

>>> Introduction to SQL
>>> Featuring MySQL and T-SQL

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>>> Daily schedule
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Timetable				
9:00am	-	10:30am	lecture 1	(1.5 hr)
10:30am	-	11:00am	morning tea	(30 min)
11:00am	-	12:30pm	lecture 2	(1.5 hr)
12:30pm	-	1:30pm	lunch	(1 hr)
1:30pm	-	3:00pm	guided exercises	(1.5 hr)
3:00pm	-	5:00pm	one-on-one help	(2 hr)

>>> Overview

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>>> How to pronounce SQL

- * S. Q. L. (Structured Query Language)
- * 'SEQUEL' (Structured English Query Language)

We will be boldly using two dialects of (ISO/ANSI) SQL:

- * T-SQL (Microsoft, proprietary)
- * MySQL (Oracle, open-source)

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>>> No ice breaker... yet
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Breakout rooms during the exercises

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>>> Show of hands
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Past experience

>>> The Kahoots!

Definition

A Kahoot is a fun group quiz that we'll do here and there throughout the course. Join in to test your skills.

And now for a practice Kahoot...

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>>> Let the learning begin
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A Relational Database Management System (RDBMS).

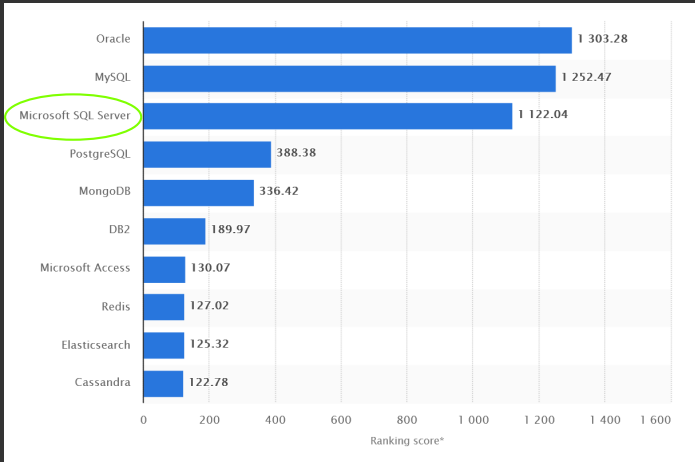
Definition

A DBMS is a large collection of interdependent programs all working together to define, construct, manipulate, protect and otherwise manage a database. An RDBMS is the most popular kind of DBMS.

SQL is a programming language for talking to your RDBMS.

>>> RDBMS

The most popular Relational Database Management Systems



Source: [statista.com](https://www.statista.com)

>>> The SQL bridge

Data Analyst

Responsibilities

- Curate the data
- Visualize and report data

Tools

- Excel
- SQL
- Tableau

Skills

- Analytics
- Communication & Visualization

Business Facing

- Sometimes

Salary

\$65,000



Data Scientist

Responsibilities

- Source data
- Analyze data
- Run experiments

Tools

- Python
- R
- SQL

Business Facing

- Yes

Build models

- Recommend solutions
- Storytell

Skills

- Analytics
- Communication
- Story-tell
- Model building
- Math
- Coding

Salary

\$120,000



Data Engineer

Responsibilities

- Build data pipelines and warehouse
- Manage scalability of data products

Tools

- Java
- C++
- Kubernetes
- Hadoop
- Spark
- Python

Skills

- Coding
- Model implementation

Business Facing

- Not Really

Salary

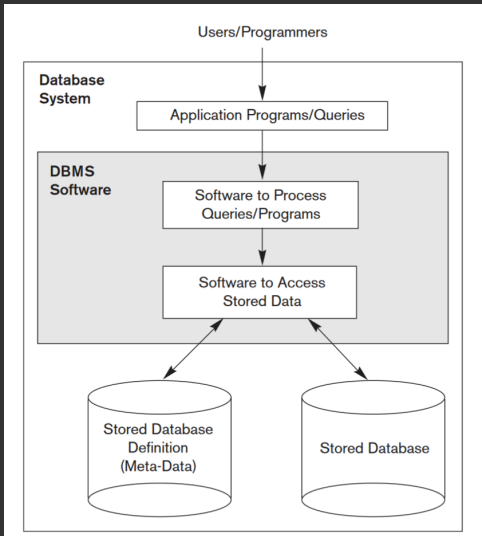
\$110,000



*Matha*Magicians

>>> DBMS

A layer of abstraction between human and machine



>>> RDBMS

Grandfather of SQL and RDBMS, in the 1970s:

'Future users of databases should be protected from having to know how the data is organised in the machine.' - Ted Codd (IBM researcher).

