

## PostgreSQL Cheat Sheet (Basics)

#psql is the interactive terminal used to work with PostgreSQL

#all the commands below can be executed inside the psql terminal

#Get the current version of PostgreSQL

***SELECT version();***

#or:

***\g***

#Get all the available psql commands

***\?***

#Get all the available SQL commands

***\h***

#Quit psql

***\q***

#Create a new database

#A database contains one or more schemas

***create database staff;***

#Select/connect to a database

***\c staff;***

#Delete a database

***drop database staff;***

#Create a new user with an encrypted password

***create user mihai with encrypted password 'python';***

#Grant all privileges on a database to a user

***grant all privileges on database staff to mihai;***

#Create a new schema

#A schema contains one or more tables

#The default schema of any database is called 'public'

#Every new table is created within the 'public' schema of the database, unless specified otherwise

#Create a non-default schema

***create schema mystaff;***

#Create a new schema with a different owner

***create schema mystaff authorization john;***

#Access tables in a schema (different than 'public')

***mystaff.employees***

#or, generally, using the database name:

***staff.mystaff.employees***

#Delete a schema

***drop schema mystaff;***

#Create a table

#A table contains one or more columns

#Creating a table in the 'public' schema

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create table salary(columnA datatype [constraints] primary key,  
                    columnB datatype [constraints],  
                    columnC datatype [constraints]);
```

#Creating a table in a certain schema

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create table mystaff.salary(columnA datatype [constraints] primary key,  
                           columnB datatype [constraints],  
                           columnC datatype [constraints]);
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#Delete a table and all of its objects

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drop table salary cascade;
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#Rename a table

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alter table salary rename to salaries;
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#Add a new column to a table

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alter table salary add column raise varchar(30);
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#Delete a column from a table

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alter table salary drop column raise;
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#Rename a column in a table

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alter table salary rename raise to next_raise;
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#Insert a new row in the table

***insert into salary(columnA, columnB, columnC) values (valueA, valueB, valueC);***

#Insert multiple rows in a table

***insert into salary(columnA, columnB, columnC) values (valueA, valueB, valueC),  
(valueA, valueB, valueC), (valueA, valueB, valueC), (valueA, valueB, valueC),  
(valueA, valueB, valueC);***

#Update data in all rows

***update salary set columnA = valueA, columnB = valueB;***

#Update data for certain rows, based on a condition

***update salary set columnA = valueA where condition;***

#Delete a certain row from a table, based on a condition

***delete from salary where condition;***

#Delete all the rows inside a table

***delete from salary;***

#Query all the data within a table

***select \* from salary;***

#Query the data within a table and return only unique rows

***select distinct department from salary;***

#Return the number of rows in a certain table

***select count (\*) from salary;***

#Query all the data within a table, based on a condition

***select \* from salary where condition;***

#Query all the data within a table, based on a condition, using LIKE

***select \* from salary where name like '%Mike%';***

#Query all the data within a table, based on a condition, using IN

***select \* from salary where name in (valueA, valueB, valueC);***

#Query all the data within a table, based on a condition, using BETWEEN

***select \* from salary where raise between valueA and valueB;***

#Fetch - retrieve rows from a query using a cursor

***FETCH [ direction [ FROM | IN ] ] cursor\_name***

where direction can be empty or one of:

*NEXT*

*PRIOR*

*FIRST*

*LAST*

*ABSOLUTE count*

*RELATIVE count*

*count*

*ALL*

*FORWARD*

*FORWARD count*

*FORWARD ALL*

*BACKWARD*

*BACKWARD count*

*BACKWARD ALL*

(source: <https://www.postgresql.org/docs/10/static/sql-fetch.html>)

#Commit - committing a transaction

***commit;***

#Rollback - aborting a transaction

***rollback;***

#Show users

***\du***

#Show users (more information)

***\du+***

#Show databases (*backslash lowercase L*)

***\l***

#or:

***select datname from pg\_database;***

#Show schemas

***\dn***

#Show schemas (more information)

***\dn+***

#Show tables in a certain schema

**`\dt mystaff.*`**

#Show tables in a certain schema (more information)

**`\dt+`**

#Show tables in all schemas

**`\dt *.*`**

#Documentation with all the SQL commands explained in detail

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/10/static/sql-commands.html>