



Module 4

Database Access

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Overview



Overview of SQL DB queries

- **Several objects**

- SQLClient
- OLEDBClient
- ODBC

- **SQL Statements**

- Data Manipulation Language (DML)
- Other object(s) for
 - Data Definition Language (DDL)
 - Data Control Language (DCL)

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Overview



Overview of SQL DB queries

▪ Important SQL Statements

- Select ... From ... Where
 - Getting data from SQL Server
- Delete From ... Where
 - Delete existing datarow/record from a table
- Insert into ... (...) values (...)
 - Add new datarow/record to a table
- Update ... Set ... Where
 - Change existing datarow/record in a table

```
Select * From Customers
Select Lastname,CustID From Customers
Select * From Customers Where CustID=1234
```

```
Delete From Customers Where CustID=1234
Delete From Orders
```

```
Insert Into Customers Values 1324, John, Doe
Insert Into Customers (CustID, Firstname, Lastname) Values 1324, John, Doe
```

```
Update Customers Set Lastname=Mustermann Where CustID=1234
```

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Get SQL Data via PowerShell



Objects used to get and change data from a database

▪ Components

- Connection & Connectionstring
- Command & Connection
- Objects for requested Data
 - DataReader
 - DataAdapter & DataSet, DataTable

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Access a SQL Server



Objects used to get data from SQL Server database and change them.

▪ Used Objects

- System.Data.SqlClient
- *.SqlClient.Connection
- *.SqlCommand
- *.SqlDataReader
- *.SqlDataAdapter
- System.Data.DataSet or
- Sysetm.Data.DataTable
- *.SqlCommandBuilder

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Connectionstring



What is a connectionstring and how to get it

- **A connectionstring contains all connection and authentication data.**
- **Depends on data source, driver/provider and options**
 - Use: <http://www.connectionstrings.com>
- **For SQL Server and .Net Data Provider for SQL Server**
 - “Server=SQLServer;Database=DBName;Integrated Security=True”
 - “Server=SQLServer\Instance;Database=DBName;Integrated Security=True”
 - “Server=SQLServer;Database=DBName;User ID=UName;Password=UPassword”

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Connection



How to create, open and close a connection to a SQL Server

■ Requirements

- SqlConnection
- Connectionstring
- Methods Open() and Close()

■ Hint

- Use try ... catch ... finally to close a connection even in case of failure

```
Try
{
    $myConn = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlConnection
    $myConn.ConnectionString = "this is the connectionstring"
    $myConn.Open()

    $myConn.State
}
Catch { ... }
Finally
{
    $myConn.Close()
}
```



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Command and DataReader



How to create and use a SELECT command with a DataReader

■ Requirements

- Select-Statement (querystring)
- SqlCommand
- SqlDataReader

■ Steps

- Build the command
- Execute the command
- Save the result in a DataReader

```
Try
{
    ...
    $myComm = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCommand
    $myComm.CommandText = "this is the select-statement."
    $myComm.Connection = $myConn

    $myDataReader = $myComm.ExecuteReader()
}
Catch { ... }
Finally
{
    $myConn.Close()
}
```



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DataReader



How to get the data from a reader

- **What is a DataReader**
- **Members**
 - Read()
 - Item(ordinalNumber) or Item("field")
 - FieldCount
 - GetName(ordinalNumber) to get fieldname

```
Try
{
    ...
    while ($myDataReader.Read())
    {
        $myDateReader.Item(0) *** $myDataReader.Item("Lastname")
    }
}
Catch { ... }
Finally
{
    $myConn.Close()
}
```



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DataAdapter and DataTable



How to use a DataAdapter and a DataSet to manipulate a datasource

- **What is a DataAdapter**
 - Connection between DataSource and DataTable with the ability to change data.
- **Requirements**
 - *.SqlDataAdapter which
 - fills a DataTable (or a DataSet)
- **Steps**
 - Create the DataAdapter
 - Fill the DataTable
 - Read from the DataTable

```
$myDataAdapter = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlDataAdapter("queryString",$myConn)
$myDataTable = New-Object System.Data.DataTable
$rowcount = $myDataAdapter.Fill($myDataTable)

$myDataTable.Rows[3].Item(4)
```



