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Chapter 1: Getting started with MySQL

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5.5
        2010-11-01
5.6
        2013-02-01
5.7
        2015-10-01
```

Section 1.1: Getting Started

Creating a database in MySQL

```
CREATE DATABASE mydb;
Return value:
```

Query OK, 1 row affected (0.05 sec)

Using the created database mydb

```
USE mydb;
```

Return value:

Database Changed

Creating a table in MySQL

CREATE TABLE mytable will create a new table called mytable.

id int unsigned NOT NULL auto_increment creates the id column, this type of field will assign a unique numeric ID to each record in the table (meaning that no two rows can have the same id in this case), MySQL will automatically assign a new, unique value to the record's id field (starting with 1).

Return value:

Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.10 sec)

Inserting a row into a MySQL table

```
INSERT INTO mytable ( username, email )
VALUES ( "myuser@example.com" );
```

Example return value:

Query OK, 1 row affected (0.06 sec)

The varchar a.k.a strings can be also be inserted using single quotes:

```
INSERT INTO mytable ( username, email )
VALUES ( 'username@example.com' );
```

Updating a row into a MySQL table

```
UPDATE mytable SET username="myuser" WHERE id=8
```

Example return value:

Query OK, 1 row affected (0.06 sec)

The **int** value can be inserted in a query without quotes. Strings and Dates must be enclosed in single quote ' or double quotes ".

Deleting a row into a MySQL table

```
DELETE FROM mytable WHERE id=8
```

Example return value:

Query OK, 1 row affected (0.06 sec)

This will delete the row having id is 8.

Selecting rows based on conditions in MySQL

```
SELECT * FROM mytable WHERE username = "myuser";
```

Return value:

+----+

1 row in set (0.00 sec)

Show list of existing databases

```
SHOW databases;
```

Return value:

2 rows in set (0.00 sec)

You can think of "information_schema" as a "master database" that provides access to database metadata.

Show tables in an existing database

```
SHOW tables;
```

Return value:

```
+-----+
| Tables_in_mydb |
+-----+
| mytable |
+-----+
```

1 row in set (0.00 sec)

Show all the fields of a table

```
DESCRIBE databaseName.tableName;
```

or, if already using a database:

```
DESCRIBE tableName;
```

Return value:

Extra may contain auto_increment for example.

Key refers to the type of key that may affect the field. Primary (PRI), Unique (UNI) ...

```
n row in set (0.00 sec)
```

Where n is the number of fields in the table.

Creating user

First, you need to create a user and then give the user permissions on certain databases/tables. While creating the user, you also need to specify where this user can connect from.

```
CREATE USER 'user'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'some_password';
```

Will create a user that can only connect on the local machine where the database is hosted.

```
CREATE USER 'user'@'%' IDENTIFIED BY 'some_password';
```

Will create a user that can connect from anywhere (except the local machine).

Example return value:

Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.00 sec)

Adding privileges

Grant common, basic privileges to the user for all tables of the specified database:

```
GRANT SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE ON databaseName.* TO 'userName'@'localhost';
```

Grant all privileges to the user for all tables on all databases (attention with this):

```
GRANT ALL ON *.* TO 'userName'@'localhost' WITH GRANT OPTION;
```

As demonstrated above, *.* targets all databases and tables, databaseName.* targets all tables of the specific database. It is also possible to specify database and table like so databaseName. tableName.

WITH GRANT OPTION should be left out if the user need not be able to grant other users privileges.

Privileges can be **either**

```
ALL
```

or a combination of the following, each separated by a comma (non-exhaustive list).

```
SELECT
INSERT
UPDATE
```

```
DELETE
CREATE
DROP
```

Note

Generally, you should try to avoid using column or table names containing spaces or using reserved words in SQL. For example, it's best to avoid names like **table** or **first** name.

If you must use such names, put them between back-tick `` delimiters. For example:

```
CREATE TABLE `table`
(
    `first name` VARCHAR(30)
);
```

A query containing the back-tick delimiters on this table might be:

```
SELECT `first name` FROM `table` WHERE `first name` LIKE 'a%';
```

Section 1.2: Information Schema Examples

Processlist

This will show all active & sleeping queries in that order then by how long.

```
SELECT * FROM information_schema.PROCESSLIST ORDER BY INFO DESC, TIME DESC;
```

This is a bit more detail on time-frames as it is in seconds by default

```
SELECT ID, USER, HOST, DB, COMMAND,
TIME as time_seconds,
ROUND(TIME / 60, 2) as time_minutes,
ROUND(TIME / 60 / 60, 2) as time_hours,
STATE, INFO
FROM information_schema.PROCESSLIST ORDER BY INFO DESC, TIME DESC;
```

Stored Procedure Searching

Easily search thru all Stored Procedures for words and wildcards.

```
SELECT * FROM information_schema.ROUTINES WHERE ROUTINE_DEFINITION LIKE '%word%';
```

Chapter 2: Limit and Offset

Section 2.1: Limit and Offset relationship

Considering the following users table:

id username

- 1 User1
- 2 User2
- 3 User3
- 4 User4
- 5 User5

In order to constrain the number of rows in the result set of a <u>SELECT query</u>, the <u>LIMIT</u> clause can be used together with one or two positive integers as arguments (zero included).

LIMIT clause with one argument

When one argument is used, the result set will only be constrained to the number specified in the following manner:

SELECT * FROM users ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 2

id username

- 1 User1
- 2 User2

If the argument's value is θ , the result set will be empty.

Also notice that the **ORDER BY** clause may be important in order to specify the first rows of the result set that will be presented (when ordering by another column).

LIMITclause with two arguments

When two arguments are used in a **LIMIT** clause:

- the **first** argument represents the row from which the result set rows will be presented this number is often mentioned as an **offset**, since it represents the row previous to the initial row of the constrained result set. This allows the argument to receive ② as value and thus taking into consideration the first row of the nonconstrained result set.
- the **second** argument specifies the maximum number of rows to be returned in the result set (similarly to the one argument's example).

Therefore the query:

```
SELECT * FROM users ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 2, 3
```

Presents the following result set:

id username

- 3 User3
- 4 User4
- 5 User5

Notice that when the **offset** argument is 0, the result set will be equivalent to a one argument **LIMIT** clause. This

means that the following 2 queries:

```
SELECT * FROM users ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 0, 2

SELECT * FROM users ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 2
```

Produce the same result set:

id username

- 1 User1
- 2 User2

OFFSET keyword: alternative syntax

An alternative syntax for the **LIMIT** clause with two arguments consists in the usage of the **OFFSET** keyword after the first argument in the following manner:

```
SELECT * FROM users ORDER BY id ASC LIMIT 2 OFFSET 3
```

This query would return the following result set:

id username

- 3 User3
- 4 User4

Notice that in this alternative syntax the arguments have their positions switched:

- the **first** argument represents the number of rows to be returned in the result set;
- the **second** argument represents the offset.

Chapter 3: Creating databases

Parameter Details

CREATE DATABASE Creates a database with the given name CREATE SCHEMA This is a synonym for CREATE DATABASE

IF NOT EXISTS Used to avoid execution error, if specified database already exists

create_specification options specify database characteristics such as CHARACTER SET and COLLATE(database collation)

Section 3.1: Create database, users, and grants

Create a DATABASE. Note that the shortened word SCHEMA can be used as a synonym.

```
CREATE DATABASE Baseball; -- creates a database named Baseball
```

If the database already exists, Error 1007 is returned. To get around this error, try:

```
CREATE DATABASE IF NOT EXISTS Baseball;
```

Similarly,

```
DROP DATABASE IF EXISTS Baseball; -- Drops a database if it exists, avoids Error 1008
DROP DATABASE xyz; -- If xyz does not exist, ERROR 1008 will occur
```

Due to the above Error possibilities, DDL statements are often used with IF EXISTS.

One can create a database with a default CHARACTER SET and collation. For example:

```
CREATE DATABASE Baseball CHARACTER SET utf8 COLLATE utf8_general_ci;

SHOW CREATE DATABASE Baseball;
+-----+
| Database | Create Database | |
| Baseball | CREATE DATABASE `Baseball` /*!40100 DEFAULT CHARACTER SET utf8 */ |
+-----+
```

See your current databases:

Set the currently active database, and see some information:

The above shows the default CHARACTER SET and Collation for the database.

Create a user:

```
CREATE USER 'John123'@'%' IDENTIFIED BY 'OpenSesame';
```

The above creates a user John123, able to connect with any hostname due to the % wildcard. The Password for the user is set to 'OpenSesame' which is hashed.

And create another:

```
CREATE USER 'John456'@'%' IDENTIFIED BY 'somePassword';
```

Show that the users have been created by examining the special mysql database:

Note that at this point, the users have been created, but without any permissions to use the Baseball database.

Work with permissions for users and databases. Grant rights to user John123 to have full privileges on the Baseball database, and just SELECT rights for the other user:

```
GRANT ALL ON Baseball.* TO 'John123'@'%';
GRANT SELECT ON Baseball.* TO 'John456'@'%';
```

Verify the above:

Note that the **GRANT USAGE** that you will always see means simply that the user may login. That is all that that means.

Section 3.2: Creating and Selecting a Database

If the administrator creates your database for you when setting up your permissions, you can begin using it. Otherwise, you need to create it yourself:

```
mysql> CREATE DATABASE menagerie;
```

Under Unix, database names are case sensitive (unlike SQL keywords), so you must always refer to your database as menagerie, not as Menagerie, MENAGERIE, or some other variant. This is also true for table names. (Under Windows, this restriction does not apply, although you must refer to databases and tables using the same lettercase throughout a given query. However, for a variety of reasons, the recommended best practice is always to use the same lettercase that was used when the database was created.)

Creating a database does not select it for use; you must do that explicitly. To make menagerie the current database, use this statement:

```
mysql> USE menagerie
Database changed
```

Your database needs to be created only once, but you must select it for use each time you begin a mysql session. You can do this by issuing a USE statement as shown in the example. Alternatively, you can select the database on the command line when you invoke mysql. Just specify its name after any connection parameters that you might need to provide. For example:

```
shell> mysql -h host -u user -p menagerie
Enter password: *******
```

Section 3.3: MyDatabase

You *must* create your own database, and not use write to any of the existing databases. This is likely to be one of the very first things to do after getting connected the first time.

```
CREATE DATABASE my_db;
USE my_db;
CREATE TABLE some_table;
INSERT INTO some_table ...;
```

You can reference your table by qualifying with the database name: my_db.some_table.

Section 3.4: System Databases

The following databases exist for MySQL's use. You may read (**SELECT**) them, but you must not write (**INSERT/UPDATE/DELETE**) the tables in them. (There are a few exceptions.)

- mysql -- repository for **GRANT** info and some other things.
- information_schema -- The tables here are 'virtual' in the sense that they are actually manifested by inmemory structures. Their contents include the schema for all tables.
- performance_schema -- ?? [please accept, then edit]
- others?? (for MariaDB, Galera, TokuDB, etc)

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Option	Effect
	# Server login options
-h (host)	Host (IP address or hostname) to connect to. Default is localhost (127.0.0.1) Example: -h localhost
-u (user)	MySQL user
-p(password)	MySQL password. Important : When using -p, there must not be a space between the option and the password. Example: -pMyPassword
	# Dump options
add-drop- <mark>database</mark>	Add a DROP DATABASE statement before each CREATE DATABASE statement. Useful if you want to replace databases in the server.
add-drop- table	Add a DROP TABLE statement before each CREATE TABLE statement. Useful if you want to replace tables in the server.
no-create-db	Suppress the CREATE DATABASE statements in the dump. This is useful when you're sure the database(s) you're dumping already exist(s) in the server where you'll load the dump.
-t(no-create-info	Suppress all CREATE TABLE statements in the dump. This is useful when you want to dump only the data from the tables and will use the dump file to populate identical tables in another database / server.
-d (no- data)	Do not write table information. This will only dump the CREATE TABLE statements. Useful for creating "template" databases
-R(routines)	Include stored procedures / functions in the dump.
-K (disable- keys)	Disable keys for each table before inserting the data, and enable keys after the data is inserted. This speeds up inserts only in MylSAM tables with non-unique indexes.

Section 4.1: Specifying username and password

```
> mysqldump -u username -p [other options]
Enter password:
```

If you need to specify the password on the command line (e.g. in a script), you can add it after the -p option without a space:

```
> mysqldump -u username -ppassword [other options]
```

If you password contains spaces or special characters, remember to use escaping depending on your shell / system.

Optionally the extended form is:

```
> mysqldump --user=username --password=password [other options]
```

(Explicity specifying the password on the commandline is Not Recommended due to security concerns.)

Section 4.2: Creating a backup of a database or table

Create a snapshot of a whole database:

```
mysqldump [options] db_name > filename.sql
```

Create a snapshot of multiple databases:

```
mysqldump [options] --databases db_name1 db_name2 ... > filename.sql
mysqldump [options] --all-databases > filename.sql
```

Create a snapshot of one or more tables:

```
mysqldump [options] db_name table_name... > filename.sql
```

Create a snapshot excluding one or more tables:

```
mysqldump [options] db_name --ignore-table=tbl1 --ignore-table=tbl2 ... > filename.sql
```

The file extension .sql is fully a matter of style. Any extension would work.

Section 4.3: Restoring a backup of a database or table

```
mysql [options] db_name < filename.sql</pre>
```

Note that:

- db_name needs to be an existing database;
- your authenticated user has sufficient privileges to execute all the commands inside your filename.sql;
- The file extension .sql is fully a matter of style. Any extension would work.
- You cannot specify a table name to load into even though you could specify one to dump from. This must be done within filename.sql.

Alternatively, when in the **MySQL Command line tool**, you can restore (or run any other script) by using the source command:

```
source filename.sql
```

or

\. filename.sql

Section 4.4: Tranferring data from one MySQL server to another

If you need to copy a database from one server to another, you have two options:

Option 1:

- 1. Store the dump file in the source server
- 2. Copy the dump file to your destination server
- 3. Load the dump file into your destination server

On the source server:

```
mysqldump [options] > dump.sql
```

On the destination server, copy the dump file and execute:

```
mysql [options] < dump.sql</pre>
```

Option 2:

If the destination server can connect to the host server, you can use a pipeline to copy the database from one

server to the other:

On the destination server

```
mysqldump [options to connect to the source server] | mysql [options]
```

Similarly, the script could be run on the source server, pushing to the destination. In either case, it is likely to be significantly faster than Option 1.

Section 4.5: mysqldump from a remote server with compression

In order to use compression over the wire for a faster transfer, pass the --compress option to mysqldump. Example:

```
mysqldump -h db.example.com -u username -p --compress dbname > dbname.sql
```

Important: If you don't want to lock up the *source* db, you should also include --lock-tables=false. But you may not get an internally consistent db image that way.

To also save the file compressed, you can pipe to gzip.

```
mysqldump -h db.example.com -u username -p --compress dbname | gzip --stdout > dbname.sql.gz
```

Section 4.6: restore a gzipped mysqldump file without uncompressing

```
gunzip -c dbname.sql.gz | mysql dbname -u username -p
```

Note: -c means write output to stdout.

Section 4.7: Backup database with stored procedures and functions

By default stored procedures and functions or not generated by mysqldump, you will need to add the parameter -routines (or -R):

```
mysqldump -u username -p -R db_name > dump.sql
```

When using <u>--routines</u> the creation and change time stamps are not maintained, instead you should dump and reload the contents of mysql.proc.

Section 4.8: Backup direct to Amazon S3 with compression

If you wish to make a complete backup of a large MySql installation and do not have sufficient local storage, you can dump and compress it directly to an Amazon S3 bucket. It's also a good practice to do this without having the DB password as part of the command:

You are prompted for the password, after which the backup starts.

Chapter 5: Table Creation

Section 5.1: Table creation with Primary Key

```
CREATE TABLE Person (
PersonID INT UNSIGNED NOT NULL,
LastName VARCHAR(66) NOT NULL,
FirstName VARCHAR(66),
Address VARCHAR(255),
City VARCHAR(66),
PRIMARY KEY (PersonID)
);
```

A **primary key** is a **NOT NULL** single or a multi-column identifier which uniquely identifies a row of a table. An <u>index</u> is created, and if not explicitly declared as **NOT NULL**, MySQL will declare them so silently and implicitly.

A table can have only one **PRIMARY KEY**, and each table is recommended to have one. InnoDB will automatically create one in its absence, (as seen in <u>MySQL documentation</u>) though this is less desirable.

Often, an AUTO_INCREMENT INT also known as "surrogate key", is used for thin index optimization and relations with other tables. This value will (normally) increase by 1 whenever a new record is added, starting from a default value of 1.

However, despite its name, it is not its purpose to guarantee that values are incremental, merely that they are sequential and unique.

An auto-increment **INT** value will not reset to its default start value if all rows in the table are deleted, unless the table is truncated using **TRUNCATE TABLE** statement.

Defining one column as Primary Key (inline definition)

If the primary key consists of a single column, the **PRIMARY KEY** clause can be placed inline with the column definition:

```
CREATE TABLE Person (
PersonID INT UNSIGNED NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY,
LastName VARCHAR(66) NOT NULL,
FirstName VARCHAR(66),
Address VARCHAR(255),
City VARCHAR(66)
);
```

This form of the command is shorter and easier to read.

Defining a multiple-column Primary Key

It is also possible to define a primary key comprising more than one column. This might be done e.g. on the child table of a foreign-key relationship. A multi-column primary key is defined by listing the participating columns in a separate **PRIMARY KEY** clause. Inline syntax is not permitted here, as only one column may be declared **PRIMARY KEY** inline. For example:

```
PRIMARY KEY (InvoiceNum, LineNum),
FOREIGN KEY (InvoiceNum) REFERENCES -- references to an attribute of a table
);
```

Note that the columns of the primary key *should* be specified in logical sort order, which *may* be different from the order in which the columns were defined, as in the example above.

Larger indexes require more disk space, memory, and I/O. Therefore keys should be as small as possible (especially regarding composed keys). In InnoDB, every 'secondary index' includes a copy of the columns of the **PRIMARY KEY**.

Section 5.2: Basic table creation

The **CREATE TABLE** statement is used to create a table in a MySQL database.

Every field definition must have:

- 1. Field name: A valid field Name. Make sure to encolse the names in `-chars. This ensures that you can use eg space-chars in the fieldname.
- 2. Data type [Length]: If the field is CHAR or VARCHAR, it is mandatory to specify a field length.
- 3. Attributes **NULL** | **NOT NULL**: If **NOT NULL** is specified, then any attempt to store a **NULL** value in that field will fail.
- 4. See more on data types and their attributes here.

Engine=... is an optional parameter used to specify the table's storage engine. If no storage engine is specified, the table will be created using the server's default table storage engine (usually InnoDB or MyISAM).

Setting defaults

Additionally, where it makes sense you can set a default value for each field by using **DEFAULT**:

```
CREATE TABLE Address (
    `AddressID` INTEGER NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY,
    `Street` VARCHAR(80),
    `City` VARCHAR(80),
    `Country` VARCHAR(80) DEFAULT "United States",
    `Active` BOOLEAN DEFAULT 1,
) Engine=InnoDB;
```

If during inserts no Street is specified, that field will be **NULL** when retrieved. When no Country is specified upon insert, it will default to "United States".

You can set default values for all column types, except for BLOB, TEXT, GEOMETRY, and JSON fields.

Section 5.3: Table creation with Foreign Key

```
PersonID INT UNSIGNED,
PRIMARY KEY (AccountID),
FOREIGN KEY (PersonID) REFERENCES Person (PersonID)

ENGINE=InnoDB;
```

Foreign key: A Foreign Key (FK) is either a single column, or multi-column composite of columns, in a *referencing* table. This FK is confirmed to exist in the *referenced* table. It is highly recommended that the *referenced* table key confirming the FK be a Primary Key, but that is not enforced. It is used as a fast-lookup into the *referenced* where it does not need to be unique, and in fact can be a left-most index there.

Foreign key relationships involve a parent table that holds the central data values, and a child table with identical values pointing back to its parent. The FOREIGN KEY clause is specified in the child table. The parent and child tables must use the same storage engine. They must not be <u>TEMPORARY</u> tables.

Corresponding columns in the foreign key and the referenced key must have similar data types. The size and sign of integer types must be the same. The length of string types need not be the same. For nonbinary (character) string columns, the character set and collation must be the same.

Note: foreign-key constraints are supported under the InnoDB storage engine (not MyISAM or MEMORY). DB setups using other engines will accept this **CREATE TABLE** statement but will not respect foreign-key constraints. (Although newer MySQL versions default to **InnoDB**, but it is good practice to be explicit.)

Section 5.4: Show Table Structure

If you want to see the schema information of your table, you can use one of the following:

```
CREATE TABLE `child` (
   `id` int(11) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
   `fullName` varchar(100) NOT NULL,
   `myParent` int(11) NOT NULL,
   PRIMARY KEY (`id`),
   KEY `mommy_daddy` (`myParent`),
   CONSTRAINT `mommy_daddy` FOREIGN KEY (`myParent`) REFERENCES `parent` (`id`)
        ON DELETE CASCADE ON UPDATE CASCADE
) ENGINE=InnoDB DEFAULT CHARSET=utf8;
```

If used from the mysql commandline tool, this is less verbose:

```
SHOW CREATE TABLE child \G
```

A less descriptive way of showing the table structure:

To see **DESCRIBE** performed on all tables in a database at once, see this **Example**.

Section 5.5: Cloning an existing table

A table can be replicated as follows:

```
CREATE TABLE ClonedPersons LIKE Persons;
```

The new table will have exactly the same structure as the original table, including indexes and column attributes.

As well as manually creating a table, it is also possible to create table by selecting data from another table:

```
CREATE TABLE ClonedPersons SELECT * FROM Persons;
```

You can use any of the normal features of a **SELECT** statement to modify the data as you go:

```
CREATE TABLE ModifiedPersons
SELECT PersonID, FirstName + LastName AS FullName FROM Persons
WHERE LastName IS NOT NULL;
```

Primary keys and indexes will not be preserved when creating tables from **SELECT**. You must redeclare them:

```
CREATE TABLE ModifiedPersons (PRIMARY KEY (PersonID))
SELECT PersonID, FirstName + LastName AS FullName FROM Persons
WHERE LastName IS NOT NULL;
```

Section 5.6: Table Create With TimeStamp Column To Show Last Update

The TIMESTAMP column will show when the row was last updated.

```
CREATE TABLE `TestLastUpdate` (
    `ID` INT NULL,
    `Name` VARCHAR(50) NULL,
    `Address` VARCHAR(50) NULL,
    `LastUpdate` TIMESTAMP NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP ON UPDATE CURRENT_TIMESTAMP)
COMMENT='Last Update'
;
```

Section 5.7: CREATE TABLE FROM SELECT

You can create one table from another by adding a SELECT statement at the end of the CREATE TABLE statement:

```
CREATE TABLE stack (
   id_user INT,
   username VARCHAR(30),
   password VARCHAR(30)
);
```

Create a table in the same database:

```
-- create a table from another table in the same database with all attributes

CREATE TABLE stack2 AS SELECT * FROM stack;

-- create a table from another table in the same database with some attributes

CREATE TABLE stack3 AS SELECT username, password FROM stack;
```

Create tables from different databases:

```
-- create a table from another table from another database with all attributes

CREATE TABLE stack2 AS SELECT * FROM second_db.stack;

-- create a table from another table from another database with some attributes

CREATE TABLE stack3 AS SELECT username, password FROM second_db.stack;
```

N.B

To create a table same of another table that exist in another database, you need to specifies the name of the database like this:

FROM NAME_DATABASE.name_table

Chapter 6: INSERT

Section 6.1: INSERT, ON DUPLICATE KEY UPDATE

```
INSERT INTO `table_name`
   (`index_field`, `other_field_1`, `other_field_2`)
VALUES
   ('index_value', 'insert_value', 'other_value')
ON DUPLICATE KEY UPDATE
   `other_field_1` = 'update_value',
   `other_field_2` = VALUES(`other_field_2`);
```

This will **INSERT** into table_name the specified values, but if the unique key already exists, it will update the other_field_1 to have a new value.

Sometimes, when updating on duplicate key it comes in handy to use <u>VALUES()</u> in order to access the original value that was passed to the <u>INSERT</u> instead of setting the value directly. This way, you can set different values by using <u>INSERT</u> and <u>UPDATE</u>. See the example above where other_field_1 is set to insert_value on <u>INSERT</u> or to update_value on <u>UPDATE</u> while other_field_2 is always set to other_value.

Crucial for the Insert on Duplicate Key Update (IODKU) to work is the schema containing a unique key that will signal a duplicate clash. This unique key can be a Primary Key or not. It can be a unique key on a single column, or a multi-column (composite key).

Section 6.2: Inserting multiple rows

```
INSERT INTO `my_table` (`field_1`, `field_2`) VALUES
    ('data_1', 'data_2'),
    ('data_1', 'data_3'),
    ('data_4', 'data_5');
```

This is an easy way to add several rows at once with one **INSERT** statement.

This kind of 'batch' insert is much faster than inserting rows one by one. Typically, inserting 100 rows in a single batch insert this way is 10 times as fast as inserting them all individually.

Ignoring existing rows

When importing large datasets, it may be preferable under certain circumstances to skip rows that would usually cause the query to fail due to a column restraint e.g. duplicate primary keys. This can be done using **INSERT IGNORE**.

Consider following example database:

```
SELECT * FROM `people`;
--- Produces:
+---+----+
| id | name |
+---+----+
| 1 | john |
| 2 | anna |
| 3 | mike |
+---+-----+
```

The important thing to remember is that *INSERT IGNORE* will also silently skip other errors too, here is what Mysql official documentations says:

Data conversions that would trigger errors abort the statement if IGNORE is not > specified. With IGNORE, invalid values are adjusted to the closest values and >inserted; warnings are produced but the statement does not abort.

Note: The section below is added for the sake of completeness, but is not considered best practice (this would fail, for example, if another column was added into the table).

If you specify the value of the corresponding column for all columns in the table, you can ignore the column list in the **INSERT** statement as follows:

```
INSERT INTO `my_table` VALUES
          ('data_1', 'data_2'),
          ('data_1', 'data_3'),
          ('data_4', 'data_5');
```

Section 6.3: Basic Insert

```
INSERT INTO `table_name` (`field_one`, `field_two`) VALUES ('value_one', 'value_two');
```

In this trivial example, table_name is where the data are to be added, field_one and field_two are fields to set data against, and value_one and value_two are the data to do against field_one and field_two respectively.

It's good practice to list the fields you are inserting data into within your code, as if the table changes and new columns are added, your insert would break should they not be there

Section 6.4: INSERT with AUTO_INCREMENT + LAST_INSERT_ID()

When a table has an AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY, normally one does not insert into that column. Instead, specify all the other columns, then ask what the new id was.

```
CREATE TABLE t (
   id SMALLINT UNSIGNED AUTO_INCREMENT NOT NULL,
   this ...,
   that ...,
   PRIMARY KEY(id) );

INSERT INTO t (this, that) VALUES (..., ...);
SELECT LAST_INSERT_ID() INTO @id;
INSERT INTO another_table (..., t_id, ...) VALUES (..., @id, ...);
```

Note that LAST_INSERT_ID() is tied to the session, so even if multiple connections are inserting into the same table, each with get its own id.

Your client API probably has an alternative way of getting the LAST_INSERT_ID() without actually performing a **SELECT** and handing the value back to the client instead of leaving it in an @variable inside MySQL. Such is usually preferable.

Longer, more detailed, example

The "normal" usage of IODKU is to trigger "duplicate key" based on some UNIQUE key, not the AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY. The following demonstrates such. Note that it does *not* supply the id in the INSERT.

Setup for examples to follow:

```
CREATE TABLE iodku (
   id INT AUTO_INCREMENT NOT NULL,
   name VARCHAR(99) NOT NULL,
   misc INT NOT NULL,
   PRIMARY KEY(id),
   UNIQUE(name)
) ENGINE=InnoDB;
INSERT INTO iodku (name, misc)
   VALUES
   ('Leslie', 123),
   ('Sally', 456);
Query OK, 2 rows affected (0.00 sec)
Records: 2 Duplicates: 0 Warnings: 0
+---+
| id | name | misc |
+---+
| 1 | Leslie | 123 |
| 2 | Sally | 456 |
+---+
```

The case of IODKU performing an "update" and LAST_INSERT_ID() retrieving the relevant id:

The case where IODKU performs an "insert" and LAST_INSERT_ID() retrieves the new id:

Resulting table contents:

Section 6.5: INSERT SELECT (Inserting data from another Table)

This is the basic way to insert data from another table with the SELECT statement.

