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Data Management and SQL

SQL, part 1

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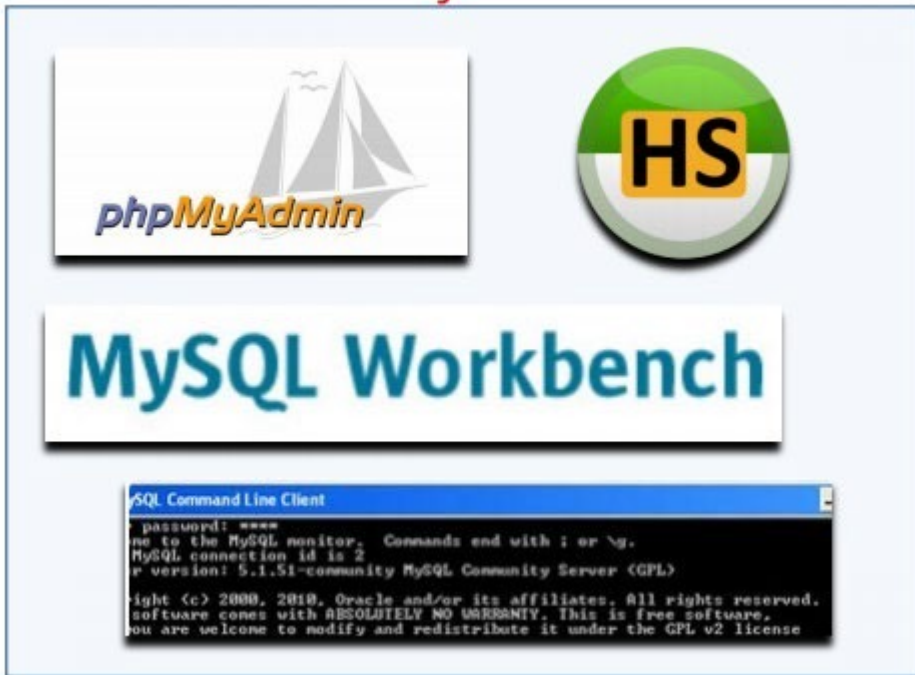
- SQL (structured query language) is a programming language that enables programmers to work with that data
- SQL language is declarative, non imperative programming language
 - Imperative languages are for example Java, JavaScript, C#, C++
 - With SQL you can execute calculations, but not define how task will be executed
- There are programming languages that are imperative and build on top of SQL like PL/SQL and T-SQL
- You can execute SQL language commands
 - Manually with query interface
 - As a part of some other software("embedded SQL")



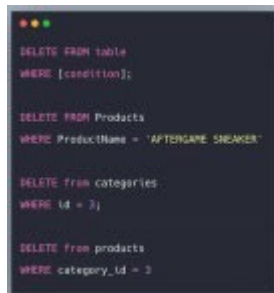
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Examples of SQL-tools

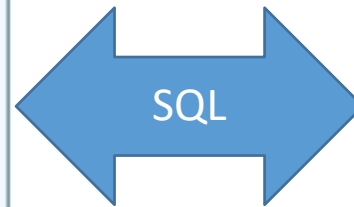
SQL-clients



Applications



SQL-database software





SQL languages commands can be divided to different groups

QUERY LANGUAGE

- Request query of tables or views of database
- Query returns a set of rows
- Query doesn't alter databases data content
- Command: `Select`



DATA MANIPULATION LANGUAGE (DML)

- Are used for managing data within tables
- Commands: INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE
- DML commands form transactions which can be accepted or denied



DATA DEFINITION LANGUAGE (DDL)

- DDL statements or commands are used to define and modify the database structure of your tables or schema
- For example creating, deleting or altering tables
- Commands: `CREATE`, `ALTER`, `DROP`
- DDL commands cause transactions to end



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Basic queries

Select



SELECT	what columns are wanted
FROM	from what tables/views the data is fetched
WHERE	what rows are fetched
GROUP BY	how data is grouped
HAVING	which rows will be fetched
ORDER BY	how data is sorted

- Order of parts of commands is important
- SELECT and FROM are mandatory



- SQL queries are not case sensitive
- With some cases in the names of objects case matters
- Queries end to a semicolon ;

```
SELECT * FROM table;
```

```
select * from table;
```

--same query

```
Select * from table;
```

```
Select * from Table;
```

--can mean different tables



- The data usually is case sensitive

```
Select fname, lname, city from  
    person where city='KUOPIO';
```

```
Select fname, lname, city from  
    person where city='kuopio';
```

- Depending on settings queries can return different rows.
Case sensitivity can be adjusted by changing collate settings.



- When executing MySQL/MariaDB queries with SQL-client (HeidiSQL, command line editor, MySQL Workbench), set your database as default or execute command "Use mydatabase;"
- After this queries will be directed to that database
- Queries to specific table is done with command `"select * from mytable;"`
- If you want to use data from another schema, use that schemas name by adding it to front of table like this `"select * from mydatabase.mytable;"`



- You can limit result of rows by setting limit

```
select fname, lname from person  
limit 3
```
- Works with MySQL and MariaDB



Select only specific columns

- `select * from person;` selects every row with every column
- `select fname, lname from person;` selects only fname and lname columns.