>>> RDBMS

To talk to humans and machines, the RDBMS should have a model of the world that is intuitive to both. This model is called the **Relational Model**.

Intuition

The Relational Model is the 'common tongue' between the humans and the machines. It has a nice formal mathematical definition, so it is easy for machines to work with. For the humans, it has a simple intuitive description in terms of tables and relationships between tables!

>>> A super-intelligent AI take on CSVs



Why does SQL not make it easy to work with CSVs?



As a language for working with structured data stored in relational databases, SQL is not optimized for working with CSV files which are flat, unstructured, and lack a well-defined schema. CSV files do not have the same constraints and relationships that are inherent in a relational database, making it more difficult to work with them in SQL. Additionally, SQL requires data to be in a specific format, while CSV files can vary widely in format, making it challenging to parse and manipulate the data in a consistent manner. SQL also lacks built-in functions for handling CSV data, requiring the use of external tools or custom code. Overall, these factors contribute to making it more difficult to work with CSV files in SQL.

>>> Better?



Now can you explain it like one pirate talking to another?



Arrr matey, SQL be designed fer structured data, ya see? But CSVs be flat and lackin' a proper schema, so workin' with 'em in SQL be a challenge. Ye can't just plop 'em in and expect everything to fit nicely like ye would with a proper database. And SQL be strict with its format, but CSVs be all over the map, makin' it tough to parse and manipulate the data. It be lackin' the proper tools too, so ye have to use external tricks or write yer own code. It be a rough sea out there fer workin' with CSVs in SQL.

>>> Last try



Okay now explain it like I'm 5, but make it sound like a passage from the King James Bible



Verily, I say unto thee, SQL is a tool for organizing data in a certain manner, even as ye would put thy toys in a chest. But CSVs, they be different, like a pile of sticks thrown upon the ground. They lack a proper order and structure, making it hard for SQL to understand them. SQL desireth a specific way of doing things, but CSVs change and be different every time. Thus, it requireth extra effort and tools to make them work with SQL, even as one must use a hammer to nail a board.

```
>>> Our very first table
```

Friends			
FriendID	FirstName	LastName	FavColour
1	<i>X</i>	<i>A</i>	red
2	<i>Y</i>	<i>B</i>	blue
3	<i>Z</i>	<i>C</i>	NULL

>>> What's the takeaway from all this??

When using SQL, you'll always be working with tables. This is (deceptively) simple and intuitive. Underlying that, there is a really powerful system that let's you talk to the machine in a fairly ideal way. This makes SQL **very efficient**.

The tradeoff? Some parts of SQL will be really simple and intuitive. Others can at first be frustrating and confusing. A little practice goes a loooooong way.

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>>> The anatomy of a table
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Row
(record)

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Column (attribute)

>>> The anatomy of a table

Column names (attribute names)

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1	<i>X</i>	<i>A</i>	red
2	<i>Y</i>	<i>B</i>	blue
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- * Every table should have a primary key
- * No two rows can have the same entry
- * There must be no NULL entries

```
>>> One more thing: The data types of attributes
```

```
Friends(FriendID, FirstName, LastName, FavColour)
```

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```
Friends(FriendID, FirstName, LastName, FavColour)  
         int
```

Definition

An integer is a positive or negative whole number.

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```
Friends(FriendID, FirstName, LastName, FavColour)
                varchar    varchar    varchar
```

Definition

Varchar stands for 'variable length character.'
It is a string of characters of undetermined length.

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>>> Relationships between tables overview

1. One-to-many relationships
2. Primary and foreign keys
3. Many-to-many relationships
4. One-to-one relationships

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- * One bank can have *many* accounts.
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Friends				
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1	X	...	NULL	NULL
2	Y	...	Chikin	NULL
3	Z	...	Cauchy	Gauss

```
>>> Problems with putting them in the same table
```

Ideas?

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FriendID	FirstName	...	PetName ₁	PetName ₂
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>>> So what do we do instead?
```

Suspense.

Kahoot time! The relational model.

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>>> What if we do this instead?
```

Friends			
FriendID	FirstName	...	PetName
1	X	...	NULL
2	Y	...	Chikin
3	Z	...	Cauchy
3	Z	...	Gauss

>>> What if we do this instead?

