



# Introduction to Database Concepts & Using SQLite with R

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A Data! Data! Data! I can't make  
bricks without clay!

— - Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

**1944** Fremont Rider,  
Wesleyan University Librarian,  
publishes *The Scholar and the  
Future of the Research  
Library*. He estimates that  
American university libraries  
were doubling in size every  
sixteen years. Given this  
growth rate, Rider speculates that the Yale Library in  
2040 will have “approximately 200,000,000 volumes,  
which will occupy over 6,000 miles of shelves...  
[requiring] a cataloging staff of over six thousand  
persons.”



*Forbes, December '13*

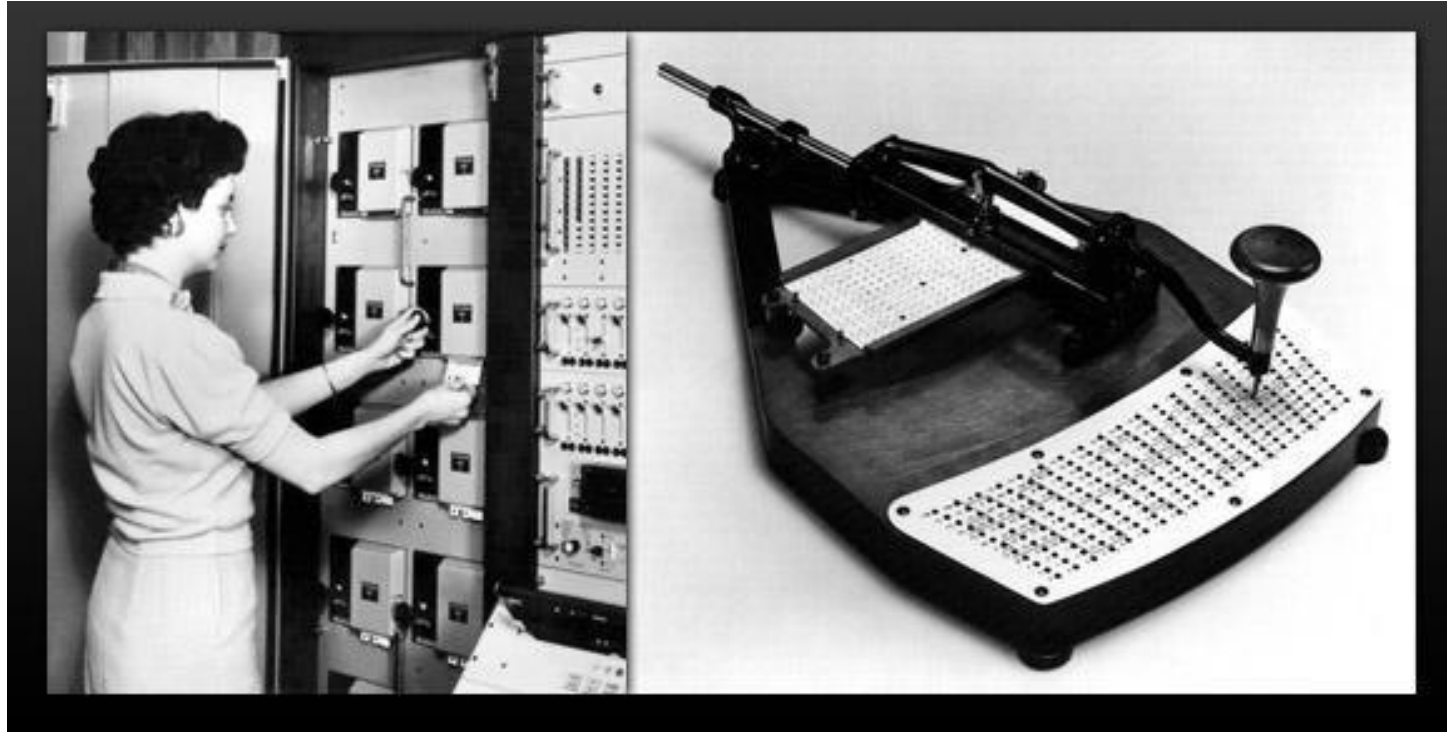
**Database;** A shared collection of logically related data, designed to meet the information needs of an organization.