```
INSERT INTO `tableA` (`field_one`, `field_two`)
   SELECT `tableB`.`field_one`, `tableB`.`field_two`
   FROM `tableB`
   WHERE `tableB`.clmn <> 'someValue'
   ORDER BY `tableB`.`sorting_clmn`;
```

You can **SELECT** * **FROM**, but then tableA and tableB *must* have matching column count and corresponding datatypes.

Columns with AUTO_INCREMENT are treated as in the INSERT with VALUES clause.

This syntax makes it easy to fill (temporary) tables with data from other tables, even more so when the data is to be filtered on the insert.

Section 6.6: Lost AUTO INCREMENT ids

Several 'insert' functions can "burn" ids. Here is an example, using InnoDB (other Engines may work differently):

```
CREATE TABLE Burn (
   id SMALLINT UNSIGNED AUTO_INCREMENT NOT NULL,
   name VARCHAR(99) NOT NULL,
   PRIMARY KEY(id),
   UNIQUE(name)
        ) ENGINE=InnoDB;

INSERT IGNORE INTO Burn (name) VALUES ('first'), ('second');

SELECT LAST_INSERT_ID(); -- 1

SELECT * FROM Burn ORDER BY id;
+---+---+
        | 1 | first |
        | 2 | second |
+---+----+

INSERT IGNORE INTO Burn (name) VALUES ('second'); -- dup 'IGNOREd', but id=3 is burned

SELECT LAST_INSERT_ID(); -- Still "1" -- can't trust in this situation
```

Think of it (roughly) this way: First the insert looks to see how many rows *might* be inserted. Then grab that many values from the auto_increment for that table. Finally, insert the rows, using ids as needed, and burning any left overs.

The only time the leftover are recoverable is if the system is shutdown and restarted. On restart, effectively MAX(id) is performed. This may reuse ids that were burned or that were freed up by DELETEs of the highest id(s).

Essentially any flavor of **INSERT** (including **REPLACE**, which is **DELETE** + **INSERT**) can burn ids. In InnoDB, the global (not session!) variable <u>innodb_autoinc_lock_mode</u> can be used to control some of what is going on.

When "normalizing" long strings into an AUTO INCREMENT id, burning can easily happen. This *could* lead to overflowing the size of the INT you chose.

Chapter 7: Error codes

Section 7.1: Error code 1064: Syntax error

```
select LastName, FirstName,
from Person
```

Returns message:

Error Code: 1064. You have an error in your SQL syntax; check the manual that corresponds to your MySQL server version for the right syntax to use near 'from Person' at line 2.

Getting a "1064 error" message from MySQL means the query cannot be parsed without syntax errors. In other words it can't make sense of the query.

The quotation in the error message begins with the first character of the query that MySQL can't figure out how to parse. In this example MySQL can't make sense, in context, of **from** Person. In this case, there's an extra comma immediately before **from** Person. The comma tells MySQL to expect another column description in the **SELECT** clause

A syntax error always says . . . near '...'. The thing at the beginning of the quotes is very near where the error is. To locate an error, look at the first token in the quotes and at the last token before the quotes.

Sometimes you will get ... near ''; that is, nothing in the quotes. That means the first character MySQL can't figure out is right at the end or the beginning of the statement. This suggests the query contains unbalanced quotes (' or ") or unbalanced parentheses or that you did not terminate the statement before correctly.

In the case of a Stored Routine, you may have forgotten to properly use DELIMITER.

So, when you get Error 1064, look at the text of the query, and find the point mentioned in the error message. Visually inspect the text of the query right around that point.

If you ask somebody to help you troubleshoot Error 1064, it's best to provide both the text of the whole query and the text of the error message.

Section 7.2: Error code 1175: Safe Update

This error appears while trying to update or delete records without including the WHERE clause that uses the KEY column.

To execute the delete or update anyway - type:

```
SET SQL_SAFE_UPDATES = 0;
```

To enable the safe mode again - type:

```
SET SQL_SAFE_UPDATES = 1;
```

Section 7.3: Error code 1215: Cannot add foreign key

constraint

This error occurs when tables are not adequately structured to handle the speedy lookup verification of Foreign Key (FK) requirements that the developer is mandating.

```
CREATE TABLE `gtType` (
    `type` char(2) NOT NULL,
    `description` varchar(1000) NOT NULL,
    PRIMARY KEY (`type`)
) ENGINE=InnoDB;

CREATE TABLE `getTogethers` (
    `id` int(11) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
    `type` char(2) NOT NULL,
    `eventDT` datetime NOT NULL,
    `location` varchar(1000) NOT NULL,
    PRIMARY KEY (`id`),
    KEY `fk_gt2type` (`type`), -- see Note1 below
    CONSTRAINT `gettogethers_ibfk_1` FOREIGN KEY (`type`) REFERENCES `gtType` (`type`)
) ENGINE=InnoDB;
```

Note1: a KEY like this will be created automatically if needed due to the FK definition in the line that follows it. The developer can skip it, and the KEY (a.k.a. index) will be added if necessary. An example of it being skipped by the developer is shown below in some0ther.

So far so good, until the below call.

```
CREATE TABLE `someOther` (
   `id` int(11) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
   `someDT` datetime NOT NULL,
   PRIMARY KEY (`id`),
   CONSTRAINT `someOther_dt` FOREIGN KEY (`someDT`) REFERENCES `getTogethers` (`eventDT`)
) ENGINE=InnoDB;
```

Error Code: 1215. Cannot add foreign key constraint

In this case it fails due to the lack of an index in the *referenced* table getTogethers to handle the speedy lookup of an eventDT. To be solved in next statement.

```
CREATE INDEX `gt_eventdt` ON getTogethers (`eventDT`);
```

Table getTogethers has been modified, and now the creation of someOther will succeed.

From the MySQL Manual Page <u>Using FOREIGN KEY Constraints</u>:

MySQL requires indexes on foreign keys and referenced keys so that foreign key checks can be fast and not require a table scan. In the referencing table, there must be an index where the foreign key columns are listed as the first columns in the same order. Such an index is created on the referencing table automatically if it does not exist.

Corresponding columns in the foreign key and the referenced key must have similar data types. The size and sign of integer types must be the same. The length of string types need not be the same. For nonbinary (character) string columns, the character set and collation must be the same.

InnoDB permits a foreign key to reference any index column or group of columns. However, in the referenced table, there must be an index where the referenced columns are listed as the first columns in the same order.

Note that last point above about first (left-most) columns and the lack of a Primary Key requirement (though highly advised).

Upon successful creation of a *referencing* (child) table, any keys that were automatically created for you are visible with a command such as the following:

SHOW CREATE TABLE someOther;

Other common cases of experiencing this error include, as mentioned above from the docs, but should be highlighted:

- Seemingly trivial differences in INT which is signed, pointing toward INT UNSIGNED.
- Developers having trouble understanding multi-column (composite) KEYS and first (left-most) ordering requirements.

Section 7.4: 1067, 1292, 1366, 1411 - Bad Value for number, date, default, etc

1067 This is probably related to **TIMESTAMP** defaults, which have changed over time. See **TIMESTAMP** defaults in the Dates & Times page. (which does not exist yet)

1292/1366 DOUBLE/Integer Check for letters or other syntax errors. Check that the columns align; perhaps you think you are putting into a **VARCHAR** but it is aligned with a numeric column.

1292 DATETIME Check for too far in past or future. Check for between 2am and 3am on a morning when Daylight savings changed. Check for bad syntax, such as +00 timezone stuff.

1292 VARIABLE Check the allowed values for the VARIABLE you are trying to **SET**.

1292 LOAD DATA Look at the line that is 'bad'. Check the escape symbols, etc. Look at the datatypes.

1411 STR_TO_DATE Incorrectly formatted date?

Section 7.5: 1045 Access denied

See discussions in "GRANT" and "Recovering root password".

Section 7.6: 1236 "impossible position" in Replication

Usually this means that the Master crashed and that sync_binlog was OFF. The solution is to CHANGE MASTER to POS=0 of the next binlog file (see the Master) on the Slave.

The cause: The Master sends replication items to the Slave before flushing to its binlog (when sync_binlog=0FF). If the Master crashes before the flush, the Slave has already logically moved past the end of file on the binlog. When the Master starts up again, it starts a new binlog, so CHANGEing to the beginning of that binlog is the best available solution.

A longer term solution is sync_binlog=0N, if you can afford the extra I/O that it causes.

Section 7.7: 2002, 2003 Cannot connect

Check for a Firewall issue blocking port 3306.

Some possible diagnostics and/or solutions

- Is the server actually running?
- "service firewalld stop" and "systemctl disable firewalld"
- telnet master 3306
- Check the bind-address
- check skip-name-resolve
- check the socket.

Section 7.8: 126, 127, 134, 144, 145

When you try access the records from MySQL database, you may get these error messages. These error messages occurred due to corruption in MySQL database. Following are the types

```
MySQL error code 126 = Index file is crashed

MySQL error code 127 = Record-file is crashed

MySQL error code 134 = Record was already deleted (or record file crashed)

MySQL error code 144 = Table is crashed and last repair failed

MySQL error code 145 = Table was marked as crashed and should be repaired
```

MySQL bug, virus attack, server crash, improper shutdown, damaged table are the reason behind this corruption. When it gets corrupted, it becomes inaccessible and you cannot access them anymore. In order to get accessibility, the best way to retrieve data from an updated backup. However, if you do not have updated or any valid backup then you can go for MySQL Repair.

If the table engine type is MyISAM, apply CHECK TABLE, then REPAIR TABLE to it.

Then think seriously about converting to InnoDB, so this error won't happen again.

Syntax

```
CHECK TABLE  ///To check the extent of database corruption
REPAIR TABLE  ///To repair table
```

Section 7.9: 139

Error 139 may mean that the number and size of the fields in the table definition exceeds some limit. Workarounds:

- · Re-think the schema
- Normalize some fields
- Vertically partition the table

Section 7.10: 1366

This usually means that the character set handling was not consistent between client and server. See ... for further assistance.

Section 7.11: 126, 1054, 1146, 1062, 24

(taking a break) With the inclusion of those 4 error numbers, I think this page will have covered about 50% of the typical errors users get.

(Yes, this 'Example' needs revision.)

24 Can't open file (Too many open files)

open_files_limit comes from an OS setting. table_open_cache needs to be less than that.

These can cause that error:

- Failure to DEALLOCATE PREPARE in a stored procedure.
- PARTITIONed table(s) with a large number of partitions and innodb_file_per_table = ON. Recommend not having more than 50 partitions in a given table (for various reasons). (When "Native Partitions" become available, this advice may change.)

The obvious workaround is to set increase the OS limit: To allow more files, change ulimit or /etc/security/limits.conf or in sysctl.conf (kern.maxfiles & kern.maxfilesperproc) or something else (OS dependent). Then increase open_files_limit and table_open_cache.

As of 5.6.8, open_files_limit is auto-sized based on max_connections, but it is OK to change it from the default.

1062 - Duplicate Entry

This error occur mainly because of the following two reasons

```
1. Duplicate Value - Error Code: 1062. Duplicate entry '12' for key 'PRIMARY'
```

The primary key column is unique and it will not accept the duplicate entry. So when you are trying to insert a new row which is already present in you table will produce this error.

To solve this, Set the primary key column as **AUTO_INCREMENT**. And when you are trying to insert a new row, ignore the primary key column or insert **NULL** value to primary key.

```
CREATE TABLE userDetails(
   userId INT(10) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
   firstName VARCHAR(50),
   lastName VARCHAR(50),
   isActive INT(1) DEFAULT 0,
   PRIMARY KEY (userId) );

--->and now while inserting
INSERT INTO userDetails VALUES (NULL , 'John', 'Doe', 1);
```

2. Unique data field - Error Code: 1062. Duplicate entry 'A' for key 'code'

You may assigned a column as unique and trying to insert a new row with already existing value for that column will produce this error.

To overcome this error, use **INSERT IGNORE** instead of normal **INSERT**. If the new row which you are trying to insert doesn't duplicate an existing record, MySQL inserts it as usual. If the record is a duplicate, the **IGNORE** keyword discard it without generating any error.

INSERT IGNORE INTO userDetails VALUES (NULL ,'John', 'Doe', 1);

Chapter 8: Stored routines (procedures and functions)

Parameter Details

RETURNS Specifies the data type that can be returned from a function.

RETURN Actual variable or value following the RETURN syntax is what is returned to where the function was called from.

Section 8.1: Stored procedure with IN, OUT, INOUT parameters

```
DELIMITER $$
DROP PROCEDURE IF EXISTS sp_nested_loop$$
CREATE PROCEDURE sp_nested_loop(IN i INT, IN j INT, OUT x INT, OUT y INT, INOUT z INT)
   DECLARE a INTEGER DEFAULT 0;
   DECLARE b INTEGER DEFAULT 0;
   DECLARE c INTEGER DEFAULT 0;
   WHILE a < i DO
       WHILE b < j DO
           SET c = c + 1;
           SET b = b + 1;
       END WHILE;
       SET a = a + 1;
       SET b = 0;
   END WHILE:
    SET x = a, y = c;
    SET z = x + y + z;
END $$
DELIMITER;
```

Invokes (CALL) the stored procedure:

```
SET @z = 30;
call sp_nested_loop(10, 20, @x, @y, @z);
SELECT @x, @y, @z;
```

Result:

```
+----+
| @x | @y | @z |
+----+
| 10 | 200 | 240 |
+----+
```

An **IN** parameter passes a value into a procedure. The procedure might modify the value, but the modification is not visible to the caller when the procedure returns.

An **out** parameter passes a value from the procedure back to the caller. Its initial value is NULL within the procedure, and its value is visible to the caller when the procedure returns.

An **INOUT** parameter is initialized by the caller, can be modified by the procedure, and any change made by the procedure is visible to the caller when the procedure returns.

Section 8.2: Create a Function

The following (trivial) example function simply returns the constant **INT** value 12.

```
DELIMITER ||
CREATE FUNCTION functionname()
RETURNS INT
BEGIN
    RETURN 12;
END;
||
DELIMITER ;
```

The first line defines what the delimiter character(DELIMITER ||) is to be changed to, this is needed to be set before a function is created otherwise if left it at its default; then the first; that is found in the function body will be taken as the end of the CREATE statement, which is usually not what is desired.

After the **CREATE FUNCTION** has run you should set the delimiter back to its default of; as is seen after the function code in the above example (DELIMITER;).

Execution this function is as follows:

```
SELECT functionname();
+-----+
| functionname() |
+-----+
| 12 |
+-----+
```

A slightly more complex (but still trivial) example takes a parameter and adds a constant to it:

```
DELIMITER $$

CREATE FUNCTION add_2 ( my_arg INT )

RETURNS INT

BEGIN

RETURN (my_arg + 2);
END;
$$

DELIMITER;

SELECT add_2(12);
+-----+
| add_2(12) |
+-----+
| 14 |
+------+
```

Note the use of a different argument to the DELIMITER directive. You can actually use any character sequence that does not appear in the **CREATE** statement body, but the usual practice is to use a doubled non-alphanumeric character such as \\, | | or \$\$.

It is good practice to always change the parameter before and after a function, procedure or trigger creation or update as some GUI's don't require the delimiter to change whereas running queries via the command line always require the delimiter to be set.

Section 8.3: Cursors

Cursors enable you to itterate results of query one by line. **DECLARE** command is used to init cursor and associate it with a specific SQL query:

```
DECLARE student CURSOR FOR SELECT name FROM studend;
```

Let's say we sell products of some types. We want to count how many products of each type are exists.

Our data:

```
CREATE TABLE product
      INT(10) UNSIGNED NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,
 id
 type VARCHAR(50)
                      NOT NULL,
 name VARCHAR(255)
                       NOT NULL
CREATE TABLE product_type
 name VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY
CREATE TABLE product_type_count
                        NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY,
  type VARCHAR(50)
 count INT(10) UNSIGNED NOT NULL DEFAULT 0
);
INSERT INTO product_type (name) VALUES
  ('dress'),
  ('food');
INSERT INTO product (type, name) VALUES
  ('dress', 'T-shirt'),
  ('dress', 'Trousers'),
  ('food', 'Apple'),
('food', 'Tomatoes'),
  ('food', 'Meat');
```

We may achieve the goal using stored procedure with using cursor:

```
DELIMITER //
DROP PROCEDURE IF EXISTS product_count;
CREATE PROCEDURE product_count()
  BEGIN
    DECLARE p_type VARCHAR(255);
    DECLARE p_count INT(10) UNSIGNED;
    DECLARE done INT DEFAULT 0;
    DECLARE product CURSOR FOR
      SELECT
        type,
        COUNT(*)
      FROM product
      GROUP BY type:
    DECLARE CONTINUE HANDLER FOR SQLSTATE '02000' SET done = 1;
    TRUNCATE product_type;
    OPEN product;
```

```
REPEAT
    FETCH product
    INTO p_type, p_count;
    IF NOT done
    THEN
        INSERT INTO product_type_count
    SET
            type = p_type,
            count = p_count;
    END IF;
    UNTIL done
    END REPEAT;

CLOSE product;
END //
DELIMITER;
```

When you may call procedure with:

```
CALL product_count();
```

Result would be in product_type_count table:

```
type | count
------dress | 2
food | 3
```

While that is a good example of a CURSOR, notice how the entire body of the procedure can be replaced by just

```
INSERT INTO product_type_count
          (type, count)
SELECT type, COUNT(*)
FROM product
GROUP BY type;
```

This will run a lot faster.

Section 8.4: Multiple ResultSets

Unlike a **SELECT** statement, a Stored **Procedure** returns multiple result sets. The requires different code to be used for gathering the results of a **CALL** in Perl, PHP, etc.

(Need specific code here or elsewhere!)

Section 8.5: Create a function

```
DELIMITER $$
CREATE
    DEFINER=`db_username`@`hostname_or_IP`
    FUNCTION `function_name`(optional_param data_type(length_if_applicable))
    RETURNS data_type
BEGIN
    /*
    SQL Statements goes here
    */
END$$
```

DELIMITER ;

The RETURNS data_type is any MySQL datatype.

Chapter 9: Reserved Words

MySQL has some special names called *reserved words*. A reserved word can be used as an identifier for a table, column, etc. only if it's wrapped in backticks (`), otherwise it will give rise to an error.

To avoid such errors, either don't use reserved words as identifiers or wrap the offending identifier in backticks.

Section 9.1: Errors due to reserved words

When trying to select from a table called order like this

select * from order

the error rises:

Error Code: 1064. You have an error in your SQL syntax; check the manual that corresponds to your MySQL server version for the right syntax to use near 'order' at line 1

Reserved keywords in MySQL need to be escaped with backticks (`)

select * from `order`

to distinguish between a keyword and a table or column name.

See also: Syntax error due to using a reserved word as a table or column name in MySQL.

Chapter 10: String operations

Name Description

ASCII() Return numeric value of left-most character

BIN() Return a string containing binary representation of a number

BIT_LENGTH() Return length of argument in bits

CHAR() Return the character for each integer passed CHAR_LENGTH() Return number of characters in argument

CHARACTER_LENGTH() Synonym for CHAR_LENGTH()
CONCAT() Return concatenated string
CONCAT_WS() Return concatenate with separator
ELT() Return string at index number

EXPORT_SET()

Return a string such that for every bit set in the value bits, you get an on string and for every

unset bit, you get an off string

FIELD() Return the index (position) of the first argument in the subsequent arguments FIND_IN_SET() Return the index position of the first argument within the second argument

FORMAT() Return a number formatted to specified number of decimal places

FROM_BASE64() Decode to a base-64 string and return result

HEX() Return a hexadecimal representation of a decimal or string value

INSERT() Insert a substring at the specified position up to the specified number of characters

INSTR() Return the index of the first occurrence of substring

LCASE() Synonym for LOWER()

LEFT() Return the leftmost number of characters as specified

LENGTH() Return the length of a string in bytes

LOAD_FILE() Simple pattern matching LOAD_FILE() Load the named file

LOCATE() Return the position of the first occurrence of substring

LOWER() Return the argument in lowercase

LPAD() Return the string argument, left-padded with the specified string

LTRIM() Remove leading spaces

MAKE_SET() Return a set of comma-separated strings that have the corresponding bit in bits set

MATCH Perform full-text search

MID() Return a substring starting from the specified position

NOT LIKE Negation of simple pattern matching

NOT REGEXP Negation of REGEXP

OCT() Return a string containing octal representation of a number

OCTET_LENGTH() Synonym for LENGTH()

ORD() Return character code for leftmost character of the argument

POSITION() Synonym for LOCATE()

QUOTE() Escape the argument for use in an SQL statement REGEXP Pattern matching using regular expressions REPEAT() Repeat a string the specified number of times REPLACE() Replace occurrences of a specified string

REVERSE() Reverse the characters in a string

RIGHT() Return the specified rightmost number of characters

RLIKE Synonym for REGEXP

RPAD() Append string the specified number of times

RTRIM() Remove trailing spaces SOUNDEX() Return a soundex string

SOUNDS LIKE Compare sounds

SPACE() Return a string of the specified number of spaces

STRCMP() Compare two strings

SUBSTR() Return the substring as specified SUBSTRING() Return the substring as specified

SUBSTRING_INDEX() Return a substring from a string before the specified number of occurrences of the

delimiter

TO BASE64() Return the argument converted to a base-64 string

TRIM() Remove leading and trailing spaces

UCASE() Synonym for UPPER()

UNHEX() Return a string containing hex representation of a number

UPPER() Convert to uppercase

WEIGHT_STRING() Return the weight string for a string

Section 10.1: LENGTH()

Return the length of the string in bytes. Since some characters may be encoded using more than one byte, if you want the length in characters see CHAR_LENGTH()

Syntax: LENGTH(str)

```
LENGTH('foobar') -- 6
LENGTH('fööbar') -- 8 -- contrast with CHAR_LENGTH(...) = 6
```

Section 10.2: CHAR_LENGTH()

Return the number of characters in the string

Syntax: CHAR_LENGTH(str)

```
CHAR_LENGTH('foobar') -- 6
CHAR_LENGTH('fööbar') -- 6 -- contrast with LENGTH(...) = 8
```

Section 10.3: HEX(str)

Convert the argument to hexadecimal. This is used for strings.

```
HEX('fööbar') -- 66F6F6626172 -- in "CHARACTER SET latin1" because "F6" is hex for ö
HEX('fööbar') -- 66C3B6C3B6626172 -- in "CHARACTER SET utf8 or utf8mb4" because "C3B6" is hex for ö
```

Section 10.4: SUBSTRING()

SUBSTRING (or equivalent: SUBSTR) returns the substring starting from the specified position and, optionally, with the specified length

Syntax: SUBSTRING(str, start_position)

```
SELECT SUBSTRING('foobarbaz', 4); -- 'barbaz'
SELECT SUBSTRING('foobarbaz' FROM 4); -- 'barbaz'

-- using negative indexing
SELECT SUBSTRING('foobarbaz', -6); -- 'barbaz'
SELECT SUBSTRING('foobarbaz' FROM -6); -- 'barbaz'
```

Syntax: SUBSTRING(str, start_position, length)

```
SELECT SUBSTRING('foobarbaz', 4, 3); -- 'bar'
SELECT SUBSTRING('foobarbaz', FROM 4 FOR 3); -- 'bar'
-- using negative indexing
```

```
SELECT SUBSTRING('foobarbaz', -6, 3); -- 'bar'
SELECT SUBSTRING('foobarbaz' FROM -6 FOR 3); -- 'bar'
```

Section 10.5: UPPER() / UCASE()

Convert in uppercase the string argument

Syntax: UPPER(str)

```
UPPER('f0oBar') -- 'F00BAR'
UCASE('f0oBar') -- 'F00BAR'
```

Section 10.6: STR_TO_DATE - Convert string to date

With a column of one of the string types, named my_date_field with a value such as [the string] 07/25/2016, the following statement demonstrates the use of the STR_TO_DATE function:

```
SELECT STR_TO_DATE(my_date_field, '%m/%d/%Y') FROM my_table;
```

You could use this function as part of WHERE clause as well.

Section 10.7: LOWER() / LCASE()

Convert in lowercase the string argument

Syntax: LOWER(str)

```
LOWER('f0oBar') -- 'foobar'
LCASE('f0oBar') -- 'foobar'
```

Section 10.8: REPLACE()

Convert in lowercase the string argument

Syntax: REPLACE(str, from_str, to_str)

```
REPLACE('foobarbaz', 'bar', 'BAR') -- 'fooBARbaz'
REPLACE('foobarbaz', 'zzz', 'ZZZ') -- 'foobarbaz'
```

Section 10.9: Find element in comma separated list

```
SELECT FIND_IN_SET('b', 'a,b,c');
```

Return value:

2

```
SELECT FIND_IN_SET('d','a,b,c');
```

Return value:

Chapter 11: DELETE

Parameter Details

LOW_PRIORITY If LOW_PRIORITY is provided, the delete will be delayed until there are no processes reading

from the table

IGNORE If IGNORE is provided, all errors encountered during the delete are ignored

table The table from which you are going to delete records

WHERE conditions

The conditions that must be met for the records to be deleted. If no conditions are provided,

then all records from the table will be deleted

ORDER BY expression If ORDER BY is provided, records will be deleted in the given order

LIMIT It controls the maximum number of records to delete from the table. Given number_rows will

be deleted.

Section 11.1: Multi-Table Deletes

MySQL's **DELETE** statement can use the **JOIN** construct, allowing also to specify which tables to delete from. This is useful to avoid nested queries. Given the schema:

```
create table people
(    id int primary key,
    name varchar(100) not null,
    gender char(1) not null
);
insert people (id,name,gender) values
(1,'Kathy','f'),(2,'John','m'),(3,'Paul','m'),(4,'Kim','f');

create table pets
(    id int auto_increment primary key,
    ownerId int not null,
    name varchar(100) not null,
    color varchar(100) not null
);
insert pets(ownerId,name,color) values
(1,'Rover','beige'),(2,'Bubbles','purple'),(3,'Spot','black and white'),
(1,'Rover2','white');
```

id name gender

```
1 Kathy f
2 John m
3 Paul m
4 Kim f
```

id ownerld name color

```
1 1 Rover beige2 2 Bubbles purple4 1 Rover2 white
```

If we want to remove Paul's pets, the statement

```
DELETE p2
FROM pets p2
WHERE p2.ownerId in (
    SELECT p1.id
    FROM people p1
    WHERE p1.name = 'Paul');
```

can be rewritten as:

```
DELETE p2 -- remove only rows from pets
FROM people p1
JOIN pets p2
ON p2.ownerId = p1.id
WHERE p1.name = 'Paul';
```

1 row deleted

Spot is deleted from Pets

p1 and p2 are aliases for the table names, especially useful for long table names and ease of readability.

To remove both the person and the pet:

2 rows deleted

Spot is deleted from Pets

Paul is deleted from People

foreign keys

When the DELETE statement involes tables with a foreing key constrain the optimizer may process the tables in an order that does not follow the relationship. Adding for example a foreign key to the definition of pets

```
ALTER TABLE pets ADD CONSTRAINT `fk_pets_2_people` FOREIGN KEY (ownerId) references people(id) ON DELETE CASCADE;
```

the engine may try to delete the entries from people before pets, thus causing the following error:

```
ERROR 1451 (23000): Cannot delete or update a parent row: a foreign key constraint fails ('test'.'pets', CONSTRAINT 'pets_ibfk_1' FOREIGN KEY ('ownerId') REFERENCES 'people' ('id'))
```

The solution in this case is to delete the row from people and rely on **InnoDB**'s **ON DELETE** capabilities to propagate the deletion:

```
DELETE FROM people
WHERE name = 'Paul';
```

2 rows deleted

Paul is deleted from People

Spot is deleted on cascade from Pets

Another solution is to temporarily disable the check on foreing keys:

```
SET foreign_key_checks = 0;
DELETE p1, p2 FROM people p1 JOIN pets p2 ON p2.ownerId = p1.id WHERE p1.name = 'Paul';
SET foreign_key_checks = 1;
```

Section 11.2: DELETE vs TRUNCATE

```
TRUNCATE tableName;
```

This will <u>delete</u> all the data and reset <u>AUTO_INCREMENT</u> index. It's much faster than <u>DELETE_FROM_tableName</u> on a huge dataset. It can be very useful during development/testing.

When you *truncate* a table SQL server doesn't delete the data, it drops the table and recreates it, thereby deallocating the pages so there is a chance to recover the truncated data before the pages where overwritten. (The space cannot immediately be recouped for innodb_file_per_table=0FF.)

Section 11.3: Multi-table DELETE

MySQL allows to specify from which table the matching rows must be deleted

```
DELETE e
FROM Employees e JOIN Department d ON e.department_id = d.department_id
WHERE d.name = 'Sales'

-- remove employees and department
DELETE e, d
FROM Employees e JOIN Department d ON e.department_id = d.department_id
WHERE d.name = 'Sales'

-- remove from all tables (in this case same as previous)
DELETE
FROM Employees e JOIN Department d ON e.department_id = d.department_id
WHERE d.name = 'Sales'
```

Section 11.4: Basic delete

```
DELETE FROM `myTable` WHERE `someColumn` = 'something'
```

The **WHERE** clause is optional but without it all rows are deleted.

Section 11.5: Delete with Where clause

```
DELETE FROM `table_name` WHERE `field_one` = 'value_one'
```

This will delete all rows from the table where the contents of the field_one for that row match 'value_one'

The WHERE clause works in the same way as a select, so things like >, <, <> or LIKE can be used.

Notice: It is necessary to use conditional clauses (WHERE, LIKE) in delete query. If you do not use any conditional clauses then all data from that table will be deleted.

Section 11.6: Delete all rows from a table

```
DELETE FROM table_name ;
```

This will delete everything, all rows from the table. It is the most basic example of the syntax. It also shows that **DELETE** statements should really be used with extra care as they may empty a table, if the **WHERE** clause is omitted.

Section 11.7: LIMITing deletes

```
DELETE FROM `table_name` WHERE `field_one` = 'value_one' LIMIT 1
```

This works in the same way as the 'Delete with Where clause' example, but it will stop the deletion once the limited

number of rows have been removed.

If you are limiting rows for deletion like this, be aware that it will delete the first row which matches the criteria. It might not be the one you would expect, as the results can come back unsorted if they are not explicitly ordered.

Chapter 12: VIEW

Parameters Details

view_name Name of View

SELECT statement SQL statements to be packed in the views. It can be a SELECT statement to fetch data from one or more tables.

Section 12.1: Create a View

Privileges

The CREATE VIEW statement requires the CREATE VIEW privilege for the view, and some privilege for each column selected by the SELECT statement. For columns used elsewhere in the SELECT statement, you must have the SELECT privilege. If the OR REPLACE clause is present, you must also have the DROP privilege for the view. CREATE VIEW might also require the SUPER privilege, depending on the DEFINER value, as described later in this section.

When a view is referenced, privilege checking occurs.

A view belongs to a database. By default, a new view is created in the default database. To create the view explicitly in a given database, use a fully qualified name

For Example:

db_name.view_name

```
mysql> CREATE VIEW test.v AS SELECT * FROM t;
```

Note - Within a database, base tables and views share the same namespace, so a base table and a view cannot have the same name.

A VIEW can:

- be created from many kinds of SELECT statements
- refer to base tables or other views
- use joins, UNION, and subqueries
- SELECT need not even refer to any tables

Another Example

The following example defines a view that selects two columns from another table as well as an expression calculated from those columns:

Restrictions

• Before MySQL 5.7.7, the SELECT statement cannot contain a subquery in the FROM clause.

- The SELECT statement cannot refer to system variables or user-defined variables.
- Within a stored program, the SELECT statement cannot refer to program parameters or local variables.
- The SELECT statement cannot refer to prepared statement parameters.
- Any table or view referred to in the definition must exist. After the view has been created, it is possible to drop a table or view that
 - the definition refers to. In this case, use of the view results in an error. To check a view definition for problems of this kind, use the CHECK TABLE statement.
- The definition cannot refer to a TEMPORARY table, and you cannot create a TEMPORARY view.
- You cannot associate a trigger with a view.
- Aliases for column names in the SELECT statement are checked against the maximum column length of 64 characters (not the maximum alias length of 256 characters).
- A VIEW may or may not optimize as well as the equivalent SELECT. It is unlikely to optimize any better.

Section 12.2: A view from two tables

A view is most useful when it can be used to pull in data from more than one table.