Friends			
FriendID	FirstName	...	PetName
1	X	...	NULL
2	Y	...	Chikin
3	Z	...	Cauchy
3	Z	...	Gauss

This causes data redundancy

```
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Pets			
PetID	PetName	PetDOB	FriendID
1	Chikin	24/09/2016	2
2	Cauchy	01/03/2012	3
3	Gauss	01/03/2012	3

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Foreign key

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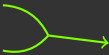
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>>> Check that we fixed all these problems

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```
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FriendsPets						
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1	Chikin	...	2	2	Y	...
2	Cauchy	...	3	3	Z	...
3	Gauss	...	3	3	Z	...

```
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FriendsPets						
PetID	PetName	...	FriendID	FriendID	FirstName	...
1	Chikin	...	2	2	Y	...
2	Cauchy	...	3	3	Z	...
3	Gauss	...	3	3	Z	...

Primary/foreign key pair

```
>>> Challenge
```

Challenge: Can you create a one-to-many relationship between `Friends` and `Friends`? How will you model it?

```
>>> A solution to the challenge question
```

- * Game in which friends fight to the death. A friend can beat many others, but can only be beaten by one at most.

Friends				
FriendID	FirstName	LastName	FavColour	DefeatedByID
1	<i>X</i>	<i>A</i>	red	2
2	<i>Y</i>	<i>B</i>	blue	NULL
3	<i>Z</i>	<i>C</i>	NULL	2

>>> Primary and foreign keys

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For example, a company might sell group holiday packages and the primary key of their **Customer** table might be made of a GroupID and GroupMemberNumber.

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Friends				
FriendID	FirstName	LastName	FavColour	DefeatedByID
1	<i>X</i>	<i>A</i>	red	4
2	<i>Y</i>	<i>B</i>	blue	NULL
3	<i>Z</i>	<i>C</i>	NULL	2

```
>>> Identifying a primary / foreign key pair?
```

A foreign key is any column (or collection of columns) where each record is **guaranteed** to equal one, and only one, primary key entry in the other table.

Problem: What happens if the database is sloppy, and there aren't any foreign keys??

```
>>> An example to contemplate
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```
Houses(Bedrooms, Bathrooms, LandSize, PostCode)
```

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- * From 1: can't be sure which suburb a house is in.
- * From 1: joining can lead to unexpected duplicates.
- * From 2: can't find any matching suburb.

>>> Many-to-many relationship

- * A class has many students,
and a student attends many classes.
- * A company has many investors,
and an investor invests in many companies.
- * A person engages with many government departments,
and a government department engages with many people.

>>> Many-to-many relationship

- * Each friend can scratch many backs, and a back can be scratched by many friends

Friends		
FriendID	FirstName	...
1	X	...
2	Y	...
3	Z	...

Friends		
FriendID	FirstName	...
1	X	...
2	Y	...
3	Z	...

Scratched			
ScratcherID	Date	Time	ScratcheeID
1	05/09/2018	12:00pm	2
1	05/09/2018	12:30pm	3
2	06/09/2018	11:00am	1
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```
>>> Joining the tables
```

Friend_Scratched_Friend

FrID	FriendName	...	SrID	...	SeID	FrID	FriendName	...
1	X	...	1	...	2	2	Y	...
1	X	...	1	...	3	3	Z	...
2	Y	...	2	...	1	1	X	...
3	Z	...	3	...	1	1	X	...

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2	Y	...	2	...	1	1	X	...
3	Z	...	3	...	1	1	X	...

Pair 1

```
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```

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1	X	...	1	...	3	3	Z	...
2	Y	...	2	...	1	1	X	...
3	Z	...	3	...	1	1	X	...

Pair 2

>>> Will see again during the exercises

- * A friend can play with many pets,
and a pet can play with many friends

Pets		
PetID	PetName	...
1	Chikin	
2	Cauchy	
3	Gauss	

Friends		
FriendID	FirstName	...
1	X	
2	Y	
3	Z	

PlayCount		
PetID	Count	FriendID
1	3	1
1	5	2
3	4	2

```
>>> One-to-one relationship
```

- * A person can have at most one head,
and each head belongs to only one person
- * A table record has exactly one primary key value,
and each primary key value belongs to exactly one record
- * A user has one set of log-in details,
and each set of log-in details belong to one user


```
>>> One-to-one relationship
```

- * One friend can have at most one passport, and each passport belongs to only one friend

Friends					
FriendID	FirstName	...	PptCountry	PptNo	PptExpiry
1	X		Australia	E1321	12/03/2021
2	Y		New Zealand	LA123	01/09/2032
3	Z		Monaco	S9876	19/06/2028

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- * NULLs (many passport attributes? few people have them?)
- * Dependence: Delete friend → delete passport.

