

# SQL

**STRUCTURED QUERY  
LANGUAGE**

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# SQL

- Stands for “Structured Query Language”
- Also pronounced as “SEQUEL” (Structured English QUery Language)
- Standard access mechanism to every RDBMS.
- Case Insensitive
- 4<sup>th</sup> Generation Language
- Standard Based; SQL Standards are defined by ANSI (American National Standards Institute)
- First Standard Published in 1989; Latest is 2016

# COMPONENTS (CATEGORIES) OF SQL STATEMENTS

- DDL: Data Definition Language(CREATE/ALTER/DROP/TRUNCATE)
- DML: Data Manipulation Language(INSERT/UPDATE/DELETE)
- DCL: Data Control Language (GRANT/REVOKE)
- DTL: Data Transaction Language OR  
TCL: Transaction Control Language (COMMIT/ROLLBACK)
- DRL: Data Retrieval Language OR  
DQ: Data Query Language (SELECT)

# CREATING A TABLE

- Data in a data base is stored in the form of tables
- The table is a collection of related data entries and it consists of columns and rows.

SYNTAX -

- CREATE TABLE <table name> (  
    <col name>   <data type>,  
    <col name>   <data type>  
- );

# CONSIDERATIONS FOR CREATING TABLE

Points to be considered before creating a table -

- What are the attributes of the tuples to be stored?
- What are the data types of the attributes? Should varchar be used instead of char ?
- Which columns build the primary key?
- Which columns do (not) allow null values? Which columns do (not) allow duplicates ?
- Are there default values for certain columns?

# MYSQL: DATA TYPES

- Data Type defines what kind of values can be stored in a column.
- Data Type also defines the way data will be stored in the system and the space required in disk.
- Data Type also impact database performance.
- Ex- Char, Varchar, Text, Integer, Float, Double, Date, Timestamp, Enum, Blob etc.
- More on SQL Datatypes : [https://www.w3schools.com/sql/sql\\_datatypes.asp](https://www.w3schools.com/sql/sql_datatypes.asp)

# INSERT COMMAND

- Used to insert data into a table
- Insert command always inserts values as new row

Syntax -

```
INSERT INTO <table name> VALUES (<val 1>, <val 2>);
```

- Insert data into specific columns of a table -

```
INSERT INTO <table name> (<col1>) VALUES (<value>);
```

- Define an insertion order -

```
INSERT INTO <table name> (<col 2>, <col 1> ) VALUES (<val 2>, <val 1>);
```

- Missing attribute → NULL.
- May drop attribute names if give them in order

# SELECT COMMAND

- Used to Retrieve/Fetch information from the database.

Syntax :

```
SELECT <col name> FROM <table name> [WHERE <condition>];
```

```
SELECT <col1>, <col2> FROM <table name> [WHERE <condition>];
```

An asterisk symbol (\*) Represents all columns/attributes.



# SELECTION & PROJECTION

- SELECTION – limiting rows selection (by using WHERE clause)
  - SELECT \* FROM <table name> WHERE <col1> = <val1> ;
- PROJECTION – limiting columns selection (by using SELECT clause)
  - SELECT <col1>, <col2> FROM <table name>;

# ALTER TABLE

- Syntax

- To modify/change an existing column

```
ALTER TABLE <tablename> MODIFY COLUMN <col1> <new data type>;
```

- To add new column

```
ALTER TABLE <tablename> ADD COLUMN <col> <data type>;
```

- To rename an existing column

```
ALTER TABLE <tablename> RENAME COLUMN <col> TO <new col name>;
```

- To drop/remove an existing column

```
ALTER TABLE <tablename> DROP COLUMN <col>;
```

# NULL VALUE

- When you do not insert data into a column of a table for a specific row then by default a NULL value will be inserted into that column by the database.

```
INSERT INTO dept (deptno, deptname) VALUES (40, 'BIOM');
```

- NULL value does not occupy space in memory
- NULL value is independent of a data type
- A NULL value is not a zero (0) OR an empty string (' '), rather it represents an Unknown or Not applicable value.

# UPDATE COMMAND

- This command inserts or modifies values in the cells in existing rows
- This command can also be used for deleting values from a cell of a table without the need for deleting a row or a column

## Syntax

- `UPDATE <table name> SET <col name> = <new value> [WHERE <condition>];`

# DELETE COMMAND

- This command is used for deleting specific or all the rows from a table

## Syntax

```
DELETE FROM <table name> [WHERE <condition>];
```

# TRUNCATE COMMAND

- This command can also be used for deleting all the rows from a table

## Syntax

```
TRUNCATE TABLE <table name>;
```

- Truncate command cannot be rolled back because it is a AUTO COMMIT operation, i.e. changes committed cannot be rolled back. But DELETE is not a AUTO COMMIT operation. Hence DELETE can be ROLLED BACK.
- Truncate is a DDL Command.

