

IT 775

Database Technology

SQL

Data Types

Numeric Data Types

- integer

Type	Storage (Bytes)	Minimum Value (Signed/Unsigned)	Maximum Value (Signed/Unsigned)
TINYINT	1	-128	127
		0	255
SMALLINT	2	-32768	32767
		0	65535
MEDIUMINT	3	-8388608	8388607
		0	16777215
INT	4	-2147483648	2147483647
		0	4294967295
BIGINT	8	-9223372036854775808	9223372036854775807
		0	18446744073709551615

Numeric Data Types

- decimal
 - decimal[(p [, s])] p digits precision, s of them fractional (scale)
 - numeric[(p [, s])] p digits precision, s of them fractional (scale)
 - » same as decimal
- real (approximate values)
 - float 24, single precision
 - double 53, double precision
 - NON-STANDARD:
 - float(p, s) p digits precision, s of them fractional (scale)
 - double(p, s) p digits precision, s of them fractional (scale)
- bit(m) m digits binary

String Data Types

- fixed length,
 - `char[acter][(n)]` 1 – 8000 chars, 1 is the default
n bytes allocated
- variable length
 - `varchar[acter][(n)]` 1 – 8000 chars, 1 is the default
bytes allocated to hold actual

Value	CHAR(4)	Storage Required	^{string} VARCHAR (4)	Storage Required
"	' '	4 bytes	"	1 byte
'ab'	'ab '	4 bytes	'ab'	3 bytes
'abcd'	'abcd'	4 bytes	'abcd'	5 bytes
'abcdefgh'	'abcd'	4 bytes	'abcd'	5 bytes

Temporal Data Types

- **date** date only, no time of day
3 bytes: 0001-01-01 – 9999-12-31
constants 'YYYY-MM-DD'
- **time** time only, no date
'-838:59:59' to '838:59:59' shows time of day or elapsed time
constants 'HH:MM:SS' 'HHH:MM:SS'
- **datetime** date and time 6 – 8 bytes
'1000-01-01 00:00:00' to '9999-12-31 23:59:59'
constants 'YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS'
ANSI standard name is TIMESTAMP

Date Comparison

date types compare with usual comparison operators

all forms of literals are equivalent

for date comparisons of different types inferior type cast to superior type

Examples:

`'10-01-2010' < '10-02-2010'`

`'10-01-2010' < '10-01-2011'`

`'01-oct-2010' = '10-01-2010'`

`'10-01-2010' < '10-01-2010 01:01:01'`

- date promoted to datetime for comparison

Data Type Conversion

implicit conversion

- SQL hides from end user
 - assigning value to column –
 - converts value to column type
 - expression with differently typed arguments
 - result has higher type
- implicit conversions
 - from lower precedence type to higher
 - within type
 - each precision/length is a different type
 - more precision/length is higher

explicit conversion

- when implicit conversion isn't available
- CAST and CONVERT do explicit conversion

highest

datetime (timestamp)
smalldatetime
date time
float
real
decimal
int
smallint
tinyint
bit
varchar
char

lowest

CAST, CONVERT and String Functions

cast is SQL standard type

CAST(expr AS type)

convert is unique to MySQL, not portable – avoid

LTRIM(string), RTRIM(string)

returns string with leading/trailing spaces removed

ANSI SQL specifies TRIM which does both (in MySQL)

SUBSTR(string, start, length)

returns portion from start position for length characters

LOWER(string), UPPER(string)

modifies case of characters in the string

Date and Time Functions

GETDATE() returns today's date

SYSDATETIME() returns current local date and time

SYSDATETIMEOFFSET() returns date, time, & offset

DAY(date) returns day of month as int

MONTH(date) returns month as int

YEAR(date) returns year as 4-digit int

DATEPART(datepart, date)

DATEPART(month, '2010-10-01') => 10

DATENAME(month, '2010-10-01') => october

day, month, year, hour, minute, second, quarter, dayofyear, week, weekday, millisecond, microsecond, nanosecond, tzoffset

DATEADD(datepart, number, date)

DATEADD(hour, 2, '2013-10-01 13:05:44') => '2013-10-01 15:05:44'

DATEDIFF(datepart, startdate, enddate)

DATEDIFF(hour, 2, '2013-10-01 13:05:44', '2013-10-01 15:05:44') => 2

searching for date values

SELECT ... WHERE MONTH(date) = 9 AND YEAR(date) = 2013