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Change Data via DataAdapter and DataTable



How to change data on a SQL Server via DataAdapter and DataTable

▪ Insert a new record

- Create a SqlCommandBuilder for the DataAdapter
- Create a new datarow with the fields of existing table
- Set the value of each field
- Update the DataAdapter

```
$myDataAdapter = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlDataAdapter($strCommandText,$myConn)
$myCommandBuilder = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCommandBuilder($myDataAdapter)

# Create DataTable
$myDataTable = New-Object -TypeName System.Data.DataTable
$rowcount = $myDataAdapter.Fill($myDataTable)

# Create a DataRow and add it to the DataTable
$myDataRow = $myDataTables.NewRow()
$myDataRow.CategoryName = "Uneatable"
$myDataRow.Description = "Do not eat it ..."
$myDataTable.Rows.Add($myDataRow)

# Update the source
$myDataAdapter.Update($myDataTable)
```



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Change Data via DataAdapter and DataTable



How to change data on a SQL Server via DataAdapter and DataTable

▪ Update a record

- Create a SqlCommandBuilder for the DataAdapter
- Navigate to the respective datarow
- Set the value of each field
- Update the DataAdapter

```
$strCommandText = "Select * From dbo.Categories"
$myDataAdapter = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlDataAdapter($strCommandText,$myConn)
$myCommandBuilder = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCommandBuilder($myDataAdapter)

# Create DataSet
$myDataTable = New-Object -TypeName System.Data.DataTable
$rowcount = $myDataAdapter.Fill($myDataTable)

# Select a specific DataRow and change it
$myDataTables.Rows[10].Item(1) = "Flowers"

# Update the source
$myDataAdapter.Update($myDataTable)
```



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Change Data via DataAdapter and DataTable



How to change data on a SQL Server via DataAdapter and DataTable

- **Delete a record**
 - Create a SqlCommandBuilder for the DataAdapter
 - Navigate to the respective datarow
 - Use the Delete()-Method of the row
 - Update the DataAdapter

```
$strCommandText = "Select * From dbo.Categories"
$myDataAdapter = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlDataAdapter($strCommandText,$myConn)
$myCommandBuilder = New-Object System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCommandBuilder($myDataAdapter)

# Create DataSet
$myDataTable = New-Object -TypeName System.Data.DataTable
$rowcount = $myDataAdapter.Fill($myDataTable)

# Select a specific DataRow and change it
$myDataTables.Rows[8].Delete()

# Update the source
$myDataAdapter.Update($myDataTable)
```



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Change Data via Commands



How to insert a new dataset with a SqlCommand

- **Insert a new record**
 - Create a SqlCommand and the 'INSERT INTO ...' as constructor-parameter
 - Add the connection to the command
 - Execute the 'ExecuteNonQuery()' method

```
# simple

$strCommandText = "INSERT INTO dbo.Categories ([CategoryName],[Description]) " `
                  "VALUES ('Flowers','Only the best.')"

try
{
    ...
    $myConn.Open()

    $myComm = New-Object -TypeName System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCommand($strCommandText)
    $myComm.Connection = $myConn

    $affectedRows = $myComm.ExecuteNonQuery()
}
```



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Change Data via Commands



How to insert a new dataset with a SqlCommand

▪ Insert a new record

```
# more detailed

$strCommandText = "INSERT INTO dbo.Categories ([CategoryName],[Description])" `
                VALUES (@CatName,@Desc) "

try
{
    ...
    $myConn.Open()

    $myComm = New-Object -TypeName System.Data.SqlClient.SqlCommand($strCommandText)
    $myComm.Connection = $myConn

    $paraCategoryName = New-Object -TypeName System.Data.SqlClient.SqlParameter
    $paraCategoryName.ParameterName = "@catName"
    $paraCategoryName.Value = "Uneatable"
    ...
    ...$myComm.Parameters.Add($paraCategoryName)

    $affectedRows = $myComm.ExecuteNonQuery()
}
```

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Change Data via Commands



How to change data on a SQL Server via SqlCommand

▪ Equivalent to 'INSERT INTO ...'

