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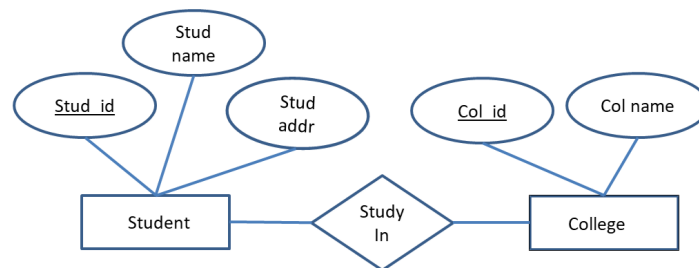
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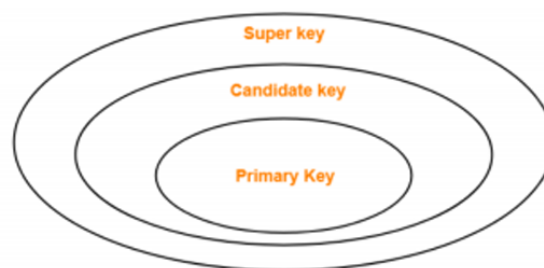
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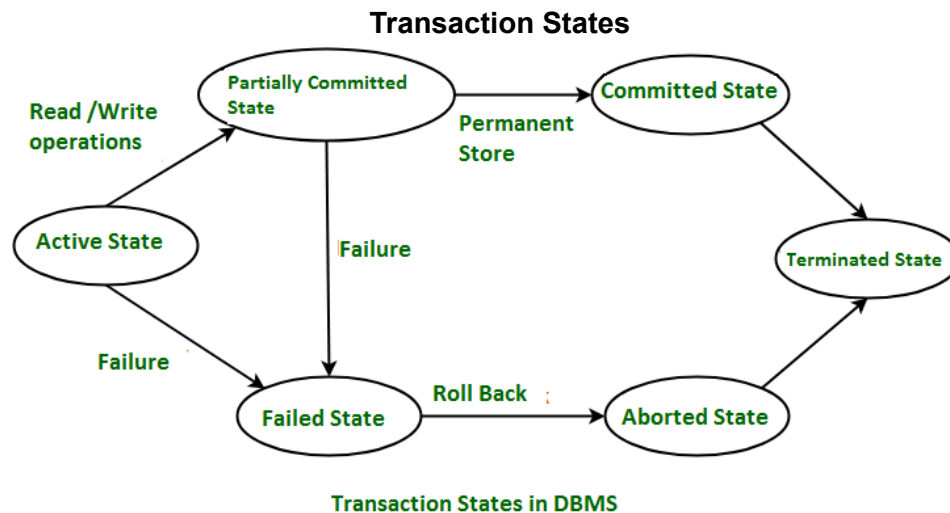
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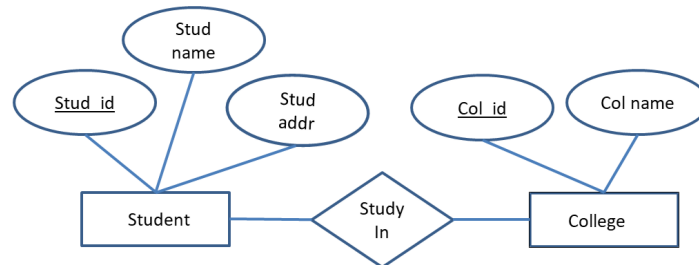
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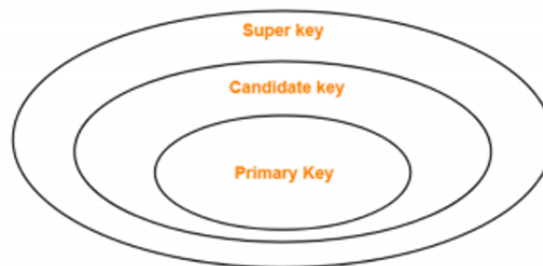
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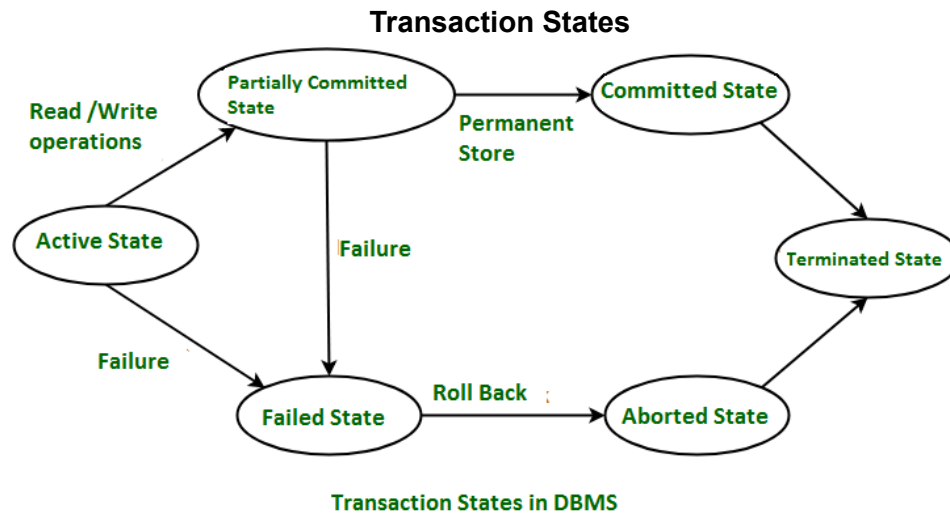
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# ACID