```
CREATE VIEW myview AS
SELECT a.*, b.extra_data FROM main_table a
LEFT OUTER JOIN other_table b
ON a.id = b.id
```

In mysql views are not materialized. If you now perform the simple query **SELECT** * **FROM** myview, mysql will actually perform the LEFT JOIN behind the scene.

A view once created can be joined to other views or tables

Section 12.3: DROPPING A VIEW

-- Create and drop a view in the current database.

```
CREATE VIEW few_rows_from_t1 AS SELECT * FROM t1 LIMIT 10;
DROP VIEW few_rows_from_t1;
```

-- Create and drop a view referencing a table in a different database.

```
CREATE VIEW table_from_other_db AS SELECT x FROM db1.foo WHERE x IS NOT NULL;
DROP VIEW table_from_other_db;
```

Section 12.4: Updating a table via a VIEW

A **VIEW** acts very much like a table. Although you can **UPDATE** a table, you may or may not be able to update a view into that table. In general, if the **SELECT** in the view is complex enough to require a temp table, then **UPDATE** is not allowed.

Things like **GROUP BY**, **UNION**, **HAVING**, **DISTINCT**, and some subqueries prevent the view from being updatable. Details in *reference manual*.

Chapter 13: Indexes and Keys

Section 13.1: Create index

```
-- Create an index for column 'name' in table 'my_table'
CREATE INDEX idx_name ON my_table(name);
```

Section 13.2: Create unique index

A unique index prevents the insertion of duplicated data in a table. **NULL** values can be inserted in the columns that form part of the unique index (since, by definition, a **NULL** value is different from any other value, including another **NULL** value)

```
-- Creates a unique index for column 'name' in table 'my_table'
CREATE UNIQUE INDEX idx_name ON my_table(name);
```

Section 13.3: AUTO_INCREMENT key

```
CREATE TABLE (
   id INT UNSIGNED NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
   ...
PRIMARY KEY(id),
   ... );
```

Main notes:

- Starts with 1 and increments by 1 automatically when you fail to specify it on INSERT, or specify it as NULL.
- The ids are always distinct from each other, but...
- Do not make any assumptions (no gaps, consecutively generated, not reused, etc) about the values of the id other than being unique at any given instant.

Subtle notes:

- On restart of server, the 'next' value is 'computed' as MAX(id)+1.
- If the last operation before shutdown or crash was to delete the highest id, that id *may* be reused (this is engine-dependent). So, *do not trust auto_increments to be permanently unique*; they are only unique at any moment.
- For multi-master or clustered solutions, see auto_increment_offset and auto_increment_increment.
- It is OK to have something else as the **PRIMARY KEY** and simply do **INDEX**(id). (This is an optimization in some situations.)
- Using the AUTO_INCREMENT as the "PARTITION key" is rarely beneficial; do something different.
- Various operations may "burn" values. This happens when they pre-allocate value(s), then don't use them:
 INSERT IGNORE (with dup key), REPLACE (which is DELETE plus INSERT) and others. ROLLBACK is another cause for gaps in ids.
- In Replication, you cannot trust ids to arrive at the slave(s) in ascending order. Although ids are assigned in consecutive order, InnoDB statements are sent to slaves in **COMMIT** order.

Section 13.4: Create composite index

This will create a composite index of both keys, mystring and mydatetime and speed up queries with both columns in the WHERE clause.

```
CREATE INDEX idx_mycol_myothercol ON my_table(mycol, myothercol)
```

Note: The order is important! If the search query does not include both columns in the **WHERE** clause, it can only use the leftmost index. In this case, a query with mycol in the **WHERE** will use the index, a query searching for myothercol **without** also searching for mycol will **not**. For more information <u>check out this blog post</u>.

Note: Due to the way BTREE's work, columns that are usually queried in ranges should go in the rightmost value. For example, **DATETIME** columns are usually queried like **WHERE** datecol > '2016-01-01 00:00:00'. BTREE indexes handle ranges very efficiently but only if the column being queried as a range is the last one in the composite index.

Section 13.5: Drop index

```
-- Drop an index for column 'name' in table 'my_table'
DROP INDEX idx_name ON my_table;
```

Chapter 14: Date and Time Operations

Section 14.1: Date arithmetic

```
NOW() + INTERVAL 1 DAY -- This time tomorrow

CURDATE() - INTERVAL 4 DAY -- Midnight 4 mornings ago
```

Show the mysql questions stored that were asked 3 to 10 hours ago (180 to 600 minutes ago):

```
SELECT qId, askDate, minuteDiff
FROM
   SELECT qId, askDate,
   TIMESTAMPDIFF(MINUTE, askDate, now()) as minuteDiff
   FROM questions_mysql
) xDerived
WHERE minuteDiff BETWEEN 180 AND 600
ORDER BY qId DESC
LIMIT 50;
| 38546828 | 2016-07-23 22:06:50 |
                                  195
| 38546733 | 2016-07-23 21:53:26 |
38546707 | 2016-07-23 21:48:46 |
                                    200
38546687 | 2016-07-23 21:45:26 |
                                    203
```

MySQL manual pages for <u>TIMESTAMPDIFF()</u>.

Beware Do not try to use expressions like CURDATE() + 1 for date arithmetic in MySQL. They don't return what you expect, especially if you're accustomed to the Oracle database product. Use CURDATE() + INTERVAL 1 DAY instead.

Section 14.2: SYSDATE(), NOW(), CURDATE()

```
SELECT SYSDATE();
```

This function returns the current date and time as a value in 'YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS' or YYYYMMDDHHMMSS format, depending on whether the function is used in a string or numeric context. It returns the date and time in the current time zone.

```
SELECT NOW();
```

This function is a synonym for SYSDATE().

```
SELECT CURDATE();
```

This function returns the current date, without any time, as a value in 'YYYY-MM-DD' or YYYYMMDD format, depending on whether the function is used in a string or numeric context. It returns the date in the current time zone.

Section 14.3: Testing against a date range

Although it is very tempting to use BETWEEN ... AND ... for a date range, it is problematical. Instead, this pattern avoids

most problems:

```
WHERE x >= '2016-02-25'
AND x < '2016-02-25' + INTERVAL 5 DAY
```

Advantages:

- BETWEEN is 'inclusive' thereby including the final date or second.
- 23:59:59 is clumsy and wrong if you have microsecond resolution on a DATETIME.
- This pattern avoid dealing with leap years and other data calculations.
- It works whether x is **DATE**, **DATETIME** or **TIMESTAMP**.

Section 14.4: Extract Date from Given Date or DateTime Expression

```
SELECT DATE('2003-12-31 01:02:03');
```

The output will be:

```
2003-12-31
```

Section 14.5: Using an index for a date and time lookup

Many real-world database tables have many rows with **DATETIME** OR **TIMESTAMP** column values spanning a lot of time, including years or even decades. Often it's necessary to use a **WHERE** clause to retrieve some subset of that timespan. For example, we might want to retrieve rows for the date 1-September-2016 from a table.

An inefficient way to do that is this:

```
WHERE DATE(x) = '2016-09-01' /* slow! */
```

It's inefficient because it applies a function -- DATE() -- to the values of a column. That means MySQL must examine each value of x, and an index cannot be used.

A better way to do the operation is this

```
WHERE x >= '2016-09-01'
AND x < '2016-09-01' + INTERVAL 1 DAY
```

This selects a range of values of x lying anywhere on the day in question, up until but *not including* (hence <) midnight on the next day.

If the table has an index on the x column, then the database server can perform a range scan on the index. That means it can quickly find the first relevant value of x, and then scan the index sequentially until it finds the last relevant value. An index range scan is much more efficient than the full table scan required by DATE(x) = $\frac{12016-09-01}{12016-09-01}$.

Don't be tempted to use this, even though it looks more efficient.

```
WHERE x BETWEEN '2016-09-01' AND '2016-09-01' + INTERVAL 1 DAY /* wrong! */
```

It has the same efficiency as the range scan, but it will select rows with values of \bar{x} falling exactly at midnight on 2-Sept-2016, which is not what you want.

Section 14.6: Now()

```
Select Now();
```

Shows the current server date and time.

```
Update `footable` set mydatefield = Now();
```

This will update the field mydatefield with current server date and time in server's configured timezone, e.g.

```
'2016-07-21 12:00:00'
```

Chapter 15: Comment Mysql

Section 15.1: Adding comments

There are three types of comment:

```
# This comment continues to the end of line
-- This comment continues to the end of line
/* This is an in-line comment */

/*
This is a
multiple-line comment
*/
```

Example:

```
SELECT * FROM t1; -- this is comment

CREATE TABLE stack(
    /*id_user int,
    username varchar(30),
    password varchar(30)
    */
    id int
);
```

The

- -

method requires that a space follows the

- -

before the comment begins, otherwise it will be interpreted as a command and usually cause an error.

```
#This comment works
/*This comment works.*/
--This comment does not.
```

Section 15.2: Commenting table definitions

```
CREATE TABLE menagerie.bird (
    bird_id INT NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
    species VARCHAR(300) DEFAULT NULL COMMENT 'You can include genus, but never subspecies.',
    INDEX idx_species (species) COMMENT 'We must search on species often.',
    PRIMARY KEY (bird_id)
) ENGINE=InnoDB COMMENT 'This table was inaugurated on February 10th.';
```

Using an

_

after **COMMENT** is optional. (Official docs)

These comments, unlike the othe from information_schema.	ers, are saved with the s	chema and can be re	trieved via SHOW CF	REATE TABLE or

Chapter 16: LOAD DATA INFILE

Section 16.1: using LOAD DATA INFILE to load large amount of data to database

Consider the following example assuming that you have a ';'-delimited CSV to load into your database.

```
1;max;male;manager;12-7-1985
2;jack;male;executive;21-8-1990
.
.
.
.
.
.
.
.
.
.
.
.
.
.
.
```

Create the table for insertion.

Use the following query to insert the values in that table.

```
LOAD DATA INFILE 'path of the file/file_name.txt'
INTO TABLE employee
FIELDS TERMINATED BY ';' //specify the delimiter separating the values
LINES TERMINATED BY '\r\n'
(id, name, sex, designation, dob)
```

Consider the case where the date format is non standard.

```
1;max;male;manager;17-Jan-1985
2;jack;male;executive;01-Feb-1992
.
.
.
.
1000000;marta;female;accountant;25-Apr-1993
```

In this case you can change the format of the dob column before inserting like this.

```
LOAD DATA INFILE 'path of the file/file_name.txt'
INTO TABLE employee
FIELDS TERMINATED BY ';' //specify the delimiter separating the values
LINES TERMINATED BY '\r\n'
(id, name, sex, designation, @dob)
SET date = STR_TO_DATE(@date, '%d-%b-%Y');
```

This example of LOAD DATA INFILE does not specify all the available features.

You can see more references on LOAD DATA INFILE here.

Section 16.2: Load data with duplicates

If you use the **LOAD DATA INFILE** command to populate a table with existing data, you will often find that the import fails due to duplicates. There are several possible ways to overcome this problem.

LOAD DATA LOCAL

If this option has been enabled in your server, it can be used to load a file that exists on the client computer rather than the server. A side effect is that duplicate rows for unique values are ignored.

```
LOAD DATA LOCAL INFILE 'path of the file/file_name.txt'
INTO TABLE employee
```

LOAD DATA INFILE 'fname' REPLACE

When the replace keyword is used duplicate unique or primary keys will result in the existing row being replaced with new ones

```
LOAD DATA INFILE 'path of the file/file_name.txt'
REPLACE INTO TABLE employee
```

LOAD DATA INFILE 'fname' IGNORE

The opposite of **REPLACE**, existing rows will be preserved and new ones ignored. This behavior is similar to **LOCAL** described above. However the file need not exist on the client computer.

```
LOAD DATA INFILE 'path of the file/file_name.txt'

IGNORE INTO TABLE employee
```

Load via intermediary table

Sometimes ignoring or replacing all duplicates may not be the ideal option. You may need to make decisions based on the contents of other columns. In that case the best option is to load into an intermediary table and transfer from there.

```
INSERT INTO employee SELECT * FROM intermediary WHERE ...
```

Section 16.3: Import a CSV file into a MySQL table

The following command imports CSV files into a MySQL table with the same columns while respecting CSV quoting and escaping rules.

```
load data infile '/tmp/file.csv'
into table my_table
fields terminated by ','
optionally enclosed by '"'
escaped by '"'
lines terminated by '\n'
ignore 1 lines; -- skip the header row
```

Chapter 17: PREPARE Statements

Section 17.1: PREPARE, EXECUTE and DEALLOCATE PREPARE Statements

PREPARE prepares a statement for execution

EXECUTE executes a prepared statement

DEALLOCATE PREPARE releases a prepared statement

```
SET @s = 'SELECT SQRT(POW(?,2) + POW(?,2)) AS hypotenuse';
PREPARE stmt2 FROM @s;
SET @a = 6;
SET @b = 8;
EXECUTE stmt2 USING @a, @b;
```

Result:

```
+-----+
| hypotenuse |
+------+
| 10 |
+------
```

Finally,

```
DEALLOCATE PREPARE stmt2;
```

Notes:

- You must use @variables, not DECLAREd variables for FROM @s
- A primary use for Prepare, etc, is to 'construct' a query for situations where binding will not work, such as inserting the table name.

Section 17.2: Alter table with add column

```
SET v_column_definition := CONCAT(
    v_column_name
    ,' ',v_column_type
    ,' ',v_column_options
);

SET @stmt := CONCAT('ALTER TABLE ADD COLUMN ', v_column_definition);

PREPARE stmt FROM @stmt;
EXECUTE stmt;
DEALLOCATE PREPARE stmt;
```

Chapter 18: ALTER TABLE

Section 18.1: Changing storage engine; rebuild table; change file_per_table

For example, if t1 is currently not an InnoDB table, this statement changes its storage engine to InnoDB:

```
ALTER TABLE t1 ENGINE = InnoDB;
```

If the table is already InnoDB, this will rebuild the table and its indexes and have an effect similar to **OPTIMIZE TABLE**. You may gain some disk space improvement.

If the value of innodb_file_per_table is currently different than the value in effect when t1 was built, this will convert to (or from) file_per_table.

Section 18.2: ALTER COLUMN OF TABLE

```
Create table stack(
    id_user int NOT NULL,
    username varchar(30) NOT NULL,
    password varchar(30) NOT NULL)
);

ALTER TABLE stack ADD COLUMN submit date NOT NULL; -- add new column
ALTER TABLE stack DROP COLUMN submit; -- drop column
ALTER TABLE stack MODIFY submit DATETIME NOT NULL; -- modify type column
ALTER TABLE stack CHANGE submit submit_date DATETIME NOT NULL; -- change type and name of column
ALTER TABLE stack ADD COLUMN mod_id INT NOT NULL AFTER id_user; -- add new column after existing column
```

Section 18.3: Change auto-increment value

Changing an auto-increment value is useful when you don't want a gap in an AUTO_INCREMENT column after a massive deletion.

For example, you got a lot of unwanted (advertisement) rows posted in your table, you deleted them, and you want to fix the gap in auto-increment values. Assume the MAX value of AUTO_INCREMENT column is 100 now. You can use the following to fix the auto-increment value.

```
ALTER TABLE your_table_name AUTO_INCREMENT = 101;
```

Section 18.4: Renaming a MySQL table

Renaming a table can be done in a single command:

```
RENAME TABLE `<old name>` TO `<new name>`;
```

The following syntax does exactly the same:

```
ALTER TABLE `<old name>` RENAME TO `<new name>`;
```

If renaming a temporary table, the **ALTER TABLE** version of the syntax must be used.

Steps:

- 1. Replace **<old** name**>** and **<new** name**>** in the line above with the relevant values. *Note: If the table is being moved to a different database, the dbname.tablename syntax can be used for <old name> and/or <new name>.*
- 2. Execute it on the relevant database in the MySQL command line or a client such as MySQL Workbench. *Note:* The user must have ALTER and DROP privileges on the old table and CREATE and INSERT on the new one.

Section 18.5: ALTER table add INDEX

To improve performance one might want to add indexes to columns

```
ALTER TABLE TABLE_NAME ADD INDEX `index_name` (`column_name`)
```

altering to add composite (multiple column) indexes

```
ALTER TABLE TABLE_NAME ADD INDEX `index_name` (`col1`,`col2`)
```

Section 18.6: Changing the type of a primary key column

```
ALTER TABLE fish_data.fish DROP PRIMARY KEY;
ALTER TABLE fish_data.fish MODIFY COLUMN fish_id DECIMAL(20,0) NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY;
```

An attempt to modify the type of this column without first dropping the primary key would result in an error.

Section 18.7: Change column definition

The change the definition of a db column, the query below can be used for example, if we have this db schema

```
users (
   firstname varchar(20),
   lastname varchar(20),
   age char(2)
)
```

To change the type of age column from char to int, we use the query below:

```
ALTER TABLE users CHANGE age age tinyint UNSIGNED NOT NULL;
```

General format is:

```
ALTER TABLE table_name CHANGE column_name new_column_definition
```

Section 18.8: Renaming a MySQL database

There is no single command to rename a MySQL database but a simple workaround can be used to achieve this by backing up and restoring:

```
mysqladmin -uroot -p<password> create <new name>
mysqldump -uroot -p<password> --routines <old name> | mysql -uroot -pmypassword <new name>
mysqladmin -uroot -p<password> drop <old name>
```

Steps:

- 1. Copy the lines above into a text editor.
- 2. Replace all references to **<old** name**>**, **<new** name**>** and **<password>** (+ optionally root to use a different user) with the relevant values.
- 3. Execute one by one on the command line (assuming the MySQL "bin" folder is in the path and entering "y" when prompted).

Alternative Steps:

Rename (move) each table from one db to the other. Do this for each table:

```
RENAME TABLE `<old db>`.`<name>` TO `<new db>`.`<name>`;
```

You can create those statements by doing something like

Warning. Do not attempt to do any sort of table or database by simply moving files around on the filesystem. This worked fine in the old days of just MylSAM, but in the new days of InnoDB and tablespaces, it won't work. Especially when the "Data Dictionary" is moved from the filesystem into system InnoDB tables, probably in the next major release. Moving (as opposed to just DROPping) a PARTITION of an InnoDB table requires using "transportable tablespaces". In the near future, there won't even be a file to reach for.

Section 18.9: Swapping the names of two MySQL databases

The following commands can be used to swap the names of two MySQL databases (<db1> and <db2>):

```
mysqladmin -uroot -p<password> create swaptemp
mysqldump -uroot -p<password> --routines <db1> | mysql -uroot -p<password> swaptemp
mysqladmin -uroot -p<password> drop <db1>
mysqladmin -uroot -p<password> create <db1>
mysqldump -uroot -p<password> --routines <db2> | mysql -uroot -p<password> <db1>
mysqladmin -uroot -p<password> drop <db2>
mysqladmin -uroot -p<password> create <db2>
mysqladmin -uroot -p<password> create <db2>
mysqldump -uroot -p<password> --routines swaptemp | mysql -uroot -p<password> <db2>
mysqladmin -uroot -p<password> drop swaptemp
```

Steps:

- 1. Copy the lines above into a text editor.
- 2. Replace all references to <db1>, <db2> and <password> (+ optionally root to use a different user) with the relevant values.
- 3. Execute one by one on the command line (assuming the MySQL "bin" folder is in the path and entering "y" when prompted).

Section 18.10: Renaming a column in a MySQL table

Renaming a column can be done in a single statement but as well as the new name, the "column definition" (i.e. its data type and other optional properties such as nullability, auto incrementing etc.) must also be specified.

```
ALTER TABLE `` CHANGE `<old name>` `<new name>` <column definition>;
```

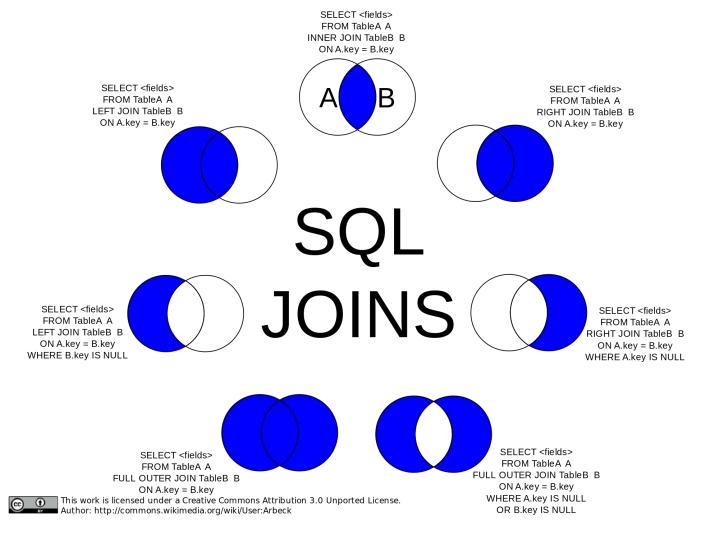
Steps:

- 1. Open the MySQL command line or a client such as MySQL Workbench.
- 2. Run the following statement: **SHOW CREATE TABLE** ; (replacing with the relevant value).
- 3. Make a note of the entire column definition for the column to be renamed (i.e. everything that appears after the name of the column but before the comma separating it from the next column name).
- 4. Replace **<old** name**>**, **<new** name**>** and **<column** definition**>** in the line above with the relevant values and then execute it.

Chapter 19: Joins

Section 19.1: Joins visualized

If you are a visually oriented person, this Venn diagram may help you understand the different types of **JOIN**s that exist within MySQL.



Section 19.2: JOIN with subquery ("Derived" table)

```
SELECT x, ...

FROM ( SELECT y, ... FROM ... ) AS a

JOIN tbl ON tbl.x = a.y

WHERE ...
```

This will evaluate the subquery into a temp table, then **JOIN** that to tbl.

Prior to 5.6, there could not be an index on the temp table. So, this was potentially very inefficient:

```
SELECT ...

FROM ( SELECT y, ... FROM ... ) AS a

JOIN ( SELECT x, ... FROM ... ) AS b ON b.x = a.y

WHERE ...
```

With 5.6, the optimizer figures out the best index and creates it on the fly. (This has some overhead, so it is still not 'perfect'.)

Another common paradigm is to have a subquery to initialize something:

```
SELECT
    @n := @n + 1,
    ...
FROM ( SELECT @n := 0 ) AS initialize
JOIN the_real_table
ORDER BY ...
```

(Note: this is technically a **CROSS JOIN** (Cartesian product), as indicated by the lack of **ON**. However it is efficient because the subquery returns only one row that has to be matched to the n rows in the_real_table.)

Section 19.3: Full Outer Join

MySQL does not support the **FULL OUTER JOIN**, but there are ways to emulate one.

Setting up the data

```
-- Table structure for `owners`
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS `owners`;
CREATE TABLE `owners` (
`owner id` int(11) NOT NULL AUTO INCREMENT,
`owner` varchar(30) DEFAULT NULL,
PRIMARY KEY (`owner_id`)
) ENGINE=InnoDB AUTO_INCREMENT=10 DEFAULT CHARSET=latin1;
-- Records of owners
-- -----
INSERT INTO `owners` VALUES ('1', 'Ben');
INSERT INTO `owners` VALUES ('2', 'Jim');
INSERT INTO `owners` VALUES ('3', 'Harry');
INSERT INTO `owners` VALUES ('6', 'John');
INSERT INTO `owners` VALUES ('9', 'Ellie');
-- Table structure for `tools`
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS `tools`;
CREATE TABLE `tools` (
`tool_id` int(11) NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
`tool` varchar(30) DEFAULT NULL,
`owner_id` int(11) DEFAULT NULL,
PRIMARY KEY (`tool_id`)
) ENGINE=InnoDB AUTO_INCREMENT=11 DEFAULT CHARSET=latin1;
-- -----
-- Records of tools
INSERT INTO `tools` VALUES ('1', 'Hammer', '9');
INSERT INTO `tools` VALUES ('2', 'Pliers', '1');
INSERT INTO `tools` VALUES ('3', 'Knife', '1');
INSERT INTO `tools` VALUES ('4', 'Chisel', '2');
INSERT INTO `tools` VALUES ('5', 'Hacksaw', '1');
INSERT INTO `tools` VALUES ('6', 'Level', null);
INSERT INTO `tools` VALUES ('7', 'Wrench', null);
INSERT INTO `tools` VALUES ('8', 'Tape Measure', '9');
INSERT INTO `tools` VALUES ('9', 'Screwdriver', null);
INSERT INTO `tools` VALUES ('10', 'Clamp', null);
```

What do we want to see?

We want to get a list, in which we see who owns which tools, and which tools might not have an owner.

The queries

To accomplish this, we can combine two queries by using **UNION**. In this first query we are joining the tools on the owners by using a **LEFT JOIN**. This will add all of our owners to our resultset, doesn't matter if they actually own tools.

In the second query we are using a RIGHT JOIN to join the tools onto the owners. This way we manage to get all the tools in our resultset, if they are owned by no one their owner column will simply contain NULL. By adding a WHERE-clause which is filtering by owners.owner_id IS NULL we are defining the result as those datasets, which have not already been returned by the first query, as we are only looking for the data in the right joined table.

Since we are using UNION ALL the resultset of the second query will be attached to the first queries resultset.

```
SELECT `owners`.`owner`, tools.tool
FROM `owners`
LEFT JOIN `tools` ON `owners`.`owner_id` = `tools`.`owner_id`
UNION ALL
SELECT `owners`.`owner`, tools.tool
FROM `owners`
RIGHT JOIN `tools` ON `owners`.`owner_id` = `tools`.`owner_id`
WHERE `owners`.`owner_id` IS NULL;
+----+
owner | tool
| Ben | Pliers
| Ben | Knife
| Ben | Hacksaw
| Jim | Chisel
| Harry | NULL
| John | NULL
| Ellie | Hammer
| Ellie | Tape Measure |
| NULL | Level
| NULL | Wrench
| NULL | Screwdriver
| NULL | Clamp
12 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

Section 19.4: Retrieve customers with orders -- variations on a theme

This will get all the orders for all customers:

```
SELECT c.CustomerName, o.OrderID
FROM Customers AS c
INNER JOIN Orders AS o
ON c.CustomerID = o.CustomerID
ORDER BY c.CustomerName, o.OrderID;
```

This will count the number of orders for each customer:

```
SELECT c.CustomerName, COUNT(*) AS 'Order Count'
```

```
FROM Customers AS c
INNER JOIN Orders AS o
ON c.CustomerID = o.CustomerID
GROUP BY c.CustomerID;
ORDER BY c.CustomerName;
```

Also, counts, but probably faster:

List only the customer with orders.

```
SELECT c.CustomerName,
   FROM Customers AS c
   WHERE EXISTS ( SELECT * FROM Orders WHERE CustomerID = c.CustomerID )
   ORDER BY c.CustomerName;
```

Section 19.5: Joining Examples

Query to create table on db

```
CREATE TABLE `user` (
   `id` smallint(5) unsigned NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
   `name` varchar(30) NOT NULL,
   `course` smallint(5) unsigned DEFAULT NULL,
   PRIMARY KEY (`id`)
) ENGINE=InnoDB;

CREATE TABLE `course` (
   `id` smallint(5) unsigned NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
   `name` varchar(50) NOT NULL,
   PRIMARY KEY (`id`)
) ENGINE=InnoDB;
```

Since we're using InnoDB tables and know that user.course and course.id are related, we can specify a foreign key relationship:

```
ALTER TABLE `user`
ADD CONSTRAINT `FK_course`
FOREIGN KEY (`course`) REFERENCES `course` (`id`)
ON UPDATE CASCADE;
```

Join Query (Inner Join)

```
SELECT user.name, course.name
FROM `user`
INNER JOIN `course` on user.course = course.id;
```

Chapter 20: UPDATE

Section 20.1: Update with Join Pattern

Consider a production table called questions_mysql and a table iwtQuestions (imported worktable) representing the last batch of imported CSV data from a <u>LOAD DATA INFILE</u>. The worktable is truncated before the import, the data is imported, and that process is not shown here.

Update our production data using a join to our imported worktable data.

```
UPDATE questions_mysql q -- our real table for production
join iwtQuestions i -- imported worktable
ON i.qId = q.qId
SET q.closeVotes = i.closeVotes,
q.votes = i.votes,
q.answers = i.answers,
q.views = i.views;
```

Aliases q and i are used to abbreviate the table references. This eases development and readability.

qId, the Primary Key, represents the Stackoverflow question id. Four columns are updated for matching rows from the join.

Section 20.2: Basic Update

Updating one row

```
UPDATE customers SET email='luke_smith@email.com' WHERE id=1
```

This query updates the content of email in the customers table to the string luke_smith@email.com where the value of id is equal to 1. The old and new contents of the database table are illustrated below on the left and right respectively:

customers						
id	firstname	lastname	email			
1	Luke	Smith	luke@example.com			
2	Anna	Carey	anna@example.com			
3	Todd	Winters	todd@example.com			

	customers							
id	firstname	lastname	email					
1	Luke	Smith	luke_smith@email.com					
2	Anna	Carey	anna@example.com					
3	Todd	Winters	todd@example.com					

Updating all rows

```
UPDATE customers SET lastname='smith'
```

This query update the content of lastname for every entry in the customers table. The old and new contents of the database table are illustrated below on the left and right respectively:

customers							
id	firstname	lastname	email				
1	Luke	Smith	luke@example.com				
2	Anna	Carey	anna@example.com				
3	Todd	Winters	todd@example.com				

	customers							
id	firstname	lastname	email					
1	Luke	Smith	luke@example.com					
2	Anna	Smith	anna@example.com					
3	Todd	Smith	todd@example.com					

Notice: It is necessary to use conditional clauses (WHERE) in UPDATE query. If you do not use any conditional clause then all records of that table's attribute will be updated. In above example new value (Smith) of lastname in

customers table set to all rows.