The background features a complex, abstract pattern. It consists of numerous wavy, parallel lines in shades of red and pink that create a sense of depth and movement. Overlaid on these lines are many small, glowing dots in various colors, including red, pink, and yellow, which appear to be part of a larger, unseen structure. The overall effect is a vibrant, digital, and futuristic aesthetic.

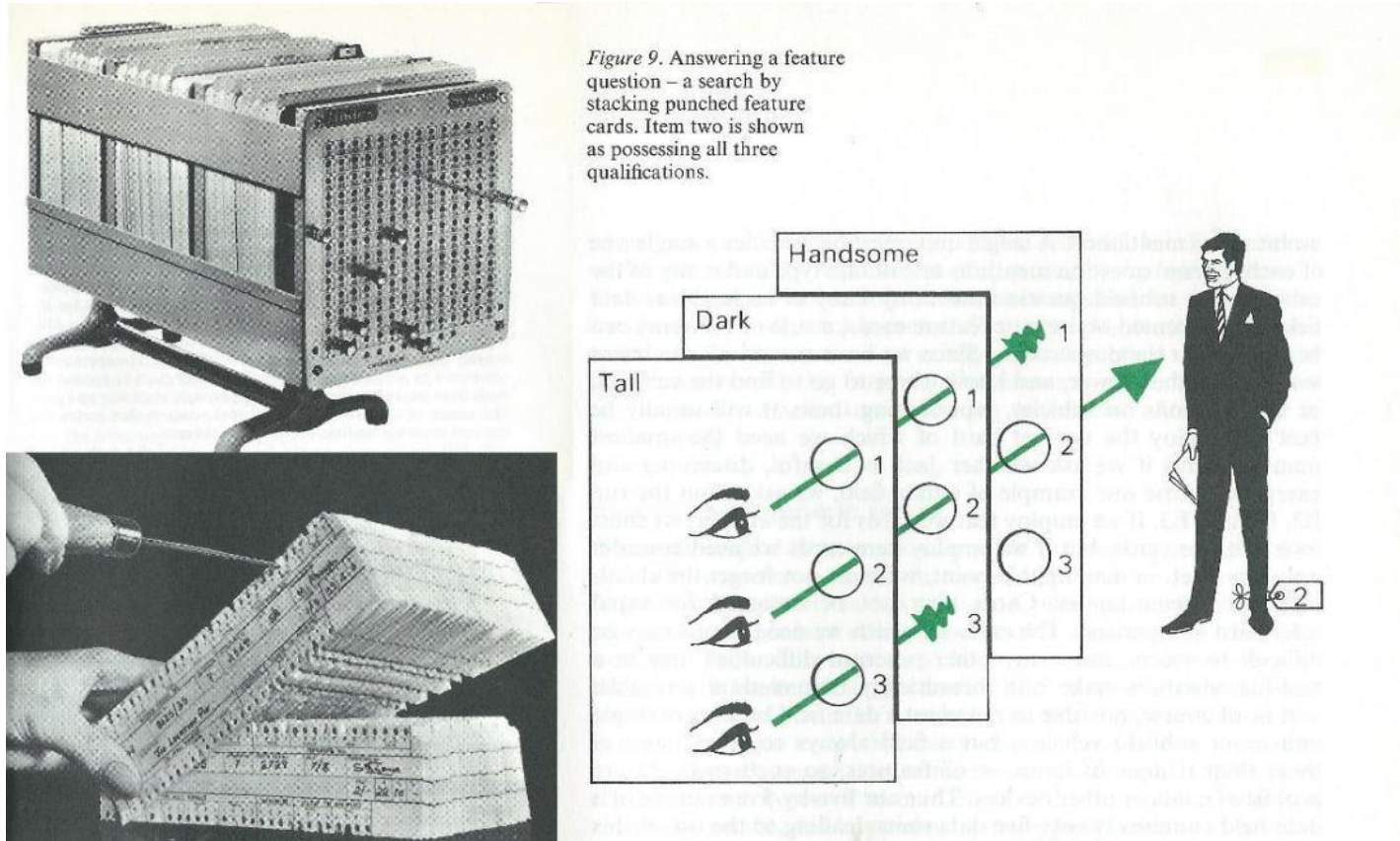
# The History of Database



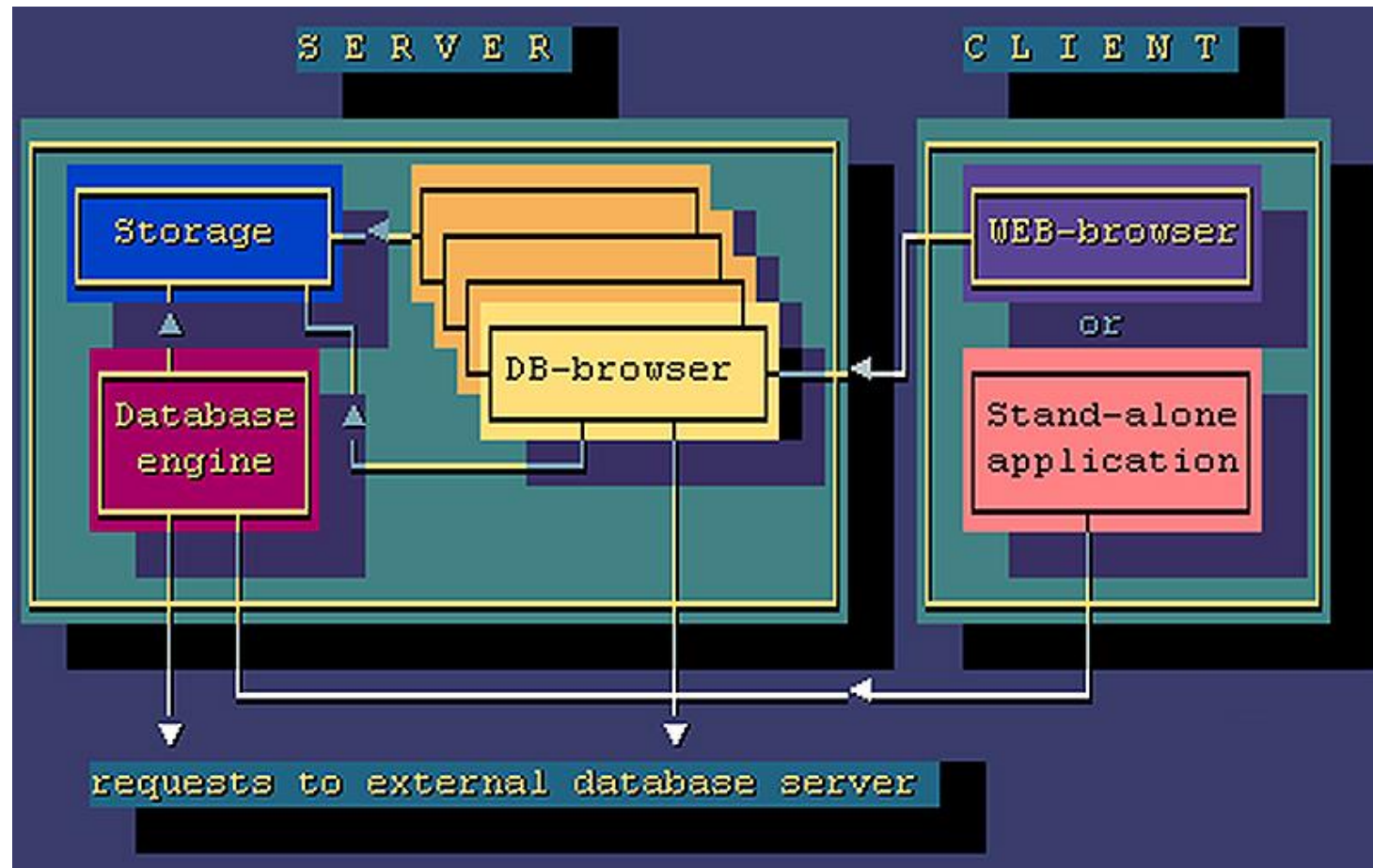


*Punched card reader (L) and writer, Image from A Brief History of Communication Technology, 1910s*