## 1. Atomicity

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## Are NULL values in a database the same as that of blank space or zero?

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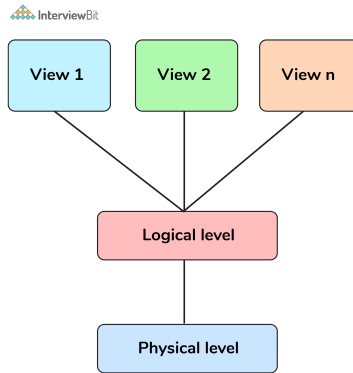
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## Data Warehousing

A data warehouse comprises a wide variety of an organization's historical data that supports the decision-making process[ Data Mining ] in an organization.

## Different levels of data abstraction in a DBMS.

The process of hiding irrelevant details from users is known as data abstraction. Data abstraction can be divided into 3 levels:



Three levels of data abstraction

- **Physical Level:** How is data stored on the physical label.
- **Conceptual or Logical level:** what are the relationship between the diff table
- **External or View level:** User has access to only a part of the DB and does not know the schema also.

### Difference between the DELETE and TRUNCATE command in a DBMS.

**DELETE command:** this command is needed to delete rows from a table based on the condition provided by the WHERE clause.

1. It deletes only the rows which are specified by the WHERE clause.
2. It can be rolled back if required
3. it does not auto-commit.
4. It maintains a log to lock the row of the table before deleting it and hence it's slow.

**TRUNCATE command:** this command is needed to remove complete data from a table in a database. It is like a DELETE command which has no WHERE clause.

1. It removes complete data from a table in a database.
2. It can be rolled back even if required.
3. It doesn't maintain a log and deletes the whole table at once hence it's fast

### DROP :

1. It is used to drop the whole table. With the help of the "DROP" command we can drop (delete) the whole structure in one go i.e. it removes the schema. By using this command the existence of the whole table is finished or lost.
2. Here we can't restore the table by using the "ROLLBACK" command because it auto commits.

### What is a lock? Explain the major difference between a shared lock and an exclusive lock during a transaction in a database.

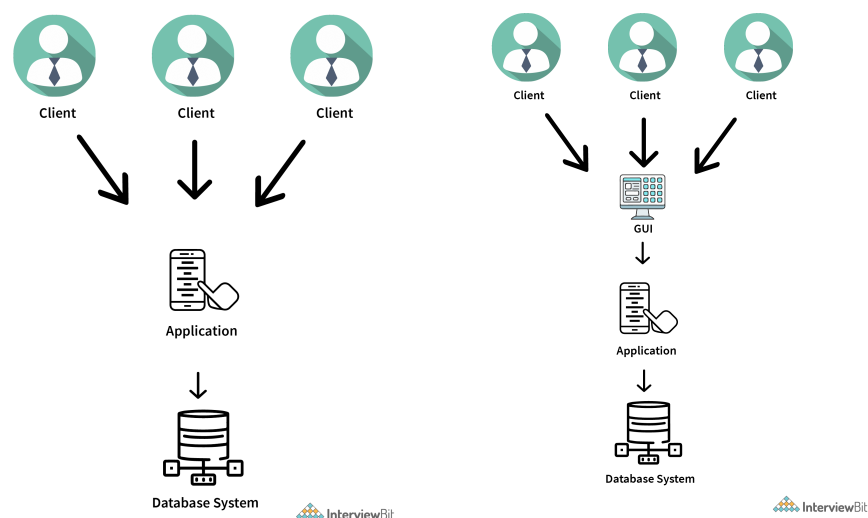
A database lock is a mechanism to protect a shared piece of data from getting updated by two or more database users at the same time. When a single database user or session has acquired a lock then no other database user or session can modify that data until the lock is released.

