       |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| <b>tbl_name</b> | name of the table |

```
column_definition:  
    column data_type [NOT NULL | NULL] [DEFAULT default_value]
```

Arguments:

| Name                   | Description  |
|------------------------|--|
| <b>NOT NULL   NULL</b> | If neither NULL nor NOT NULL is specified, the column is treated that, NULL had been specified.  |
| <b>DEFAULT</b>         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Literal values, expressions, or SQL functions are legal values.</li><li>Another column's name or a pseudocolumn are illegal values.</li><li>The default data type must match the column data type.</li><li>DEFAULT does not apply to the BLOB or TEXT types.</li></ul> |



## Creating Tables

```
CREATE TABLE dept  
(deptno INT,  
  dname NVARCHAR(14) ,  
  loc   NVARCHAR(13) NOT NULL  
  Budget MONEY DEFAULT 1000) ;
```

## Copy Table Structure

- SqlServer allows you to create a table identical to another by using INTO clause in SELECT.
- Following statement will create a table 'employees\_copy' whose structure is identical to the table 'employees'

```
SELECT *  
INTO employees_copy  
FROM employees;
```

# ALTER TABLE Statement

Use the ALTER TABLE statement to:

- Add a new column
- Modify an existing column
- Define a default value for the new column
- Drop a column



# ALTER TABLE Statement

Use the ALTER TABLE statement to add, modify, or drop columns.

```
ALTER TABLE table
ADD           column datatype [DEFAULT expr] ,
              [column datatype]...;
```

```
ALTER TABLE table
ALTER COLUMN  column datatype [DEFAULT expr] [NOT NULL];
```

```
ALTER TABLE table
DROP  column1, [column2 ]...;
```

## Adding a Column

### DEPT80

| EMPLOYEE_ID | LAST_NAME | ANNSAL | HIRE_DATE |
|-------------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| 149         | Zlotkey   | 126000 | 29-JAN-00 |
| 174         | Abel      | 132000 | 11-MAY-96 |
| 176         | Taylor    | 103200 | 24-MAR-98 |

### DEPT80

| EMPLOYEE_ID | LAST_NAME | ANNSAL | HIRE_DATE | JOB_ID |
|-------------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|
| 149         | Zlotkey   | 126000 | 29-JAN-00 |        |
| 174         | Abel      | 132000 | 11-MAY-96 |        |
| 176         | Taylor    | 103200 | 24-MAR-98 |        |

New column

| JOB_ID |
|--------|
|        |
|        |
|        |

“Add a new column to the DEPT80 table.”



## Adding a Column

- You use the ADD clause to add columns.

```
ALTER TABLE dept80  
ADD    job_id NVARCHAR(9) ;
```

- The new column becomes the last column.

| EMPLOYEE_ID | LAST_NAME | ANNSAL | HIRE_DATE | JOB_ID |
|-------------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|
| 149         | Zlotkey   | 126000 | 29-JAN-00 |        |
| 174         | Abel      | 132000 | 11-MAY-96 |        |
| 176         | Taylor    | 103200 | 24-MAR-98 |        |



## Modifying a Column

- You can change a column's data type, size, and default value.

```
ALTER TABLE dept80  
ALTER COLUMN job_id NVARCHAR(15) NOT NULL;
```

- A change to the default value affects only subsequent insertions to the table.

## Dropping a Column

- Use the DROP COLUMN clause to drop columns you no longer need from the table.

```
ALTER TABLE dept80  
DROP column job_id ;
```

# Truncating a Table

- The TRUNCATE TABLE statement:
  - Removes all rows from a table
  - Releases the storage space used by that table

```
TRUNCATE TABLE detail_dept;
```

- Alternatively, you can remove rows by using the
  - DELETE statement.

## Renaming a Table

- With the help of inbuilt procedure sp\_rename we can rename a table.
- Syntax:
  - Execute sp\_rename 'oldtablename', 'new\_tablename'

```
Execute sp_rename 'Employee' , 'Emp' ;
```

## Dropping a Table

- All data and structure in the table is deleted.
- All indexes are dropped.

```
DROP TABLE dept80;
```

## Adding Constraints?

- Constraints enforce rules at the table level.
- Constraints prevent the deletion of a table if there are dependencies.
- **The following constraint types are valid:**
  - DEFAULT
  - UNIQUE
  - PRIMARY KEY
  - FOREIGN KEY
  - CHECK



## Constraint Guidelines

- SQLServer automatically generates a constraint name
- Create a constraint either:
  - At the same time as the table is created, or
  - After the table has been created
- Define a constraint at the column or table level.