>>> Goodbye, Mr. X

Friends

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Mr. X

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Deleting a friend will delete the owner's name

```
>>> Any idea how to fix this?
```

We should avoid keeping the person's name in both tables, since otherwise we have **redundant data**.

```
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```

- * Create 'people' table with **binary** variable for friend?

Definition

A binary variable is always either 0, 1 or NULL.
Usually, 0 represents **false** and 1 represents **true**.

```
>>> Any idea how to fix this?
```

- * Create 'people' table with **binary** variable for friend?
- * Create separate tables for friends, enemies, etc...?

Leave it to the database designers.

>>> How a database design can damage research

- * Missing information
- * Conflicting information (due to redundancy)
- * Not enough levels of a categorical variable
- * Binary answer when binary is not appropriate
- * Hard to join the tables and connect records
- * Hard to search for information in the database
- * Many more, keep eyes open...

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>>> Walk-through of SQL Server

Time for the real deal

If you've completed set-up, that's great!
Otherwise, we can troubleshoot it this afternoon.

If you're on macOS, don't worry!
I'll be giving a demo of Sequel Ace later.

>>> Demonstration

In Azure Data Studio, I'll do the following:

- * Connect to 'localhost'.
- * Open a new query tab.
- * Change between databases.
- * Figure out what tables are in a database.
- * Explain what a schema is.
- * Figure out what columns are in a table.
- * Figure out what the data types are.
- * Figure out what the primary/foreign keys are.
- * Figure out if NULL values are allowed.

```
>>> Bonus demo
```

Sneak preview of SQL code

- * The `USE` clause.
- * Retrieve `Friends`.
- * Retrieve `Pets`.
- * Join `Friends` with `Pets`.
- * Aliases.
- * Quoting identifiers.

>>> A note on syntax

```
SeLeCt*FrOm[NoTeS].  
[pEtS]rIpHaRaMbE20160528
```

- * Upper/lower-case has no effect
- * Spaces usually have no effect
- * Square brackets can be omitted
- * New lines have no effect
- * **Alias** can be almost anything

So pay attention to style

The concept of an **alias** is explained on the next slide.

>>> A note on syntax

Aliases give temporary names to tables, and should be used to simplify and shorten your queries.

Without aliases:

```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Friends JOIN Notes.Pets  
ON Notes.Friends.friendID = Notes.Pets.friendID;
```

With aliases:

```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Friends F JOIN Notes.Pets P  
ON F.friendID = P.friendID;
```

From now on, we will **always use aliases**.

>>> A note on syntax

Another (optional) way to write aliases

```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Friends AS F JOIN Notes.Pets AS P  
ON F.friendID = P.friendID;
```

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>>> SQL clause: FROM
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The `FROM` clause specifies table(s) to access in the `SELECT` statement (and others).

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The above will not run because there is no `SELECT`. You'll use `FROM` in almost every query, though.

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Remember: MySQL doesn't have schemas (but don't Google it)

```
>>> SQL clause: SELECT
```

The `SELECT` clause allows you to choose columns.
You can select all columns with `SELECT *`

We will look at the execution of this query:

```
SELECT F.FirstName, F.FavColour  
FROM Notes.Friends F;
```

Note: the alias `F` seems to have been used before it was created! We will learn about the (sometimes confusing) SQL **order of execution**.

```
>>> SELECT execution
```

```
FROM Notes.Friends
```

Friends			
FriendID	FirstName	LastName	FavColour
1	<i>X</i>	<i>A</i>	red
2	<i>Y</i>	<i>B</i>	blue
3	<i>Z</i>	<i>C</i>	NULL

```
>>> SELECT execution
```

```
SELECT F.FirstName, F.FavColour
```

Friends			
FriendID	FirstName	LastName	FavColour
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3	<i>Z</i>	<i>C</i>	NULL

```
>>> SELECT execution
```

result

Unnamed	
FirstName	FavColour
X	red
Y	blue
Z	NULL

```
>>> Order of execution
```

But did you see that order of execution?

