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>>> A crash course in SQL
>>> New Zealand Social Statistics Network
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## >>> Overview

Day 1

1. Introduction
2. The relational model
3. Tables and relationships
4. Connect to a database
5. Basic SQL retrieval

Lunch!

6. Search conditions
7. Subqueries
8. Basic exercises
9. Joining and join exercises

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## >>> Overview

### Day 2

1. Revision of day 1
2. Reading the docs
3. Aggregating
4. Big reveal and exercises

Lunch!

5. Creating and editing tables
6. The Integrated Data Infrastructure
7. Putting it all together
8. Connecting and exporting

Send me questions and give feedback

Click here to find the day 2 slides.

```
>>> Daily schedule
```

Session 1	09:00am - 10:30am
morning tea (15min)	
Session 2	10:45am -12:30pm
lunch (1 hour)	
Session 3	01:30pm - 03:00pm
afternoon tea (15 min)	
Session 4	03:15pm - 04:30pm

>>> How to pronounce SQL

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

We will be using Microsoft's Transact-SQL (T-SQL)

```
>>> A little about yourself
```

- \* What is your name?
- \* What is your favourite colour?
- \* What would you like to get out of this course?

```
>>> Show of hands
```

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. Use the same nickname every time if you want to join the leaderboard.

And now for a practice Kahoot...



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

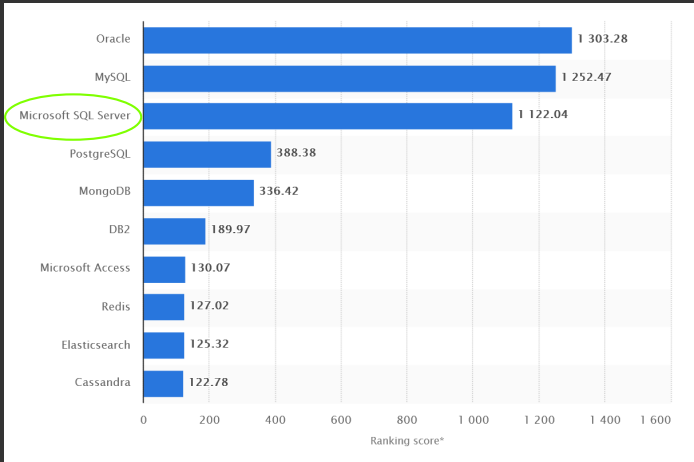
### Definition

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

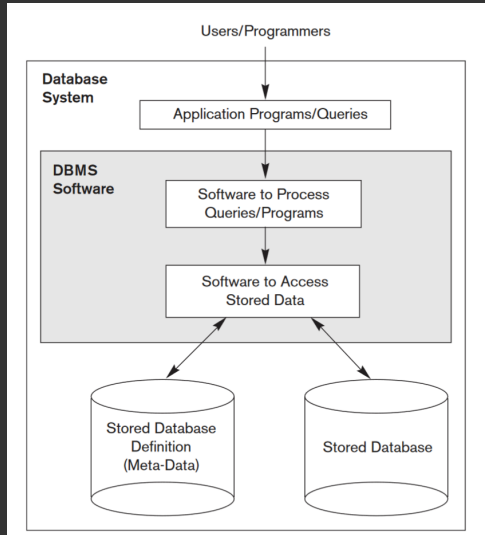
## The most popular Relational Database Management Systems



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

## >>> RDBMS

A layer of abstraction between human and machine



>>> DBMS

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**.

### Definition

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!

```
>>> 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.



```
>>> The anatomy of a table
```

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Table name

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

Friends			
FriendID	FirstName	LastName	FavColour
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Column (attribute)

>>> The anatomy of a table

Column names (attribute names)

Friends			
FriendID	FirstName	LastName	FavColour
1	<i>X</i>	<i>A</i>	red
2	<i>Y</i>	<i>B</i>	blue
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>>> The anatomy of a table

Primary key		Friends	
FriendID	FirstName	LastName	FavColour
1	<i>X</i>	<i>A</i>	red
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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)
```



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

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

### Definition

An integer is a positive or negative whole number.