## Defining Constraints

```
CREATE TABLE [schema.] table
    (column datatype [column_constraint],
    ...
    [table_constraint][, ...]);
```

- **column datatype:** specifies the name of the column. Each column has a specific data type and optional size e.g., VARCHAR(255)

# Defining Constraints

- Column level constraint

```
column_name constraint_type, ...
```

- Table level constraint

```
column, ...  
constraint_type (column, ...),
```

```
CREATE TABLE employees(  
    employee_id INT,  
    first_name VARCHAR(20) NOT NULL,  
    ...  
    job_id VARCHAR(10),  
    PRIMARY KEY  
    (EMPLOYEE_ID));
```

## NOT NULL Constraint

- NOT NULL constraint ensures that a column cannot have a null value.
- NOT NULL constraint can be defined at column level only.

```
CREATE TABLE employees
(
    employee_id    INT,
    Salary         MONEY NOT NULL,
    Last_name      VARCHAR(25),
    commission_pct DECIMAL(8,2),
    hire_date      DATE
```

...

## DEFAULT Constraint

Default constraint is used to set a default for a column.

```
CREATE TABLE employees
(
    employee_id    INT,
    Salary         MONEY DEFAULT 10000,
    Last_name      VARCHAR(25),
    commission_pct DECIMAL(8,2),
    hire_date      DATE
```

...

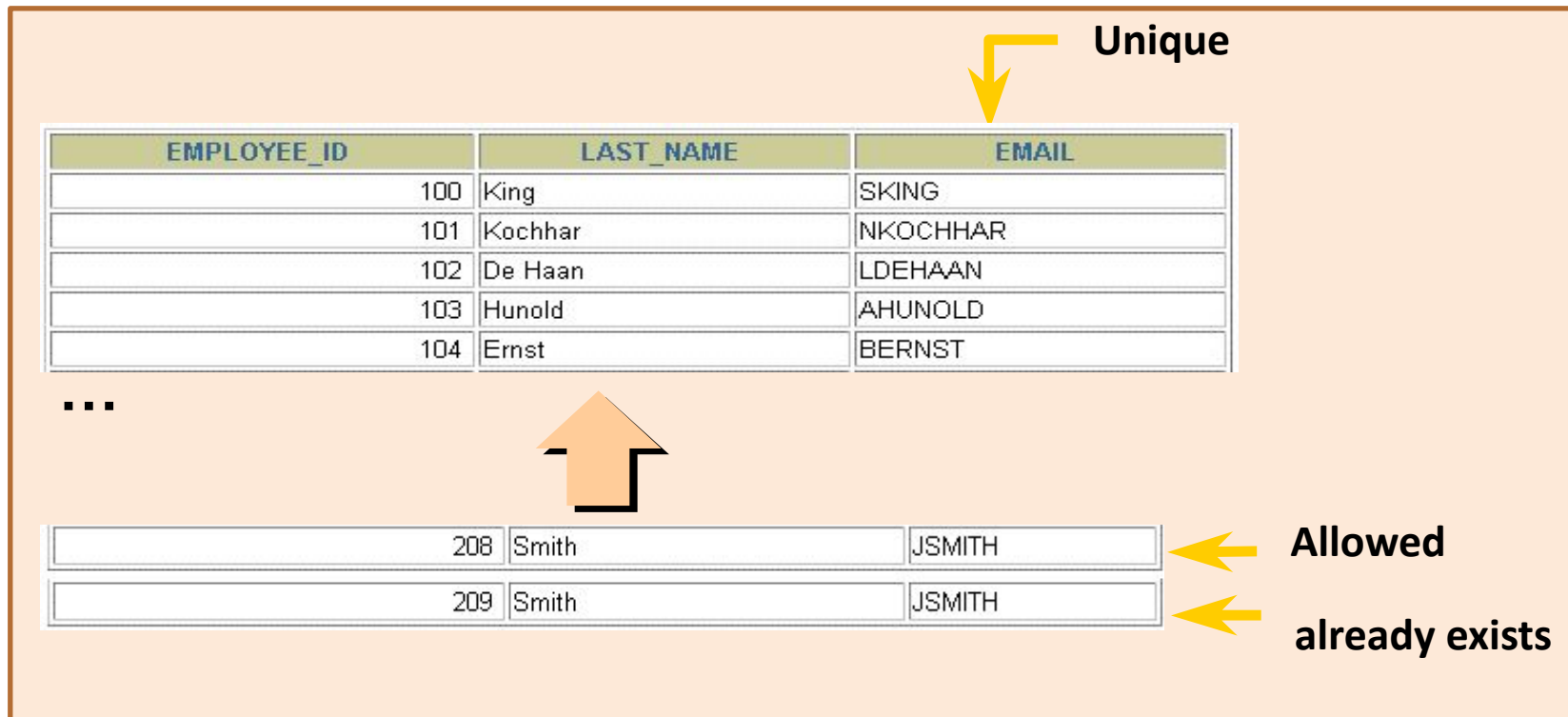
## DEFAULT Constraint

```
CREATE TABLE employees
(
    employee_id    INT,
    Salary         MONEY CONSTRAINT employees_salary_df DEFAULT 10000,
    Last_name      VARCHAR(25),
    commission_pct FLOAT(8,2),
    hire_date      DATE
    ...
)
```