Section 20.3: Bulk UPDATE

When updating multiple rows with different values it is much quicker to use a bulk update.

By bulk updating only one query can be sent to the server instead of one query for each row to update. The cases should contain all possible parameters looked up in the **WHERE** clause.

Section 20.4: UPDATE with ORDER BY and LIMIT

If the **ORDER BY** clause is specified in your update SQL statement, the rows are updated in the order that is specified.

If **LIMIT** clause is specified in your SQL statement, that places a limit on the number of rows that can be updated. There is no limit, if **LIMIT** clause not specified.

ORDER BY and **LIMIT** cannot be used for multi table update.

Syntax for the MySQL UPDATE with ORDER BY and LIMIT is,

```
UPDATE [ LOW_PRIORITY ] [ IGNORE ]
tableName
SET column1 = expression1,
    column2 = expression2,
    ...
[WHERE conditions]
[ORDER BY expression [ ASC | DESC ]]
[LIMIT row_count];
---> Example
UPDATE employees SET isConfirmed=1 ORDER BY joiningDate LIMIT 10
```

In the above example, 10 rows will be updated according to the order of employees joiningDate.

Section 20.5: Multiple Table UPDATE

In multiple table **UPDATE**, it updates rows in each specified tables that satisfy the conditions. Each matching row is updated once, even if it matches the conditions multiple times.

In multiple table **UPDATE**, **ORDER** BY and **LIMIT** cannot be used.

Syntax for multi table **UPDATE** is,

```
UPDATE [LOW_PRIORITY] [IGNORE]
table1, table2, ...
SET column1 = expression1,
    column2 = expression2,
    ...
```

```
[WHERE conditions]
```

For example consider two tables, products and sales0rders. In case, we decrease the quantity of a particular product from the sales order which is placed already. Then we also need to increase that quantity in our stock column of products table. This can be done in single SQL update statement like below.

```
UPDATE products, salesOrders
SET salesOrders.Quantity = salesOrders.Quantity - 5,
    products.availableStock = products.availableStock + 5
WHERE products.productId = salesOrders.productId
AND salesOrders.orderId = 100 AND salesOrders.productId = 20;
```

In the above example, quantity '5' will be reduced from the salesOrders table and the same will be increased in products table according to the WHERE conditions.

Chapter 21: Change Password

Section 21.1: Change MySQL root password in Linux

To change MySQL's root user password:

Step 1: Stop the MySQL server.

- in Ubuntu or Debian: sudo /etc/init.d/mysql stop
- in CentOS, Fedora or Red Hat Enterprise Linux: sudo /etc/init.d/mysqld stop

Step 2: Start the MySQL server without the privilege system.

```
sudo mysqld_safe --skip-grant-tables &
```

or, if mysqld_safe is unavailable,

```
sudo mysqld --skip-grant-tables &
```

Step 3: Connect to the MySQL server.

```
mysql -u root
```

Step 4: Set a new password for root user.

```
Version > 5.7

FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
ALTER USER 'root'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'new_password';
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
exit;

Version \leq 5.7

FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
SET PASSWORD FOR 'root'@'localhost' = PASSWORD('new_password');
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
exit;
```

Note: The **ALTER** USER syntax was introduced in MySQL 5.7.6.

Step 5: Restart the MySQL server.

```
    in Ubuntu or Debian:
        sudo /etc/init.d/mysql stop
        sudo /etc/init.d/mysql start
    in CentOS, Fedora or Red Hat Enterprise Linux:
        sudo /etc/init.d/mysqld stop
        sudo /etc/init.d/mysqld start
```

Section 21.2: Change MySQL root password in Windows

When we want to change root password in windows, We need to follow following steps:

Step 1: Start your Command Prompt by using any of below method:

Perss Crtl+R or Goto Start Menu > Run and then type cmd and hit enter

Step 2: Change your directory to where MYSQL is installed, In my case it's

```
C:\> cd C:\mysql\bin
```

Step 3: Now we need to start mysql command prompt

```
C:\mysql\bin> mysql -u root mysql
```

Step 4: Fire query to change root password

```
mysql> SET PASSWORD FOR root@localhost=PASSWORD('my_new_password');
```

Section 21.3: Process

- 1. Stop the MySQL (mysqld) server/daemon process.
- 2. Start the MySQL server process the --skip-grant-tables option so that it will not prompt for a password: mysqld_safe --skip-grant-tables &
- 3. Connect to the MySQL server as the root user: mysql -u root
- 4. Change password:
- (5.7.6 and newer): ALTER USER 'root'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'new-password';
- (5.7.5 and older, or MariaDB): **SET** PASSWORD FOR 'root'@'localhost' = PASSWORD('new-password); flush privileges; quit;
- 5. Restart the MySQL server.

Note: this will work only if you are physically on the same server.

Online Doc: http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/resetting-permissions.html

Chapter 22: JSON

As of MySQL 5.7.8, MySQL supports a native JSON data type that enables efficient access to data in JSON (JavaScript Object Notation) documents. https://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/json.html

Section 22.1: Create simple table with a primary key and JSON field

```
CREATE TABLE table_name (
   id INT NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
   json_col JSON,
   PRIMARY KEY(id)
);
```

Section 22.2: Insert a simple JSON

```
INSERT INTO
    table_name (json_col)
VALUES
    ('{"City": "Galle", "Description": "Best damn city in the world"}');
```

That's simple as it can get but note that because JSON dictionary keys have to be surrounded by double quotes the entire thing should be wrapped in single quotes. If the query succeeds, the data will be stored in a binary format.

Section 22.3: Updating a JSON field

In the previous example we saw how mixed data types can be inserted into a JSON field. What if we want to update that field? We are going to add *scheveningen* to the array named variations in the previous example.

```
UPDATE
    myjson
SET
    dict=JSON_ARRAY_APPEND(dict,'$.variations','scheveningen')
WHERE
    id = 2;
```

Notes:

- 1. The \$.variations array in our json dictionary. The \$ symbol represents the json documentation. For a full explaination of json paths recognized by mysql refer to https://dev.mysgl.com/doc/refman/5.7/en/json-path-syntax.html
- 2. Since we don't yet have an example on querying using json fields, this example uses the primary key.

Now if we do **SELECT** * **FROM** my json we will see

```
+---+
| id | dict
+--+
| 2 | {"opening": "Sicilian", "variations": ["pelikan", "dragon", "najdorf", "scheveningen"]} |
+---+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

Section 22.4: Insert mixed data into a JSON field

This inserts a json dictionary where one of the members is an array of strings into the table that was created in another example.

```
INSERT INTO myjson(dict)
VALUES('{"opening":"Sicilian","variations":["pelikan","dragon","najdorf"]}');
```

Note, once again, that you need to be careful with the use of single and double quotes. The whole thing has to be wrapped in single quotes.

Section 22.5: CAST data to JSON type

This converts valid json strings to MySQL JSON type:

```
SELECT CAST('[1,2,3]' as JSON) ;
SELECT CAST('{"opening":"Sicilian","variations":["pelikan","dragon","najdorf"]}' as JSON);
```

Section 22.6: Create Json Object and Array

JSON_OBJECT creates JSON Objects:

```
SELECT JSON_OBJECT('key1',col1 , 'key2',col2 , 'key3','col3') as myobj;
```

JSON_ARRAY creates JSON Array as well:

```
SELECT JSON_ARRAY(col1,col2,'col3') as myarray;
```

Note: myobj.key3 and myarray[2] are "col3" as fixed string.

Also mixed JSON data:

```
SELECT JSON_OBJECT("opening", "Sicilian", "variations", JSON_ARRAY("pelikan", "dragon", "najdorf") )
as mymixed ;
```

Chapter 23: MySQL Admin

Section 23.1: Atomic RENAME & Table Reload

```
RENAME TABLE t TO t_old, t_copy TO t;
```

No other sessions can access the tables involved while RENAME TABLE executes, so the rename operation is not subject to concurrency problems.

Atomic Rename is especially for completely reloading a table without waiting for **DELETE** and load to finish:

```
CREATE TABLE new LIKE real;
load `new` by whatever means - LOAD DATA, INSERT, whatever
RENAME TABLE real TO old, new TO real;
DROP TABLE old;
```

Section 23.2: Change root password

```
mysqladmin -u root -p'old-password' password 'new-password'
```

Section 23.3: Drop database

Useful for scripting to drop all tables and deletes the database:

```
mysqladmin -u[username] -p[password] drop [database]
```

Use with extreme caution.

To **DROP** database as a SQL Script (you will need DROP privilege on that database):

```
DROP DATABASE database_name
```

or

DROP SCHEMA database_name

Chapter 24: TRIGGERS

Section 24.1: Basic Trigger

Create Table

```
mysql> CREATE TABLE account (acct_num INT, amount DECIMAL(10,2)); Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.03 sec)
```

Create Trigger

```
mysql> CREATE TRIGGER ins_sum BEFORE INSERT ON account
    -> FOR EACH ROW SET @sum = @sum + NEW.amount;
Query OK, @ rows affected (0.06 sec)
```

The CREATE TRIGGER statement creates a trigger named ins_sum that is associated with the account table. It also includes clauses that specify the trigger action time, the triggering event, and what to do when the trigger activates

Insert Value

To use the trigger, set the accumulator variable (@sum) to zero, execute an INSERT statement, and then see what value the variable has afterward:

In this case, the value of @sum after the INSERT statement has executed is 14.98 + 1937.50 - 100, or 1852.48.

Drop Trigger

```
mysql> DROP TRIGGER test.ins_sum;
```

If you drop a table, any triggers for the table are also dropped.

Section 24.2: Types of triggers

Timing

There are two trigger action time modifiers:

- BEFORE trigger activates before executing the request,
- AFTER trigger fire after change.

Triggering event

There are three events that triggers can be attached to:

- INSERT
- UPDATE

DELETE

Before Insert trigger example

Before Update trigger example

After Delete trigger example

Chapter 25: Configuration and tuning

Section 25.1: InnoDB performance

There are hundreds of settings that can be placed in my.cnf. For the 'lite' user of MySQL, they won't matter as much.

Once your database becomes non-trivial, it is advisable to set the following parameters:

```
innodb_buffer_pool_size
```

This should be set to about 70% of *available* RAM (if you have at least 4GB of RAM; a smaller percentage if you have a tiny VM or antique machine). The setting controls the amount of cache used by the InnoDB ENGINE. Hence, it is very important for performance of InnoDB.

Section 25.2: Parameter to allow huge data to insert

If you need to store images or videos in the column then we need to change the value as needed by your application

max_allowed_packet = 10M

M is Mb, G in Gb, K in Kb

Section 25.3: Increase the string limit for group_concat

group_concat is used to concatenate non-null values in a group. The maximum length of the resulting string can be set using the group_concat_max_len option:

```
SET [GLOBAL | SESSION] group_concat_max_len = val;
```

Setting the **GLOBAL** variable will ensure a permanent change, whereas setting the **SESSION** variable will set the value for the current session.

Section 25.4: Minimal InnoDB configuration

This is a bare minimum setup for MySQL servers using InnoDB tables. Using InnoDB, query cache is not required. Reclaim disk space when a table or database is **DROP**ed. If you're using SSDs, flushing is a redundant operation (SDDs are not sequential).

```
default_storage_engine = InnoDB
query_cache_type = 0
innodb_file_per_table = 1
innodb_flush_neighbors = 0
```

Concurrency

Make sure we can create more than than the default 4 threads by setting innodb_thread_concurrency to infinity (0); this lets InnoDB decide based on optimal execution.

```
innodb_thread_concurrency = 0
innodb_read_io_threads = 64
innodb_write_io_threads = 64
```

Hard drive utilization

Set the capacity (normal load) and capacity_max (absolute maximum) of IOPS for MySQL. The default of 200 is fine for HDDs, but these days, with SSDs capable of thousands of IOPS, you are likely to want to adjust this number. There are many tests you can run to determine IOPS. The values above should be nearly that limit *if you are running a dedicated MySQL server*. If you are running any other services on the same machine, you should apportion as appropriate.

```
innodb_io_capacity = 2500
innodb_io_capacity_max = 3000
```

RAM utilization

Set the RAM available to MySQL. Whilst the rule of thumb is 70-80%, this really depends on whether or not your instance is dedicated to MySQL, and how much RAM is available. Don't *waste* RAM (i.e. resources) if you have a lot available.

innodb_buffer_pool_size = 10G

Section 25.5: Secure MySQL encryption

The default encryption aes-128-ecb uses Electronic Codebook (ECB) mode, which is insecure and should never be used. Instead, add the following to your configuration file:

block_encryption_mode = aes-256-cbc

Chapter 26: Converting from MyISAM to InnoDB

Section 26.1: Basic conversion

```
ALTER TABLE foo ENGINE=InnoDB;
```

This converts the table, but does not take care of any differences between the engines. Most differences will not matter, especially for small tables. But for busier tables, other considerations should be considered. *Conversion considerations*

Section 26.2: Converting All Tables in one Database

To easily convert all tables in one database, use the following:

```
SET @DB_NAME = DATABASE();

SELECT CONCAT('ALTER TABLE `', table_name, '` ENGINE=InnoDB;') AS sql_statements
FROM information_schema.tables
WHERE table_schema = @DB_NAME
AND `ENGINE` = 'MyISAM'
AND `TABLE_TYPE` = 'BASE TABLE';
```

NOTE: You should be connected to your database for DATABASE() function to work, otherwise it will return **NULL**. This mostly applies to standard mysql client shipped with server as it allows to connect without specifying a database.

Run this SQL statement to retrieve all the MyISAM tables in your database.

Finally, copy the output and execute SQL queries from it.

Chapter 27: SELECT

SELECT is used to retrieve rows selected from one or more tables.

Section 27.1: SELECT with DISTINCT

The **DISTINCT** clause after **SELECT** eliminates duplicate rows from the result set.

```
CREATE TABLE `car`
    `car_id` INT UNSIGNED NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY,
    `name` VARCHAR(20),
    `price` DECIMAL(8,2)
);
INSERT INTO CAR (`car_id`, `name`, `price`) VALUES (1, 'Audi A1', '20000');
INSERT INTO CAR (`car_id`, `name`, `price`) VALUES (2, 'Audi A1', '15000');
INSERT INTO CAR ('car_id', 'name', 'price') VALUES (3, 'Audi A2', '40000');
INSERT INTO CAR ('car_id', 'name', 'price') VALUES (4, 'Audi A2', '40000');
SELECT DISTINCT `name`, `price` FROM CAR;
+----+
name
         price
+----+
| Audi A1 | 20000.00 |
| Audi A1 | 15000.00 |
| Audi A2 | 40000.00 |
```

DISTINCT works across all columns to deliver the results, not individual columns. The latter is often a misconception of new SQL developers. In short, it is the distinctness at the row-level of the result set that matters, not distinctness at the column-level. To visualize this, look at "Audi A1" in the above result set.

For later versions of MySQL, **DISTINCT** has implications with its use alongside **ORDER BY**. The setting for ONLY_FULL_GROUP_BY comes into play as seen in the following MySQL Manual Page entitled <u>MySQL Handling of GROUP BY</u>.

Section 27.2: SELECT all columns (*)

Query

```
SELECT * FROM stack;
```

Result

```
+----+
| id | username | password |
+----+
| 1 | admin | admin |
| 2 | stack | stack |
+----+
2 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

You can select all columns from one table in a join by doing:

```
SELECT stack.* FROM stack JOIN Overflow ON stack.id = Overflow.id;
```

Best Practice Do not use * unless you are debugging or fetching the row(s) into associative arrays, otherwise schema changes (ADD/DROP/rearrange columns) can lead to nasty application errors. Also, if you give the list of columns you need in your result set, MySQL's query planner often can optimize the query.

Pros:

- 1. When you add/remove columns, you don't have to make changes where you did use SELECT *
- 2. It's shorter to write
- 3. You also see the answers, so can **SELECT** *-usage ever be justified?

Cons:

- 1. You are returning more data than you need. Say you add a VARBINARY column that contains 200k per row. You only need this data in one place for a single record using **SELECT** * you can end up returning 2MB per 10 rows that you don't need
- 2. Explicit about what data is used
- 3. Specifying columns means you get an error when a column is removed
- 4. The query processor has to do some more work figuring out what columns exist on the table (thanks @vinodadhikary)
- 5. You can find where a column is used more easily
- 6. You get all columns in joins if you use SELECT *
- 7. You can't safely use ordinal referencing (though using ordinal references for columns is bad practice in itself)
- 8. In complex queries with TEXT fields, the query may be slowed down by less-optimal temp table processing

Section 27.3: SELECT by column name

```
CREATE TABLE stack(
   id INT,
   username VARCHAR(30) NOT NULL,
   password VARCHAR(30) NOT NULL
);

INSERT INTO stack ('id', 'username', 'password') VALUES (1, 'Foo', 'hiddenGem');
INSERT INTO stack ('id', 'username', 'password') VALUES (2, 'Baa', 'verySecret');
```

Query

```
SELECT id FROM stack;
```

Result

```
+----+
| id |
+----+
| 1 |
| 2 |
+----+
```

Section 27.4: SELECT with LIKE (%)

```
CREATE TABLE stack
( id int AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,
   username VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL
);
```

```
INSERT stack(username) VALUES
('admin'),('k admin'),('adm'),('a adm b'),('b XadmY c'), ('adm now'), ('not here');
```

"adm" anywhere:

Begins with "adm":

```
SELECT * FROM stack WHERE username LIKE "adm%";
+---+
| id | username |
+---+
| 1 | admin |
| 3 | adm |
| 6 | adm now |
```

Ends with "adm":

Just as the % character in a **LIKE** clause matches any number of characters, the _ character matches just one character. For example,

```
SELECT * FROM stack WHERE username LIKE "adm_n";
+---+
| id | username |
+---+
| 1 | admin |
+---+
```

Performance Notes If there is an index on username, then

- LIKE 'adm' performs the same as `= 'adm'
- LIKE 'adm% is a "range", similar to BETWEEN..AND.. It can make good use of an index on the column.
- LIKE '%adm' (or any variant with a *leading* wildcard) cannot use any index. Therefore it will be slow. On tables with many rows, it is likely to be so slow it is useless.
- RLIKE (REGEXP) tends to be slower than LIKE, but has more capabilities.

• While MySQL offers FULLTEXT indexing on many types of table and column, those FULLTEXT indexes are *not* used to fulfill queries using LIKE.

Section 27.5: SELECT with CASE or IF

Query

```
SELECT st.name,
          st.percentage,
          CASE WHEN st.percentage >= 35 THEN 'Pass' ELSE 'Fail' END AS `Remark`
FROM student AS st ;
```

Result

Or with IF

```
SELECT st.name,
         st.percentage,
         IF(st.percentage >= 35, 'Pass', 'Fail') AS `Remark`
FROM student AS st ;
```

N.B

```
IF(st.percentage >= 35, 'Pass', 'Fail')
```

This means: IF st.percentage >= 35 is **TRUE** then return 'Pass' ELSE return 'Fail'

Section 27.6: SELECT with Alias (AS)

SQL aliases are used to temporarily rename a table or a column. They are generally used to improve readability.

Query

```
SELECT username AS val FROM stack;
SELECT username val FROM stack;
```

(Note: AS is syntactically optional.)

Result

```
| stack |
+----+
2 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

Section 27.7: SELECT with a LIMIT clause

Query:

```
SELECT *
FROM Customers
ORDER BY CustomerID
LIMIT 3;
```

Result:

CustomerID	O CustomerName	ContactName	Address	City	PostalCod	e Country
1	Alfreds Futterkiste	Maria Anders	Obere Str. 57	Berlin	12209	Germany
2	Ana Trujillo Emparedados y helados	Ana Trujillo	Avda. de la Constitución 2222	México D.F	05021	Mexico
3	Antonio Moreno Taquería	Antonio Moreno	Mataderos 2312	México D.F	. 05023	Mexico

Best Practice Always use **ORDER BY** when using **LIMIT**; otherwise the rows you will get will be unpredictable.

Query:

```
SELECT *
FROM Customers
ORDER BY CustomerID
LIMIT 2,1;
```

Explanation:

When a **LIMIT** clause contains two numbers, it is interpreted as **LIMIT** offset, count. So, in this example the query skips two records and returns one.

Result:

CustomerID CustomerName ContactName Address City PostalCode Country

3 Antonio Moreno Taquería Antonio Moreno Mataderos 2312 México D.F. 05023 Mexico

Note:

The values in **LIMIT** clauses must be constants; they may not be column values.

Section 27.8: SELECT with BETWEEN

You can use BETWEEN clause to replace a combination of "greater than equal AND less than equal" conditions.

Data

```
+---+
| id | username |
+---+
| 1 | admin |
| 2 | root |
| 3 | toor |
```

```
| 4 | mysql |
| 5 | thanks |
| 6 | java |
+----+
```

Query with operators

```
SELECT * FROM stack WHERE id >= 2 and id <= 5;</pre>
```

Similar query with BETWEEN

```
SELECT * FROM stack WHERE id BETWEEN 2 and 5;
```

Result

```
+---+
| id | username |
+---+
| 2 | root |
| 3 | toor |
| 4 | mysql |
| 5 | thanks |
+---+
4 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

Note

```
BETWEEN uses >= and <=, not > and <.
```

Using NOT BETWEEN

If you want to use the negative you can use **NOT**. For example:

```
SELECT * FROM stack WHERE id NOT BETWEEN 2 and 5;
```

Result

```
+---+
| id | username |
+---+
| 1 | admin |
| 6 | java |
+---+
2 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

Note

```
NOT BETWEEN uses > and < and not >= and <= That is, WHERE id NOT BETWEEN 2 and 5 is the same as WHERE (id < 2 OR id > 5).
```

If you have an index on a column you use in a **BETWEEN** search, MySQL can use that index for a range scan.

Section 27.9: SELECT with WHERE

Query

```
SELECT * FROM stack WHERE username = "admin" AND password = "admin";
```

Result

```
+----+
| id | username | password |
+----+
| 1 | admin | admin |
+----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

Query with a nested SELECT in the WHERE clause

The WHERE clause can contain any valid SELECT statement to write more complex queries. This is a 'nested' query

Query

Nested queries are usually used to return single atomic values from queries for comparisons.

```
SELECT title FROM books WHERE author_id = (SELECT id FROM authors WHERE last_name = 'Bar' AND
first_name = 'Foo');
```

Selects all usernames with no email address

```
SELECT * FROM stack WHERE username IN (SELECT username FROM signups WHERE email IS NULL);
```

Disclaimer: Consider using joins for performance improvements when comparing a whole result set.

Section 27.10: SELECT with LIKE(_)

A _ character in a LIKE clause pattern matches a single character.

Query

```
SELECT username FROM users WHERE users LIKE 'admin_';
```

Result

```
+-----+
| username |
+-----+
| admin1 |
| admin2 |
| admin- |
| adminA |
```

Section 27.11: SELECT with date range

```
SELECT ... WHERE dt >= '2017-02-01'
```

Sure, this could be done with **BETWEEN** and inclusion of 23:59:59. But, the pattern has this benefits:

- You don't have pre-calculate the end date (which is often an exact length from the start)
- You don't include both endpoints (as **BETWEEN** does), nor type '23:59:59' to avoid it.
- It works for DATE, TIMESTAMP, DATETIME, and even the microsecond-included DATETIME(6).
- It takes care of leap days, end of year, etc.
- It is index-friendly (so is **BETWEEN**).

Chapter 28: Create New User

Section 28.1: Create a MySQL User

For creating new user, We need to follow simple steps as below:

Step 1: Login to MySQL as root

```
$ mysql -u root -p
```

Step 2: We will see mysql command prompt

```
mysql> CREATE USER 'my_new_user'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'test_password';
```

Here, We have successfully created new user, But this user won't have any permissions, So to assign permissions to user use following command:

```
mysql> GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON my_db.* TO 'my_new_user'@'localhost' identified by 'my_password';
```

Section 28.2: Specify the password

The basic usage is:

```
mysql> CREATE USER 'my_new_user'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'test_password';
```

However for situations where is not advisable to hard-code the password in cleartext it is also possible to specify directly, using the directive PASSWORD, the hashed value as returned by the PASSWORD() function:

```
mysql> select PASSWORD('test_password'); -- returns *4414E26EDED6D6D661B5386813EBBA95065DBC4728
mysql> CREATE USER 'my_new_user'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY PASSWORD
'*4414E26EDED6D661B5386813EBBA95065DBC4728';
```

Section 28.3: Create new user and grant all priviliges to schema

```
grant all privileges on schema_name.* to 'new_user_name'@'%' identified by 'newpassword';
```

Attention: This can be used to create new root user

Section 28.4: Renaming user

```
rename user 'user'@'%' to 'new_name`@'%';
```

If you create a user by mistake, you can change his name

Chapter 29: Group By

Parameter DETAILS

expression1, expression2, ... expression_n

ession_n must be included in the GROUP BY clause.

aggregate_function

tables

A function such as SUM, COUNT, MIN, MAX, or AVG functions. he tables that you wish to retrieve records from. There must be at least one

The expressions that are not encapsulated within an aggregate function and

table listed in the FROM clause.

WHERE conditions Optional. The conditions that must be met for the records to be selected.

Section 29.1: GROUP BY using HAVING

```
SELECT department, COUNT(*) AS "Man_Power"
FROM employees
GROUP BY department
HAVING COUNT(*) >= 10;
```

Using **GROUP BY ... HAVING** to filter aggregate records is analogous to using **SELECT ... WHERE** to filter individual records.

You could also say HAVING Man_Power >= 10 since HAVING understands "aliases".

Section 29.2: Group By using Group Concat

<u>Group Concat</u> is used in MySQL to get concatenated values of expressions with more than one result per column. Meaning, there are many rows to be selected back for one column such as Name(1):Score(*)

Name Score

Adam A+

Adam A-

Adam B

Adam C+

Bill D-

John A-

```
SELECT Name, GROUP_CONCAT(Score ORDER BY Score desc SEPERATOR ' ') AS Grades
FROM Grade
GROUP BY Name
```

Results:

```
+----+
| Name | Grades |
+----+
| Adam | C+ B A- A+ |
| Bill | D- |
| John | A- |
```

Section 29.3: Group By Using MIN function

Assume a table of employees in which each row is an employee who has a name, a department, and a salary.

```
SELECT department, MIN(salary) AS "Lowest salary"
FROM employees
```

```
GROUP BY department;
```

This would tell you which department contains the employee with the lowest salary, and what that salary is. Finding the name of the employee with the lowest salary in each department is a different problem, beyond the scope of this Example. See "groupwise max".

Section 29.4: GROUP BY with AGGREGATE functions

Table ORDERS

	orderid	customerid	customer	total	items
1	1	1	Bob	1300	10
i	2	3	Fred	500	2
İ	3	5	Tess	2500	8
	4	1	Bob	300	6
	5	2	Carly	800	3
	6	2	Carly	1000	12
	7	3	Fred	100	1
	8	5	Tess	11500	50
	9	4	Jenny	200	2
	10	1	Bob	500	15

COUNT

Return the **number of rows** that satisfy a specific criteria in **WHERE** clause.

E.g.: Number of orders for each customer.

```
SELECT customer, COUNT(*) as orders
FROM orders
GROUP BY customer
ORDER BY customer
```

Result:

• SUM

Return the **sum** of the selected column.

E.g.: Sum of the total and items for each customer.

```
GROUP BY customer
ORDER BY customer
```

Result:

customer	sum_total	sum_items
Bob	2100	31
Carly	1800	15
Fred	600	3
Jenny	200	2
Tess	14000	58

AVG

Return the **average** value of a column of numeric value.

E.g.: Average order value for each customers.

```
SELECT customer, AVG(total) as avg_total
FROM orders
GROUP BY customer
ORDER BY customer
```

Result:

• MAX

Return the **highest** value of a certain column or expression.

E.g.: Highest order total for each customers.

```
SELECT customer, MAX(total) as max_total
FROM orders
GROUP BY customer
ORDER BY customer
```

Result:

```
| customer | max_total |
| +-----+
| Bob | 1300 |
| Carly | 1000 |
```

Fred		500
Jenny		200
Tess		11500
+	+	+

• MIN

Return the **lowest** value of a certain column or expression.

E.g.: Lowest order total for each customers.

```
SELECT customer, MIN(total) as min_total
FROM orders
GROUP BY customer
ORDER BY customer
```

Result:

· ·	min_total
Bob	300
Carly	800
Fred	100
Jenny	200
Tess	2500

Chapter 30: UNION

Section 30.1: Combining SELECT statements with UNION

You can combine the results of two identically structured queries with the **UNION** keyword.

For example, if you wanted a list of all contact info from two separate tables, authors and editors, for instance, you could use the **UNION** keyword like so:

```
select name, email, phone_number
from authors
union
select name, email, phone_number
from editors
```

Using union by itself will strip out duplicates. If you needed to keep duplicates in your query, you could use the ALL keyword like so: UNION ALL.

Section 30.2: Combining data with different columns

```
SELECT name, caption as title, year, pages FROM books
UNION
SELECT name, title, year, 0 as pages FROM movies
```

When combining 2 record sets with different columns then emulate the missing ones with default values.

Section 30.3: ORDER BY

If you need to sort the results of a UNION, use this pattern:

```
( SELECT ... )
UNION
( SELECT ... )
ORDER BY
```

Without the parentheses, the final ORDER BY would belong to the last SELECT.

Section 30.4: Pagination via OFFSET

When adding a LIMIT to a UNION, this is the pattern to use:

```
( SELECT ... ORDER BY x LIMIT 10 )
UNION
( SELECT ... ORDER BY x LIMIT 10 )
ORDER BY x LIMIT 10
```

Since you cannot predict which SELECT(s) will the "10" will come from, you need to get 10 from each, then further whittle down the list, repeating both the **ORDER BY** and **LIMIT**.