1. **Shared Lock:** A shared lock is required for reading a data item and many transactions may hold a lock on the same data item in a shared lock. Multiple transactions are allowed to read the data items in a shared lock.
2. **Exclusive lock:** An exclusive lock is a lock on any transaction that is about to perform a write operation. This type of lock doesn't allow more than one transaction and hence prevents any inconsistency in the database.

### Difference between a 2-tier and 3-tier architecture in a DBMS.

The 2-tier architecture refers to the client-server architecture in which applications at the client end directly communicate with the database at the server end without any middleware involved.

Example – Railway Reservation System, etc.



The 3-tier architecture contains another layer between the client and the server to provide GUI to the users and make the system much more secure and accessible.

Example – Designing registration form which contains a text box, label, button or a large website on the Internet, etc.

### What is SQL?

SQL stands for Structured Query Language. It is the standard language for relational database management systems.

### What is the difference between SQL and MySQL?

SQL is a standard language for retrieving and manipulating structured databases. On the contrary, MySQL is a relational database management system, like SQL Server, Oracle or IBM DB2, that is used to manage SQL databases.

Imagine you have a toy box full of different toys. SQL is like the language you use to ask questions about the toys, such as "How many red cars do we have?" or "Show me all the dolls." MySQL is like the person who helps organize and manage the toys in the toy box, making sure they are stored properly and can be easily found when you ask questions about them using SQL.



## What are Constraints in SQL?

Constraints are used to specify the rules concerning data in the table. It can be applied for single or multiple fields in an SQL table during the creation of the table or after creating using the ALTER TABLE command. The constraints are:

1. NOT NULL - Restricts NULL value from being inserted into a column.
2. CHECK - Verifies that all values in a field satisfy a condition.
3. DEFAULT - Automatically assigns a default value if no value has been specified for the field.
4. UNIQUE - Ensures unique values to be inserted into the field.
5. PRIMARY KEY - Uniquely identifies each record in a table.
6. FOREIGN KEY - Ensures referential integrity for a record in another table.

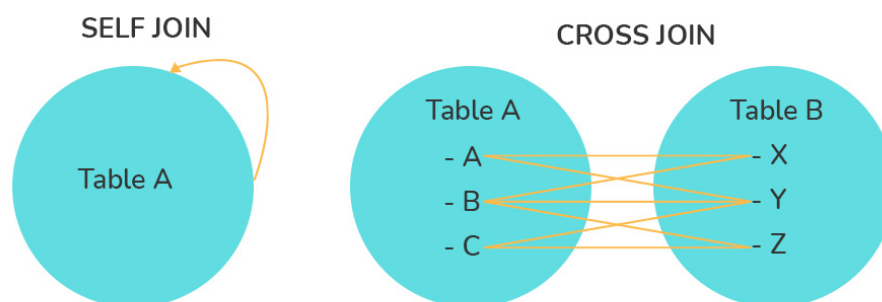
## Differences Between Primary key and Unique key:

1. Primary key will not accept NULL values whereas Unique key can accept NULL values.
2. A table can have only one primary key whereas there can be multiple unique keys on a table.

5. What is a Join? List its different types.

1. **(INNER) JOIN**: Retrieves records that have matching values in both tables involved in the join. This is the widely used join for queries. (By default by same column name)  
`SELECT * FROM Table_A JOIN Table_B;`  
`SELECT * FROM Table_A INNER JOIN Table_B;`
2. **LEFT (OUTER) JOIN**: Retrieves all the records/rows from the left and the matched records/rows from the right table.  
`SELECT * FROM Table_A A LEFT JOIN Table_B B ON A.col = B.col;`
3. **RIGHT (OUTER) JOIN**: Retrieves all the records/rows from the right and the matched records/rows from the left table.  
`SELECT * FROM Table_A A RIGHT JOIN Table_B B ON A.col = B.col;`
4. **FULL (OUTER) JOIN**: Retrieves all the records where there is a match in either the left or right table.  
`SELECT * FROM Table_A A FULL JOIN Table_B B ON A.col = B.col;`

## Self-Join and cross join



## What is Data Integrity?

Data Integrity is the assurance of accuracy and consistency of data.