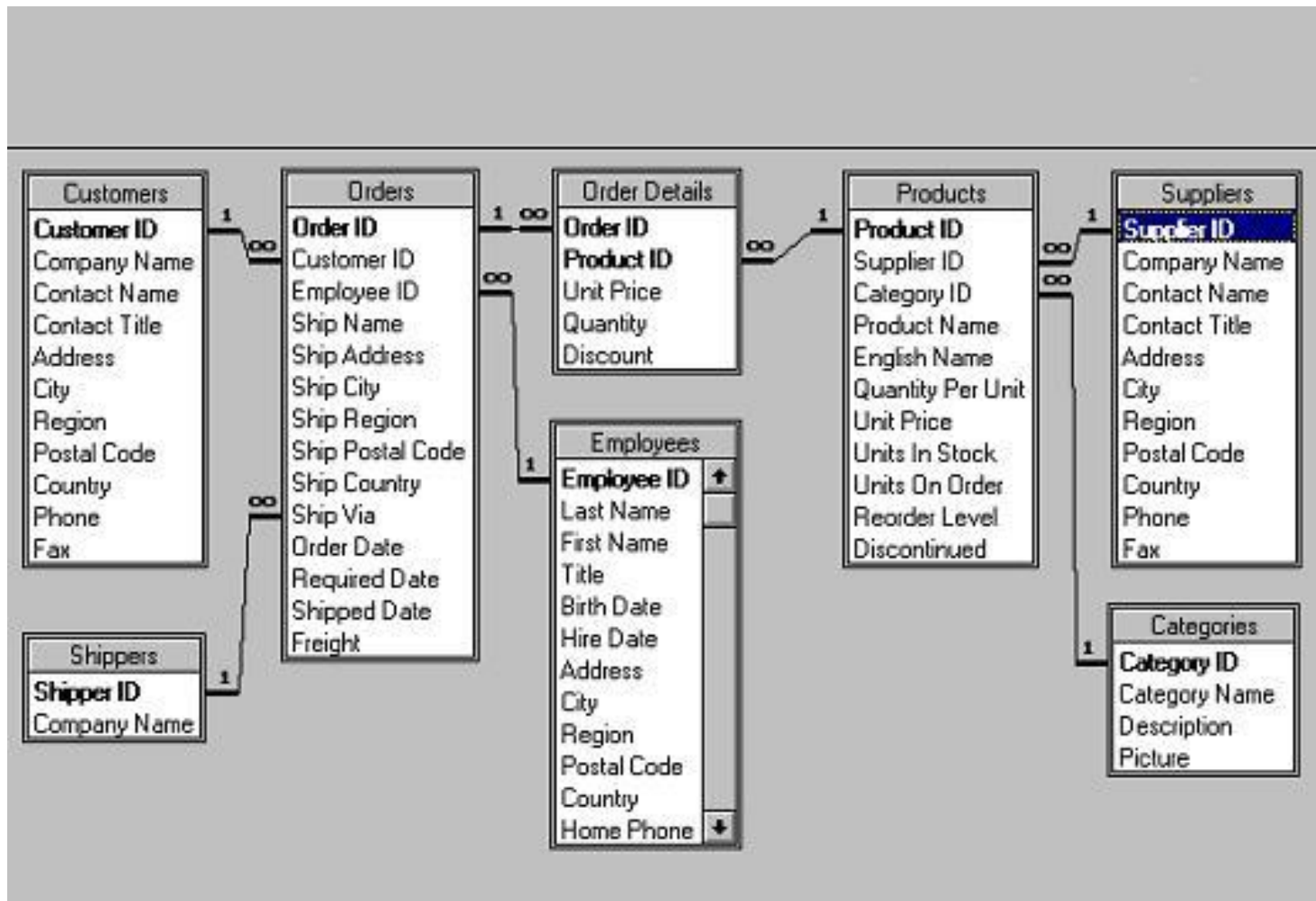




*Punch cards and tabulating used by office environment from 1910 to the mid-1960s*