For the 4th page of 10 items, this pattern is needed:

```
( SELECT ... ORDER BY x LIMIT 40 )
```

```
UNION
( SELECT ... ORDER BY x LIMIT 40 )
ORDER BY x LIMIT 30, 10
```

That is, collect 4 page's worth in each **SELECT**, then do the **OFFSET** in the **UNION**.

Section 30.5: Combining and merging data on different MySQL tables with the same columns into unique rows and running query

This **UNION ALL** combines data from multiple tables and serve as a table name alias to use for your queries:

Section 30.6: UNION ALL and UNION

SELECT 1,22,44 UNION SELECT 2,33,55



SELECT 1,22,44 UNION SELECT 2,33,55 UNION SELECT 2,33,55

The result is the same as above.

use UNION ALL

when

SELECT 1,22,44 UNION SELECT 2,33,55 UNION ALL SELECT 2,33,55



Chapter 31: Drop Table

Parameters Details

TEMPORARY Optional. It specifies that only temporary tables should be dropped by the DROP TABLE statement.

Optional. If specified, the DROP TABLE statement will not raise an error if one of the tables does not exist.

Section 31.1: Drop Table

Drop Table is used to delete the table from database.

Creating Table:

Creating a table named tbl and then deleting the created table

```
CREATE TABLE tbl(
   id INT NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
   title VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,
   author VARCHAR(40) NOT NULL,
   submission_date DATE,
   PRIMARY KEY (id)
);
```

Dropping Table:

```
DROP TABLE tbl;
```

PLEASE NOTE

Dropping table will completely delete the table from the database and all its information, and it will not be recovered.

Section 31.2: Drop tables from database

DROP TABLE Database.table_name

Chapter 32: Data Types

Section 32.1: CHAR(n)

CHAR(n) is a string of a *fixed* length of n *characters*. If it is CHARACTER **SET** utf8mb4, that means it occupies exactly 4*n *bytes*, regardless of what text is in it.

Most use cases for CHAR(n) involve strings that contain English characters, hence should be CHARACTER **SET** ascii. (latin1 will do just as good.)

```
country_code CHAR(2) CHARACTER SET ascii,
postal_code CHAR(6) CHARACTER SET ascii,
uuid CHAR(39) CHARACTER SET ascii, -- more discussion elsewhere
```

Section 32.2: DATE, DATETIME, TIMESTAMP, YEAR, and TIME

The **DATE** datatype comprises the date but no time component. Its format is 'YYYY-MM-DD' with a range of '1000-01-01' to '9999-12-31'.

The **DATETIME** type includes the time with a format of 'YYYY-MM-DD HH:MM:SS'. It has a range from '1000-01-01 00:00:00' to '9999-12-31 23:59:59'.

The **TIMESTAMP** type is an integer type comprising date and time with an effective range from '1970-01-01 00:00:01' UTC to '2038-01-19 03:14:07' UTC.

The YEAR type represents a year and holds a range from 1901 to 2155.

The TIME type represents a time with a format of 'HH:MM:SS' and holds a range from '-838:59:59' to '838:59:59'.

Storage Requirements:

Fractional Seconds (as of Version 5.6.4):

See the MySQL Manual Pages <u>DATE</u>, <u>DATETIME</u>, and <u>TIMESTAMP</u> Types, <u>Data Type Storage Requirements</u>, and <u>Fractional Seconds in Time Values</u>.

Section 32.3: VARCHAR(255) -- or not

Suggested max len

First, I will mention some common strings that are always hex, or otherwise limited to ASCII. For these, you should specify CHARACTER **SET** ascii (latin1 is ok) so that it will not waste space:

```
UUID CHAR(36) CHARACTER SET ascii -- or pack into BINARY(16)
country_code CHAR(2) CHARACTER SET ascii
ip_address CHAR(39) CHARACTER SET ascii -- or pack into BINARY(16)
phone VARCHAR(20) CHARACTER SET ascii -- probably enough to handle extension
postal_code VARCHAR(20) CHARACTER SET ascii -- (not 'zip_code') (don't know the max

city VARCHAR(100) -- This Russian town needs 91:

Poselok Uchebnogo Khozyaystva Srednego Professionalno-Tekhnicheskoye Uchilishche Nomer Odin
country VARCHAR(50) -- probably enough
name VARCHAR(64) -- probably adequate; more than some government agencies allow
```

Why not simply 255? There are two reasons to avoid the common practice of using (255) for everything.

- When a complex SELECT needs to create temporary table (for a subquery, UNION, GROUP BY, etc), the
 preferred choice is to use the MEMORY engine, which puts the data in RAM. But VARCHARs are turned into CHAR
 in the process. This makes VARCHAR(255) CHARACTER SET utf8mb4 take 1020 bytes. That can lead to needing
 to spill to disk, which is slower.
- In certain situations, InnoDB will look at the potential size of the columns in a table and decide that it will be too big, aborting a **CREATE TABLE**.

VARCHAR versus **TEXT**

Usage hints for *TEXT, CHAR, and VARCHAR, plus some Best Practice:

- Never use **TINYTEXT**.
- Almost never use CHAR -- it is fixed length; each character is the max length of the CHARACTER SET (eg, 4 bytes/character for utf8mb4).
- With CHAR, use CHARACTER SET ascii unless you know otherwise.
- VARCHAR(n) will truncate at n characters; TEXT will truncate at some number of bytes. (But, do you want truncation?)
- *TEXT may slow down complex SELECTs due to how temp tables are handled.

Section 32.4: INT as AUTO_INCREMENT

Any size of INT may be used for AUTO_INCREMENT. UNSIGNED is always appropriate.

Keep in mind that certain operations "burn" AUTO_INCREMENT ids. This could lead to an unexpected gap. Examples: INSERT IGNORE and REPLACE. They may preallocate an id before realizing that it won't be needed. This is expected behavior and by design in the InnoDB engine and should not discourage their use.

Section 32.5: Others

There is already a separate entry for "FLOAT, DOUBLE, and DECIMAL" and "ENUM". A single page on datatypes is likely to be unwieldy -- I suggest "Field types" (or should it be called "Datatypes"?) be an overview, then split into these topic pages:

- INTs
- FLOAT, DOUBLE, and DECIMAL

- Strings (CHARs, TEXT, etc)
- BINARY and BI OB
- DATETIME, TIMESTAMP, and friends
- ENUM and SET
- Spatial data
- <u>JSON type</u> (MySQL 5.7.8+)
- How to represent Money, and other common 'types' that need shoehorning into existing datatypes

Where appropriate, each topic page should include, in addition to syntax and examples:

- Considerations when ALTERing
- Size (bytes)
- Contrast with non-MySQL engines (low priority)
- Considerations when using the datatype in a PRIMARY KEY or secondary key
- other Best Practice
- other Performance issues

(I assume this "example" will self-distruct when my suggestions have been satisfied or vetoed.)

Section 32.6: Implicit / automatic casting

```
select '123' * 2;
```

To make the **multiplication** with 2 MySQL automatically converts the string 123 into a number.

Return value:

246

The conversion to a number starts from left to right. If the conversion is not possible the result is 0

```
select '123ABC' * 2
```

Return value:

246

```
select 'ABC123' * 2
```

Return value:

0

Section 32.7: Introduction (numeric)

MySQL offers a number of different numeric types. These can be broken down into

Group Types

Integer Types INTEGER, INT, SMALLINT, TINYINT, MEDIUMINT, BIGINT

Bit Value Type BIT

Section 32.8: Integer Types

Minimal unsigned value is always 0.

Туре	Storage (Bytes)		Maximum Value (Signed)	Maximum Value (Unsigned)
TINYINT	1	-27	27-1	28-1
IINTINI	ı	-128	127	255
SMALLINT	2	-215	215-1	216-1
SMALLINI	2	-32,768	32,767	65,535
MEDTUMENT	- 2	-223	223-1	224-1
MEDIUMINT	3	-8,388,608	8,388,607	16,777,215
TAIT	4	-231	231-1	232-1
INT		-2,147,483,648	2,147,483,647	4,294,967,295
	0	-263	263-1	264-1
BIGINT	8	-9,223,372,036,854,775,808	3 9,223,372,036,854,775,807	7 18,446,744,073,709,551,615

Section 32.9: Fixed Point Types

MySQL's **DECIMAL** and **NUMERIC** types store exact numeric data values. It is recommended to use these types to preserve exact precision, such as for money.

Decimal

These values are stored in binary format. In a column declaration, the precision and scale should be specified

Precision represents the number of significant digits that are stored for values.

Scale represents the number of digits stored after the decimal

```
salary DECIMAL(5,2)
```

5 represents the precision and 2 represents the scale. For this example, the range of values that can be stored in this column is -999.99 **to** 999.99

If the scale parameter is omitted, it defaults to 0

This data type can store up to 65 digits.

The number of bytes taken by **DECIMAL**(M, N) is approximately M/2.

Section 32.10: Floating Point Types

FLOAT and **DOUBLE** represent *approximate* data types.

Type	Storage	Precision	Range
FLOAT	4 bytes	23 significant bits / ~7 decimal digits	10^+/-38
DOUBLE	8 bytes	53 significant bits / ~16 decimal digits	10^+/-308

REAL is a synonym for **FLOAT**. **DOUBLE PRECISION** is a synonym for **DOUBLE**.

Although MySQL also permits (M,D) qualifier, do not use it. (M,D) means that values can be stored with up to M total

digits, where D can be after the decimal. *Numbers will be rounded twice or truncated; this will cause more trouble than benefit.*

Because floating-point values are approximate and not stored as exact values, attempts to treat them as exact in comparisons may lead to problems. Note in particular that a **FLOAT** value rarely equals a **DOUBLE** value.

Section 32.11: Bit Value Type

The BIT type is useful for storing bit-field values. BIT(M) allows storage of up to M-bit values where M is in the range of 1 to 64

You can also specify values with bit value notation.

```
b'111' -> 7
b'10000000' -> 128
```

Sometimes it is handy to use 'shift' to construct a single-bit value, for example (1 << 7) for 128.

The maximum combined size of all BIT columns in an NDB table is 4096.

Chapter 33: Performance Tuning

Section 33.1: Don't hide in function

A common mistake is to hide an indexed column inside a function call. For example, this can't be helped by an index:

```
WHERE DATE(dt) = '2000-01-01'
```

Instead, given **INDEX**(dt) then these may use the index:

```
WHERE dt = '2000-01-01' -- if `dt` is datatype `DATE`
```

This works for DATE, DATETIME, TIMESTAMP, and even DATETIME(6) (microseconds):

```
WHERE dt >= '2000-01-01'
AND dt < '2000-01-01' + INTERVAL 1 DAY
```

Section 33.2: OR

In general **OR** kills optimization.

```
WHERE a = 12 \text{ OR } b = 78
```

cannot use INDEX(a,b), and may or may not use INDEX(a), INDEX(b) via "index merge". Index merge is better than nothing, but only barely.

```
WHERE x = 3 OR x = 5
```

is turned into

```
WHERE x IN (3, 5)
```

which *may* use an index with \bar{x} in it.

Section 33.3: Add the correct index

This is a huge topic, but it is also the most important "performance" issue.

The main lesson for a novice is to learn of "composite" indexes. Here's a quick example:

```
INDEX(last_name, first_name)
```

is excellent for these:

```
WHERE last_name = '...'
WHERE first_name = '...' AND last_name = '...' -- (order in WHERE does not matter)
```

but not for

```
WHERE first_name = '...' -- order in INDEX _does_ matter
WHERE last_name = '...' OR first_name = '...' -- "OR" is a killer
```

Section 33.4: Have an INDEX

The most important thing for speeding up a query on any non-tiny table is to have a suitable index.

```
WHERE a = 12 --> INDEX(a)

WHERE a > 12 --> INDEX(a)

WHERE a = 12 AND b > 78 --> INDEX(a,b) is more useful than INDEX(b,a)

WHERE a > 12 AND b > 78 --> INDEX(a) or INDEX(b); no way to handle both ranges

ORDER BY x --> INDEX(x)

ORDER BY x, y --> INDEX(x,y) in that order

ORDER BY x DESC, y ASC --> No index helps - because of mixing ASC and DESC
```

Section 33.5: Subqueries

Subqueries come in several flavors, and they have different optimization potential. First, note that subqueries can be either "correlated" or "uncorrelated". Correlated means that they depend on some value from outside the subquery. This generally implies that the subquery *must* be re-evaluated for each outer value.

This correlated subquery is often pretty good. Note: It must return at most 1 value. It is often useful as an alternative to, though not necessarily faster than, a LEFT JOIN.

```
SELECT a, b, ( SELECT ... FROM t WHERE t.x = u.x ) AS c
   FROM u ...
SELECT a, b, ( SELECT MAX(x) ... ) AS c
   FROM u ...
SELECT a, b, ( SELECT x FROM t ORDER BY ... LIMIT 1 ) AS c
   FROM u ...
```

This is usually uncorrelated:

```
SELECT ... FROM ( SELECT ... ) AS a JOIN b ON ...
```

Notes on the FROM-SELECT:

- If it returns 1 row, great.
- A good paradigm (again "1 row") is for the subquery to be (SELECT @n := 0), thereby initializing an `@variable for use in the rest or the query.
- If it returns many rows *and* the **JOIN** also is (**SELECT** . . .) with many rows, then efficiency can be terrible. Pre-5.6, there was no index, so it became a **CROSS JOIN**; 5.6+ involves deducing the best index on the temp tables and then generating it, only to throw it away when finished with the **SELECT**.

Section 33.6: JOIN + GROUP BY

A common problem that leads to an inefficient query goes something like this:

```
SELECT ...

FROM a

JOIN b ON ...

WHERE ...

GROUP BY a.id
```

First, the JOIN expands the number of rows; then the GROUP BY whittles it back down the the number of rows in a.

There may not be any good choices to solve this explode-implode problem. One possible option is to turn the **JOIN** into a correlated subquery in the **SELECT**. This also eliminates the **GROUP BY**.

Section 33.7: Set the cache correctly

innodb_buffer_pool_size should be about 70% of available RAM.

Section 33.8: Negatives

Here are some things that are not likely to help performance. They stem from out-of-date information and/or naivety.

- InnoDB has improved to the point where MyISAM is unlikely to be better.
- PARTITIONing rarely provides performance benefits; it can even hurt performance.
- Setting query_cache_size bigger than 100M will usually *hurt* performance.
- Increasing lots of values in my.cnf may lead to 'swapping', which is a serious performance problem.
- "Prefix indexes" (such as INDEX(foo(20))) are generally useless.
- OPTIMIZE TABLE is almost always useless. (And it involves locking the table.)

Chapter 34: Events

Section 34.1: Create an Event

Mysql has its EVENT functionality for avoiding complicated cron interactions when much of what you are scheduling is SQL related, and less file related. See the Manual page here. Think of Events as Stored Procedures that are scheduled to run on recurring intervals.

To save time in debugging Event-related problems, keep in mind that the global event handler must be turned on to process events.

With it OFF, nothing will trigger. So turn it on:

```
SET GLOBAL event_scheduler = ON;
```

Schema for testing

```
create table theMessages
(    id INT AUTO_INCREMENT PRIMARY KEY,
    userId INT NOT NULL,
    message VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
    updateDt DATETIME NOT NULL,
    KEY(updateDt)
);

INSERT theMessages(userId,message,updateDt) VALUES (1,'message 123','2015-08-24 11:10:09');
INSERT theMessages(userId,message,updateDt) VALUES (7,'message 124','2015-08-29');
INSERT theMessages(userId,message,updateDt) VALUES (1,'message 125','2015-09-03 12:00:00');
INSERT theMessages(userId,message,updateDt) VALUES (1,'message 126','2015-09-03 14:00:00');
```

The above inserts are provided to show a starting point. Note that the 2 events created below will clean out rows.

Create 2 events, 1st runs daily, 2nd runs every 10 minutes

Ignore what they are actually doing (playing against one another). The point is on the INTERVAL and scheduling.

```
DROP EVENT IF EXISTS `delete7DayOldMessages`;
DELIMITER $$
CREATE EVENT `delete7DayOldMessages`
    ON SCHEDULE EVERY 1 DAY STARTS '2015-09-01 00:00:00'
    ON COMPLETION PRESERVE
DO BEGIN
    DELETE FROM theMessages
    WHERE datediff(now(), updateDt)>6; -- not terribly exact, yesterday but <24hrs is still 1 day
    -- Other code here

END$$
DELIMITER;</pre>
```

...

```
DROP EVENT IF EXISTS `Every_10_Minutes_Cleanup`;

DELIMITER $$

CREATE EVENT `Every_10_Minutes_Cleanup`

ON SCHEDULE EVERY 10 MINUTE STARTS '2015-09-01 00:00:00'

ON COMPLETION PRESERVE

DO BEGIN

DELETE FROM theMessages

WHERE TIMESTAMPDIFF(HOUR, updateDt, now())>168; -- messages over 1 week old (168 hours)

-- Other code here

END$$

DELIMITER;
```

Show event statuses (different approaches)

```
SHOW EVENTS FROM my_db_name; -- List all events by schema name (db name)
SHOW EVENTS:
SHOW EVENTS\G; -- <----- I like this one from mysql> prompt
Db: my_db_name
               Name: delete7Day0ldMessages
            Definer: root@localhost
          Time zone: SYSTEM
              Type: RECURRING
         Execute at: NULL
     Interval value: 1
     Interval field: DAY
             Starts: 2015-09-01 00:00:00
               Ends: NULL
             Status: ENABLED
         Originator: 1
character_set_client: utf8
collation_connection: utf8_general_ci
 Database Collation: utf8_general_ci
************************* 2. row *****************
                Db: my_db_name
               Name: Every_10_Minutes_Cleanup
            Definer: root@localhost
          Time zone: SYSTEM
               Type: RECURRING
         Execute at: NULL
     Interval value: 10
     Interval field: MINUTE
             Starts: 2015-09-01 00:00:00
               Ends: NULL
             Status: ENABLED
         Originator: 1
character_set_client: utf8
collation_connection: utf8_general_ci
 Database Collation: utf8_general_ci
2 rows in set (0.06 sec)
```

Random stuff to consider

DROP EVENT someEventName; -- Deletes the event and its code

ON COMPLETION PRESERVE -- When the event is done processing, retain it. Otherwise, it is deleted.

Events are like triggers. They are not called by a user's program. Rather, they are scheduled. As such, they succeed or fail silently.

The link to the Manual Page shows quite a bit of flexibilty with interval choices, shown below:

interval:

```
quantity {YEAR | QUARTER | MONTH | DAY | HOUR | MINUTE |
WEEK | SECOND | YEAR_MONTH | DAY_HOUR | DAY_MINUTE |
DAY_SECOND | HOUR_MINUTE | HOUR_SECOND | MINUTE_SECOND}
```

Events are powerful mechanisms that handle recurring and scheduled tasks for your system. They may contain as many statements, DDL and DML routines, and complicated joins as you may reasonably wish. Please see the MySQL Manual Page entitled <u>Restrictions on Stored Programs</u>.

Chapter 35: ENUM

Section 35.1: Why ENUM?

ENUM provides a way to provide an attribute for a row. Attributes with a small number of non-numeric options work best. Examples:

```
reply ENUM('yes', 'no')
gender ENUM('male', 'female', 'other', 'decline-to-state')
```

The values are strings:

```
INSERT ... VALUES ('yes', 'female')
SELECT ... --> yes female
```

Section 35.2: VARCHAR as an alternative

Let's say we have

```
type ENUM('fish','mammal','bird')
```

An alternative is

```
type VARCHAR(20) COMENT "fish, bird, etc"
```

This is quite open-ended in that new types are trivially added.

Comparison, and whether better or worse than ENUM:

- (same) INSERT: simply provide the string
- (worse?) On INSERT a typo will go unnoticed
- (same) SELECT: the actual string is returned
- (worse) A lot more space is consumed

Section 35.3: Adding a new option

```
ALTER TABLE tbl MODIFY COLUMN type ENUM('fish', 'mammal', 'bird', 'insect');
```

Notes

- As with all cases of MODIFY COLUMN, you must include NOT NULL, and any other qualifiers that originally
 existed, else they will be lost.
- If you add to the end of the list and the list is under 256 items, the ALTER is done by merely changing the schema. That is there will not be a lengthy table copy. (Old versions of MySQL did not have this optimization.)

Section 35.4: NULL vs NOT NULL

Examples of what happens when NULL and 'bad-value' are stored into nullable and not nullable columns. Also shows usage of casting to numeric via $+\theta$.

```
CREATE TABLE enum (

e         ENUM('yes', 'no')         NOT NULL,

enull ENUM('x', 'y', 'z')         NULL
```

What is in the table after those inserts. This uses "+0" to cast to numeric see what is stored.

```
mysql>SELECT e, e+0 FROM enum;
+----+
| e | e+0 |
+----+
| yes | 1 |
+----+
4 rows in set (0.00 sec)
mysql>SELECT enull, enull+0 FROM enum;
+----+
| enull | enull+0 |
+----+
| NULL | NULL |
+----+
4 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

Chapter 36: Install Mysql container with Docker-Compose

Section 36.1: Simple example with docker-compose

This is an simple example to create a mysql server with docker

1.- create docker-compose.yml:

Note: If you want to use same container for all your projects, you should create a PATH in your HOME_PATH. If you want to create it for every project you could create a **docker** directory in your project.

```
version: '2'
services:
    cabin_db:
    image: mysql:latest
    volumes:
        - "./.mysql-data/db:/var/lib/mysql"
    restart: always
    ports:
        - 3306:3306
    environment:
        MYSQL_ROOT_PASSWORD: rootpw
        MYSQL_DATABASE: cabin
        MYSQL_USER: cabin
        MYSQL_PASSWORD: cabinpw
```

2.- run it:

```
cd PATH_TO_DOCKER-COMPOSE.YML
docker-compose up -d
```

3.- connect to server

```
mysql -h 127.0.0.1 -u root -P 3306 -p rootpw
```

Hurray!!

4.- stop server

docker-compose stop

Chapter 37: Arithmetic

Section 37.1: Arithmetic Operators

MySQL provides the following arithmetic operators

Operator	Name		Example
		SELECT	3 + 5; -> 8
+	Addition	SELECT	3.5+2.5; -> 6.0
		SELECT	3.5+2; -> 5.5
-	Subtraction	SELECT	3-5; -> -2
*	Multiplication	SELECT	3 * 5; -> 15
		SELECT	20 / 4; -> 5
/	Division	SELECT	355 / 113; -> 3.1416
		SELECT	10.0 / 0; -> NULL
DIV	Integer Division	SELECT	5 DIV 2; -> 2
% or MOD		SELECT	7 % 3; -> 1
		SELECT	15 MOD 4 -> 3
		SELECT	15 MOD -4 -> 3
		SELECT	-15 MOD 4 -> -3
		SELECT	-15 MOD -4 -> -3
		SELECT	3 MOD 2.5 -> 0.5

BIGINT

If the numbers in your arithmetic are all integers, MySQL uses the **BIGINT** (signed 64-bit) integer data type to do its work. For example:

```
select (1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024) + 1 -> 1,152,921,504,606,846,977

and

select (1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024 * 1024 -> BIGINT out of range error
```

DOUBLE

If any numbers in your arithmetic are fractional, MySQL uses <u>64-bit IEEE 754 floating point arithmetic</u>. You must be careful when using floating point arithmetic, because many <u>floating point numbers are, inherently, approximations rather than exact values</u>.

Section 37.2: Mathematical Constants

Ρi

The following returns the value of PI formatted to 6 decimal places. The actual value is good to DOUBLE;

```
SELECT PI(); -> 3.141593
```

Section 37.3: Trigonometry (SIN, COS)

Angles are in Radians, not Degrees. All computations are done in <u>IEEE 754 64-bit floating point</u>. All floating point computations are subject to small errors, known as <u>machine? (epsilon) errors</u>, so avoid trying to compare them for equality. There is no way to avoid these errors when using floating point; they are built in to the technology.

If you use **DECIMAL** values in trigonometric computations, they are implicitly converted to floating point, and then back to decimal.

Sine

Returns the sine of a number X expressed in radians

```
SELECT SIN(PI()); -> 1.2246063538224e-16
```

Cosine

Returns the cosine of X when X is given in radians

```
SELECT COS(PI()); -> -1
```

Tangent

Returns the tangent of a number X expressed in radians. Notice the result is very close to zero, but not exactly zero. This is an example of machine?.

```
SELECT TAN(PI()); -> -1.2246063538224e-16
```

Arc Cosine (inverse cosine)

Returns the arc cosine of X if X is in the range -1 to 1

```
SELECT ACOS(1); -> 0
SELECT ACOS(1.01); -> NULL
```

Arc Sine (inverse sine)

Returns the arc sine of X if X is in the range -1 to 1

```
SELECT ASIN(0.2); -> 0.20135792079033
```

Arc Tangent (inverse tangent)

ATAN(x) returns the arc tangent of a single number.

```
SELECT ATAN(2); -> 1.1071487177941
```

ATAN2 (X, Y) returns the arc tangent of the two variables X and Y. It is similar to calculating the arc tangent of Y / X. But it is numerically more robust: t functions correctly when X is near zero, and the signs of both arguments are used to determine the quadrant of the result.

Best practice suggests writing formulas to use ATAN2() rather than ATAN() wherever possible.

```
ATAN2(1,1); -> 0.7853981633974483 (45 degrees)

ATAN2(1,-1); -> 2.356194490192345 (135 degrees)

ATAN2(0, -1); -> PI (180 degrees) don't try ATAN(-1 / 0)... it won't work
```

Cotangent

Returns the cotangent of X

```
SELECT COT(12); -> -1.5726734063977
```

Conversion

```
SELECT RADIANS(90) -> 1.5707963267948966
SELECT SIN(RADIANS(90)) -> 1
SELECT DEGREES(1), DEGREES(PI()) -> 57.29577951308232, 180
```

Section 37.4: Rounding (ROUND, FLOOR, CEIL)

Round a decimal number to an integer value

For exact numeric values (e.g. **DECIMAL**): If the first decimal place of a number is 5 or higher, this function will round a number to the next integer *away from zero*. If that decimal place is 4 or lower, this function will round to the next integer value *closest to zero*.

```
SELECT ROUND(4.51) -> 5
SELECT ROUND(4.49) -> 4
SELECT ROUND(-4.51) -> -5
```

For approximate numeric values (e.g. **DOUBLE**): The result of the ROUND() function depends on the C library; on many systems, this means that ROUND() uses the *round to the nearest even* rule:

```
SELECT ROUND(45e-1) -> 4 -- The nearest even value is 4
SELECT ROUND(55e-1) -> 6 -- The nearest even value is 6
```

Round up a number

To round up a number use either the CEIL() or CEILING() function

```
SELECT CEIL(1.23) -> 2
SELECT CEILING(4.83) -> 5
```

Round down a number

To round down a number, use the FLOOR() function

```
SELECT FLOOR(1.99) -> 1
```

FLOOR and CEIL go toward / away from -infinity:

```
SELECT FLOOR(-1.01), CEIL(-1.01) -> -2 and -1
SELECT FLOOR(-1.99), CEIL(-1.99) -> -2 and -1
```

Round a decimal number to a specified number of decimal places.

```
SELECT ROUND(1234.987, 2) -> 1234.99
SELECT ROUND(1234.987, -2) -> 1200
```

The discussion of up versus down and "5" applies, too.

Section 37.5: Raise a number to a power (POW)

To raise a number x to a power y, use either the POW() or POWER() functions

```
SELECT POW(2,2); => 4

SELECT POW(4,2); => 16
```

Section 37.6: Square Root (SQRT)

Use the SQRT() function. If the number is negative, NULL will be returned

```
SELECT SQRT(16); -> 4
SELECT SQRT(-3); -> NULL
```

Section 37.7: Random Numbers (RAND)

Generate a random number

To generate a pseudorandom floating point number between 0 and 1, use the RAND() function

Suppose you have the following query

```
SELECT i, RAND() FROM t;
```

This will return something like this

i RAND()

1 0.6191438870682 2 0.93845168309142 3 0.83482678498591

Random Number in a range

To generate a random number in the range a <= n <= b, you can use the following formula

```
FLOOR(a + RAND() * (b - a + 1))
```

For example, this will generate a random number between 7 and 12

```
SELECT FLOOR(7 + (RAND() * 6));
```

A simple way to randomly return the rows in a table:

```
SELECT * FROM tbl ORDER BY RAND();
```

These are **pseudorandom** numbers.

The pseudorandom number generator in MySQL is not cryptographically secure. That is, if you use MySQL to generate random numbers to be used as secrets, a determined adversary who knows you used MySQL will be able to guess your secrets more easily than you might believe.

Section 37.8: Absolute Value and Sign (ABS, SIGN)

Return the absolute value of a number

```
SELECT ABS(2); -> 2
SELECT ABS(-46); -> 46
```

The sign of a number compares it to 0.

