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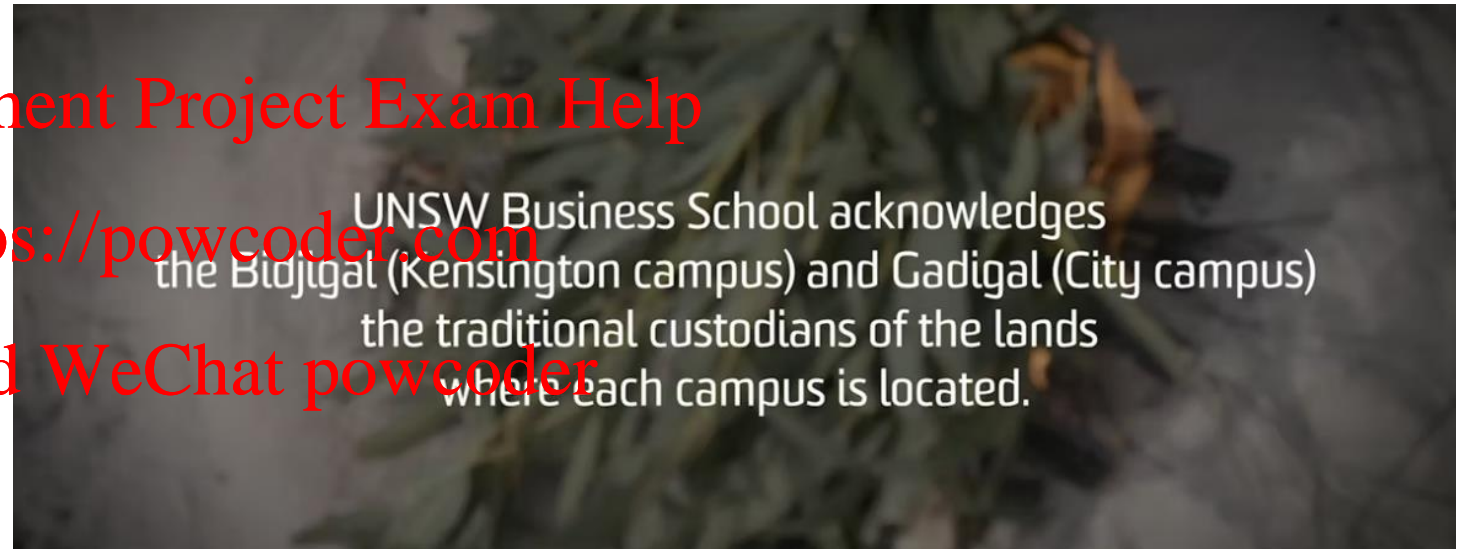
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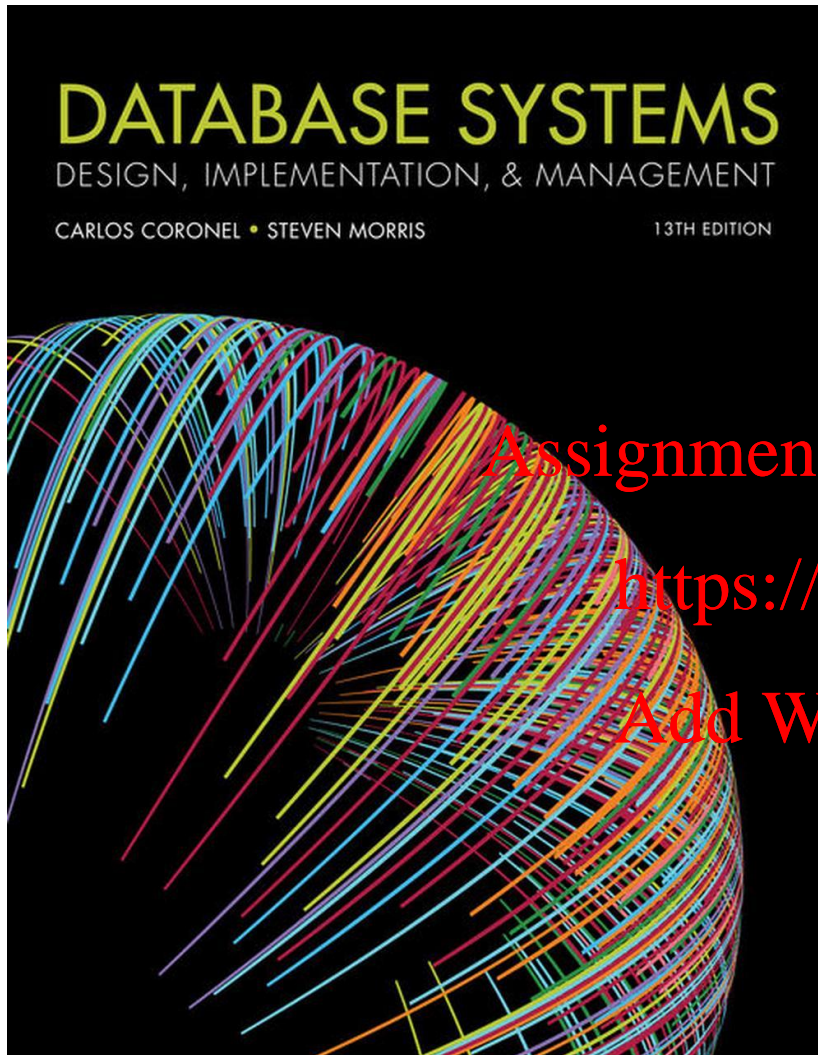
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## Chapter 7