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

```
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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>>> What are relationships between tables?



## >>> 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-to-many relationships

- \* For each car there are *many* wheels.  
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- \* One bank can have *many* accounts.  
But each account belongs to *one* bank.

## >>> One-to-many relationships

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Where do we put the extra pets?

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Where do we put the extra pets?

Friends				
FriendID	FirstName	...	PetName <sub>1</sub>	PetName <sub>2</sub>
1	X	...	NULL	NULL
2	Y	...	Chikin	NULL
3	Z	...	Cauchy	Gauss

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

Ideas?

Friends				
FriendID	FirstName	...	PetName <sub>1</sub>	PetName <sub>2</sub>
1	X	...	NULL	NULL
2	Y	...	Chikin	NULL
3	Z	...	Cauchy	Gauss

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>>> So what do we do instead?
```

Suspense.  
The first Kahoot.

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Create another table.

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Create another table.

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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```

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Foreign key

>>> The foreign key 'points at' the primary key

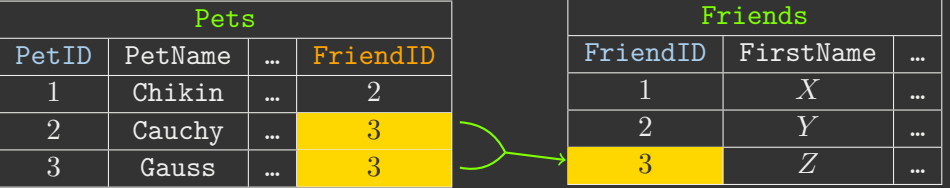
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Many

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Friends		
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2	Y	...
3	Z	...

>>> Check that we fixed all these problems

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```
>>> Joining the tables
```

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

```
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Primary/foreign key pair

## >>> Group practice

1. Come up with a one-to-many relationship between either table (**Friends** or **Pets**) and something new
2. Make up 2 attributes for the new table (aside from the primary and foreign keys)
3. Make up 3 records for the new table
4. Draw up the two tables
5. Join the two tables
  
6. 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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- \* All tables should have a primary key
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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**.

## >>> 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
3	07/09/2018	10:00am	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	...



```
>>> 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	...

Pair 1

```
>>> Joining the tables
```

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

Pair 2

```
>>> Group practice (join)
```

- \* 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



>>> Why not keep one-to-one relationships in the same table?

- \* NULLs (many passport attributes? few people have them?)

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- \* Dependence: Delete friend → delete passport.



```
>>> Goodbye, Mr. X
```

### Friends

FriendID	FirstName	...	PptCountry	PptNo	PptExpiry
2	Y		New Zealand	LA123	01/09/2032
3	Z		Monaco	S9876	19/06/2028



>>> Solution

Passports			
PptNo	PptCountry	PptExpiry	FriendID
E1321	Australia	12/03/2021	NULL
LA123	New Zealand	01/09/2032	2
S9876	Monaco	19/06/2028	3

>>> Solution

Passports			
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Mr. X

>>> Any problems with this approach though?

Passports			
PptNo	PptCountry	PptExpiry	FriendID
E1321	Australia	12/03/2021	NULL
LA123	New Zealand	01/09/2032	2
S9876	Monaco	19/06/2028	3

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Passports			
PptNo	PptCountry	PptExpiry	FriendID
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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**.

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

- \* 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 restrict 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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>>> Getting set up with SQL Server

Time for the real deal

Follow the guide ([click here](#))  
to connect SSMS or Azure Data Studio

## >>> Task 1

In SSMS or Azure Data Studio, begin investigating the different tables and schemas in the **PlayPen** database: Expand the directory trees to figure out some table names and column names in the **Notes** schema and **Ape** schema. Be patient, the directory tree is slow to respond.

### Bonus material:

Right click **PlayPen**, click 'New Query', then run this

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```
SELECT *  
FROM Information_schema.Tables  
WHERE table_type = 'BASE TABLE';
```

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## >>> Task 2

Expand the `Notes.Friends` table directory in the directory tree, then expand the 'columns' directory. What do you see? Can you determine the `data types` of each column? Can you determine whether `NULL` values are allowed?