- You can use aliases to change result of names of columns using AS
- It doesn't change the name of column, *alias shows only in result*

```
Select fname AS firstname, lname as lastname from  
person;
```

- If there's space in alias, put the alias in ' ' (straight apostrophes)

```
Select fname AS 'first name', lname as 'last name' from  
person;
```



- Distinct removes any duplicates from results

```
Select city from person;
```

Vs.

```
Select distinct city from person;
```



- WHERE limits what rows will be fetched
- Strings must be in quotes, others not

```
Select fname, lname, city From person  
Where city = 'TAMPERE';
```

```
Select fname, lname, city From person  
Where salary > 3000;
```




=	Equal to
>	Greater than
<	Less than
>=	Greater than or equal to
<=	Less than or equal to
<>	Not equal to
!=	Not equal to
BETWEEN	between a certain range
LIKE	Search for a pattern
IN	to specify multiple possible values for a column



NULL means only that the value is missing. You can only compare nulls with these:

IS NULL if value is missing

IS NOT NULL if value exists

Combining operators happens with AND– and OR-operators

AND both must be true

OR one or other must be true



- All comparisons and sorting are based on database's capability to order comparable values
- Ordering works with basic data types
 - Numeral data types => order of magnitude
 - Strings => alphabetical order
- For example it is impossible to compare objects without any information about the way to compare. Some SQL-databases offer support to code comparison function



- Fetch persons with salary greater than or equal to 2800

```
Select fname, salary  
From person  
Where salary >= 2800;
```

- Fetch names of people with the last name starts with the letter 'K' or follows it in alphabets

```
Select lname,  
salary From  
person  
Where lname >= 'K';
```



- Fetch persons whose salary is not 2800

```
Select lname, salary  
From person  
Where salary <> 2800;
```

```
Select lname, salary  
From person  
Where salary != 2800;
```

```
Select lname, salary  
From person  
Where not (salary = 2800);
```



- NULL is uncomparable with =, >, < operators, because NULL is not a value
- NULL means that the value is missing

```
SELECT lname, degree
```

```
From person
```

```
Where degree IS NULL;
```

```
SELECT lname, degree
```

```
From person
```

```
Where degree IS NOT NULL;
```



- If there are multiple conditions, AND or OR operators are used to create logical connections between conditions.
- AND both conditions must be true;
- OR at least one condition must be true

```
Select fname, lname, salary, city
```

```
From person
```

```
Where city = 'TAMPERE' AND salary < 2700;
```



```
Select fname, lname, salary, city From person  
Where city ='TAMPERE' OR salary < 2700;
```

```
Select fname, lname, city, degree From person  
Where city ='HELSINKI' OR degree is NULL;
```




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- Comparisons are done in order in pairs:
 - EXCEPT if there are parenthesis, where comparison in parenthesis is done first)
 - EXCEPT if there are multiple comparisons and AND and OR operators are combined
 - AND operators are compared first, then OR
 - Compare to mathematics: Multiplication is done before addition



```
SELECT lname, salary, city, taxperc  
From person  
Where (taxperc = 22 OR taxperc =37)  AND salary = 2800;
```

Compare with this:

```
SELECT lname, salary, city, taxperc  
From person  
Where taxperc = 22 OR taxperc =37  AND salary = 2800;
```

So if tax percentage is 22, salary doesn't matter because OR requires only one to be true



- IN-operator lists all values that meets its demand

```
Select fname, lname, city
```

```
From person
```

```
Where city in ('TAMPERE', 'TURKU');
```



- Fetch all who do not work in departments 1 and 3

```
SELECT fname, lname, deptime
```

```
From person
```

```
Where deptime not in (1,3);
```

- Fetch all whose degree is not 'MSc'

```
SELECT fname, lname, degree
```

```
From person
```

```
Where degree not in ('MSc');
```



- BETWEEN operator fetches value by limiting with upper and lower limits.
- Fetch all whose tax percentage is between 22 and 30.

```
Select fname, lname, taxpers  
From person  
Where taxperc between 22 and 30;
```

- Fetch all whose last name is between Aalto and Junkkari

```
Select fname, lname  
From person  
Where lname between 'Aalto' and 'Junkkari';
```



- NOT BETWEEN-operator fetches values below lower limit and over upper limit
- Fetch all whose tax percentage is not between 24 and 31

```
Select fname, lname, taxperc
```

```
From person
```

```
Where taxperc NOT BETWEEN 24 and 31;
```



- LIKE operator fetches data based on pattern
- Wildcards
 - `_` replaces one character
 - `%` replaces 0-n characters
- Fetch all projects which location starts with letter H

```
Select pname, location
```

```
From project
```

```
Where location like 'H%';
```



- Fetch all persons whose last name has 'k' in it

```
Select lname
```

```
From person
```

```
Where lname like '%K%';
```

- Fetch all persons whose last name has a letter 'o' as a second character in last name

```
Select lname From person
```

```
Where lname like '_o%';
```




- The ORDER BY keyword is used to sort the result-set in ascending or descending order.

```
Select lname, salary From person  
Order by salary;
```

- The ORDER BY keyword sorts the records in ascending order by default. To sort the records in descending order, use the DESC keyword.

```
Select lname, salary From person  
Order by salary desc;
```

- NULL is not orderable



```
Select lname, fname, salary, city  
From person  
Order by salary desc, city, lname, fname;
```

```
Select lname, fname, salary, city  
From person  
Order by 3 desc, 4, 1, 2;
```