## What is a Subquery? What are its types?

A subquery is a query within another query, also known as a nested query or inner query. For example, here we fetch the contact information for students who have enrolled for the maths subject:

```
SELECT name, email, mob, address FROM contacts WHERE roll_no IN ( SELECT roll_no  
FROM students WHERE subject ='Maths');
```

```
SELECT CustomerName, (  
    SELECT SUM(OrderAmount)  
FROM Orders  
WHERE Customers.CustomerID = Orders.CustomerID  
) AS TotalOrderAmount  
FROM Customers;
```

There are two types of subquery - Correlated and Non-Correlated.

- A correlated subquery cannot be considered as an independent query, but it can refer to the column in a table listed in the FROM of the main query.
- A non-correlated subquery can be considered as an independent query and the output of the subquery is substituted in the main query.

**ORDER BY** clause in SQL is used to sort the records based on some field(s) in ascending (ASC) or descending order (DESC).

Example- `SELECT * FROM students WHERE graduation_year = 2019 ORDER BY studentID DESC;`

**GROUP BY** clause in SQL is used to group records with identical data and can be used in conjunction with some aggregation functions to produce summarised results from the database.

**HAVING** clause in SQL is used to filter records in combination with the GROUP BY clause. It is different from WHERE, since the WHERE clause cannot filter aggregated records.

Example- `SELECT COUNT(studentId), country FROM students WHERE country != "INDIA" GROUP BY country HAVING COUNT(studentID) > 5;`

Whenever GROUP BY is used, HAVING behaves like a WHERE clause.

## What is an Alias in SQL?

It is a temporary name assigned to the table or table column for the purpose of a particular SQL query.

```
SELECT A.emp_name AS "Employee" B.emp_name AS "Supervisor"  
FROM employee A, employee B WHERE A.emp_sup = B.emp_id;
```

### How to print duplicate rows in a table?

Given a table named PERSON task is to write an SQL query to find all duplicate name in the table.

Example :

```
+----+-----+
| Id | NAME  |
+----+-----+
| 1  | Geeks |
| 2  | for   |
| 3  | Geeks |
+----+-----+
```

Output :

```
+-----+
| NAME  |
+-----+
| Geeks |
+-----+
```

**select NAME from Person group by NAME having count(NAME) > 1;**

1. AVG() - Calculates the mean of a collection of values.
2. COUNT() - Counts the total number of records in a specific table or view.
3. MIN() - Calculates the minimum of a collection of values.
4. MAX() - Calculates the maximum of a collection of values.
5. SUM() - Calculates the sum of a collection of values.
6. FIRST() - Fetches the first element in a collection of values.
7. LAST() - Fetches the last element in a collection of values.
8. LEN() - Calculates the total length of the given field (column).

1. UCASE() - Converts a collection of string values to uppercase characters.
2. LCASE() - Converts a collection of string values to lowercase characters.
3. MID() - Extracts substrings from a collection of string values in a table.
4. CONCAT() - Concatenates two or more strings.
5. RAND() - Generates a random collection of numbers of a given length.
6. ROUND() - Calculates the round-off integer value for a numeric field (or decimal point values).
7. NOW() - Returns the current date & time.
8. FORMAT() - Sets the format to display a collection of values
9. INITCAP('string')

**Write an SQL query to find the names of employees starting with 'A'.**

**SELECT \* FROM Employees WHERE EmpName like 'A%' ;**

**Construct a SQL query to provide each player's first login date.**

PlayerId	deviceId	eventDate	gamesPlayed
1	2	2021-08-09	9
1	2	2021-04-07	3
2	3	2021-06-25	1
3	1	2021-03-02	1
3	4	2021-07-03	3

playerId	firstLogin
1	2021-04-07
2	2021-06-25
3	2021-07-03

```
select playerId, min(eventDate) as firstLogin from Activity group by playerId;
```

**Write an SQL query to report all customers who never order anything.**

id	name
1	Ram
2	Sachin
3	Rajat
4	Ankit

id	customerid
1	2
2	1

Customers
Rajat
Ankit

```
select customers.name as 'Customers'
from customers
where customers.id not in
(
    select customerid from orders
);
```

```
select c.name as 'Customers' from Customers c left join Orders o ON (o.customerId = c.id)
where o.id is null
```

**SQL query to display the names and balances of people who have a balance greater than \$10,000.**

Account_number	name	trans_id	account_number	amount	transacted_on	name	balance
12300001	Ram	1	12300001	8000	2022-03-01	Ram	13000
12300002	Tim	2	12300001	8000	2022-03-01		
12300003	Shyam	3	12300001	-3000	2022-03-02		
		4	12300002	4000	2022-03-12		
		5	12300003	7000	2022-02-07		
		6	12300003	7000	2022-03-07		
		7	12300003	-4000	2022-03-11		