```
>>> Order of execution
```

But did you see that order of execution?

- * Syntactic order of execution
- * **Logical** order of execution
- * Optimal order of execution


```
>>> SQL clause: WHERE
```

The WHERE clause allows you to choose rows, using a **search condition**.

We will look at the execution of this query:

```
SELECT F.firstName, F.lastName  
FROM Notes.Friends F  
WHERE favColour = 'red';
```

```
>>> WHERE execution
```

```
FROM Notes.Friends
```

Friends			
FriendID	FirstName	LastName	FavColour
1	<i>X</i>	<i>A</i>	red
2	<i>Y</i>	<i>B</i>	blue
3	<i>Z</i>	<i>C</i>	NULL

WHERE FavColour = 'red'

Friends			
FriendID	FirstName	LastName	FavColour
1	<i>X</i>	<i>A</i>	red
2	<i>Y</i>	<i>B</i>	blue
3	<i>Z</i>	<i>C</i>	NULL

```
SELECT FirstName, LastName
```

Unnamed			
ID	FirstName	LastName	FavColour
1	X	A	red

result

Unnamed	
FirstName	LastName
<i>X</i>	A

```
>>> Order of execution
```

1. FROM
2. WHERE
3. SELECT

```
>>> Order of execution
```

Order of execution is irrelevant, Danny!

```
>>> Order of execution
```

Order of execution is irrelevant, Danny!

Wrong you are.

Aliases can be created in the `SELECT` clause too!

```
SELECT F.FirstName AS Nombre, F.FavColour AS ColorFavorito  
FROM Notes.Friends F  
WHERE ColorFavorito = 'red';
```

Let's try executing the above. What will happen?


```
>>> Why do you keep saying 'clause'?
```

SQL is like speaking ... or cooking.

- * **Clauses** are components of **statements**.
- * The statements we're learning are called **queries**.
- * A statement is somewhat comparable to a 'sentence'.
- * Better to think of them as ingredients in a recipe?

>>> Chopping and changing

- * We've seen how to 'chop' (with `SELECT` and `WHERE`).
- * We've seen how to 'change' (with table/column aliases).

Can we also change the entries?

>>> Chopping and changing

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- * We've seen how to 'change' (with table/column aliases).

Can we also change the entries?

Change entries with the `CASE WHEN` expression.

```
SELECT *, CASE WHEN FavColour = 'red' THEN 'rojo'
            WHEN FavColour = 'blue' THEN 'azul'
            ELSE FavColour END AS ColorFavorito
FROM Notes.Friends;
```

Let's execute the above. What will it do?

>>> Ordering

We can also reorder the results!

```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Friends  
ORDER BY FriendID DESC;
```

Let's execute it to experiment.

```
>>> Lexicographic ordering
```

What happens if we order by a character string?

Numbers	
Num	NumString
111	'111'
31	'31'
32	'32'
211	'211'

```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Numbers  
ORDER BY NumString;
```

Let's execute it to find out.

```
>>> Transforming entries
```

Functions that transform entries are often called **scalar functions**. Perhaps the most important is:

```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Numbers  
ORDER BY CAST( NumString AS INT );
```

Let's execute it.

```
>>> Other scalar functions
```

The three categories we will look at are

- * Mathematical functions
- * String functions
- * Date and time functions

Any many more ([click here](#)).

```
>>> Three mathematical functions
```

Function	Description
SQRT	Square root
ROUND	Rounding
RAND	Generate random number

I will go through some examples...


```
>>> Two string functions
```

Function	Description
CONCAT	Concatenate columns
SUBSTRING	Extract characters

I will go through some examples...

```
>>> Three date/time functions
```

Function	Description
DAY	Extract the day (of the month)
MONTH	Extract the month
YEAR	Extract the year

I will go through some examples...

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```
>>> SQL query: JOIN
```

A `JOIN` (also known as an `INNER JOIN`) pairs the records from one table with the records from another table, using a primary/foreign key pair.

We will look at the execution of this query:

```
SELECT F.firstName, P.petName  
FROM Notes.Friends F JOIN Notes.Pets P  
ON F.friendID = P.friendID;
```

```
>>> SQL query: JOIN
```

We will look at the execution of this query:

```
SELECT F.firstName, P.petName  
FROM Notes.Friends F JOIN Notes.Pets P  
ON F.friendID = P.friendID;
```

Another way to write the same query: **implicit syntax**

```
SELECT F.firstName, P.petName  
FROM Notes.Friends F, Notes.Pets P  
WHERE F.friendID = P.friendID;
```

```
>>> SQL query: JOIN
```

Yet another way to write the same query:

```
SELECT F.firstName, P.petName  
FROM Notes.Friends F INNER JOIN Notes.Friends P  
ON F.friendID = P.friendID
```

```
>>> SQL query: JOIN
```

