1. DBMS (Database Management System) Basics

- A DBMS is software used to store, retrieve, and manage data efficiently.
- It supports data abstraction, security, concurrency, and consistency.

Key Components:

- Data: Stored information
- DBMS Engine: Core service that processes queries
- Database Schema: Structure of tables
- Query Processor: Interprets SQL queries
- Transaction Manager: Ensures atomicity and isolation
- Storage Manager: Handles data storage and indexing

2. Types of SQL Statements

SQL commands are grouped into 5 major categories:

A. DQL (Data Query Language)

- SELECT: Retrieves data from a table

Example:

SELECT * FROM employees;

SELECT name, salary FROM employees WHERE department = 'IT';

B. DML (Data Manipulation Language)

- INSERT: Adds new rows
- UPDATE: Modifies existing rows
- DELETE: Removes rows

Examples:

INSERT INTO employees (name, dept) VALUES ('John', 'HR');

UPDATE employees SET salary = 60000 WHERE id = 1;

DELETE FROM employees WHERE id = 5;

C. DDL (Data Definition Language)

- CREATE: Creates tables and database objects
- ALTER: Modifies structure
- DROP: Deletes objects
- TRUNCATE: Removes all rows from a table quickly

Examples:

CREATE TABLE employees (id INT, name VARCHAR(50));

ALTER TABLE employees ADD COLUMN salary INT;

DROP TABLE employees;

D. TCL (Transaction Control Language)

- COMMIT: Saves changes
- ROLLBACK: Undoes changes
- SAVEPOINT: Sets a checkpoint in transaction
- SET TRANSACTION: Sets properties for a transaction

Example:

BEGIN:

UPDATE accounts SET balance = balance - 100 WHERE id = 1;

SAVEPOINT save1;

UPDATE accounts SET balance = balance + 100 WHERE id = 2; ROLLBACK TO save1; COMMIT;

E. DCL (Data Control Language)

- GRANT: Gives access rights
- REVOKE: Removes access rights

Example:

GRANT SELECT ON employees TO user1;

REVOKE SELECT ON employees FROM user1;

3. Core DBMS Concepts

Entity & Attributes

- Entity: Real-world object (e.g., Student)
- Attributes: Properties of an entity (e.g., Name, Roll No)

Schema & Instance

- Schema: Structure of a database (design)
- Instance: Actual data in the database at a point in time

Keys

- Primary Key: Unique identifier
- Foreign Key: Reference to a primary key in another table
- Candidate Key: Possible unique identifiers
- Composite Key: Combination of fields as a key

Constraints

- NOT NULL: Column cannot be empty
- UNIQUE: No duplicate values
- CHECK: Enforces condition
- DEFAULT: Default value if not provided
- FOREIGN KEY: Ensures referential integrity

Normalization

1NF Atomic values

2NF No partial dependency

3NF No transitive dependency

BCNF Every determinant is a candidate key

Joins

- INNER JOIN: Returns matching rows
- LEFT JOIN: All rows from left + matched rows
- RIGHT JOIN: All rows from right + matched rows
- FULL JOIN: All rows when there is a match
- SELF JOIN: Joins table with itself

ACID Properties (Transactions)

- Atomicity: All operations succeed or none
- Consistency: Maintains database validity
- Isolation: Transactions dont interfere
- Durability: Changes persist after commit

Indexing

Used to speed up data retrieval
Example: CREATE INDEX idx_name ON employees(name);

Views

- Virtual table based on result of SQL query

Example:

CREATE VIEW hr_employees AS SELECT * FROM employees WHERE dept = 'HR';

Stored Procedures & Triggers

- Stored Procedure: SQL block stored and executed by name

Example:

CREATE PROCEDURE update_salary()

BEGIN

UPDATE employees SET salary = salary + 1000 WHERE dept = 'Sales';

END;

- Trigger: Auto-executes on INSERT/UPDATE/DELETE

Example:

CREATE TRIGGER before_insert

BEFORE INSERT ON employees

FOR EACH ROW

SET NEW.salary = 30000;