**SELECT** u.name, **SUM**(t.amount) **AS** balance **FROM** Users **natural join** Transactions t **GROUP BY** t.account\_number **HAVING** balance > 10000;

**Write a SQL query that detects managers with at least 5 direct reports from the Employee table.**

Id	Name	Department	ManagerId
201	Ram	A	null
202	Naresh	A	201
203	Krishna	A	201
204	Vaibhav	A	201
205	Jainender	A	201
206	Sid	B	201

**SELECT** Name **FROM** Employee **WHERE** id **IN** (**SELECT** ManagerId **FROM** Employee **GROUP BY** ManagerId **HAVING** **COUNT**(**DISTINCT** Id) >= 5);

**Write an SQL query to display the total salary of each employee adding the Salary with 1000 value.**

**SELECT** EmpId, Salary+1000 as TotalSalary **FROM** EmployeeSalary;

**Write an SQL query to fetch the employee's full names and replace the space with '-'.**

**SELECT** REPLACE(FullName, ' ', '-') **FROM** EmployeeDetails;

**Write an SQL query to fetch the position of a given character(s) in a field.**

**SELECT** INSTR(FullName, 'Snow') **FROM** EmployeeDetails;

**Write an SQL query to display both the EmpId and ManagerId together.**

**SELECT** CONCAT(EmpId, ManagerId) as NewId **FROM** EmployeeDetails;

**Write an SQL query to find the count of the total occurrences of a particular character – 'n' in the FullName field.**

```
SELECT FullName, LENGTH(FullName) - LENGTH(REPLACE(FullName, 'n', '')) FROM EmployeeDetails;
```

**Write an SQL query to update the employee names by removing leading and trailing spaces.**

```
UPDATE EmployeeDetails SET FullName = LTRIM(RTRIM(FullName));
```

**Write an SQL query to fetch all the Employee details from the EmployeeDetails table who joined in the Year 2020.**

```
SELECT * FROM EmployeeDetails WHERE YEAR(DateOfJoining) = '2020';
```

**Write an SQL query to fetch all the Employees who are also managers from the EmployeeDetails table.**

```
SELECT DISTINCT E.FullName  
FROM EmployeeDetails E  
INNER JOIN EmployeeDetails M  
ON E.Empld = M.ManagerId;
```

**Write an SQL query to remove duplicates from a table without using a temporary table.**

```
DELETE E1 FROM EmployeeDetails E1  
INNER JOIN EmployeeDetails E2  
WHERE E1.Empld > E2.Empld  
AND E1.FullName = E2.FullName  
AND E1.ManagerId = E2.ManagerId  
AND E1.DateOfJoining = E2.DateOfJoining  
AND E1.City = E2.City;
```

**Write an SQL query to fetch only odd rows from the table.**

```
SELECT E.Empld, E.Project, E.Salary  
FROM (  
    SELECT *, Row_Number() OVER(ORDER BY Empld) AS RowNumber  
    FROM EmployeeSalary  
) E  
WHERE E.RowNumber % 2 = 1;
```

**Write an SQL query to create a new table with data and structure copied from another table.**

```
CREATE TABLE NewTable  
SELECT * FROM EmployeeSalary;
```

**Write an SQL query to create an empty table with the same structure as some other table.**

```
CREATE TABLE NewTable SELECT * FROM EmployeeSalary where 1=0;
```

**Write an SQL query to fetch top n records.**

In MySQL using LIMIT-

```
SELECT *  
FROM EmployeeSalary  
ORDER BY Salary DESC LIMIT N;
```

In SQL server using TOP command-

```
SELECT TOP N *  
FROM EmployeeSalary  
ORDER BY Salary DESC;
```

**Write an SQL query to find the nth highest salary from a table.**

Using Top keyword (SQL Server)-

```
SELECT TOP 1 Salary  
FROM (  
    SELECT DISTINCT TOP N Salary  
    FROM Employee  
    ORDER BY Salary DESC  
)  
ORDER BY Salary ASC;
```

Using limit clause(MySQL)-

```
SELECT Salary  
FROM Employee  
ORDER BY Salary DESC LIMIT N-1,1;
```

**Write SQL query to find the 3rd highest salary from a table without using the TOP/limit keyword.**

Method 1

```
SELECT Salary  
FROM EmployeeSalary Emp1  
WHERE 2 = (  
    SELECT COUNT( DISTINCT ( Emp2.Salary ) )  
    FROM EmployeeSalary Emp2  
    WHERE Emp2.Salary > Emp1.Salary  
)
```

