

## Recitation -2-

# Structured Query Language SQL - DDL

- ◆ SQL Datatypes
- ◆ DDL statements

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## Basic SQL-DDL COMMANDS

- ❑ For database schemas:  
**CREATE** SCHEMA, **DROP** SCHEMA
- ❑ For tables:  
CREATE TABLE, DROP TABLE, **ALTER** TABLE
- ❑ For views:  
CREATE VIEW, DROP VIEW
- ❑ For integrity constraints  
CREATE IC, DROP IC
- ❑ For domains:  
CREATE DOMAIN, DROP DOMAIN [SQL99]  
For Indexes [defunct in SQL2]

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## Database Schema

- ❑ **CREATE SCHEMA** <database-name>  
**AUTHORIZATION** <user-identifier>;
- ❑ E.g. **CREATE SCHEMA** micro\_db  
**AUTHORIZATION** panos;
- ❑ **DROP SCHEMA** <db-name> [**RESTRICT** | **CASCADE**];
  - Restrict: removes the schema if the db has no data
  - Cascade: removes everything, data and definitions
- ❑ E.g., **DROP SCHEMA** micro\_db **RESTRICT**;

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## Schema and Catalog

- ❑ SQL2, SQL3 support multiple database schemas
- ❑ **Catalog** contains the definitions of database schemas
- ❑ **INFORMATION\_SCHEMA**
  - Schemas and Base relations (tables)  
(tbl\_name, creator, #of\_tuples, tuple\_length, #of\_attributes...)
  - Attributes of Relations (columns)  
(tbl\_name, attr\_name, type, format, order, key\_no, ...)
  - Authorization
  - Integrity
  - Indexes
- ❑ Naming of tables: Schema\_name.Table\_name
- ❑ Query: Describe table name; or using SELECT

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## Create Table

- ❑ **CREATE Table** <Table-name> (  
  <Attribute-name> <Attribute-Type>, ...  
  **Constraint** <Constraint-name> <Constraint-spec>, ... );

❑ E.g.,

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CREATE TABLE Students (  
    sid CHAR(20),  
    name CHAR(20),  
    psid INTEGER,  
    age INTEGER,  
    gpa REAL,  
    timestamp  
    Constraint Student_PK  
    PRIMARY KEY (sid));
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## SQL Datatypes

- ❑ Numeric
  - Fixed numbers, approximate numbers, formatted numbers
- ❑ Character Strings
  - fixed & varying length, CLOBs [SQL99], foreign language
- ❑ Bit Strings
  - fixed & varying length, BLOBs [SQL99]
- ❑ Temporal Data
  - date, time and timestamp, intervals
- ❑ **NULL** value valid for all types

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## SQL Character Strings

- ❑ Concatenation operator: ||
  - 'abc' || 'XYZ' results in 'abcXYZ'
- ❑ Foreign-language characters (ISO-defined chars):
  - NATIONAL CHAR(n)
  - NATIONAL VARCHAR(n)

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## SQL Temporal Data

- ❑ DATE data type
- ❑ TIME and TIMESTAMP data types
- ❑ INTERVAL data type.
  - INTERVAL data type represents periods of time

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## Date and Time

- ❑ **DATE** (10 positions) stores calendar values representing YEAR, MONTH, and DAY: **YYYY-MM-DD**
- ❑ **TIME** defines HOURS, MINUTES, and SECONDS in a twenty-four-hour notation: **HH:MM:SS**
- ❑ **TIME(i)** defines *i* additional decimal fractions of seconds: **HH:MM:SS:ddd...d**
- ❑ **TIME WITH TIME ZONE** includes the displacement [+13:00 to -12:59] from standard universal time zone: **HH:MM:SS{+/-}hh:mm**
  - *hh* are the two digits for the TIMEZONE\_HOUR and *mm* the two digits for TIMEZONE\_MINUTE
- ❑ **TIMESTAMP** represents a complete date and time with 6 fractions of seconds and optional time zone.

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## Functions on Dates

- ❑ All systems provide functions under different names
  - for constructing a date from strings or integers
  - for extracting out the month, day, or year from a date
  - for displaying dates in different ways
- ❑ Examples,
  - CAST(string AS DATE) [SQL2: CAST(<value> AS <type>)]  
e.g., CAST('2002-02-18' AS DATE)
  - MAKEDATE(int year, int month, int day) or  
DATE(int year, int month, int day)  
e.g., MAKEDATE(1999, 12, 31)
  - EXTRACT (MONTH/DAY/YEAR FROM <date>) [SQL3]
  - YEAR(<date>), MONTH(<date>), DAY(<date>)

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## PostgreSQL Functions on Dates