- Update
- Delete

```
$strCommandText = "UPDATE dbo.Categories SET CategoryName = @CatName" `
                WHERE CategoryID = @CatID"

$strCommandText = "DELETE FROM dbo.Categories WHERE CategoryID = @CatID"
```

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Access a Excel Sheet



How to access data in an Excel Sheet

▪ Access Database Engine

- <http://www.microsoft.com/en-ie/download/details.aspx?id=13255>

▪ System.Data.OleDb.*

- *.OleDbConnection
- *.OleDbCommand
- *.OleDbDataReader
- *.OleDbDataAdapter
- *.OleDbParameter

▪ Connectionsstring

- <http://www.connectionstrings.com>
- "Provider=Microsoft.ACE.OLEDB.12.0; `Data Source = Path-to.xlsx;Extended Properties='Excel 12.0 Xml; HDR = yes';"

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Access a Excel Sheet



▪ Hint

- It's impossible to delete a datarow in a sheet as a whole.
- Workaround: Set all fields to \$null (update) and any further select-statements must have the option NOT NULL
- <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/257819/en-us>

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Lab



- **Create a script to change the LastName of employees**
 - Employees are saved in NorthWind database in the table 'Employees'
 - Define two parameters
 - [parameter(Mandatory=\$true)][String]\$Oldname
 - [parameter(Mandatory=\$true)][String]\$Newname
 - Find the user via Oldname and replace the LastName with Newname

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XML



How to use a XML content as datasource

- **XML wording**
 - Document
 - Tag
 - Attribute
 - Node
- **Getting xml-document**
 - Open a xml-file
 - Convert a collection

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Using XML as Object



How to get XML data by using as object

- **Know the structure**
- **Get data into variable**
- **Navigate through “xml-tree” like through nested arrays**
- **Examples**

```
[xml]$inventory = Get-Content .\Inventory.xml
```

Command	Result
\$myXML.Sites.Site	From all sites all attributes, tags and tags with children
\$myXML.Sites.Site[0]	From first site all attributes, tags and tags with children
\$myXML.Sites.Site.Servers	From all sites all servers (summarized by <Name> or repeating tagname)
\$myXML.Sites.Site.Servers.Server	From all sites all servers all attributes, tags and tags with children
\$myXML.Sites.Site.Servers.Server[1]	From the second server in the document all attributes, tags and tags with children

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Change Data in XML Document



How to change data in xml documents

- **Add a node**
 - (1) Clone a node
 - (2) Change attributes and tags
 - (3) Add clone to document
 - (4) Save document (Attention)

```
[xml]$inventory = Get-Content .\Inventory.xml

$newServer = $inventory.Sites.Site.servers.server[0].Clone()

$newServer.model = "Dell"
$newServer.Name = "Mars"
$newServer.IP = "2.3.4.8"
$newServer.OS = "Windows Server 2012 R2"

$inventory.Sites.Site[1].servers.AppendChild($newServer)

$inventory.Save(path)
```

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Change Data in XML Document



How to change data in XML documents

▪ Change a tag/attribute

- (1) Set new content to existing tag
- (2) Save document

```
[xml]$inventory = Get-Content .\Inventory.xml  
$inventory.Sites.Site.servers.server[0].OS = "Windows 10"  
$inventory.Save (path)
```

▪ Remove a node

- (1) Use method RemoveAll() to delete node
- (2) Save document

```
[xml]$inventory = Get-Content .\Inventory.xml  
$inventory.Sites.Site.servers.server[0].RemoveAll()  
$inventory.Save (path)
```

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Do You Have Any Questions?

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