Method 2



```

SELECT Salary
FROM EmployeeSalary Emp1
WHERE N-1 = (
    SELECT COUNT( DISTINCT ( Emp2.Salary ) )
    FROM EmployeeSalary Emp2
    WHERE Emp2.Salary > Emp1.Salary
)

```

### Update m to f and f to m at the same time in sql

```

UPDATE [MyTable]
SET GENDER = CASE
    WHEN GENDER='M' THEN 'F'
    WHEN GENDER='F' THEN 'M'
    ELSE GENDER
END

```

## SQL

### DDL:

DDL is short name of **Data Definition Language**, which deals with database schemas and descriptions, of how the data should reside in the database.

- CREATE - to create a database and its objects like (table, index, views, store procedure, function, and triggers)
- ALTER - alters the structure of the existing database
- DROP - delete objects from the database
- TRUNCATE - remove all records from a table, including all spaces allocated for the records are removed
- RENAME - rename an object

### DML:

DML is short name of **Data Manipulation Language** which deals with data manipulation and includes most common SQL statements such SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE, etc., and it is used to store, modify, retrieve, delete and update data in a database.

- SELECT - retrieve data from a database
- INSERT - insert data into a table
- UPDATE - updates existing data within a table
- DELETE - Delete all records from a database table
- MERGE - UPSERT operation (insert or update)

### **DCL:**

DCL is short name of **Data Control Language** which includes commands such as GRANT and mostly concerned with rights, permissions and other controls of the database system.

- GRANT - allow users access privileges to the database
- REVOKE - withdraw users access privileges given by using the GRANT command

### **TCL:**

TCL is short name of Transaction Control Language which deals with a transaction within a database.

- COMMIT - commits a Transaction
- ROLLBACK - rollback a transaction in case of any error occurs
- SAVEPOINT - to roll back the transaction making points within

groups **SQL:**

SQL is a standard language for storing, manipulating and retrieving data in databases.

### **SELECT:**

The SELECT statement is used to select data from a database.

#### **Syntax -**

- SELECT *column1, column2, ...*  
FROM *table\_name*;
- Here, column1, column2, ... are the field names of the table you want to select data from. If you want to select all the fields available in the table, use the following syntax: ● SELECT \* FROM *table\_name*;

#### **Ex –**

- SELECT CustomerName, City FROM Customers;

### **SELECT DISTINCT:**

The SELECT DISTINCT statement is used to return only distinct (different) values. **Syntax –**

- SELECT DISTINCT *column1, column2, ...*  
FROM *table\_name*;

Ex –

- SELECT DISTINCT Country FROM Customers;

### **WHERE:**

The WHERE clause is used to filter records.

**Syntax –**

- SELECT *column1, column2, ...*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *condition*;

Ex –

- SELECT \* FROM Customers  
WHERE Country='Mexico';

Operator	Description
=	Equal
>	Greater than
<	Less than
>=	Greater than or equal
<=	Less than or equal
<>	Not equal. <b>Note:</b> In some versions of SQL this operator may be written as !=

### **AND, OR and NOT:**

The WHERE clause can be combined with AND, OR, and NOT operators.

The AND and OR operators are used to filter records based on more than one condition:

- The AND operator displays a record if all the conditions separated by AND are TRUE.
- The OR operator displays a record if any of the conditions separated by OR is TRUE.

The NOT operator displays a record if the condition(s) is NOT TRUE.

**Syntax –**

- SELECT *column1, column2, ...*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *condition1 AND condition2 AND condition3 ...*;

- `SELECT column1, column2, ...`  
`FROM table_name`  
`WHERE condition1 OR condition2 OR condition3 ...;`
- `SELECT column1, column2, ...`  
`FROM table_name`  
`WHERE NOT condition;`

**Ex –**

- `SELECT * FROM Customers`  
`WHERE Country='Germany' AND City='Berlin';`
- `SELECT * FROM Customers`  
`WHERE Country='Germany' AND (City='Berlin' OR City='München');`

### **ORDER BY:**

The ORDER BY keyword is used to sort the result-set in ascending or descending order.

The ORDER BY keyword sorts the records in ascending order by default. To sort the records in descending order, use the DESC keyword.

**Syntax –**

- `SELECT column1, column2, ...`  
`FROM table_name`  
`ORDER BY column1, column2, ... ASC|DESC;`

**Ex –**

- `SELECT * FROM Customers`  
`ORDER BY Country;`
- `SELECT * FROM Customers`  
`ORDER BY Country ASC, CustomerName DESC;`

### **INSERT INTO:**

The INSERT INTO statement is used to insert new records in a table.