Function	Return Type	Description	Example	Result
age(timestamp, timestamp)	interval	Subtract arguments, producing a "symbolic" result that uses years and months	age(timestamp '2001-04-08', timestamp '2007-06-17')	43 years 9 mons 27 days
age(timestamp)	interval	Subtract from current_date (at midnight)	age(timestamp '2007-06-17')	43 years 9 mons 3 days
clock_timestamp()	timestamp with time zone	Current date and time (changes during statement execution) see Section 9.5.4		
current_date	date	Current date; see Section 9.5.4		
current_time	time with time zone	Current time of day; see Section 9.5.4		
current_timestamp	timestamp with time zone	Current date and time (start of current transaction); see Section 9.5.4		
data_part(text, timestamp)	double precision	Get subfield (equivalent to extract); see Section 9.5.1	data_part('hour', timestamp '2001-02-16 20:38:48')	20
data_part(text, interval)	double precision	Get subfield (equivalent to extract); see Section 9.5.1	data_part('month', interval '2 years 3 months')	3
data_trunc(text, timestamp)	timestamp	Truncate to specified precision; see also Section 9.5.2	data_trunc('hour', timestamp '2001-02-16 20:38:48')	2001-02-16 20:00:00
extract(field from timestamp)	double precision	Get subfield; see Section 9.5.1	extract(hour from timestamp '2001-02-16 20:38:48')	20
extract(field from interval)	double precision	Get subfield; see Section 9.5.1	extract(month from interval '2 years 3 months')	3
isfinite(data)	boolean	Test for finite data (not +/-infinity)	isfinite(data '2001-02-16')	true
isfinite(timestamp)	boolean	Test for finite time stamp (not +/-infinity)	isfinite(timestamp '2001-02-16 21:28:38')	true
isfinite(interval)	boolean	Test for finite interval	isfinite(interval '4 hours')	true
justify_days(interval)	interval	Adjust interval so 30-day time periods are represented as months	justify_days(interval '35 days')	1 mon 5 days
justify_hours(interval)	interval	Adjust interval so 24-hour time periods are represented as days	justify_hours(interval '27 hours')	1 day 03:00:00
justify_interval(interval)	interval	Adjust interval using justify_days and justify_hours, with additional sign adjustments	justify_interval(interval '1 mon -1 hour')	29 days 23:00:00
localtime	time	Current time of day; see Section 9.5.4		
localtimestamp	timestamp	Current date and time (start of current transaction); see Section 9.5.4		
now()	timestamp with time zone	Current date and time (start of current transaction); see Section 9.5.4		
statement_timestamp()	timestamp with time zone	Current date and time (start of current statement); see Section 9.5.4		
timeofday()	text	Current date and time (like clock_timestamp, but as a text string); see Section 9.5.4		
transaction_timestamp()	timestamp with time zone	Current date and time (start of current transaction); see Section 9.5.4		

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## Operations on Dates

- ❑ Datetime (+ or -) Interval = Datetime
- ❑ Datetime - Datetime = Interval
- ❑ Interval (\* or /) Number = Interval
- ❑ Interval (+ or -) Interval = Interval
- ❑ Examples (ANSI SQL):
  - (CURRENT\_DATE + INTERVAL '1' MONTH)
  - (CURRENT\_DATE - INTERVAL '18' DAY)
  - (CURRENT\_DATE - BirthDate)

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## Intervals

- ❑ An interval results when two dates are subtracted.  
E.g., AdmitDate – DischargeDate
- ❑ Two interval data types: **Year-Month** & **Day-Time**
- ❑ Format: INTERVAL start-field(p) [TO end-field(fs)]
  - p is the precision (default is 2 digits)
  - fs is the fractional second precision, which is only applicable to DAY/TIME (default is 6 digits)
- ❑ Year-Month intervals:
  - INTERVAL YEAR, INTERVAL YEAR(p), INTERVAL MONTH, INTERVAL MONTH(p), INTERVAL YEAR TO MONTH, INTERVAL YEAR(p) TO MONTH
  - E.g., INTERVAL YEAR (2) to MONTH could be [0-0, 99-11]

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## PostgreSQL Intervals...

Operator	Example	Result
+	date '2001-09-28' + integer '7'	date '2001-10-05'
+	date '2001-09-28' + interval '1 hour'	timestamp '2001-09-28 01:00:00'
+	date '2001-09-28' + time '03:00'	timestamp '2001-09-28 03:00:00'
+	interval '1 day' + interval '1 hour'	interval '1 day 01:00:00'
+	timestamp '2001-09-28 01:00' + interval '23 hours'	timestamp '2001-09-29 00:00:00'
+	time '01:00' + interval '3 hours'	time '04:00:00'
-	- interval '23 hours'	interval '-23:00:00'
-	date '2001-10-01' - date '2001-09-28'	integer '3' (days)
-	date '2001-10-01' - integer '7'	date '2001-09-24'
-	date '2001-09-28' - interval '1 hour'	timestamp '2001-09-27 23:00:00'
-	time '05:00' - time '03:00'	interval '02:00:00'
-	time '05:00' - interval '2 hours'	time '03:00:00'
-	timestamp '2001-09-28 23:00' - interval '23 hours'	timestamp '2001-09-28 00:00:00'
-	interval '1 day' - interval '1 hour'	interval '1 day -01:00:00'
-	timestamp '2001-09-29 03:00' - timestamp '2001-09-27 12:00'	interval '1 day 15:00:00'
*	900 * interval '1 second'	interval '00:15:00'
*	21 * interval '1 day'	interval '21 days'
*	double precision '3.5' * interval '1 hour'	interval '03:30:00'
/	interval '1 hour' / double precision '1.5'	interval '00:40:00'

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