When a new table is created, the creator can decide whether to allow `NULL` values in each column. You can learn about data types and find the data types `varchar` and `int` in the T-SQL documentation (which we learn about soon).

### >>> Task 3

Right click on the `Notes.Friends` table in the directory tree and click '`Select Top 1000`'. A query is generated that selects the first 1000 rows, and the results are displayed.

Why are there square brackets around the table, schema, and column names in the query? What will happen if you remove the square brackets? Try it.



## >>> Task 4

Change the query from the previous task to this:

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```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Friends;
```

---

Then, execute it. What does it do?

## >>> Task 5

Write the following query.

---

```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Pets;
```

---

Then, execute it. What does it do?

## >>> Task 6

Write the following query.

---

```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Friends, Notes.Pets  
WHERE Notes.Friends.friendID = Notes.Pets.friendID;
```

---

Then, execute it. What does it do?

>>> A note on syntax

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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, Notes.Pets  
WHERE Notes.Friends.friendID = Notes.Pets.friendID;
```

---

With aliases:

---

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

---

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

>>> A note on syntax

Another (optional) way to write aliases

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```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Friends AS F, Notes.Pets AS P  
WHERE F.friendID = P.friendID;
```

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```
>>> SQL clause: FROM
```

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

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```
FROM MySchema.MyTable MyAlias
```

---

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

```
>>> 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;
```

---

NB: 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
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
```

result

Unnamed	
FirstName	FavColour
X	red
Y	blue
Z	NULL

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

Let's go back and see that again

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

Let's go back and see that again

- \* 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

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## >>> Search conditions

Search conditions appear in a `WHERE` clause.

They make use of comparison operators and logical operators to check which rows match the conditions you specify.

```
>>> Search conditions
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### Definition

A comparison operator is used to compare two things and return `true`, `false` or `NULL`.

[Click here](#) to see examples in the docs.



## >>> Search conditions

Search conditions appear in a `WHERE` clause. They make use of comparison operators and **logical operators** to check which rows match the conditions you specify.

### Definition

Logical operators compare a number of things and return `true`, `false` or `NULL`.

**Click here** to see examples in the docs.

```
>>> Comparison operators
```

```
* WHERE FavColour = 'blue' (equal)
```

## >>> Comparison operators

- \* WHERE FavColour = 'blue' (equal)
- \* WHERE FavColour <> 'blue' (not equal)
- \* WHERE FavColour != 'blue' (also not equal)

## >>> Comparison operators

- \* WHERE FavColour = 'blue' (equal)
- \* WHERE FavColour <> 'blue' (not equal)
- \* WHERE FavColour != 'blue' (also not equal)
- \* WHERE Age > 35 (greater than)
- \* WHERE Year <= 1995 (less than or equal)

```
>>> Logical operators
```

```
* WHERE FavColour IN ('blue', 'red', 'green')
```

```
>>> Logical operators
```

```
* WHERE FavColour IN ('blue', 'red', 'green')  
* WHERE Age BETWEEN 25 AND 35
```

```
>>> Logical operators
```

```
* WHERE FavColour IN ('blue', 'red', 'green')  
* WHERE Age BETWEEN 25 AND 35  
* WHERE FirstName LIKE 'B%'
```

```
>>> Logical operators
```

```
* WHERE FavColour IN ('blue', 'red', 'green')  
* WHERE Age BETWEEN 25 AND 35  
* WHERE FirstName LIKE 'B%'  
* WHERE FirstName LIKE '%B'
```