**Syntax –**

- `INSERT INTO table_name (column1, column2, column3, ...)`  
`VALUES (value1, value2, value3, ...);`
- `INSERT INTO table_name`  
`VALUES (value1, value2, value3, ...);`

\*In the second syntax, make sure the order of the values is in the same order as the

columns in the table.

**Ex –**

- INSERT INTO Customers (CustomerName, ContactName, Address, City, PostalCode, Country)  
VALUES ('Cardinal', 'Tom B. Erichsen', 'Skagen 21', 'Stavanger', '4006', 'Norway');

### **NULL Value:**

It is not possible to test for NULL values with comparison operators, such as =, <, or <>. We will have to use the IS NULL and IS NOT NULL operators instead.

**Syntax –**

- SELECT *column\_names*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *column\_name* IS NULL;
- SELECT *column\_names*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *column\_name* IS NOT NULL;

**Ex –**

- SELECT CustomerName, ContactName, Address  
FROM Customers  
WHERE Address IS NULL;

### **UPDATE:**

The UPDATE statement is used to modify the existing records in a table.

**Syntax –**

- UPDATE *table\_name*  
SET *column1* = *value1*, *column2* = *value2*, ...  
WHERE *condition*;

**Ex –**

- UPDATE Customers  
SET ContactName = 'Alfred Schmidt', City= 'Frankfurt'  
WHERE CustomerID = 1;

### **DELETE:**

The DELETE statement is used to delete existing records in a table.

**Syntax –**

- DELETE FROM *table\_name* WHERE *condition*;
- DELETE FROM *table\_name*;

In 2<sup>nd</sup> syntax, all rows are deleted. The table structure, attributes, and indexes will be intact **Ex –**

- DELETE FROM Customers WHERE CustomerName='Alfreds Futterkiste';

**SELECT TOP:**

The SELECT TOP clause is used to specify the number of records to return. **Syntax –**

- SELECT TOP *number*|*percent* *column\_name(s)*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *condition*;
- SELECT *column\_name(s)*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *condition*  
LIMIT *number*;
- SELECT *column\_name(s)*  
FROM *table\_name*  
ORDER BY *column\_name(s)*  
FETCH FIRST *number* ROWS ONLY;
- SELECT *column\_name(s)*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE ROWNUM <= *number*;

\*In case the interviewer asks other than the TOP, rest are also correct. (Diff. DB Systems) **Ex –**

- SELECT TOP 3 \* FROM Customers;
- SELECT \* FROM Customers  
LIMIT 3;
- SELECT \* FROM Customers  
FETCH FIRST 3 ROWS ONLY;

**Aggregate Functions:**

**MIN():**

The MIN() function returns the smallest value of the selected column. **Syntax –**

- SELECT MIN(*column\_name*)  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *condition*;

**Ex –**

- SELECT MIN(Price) AS SmallestPrice  
FROM Products;

### **MAX():**

The MAX() function returns the largest value of the selected column. **Syntax –**

- SELECT MAX(*column\_name*)  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *condition*;

**Ex –**

- SELECT MAX(Price) AS LargestPrice  
FROM Products;

### **COUNT():**

The COUNT() function returns the number of rows that matches a specified criterion. **Syntax –**

- SELECT COUNT(*column\_name*)  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *condition*;

**Ex –**

- SELECT COUNT(ProductID)  
FROM Products;

### **AVG():**

The AVG() function returns the average value of a numeric column.

**Syntax –**

- SELECT AVG(*column\_name*)  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *condition*;



**Ex –**

- SELECT AVG(Price)  
FROM Products;

### **SUM():**

The SUM() function returns the total sum of a numeric column.

**Syntax –**

- SELECT SUM(*column\_name*)  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *condition*;

**Ex –**

- SELECT SUM(Quantity)  
FROM OrderDetails;

### **LIKE Operator:**

The LIKE operator is used in a WHERE clause to search for a specified pattern in a column. There are two wildcards often used in conjunction with the LIKE operator:

- The percent sign (%) represents zero, one, or multiple characters
- The underscore sign (\_) represents one, single character

**Syntax –**

- SELECT *column1, column2, ...*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *columnN* LIKE *pattern*;

LIKE Operator	Description
WHERE CustomerName LIKE 'a%'	Finds any values that start with "a"
WHERE CustomerName LIKE '%a'	Finds any values that end with "a"
WHERE CustomerName LIKE '%or%'	Finds any values that have "or" in any position

WHERE CustomerName LIKE '_r%'	Finds any values that have "r" in the second position
WHERE CustomerName LIKE 'a_%'	Finds any values that start with "a" and are at least 2 characters in length

WHERE CustomerName LIKE 'a__%'	Finds any values that start with "a" and are at least 3 characters in length
WHERE ContactName LIKE 'a%o'	Finds any values that start with "a" and ends with "o"

### **IN:**

The IN operator allows you to specify multiple values in a WHERE clause. The IN operator is a shorthand for multiple OR conditions.