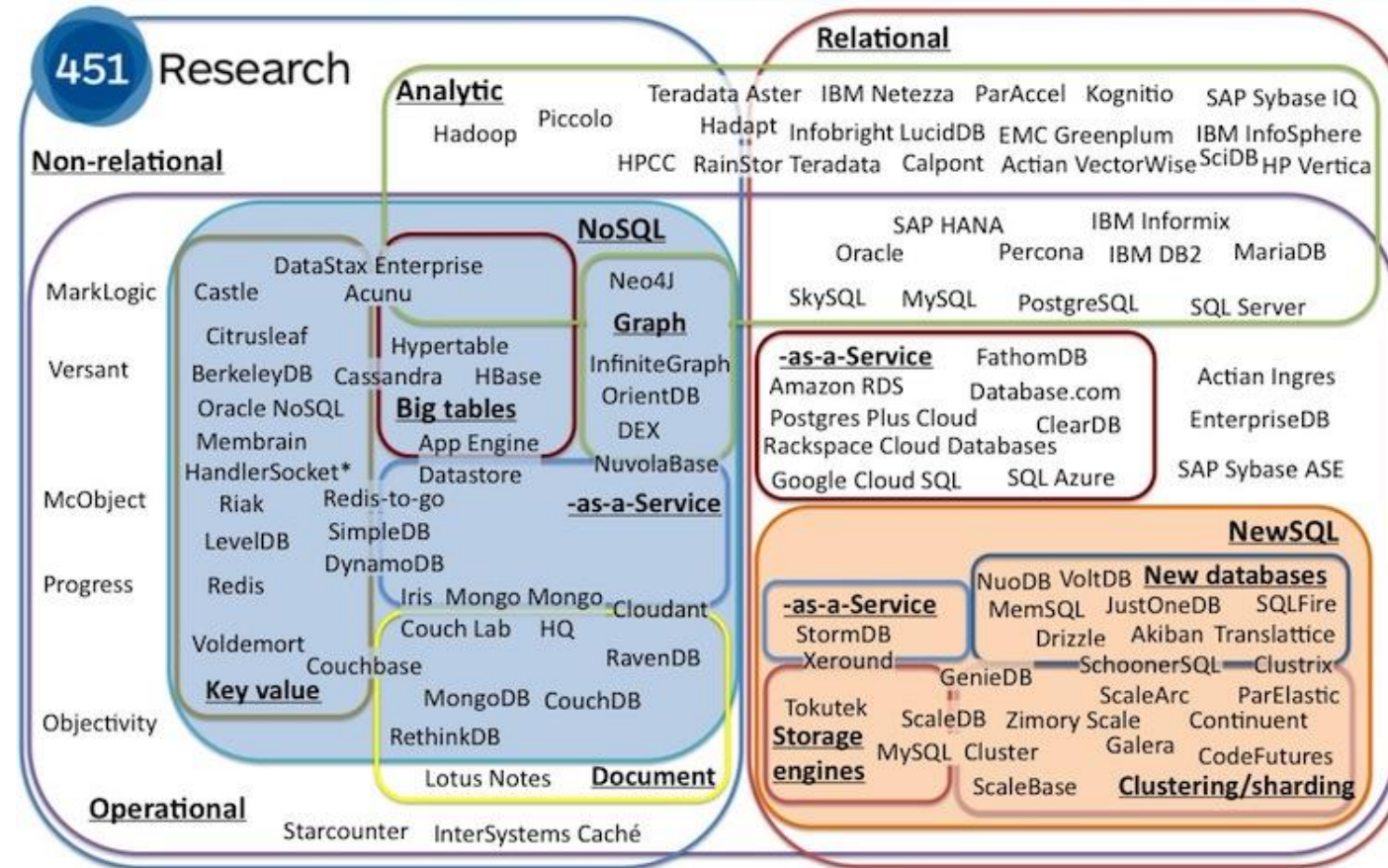


*Database management system (DBMS), 1960s*



*Relational Database Management System (RDBMS), 1970s*

# The evolving database landscape



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Database Landscape



The background features a complex, abstract pattern. It consists of several layers: a dark blue-grey horizontal band in the center, and red and pink wavy, textured areas above and below it. Overlaid on these are numerous small, glowing pink and red dots arranged in a grid-like pattern that recedes into the distance, creating a sense of depth and digital connectivity.

# Databases, Why?



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- Can store very large numbers of records efficiently
  - Very quick and easy to find information.
  - Easy to add new data and to edit or delete old data.
  - Data can be searched easily, eg 'find all Ford cars'.
  - Data can be imported into other applications.
  - Users can access the same database at the same time.
  - Security be better than in paper files.



# Types / uses of data

- Logistics and payments
- Retail sales, inventories
- Customer service
- Access control
- Navigation / tracking
- Social media events
- Proximity awareness
- Sport performance
- Credit risk
- Geospatial
- Proximity awareness
- and much more...