# UNIQUE Constraint

SQL Server UNIQUE constraints allow you to ensure that the data stored in a column, or a group of columns, is unique among the rows in a table.



| EMPLOYEE_ID | LAST_NAME | EMAIL    |
|-------------|-----------|----------|
| 100         | King      | SKING    |
| 101         | Kochhar   | NKOCHHAR |
| 102         | De Haan   | LDEHAAN  |
| 103         | Hunold    | AHUNOLD  |
| 104         | Ernst     | BERNST   |
| ...         |           |          |
| 208         | Smith     | JSMITH   |
| 209         | Smith     | JSMITH   |

Unique

Allowed

already exists

# UNIQUE Constraint

Defined at either the table level or the column level:

```
CREATE TABLE employees(  
    employee_id      INT,  
    adhaar            VARCHAR(25) ,  
    last_name         VARCHAR(25) NOT NULL,  
    email             VARCHAR(25) UNIQUE,  
    salary            DEC(8,2) ,  
    commission_pc     DEC(4,2) ,  
    ... t hire_date   DATE NOT  
    UNIQUE(adhaar)) ; NULL,
```

# PRIMARY KEY Constraint

## DEPARTMENTS



PRIMARY KEY

| DEPARTMENT_ID | DEPARTMENT_NAME | MANAGER_ID | LOCATION_ID |
|---------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|
| 10            | Administration  | 200        | 1700        |
| 20            | Marketing       | 201        | 1800        |
| 50            | Shipping        | 124        | 1500        |
| 60            | IT              | 103        | 1400        |
| 80            | Sales           | 149        | 2500        |

...

Not allowed  
(Null value)



INSERT INTO

|    |                   |     |      |
|----|-------------------|-----|------|
|    | Public Accounting |     | 1400 |
| 50 | Finance           | 124 | 1500 |

Not allowed  
(50 already exists)



# PRIMARY KEY Constraint

- A primary key is a column or a group of columns that uniquely identifies each row in a table
- Defined at either the table level or the column level:

```
CREATE TABLE departments
(  department_id      INT,
   department_name    VARCHAR(30) NOT NULL,
   manager_id         INT,
   PRIMARY KEY (department_id) );
```

# PRIMARY KEY Constraint

- The CHECK constraint allows you to specify the values in a column that must satisfy a Boolean expression.
- Syntax:

```
CHECK (expr)
```

```
CREATE TABLE departments
(  department_id      INT PRIMARY KEY,
  department_name     VARCHAR(30) NOT NULL,
  manager_id          INT,
  CHECK(department_id BETWEEN 10 AND 999));
```



# FOREIGN KEY Constraint

## DEPARTMENTS

**PRIMARY  
KEY**

| DEPARTMENT_ID | DEPARTMENT_NAME | MANAGER_ID | LOCATION_ID |
|---------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|
| 10            | Administration  | 200        | 1700        |
| 20            | Marketing       | 201        | 1800        |
| 50            | Shipping        | 124        | 1500        |
| 60            | IT              | 103        | 1400        |
| 80            | Sales           | 149        | 2500        |