```
Sign Result Example
```

```
-1 n < 0 SELECT SIGN(42); -> 1
0 n = 0 SELECT SIGN(0); -> 0
1 n > 0 SELECT SIGN(-3); -> -1
SELECT SIGN(-423421); -> -1
```

Chapter 38: Character Sets and Collations

Section 38.1: Which CHARACTER SET and COLLATION?

There are dozens of character sets with hundreds of collations. (A given collation belongs to only one character set.) See the output of **SHOW** COLLATION;

There are usually only 4 CHARACTER SETs that matter:

```
ascii -- basic 7-bit codes.

latin1 -- ascii, plus most characters needed for Western European languages.

utf8 -- the 1-, 2-, and 3-byte subset of utf8. This excludes Emoji and some of Chinese.

utf8mb4 -- the full set of UTF8 characters, covering all current languages.
```

All include English characters, encoded identically. utf8 is a subset of utf8mb4.

Best practice...

- Use utf8mb4 for any TEXT or VARCHAR column that can have a variety of languages in it.
- Use ascii (latin1 is ok) for hex strings (UUID, MD5, etc) and simple codes (country_code, postal_code, etc).

utf8mb4 did not exist until version 5.5.3, so utf8 was the best available before that.

Outside of MySQL, "UTF8" means the same things as MySQL's utf8mb4, not MySQL's utf8.

Collations start with the charset name and usually end with _ci for "case and accent insensitive" or _bin for "simply compare the bits.

The 'latest' utf8mb4 collation is utf8mb4_unicode_520_ci, based on Unicode 5.20. If you are working with a single language, you might want, say, utf8mb4_polish_ci, which will rearrange the letters slightly, based on Polish conventions.

Section 38.2: Setting character sets on tables and fields

You can set a <u>character set</u> both per table, as well as per individual field using the CHARACTER **SET** and **CHARSET** statements:

```
CREATE TABLE Address (
    `AddressID` INTEGER NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY,
    `Street` VARCHAR(80) CHARACTER SET ASCII,
    `City` VARCHAR(80),
    `Country` VARCHAR(80) DEFAULT "United States",
    `Active` BOOLEAN DEFAULT 1,
) Engine=InnoDB default charset=UTF8;
```

City and Country will use UTF8, as we set that as the default character set for the table. Street on the other hand will use ASCII, as we've specifically told it to do so.

Setting the right character set is highly dependent on your dataset, but can also highly improve portability between systems working with your data.

Section 38.3: Declaration

```
CREATE TABLE foo ( ...
name CHARACTER SET utf8mb4
```

...);

Section 38.4: Connection

Vital to using character sets is to tell the MySQL-server what encoding the client's bytes are. Here is one way:

SET NAMES utf8mb4;

Each language (PHP, Python, Java, ...) has its own way the it usually preferable to **SET** NAMES.

For example: **SET** NAMES utf8mb4, together with a column declared CHARACTER **SET** latin1 -- this will convert from latin1 to utf8mb4 when INSERTing and convert back when SELECTing.

Chapter 39: MyISAM Engine

Section 39.1: ENGINE=MyISAM

```
CREATE TABLE foo (
...
) ENGINE=MyISAM;
```

Chapter 40: Using Variables

Section 40.1: Setting Variables

Here are some ways to set variables:

1. You can set a variable to a specific, string, number, date using SET

```
EX: SET @var_string = 'my_var'; SET @var_num = '2' SET @var_date = '2015-07-20';
```

2. you can set a variable to be the result of a select statement using :=

EX: Select @var := '123'; (Note: You need to use := when assigning a variable not using the SET syntax, because in other statements, (select, update...) the "=" is used to compare, so when you add a colon before the "=", you are saying "This is not a comparison, this is a SET".)

3. You can set a variable to be the result of a select statement using INTO

(This was particularly helpful when I needed to dynamically choose which Partitions to query from)

EX: SET @start_date = '2015-07-20'; SET @end_date = '2016-01-31';

```
#this gets the year month value to use as the partition names
SET @start_yearmonth = (SELECT EXTRACT(YEAR_MONTH FROM @start_date));
SET @end_yearmonth = (SELECT EXTRACT(YEAR_MONTH FROM @end_date));
#put the partitions into a variable
SELECT GROUP_CONCAT(partition_name)
FROM information_schema.partitions p
WHERE table_name = 'partitioned_table'
AND SUBSTRING_INDEX(partition_name, 'P',-1) BETWEEN @start_yearmonth AND @end_yearmonth
INTO @partitions;
#put the query in a variable. You need to do this, because mysql did not recognize my variable as a
variable in that position. You need to concat the value of the variable together with the rest of the
query and then execute it as a stmt.
SET @query =
CONCAT('CREATE TABLE part_of_partitioned_table (PRIMARY KEY(id))
SELECT partitioned_table.*
FROM partitioned_table PARTITION(', @partitions,')
JOIN users u USING(user_id)
WHERE date(partitioned_table.date) BETWEEN ', @start_date,' AND ', @end_date);
#prepare the statement from @query
PREPARE stmt FROM @query;
#drop table
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS tech.part_of_partitioned_table;
#create table using statement
EXECUTE stmt;
```

Section 40.2: Row Number and Group By using variables in

Select Statement

Let's say we have a table team_person as below:

```
+=====+=====+
| team | person |
+=====+
 A | John |
 B | Smith |
 ----+
  A | Walter |
+----+
 Α |
         Louis |
+----+
| C | Elizabeth |
+----+
| B | Wayne |
+----+
CREATE TABLE team_person AS SELECT 'A' team, 'John' person
UNION ALL SELECT 'B' team, 'Smith' person
UNION ALL SELECT 'A' team,
                      'Walter' person
UNION ALL SELECT 'A' team,
                      'Louis' person
UNION ALL SELECT 'C' team,
                      'Elizabeth' person
UNION ALL SELECT 'B' team,
                      'Wayne' person;
```

To select the table team_person with additional row_number column, either

```
SELECT @row_no := @row_no+1 AS row_number, team, person
FROM team_person, (SELECT @row_no := 0) t;
```

OR

```
SET @row_no := 0;
SELECT @row_no := @row_no + 1 AS row_number, team, person
FROM team_person;
```

will output the result below:

Finally, if we want to get the row_number group by column team

```
SELECT @row_no := IF(@prev_val = t.team, @row_no + 1, 1) AS row_number
  ,@prev_val := t.team AS team
  ,t.person
FROM team_person t,
 (SELECT @row_no := 0) x,
 (SELECT @prev_val := '') y
ORDER BY t.team ASC, t.person DESC;
+=======+====++======++
| row_number | team | person |
+=======+====+
        1 | A | Walter |
       2 | A | Louis |
       3 | A |
                   John |
+----+
       1 | B | Wayne |
+----+
| 2 | B | Smith |
| 1 | C | Elizabeth |
```

Chapter 41: Log files

Section 41.1: Slow Query Log

The Slow Query Log consists of log events for queries taking up to long_query_time seconds to finish. For instance, up to 10 seconds to complete. To see the time threshold currently set, issue the following:

It can be set as a GLOBAL variable, in my.cnf or my.ini file. Or it can be set by the connection, though this is unusual. The value can be set between 0 to 10 (seconds). What value to use?

- 10 is so high as to be almost useless;
- 2 is a compromise;
- 0.5 and other fractions are possible;
- 0 captures everything; this could fill up disk dangerously fast, but can be very useful.

The capturing of slow queries is either turned on or off. And the file logged to is also specified. The below captures these concepts:

```
SELECT @@slow_query_log; -- Is capture currently active? (1=0n, 0=0ff)
SELECT @@slow_query_log_file; -- filename for capture. Resides in datadir
SELECT @@datadir; -- to see current value of the location for capture file

SET GLOBAL slow_query_log=0; -- Turn Off
-- make a backup of the Slow Query Log capture file. Then delete it.

SET GLOBAL slow_query_log=1; -- Turn it back On (new empty file is created)
```

For more information, please see the MySQL Manual Page The Slow Query Log

Note: The above information on turning on/off the slowlog was changed in 5.6(?); older version had another mechanism.

The "best" way to see what is slowing down your system:

```
long_query_time=...
turn on the slowlog
run for a few hours
turn off the slowlog (or raise the cutoff)
run pt-query-digest to find the 'worst' couple of queries. Or mysqldumpslow -s t
```

Section 41.2: A List

- General log all queries see VARIABLE general_log
- Slow log queries slower than long_query_time slow_query_log_file
- Binlog for replication and backup log_bin_basename
- Relay log also for replication
- general errors mysqld.err

- start/stop mysql.log (not very interesting) log_error
- InnoDB redo log iblog*

See the variables basedir and datadir for default location for many logs

Some logs are turned on/off by other VARIABLES. Some are either written to a file or to a table.

(Note to reviewers: This needs more details and more explanation.)

Documenters: please include the default location and name for each log type, for both Windows and *nix. (Or at least as much as you can.)

Section 41.3: General Query Log

The General Query Log contains a listing of general information from client connects, disconnects, and queries. It is invaluable for debugging, yet it poses as a hindrance to performance (citation?).

An example view of a General Query Log is seen below:

```
36 Query insert <a href="mailto:questions">questions</a> c23(qId,ownerId,title,votes,answers,isClosed,closeVotes,views,ownerRep, comments,answeredAccepted,askDate,closeDate,lastScanDate,ign,bn,pvtc, mainTagForImport,prepStatus,touches,status_bef_change,cv_bef_change,max_cv_reached) values(38666373, 1322183, 'How to post a numeric value in c#', 0, 1, 0, 0, 50, 1, 0, 0, '2016-07-29 19:40:32', null, now(), 0, 0, 0, 'c%23',0,1,'0','',0,0) on duplicate key update title='How to post a numeric value in c#', votes=0, answers=1, views=50,ownerRep=1, answeredAccepted=0,lastScanDate=now(), touches=touches+1,status='0'
```

To determine if the General Log is currently being captured:

```
SELECT @@general_log; -- 1 = Capture is active; 0 = It is not.
```

To determine the filename of the capture file:

```
SELECT @@general_log_file; -- Full path to capture file
```

If the fullpath to the file is not shown, the file exists in the datadir.

Windows example:

Linux:

When changes are made to the general_log_file GLOBAL variable, the new log is saved in the datadir. However, the fullpath may no longer be reflected by examining the variable.

In the case of no entry for general_log_file in the configuration file, it will default to @@hostname.log in the datadir.

Best practices are to turn OFF capture. Save the log file to a backup directory with a filename reflecting the begin/end datetime of the capture. Deleting the prior file if a filesystem *move* did not occur of that file. Establish a new filename for the log file and turn capture ON (all show below). Best practices also include a careful determination if you even want to capture at the moment. Typically, capture is ON for debugging purposes only.

A typical filesystem filename for a backed-up log might be:

```
/LogBackup/GeneralLog_20160802_1520_to_20160802_1815.log
```

where the date and time are part to the filename as a range.

For Windows note the following sequence with setting changes.

```
SELECT @@general_log; -- 0. Not being captured
SELECT @@general_log_file; -- C:\ProgramData\MySQL\MySQL Server 5.6\Data\GuySmiley.log
SELECT @@datadir; -- C:\ProgramData\MySQL\MySQL Server 5.7\Data\
SET GLOBAL general_log_file='GeneralLogBegin_20160803_1420.log'; -- datetime clue
SET GLOBAL general_log=1; -- Turns on actual log capture. File is created under `datadir`
SET GLOBAL general_log=0; -- Turn logging off
```

Linux is similar. These would represent dynamic changes. Any restart of the server would pick up configuration file settings.

As for the configuration file, consider the following relevant variable settings:

```
[mysqld]
general_log_file = /path/to/currentquery.log
general_log = 1
```

In addition, the variable log_output can be configured for **TABLE** output, not just FILE. For that, please see Destinations.

Please see the MySQL Manual Page The General Query Log.

Section 41.4: Error Log

The Error Log is populated with start and stop information, and critical events encountered by the server.

The following is an example of its contents:

```
2016-08-02 20:40:39 2420 [Note] Shutting down plugin 'binlog'
2016-08-02 20:40:39 2420 [Note] mysqld: Shutdown complete

2016-08-02 20:43:11 2888 [Note] Plugin 'FEDERATED' is disabled.
2016-08-02 20:43:11 2888 [Note] InnoDB: Using atomics to ref count buffer pool pages
2016-08-02 20:43:11 2888 [Note] InnoDB: The InnoDB memory heap is disabled
```

The variable log_error holds the path to the log file for error logging.

In the absence of a configuration file entry for log_error, the system will default its values to @@hostname.err in the datadir. Note that log_error is not a dynamic variable. As such, changes are done through a cnf or ini file changes and a server restart (or by seeing "Flushing and Renaming the Error Log File" in the Manual Page link at the bottom here).

Logging cannot be disabled for errors. They are important for system health while troubleshooting problems. Also, entries are infrequent compared to the General Query Log.

The GLOBAL variable log_warnings sets the level for verbosity which varies by server version. The following snippet illustrates:

```
SELECT @@log_warnings; -- make a note of your prior setting
SET GLOBAL log_warnings=2; -- setting above 1 increases output (see server version)
```

log_warnings as seen above is a dynamic variable.

Configuration file changes in cnf and ini files might look like the following.

MySQL 5.7.2 expanded the warning level verbosity to 3 and added the GLOBAL log_error_verbosity. Again, it was introduced in 5.7.2. It can be set dynamically and checked as a variable or set via cnf or ini configuration file settings.

As of MySQL 5.7.2:

```
[mysqld]
log_error = /path/to/CurrentError.log
log_warnings = 2
log_error_verbosity = 3
```

Please see the MySQL Manual Page entitled <u>The Error Log</u> especially for Flushing and Renaming the Error Log file, and its *Error Log Verbosity* section with versions related to log_warnings and error_log_verbosity.

Chapter 42: Partitioning

Section 42.1: RANGE Partitioning

A table that is partitioned by range is partitioned in such a way that each partition contains rows for which the partitioning expression value lies within a given range. Ranges should be contiguous but not overlapping, and are defined using the **VALUES** LESS THAN operator. For the next few examples, suppose that you are creating a table such as the following to hold personnel records for a chain of 20 video stores, numbered 1 through 20:

```
CREATE TABLE employees (
   id INT NOT NULL,
   fname VARCHAR(30),
   lname VARCHAR(30),
   hired DATE NOT NULL DEFAULT '1970-01-01',
   separated DATE NOT NULL DEFAULT '9999-12-31',
   job_code INT NOT NULL,
   store_id INT NOT NULL
);
```

This table can be partitioned by range in a number of ways, depending on your needs. One way would be to use the store_id column. For instance, you might decide to partition the table 4 ways by adding a **PARTITION** BY RANGE clause as shown here:

```
ALTER TABLE employees PARTITION BY RANGE (store_id) (
PARTITION p0 VALUES LESS THAN (6),
PARTITION p1 VALUES LESS THAN (11),
PARTITION p2 VALUES LESS THAN (16),
PARTITION p3 VALUES LESS THAN MAXVALUE
);
```

MAXVALUE represents an integer value that is always greater than the largest possible integer value (in mathematical language, it serves as a least upper bound).

based on MySQL official document.

Section 42.2: LIST Partitioning

List partitioning is similar to range partitioning in many ways. As in partitioning by RANGE, each partition must be explicitly defined. The chief difference between the two types of partitioning is that, in list partitioning, each partition is defined and selected based on the membership of a column value in one of a set of value lists, rather than in one of a set of contiguous ranges of values. This is done by using **PARTITION** BY LIST(expr) where expr is a column value or an expression based on a column value and returning an integer value, and then defining each partition by means of a **VALUES IN** (value_list), where value_list is a comma-separated list of integers.

For the examples that follow, we assume that the basic definition of the table to be partitioned is provided by the **CREATE TABLE** statement shown here:

```
CREATE TABLE employees (
  id INT NOT NULL,
  fname VARCHAR(30),
  lname VARCHAR(30),
  hired DATE NOT NULL DEFAULT '1970-01-01',
  separated DATE NOT NULL DEFAULT '9999-12-31',
```

```
job_code INT,
store_id INT
);
```

Suppose that there are 20 video stores distributed among 4 franchises as shown in the following table.

Region Store ID Numbers

```
North 3, 5, 6, 9, 17
East 1, 2, 10, 11, 19, 20
West 4, 12, 13, 14, 18
Central 7, 8, 15, 16
```

To partition this table in such a way that rows for stores belonging to the same region are stored in the same partition

```
ALTER TABLE employees PARTITION BY LIST(store_id) (
PARTITION pNorth VALUES IN (3,5,6,9,17),
PARTITION pEast VALUES IN (1,2,10,11,19,20),
PARTITION pWest VALUES IN (4,12,13,14,18),
PARTITION pCentral VALUES IN (7,8,15,16)
);
```

based on MySQL official document.

Section 42.3: HASH Partitioning

Partitioning by HASH is used primarily to ensure an even distribution of data among a predetermined number of partitions. With range or list partitioning, you must specify explicitly into which partition a given column value or set of column values is to be stored; with hash partitioning, MySQL takes care of this for you, and you need only specify a column value or expression based on a column value to be hashed and the number of partitions into which the partitioned table is to be divided.

The following statement creates a table that uses hashing on the store_id column and is divided into 4 partitions:

```
CREATE TABLE employees (
   id INT NOT NULL,
   fname VARCHAR(30),
   lname VARCHAR(30),
   hired DATE NOT NULL DEFAULT '1970-01-01',
   separated DATE NOT NULL DEFAULT '9999-12-31',
   job_code INT,
   store_id INT
)

PARTITION BY HASH(store_id)

PARTITIONS 4;
```

If you do not include a PARTITIONS clause, the number of partitions defaults to 1.

based on MySQL official document.

Chapter 43: Clustering

Section 43.1: Disambiguation

"MySQL Cluster" disambiguation...

- NDB Cluster -- A specialized, mostly in-memory, engine. Not widely used.
- Galera Cluster aka Percona XtraDB Cluster aka PXC aka MariaDB with Galera. -- A very good High Availability solution for MySQL; it goes beyond Replication.

See individual pages on those variants of "Cluster".

For "clustered index" see page(s) on PRIMARY KEY.

Chapter 44: Security via GRANTs

Section 44.1: Best Practice

Limit root (and any other SUPER-privileged user) to

```
GRANT ... TO root@localhost ...
```

That prevents access from other servers. You should hand out SUPER to very few people, and they should be aware of their responsibility. The application should not have SUPER.

Limit application logins to the one database it uses:

```
GRANT ... ON dbname.* ...
```

That way, someone who hacks into the application code can't get past dbname. This can be further refined via either of these:

```
GRANT SELECT ON dname.* ... -- "read only"

GRANT ... ON dname.tblname ... -- "just one table"
```

The readonly may also need 'safe' things like

```
GRANT SELECT, CREATE TEMPORARY TABLE ON dname.* ... -- "read only"
```

As you say, there is no absolute security. My point here is there you can do a few things to slow hackers down. (Same goes for honest people goofing.)

In rare cases, you may need the application to do something available only to root. this can be done via a "Stored Procedure" that has SECURITY **DEFINER** (and root defines it). That will expose only what the SP does, which might, for example, be one particular action on one particular table.

Section 44.2: Host (of user@host)

The "host" can be either a host name or an IP address. Also, it can involve wild cards.

```
GRANT SELECT ON db.* TO sam@'my.domain.com' IDENTIFIED BY 'foo';
```

Examples: Note: these usually need to be quoted

```
localhost -- the same machine as mysqld
'my.domain.com' -- a specific domain; this involves a lookup
'11.22.33.44' -- a specific IP address
'192.168.1.%' -- wild card for trailing part of IP address. (192.168.% and 10.% and 11.% are
"internal" ip addresses.)
```

Using localhost relies on the security of the server. For best practice root should only be allowed in through localhost. In some cases, these mean the same thing: 0.0.0.1 and ::1.

Chapter 45: Backticks

Section 45.1: Backticks usage

There are many examples where backticks are used inside a query but for many it's still unclear when or where to use backticks ``.

Backticks are mainly used to prevent an error called "MySQL reserved word". When making a table in PHPmyAdmin you are sometimes faced with a warning or alert that you are using a "MySQL reserved word".

For example when you create a table with a column named "group" you get a warning. This is because you can make the following query:

```
SELECT student_name, AVG(test_score) FROM student GROUP BY group
```

To make sure you don't get an error in your query you have to use backticks so your query becomes:

```
SELECT student_name, AVG(test_score) FROM student GROUP BY `group`
```

Table

Not only column names can be surrounded by backticks, but also table names. For example when you need to **JOIN** multiple tables.

```
SELECT `users`.`username`, `groups`.`group` FROM `users`
```

Easier to read

As you can see using backticks around table and column names also make the query easier to read.

For example when you are used to write querys all in lower case:

```
select student_name, AVG(test_score) from student group by group
select `student_name`, AVG(`test_score`) from `student` group by `group`
```

Please see the MySQL Manual page entitled <u>Keywords and Reserved Words</u>. The ones with an (R) are Reserved Words. The others are merely Keywords. The Reserved require special caution.

Chapter 46: mysqlimport

Parameter Description --delete -D empty the table before importing the text file --fields-optionally-enclosed-by define the character that quotes the fields --fields-terminated-by field terminator ignore the ingested row in case of duplicate-keys --ignore -i --lines-terminated-by define row terminator --password -p password --port -P port overwrite the old entry row in case of duplicate-keys --replace -r --user -u username --where -w specify a condition

Section 46.1: Basic usage

Given the tab-separated file employee.txt

```
1 \t Arthur Dent2 \t Marvin3 \t Zaphod Beeblebrox
```

```
$ mysql --user=user --password=password mycompany -e 'CREATE TABLE employee(id INT, name
VARCHAR(100), PRIMARY KEY (id))'
$ mysqlimport --user=user --password=password mycompany employee.txt
```

Section 46.2: Using a custom field-delimiter

Given the text file employee.txt

```
1|Arthur Dent
2|Marvin
3|Zaphod Beeblebrox
```

```
$ mysqlimport --fields-terminated-by='|' mycompany employee.txt
```

Section 46.3: Using a custom row-delimiter

This example is useful for windows-like endings:

```
$ mysqlimport --lines-terminated-by='\r\n' mycompany employee.txt
```

Section 46.4: Handling duplicate keys

Given the table Employee

id Name

3 Yooden Vranx

1 \t Arthur Dent

2 \t Marvin

3 \t Zaphod Beeblebrox

The --ignore option will ignore the entry on duplicate keys

```
$ mysqlimport --ignore mycompany employee.txt
```

id Name

- 1 Arthur Dent
- 2 Marvin
- 3 Yooden Vranx

The --replace option will overwrite the old entry

```
$ mysqlimport --replace mycompany employee.txt
```

id Name

- 1 Arthur Dent
- 2 Marvin
- 3 Zaphod Beeblebrox

Section 46.5: Conditional import

```
$ mysqlimport --where="id>2" mycompany employee.txt
```

Section 46.6: Import a standard csv

```
$ mysqlimport
    --fields-optionally-enclosed-by='"'
    --fields-terminated-by=,
    --lines-terminated-by="\r\n"
    mycompany employee.csv
```

Chapter 47: MySQL LOCK TABLE

Section 47.1: Row Level Locking

If the tables use InnoDB, MySQL automatically uses row level locking so that multiple transactions can use same table simultaneously for read and write, without making each other wait.

If two transactions trying to modify the same row and both uses row level locking, one of the transactions waits for the other to complete.

Row level locking also can be obtained by using **SELECT** ... FOR **UPDATE** statement for each rows expected to be modified.

Consider two connections to explain Row level locking in detail

Connection 1

```
START TRANSACTION;
SELECT ledgerAmount FROM accDetails WHERE id = 1 FOR UPDATE;
```

In connection 1, row level lock obtained by **SELECT** ... FOR **UPDATE** statement.

Connection 2

```
UPDATE accDetails SET ledgerAmount = ledgerAmount + 500 WHERE id=1;
```

When some one try to update same row in connection 2, that will wait for connection 1 to finish transaction or error message will be displayed according to the innodb_lock_wait_timeout setting, which defaults to 50 seconds.

```
Error Code: 1205. Lock wait timeout exceeded; try restarting transaction
```

To view details about this lock, run SHOW ENGINE INNODE STATUS

```
---TRANSACTION 1973004, ACTIVE 7 sec updating
mysql tables in use 1, locked 1
LOCK WAIT 2 lock struct(s), heap size 360, 1 row lock(s)
MySQL thread id 4, OS thread handle 0x7f996beac700, query id 30 localhost root update
UPDATE accDetails SET ledgerAmount = ledgerAmount + 500 WHERE id=1
------ TRX HAS BEEN WAITING 7 SEC FOR THIS LOCK TO BE GRANTED:
```

Connection 2

```
UPDATE accDetails SET ledgerAmount = ledgerAmount + 250 WHERE id=2;
1 row(s) affected
```

But while updating some other row in connection 2 will be executed without any error.

Connection 1

```
UPDATE accDetails SET ledgerAmount = ledgerAmount + 750 WHERE id=1;
COMMIT;
1 row(s) affected
```

Now row lock is released, because transaction is committed in Connection 1.

```
UPDATE accDetails SET ledgerAmount = ledgerAmount + 500 WHERE id=1;
1 row(s) affected
```

The update is executed without any error in Connection 2 after Connection 1 released row lock by finishing the transaction.

Section 47.2: Mysql Locks

Table locks can be an important tool for **ENGINE**=MyISAM, but are rarely useful for **ENGINE**=InnoDB. If you are tempted to use table locks with InnoDB, you should rethink how you are working with transactions.

MySQL enables client sessions to acquire table locks explicitly for the purpose of cooperating with other sessions for access to tables, or to prevent other sessions from modifying tables during periods when a session requires exclusive access to them. A session can acquire or release locks only for itself. One session cannot acquire locks for another session or release locks held by another session.

Locks may be used to emulate transactions or to get more speed when updating tables. This is explained in more detail later in this section.

Command:LOCK TABLES table_name READ|WRITE;

you can assign only lock type to a single table;

Example (READ LOCK):

```
LOCK TABLES table_name READ;
```

Example (WRITE LOCK):

```
LOCK TABLES table_name WRITE;
```

To see lock is applied or not, use following Command

```
SHOW OPEN TABLES;
```

To flush/remove all locks, use following command:

```
UNLOCK TABLES;
```

EXAMPLE:

```
LOCK TABLES products WRITE:
INSERT INTO products(id,product_name) SELECT id,old_product_name FROM old_products;
UNLOCK TABLES;
```

Above example any external connection cannot write any data to products table until unlocking table product

EXAMPLE:

```
LOCK TABLES products READ:
INSERT INTO products(id,product_name) SELECT id,old_product_name FROM old_products;
UNLOCK TABLES;
```

Above example any external connection cannot read any data from products table until unlocking table product	

Chapter 48: MySQL Unions

Section 48.1: Union operator

The UNION operator is used to combine the result-set (only distinct values) of two or more SELECT statements.

Query: (To selects all the different cities (only distinct values) from the "Customers" and the "Suppliers" tables)

```
SELECT City FROM Customers
UNION
SELECT City FROM Suppliers
ORDER BY City;
```

Result:

```
Number of Records: 10

City
------
Aachen
Albuquerque
Anchorage
Annecy
Barcelona
Barquisimeto
Bend
Bergamo
Berlin
Bern
```

Section 48.2: Union ALL

UNION ALL to select all (duplicate values also) cities from the "Customers" and "Suppliers" tables.

Query:

```
SELECT City FROM Customers
UNION ALL
SELECT City FROM Suppliers
ORDER BY City;
```

Result:

```
Number of Records: 12

City
-----
Aachen
Albuquerque
Anchorage
Ann Arbor
Annecy
Barcelona
Barquisimeto
Bend
Bergamo
Berlin
```

Section 48.3: UNION ALL With WHERE

UNION ALL to select all(duplicate values also) German cities from the "Customers" and "Suppliers" tables. Here Country="Germany" is to be specified in the where clause.

Query:

```
SELECT City, Country FROM Customers
WHERE Country='Germany'
UNION ALL
SELECT City, Country FROM Suppliers
WHERE Country='Germany'
ORDER BY City;
```

Result:

Number of Records: 14

City	Country
Aachen	Germany
Berlin	Germany
Berlin	Germany
Brandenburg	Germany
Cunewalde	Germany
Cuxhaven	Germany
Frankfurt	Germany
Frankfurt a.M.	Germany
Köln	Germany
Leipzig	Germany
Mannheim	Germany
München	Germany
Münster	Germany
Stuttgart	Germany

Chapter 49: ORDER BY

Section 49.1: Contexts

The clauses in a **SELECT** have a specific order:

```
SELECT ... FROM ... WHERE ... GROUP BY ... HAVING ...
ORDER BY ... -- goes here
LIMIT ... OFFSET ...;

( SELECT ... ) UNION ( SELECT ... ) ORDER BY ... -- for ordering the result of the UNION.

SELECT ... GROUP_CONCAT(DISTINCT x ORDER BY ... SEPARATOR ...) ...

ALTER TABLE ... ORDER BY ... -- probably useful only for MyISAM; not for InnoDB
```

Section 49.2: Basic

ORDER BY x

x can be any datatype.

- NULLs precede non-NULLs.
- The default is ASC (lowest to highest)
- Strings (VARCHAR, etc) are ordered according the COLLATION of the declaration
- ENUMs are ordered by the declaration order of its strings.

Section 49.3: ASCending / DESCending

```
ORDER BY x ASC -- same as default
ORDER BY x DESC -- highest to lowest
ORDER BY lastname, firstname -- typical name sorting; using two columns
ORDER BY submit_date DESC -- latest first
ORDER BY submit_date DESC, id ASC -- latest first, but fully specifying order.
```

- ASC = ASCENDING, DESC = DESCENDING
- NULLs come first even for DESC.
- In the above examples, INDEX(x), INDEX(lastname, firstname), INDEX(submit_date) may significantly
 improve performance.

But... Mixing **ASC** and **DESC**, as in the last example, cannot use a composite index to benefit. Nor will **INDEX**(submit_date **DESC**, id **ASC**) help -- "**DESC**" is recognized syntactically in the **INDEX** declaration, but ignored.

Section 49.4: Some tricks

```
ORDER BY FIND_IN_SET(card_type, "MASTER-CARD, VISA, DISCOVER") -- sort 'MASTER-CARD' first.

