
SQL Cheat Sheet

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This cheat sheet includes the materials I've covered in my SQL tutorial for Beginners on YouTube.

https://youtu.be/7S_tz1z_5bA

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Retrieving Data from a Single Table

Basics

```
USE sql_store;
```

```
SELECT *  
FROM customers  
WHERE state = 'CA'  
ORDER BY first_name  
LIMIT 3;
```

- SQL is **not** a case-sensitive language.
- In MySQL, every statement must be terminated with a semicolon.

Comments

We use comments to add notes to our code.

```
-- This is a comment and it won't get executed.
```

SELECT Clause

```
-- Using expressions
```

```
SELECT (points * 10 + 20) AS discount_factor  
FROM customers
```

Order of operations:

- Parenthesis
- Multiplication / division
- Addition / subtraction

```
-- Removing duplicates
```

```
SELECT DISTINCT state
FROM customers
```

WHERE Clause

We use the WHERE clause to filter data.

Comparison operators:

- Greater than: >
- Greater than or equal to: >=
- Less than: <
- Less than or equal to: <=
- Equal: =
- Not equal: <>
- Not equal: !=

Logical Operators

```
-- AND (both conditions must be True)
SELECT *
FROM customers
WHERE birthdate > '1990-01-01' AND points > 1000
```

```
-- OR (at least one condition must be True)
SELECT *
FROM customers
WHERE birthdate > '1990-01-01' OR points > 1000
```

```
-- NOT (to negate a condition)
SELECT *
FROM customers
WHERE NOT (birthdate > '1990-01-01')
```

IN Operator

-- Returns customers in any of these states: VA, NY, CA

```
SELECT *  
FROM customers  
WHERE state IN ('VA', 'NY', 'CA')
```

BETWEEN Operator

```
SELECT *  
FROM customers  
WHERE points BETWEEN 100 AND 200
```

LIKE Operator

-- Returns customers whose first name starts with b

```
SELECT *  
FROM customers  
WHERE first_name LIKE 'b%'
```

- %: any number of characters
- _: exactly one character

REGEXP Operator

-- Returns customers whose first name starts with a

```
SELECT *  
FROM customers  
WHERE first_name REGEXP '^a'
```

- ^: beginning of a string
- \$: end of a string
- |: logical OR
- [abc]: match any single characters
- [a-d]: any characters from a to d

More Examples

```
-- Returns customers whose first name ends with EY or ON
WHERE first_name REGEXP 'ey$|on$'

-- Returns customers whose first name starts with MY
-- or contains SE
WHERE first_name REGEXP '^my|se'

-- Returns customers whose first name contains B followed by
-- R or U
WHERE first_name REGEXP 'b[ru]'
```

IS NULL Operator

```
-- Returns customers who don't have a phone number
SELECT *
FROM customers
WHERE phone IS NULL
```

ORDER BY Clause

```
-- Sort customers by state (in ascending order), and then
-- by their first name (in descending order)
SELECT *
FROM customers
ORDER BY state, first_name DESC
```

LIMIT Clause

```
-- Return only 3 customers
SELECT *
FROM customers
LIMIT 3
```



```
-- Skip 6 customers and return 3
SELECT *
FROM customers
LIMIT 6, 3
```

Retrieving Data from Multiple Tables

Inner Joins

```
SELECT *  
FROM customers c  
JOIN orders o  
  ON c.customer_id = o.customer_id
```

Outer Joins

-- Return all customers whether they have any orders or not

```
SELECT *  
FROM customers c  
LEFT JOIN orders o  
  ON c.customer_id = o.customer_id
```

USING Clause

If column names are exactly the same, you can simplify the join with the USING clause.

```
SELECT *  
FROM customers c  
JOIN orders o  
  USING (customer_id)
```

Cross Joins

-- Combine every color with every size

```
SELECT *  
FROM colors  
CROSS JOIN sizes
```

Unions

```
-- Combine records from multiple result sets
SELECT name, address
FROM customers
UNION
SELECT name, address
FROM clients
```

Inserting, Updating, and Deleting Data

Inserting Data

```
-- Insert a single record
INSERT INTO customers(first_name, phone, points)
VALUES ('Mosh', NULL, DEFAULT)
```

```
-- Insert multiple single records
INSERT INTO customers(first_name, phone, points)
VALUES
    ('Mosh', NULL, DEFAULT),
    ('Bob', '1234', 10)
```

Creating a Copy of a Table

```
-- Create a new table called orders_archived and copy all
-- the records from the orders table
CREATE TABLE orders_archived AS
SELECT * FROM orders

-- Selectively copy data from one table into another
INSERT INTO orders_archived
SELECT * FROM orders
WHERE ...
```

Updating Data

```
UPDATE invoices
SET payment_total = 10, payment_date = '2019-01-01'
WHERE invoice_id = 1
```

```
-- Updating multiple records using subqueries (update the invoices
-- for all clients in CA or NY.
```

```
UPDATE invoices
SET
    payment_total = invoice_total * 0.5,
    payment_date = DEFAULT
WHERE invoice_id IN
    (SELECT client_id
     FROM clients
     WHERE state IN ('CA', 'NY'))
```

Deleting Data

```
DELETE FROM invoices
WHERE invoice_id = 1
```

Summarizing Data

Aggregate functions

- MAX(col)
- MIN(col)
- AVG(col)
- SUM(col)
- COUNT(*) - counts the number of values in a column (including NULLs)
- COUNT(payment_total) - counts the number of payment_total values
- COUNT(DISTINCT state) - counts the number of unique values

```
SELECT
    MAX(payment_total),
    MIN(payment_total)
FROM invoices
```

-- WHERE filters data before grouping. HAVING filters after
-- grouping.

```
SELECT
    client_id,
    SUM(payment_total) AS total
FROM invoices
WHERE client_id IN (1, 2, 3)
GROUP BY client_id
HAVING total > 100
```

-- WITH ROLLUP adds a summary row to roll up the values

```
SELECT
    client_id,
    SUM(payment_total) AS total
FROM invoices
GROUP BY client_id
WITH ROLLUP
```

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