## EMPLOYEES

| EMPLOYEE_ID | LAST_NAME | DEPARTMENT_ID |
|-------------|-----------|---------------|
| 100         | King      | 90            |
| 101         | Kochhar   | 90            |
| 102         | De Haan   | 90            |
| 103         | Hunold    | 60            |
| 104         | Ernst     | 60            |
| 107         | Lorentz   | 60            |

**FOREIGN  
KEY**

**INSERT**

|     |      |    |
|-----|------|----|
| 200 | Ford | 9  |
| 201 | Ford | 60 |

**Not allowed  
(9 does not  
exist)**

**Allowed**

# FOREIGN KEY Constraint

- A foreign key is a column or a group of columns in one table that uniquely identifies a row of another table or the same.

```
FOREIGN KEY (col_name,...)
REFERENCES tbl_name (col_name, ...)
[ON DELETE reference_option]
[ON UPDATE reference_option]
reference option :
NO ACTION| CASCADE| SET NULL | SET DEFAULT
```

# FOREIGN KEY Constraint

Example:

```
CREATE TABLE Department
(department_id      INT PRIMARY KEY,
d_name              VARCHAR(25)  NOT NULL,
location_id         INT,
FOREIGN KEY (location_id)
REFERENCES location(location_id));
```

## FOREIGN KEY Constraint Keywords

- **FOREIGN KEY:** Defines the column in the child table at the table constraint level
- **REFERENCES:** Identifies the table and column in the parent table
- When an UPDATE or DELETE operation affects a key value in the parent table that has matching rows in the child table, the result depends on the referential action specified by ON UPDATE and ON DELETE subclauses
- **CASCADE:** Delete or update the row from the parent table and automatically delete or update the matching rows in the child table
- **SET NULL:** Delete or update the row from the parent table and set the foreign key column or columns in the child table to NULL
- **SET DEFAULT:** Delete or update the row from the parent table and set the foreign key column or columns in the child table to DEFAULT value if specified.
- **NO ACTION:** Default action, Will not allow to delete a row in parent table if there are one or many rows present in child table .

# FOREIGN KEY Constraint

Example:

```
CREATE TABLE Department
    (department_id    INT PRIMARY KEY,
     d_name           VARCHAR(25)  NOT NULL,
     location_id      INT,
     FOREIGN KEY (location_id)
       REFERENCES location(location_id) ON UPDATE CASCADE);
```

Example:

```
CREATE TABLE (Department
    department_id    INT PRIMARY KEY,
    d_name           VARCHAR(25)  NOT NULL,
    location_id      INT,
    FOREIGN KEY (location_id)
      REFERENCES location(location_id)
      ON DELETE CASCADE ON UPDATE CASCADE);
```



## Adding a Constraint

- Add a FOREIGN KEY constraint to the EMPLOYEES table indicating that a manager must already exist as a valid employee in the EMPLOYEES table.

```
ALTER TABLE employees  
ADD FOREIGN KEY(manager_id)  
REFERENCES employees(employee_id);
```

- Add a PRIMARY KEY constraint on EMPLOYEE\_ID column, in EMPLOYEES

```
ALTER TABLE Employee  
ADD CONSTRAINT employee_employee_id_pk PRIMARY KEY  
(employee_id)
```

## Adding Constraints

- Altering an existing column to add a default constraint.

```
ALTER TABLE tablename  
ADD CONSTRAINT constraintname DEFAULT (default_value) FOR column_name
```

- Adding a new column, with default value, to an existing table.

```
ALTER TABLE tablename  
ADD column_name datatype [NOT NULL]  
CONSTRAINT constraintname DEFAULT (default_value)
```

## Adding a DEFAULT Constraint

- Altering an existing column to add a default constraint.

```
ALTER TABLE Employee  
ADD CONSTRAINT employee_salary_df  
DEFAULT (1000)FOR (salary)
```

- Adding a new column, with default value, to an existing table.

```
ALTER TABLE Employee  
ADD salary money NOT NULL  
CONSTRAINT employee_salary_df DEFAULT (1000)
```

## Dropping a Constraint

- Syntax: Dropping a constraint.

```
ALTER TABLE table_name  
DROP CONSTRAINT constraint_name
```

- Remove the manager constraint from the EMPLOYEES table.

```
ALTER TABLE      employees  
DROP              emp_manager_fk  
CONSTRAINT        ;
```

THANK YOU!