ORDER BY x IS NULL, x -- order by `x`, but put `NULLs` last.
```

Custom ordering

```
SELECT * FROM some_table WHERE id IN (118, 17, 113, 23, 72)
ORDER BY FIELD(id, 118, 17, 113, 23, 72);
```

Returns the result in the specified order of ids.

id ... 118 ...

17 ...

113 ...

23 ... 72 ...

Useful if the ids are already sorted and you just need to retrieve the rows.

Chapter 50: MySQL client

Parameter	Description
-Ddatabase=name	name of the database
delimiter=str	set the statement delimiter. The default one is ';'
<pre>-eexecute='command'</pre>	execute command
-hhost=name	hostname to connect to
-ppassword=name	password Note: there is no space between -p and the password
-p (without password)	the password will be prompted for
-Pport=#	port number
-ssilent	silent mode, produce less output. Use \t as column separator
-ss	like -s, but omit column names
-Ssocket=path	specify the socket (Unix) or named pipe (Windows) to use when connecting to a local instance
skip-column-names	omit column names
-uuser=name	username
-Usafe-updatesi-am-a-dummy	login with the variable sql_safe_updates=ON. This will allow only DELETE and UPDATE that explicitly use keys
-Vversion	print the version and exit

Section 50.1: Base login

To access MySQL from the command line:

```
mysql --user=username --password=pwd --host=hostname test_db
```

This can be shortened to:

```
mysql -u username -p password -h hostname test_db
```

By omitting the password value MySQL will ask for any required password as the first input. If you specify password the client will give you an 'insecure' warning:

```
mysql -u=username -p -h=hostname test_db
```

For local connections -- socket can be used to point to the socket file:

```
mysql --user=username --password=pwd --host=localhost --socket=/path/to/mysqld.sock test_db
```

Omitting the socket parameter will cause the client to attempt to attach to a server on the local machine. The server must be running to connect to it.

Section 50.2: Execute commands

This set of example show how to execute commands stored in strings or script files, without the need of the interactive prompt. This is especially useful to when a shell script needs to interact with a database.

Execute command from a string

```
$ mysql -uroot -proot test -e'select * from people'
+---+---+
| id | name | gender |
+---+----+
```

```
| 1 | Kathy | f
| 2 | John | m |
+----+
```

To format the output as a tab-separated grid, use the --silent parameter:

```
$ mysql -uroot -proot test -s -e'select * from people'

id    name    gender
1    Kathy    f
2    John    m
```

To omit the headers:

```
$ mysql -uroot -proot test -ss -e'select * from people'

1     Kathy  f
2     John  m
```

Execute from script file:

```
$ mysql -uroot -proot test < my_script.sql
$ mysql -uroot -proot test -e'source my_script.sql'</pre>
```

Write the output on a file

```
$ mysql -uroot -proot test < my_script.sql > out.txt
$ mysql -uroot -proot test -s -e'select * from people' > out.txt
```

Chapter 51: Mysql Performance Tips

Section 51.1: Building a composite index

In many situations, a composite index performs better than an index with a single column. To build an optimal composite index, populate it with columns in this order.

• =

column(s) from the WHERE clause first. (eg, INDEX(a,b,...) for WHERE a=12 AND b='xyz' ...)

- IN column(s); the optimizer may be able to leapfrog through the index.
- One "range" (eg x BETWEEN 3 AND 9, name LIKE 'J%') It won't use anything past the first range column.
- All the columns in **GROUP BY**, in order
- All the columns in ORDER BY, in order. Works only if all are ASC or all are DESC or you are using 8.0.

Notes and exceptions:

- Don't duplicate any columns.
- Skip over any cases that don't apply.
- If you don't use all the columns of WHERE, there is no need to go on to GROUP BY, etc.
- There are cases where it is useful to index only the ORDER BY column(s), ignoring WHERE.
- Don't "hide" a column in a function (eg DATE(x) = ... cannot use x in the index.)
- 'Prefix' indexing (eg, text_col(99)) is unlikely to be helpful; may hurt.

More details and tips.

Section 51.2: Optimizing Storage Layout for InnoDB Tables

- 1. In InnoDB, having a long PRIMARY KEY (either a single column with a lengthy value, or several columns that form a long composite value) wastes a lot of disk space. The primary key value for a row is duplicated in all the secondary index records that point to the same row. Create an AUTO_INCREMENT column as the primary key if your primary key is long.
- 2. Use the VARCHAR data type instead of CHAR to store variable-length strings or for columns with many NULL values. A CHAR(N) column always takes N characters to store data, even if the string is shorter or its value is NULL. Smaller tables fit better in the buffer pool and reduce disk I/O.

When using COMPACT row format (the default InnoDB format) and variable-length character sets, such as utf8 or sjis, CHAR(N) columns occupy a variable amount of space, but still at least N bytes.

- 3. For tables that are big, or contain lots of repetitive text or numeric data, consider using COMPRESSED row format. Less disk I/O is required to bring data into the buffer pool, or to perform full table scans. Before making a permanent decision, measure the amount of compression you can achieve by using COMPRESSED versus COMPACT row format. *Caveat:* Benchmarks rarely show better than 2:1 compression and there is a lot of overhead in the buffer_pool for COMPRESSED.
- 4. Once your data reaches a stable size, or a growing table has increased by tens or some hundreds of megabytes, consider using the OPTIMIZE TABLE statement to reorganize the table and compact any wasted space. The reorganized tables require less disk I/O to perform full table scans. This is a straightforward technique that can improve performance when other techniques such as improving index usage or tuning application code are not practical. *Caveat*: Regardless of table size, OPTIMIZE TABLE should only rarely be performed. This is because it is costly, and rarely improves the table enough to be worth it. InnoDB is

reasonably good at keeping its B+Trees free of a lot of wasted space.

OPTIMIZE TABLE copies the data part of the table and rebuilds the indexes. The benefits come from improved packing of data within indexes, and reduced fragmentation within the tablespaces and on disk. The benefits vary depending on the data in each table. You may find that there are significant gains for some and not for others, or that the gains decrease over time until you next optimize the table. This operation can be slow if the table is large or if the indexes being rebuilt do not fit into the buffer pool. The first run after adding a lot of data to a table is often much slower than later runs.

Chapter 52: Temporary Tables

Section 52.1: Create Temporary Table

Temporary tables could be very useful to keep temporary data. Temporary tables option is available in MySQL version 3.23 and above.

Temporary table will be automatically destroyed when the session ends or connection is closed. The user can also drop temporary table.

Same temporary table name can be used in many connections at the same time, because the temporary table is only available and accessible by the client who creates that table.

The temporary table can be created in the following types

```
--->Basic temporary table creation

CREATE TEMPORARY TABLE tempTable1(
    id INT NOT NULL AUTO_INCREMENT,
    title VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,
    PRIMARY KEY ( id )
    );

--->Temporary table creation from select query

CREATE TEMPORARY TABLE tempTable1
    SELECT ColumnName1, ColumnName2,... FROM table1;
```

You can add indexes as you build the table:

IF NOT EXISTS key word can be used as mentioned below to avoid 'table already exists' error. But in that case table will not be created, if the table name which you are using already exists in your current session.

```
CREATE TEMPORARY TABLE IF NOT EXISTS tempTable1
SELECT ColumnName1, ColumnName2, ... FROM table1;
```

Section 52.2: Drop Temporary Table

Drop Temporary Table is used to delete the temporary table which you are created in your current session.

```
DROP TEMPORARY TABLE tempTable1

DROP TEMPORARY TABLE IF EXISTS tempTable1
```

Use IF **EXISTS** to prevent an error occurring for tables that may not exist

Chapter 53: Transaction

Section 53.1: Start Transaction

A transaction is a sequential group of SQL statements such as select, insert, update or delete, which is performed as one single work unit.

In other words, a transaction will never be complete unless each individual operation within the group is successful. If any operation within the transaction fails, the entire transaction will fail.

Bank transaction will be best example for explaining this. Consider a transfer between two accounts. To achieve this you have to write SQL statements that do the following

- 1. Check the availability of requested amount in the first account
- 2. Deduct requested amount from first account
- 3. Deposit it in second account

If anyone these process fails, the whole should be reverted to their previous state.

ACID: Properties of Transactions

Transactions have the following four standard properties

- **Atomicity:** ensures that all operations within the work unit are completed successfully; otherwise, the transaction is aborted at the point of failure, and previous operations are rolled back to their former state.
- Consistency: ensures that the database properly changes states upon a successfully committed transaction.
- Isolation: enables transactions to operate independently of and transparent to each other.
- **Durability:** ensures that the result or effect of a committed transaction persists in case of a system failure.

Transactions begin with the statement **START TRANSACTION** or **BEGIN WORK** and end with either a **COMMIT** or a **ROLLBACK** statement. The SQL commands between the beginning and ending statements form the bulk of the transaction.

```
START TRANSACTION;
SET @transAmt = '500';
SELECT @availableAmt:=ledgerAmt FROM accTable WHERE customerId=1 FOR UPDATE;
UPDATE accTable SET ledgerAmt=ledgerAmt-@transAmt WHERE customerId=1;
UPDATE accTable SET ledgerAmt=ledgerAmt+@transAmt WHERE customerId=2;
COMMIT;
```

With **START TRANSACTION**, autocommit remains disabled until you end the transaction with **COMMIT** or **ROLLBACK**. The autocommit mode then reverts to its previous state.

The FOR **UPDATE** indicates (and locks) the row(s) for the duration of the transaction.

While the transaction remains uncommitted, this transaction will not be available for others users.

General Procedures involved in Transaction

- Begin transaction by issuing SQL command BEGIN WORK or START TRANSACTION.
- Run all your SQL statements.
- Check whether everything is executed according to your requirement.
- If yes, then issue **COMMIT** command, otherwise issue a **ROLLBACK** command to revert everything to the previous state.

• Check for errors even after **COMMIT** if you are using, or might eventually use, Galera/PXC.

Section 53.2: COMMIT, ROLLBACK and AUTOCOMMIT

AUTOCOMMIT

MySQL automatically commits statements that are not part of a transaction. The results of any **UPDATE,DELETE** or **INSERT** statement not preceded with a **BEGIN** or **START TRANSACTION** will immediately be visible to all connections.

The AUTOCOMMIT variable is set true by default. This can be changed in the following way,

```
--->To make autcommit false
SET AUTOCOMMIT=false;
--or
SET AUTOCOMMIT=0;
--->To make autcommit true
SET AUTOCOMMIT=true;
--or
SET AUTOCOMMIT=1;
```

To view AUTOCOMMIT status

```
SELECT @@autocommit;
```

COMMIT

If AUTOCOMMIT set to false and the transaction not committed, the changes will be visible only for the current connection.

After **COMMIT** statement commits the changes to the table, the result will be visible for all connections.

We consider two connections to explain this

Connection 1

```
--->Before making autocommit false one row added in a new table
mysql> INSERT INTO testTable VALUES (1);

--->Making autocommit = false
mysql> SET autocommit=0;

mysql> INSERT INTO testTable VALUES (2), (3);
mysql> SELECT * FROM testTable;
+-----+
| tId |
+-----+
| 1 |
| 2 |
| 3 |
+-----+
```

Connection 2

```
mysql> SELECT * FROM testTable;
+----+
| tId |
```

```
+----+
| 1 |
+----+
---> Row inserted before autocommit=false only visible here
```

Connection 1

Connection 2

ROLLBACK

If anything went wrong in your query execution, ROLLBACK in used to revert the changes. See the explanation below

```
--->Before making autocommit false one row added in a new table
mysql> INSERT INTO testTable VALUES (1);

--->Making autocommit = false
mysql> SET autocommit=0;

mysql> INSERT INTO testTable VALUES (2), (3);
mysql> SELECT * FROM testTable;
+-----+
| tId |
+-----+
| 1 |
| 2 |
| 3 |
+-----+
```

Now we are executing **ROLLBACK**

```
--->Rollback executed now
mysql> ROLLBACk;

mysql> SELECT * FROM testTable;
+----+
| tId |
+----+
```

```
| 1 |
+----+
--->Rollback removed all rows which all are not committed
```

Once **COMMIT** is executed, then **ROLLBACK** will not cause anything

```
mysql> INSERT INTO testTable VALUES (2), (3);
mysql> SELECT * FROM testTable;
mysql> COMMIT;
+----+
| tId |
+----+
   1 |
   2
   3
+----+
--->Rollback executed now
mysql> ROLLBACk;
mysql> SELECT * FROM testTable;
+----+
| tId |
+----+
  1 |
   2
   3
--->Rollback not removed any rows
```

If AUTOCOMMIT is set true, then **COMMIT** and **ROLLBACK** is useless

Section 53.3: Transaction using JDBC Driver

Transaction using JDBC driver is used to control how and when a transaction should commit and rollback. Connection to MySQL server is created using JDBC driver

JDBC driver for MySQL can be downloaded here

Lets start with getting a connection to database using JDBC driver

```
Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
Connection con = DriverManager.getConnection(DB_CONNECTION_URL,DB_USER,USER_PASSWORD);
--->Example for connection url "jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/testDB");
```

Character Sets: This indicates what character set the client will use to send SQL statements to the server. It also specifies the character set that the server should use for sending results back to the client.

This should be mentioned while creating connection to server. So the connection string should be like,

```
jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/testDB?useUnicode=true&characterEncoding=utf8
```

See this for more details about **Character Sets and Collations**

When you open connection, the AUTOCOMMIT mode is set to *true* by default, that should be changed *false* to start transaction.

```
con.setAutoCommit(false);
```

You should always call setAutoCommit() method right after you open a connection.

Otherwise use **START TRANSACTION** or **BEGIN WORK** to start a new transaction. By using **START TRANSACTION** or **BEGIN WORK**, no need to change AUTOCOMMIT *false*. That will be automatically disabled.

Now you can start transaction. See a complete JDBC transaction example below.

```
package jdbcTest;
import java.sql.Connection;
import java.sql.PreparedStatement;
import java.sql.SQLException;
public class accTrans {
    public static void doTransfer(double transAmount,int customerIdFrom,int customerIdTo) {
        Connection con = null;
        PreparedStatement pstmt = null;
        ResultSet rs = null;
        try {
            String DB_CONNECTION_URL =
"jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/testDB?useUnicode=true&characterEncoding=utf8";
            Class.forName("com.mysql.jdbc.Driver");
            con = DriverManager.getConnection(DB_CONNECTION_URL,DB_USER,USER_PASSWORD);
            --->set auto commit to false
            con.setAutoCommit(false);
            ---> or use con.START TRANSACTION / con.BEGIN WORK
            --->Start SQL Statements for transaction
            --->Checking availability of amount
            double availableAmt
                                  = 0;
            pstmt = con.prepareStatement("SELECT ledgerAmt FROM accTable WHERE customerId=? FOR
UPDATE");
            pstmt.setInt(1, customerIdFrom);
            rs = pstmt.executeQuery();
            if(rs.next())
                availableAmt = rs.getDouble(1);
            if(availableAmt >= transAmount)
                ---> Do Transfer
                ---> taking amount from cutomerIdFrom
                pstmt = con.prepareStatement("UPDATE accTable SET ledgerAmt=ledgerAmt-? WHERE
customerId=?");
                pstmt.setDouble(1, transAmount);
                pstmt.setInt(2, customerIdFrom);
                pstmt.executeUpdate();
                ---> depositing amount in cutomerIdTo
                pstmt = con.prepareStatement("UPDATE accTable SET ledgerAmt=ledgerAmt+? WHERE
customerId=?");
                pstmt.setDouble(1, transAmount);
                pstmt.setInt(2, customerIdTo);
                pstmt.executeUpdate();
```

```
con.commit();
        --->If you performed any insert, update or delete operations before
        ----> this availability check, then include this else part
        /*else { --->Rollback the transaction if availability is less than required
           con.rollback();
       }*/
    } catch (SQLException ex) {
        ---> Rollback the transaction in case of any error
        con.rollback();
    } finally {
        try {
            if(rs != null) rs.close();
            if(pstmt != null) pstmt.close();
            if(con != null) con.close();
public static void main(String[] args) {
   doTransfer(500, 1020, 1021);
    -->doTransfer(transAmount, customerIdFrom, customerIdTo);
```

JDBC transaction make sure of all SQL statements within a transaction block are executed successful, if either one of the SQL statement within transaction block is failed, abort and rollback everything within the transaction block.

Chapter 54: Customize PS1

Section 54.1: Customize the MySQL PS1 with current database

In the .bashrc or .bash_profile, adding:

```
export MYSQL_PS1="\u@\h [\d]>"
```

make the MySQL client PROMPT show current user@host [database].

```
$ mysql -uroot data

Reading table information for completion of table and column names

You can turn off this feature to get a quicker startup with -A

Welcome to the MySQL monitor. Commands end with; or \g.

Your MySQL connection id is 2

Server version: 5.6.23 Homebrew

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Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.

root@localhost [data]>
```

Section 54.2: Custom PS1 via MySQL configuration file

In mysqld.cnf or equivalent:

```
[mysql]
prompt = '\u@\h [\d]> '
```

This achieves a similar effect, without having to deal with .bashrc's.

Chapter 55: Dealing with sparse or missing data

Section 55.1: Working with columns containg NULL values

In MySQL and other SQL dialects, NULL values have special properties.

Consider the following table containing job applicants, the companies they worked for, and the date they left the company. **NULL** indicates that an applicant still works at the company:

Your task is to compose a query that returns all rows after 2016–01–01, including any employees that are still working at a company (those with NULL end dates). This select statement:

```
SELECT * FROM example WHERE end_date > '2016-01-01';
```

fails to include any rows with **NULL** values:

```
+-----+
| applicant_id | company_name | end_date |
+-----+
| 2 | Woodworking.com | 2016-08-25 |
+----+
```

Per the <u>MySQL documentation</u>, comparisons using the arithmetic operators <, >, =, and <> themselves return <u>NULL</u> instead of a boolean <u>TRUE</u> or <u>FALSE</u>. Thus a row with a <u>NULL</u> end_date is neither greater than 2016-01-01 nor less than 2016-01-01.

This can be solved by using the keywords IS NULL:

Working with NULLs becomes more complex when the task involves aggregation functions like MAX() and a **GROUP**BY clause. If your task were to select the most recent employed date for each applicant id, the following query

would seem a logical first attempt:

However, knowing that NULL indicates an applicant is still employed at a company, the first row of the result is inaccurate. Using CASE WHEN provides a workaround for the NULL issue:

This result can be joined back to the original example table to determine the company at which an applicant last worked:

```
SELECT
 data.applicant_id,
 data.company_name,
 data.max_date
FROM (
 SELECT
   CASE WHEN end_date is null THEN 'present' ELSE end_date END max_date
 FROM example
) data
INNER JOIN (
SELECT
  applicant_id,
  CASE WHEN MAX(end_date is null) = 1 THEN 'present' ELSE MAX(end_date) END max_date
FROM
  example
GROUP BY applicant_id
ON data.applicant_id = j.applicant_id AND data.max_date = j.max_date;
+----+
| applicant_id | company_name | max_date |
+----+
          1 | Google | present
          2 | Woodworking.com | 2016-08-25 |
          3 | NFL.com | 2014-04-13 |
```

+-----

These are just a few examples of working with ${\color{red}{\tt NULL}}$ values in MySQL.

Chapter 56: NULL

Section 56.1: Uses for NULL

- Data not yet known such as end_date, rating
- Optional data such as middle_initial (though that might be better as the empty string)
- 0/0 The result of certain computations, such as zero divided by zero.
- NULL is not equal to "" (blank string) or 0 (in case of integer).
- others?

Section 56.2: Testing NULLs

- IS NULL / IS NOT NULL -- = NULL does not work like you expect.
- x <=> y is a "null-safe" comparison.

In a LEFT JOIN tests for rows of a for which there is not a corresponding row in b.

```
SELECT ...
FROM a
LEFT JOIN b ON ...
WHERE b.id IS NULL
```

Chapter 57: Replication

Section 57.1: Master - Slave Replication Setup

Consider 2 MySQL Servers for replication setup, one is a Master and the other is a Slave.

We are going to configure the Master that it should keep a log of every action performed on it. We are going to configure the Slave server that it should look at the log on the Master and whenever changes happens in log on the Master, it should do the same thing.

Master Configuration

First of all, we need to create a user on the Master. This user is going to be used by Slave to create a connection with the Master.

```
CREATE USER 'user_name'@'%' IDENTIFIED BY 'user_password';
GRANT REPLICATION SLAVE ON *.* TO 'user_name'@'%';
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
```

Change user_name and user_password according to your Username and Password.

Now my . inf (my.cnf in Linux) file should be edited. Include the following lines in [mysqld] section.

```
server-id = 1
log-bin = mysql-bin.log
binlog-do-db = your_database
```

The first line is used to assign an ID to this MySQL server.

The second line tells MySQL to start writing a log in the specified log file. In Linux this can be configured like log-bin = /home/mysql/logs/mysql-bin.log. If you are starting replication in a MySQL server in which replication has already been used, make sure this directory is empty of all replication logs.

The third line is used to configure the database for which we are going to write log. You should replace your_database with your database name.

Make sure skip-networking has not been enabled and restart the MySQL server(Master)

Slave Configuration

my.inf file should be edited in Slave also. Include the following lines in [mysqld] section.

```
server-id = 2
master-host = master_ip_address
master-connect-retry = 60

master-user = user_name
master-password = user_password
replicate-do-db = your_database

relay-log = slave-relay.log
relay-log-index = slave-relay-log.index
```

The first line is used to assign an ID to this MySQL server. This ID should be unique.

The second line is the I.P address of the Master server. Change this according to your Master system I.P.

The third line is used to set a retry limit in seconds.

The next two lines tell the username and password to the Slave, by using which it connect the Master.

Next line set the database it needs to replicate.

The last two lines used to assign relay-log and relay-log-index file names.

Make sure skip-networking has not been enabled and restart the MySQL server(Slave)

Copy Data to Slave

If data is constantly being added to the Master, we will have to prevent all database access on the Master so nothing can be added. This can be achieved by run the following statement in Master.

```
FLUSH TABLES WITH READ LOCK;
```

If no data is being added to the server, you can skip the above step.

We are going to take data backup of the Master by using mysqldump

```
mysqldump your_database -u root -p > D://Backup/backup.sql;
```

Change your_database and backup directory according to your setup. You wll now have a file called backup.sql in the given location.

If your database not exists in your Slave, create that by executing the following

```
CREATE DATABASE `your_database`;
```

Now we have to import backup into Slave MySQL server.

```
mysql -u root -p your_database <D://Backup/backup.sql
--->Change `your_database` and backup directory according to your setup
```

Start Replication

To start replication, we need to find the log file name and log position in the Master. So, run the following in Master

```
SHOW MASTER STATUS;
```

This will give you an output like below

Then run the following in Slave

```
SLAVE STOP;
CHANGE MASTER TO MASTER_HOST='master_ip_address', MASTER_USER='user_name',
    MASTER_PASSWORD='user_password', MASTER_LOG_FILE='mysql-bin.0000001', MASTER_LOG_POS=130;
```

```
SLAVE START;
```

First we stop the Slave. Then we tell it exactly where to look in the Master log file. For MASTER_LOG_FILE name and MASTER_LOG_POS, use the values which we got by running SHOW MASTER STATUS command on the Master.

You should change the I.P of the Master in MASTER_HOST, and change the user and password accordingly.

The Slave will now be waiting. The status of the Slave can be viewed by run the following

```
SHOW SLAVE STATUS;
```

If you previously executed FLUSH **TABLES WITH READ LOCK** in Master, release the tables from lock by run the following

```
UNLOCK TABLES;
```

Now the Master keep a log for every action performed on it and the Slave server look at the log on the Master. Whenever changes happens in log on the Master, Slave replicate that.

Section 57.2: Replication Errors

Whenever there is an error while running a query on the slave, MySQL stop replication automatically to identify the problem and fix it. This mainly because an event caused a duplicate key or a row was not found and it cannot be updated or deleted. You can skip such errors, even if this is not recommended

To skip just one query that is hanging the slave, use the following syntax

```
SET GLOBAL sql_slave_skip_counter = N;
```

This statement skips the next N events from the master. This statement is valid only when the slave threads are not running. Otherwise, it produces an error.

```
STOP SLAVE;
SET GLOBAL sql_slave_skip_counter=1;
START SLAVE;
```

In some cases this is fine. But if the statement is part of a multi-statement transaction, it becomes more complex, because skipping the error producing statement will cause the whole transaction to be skipped.

If you want to skip more queries which producing same error code and if you are sure that skipping those errors will not bring your slave inconsistent and you want to skip them all, you would add a line to skip that error code in your my.cnf.

For example you might want to skip all duplicate errors you might be getting

```
1062 | Error 'Duplicate entry 'xyz' for key 1' on query
```

Then add the following to your my.cnf

```
slave-skip-errors = 1062
```

You can skip also other type of errors or all error codes, but make sure that skipping those errors will not bring your slave inconsistent. The following are the syntax and examples

```
slave-skip-errors=[err_code1,err_code2,...|all]
slave-skip-errors=1062,1053
slave-skip-errors=all
slave-skip-errors=ddl_exist_errors
```

Chapter 58: Connecting with UTF-8 Using Various Programming language.

Section 58.1: Python

1st or 2nd line in source code (to have literals in the code utf8-encoded):

```
# -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
```

Connection:

For web pages, one of these:

```
<meta charset="utf-8" />
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=utf-8" />
```

Section 58.2: PHP

In php.ini (this is the default after PHP 5.6):

```
default_charset UTF-8
```

When building a web page:

```
header('Content-type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8');
```

When connecting to MySQL:

```
(for mysql:) Do not use the mysql_* API!
(for mysqli:) $mysqli_obj->set_charset('utf8mb4');
(for PDO:) $db = new PDO('dblib:host=host;dbname=db;charset=utf8', $user, $pwd);
```

In code, do not use any conversion routines.

For data entry,

```
<form accept-charset="UTF-8">
```

For JSON, to avoid \uxxxx:

```
$t = json_encode($s, JSON_UNESCAPED_UNICODE);
```

Chapter 59: SSL Connection Setup

Section 59.1: Setup for Debian-based systems

(This assumes MySQL has been installed and that sudo is being used.)

Generating a CA and SSL keys

Make sure OpenSSL and libraries are installed:

```
apt-get -y install openssl
apt-get -y install libssl-dev
```

Next make and enter a directory for the SSL files:

```
mkdir /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts
cd /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts
```

To generate keys, create a certificate authority (CA) to sign the keys (self-signed):

```
openssl genrsa 2048 > ca-key.pem
openssl req -new -x509 -nodes -days 3600 -key ca-key.pem -out ca.pem
```

The values entered at each prompt won't affect the configuration. Next create a key for the server, and sign using the CA from before:

```
openssl req -newkey rsa:2048 -days 3600 -nodes -keyout server-key.pem -out server-req.pem openssl rsa -in server-key.pem -out server-key.pem

openssl x509 -req -in server-req.pem -days 3600 -CA ca.pem -CAkey ca-key.pem -set_serial 01 -out server-cert.pem
```

Then create a key for a client:

```
openssl req -newkey rsa:2048 -days 3600 -nodes -keyout client-key.pem -out client-req.pem openssl rsa -in client-key.pem -out client-key.pem openssl x509 -req -in client-req.pem -days 3600 -CA ca.pem -CAkey ca-key.pem -set_serial 01 -out client-cert.pem
```

To make sure everything was set up correctly, verify the keys:

```
openssl verify -CAfile ca.pem server-cert.pem client-cert.pem
```

Adding the keys to MySQL

Open the MySQL configuration file. For example:

```
vim /etc/mysql/mysql.conf.d/mysqld.cnf
```

Under the [mysqld] section, add the following options:

```
ssl-ca = /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts/ca.pem
ssl-cert = /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts/server-cert.pem
ssl-key = /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts/server-key.pem
```

Restart MySQL. For example:

```
service mysql restart
```

Test the SSL connection

Connect in the same way, passing in the extra options ssl-ca, ssl-cert, and ssl-key, using the generated client key. For example, assuming cd /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts:

```
mysql --ssl-ca=ca.pem --ssl-cert=client-cert.pem --ssl-key=client-key.pem -h 127.0.0.1 -u superman -p
```

After logging in, verify the connection is indeed secure:

```
superman@127.0.0.1 [None]> SHOW VARIABLES LIKE '%ssl%';
+-----
 Variable_name | Value
+-----
| have_openssl | YES
| have ssl
             | /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts/ca.pem
| ssl_ca
| ssl_capath
             | /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts/server-cert.pem
| ssl cert
| ssl_cipher
| ssl_crl
| ssl_crlpath
| ssl_key
             | /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts/server-key.pem
```

You could also check:

```
superman@127.0.0.1 [None] > STATUS;
...
SSL: Cipher in use is DHE-RSA-AES256-SHA
...
```

Enforcing SSL

This is via **GRANT**, using **REQUIRE SSL**:

```
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON *.* TO 'superman'@'127.0.0.1' IDENTIFIED BY 'pass' REQUIRE SSL;
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
```

Now, superman *must* connect via SSL.

If you don't want to manage client keys, use the client key from earlier and automatically use that for all clients. Open MySQL configuration file, for example:

```
vim /etc/mysql.conf.d/mysqld.cnf
```

Under the [client] section, add the following options:

```
ssl-ca = /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts/ca.pem
ssl-cert = /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts/client-cert.pem
ssl-key = /home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts/client-key.pem
```

Now superman only has to type the following to login via SSL:

```
mysql -h 127.0.0.1 -u superman -p
```

Connecting from another program, for example in Python, typically only requires an additional parameter to the connect function. A Python example:

```
import MySQLdb
ssl = {'cert': '/home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts/client-cert.pem', 'key': '/home/ubuntu/mysqlcerts/client-
key.pem'}
conn = MySQLdb.connect(host='127.0.0.1', user='superman', passwd='imsoawesome', ssl=ssl)
```

References and further reading:

- https://www.percona.com/blog/2013/06/22/setting-up-mysql-ssl-and-secure-connections/
- https://lowendbox.com/blog/getting-started-with-mysql-over-ssl/
- http://xmodulo.com/enable-ssl-mysgl-server-client.html
- https://ubuntuforums.org/showthread.php?t=1121458

Section 59.2: Setup for CentOS7 / RHEL7

This example assumes two servers:

- 1. dbserver (where our database lives)
- 2. appclient (where our applications live)

FWIW, both servers are SELinux enforcing.

First, log on to dbserver

Create a temporary directory for creating the certificates.

```
mkdir /root/certs/mysql/ && cd /root/certs/mysql/
```

Create the server certificates

```
openssl genrsa 2048 > ca-key.pem
openssl req -sha1 -new -x509 -nodes -days 3650 -key ca-key.pem > ca-cert.pem
openssl req -sha1 -newkey rsa:2048 -days 730 -nodes -keyout server-key.pem > server-req.pem
openssl rsa -in server-key.pem -out server-key.pem
openssl x509 -sha1 -req -in server-req.pem -days 730 -CA ca-cert.pem -CAkey ca-key.pem -set_serial
01 > server-cert.pem
```

Move server certificates to /etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql/

Directory path assumes CentOS or RHEL (adjust as needed for other distros):

```
mkdir /etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql/
```

Be sure to set permissions on the folder and files. mysql needs full ownership and access.