```
>>> Logical operators
```

```
* WHERE FavColour IN ('blue', 'red', 'green')  
* WHERE Age BETWEEN 25 AND 35  
* WHERE FirstName LIKE 'B%'  
* WHERE FirstName LIKE '%B'  
* WHERE FirstName LIKE '%b%'
```

```
>>> Logical operators
```

```
* WHERE FavColour IN ('blue', 'red', 'green')  
* WHERE Age BETWEEN 25 AND 35  
* WHERE FirstName LIKE 'B%'  
* WHERE FirstName LIKE '%B'  
* WHERE FirstName LIKE '%b%'  
* WHERE FirstName LIKE '%[Bb]%'
```

## >>> Logical operators

AND				
true	AND	true	=	true
false	AND	true	=	false
true	AND	false	=	false
false	AND	false	=	false

OR				
true	OR	true	=	true
false	OR	true	=	true
true	OR	false	=	true
false	OR	false	=	false

NOT				
NOT	true	=	false	
NOT	false	=	true	

>>> Group practice

1.  $(1 = 1) \text{ AND } (2 = 1)$
2.  $((1 = 1) \text{ AND } (2 = 1)) \text{ OR } (1 = 1)$
3.  $('red' \text{ IN } ('green', 'red')) \text{ AND } ('red' \text{ LIKE } 'r\%')$
4.  $\text{NOT } ((1 = 1) \text{ AND } (2 = 2) \text{ AND } (3 = 3))$

```
>>> Solution
```

1. `(1 = 1) AND (2 = 1)`
2. `((1 = 1) AND (2 = 1)) OR (1 = 1)`
3. `('red' IN ('green', 'red')) AND ('red' LIKE 'r%')`
4. `NOT ( (1 = 1) AND (2 = 2) AND (3 = 3) )`

```
>>> Solution
```

1. `true AND (2 = 1)`
2. `((1 = 1) AND (2 = 1)) OR (1 = 1)`
3. `('red' IN ('green', 'red')) AND ('red' LIKE 'r%')`
4. `NOT ( (1 = 1) AND (2 = 2) AND (3 = 3) )`

```
>>> Solution
```

1. `true AND false`
2. `((1 = 1) AND (2 = 1)) OR (1 = 1)`
3. `('red' IN ('green', 'red')) AND ('red' LIKE 'r%')`
4. `NOT ( (1 = 1) AND (2 = 2) AND (3 = 3) )`

```
>>> Solution
```

```
1. false
```

```
2. ((1 = 1) AND (2 = 1)) OR (1 = 1)
```

```
3. ('red' IN ('green', 'red')) AND ('red' LIKE 'r%')
```

```
4. NOT ( (1 = 1) AND (2 = 2) AND (3 = 3) )
```



```
>>> Solution
```

1. false

2. false OR (1 = 1)

3. ('red' IN ('green', 'red')) AND ('red' LIKE 'r%')

4. NOT ( (1 = 1) AND (2 = 2) AND (3 = 3) )

```
>>> Solution
```

1. false

2. false OR true

3. ('red' IN ('green', 'red')) AND ('red' LIKE 'r%')

4. NOT ( (1 = 1) AND (2 = 2) AND (3 = 3) )

```
>>> Solution
```

```
1. false
```

```
2. true
```

```
3. ('red' IN ('green', 'red')) AND ('red' LIKE 'r%')
```

```
4. NOT ( (1 = 1) AND (2 = 2) AND (3 = 3) )
```

```
>>> Solution
```

1. false

2. true

3. true AND ('red' LIKE 'r%')

4. NOT ( (1 = 1) AND (2 = 2) AND (3 = 3) )

```
>>> Solution
```

```
1. false
```

```
2. true
```

```
3. true AND true
```

```
4. NOT ( (1 = 1) AND (2 = 2) AND (3 = 3) )
```

```
>>> Solution
```

```
1. false
```

```
2. true
```

```
3. true
```

```
4. NOT ( (1 = 1) AND (2 = 2) AND (3 = 3) )
```











```
>>> A note on NULL
```

NULL				
(anything	AND	NULL)	=	NULL
(anything	OR	NULL)	=	NULL
(anything	=	NULL)	=	NULL

We will get practice with NULLs during the exercises.

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```
>>> Basic subquery
```

**Subqueries** (next slide) are powerful with search conditions.  
In fact, some logical operators only work with subqueries:

- \* EXISTS
- \* ALL
- \* ANY

Subqueries are also known as **nested queries**.