# DROP COMMAND

- DROP command can be used for permanently deleting database objects like table, view, function etc. from a database

## Syntax

```
DROP TABLE <table name>;
```

# CONSTRAINTS

- PRIMARY KEY
- FOREIGN KEY
- UNIQUE
- NOT NULL
- DEFAULT
- CHECK (NOT SUPPORTED BY MySQL)



# RELATIONAL OPERATORS

Operator	Description	Example
=	Checks if the values of two operands are equal or not, if yes then condition becomes true.	(A=A) is true (A = B) is not true.
!= <>	Checks if the values of two operands are equal or not, if values are not equal then condition becomes true.	(A != B) is true.
>	Checks if the value of left operand is greater than the value of right operand, if yes then condition becomes true.	(A > B) is not true.
<	Checks if the value of left operand is less than the value of right operand, if yes then condition becomes true.	(A < B) is true.
>=	Checks if the value of left operand is greater than or equal to the value of right operand, if yes then condition becomes true.	(A >= B) is not true.
<=	Checks if the value of left operand is less than or equal to the value of right operand, if yes then condition becomes true.	(A <= B) is true

# BETWEEN ... AND... OPERATOR

- This operator is used as a replacement for relational ( $>$ ,  $<$ ) and logical operators (AND, OR)
- In this operator lower and upper values are inclusive if they are of number or date types
- The lower limit must be  $\leq$  upper limit
  - `SELECT * FROM emp WHERE sal BETWEEN 10000 AND 20000;`

# IS NULL OPERATORS

- Used for testing for the existence of NULL values in any column
- Ex. Display the details of those employees who are not having any job

`SELECT * FROM emp WHERE job IS NULL:`

## IS NOT NULL

`SELECT * FROM emp WHERE job IS NOT NULL:`

- Null value cannot be compared. Hence you cannot use relational operators for comparing NULL value with a column
- Therefore IS NULL operator has to be used for the purpose

# IN OPERATOR

- This operator is used to compare multiple values with a single column
- In this operator, values supplied must be of the same type and they should belong to only 1 column
- This operator is a replacement for multiple OR operators
  - `SELECT * FROM emp WHERE job IN ('PE', 'TO', 'SE');`

# LIKE OPERATOR - % AND \_

- This operator is used for comparing characters/numbers in a value from a specific position
  - % ignores variable number of characters
  - \_ ignores only 1 char
- Display the details of those emps whose name is starting with 'r'  
`SELECT * FROM emp WHERE ename LIKE 'r%';`
- Display the details of those emps who have 'h' as second character in their name -  
`SELECT * FROM emp WHERE ename LIKE '_h%';`  
In MySQL, for character values case is ignored by Like operator.

# DISTINCT - ELIMINATING DUPLICATES

- DISTINCT command is used to select only unique values from a column.
- i.e. only single occurrence of a value will be returned.

```
SELECT DISTINCT job FROM EMP;
```

```
SELECT DISTINCT loc FROM dept;
```

# FUNCTIONS

- Function is a Sub Program which performs a specific task
- Every function returns only 1 value
- Functions in MySQL database can be used or defined for
  - Performing arithmetic calculations which are not possible/easy using arithmetic operators
  - Formatting text/numbers/dates
  - Type casting i.e. converting one type of data into another
  - To fetch information from system schema. Eg. VERSION()

# FUNCTION – TYPES AND USES

- Types of Functions
  - System defined functions
  - User defined functions
- Syntax -  

```
SELECT <function name(args)> [FROM <table name>];
```



# FUNCTIONS – SYSTEM DEFINED

- Numeric functions
- String functions
- Date and Time functions
- Conversion functions
- Aggregate functions

More Functions -

- [https://www.w3schools.com/sql/sql\\_ref\\_mysql.asp](https://www.w3schools.com/sql/sql_ref_mysql.asp)

# FEW FUNCTIONS

## Aggregate Functions

- COUNT() – Gives count of occurrences; Works on All data types.
- AVG() – Average. Works only on Numeric values
- SUM() – Gives total/sum. Works only on Numeric values
- MAX() – Maximum Value. All data types
- MIN() – Minimum Value. All data types

## Concatenation Function

CONCAT(<col/value1>, <col/value2>, ...) – Used to combine/merge two or more values

# OTHER IMP FUNCTIONS

- FORMAT
- LEFT
- LENGTH
- LOWER
- LOCATE
- LPAD
- LTRIM
- REPLACE
- REVERSE
- RIGHT
- RPAD
- RTRIM
- SUBSTR
- TRIM
- UCASE
- UPPER
- ABC
- CEIL
- EXP
- FLOOR
- MOD
- ROUND
- SQRT
- DATE
- DAY
- SECOND
- MINUTE
- HOUR
- DAY
- MONTH
- YEAR
- NOW
- SYSDATE
- EXTRACT
- LAST\_DAY
- DATE\_FORMAT

# REAL TIME USE OF FUNCTIONS

```
SELECT UPPER(dname) FROM dept;
```

```
SELECT MAX(sal) FROM emp;
```

```
SELECT SUM(sal), AVG(SAL) FROM emp;
```

# JOINS

- Joins is a technique of retrieving data from multiple tables
- Display the ename AND dname from emp and dept tables  
`SELECT ename, dname FROM emp, dept WHERE emp.deptno = dept.deptno;`
- Display the ename and dname of those emps whose sal is > 20000  
`SELECT ename, dname, sal FROM emp, dept WHERE emp.deptno = dept.deptno  
AND sal > 20000;`

# SUBQUERIES

- It is a query within some other query
- Display the details of those employees who are getting a sal > Aditya  
`SELECT * FROM emp WHERE sal > (SELECT sal FROM emp WHERE ename = 'Aditya');`
- Display details of all employees who work in department 'SENG';  
`SELECT * FROM emp WHERE DEPTNO = (SELECT deptno FROM dept WHERE dname = 'SENG');`

# MORE SQL CLAUSES

- ORDER BY (if used, ORDER BY must be last clause of a query)
  - SELECT \* FROM EMP ORDER BY SAL;
  - SELECT \* FROM EMP ORDER BY SAL DESC;
  - SELECT \* FROM EMP ORDER BY SAL DESC, ENAME;
- GROUP BY
  - SELECT DEPTNO, SUM(SAL) FROM EMP GROUP BY DEPTNO;
- GROUP BY...HAVING
  - SELECT DEPTNO, SUM(SAL) FROM EMP GROUP BY DEPTNO HAVING SUM(SAL) < 50000;