Note that `JOIN` is an operator that is inside the `FROM` clause.

```
FROM Friends F JOIN Pets P ON F.FriendID = P.FriendID
```

Pets			
PetID	PetName	...	FriendID
1	Chikin		2
2	Cauchy		3
3	Gauss		3

Friends		
FriendID	FirstName	...
1	X	
2	Y	
3	Z	

```
>>> SQL query: JOIN
```

```
SELECT F.FirstName, P.PetName
```

Unnamed						
PetID	PetName	...	FriendID	FriendID	FirstName	...
1	Chikin	...	2	2	Y	...
2	Cauchy	...	3	3	Z	...
3	Gauss	...	3	3	Z	...


```
>>> SQL query: JOIN
```

result

Unnamed	
PetName	FirstName
Chikin	Y
Cauchy	Z
Gauss	Z

>>> Order of execution

JOIN is technically an **operator**, not a clause.

1. FROM (and JOIN)
2. WHERE
3. SELECT

```
>>> Group practice
```

Table1		
A	B	C
1	Ignorance	is
2	War	is
3	Freedom	is
4	Friendship	is

Table2		
D	E	A
slavery.	3	1
weakness.	4	2
strength.	1	3
peace.	2	4

```
* SELECT B,C,D FROM Table1 T1, Table2 T2 WHERE T1.A = T2.A
```

```
* SELECT B,C,D FROM Table1 T1, Table2 T2 WHERE T1.A = T2.E
```

```
>>> Solutions
```

```
* SELECT B,C,D FROM Table1 T1, Table2 T2 WHERE T1.A = T2.A
```

B	C	D
Ignorance	is	slavery.
War	is	weakness.
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Friendship	is	peace.

>>> Solutions

* SELECT B,C,D FROM Table1 T1, Table2 T2 WHERE T1.A = T2.A

B	C	D
Ignorance	is	slavery.
War	is	weakness.
Freedom	is	strength.
Friendship	is	peace.

* SELECT B,C,D FROM Table1 T1, Table2 T2 WHERE T1.A = T2.E

B	C	D
Ignorance	is	strength.
War	is	peace.
Freedom	is	slavery.
Friendship	is	weakness.

```
>>> SQL query: LEFT JOIN
```

The join query below (that we looked at earlier) excludes any friends that have no pets (and vice versa).

```
SELECT F.firstName, P.petName  
FROM Notes.Friends F JOIN Notes.Pets P  
ON F.friendID = P.friendID;
```

```
>>> SQL query: LEFT JOIN
```

The join query below (that we looked at earlier) excludes any friends that have no pets (and vice versa).

```
SELECT F.firstName, P.petName
FROM Notes.Friends F JOIN Notes.Pets P
ON F.friendID = P.friendID;
```

LEFT JOIN keeps every row from the table on the left.

```
SELECT F.firstName, P.petName
FROM Notes.Friends F LEFT JOIN Notes.Pets P
ON F.friendID = P.friendID;
```

>>> SQL query: LEFT JOIN. Remember this?

FROM Friends F JOIN Pets P ON F.FriendID = P.FriendID

Pets			
PetID	PetName	...	FriendID
1	Chikin		2
2	Cauchy		3
3	Gauss		3

Friends		
FriendID	FirstName	...
1	X	
2	Y	
3	Z	


```
>>> The result was...
```

Unnamed						
PetID	PetName	...	FriendID	FriendID	FirstName	...
1	Chikin	...	2	2	Y	...
2	Cauchy	...	3	3	Z	...
3	Gauss	...	3	3	Z	...

```
>>> SQL operator: LEFT JOIN
```

If we did a LEFT JOIN instead we would get:

```
FROM Friends F LEFT JOIN Pets P ON F.FriendID = P.FriendID
```

Unnamed						
PetID	PetName	...	FriendID	FriendID	FirstName	...
NULL	NULL	...	NULL	1	X	...
1	Chikin	...	2	2	Y	...
2	Cauchy	...	3	3	Z	...
3	Gauss	...	3	3	Z	...

```
>>> SQL query: LEFT JOIN
```

result

Unnamed	
PetName	FirstName
NULL	X
Chikin	Y
Cauchy	Z
Gauss	Z

```
>>> SQL query: RIGHT JOIN
```

Question for the class:

What does RIGHT JOIN do?

>>> Exercises

Do exercises at the ends of Chapters 1 and 2.

Exercises 2.5.5, 2.5.6, 2.7.3 and 2.7.4 all use some material introduced in tomorrow's session.

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