


Session 2

1 - categories of SQL commands according to ANSI SQL standards

- DDL (Data Definition Language)** – Commands that define or modify the structure of database objects like tables, databases, etc.
 - **Create:** Make new tables or databases
 - **Drop:** Delete tables or databases
 - **Alter:** Modify structure of tables
 - **Truncate:** Remove all rows from a table quickly
- DML (Data Manipulation Language)** – Commands to manipulate the **data inside tables**.
 - **Insert:** Add new rows
 - **Update:** Modify existing rows
 - **Delete:** Remove rows
- DCL (Data Control Language)** – Commands for **permissions and access control**.
 - **Grant:** Give permissions to users
 - **Revoke:** Remove permissions
- TCL (Transaction Control Language)** – Commands to manage **transactions** and ensure database consistency.
 - **Commit:** Save changes permanently
 - **Rollback:** Undo changes
 - **Savepoint:** Mark a point to roll back to within a transaction
- DQL (Data Query Language)** – Commands to **query the data**.
 - **Select:** Retrieve data from tables

2 - Difference Between DROP,DELETE and TRUNCATE

Command	What it does	Can it remove the table itself?	Can it have a WHERE clause?	Transaction-safe / Rollback?	Speed	Notes	
DROP	Removes a table (or database) completely, including all its data and structure (columns, indexes, constraints).	Yes	No	Cannot rollback in some systems (depends on DBMS)	Fast	After dropping, the table no longer exists. You'd need to recreate it to use it again.	
DELETE	Removes rows from a table, based on a condition if specified.	No	Yes	Yes, can be rolled back if inside a transaction	Slower for large tables	Fires triggers; can delete specific rows. If no <code>WHERE</code> , deletes all rows but keeps table structure.	
TRUNCATE	Removes all rows from a table, but keeps the table structure.	No	No	Sometimes cannot rollback (DBMS-dependent)	Very fast	Resets auto-increment counters in some DBMS; usually doesn't fire triggers.	

3 – Steps to Download PostgreSQL (Windows)

✓ 1. Download & Install PostgreSQL (includes pgAdmin optional)

Step 1 — Download

Go to the official website:

<https://www.postgresql.org/download/windows/> ↗

Click **Download the installer** (EDB installer).

Step 2 — Run Installer

During setup, you will see:

- PostgreSQL Server
- pgAdmin 4
- StackBuilder
- ✓ Keep all selected.

Step 3 — Set the Password

You will be asked to set a password for the default PostgreSQL superuser:

```
makefile

Username: postgres
Password: <your_password>
```

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👉 Remember this, pgAdmin will use it.

Step 4 — Complete Installation

After installation, PostgreSQL service will automatically run in the background.

✓ 2. Open pgAdmin & Add Your PostgreSQL Server

Step 1 — Open pgAdmin

Search in Start Menu:

```
nginx

pgAdmin 4
```

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It will open in your browser.

Step 2 — Set a Master Password

This is for pgAdmin only.

It **does NOT** have to match the PostgreSQL password.

Step 3 — Connect pgAdmin to PostgreSQL

Left side → **Servers (1)** → you will see:

```
scss

PostgreSQL 16 (or 15)
```

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Click it → pgAdmin will ask for password.

Enter the password you created during PostgreSQL install:

```
pgsql

postgres user password
```

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Now pgAdmin will connect to your local PostgreSQL server.

✓ Now PostgreSQL + pgAdmin Are Linked!

You can now create databases:

Right-click **Databases** → **Create** → **Database**

🔧 3. (Optional) How to Check PostgreSQL from Terminal (psql)

Open command prompt:

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nginx
```

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```
psql -U postgres
```

If you installed PostgreSQL 16, the path is automatically added to your system.

If not, you can do:

```
arduino
```

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```
"C:\Program Files\PostgreSQL\16\bin\psql.exe" -U postgres
```

4 - Steps on mac

🍏 1. Install PostgreSQL on macOS

You have **two** options:

- ✓ Using the **official installer** (EASIEST)
- ✓ Using **Homebrew** (developers prefer)

✅ Option A — Install using Official Installer (recommended)

Step 1 — Download

Visit:

<https://www.postgresql.org/download/macosx/> ➤

Download the **EDB macOS Installer**.

Step 2 — Run the Installer

It includes:

- PostgreSQL Server
- pgAdmin (optional)
- StackBuilder

✓ Keep everything selected.

Step 3 — Set the postgres Password

When prompted:

```
makefile
```

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```
Username: postgres
```

```
Password: <your_password>
```

Step 4 — Finish Installation

PostgreSQL server starts automatically.

✅ Option B — Install PostgreSQL using Homebrew

If you prefer Homebrew:

Install PostgreSQL:

```
bash  
  
brew install postgresql
```

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Start PostgreSQL service:

```
bash  
  
brew services start postgresql
```

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Check version:

```
bash  
  
psql --version
```

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This method **does NOT** install pgAdmin, so install it separately (next section).

🍏 2. Install pgAdmin on macOS

Option A — Download the pgAdmin App

Go to:

<https://www.pgadmin.org/download/pgadmin-4-macos/> ↗

Download → open `.dmg` → drag **pgAdmin 4** to Applications.

Option B — Using Homebrew

```
bash  
  
brew install --cask pgadmin4
```

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🍏 3. Open pgAdmin & Link it to PostgreSQL

Step 1 — Open pgAdmin

Open from **Applications** → pgAdmin 4

or:

```
bash  
  
open -a pgAdmin\ 4
```

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Step 2 — Set a Master Password

This is only for pgAdmin (not PostgreSQL).

Step 3 — Add PostgreSQL Server

Left sidebar → Right-click **Servers** → **Create** → **Server**

Then:

⚙️ GENERAL Tab

- Name: `Local PostgreSQL`

⚙️ CONNECTION Tab

- Host: `localhost`
- Port: `5432` (default)
- Username: `postgres`
- Password: (the password you set during installation)

Click **Save**.


🎉 pgAdmin is now connected to your PostgreSQL server.

4. Test Connection Using Terminal (psql)

If installed using official installer:

```
bash

/Library/PostgreSQL/16/bin/psql -U postgres
```

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If installed using Homebrew:

```
bash

psql -U postgres
```

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If a database prompt appears:

```
makefile

postgres=#
```

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You're connected.

5. Common macOS Issues

Issue: "psql: command not found"

Your PATH is missing PostgreSQL.

Fix by adding this to your shell:

```
bash

echo 'export PATH="/Library/PostgreSQL/16/bin:$PATH"' >> ~/.zshrc
source ~/.zshrc
```

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Issue: pgAdmin can't connect

Check PostgreSQL service:

Homebrew installation

```
bash

brew services list
brew services start postgresql
```

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EDB installer installation

```
bash

sudo /Library/PostgreSQL/16/scripts/pg_ctl start
```

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