## Lab1: DDL COMMANDS

Data Definition Language is used to describe the structure/schema of database elements. These statements are used to create, alter, or drop data structures in an instance of SQL Server. DDL Commands are as follows:

- CREATE to create objects in the database
- ALTER alters the structure of the database
- DROP delete objects from the database
- TRUNCATE remove all records from a table, including all spaces allocated for the records are removed
- COMMENT add comments to the data dictionary
- RENAME rename an object

## Some more commands:

- SHOW to list databases or tables
- USE to use/choose the database
- DESCRIBE to expose the details of object (table), showing how table is formed.

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mysql> use gces;
Database changed
mysql> show tables;
Empty set (0.00 sec)
mysql> create table student (rollno int, fname varchar(15),
lname varchar(15), a
ge int, mobile bigint);
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.40 sec)
mysql> show tables;
  Tables in gces |
l student
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
mysql> describe student;
                       | Null | Key | Default | Extra
  Field
| rollno | int(11)
                                      NULL
                         YES
l fname
         | varchar(15) | YES
                                     NULL
         | varchar(15) | YES
l lname
                                     NULL
         | int(11)
                        l YES
                                      NULL
age
mobile | bigint(20)
                       | YES
                                      NULL
5 rows in set (0.02 sec)
mysql> alter table student add gender varchar(2);
mysql> alter table student modify gender varchar(6);
mysql> alter table student change gender gend varchar(5);
mysql> alter table student drop gend;
mysql> alter table student modify lname varchar(20) COMMENT
'last name';
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```
mysql> describe student;
mysql> show full columns from student;
mysql> create table teacher (id int, `teacher name`
varchar(30));
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.23 sec)
mysql> show tables;
+----+
| Tables_in_gces |
student
l teacher
2 rows in set (0.00 sec)
mysql> describe teacher;
+----+
| Field | Type | Null | Key | Default | Extra |
+----+
| NULL
| teacher name | varchar(30) | YES | | NULL
+----+
2 rows in set (0.02 sec)
mysql> drop table teacher;
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.09 sec)
mysql> show tables;
+----+
| Tables_in_gces |
+----+
l student
+----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
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mysql> rename table student to new student;
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.13 sec)
mysql> describe student;
ERROR 1146 (42S02): Table 'gces.student' doesn't exist
mysql> describe new student;
+-----
                      | Null | Key | Default |
 Field
         Type
rollno | int(11)
                                    NULL
                        YES
         varchar(20)
                                   NULL
fname
                      YES
         | varchar(20) | YES
lname
                                   NULL
          int(11)
age
                       YES
                                    NULL
mobile | bigint(20)
                      YES
                                    NULL
5 rows in set (0.03 sec)
mysql> drop table new student;
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.07 sec)
mysql> show tables;
Empty set (0.00 sec)
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mysql> drop database gces;