### Introduction to Structured Query Language (SQL)

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# Relational Languages

**Relational DBMS's query languages** (e.g., SQL in Oracle) contain three components:

- ☐ **Data Definition Language (DDL)**: used to **specify/modify** the database schema.  
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- ☐ **Data Control Language (DCL)**: used to **control** the DB (e.g., user rights).  
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- ☐ **Data Manipulation Language (DML)**: used to **retrieve/manipulate** data.

# SQL

- ❑ **SQL = Structured Query Language = Sequel**
- ❑ SQL is the **first standard database language**.
- ❑ Originally **developed by D. Chamberlin and R. Boyce at IBM**.
- ❑ The most common SQL standard is the **ANSI SQL**. Originally defined in 1988, **SQL-86**, it has been undergone major revisions in 1992, **SQL-92**, and 1999, **SQL-99**. The latest revision is **SQL:2011**.
- ❑ Microsoft, Oracle, and other vendors have introduced deviations from ANSI SQL.
- ❑ As a relational language, SQL has **three main components**:
  - Data Definition Language (DDL)
  - Data Manipulation Language (DML)
  - Data Control Language (DCL)



# SQL DDL (Data Definition Language)

- ❑ To create the **database structure**:

**CREATE SCHEMA AUTHORIZATION** Creator  
Example: **CREATE SCHEMA AUTHORIZATION** Chris

**CREATE DATABASE** Database Name  
Example: **CREATE DATABASE** Student

- ❑ To create **tables**:

**CREATE TABLE** Table\_Name (column\_name data\_type [NULL|NOT NULL] [...])

# SQL DDL

❑ Example of table creation:

**CREATE TABLE** COURSE (  
    **COURSE\_CODE** CHAR (8) NOT NULL,  
    COURSE\_NAME VARCHAR (18) NOT NULL,  
    PRGRAM\_CODE CHAR (4) NOT NULL,  
    SEMESTER CHAR (1),  
    PRIMARY KEY (COURSE\_CODE),  
    FOREIGN KEY (PROGRAM\_CODE)  
);

(SQL example from DBMS Microsoft Access)

Another table, may call PROGRAM,  
**exists** with PK as PROGRAM\_CODE

# SQL DDL

❑ Example of table creation:

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```
CREATE TABLE COURSE_1 (  
  COURSE_CODE VARCHAR (8),  
  COURSE_NAME VARCHAR (8),  
  CONSTRAINT COURSE_CODE_PK PRIMARY KEY  
  (COURSE_CODE)  
);
```

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# SQL DML (Data Manipulation Language)

- ❑ ANSI/ISO SQL standard use the terms “**tables**,” “**columns**” and “**rows**” (not relations, attributes, and tuples)
- ❑ The **principal SQL DML statements** are:
  - SELECT
  - INSERT
  - UPDATE
  - DELETE
- ❑ Complete SQL statements consists of **reserved words** and **user-defined words**:
  - The **reserved words** are fixed **part of the language**.
  - The **user-defined words** represent the meaning of the data to the user (e.g., “users”, “bookings”).

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# SQL Query Structures

❑ The **SELECT** statement is used to retrieve and display data from one or more tables.

❑ Relation algebra's selection, projection and join statements can be performed with one single **SELECT** statement.

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❑ “**SELECT FROM WHERE**” Add WeChat powcoder

- **SELECT** clause tells which attributes [columns] of the tuples [rows] matching the condition are produced as part of the answer.
- **FROM** clause gives the names of relation(s) [table(s)].
- **WHERE** clause is a condition that tuples [rows] must satisfy in order to match the query.

# SQL Query Structures

**SELECT** [DISTINCT | ALL] { | [column\_expression AS new\_name] [, ...] }  
**FROM** table\_name [alias] [, ...]

[**WHERE** condition] [Assignment Project Exam Help](#)

[**GROUP BY** column\_list]

[**HAVING** condition] <https://powcoder.com>

[**ORDER BY** column\_list]; [Add WeChat powcoder](#)

[] : indicates optional elements.

{ } : indicates that the element may or may not appear.

| : indicates “or.”

; : indicates the end of the statement.

# SQL Query Structures

**EMPLOYEE** (Employee\_ID, Employee\_FName, Employee\_LName, Employee\_HireDate, Employee\_Title)

**CERTIFIED** (Employee\_ID, Skill\_ID, Certified\_Date)

**SKILL** (Skill\_ID, Skill\_Name, Skill\_Description)

FIGURE 1.5 EMPLOYEE SKILL CERTIFICATIONS IN A GOOD DESIGN

Table name: EMPLOYEE

Employee_ID	Employee_FName	Employee_LName	Employee_HireDate	Employee_Title
02345	Johnny	Jones	2/14/1995	DBA
02373	Franklin	Johnson	3/15/2002	Purchasing Agent
04893	Patricia	Chen	6/11/2004	DBA
06234	Jeffrey	Perkins	8/10/2005	Programmer
08273	Marco	Bienz	7/29/2006	Analyst
09002	Ben	Joiner	5/20/2010	Clerk
09283	Juan	Chavez	7/4/2010	Clerk
09382	Jessica	Johnson	8/2/2010	Database Programmer
10282	Amanda	Richardson	4/11/2011	Clerk
11383	Raymond	Matthews	3/12/2012	Programmer
13567	Roderick	Harold	9/30/2012	Analyst
13932	Megan	Lee	9/29/2013	Programmer
14311	Lee	Duong	9/1/2014	Programmer

Database name: Ch01\_Text

Table name: CERTIFIED

Employee_ID	Skill_ID	Certified_Date
02345	100	2/14/2002
02345	110	8/9/2003
02345	180	2/14/2005
03373	120	6/20/2011
04893	180	6/11/2006
04893	220	9/20/2012
06234	110	8/10/2007
06234	200	8/10/2007
06234	210	1/29/2012
06273	110	3/6/2009
06273	190	8/19/2012
09002	110	5/16/2013
09002	120	5/16/2013
09382	140	8/2/2012
09382	210	8/2/2012
09382	220	5/1/2013
13383	170	3/12/2014
13567	130	9/30/2014
13567	140	5/23/2015
14311	110	9/1/2016

Table name: SKILL

Skill_ID	Skill_Name	Skill_Description
100	Basic Database Management	Create and manage database user accounts.
110	Basic Web Design	Create and maintain HTML and CSS documents.
120	Advanced Spreadsheets	Use of advanced functions, user-defined functions, and macroing.
130	Basic Process Modeling	Create core business process models using standard libraries.
140	Basic Database Design	Create simple data models.
150	Master Database Programming	Create integrated trigger and procedure packages for a distributed environment.
160	Basic Spreadsheets	Create single tab worksheets with basic formulas
170	Basic C# Programming	Create single-tier data aware modules.
180	Advanced Database Management	Manage Database Server Clusters.
190	Advance Process Modeling	Evaluate and Redesign cross-functional internal and external business processes.
200	Advanced C# Programming	Create multi-tier applications using multi-threading
210	Basic Database Manipulation	Create simple data retrieval and manipulation statements in SQL.
220	Advanced Database Manipulation	Use of advanced data manipulation methods for multi-table inserts, set operations, and correlated subqueries.

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# SQL Query Structures

SQL allows us to use the keyword **ALL** to specify that all tuples are to be selected.

```
SELECT ALL  
FROM EMPLOYEE;
```

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or

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```
SELECT *  
FROM EMPLOYEE;
```

\* : is a “wild card.”

# SQL Query Structures

- ❑ The SQL syntax is basically:

**SELECT** <columns>

**FROM** <table>;

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- ❑ List all Skill Name and Skill Description:

**SELECT** Skill\_Name, Skill\_Description

**FROM** SKILL;

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- ❑ SQL supports the elimination of duplicates by using the keyword **DISTINCT**.

**SELECT DISTINCT** Employee\_ID

**FROM CERTIFIED;**

# WHERE Clause Options

## ❑ Selecting rows with conditional restrictions

- WHERE clause is used to add conditional restrictions to the SELECT statement that limit the rows returned by the query.
- Syntax:

```
SELECT      columnlist
FROM        tablelist
[WHERE      condition(s)]
[ORDER BY   columnlist [ASC | DESC] ];
```

## ❑ Using comparison operators on character attributes

- May be used to place restrictions on character-based attributes

## ❑ Using comparison operators on dates

- Date procedures are often more software-specific than other SQL procedures

# SQL Query Structures

For instance, in the previous example, we only interest in “**Basic Database Manipulation**”, we can put a condition in the WHERE clause:

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```
SELECT Skill_Name, Skill_Description
FROM SKILL
WHERE Skill_Name = “Basic Database Manipulation”;
```

# Mathematical Operators for SQL

**Mathematical operators** that can be used in a **WHERE clause** for comparison:

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= equal to

< less than

<= less than or equal to

> greater than

>= greater than or equal to

<> not equal to

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# Mathematical Operators for SQL

- ❑ Create a list of product description, product in-date and product price for products sold by vendor that are **not** coded “21344”.

**SELECT** P\_Description, P\_Indate, P\_Price, V\_Code  
**FROM** PRODUCT  
**WHERE** V\_Code <> 21344;

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- ❑ Create a list of product description, product on hand, product minimum, and product price for products with product code **less than** “1558-QWI”.

**SELECT** P\_Description, P\_Onhand, P\_Min, P\_Price  
**FROM** PRODUCT  
**WHERE** P\_Code < ‘1558-QWI’ ;

# ASCII Codes in SQL

- ❑ All characters/signs are assigned an **ASCII** (American Standard Code for Information Interchange) code by the computer.
- ❑ See manual or online for more information on ASCII codes.
- ❑ The **comparisons of strings** are made from left to right. This is useful when comparing names. However, it also may create problems:
  - “2” is sorted **as if** greater than “11” (because “2” > “1”).
  - “01/01/2020” is sorted before “12/31/2015” (because “0” < “1”).
  - **Recommendation: use the date/number format instead of string.**

Character	ASCII Code
A	65
a	97
B	66
*	42
0	48
1	49
2	50



# Logical (Boolean) Operators in SQL

Boolean Operators:

- ☐ OR
- ☐ AND
- ☐ NOT

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- ☐ List products where the vendor code is '21344' or '24288':

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```
SELECT P_Description, P_Indate, P_Price, V_Code
```

```
FROM PRODUCT
```

```
WHERE V_Code = 21344 OR V_Code = 24288;
```

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- ☐ List products where either the product in-date is after July 15, 2015 and the product price is less than 50.00 – or the vendor code is 24288.

```
SELECT P_Description, P_Indate, P_Price, V_Code
```

```
FROM PRODUCT
```

```
WHERE (P_Price < 50 AND P_Indate > '07/15/15') OR V_Code = 24288;
```

# Special Operators in SQL

- ❑ **BETWEEN** is used to define range limits.
- ❑ **IS NULL** is used to check whether an attribute value is null.
- ❑ **LIKE** is used to check for similar character strings.
- ❑ **IN** is used to check whether an attribute value matches a value contains within a subset of listed values.
- ❑ **EXISTS** is used to check whether an attribute has a value.

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# Special Operators in SQL

- ❑ **BETWEEN** is used to define range limits.

Examples:

- ❑ List the products with prices **between** 50 and 100.

```
SELECT *  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE P_Price BETWEEN 50.00 AND 100.00;
```

or

```
SELECT *  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE P_Price >= 50.00 AND P_Price <= 100.00;
```

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# Special Operators in SQL

❑ **LIKE** is used to check for similar character strings.

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❑ List the details of all vendors whose last name begins with “Smith”.

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```
SELECT    V_Name, V_Contact, V_AreaCode, V_Phone
FROM      VENDOR
WHERE     V_Contact LIKE 'Smith%';
```

% : wild card

# Special Operators in SQL

- ❑ **IN** is used to check whether an attribute value matches a value contains within a subset of listed values.
- ❑ List the contents of the product table where the product price is \$ 50 or \$ 100.

**SELECT \***

**FROM** PRODUCT

**WHERE** P\_Price = 50.00 **OR** P\_Price = 100.00;

or

**SELECT \***

**FROM** PRODUCT

**WHERE** P\_Price **IN** (50.00, 100.00);

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# Special Operators in SQL

- ❑ **IS NULL** is used to check whether an attribute value is null.
- ❑ **EXISTS** is used to check whether an attribute has a value.
- ❑ List the details of products with **existing** (not-NULL) vendor codes.

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```
SELECT *  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE V_Code EXISTS;
```

or

```
SELECT *  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE NOT ISNULL (V_Code);
```

# Ordering SQL Results

- ❑ **ORDER BY** <columns> : produces a list in **ascending order**
- ❑ **ORDER BY** <columns> **[DESC]** : produces a list in **descending order**
- ❑ List the details of product table listed by product price in **ascending** order:

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```
SELECT      P_Description, P_Indate, P_Price, V_Code
FROM        PRODUCT
ORDER BY    P_Price;
```



# Ordering SQL Results

- ❑ List the details of products with an in-date **before** 15 September 1999 **and** a price **less** than A\$ 50.
- ❑ Put the results in ascending order of vendor code and **descending** order of price.

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```
SELECT      P_Description, P_Indate, P_Price, V_Code
FROM        PRODUCT
WHERE       P_Indate < '9/15/99' AND P_Price <= 50.00
ORDER BY  V_Code, P_Price DESC;
```

# Questions



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