>>> Class practice

Can anyone figure out what this does?

Note: the subquery is executed first.

---

```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Friends F  
WHERE F.friendID IN (SELECT P.friendID  
                     FROM Notes.Pets P);
```

---

```
>>> Solution
```

```
1. SELECT P.friendID FROM Notes.Pets P
```

>>> Solution

1. SELECT P.friendID FROM Notes.Pets P

Retrieves a table of all the FriendIDs in Notes.Pets.



>>> Solution

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3. `SELECT * FROM Notes.Friends F WHERE F.FriendID IN RESULT`

>>> Solution

1. `SELECT P.friendID FROM Notes.Pets P`  
Retrieves a table of all the FriendIDs in `Notes.Pets`.
2. Let's refer to the output of Step 1 as `RESULT`.
3. `SELECT * FROM Notes.Friends F WHERE F.FriendID IN RESULT`  
Retrieves only the rows of `Notes.Friends` whose `FriendID` is in `RESULT`.

>>> Solution

1. `SELECT P.friendID FROM Notes.Pets P`  
Retrieves a table of all the FriendIDs in `Notes.Pets`.
2. Let's refer to the output of Step 1 as `RESULT`.
3. `SELECT * FROM Notes.Friends F WHERE F.FriendID IN RESULT`  
Retrieves only the rows of `Notes.Friends` whose `FriendID` is in `RESULT`.

It retrieved the details of all friends who have pets.

```
>>> Subquery anywhere!
```

Quick note: a subquery does not have to be used only in the `WHERE` clause. It can be used almost anywhere, but we will look at this later.

## >>> Correlated subquery

This query achieves the same thing as the previous one. Do you notice anything strange about it? Can you figure out how it works?

---

```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Friends F  
WHERE EXISTS (SELECT P.friendID  
              FROM Notes.Pets P  
              WHERE P.friendID = F.friendID);
```

---

>>> Correlated subquery

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---

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SELECT *
FROM Notes.Friends F
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```

---

The alias here makes the subquery **correlated**.

## >>> Correlated subquery

---

```
SELECT *  
FROM Notes.Friends F  
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              WHERE P.friendID = F.friendID);
```

---

We can think of this query's execution as follows:



## >>> Correlated subquery

---

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We can think of this query's execution as follows:

1. First, grab a list of the 3 FriendID entries from `Notes.Friends`, giving `FriendID_list = {1,2,3}`.

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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

## >>> Correlated subquery

---

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3. For each element of `RESULT_list`, the search condition `EXISTS (RESULT)` returns `true` if `RESULT` is not empty.

## >>> Correlated subquery

---

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WHERE EXISTS (SELECT P.friendID
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4. The final table contains each row of `Notes.Friends` that has a FriendID entry that returned `true`.

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---

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We will look at nested queries more later, after aggregation.



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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, Notes.Pets P  
WHERE 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, Notes.Pets P  
WHERE F.friendID = P.friendID;
```

---

Another way to write the same query: **explicit JOIN**

---

```
SELECT F.firstName, P.petName  
FROM Notes.Friends F JOIN Notes.Pets P  
ON 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.
Freedom	is	strength.
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
```

result

Unnamed	
PetName	FirstName
NULL	X
Chikin	Y
Cauchy	Z
Gauss	Z

>>> One more LEFT JOIN example. 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 an 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
```

Question for the class:

What does RIGHT JOIN do?

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

Question for the class:

What does FULL OUTER JOIN do?

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```
>>> End of day 1
```

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