MySQL Notes

(From Basics to Intermediate Level)

What is MySQL?

- MySQL is a Relational Database Management System (RDBMS).
- It uses SQL (Structured Query Language) to manage databases.
- Open-source and widely used with web technologies like PHP.

Basic Concepts

Term	Definition
Database	Collection of structured data.
Table	Stores data in rows and columns.
Row (Record)	A single entry in a table.
Column (Field)	A specific category of data in a table.
Query	A command written in SQL to perform operations.

MySQL Data Types

Туре	Example	Use
INT	10, 200	Integer values
VARCHAR(n)	'Dhanush'	Text up to n characters
DATE	'2025-07-26'	Stores date

BOOLEAN TRUE / FALSE Logical values

FLOAT 3.14 Decimal numbers

TEXT Articles, descriptions Large text

K Common SQL Commands

DDL - Data Definition Language

```
sql
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CREATE TABLE Students (
  ID INT,
 Name VARCHAR(100),
 Age INT
);
ALTER TABLE Students ADD Email VARCHAR(100);
DROP TABLE Students;
```

DML – Data Manipulation Language

sql

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```
INSERT INTO Students VALUES (1, 'Dhanush', 21);
UPDATE Students SET Age = 22 WHERE ID = 1;
DELETE FROM Students WHERE ID = 1:
```

Q DQL – Data Query Language

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```
SELECT * FROM Students;
SELECT Name, Age FROM Students WHERE Age > 20;
```

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CREATE TABLE Users (ID INT PRIMARY KEY,

Name VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,


```
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GRANT SELECT ON Students TO 'user1';
REVOKE SELECT ON Students FROM 'user1';
```

TCL – Transaction Control Language

```
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START TRANSACTION;
UPDATE Students SET Age = 23 WHERE ID = 1;
COMMIT;
-- or
ROLLBACK;
```

☐ Constraints in MySQL

Constraint	Description		
PRIMARY KEY	Uniquely identifies a row		
FOREIGN KEY	Refers to primary key in another table		
NOT NULL	Field cannot be empty		
UNIQUE	No duplicate values		
DEFAULT	Sets a default value		
Example:			

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Age INT DEFAULT 18
);
```



Type Description INNER JOIN Returns matching records from both

LEFT JOIN All records from left + matching right

RIGHT JOIN All records from right + matching left

FULL JOIN* All records from both sides (not in MySQL directly)

Example:

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SELECT A.Name, B.Course

FROM Students A

INNER JOIN Courses B ON A.ID = B.StudentID;

Aggregate Functions

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SELECT COUNT(*) FROM Students; SELECT AVG(Age) FROM Students; SELECT MAX(Age), MIN(Age) FROM Students;

Useful Clauses

Clause Use

Filters rows WHERE

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ORDER Sorts results
BY

GROUP Groups rows
BY

HAVING Filters groups

LIMIT Limits number of results
```

Sample Project Table

```
sql
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CREATE TABLE Products (
   ID INT PRIMARY KEY,
   Name VARCHAR(100),
   Price FLOAT,
   InStock BOOLEAN
);
INSERT INTO Products VALUES (1, 'Laptop', 54999.99, TRUE);
```

MySQL Advantages

- Free and open-source
- Easy integration with PHP and Java
- Fast and secure
- Cross-platform support

MySQL Notes – Part 2 (Advanced Topics)

1. Aliases (AS)

Used to give a **temporary name** to a table or column.

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SELECT Name AS StudentName FROM Students;
SELECT A.Name, B.Course FROM Students AS A JOIN Courses AS B ON A.ID =
B.StudentID;
```

2. Pattern Matching with LIKE

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```
SELECT * FROM Students WHERE Name LIKE 'A%'; -- Starts with A SELECT * FROM Students WHERE Name LIKE '%sh'; -- Ends with sh SELECT * FROM Students WHERE Name LIKE '%an%'; -- Contains "an"
```

• 3. IN, BETWEEN, IS NULL

sql

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```
SELECT * FROM Students WHERE Age IN (18, 20, 22);
SELECT * FROM Students WHERE Age BETWEEN 18 AND 25;
SELECT * FROM Students WHERE Email IS NULL;
```

4. Indexes

Indexes speed up data retrieval from tables.

```
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CREATE INDEX idx_name ON Students(Name);
DROP INDEX idx_name ON Students;
```

5. Views

A view is a **virtual table** based on the result of a query.

```
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CREATE VIEW StudentNames AS
SELECT Name, Age FROM Students;
SELECT * FROM StudentNames;
```

• 6. Stored Procedures

Reusable blocks of SQL code.

```
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DELIMITER //

CREATE PROCEDURE GetAllStudents()
BEGIN
   SELECT * FROM Students;
END //

DELIMITER ;

CALL GetAllStudents();
```

7. Triggers

Triggers are SQL code that runs **automatically** when an event occurs (INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE).

```
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CREATE TRIGGER before_insert_students
BEFORE INSERT ON Students
FOR EACH ROW
SET NEW.Age = IF(NEW.Age IS NULL, 18, NEW.Age);
```

8. Subqueries

A query inside another query.

```
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SELECT Name FROM Students
WHERE Age = (SELECT MAX(Age) FROM Students);
```

• 9. Transactions

Transactions are used to execute **multiple SQL statements** as a single unit.

```
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START TRANSACTION;
UPDATE Account SET Balance = Balance - 500 WHERE ID = 1;
UPDATE Account SET Balance = Balance + 500 WHERE ID = 2;
COMMIT;
```

Use ROLLBACK to undo.

10. User Management

Create and manage database users.

```
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CREATE USER 'dhanush'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'password';
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON mydb.* TO 'dhanush'@'localhost';
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
```

11. Backup and Restore

• Backup:

```
bash
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mysqldump -u root -p mydb > mydb_backup.sql
```

• Restore:

```
bash
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mysql -u root -p mydb < mydb_backup.sql</pre>
```

Practice Queries

```
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-- Top 3 oldest students
SELECT Name, Age FROM Students ORDER BY Age DESC LIMIT 3;
-- Count students in each course
SELECT Course, COUNT(*) FROM Students GROUP BY Course;
-- Students not in course 'BCA'
```

Project Suggestions

- 1. Student Management System
- 2. E-commerce Product Catalog
- 3. Library Management System
- 4. Online Quiz Database
- 5. Hospital Appointment System