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# Relational Model



**Relational model**, is defined as a model that allows you to group its data items into one or more independent tables that can be related to one another by using fields common to each related table.

- A database consists of several **tables** (relations)

Customers			
CustomerID	Name	City	State

Account	
AccountNum	Name

- Columns in the tables are named by **attributes**
- Each attribute has an associated **domain** (e.g. for Customer.State: {CA, NY, WA, ...})
- Data in a table consist of a set of **tuples** (rows)



The diagram illustrates a database table structure. A label 'Relation Name' points to the table's title 'Customers'. A label 'Attiributes' (misspelled) points to the header row containing 'CustomerID', 'Name', 'City', and 'State'. A label 'Tuples' points to the four data rows of the table. The table itself is a 5x4 grid with a dark header and light gray data rows.

Customers			
CustomerID	Name	City	State
1	Fred Flinstone	SD	1
2	Barney Rubble	SD	2
3	Maggie Simpson	SF	3
4	James Bond	NY	4

# Relational Schema

- Type declaration
- Consists of:
  - Relation name
  - Set of attributes
  - Domain of each attribute
  - Integrity constraints

e.g. CUSTOMER (CustomerID, Name, Street, City)

Integer

Strings



# Relations are Unordered

- The tuples are not considered to be ordered, even though they appear to be so when displayed in tabular form

Customers	
CustomerID	Name
1	Fred Flinstone
2	Barney Rubble
3	Maggie Simpson
4	James Bond

Customers	
CustomerID	Name
2	Barney Rubble
1	Fred Flinstone
4	James Bond
3	Maggie Simpson

Customers	
CustomerID	Name
3	Maggie Simpson
4	James Bond
1	Fred Flinstone
2	Barney Rubble

Visual representations of  
the same relational instance

# Relational Model - Integrity Constraints

- Keys
- Primary Keys
- Entity Integrity
- Referential Integrity

Customers	
CustomerID	Name
0018	Fred Flinstone
0041	Barney Rubble
0024	Maggie Simpson
0013	James Bond

Sales	
CustomerID	Sales
0013	4
0024	10
0041	98
0018	16



# Structured Query Language (SQL)



## What is SQL?

- SQL stands for **Structured Query Language**.
- SQL lets you access and manipulate databases.
- SQL is an **ANSI** (American National Standards Institute) **standard**





## SQL is a standart, but...

- Although SQL is an ANSI (American National Standards Institute) standard, there are many different versions of the SQL language.  
(PL/SQL, T-SQL ...)
- However, to be compliant with the ANSI standard, they all support at least the major commands (such as SELECT, UPDATE, DELETE, INSERT, WHERE) in a similar manner.



# What SQL can do?

- SQL can execute queries against a database.
- SQL can retrieve data from a database.
- SQL can insert tuples in a database.
- SQL can update tuples in a database.
- SQL can delete tuples from a database.
- SQL can create new databases.
- SQL can create new tables in a database.
- SQL can set permissions on tables, procedures, and views
- and much more...



# SQL Parts (DML&DDL)

- SQL can be divided into two parts: **The Data Manipulation Language (DML), Data Definition Language (DDL)**

Category	SQL Command	Description
Data Definition Language (defines the different structures in a database)	CREATE	Creates a new table, a view of a table, or other object in the database.
	ALTER	Modifies an existing database object, such as a table.
	DROP	Deletes an entire table, a view of a table or other objects in the database.
Data Manipulation Language (manipulates data in a database)	SELECT	Retrieves certain records from one or more tables.
	INSERT	Creates a record.
	UPDATE	Modifies records
	DELETE	Deletes records

## basic SELECT statement

```
SELECT * | { [DISTINCT] column | expression [alias],...]  
FROM table;
```

- **SELECT** identifies *what* columns
- **FROM** identifies *which* tables



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**Smart, Fast, Reliable: SQLite**

**SQLite** is a public-domain software package that provides a *relational database management system*, or RDBMS.





## SQLite is defined by the following features

- Serverless
- Zero Configuration
- Cross-Platform
- Self-Contained
- Small Runtime Footprint
- Transactional
- Full-Featured
- Highly Reliable

# Demo: SQLite with R



# Thank you.



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