```
chown -R mysql:mysql /etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql
```

Now configure MySQL/MariaDB

```
# vi /etc/my.cnf
# i
[mysqld]
```

```
bind-address=*
ssl-ca=/etc/pki/tls/certs/ca-cert.pem
ssl-cert=/etc/pki/tls/certs/server-cert.pem
ssl-key=/etc/pki/tls/certs/server-key.pem
# :wq
```

Then

```
systemctl restart mariadb
```

Don't forget to open your firewall to allow connections from appclient (using IP 1.2.3.4)

```
firewall-cmd --zone=drop --permanent --add-rich-rule 'rule family="ipv4" source address="1.2.3.4" service name="mysql" accept' # I force everything to the drop zone. Season the above command to taste.
```

Now restart firewalld

```
service firewalld restart
```

Next, log in to dbserver's mysql server:

```
mysql -uroot -p
```

Issue the following to create a user for the client. note REQUIRE SSL in GRANT statement.

```
GRANT ALL PRIVILEGES ON *.* TO 'iamsecure'@'appclient' IDENTIFIED BY 'dingdingding' REQUIRE SSL;
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
# quit mysql
```

You should still be in /root/certs/mysgl from the first step. If not, cd back to it for one of the commands below.

Create the client certificates

```
openssl req -sha1 -newkey rsa:2048 -days 730 -nodes -keyout client-key.pem > client-req.pem openssl rsa -in client-key.pem -out client-key.pem openssl x509 -sha1 -req -in client-req.pem -days 730 -CA ca-cert.pem -CAkey ca-key.pem -set_serial 01 > client-cert.pem
```

Note: I used the same common name for both server and client certificates. YMMV.

Be sure you're still /root/certs/mysql/ for this next command

Combine server and client CA certificate into a single file:

```
cat server-cert.pem client-cert.pem > ca.pem
```

Make sure you see two certificates:

```
cat ca.pem
```

END OF SERVER SIDE WORK FOR NOW.

Open another terminal and

```
ssh appclient
```

As before, create a permanent home for the client certificates

```
mkdir /etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql/
```

Now, place the client certificates (created on dbserver) on appclient. You can either scp them over, or just copy and paste the files one by one.

```
scp dbserver
# copy files from dbserver to appclient
# exit scp
```

Again, be sure to set permissions on the folder and files. mysql needs full ownership and access.

```
chown -R mysql:mysql /etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql
```

You should have three files, each owned by user mysgl:

```
/etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql/ca.pem
/etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql/client-cert.pem
/etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql/client-key.pem
```

Now edit appclient's MariaDB/MySQL config in the [client] section.

```
vi /etc/my.cnf
# i
[client]
ssl-ca=/etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql/ca.pem
ssl-cert=/etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql/client-cert.pem
ssl-key=/etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql/client-key.pem
# :wq
```

Restart appclient's mariadb service:

```
systemctl restart mariadb
```

still on the client here

This should return: ssl TRUE

```
mysql --ssl --help
```

Now, log in to appclient's mysql instance

```
mysql -uroot -p
```

Should see YES to both variables below

```
show variables LIKE '%ssl';
have_openssl YES
have_ssl YES
```

Initially I saw

```
have_openssl NO
```

A quick look into mariadb.log revealed:

SSL error: Unable to get certificate from '/etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql/client-cert.pem'

The problem was that root owned client-cert.pem and the containing folder. The solution was to set ownership of /etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql/ to mysql.

```
chown -R mysql:mysql /etc/pki/tls/certs/mysql
```

Restart mariadb if needed from the step immediately above

NOW WE ARE READY TO TEST THE SECURE CONNECTION We're still on appclient here

Attempt to connect to dbserver's mysql instance using the account created above.

```
mysql -h dbserver -u iamsecure -p
# enter password dingdingding (hopefully you changed that to something else)
```

With a little luck you should be logged in without error.

To confirm you are connected with SSL enabled, issue the following command from the MariaDB/MySQL prompt:

```
\s
```

That's a backslash s, aka status

That will show the status of your connection, which should look something like this:

```
Connection id:
Current database:
Current user:
                     iamsecure@appclient
               Cipher in use is DHE-RSA-AES256-GCM-SHA384
SSL:
Current pager:
                      stdout
Using outfile:
Using delimiter:
Server:
                  MariaDB
                       5.X.X-MariaDB MariaDB Server
Server version:
Protocol version:
                    10
Connection:
                  dbserver via TCP/IP
Server characterset:
                       latin1
      characterset:
                       latin1
Client characterset:
                       utf8
Conn. characterset:
                       utf8
TCP port:
               3306
                  42 min 13 sec
Uptime:
```

If you get permission denied errors on your connection attempt, check your GRANT statement above to make sure there aren't any stray characters or ' marks.

If you have SSL errors, go back through this guide to make sure the steps are orderly.

This worked on RHEL7 and will likely work on CentOS7, too. Cannot confirm whether these exact steps will work elsewhere.

Hope this saves someone else a little time and aggravation.

Chapter 60: Handling Time Zones

Section 60.1: Retrieve the current date and time in a particular time zone

This fetches the value of NOW() in local time, in India Standard Time, and then again in UTC.

```
SELECT NOW();
SET time_zone='Asia/Kolkata';
SELECT NOW();
SET time_zone='UTC';
SELECT NOW();
```

Section 60.2: Convert a stored `DATE` or `DATETIME` value to another time zone

If you have a stored **DATE** or **DATETIME** (in a column somewhere) it was stored with respect to some time zone, but in MySQL the time zone is *not* stored with the value. So, if you want to convert it to another time zone, you can, but you must know the original time zone. Using **CONVERT_TZ()** does the conversion. This example shows rows sold in California in local time.

```
SELECT CONVERT_TZ(date_sold, 'UTC', 'America/Los_Angeles') date_sold_local
FROM sales
WHERE state_sold = 'CA'
```

Section 60.3: Retrieve stored `TIMESTAMP` values in a particular time zone

This is really easy. All **TIMESTAMP** values are stored in universal time, and always converted to the present time_zone setting whenever they are rendered.

```
SET SESSION time_zone='America/Los_Angeles';
SELECT timestamp_sold
  FROM sales
WHERE state_sold = 'CA'
```

Why is this? **TIMESTAMP** values are based on the venerable <u>UNIX time_t data type</u>. Those UNIX timestamps are stored as a number of seconds since 1970-01-01 00:00:00 UTC.

Notice TIMESTAMP values are stored in universal time. **DATE** and **DATETIME** values are stored in whatever local time was in effect when they were stored.

Section 60.4: What is my server's local time zone setting?

Each server has a default global time_zone setting, configured by the owner of the server machine. You can find out the current time zone setting this way:

```
SELECT @@time_zone
```

Unfortunately, that usually yields the value SYSTEM, meaning the MySQL time is governed by the server OS's time zone setting.

This sequence of queries (yes, it's a hack) gives you back the offset in minutes between the server's time zone

setting and UTC.

```
CREATE TEMPORARY TABLE times (dt DATETIME, ts TIMESTAMP);
SET time_zone = 'UTC';
INSERT INTO times VALUES(NOW(), NOW());
SET time_zone = 'SYSTEM';
SELECT dt, ts, TIMESTAMPDIFF(MINUTE, dt, ts)offset FROM times;
DROP TEMPORARY TABLE times;
```

How does this work? The two columns in the temporary table with different data types is the clue. **DATETIME** data types are always stored in local time in tables, and **TIMESTAMP**s in UTC. So the **INSERT** statement, performed when the time_zone is set to UTC, stores two identical date / time values.

Then, the SELECT statement, is done when the time_zone is set to server local time. **TIMESTAMP**s are always translated from their stored UTC form to local time in SELECT statements. **DATETIME**s are not. So the TIMESTAMPDIFF(MINUTE...) operation computes the difference between local and universal time.

Section 60.5: What time_zone values are available in my server?

To get a list of possible time_zone values in your MySQL server instance, use this command.

```
SELECT mysql.time_zone_name.name
```

Ordinarily, this shows the <u>ZoneInfo list of time zones</u> maintained by Paul Eggert at the <u>Internet Assigned Numbers</u> <u>Authority</u>. Worldwide there are appproximately 600 time zones.

Unix-like operating systems (Linux distributions, BSD distributions, and modern Mac OS distributions, for example) receive routine updates. Installing these updates on an operating system lets the MySQL instances running there track the changes in time zone and daylight / standard time changeovers.

If you get a much shorter list of time zone names, your server is either incompletely configured or running on Windows. <u>Here are instructions</u> for your server administrator to install and maintain the ZoneInfo list.

Chapter 61: Time with subsecond precision

Section 61.1: Get the current time with millisecond precision

```
SELECT NOW(3)
```

does the trick.

Section 61.2: Get the current time in a form that looks like a Javascript timestamp

Javascript timestamps are based on the venerable UNIX time_t data type, and show the number of milliseconds since 1970-01-01 00:00:00 UTC.

This expression gets the current time as a Javascript timestamp integer. (It does so correctly regardless of the current time_zone setting.)

```
ROUND(UNIX_TIMESTAMP(NOW(3)) * 1000.0, 0)
```

If you have **TIMESTAMP** values stored in a column, you can retrieve them as integer Javascript timestamps using the UNIX_TIMESTAMP() function.

```
SELECT ROUND(UNIX_TIMESTAMP(column) * 1000.0, 0)
```

If your column contains **DATETIME** columns and you retrieve them as Javascript timestamps, those timestamps will be offset by the time zone offset of the time zone they're stored in.

Section 61.3: Create a table with columns to store sub-second time

```
CREATE TABLE times (
    dt DATETIME(3),
    ts TIMESTAMP(3)
);
```

makes a table with millisecond-precision date / time fields.

```
INSERT INTO times VALUES (NOW(3), NOW(3));
```

inserts a row containing NOW() values with millisecond precision into the table.

```
INSERT INTO times VALUES ('2015-01-01 16:34:00.123','2015-01-01 16:34:00.128');
```

inserts specific millisecond precision values.

Notice that you must use NOW(3) rather than NOW() if you use that function to insert high-precision time values.

Section 61.4: Convert a millisecond-precision date / time value to text

%f is the fractional precision format specifier for the DATE FORMAT() function.

```
SELECT DATE_FORMAT(NOW(3), '%Y-%m-%d %H:%i:%s.%f')
```

displays a value like 2016-11-19 09:52:53.248000 with fractional microseconds. Because we used NOW(3), the final three digits in the fraction are 0.

Section 61.5: Store a Javascript timestamp into a TIMESTAMP column

If you have a Javascript timestamp value, for example 1478960868932, you can convert that to a MySQL fractional time value like this:

```
FROM_UNIXTIME(1478960868932 * 0.001)
```

It's simple to use that kind of expression to store your Javascript timestamp into a MySQL table. Do this:

```
INSERT INTO table (col) VALUES (FROM_UNIXTIME(1478960868932 * 0.001))
```

(Obviously, you'll want to insert other columns.)

Chapter 62: Error 1055: ONLY_FULL_GROUP_BY: something is not in GROUP BY clause ...

Recently, new versions of MySQL servers have begun to generate 1055 errors for queries that used to work. This topic explains those errors. The MySQL team has been working to retire the nonstandard extension to **GROUP BY**, or at least to make it harder for query writing developers to be burned by it.

Section 62.1: Misusing GROUP BY to return unpredictable results: Murphy's Law

will show the rows in a table called item, and show the count of related rows in a table called uses. It will also show the value of a column called uses.category.

This query works in MySQL (before the ONLY_FULL_GROUP_BY flag appeared). It uses MySQL's nonstandard extension to GROUP_BY.

But the query has a problem: if several rows in the uses table match the **ON** condition in the **JOIN** clause, MySQL returns the category column from just one of those rows. Which row? The writer of the query, and the user of the application, doesn't get to know that in advance. Formally speaking, it's *unpredictable*: MySQL can return any value it wants.

Unpredictable is like *random*, with one significant difference. One might expect a *random* choice to change from time to time. Therefore, if a choice were random, you might detect it during debugging or testing. The *unpredictable* result is worse: MySQL returns the same result each time you use the query, *until it doesn't*. Sometimes it's a new version of the MySQL server that causes a different result. Sometimes it's a growing table causing the problem. What can go wrong, will go wrong, and when you don't expect it. That's called <u>Murphy's Law</u>.

The MySQL team has been working to make it harder for developers to make this mistake. Newer versions of MySQL in the 5.7 sequence have a sql_mode flag called ONLY_FULL_GROUP_BY. When that flag is set, the MySQL server returns the 1055 error and refuses to run this kind of query.

Section 62.2: Misusing GROUP BY with SELECT *, and how to fix it

Sometimes a query looks like this, with a * in the **SELECT** clause.

Such a query needs to be refactored to comply with the ONLY_FULL_GROUP_BY standard.

To do this, we need a subquery that uses **GROUP BY** correctly to return the number_of_uses value for each item_id.

This subquery is short and sweet, because it only needs to look at the uses table.

```
SELECT item_id, COUNT(*) number_of_uses
   FROM uses
   GROUP BY item_id
```

Then, we can join that subquery with the item table.

This allows the GROUP BY clause to be simple and correct, and also allows us to use the * specifier.

Note: nevertheless, wise developers avoid using the * specifier in any case. It's usually better to list the columns you want in a query.

Section 62.3: ANY_VALUE()

shows the rows in a table called item, the count of related rows, and one of the values in the related table called uses.

You can think of this ANY_VALUE() function as a strange a kind of aggregate function. Instead of returning a count, sum, or maximum, it instructs the MySQL server to choose, arbitrarily, one value from the group in question. It's a way of working around Error 1055.

Be careful when using ANY_VALUE() in queries in production applications.

It really should be called SURPRISE_ME(). It returns the value of some row in the GROUP BY group. Which row it returns is indeterminate. That means it's entirely up to the MySQL server. Formally, it returns an unpredictable value.

The server doesn't choose a random value, it's worse than that. It returns the same value every time you run the query, until it doesn't. It can change, or not, when a table grows or shrinks, or when the server has more or less RAM, or when the server version changes, or when Mars is in retrograde (whatever that means), or for no reason at all.

You have been warned.

Section 62.4: Using and misusing GROUP BY

```
GROUP BY item.item id
```

will show the rows in a table called item, and show the count of related rows in a table called uses. This works well, but unfortunately it's not standard SQL-92.

Why not? because the SELECT clause (and the ORDER BY clause) in GROUP BY queries must contain columns that are

- 1. mentioned in the GROUP BY clause, or
- 2. aggregate functions such as COUNT(), MIN(), and the like.

This example's **SELECT** clause mentions item.name, a column that does not meet either of those criteria. MySQL 5.6 and earlier will reject this query if the SQL mode contains ONLY_FULL_GROUP_BY.

This example query can be made to comply with the SQL-92 standard by changing the GROUP BY clause, like this.

The later SQL-99 standard allows a **SELECT** statement to omit unaggregated columns from the group key if the DBMS can prove a functional dependence between them and the group key columns. Because item.name is functionally dependent on item.item_id, the initial example is valid SQL-99. MySQL gained a <u>functional</u> <u>dependence prover</u> in version 5.7. The original example works under ONLY_FULL_GROUP_BY.

Chapter 63: Full-Text search

MySQL offers FULLTEXT searching. It searches tables with columns containing text for the best matches for words and phrases.

Section 63.1: Simple FULLTEXT search

Given a table named book with columns named ISBN, 'Title', and 'Author', this finds books matching the terms 'Database Programming'. It shows the best matches first.

For this to work, a fulltext index on the Title column must be available:

```
ALTER TABLE book ADD FULLTEXT INDEX Fulltext_title_index (Title);
```

Section 63.2: Simple BOOLEAN search

Given a table named book with columns named ISBN, Title, and Author, this searches for books with the words 'Database' and 'Programming' in the title, but not the word 'Java'.

For this to work, a fulltext index on the Title column must be available:

```
ALTER TABLE book ADD FULLTEXT INDEX Fulltext_title_index (Title);
```

Section 63.3: Multi-column FULLTEXT search

Given a table named book with columns named ISBN, Title, and Author, this finds books matching the terms 'Date Database Programming'. It shows the best matches first. The best matches include books written by Prof. C. J. Date.

(But, one of the best matches is also *The Date Doctor's Guide to Dating: How to Get from First Date to Perfect Mate.* This shows up a limitation of FULLTEXT search: it doesn't pretend to understand such things as parts of speech or the meaning of the indexed words.)

For this to work, a fulltext index on the Title and Author columns must be available:

ALTER TABLE book ADD FULLTEXT INDEX Fulltext_title_author_index (Title, Author);

Chapter 64: Extract values from JSON type

Parameter Description

json_doc valid JSON document path members path

MySQL 5.7.8+ supports native JSON type. While you have different ways to create json objects, you can access and read members in different ways, too.

Main function is JSON_EXTRACT, hence -> and ->> operators are more friendly.

Section 64.1: Read JSON Array value

Create @myjson variable as JSON type (read more):

```
SET @myjson = CAST('["A","B",{"id":1,"label":"C"}]' as JSON) ;
```

SELECT some members!

```
SELECT
    JSON_EXTRACT( @myjson , '$[1]' ) ,
    JSON_EXTRACT( @myjson , '$[**].label') ,
    JSON_EXTRACT( @myjson , '$[**1].** ) ,
    JSON_EXTRACT( @myjson , '$[**2].**)
;
-- result values:
'\"B\"', '[\"C\"]', NULL, '[1, \"C\"]'
-- visually:
"B", ["C"], NULL, [1, "C"]
```

Section 64.2: JSON Extract Operators

Extract path by -> or ->> Operators, while ->> is UNQUOTED value:

So col->>path is equal to JSON_UNQUOTE(JSON_EXTRACT(col,path)):

As with ->, the ->> operator is always expanded in the output of EXPLAIN, as the following example demonstrates:

```
mysql> EXPLAIN SELECT c->>'$.name' AS name
   -> FROM jemp WHERE g > 2\G
*************************
id: 1
```

```
select_type: SIMPLE
      table: jemp
  partitions: NULL
       type: range
possible_keys: i
        key: i
     key_len: 5
        ref: NULL
       rows: 2
    filtered: 100.00
      Extra: Using where
1 row in set, 1 warning (0.00 sec)
mysql> SHOW WARNINGS\G
Level: Note
  Code: 1003
Message: /* select#1 */ select
json_unquote(json_extract(`jtest`.`jemp`.`c`,'$.name')) AS `name` from
`jtest`.`jemp` where (`jtest`.`jemp`.`g` > 2)
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

Read about inline path extract(+)

Chapter 65: Regular Expressions

A regular expression is a powerful way of specifying a pattern for a complex search.

Section 65.1: REGEXP / RLIKE

The **REGEXP** (or its synonym, **RLIKE**) operator allows pattern matching based on regular expressions.

Consider the following employee table:

EMPLOYEE_ID FIRST_NAME	LAST_NAME	PHONE_NUMBER	SALARY
100 Steven 101 Neena 102 Lex 103 Alexander 104 Bruce 105 David 106 Valli 107 Diana	King Kochhar De Haan Hunold Ernst Austin Pataballa Lorentz	515.123.4567 515.123.4568 515.123.4569 590.423.4567 590.423.4568 590.423.4569 590.423.4560 590.423.5567	24000.00 17000.00 17000.00 9000.00 6000.00 4800.00 4200.00
108 Nancy 109 Daniel 110 John	Greenberg Faviet Chen	515.124.4569 515.124.4169 515.124.4269	12000.00 9000.00 8200.00

Pattern ^

Select all employees whose FIRST_NAME starts with N.

Query

```
SELECT * FROM employees WHERE FIRST_NAME REGEXP '^N'
-- Pattern start with------^
```

Pattern \$**

Select all employees whose PHONE_NUMBER ends with 4569.

Query

```
SELECT * FROM employees WHERE PHONE_NUMBER REGEXP '4569$'
-- Pattern end with-----^
```

NOT REGEXP

Select all employees whose FIRST_NAME does not start with **N**.

Query

```
SELECT * FROM employees WHERE FIRST_NAME NOT REGEXP '^N'
-- Pattern does not start with-----^
```

Regex Contain

Select all employees whose LAST_NAME contains in and whose FIRST_NAME contains a.

Query

```
SELECT * FROM employees WHERE FIRST_NAME REGEXP 'a' AND LAST_NAME REGEXP 'in'
-- No ^ or $, pattern can be anywhere ------^
```

Any character between []

Select all employees whose FIRST_NAME starts with **A** or **B** or **C**.

Query

```
SELECT * FROM employees WHERE FIRST_NAME REGEXP '^[ABC]'
```

Pattern or |

Select all employees whose FIRST_NAME starts with **A** or **B** or **C** and ends with **r**, **e**, or **i**.

Query

```
SELECT * FROM employees WHERE FIRST_NAME REGEXP '^[ABC]|[rei]$'
```

Counting regular expression matches

Consider the following query:

```
SELECT FIRST_NAME, FIRST_NAME REGEXP '^N' as matching FROM employees
```

FIRST_NAME REGEXP '^N' is 1 or 0 depending on the fact that FIRST_NAME matches ^N.

To visualize it better:

```
SELECT
FIRST_NAME,
IF(FIRST_NAME REGEXP '^N', 'matches 'N', 'does not match 'N') as matching
FROM employees
```

Finally, count total number of matching and non-matching rows with:

```
SELECT
IF(FIRST_NAME REGEXP '^N', 'matches ^N', 'does not match ^N') as matching,
COUNT(*)
FROM employees
GROUP BY matching
```

Chapter 66: Recover and reset the default root password for MySQL 5.7+

After MySQL 5.7, when we install MySQL sometimes we don't need to create a root account or give a root password. By default when we start the server, the default password is stored in the mysqld.log file. We need to login in to the system using that password and we need to change it.

Section 66.1: What happens when the initial start up of the server

Given that the data directory of the server is empty:

- The server is initialized.
- SSL certificate and key files are generated in the data directory.
- The validate_password plugin is installed and enabled.
- The superuser account 'root'@'localhost' is created. The password for the superuser is set and stored in the error log file.

Section 66.2: How to change the root password by using the default password

To reveal the default "root" password:

```
shell> sudo grep 'temporary password' /var/log/mysqld.log
```

Change the root password as soon as possible by logging in with the generated temporary password and set a custom password for the superuser account:

```
shell> mysql -uroot -p
mysql> ALTER USER 'root'@'localhost' IDENTIFIED BY 'MyNewPass5!';
```

Note: MySQL's validate_password plugin is installed by default. This will require that passwords contain at least one upper case letter, one lower case letter, one digit, and one special character, and that the total password length is at least 8 characters.

Section 66.3: reset root password when "/var/run/mysqld' for UNIX socket file don't exists"

if I forget the password then I'll get error.

```
$ mysql -u root -p
```

Enter password:

ERROR 1045 (28000): Access denied for user 'root'@'localhost' (using password: YES)

I tried to solve the issue by first knowing the status:

```
$ systemctl status mysql.service
```

mysql.service - MySQL Community Server Loaded: loaded (/lib/systemd/system/mysql.service; enabled; vendor

preset: en Active: active (running) since Thu 2017-06-08 14:31:33 IST; 38s ago

Then I used the code mysqld_safe --skip-grant-tables & but I get the error:

mysqld_safe Directory '/var/run/mysqld' for UNIX socket file don't exists.

```
$ systemctl stop mysql.service
$ ps -eaf|grep mysql
$ mysqld_safe --skip-grant-tables &
```

I solved:

```
$ mkdir -p /var/run/mysqld
$ chown mysql:mysql /var/run/mysqld
```

Now I use the same code mysqld_safe --skip-grant-tables & and get

mysqld_safe Starting mysqld daemon with databases from /var/lib/mysql

If I use \$ mysql -u root I'll get:

Server version: 5.7.18-0ubuntu0.16.04.1 (Ubuntu)

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Type 'help;' or '\h' for help. Type '\c' to clear the current input statement.

mysql>

Now time to change password:

```
mysql> use mysql
mysql> describe user;
```

Reading table information for completion of table and column names You can turn off this feature to get a quicker startup with -A

Database changed

```
mysql> FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
mysql> SET PASSWORD FOR root@'localhost' = PASSWORD('newpwd');
```

or If you have a mysql root account that can connect from everywhere, you should also do:

```
UPDATE mysql.user SET Password=PASSWORD('newpwd') WHERE User='root';
```

Alternate Method:

```
USE mysql
UPDATE user SET Password = PASSWORD('newpwd')
WHERE Host = 'localhost' AND User = 'root';
```

And if you have a root account that can access from everywhere:

```
USE mysql
UPDATE user SET Password = PASSWORD('newpwd')
WHERE Host = '%' AND User = 'root'; enter code here
```

now need to quit from mysql and stop/start

```
FLUSH PRIVILEGES;
sudo /etc/init.d/mysql stop
sudo /etc/init.d/mysql start
```

now again `mysql -u root -p' and use the new password to get

mysql>

Chapter 67: One to Many

The idea of one to many (1:M) concerns the joining of rows to each other, specifically cases where a single row in one table corresponds to many rows in another.

1:M is one-directional, that is, any time you query a 1:M relationship, you can use the 'one' row to select 'many' rows in another table, but you cannot use a single 'many' row to select more than a single 'one' row.

Section 67.1: Example Company Tables

Consider a company where every employee who is a manager, manages 1 or more employees, and every employee has only 1 manager.

This results in two tables:

EMPLOYEES

EMP_ID FIRST_NAME LAST_NAME MGR_ID

E01	Johnny	Appleseed	M02
E02	Erin	Macklemore	M01
E03	Colby	Paperwork	M03
E04	Ron	Sonswan	M01

MANAGERS

MGR_ID FIRST_NAME LAST_NAME

M01	Loud	McQueen
M02	Bossy	Pants
M03	Barrel	Jones

Section 67.2: Get the Employees Managed by a Single Manager

```
SELECT e.emp_id , e.first_name , e.last_name FROM employees e INNER JOIN managers m ON m.mgr_id =
e.mgr_id WHERE m.mgr_id = 'M01' ;
```

Results in:

EMP_ID FIRST_NAME LAST_NAME

E02 Erin Macklemore E04 Ron Sonswan

Ultimately, for every manager we query for, we will see 1 or more employees returned.

Section 67.3: Get the Manager for a Single Employee

Consult the above example tables when looking at this example.

```
SELECT m.mgr_id , m.first_name , m.last_name FROM managers m INNER JOIN employees e ON e.mgr_id =
m.mgr_id WHERE e.emp_id = 'E03' ;
```

MGR_ID FIRST_NAME LAST_NAME

M03 Barrel Jones

As this is the inverse of the above example, we know that for every employee we query for, we will only ever see

one corresponding manager.

Chapter 68: JOINS: Join 3 table with the same name of id.

Section 68.1: Join 3 tables on a column with the same name

```
CREATE TABLE Table1 (
   id INT UNSIGNED NOT NULL,
   created_on DATE NOT NULL,
   PRIMARY KEY (id)
)

CREATE TABLE Table2 (
   id INT UNSIGNED NOT NULL,
   personName VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
   PRIMARY KEY (id)
)

CREATE TABLE Table3 (
   id INT UNSIGNED NOT NULL,
   accountName VARCHAR(255) NOT NULL,
   PRIMARY KEY (id)
)
```

after creating the tables you could do a select query to get the id's of all three tables that are the same

```
SELECT

t1.id AS table1Id,

t2.id AS table2Id,

t3.id AS table3Id

FROM Table1 t1

LEFT JOIN Table2 t2 ON t2.id = t1.id

LEFT JOIN Table3 t3 ON t3.id = t1.id
```

Chapter 69: Server Information

Parameters

Explanation

GLOBAL Shows the variables as they are configured for the entire server. Optional. SESSION Shows the variables that are configured for this session only. Optional.

Section 69.1: SHOW VARIABLES example

To get all the server variables run this query either in the SQL window of your preferred interface (PHPMyAdmin or other) or in the MySQL CLI interface

```
SHOW VARIABLES:
```

You can specify if you want the session variables or the global variables as follows:

Session variables:

```
SHOW SESSION VARIABLES;
```

Global variables:

```
SHOW GLOBAL VARIABLES;
```

Like any other SQL command you can add parameters to your query such as the LIKE command:

```
SHOW [GLOBAL | SESSION] VARIABLES LIKE 'max_join_size';
```

Or, using wildcards:

```
SHOW [GLOBAL | SESSION] VARIABLES LIKE '%size%';
```

You can also filter the results of the SHOW query using a WHERE parameter as follows:

```
SHOW [GLOBAL | SESSION] VARIABLES WHERE VALUE > 0;
```

Section 69.2: SHOW STATUS example

To get the database server status run this query in either the SQL window of your preferred interface (PHPMyAdmin or other) or on the MySQL CLI interface.

```
SHOW STATUS;
```

You can specify whether you wish to receive the SESSION or GLOBAL status of your sever like so: Session status:

```
SHOW SESSION STATUS;
```

Global status:

```
SHOW GLOBAL STATUS;
```

Like any other SQL command you can add parameters to your query such as the LIKE command:

```
SHOW [GLOBAL | SESSION] STATUS LIKE 'Key%';
```

Or the Where command:

```
SHOW [GLOBAL | SESSION] STATUS WHERE VALUE > 0;
```

The main difference between GLOBAL and SESSION is that with the GLOBAL modifier the command displays aggregated information about the server and all of it's connections, while the SESSION modifier will only show the values for the current connection.

Chapter 70: Recover from lost root password

Section 70.1: Set root password, enable root user for socket and http access

Solves problem of: access denied for user root using password YES Stop mySQL:

```
sudo systemctl stop mysql
```

Restart mySQL, skipping grant tables:

```
sudo mysqld_safe --skip-grant-tables
```

Login:

```
mysql -u root
```

In SQL shell, look if users exist:

```
select User, password,plugin FROM mysql.user ;
```

Update the users (plugin null enables for all plugins):

```
update mysql.user set password=PASSWORD('mypassword'), plugin = NULL WHERE User = 'root';
exit;
```

In Unix shell stop mySQL without grant tables, then restart with grant tables:

```
sudo service mysql stop
sudo service mysql start
```

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