#### **Syntax –**

- SELECT *column\_name(s)*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *column\_name* IN (*value1, value2, ...*);
- SELECT *column\_name(s)*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *column\_name* IN (*SELECT STATEMENT*);

#### **Ex –**

- SELECT \* FROM Customers  
WHERE Country IN ('Germany', 'France', 'UK');
- SELECT \* FROM Customers  
WHERE Country IN (SELECT Country FROM Suppliers);

### **BETWEEN:**

The BETWEEN operator selects values within a given range. The values can be numbers, text, or dates.

The BETWEEN operator is inclusive: begin and end values are included.

#### **Syntax –**

- SELECT *column\_name(s)*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *column\_name* BETWEEN *value1* AND *value2*;

#### **Ex –**

- SELECT \* FROM Products  
WHERE Price BETWEEN 10 AND 20;

## **Joins:**

A JOIN clause is used to combine rows from two or more tables, based on a related column between them.

### **INNER JOIN:**

The INNER JOIN keyword selects records that have matching values in both tables. **Syntax –**

- `SELECT column_name(s)`  
`FROM table1`  
`INNER JOIN table2`  
`ON table1.column_name = table2.column_name;`

**Ex –**

- `SELECT Orders.OrderID, Customers.CustomerName`  
`FROM Orders`  
`INNER JOIN Customers ON Orders.CustomerID =`

`Customers.CustomerID; LEFT (OUTER) JOIN:`

The LEFT JOIN keyword returns all records from the left table (table1), and the matching records from the right table (table2). The result is 0 records from the right side, if there is no match.

**Syntax –**

- `SELECT column_name(s)`  
`FROM table1`  
`LEFT JOIN table2`  
`ON table1.column_name = table2.column_name;`

**Ex –**

- `SELECT Customers.CustomerName, Orders.OrderID`  
`FROM Customers`  
`LEFT JOIN Orders ON Customers.CustomerID = Orders.CustomerID`  
`ORDER BY Customers.CustomerName;`

### **RIGHT (OUTER) JOIN:**

The RIGHT JOIN keyword returns all records from the right table (table2), and the matching records from the left table (table1). The result is 0 records from the left side, if there is no match.

### Syntax –

- `SELECT column_name(s)`  
`FROM table1`  
`RIGHT JOIN table2`  
`ON table1.column_name = table2.column_name;`

### Ex –

- `SELECT Orders.OrderID, Employees.LastName, Employees.FirstName`  
`FROM Orders`  
`RIGHT JOIN Employees ON Orders.EmployeeID =`  
`Employees.EmployeeID ORDER BY Orders.OrderID;`

### FULL (OUTER) JOIN:

The FULL OUTER JOIN keyword returns all records when there is a match in left (table1) or right (table2) table records.

### Syntax:

- `SELECT column_name(s)`  
`FROM table1`  
`FULL OUTER JOIN table2`  
`ON table1.column_name = table2.column_name`  
`WHERE condition;`

### Ex –

- `SELECT Customers.CustomerName, Orders.OrderID`  
`FROM Customers`  
`FULL OUTER JOIN Orders ON`  
`Customers.CustomerID=Orders.CustomerID ORDER BY`  
`Customers.CustomerName;`

### UNION:

The UNION operator is used to combine the result-set of two or more SELECT statements.

- Every SELECT statement within UNION must have the same number of columns
- The columns must also have similar data types

- The columns in every SELECT statement must also be in the same order

The UNION operator selects only distinct values by default. To allow duplicate values, use UNION ALL

### Syntax –

- SELECT *column\_name(s)* FROM *table1*  
UNION  
SELECT *column\_name(s)* FROM *table2*;
- SELECT *column\_name(s)* FROM *table1*  
UNION ALL  
SELECT *column\_name(s)* FROM *table2*;

### Ex –

- SELECT City FROM Customers  
UNION  
SELECT City FROM Suppliers  
ORDER BY City;

### **GROUP BY:**

The GROUP BY statement groups rows that have the same values into summary rows, like "find the number of customers in each country".

The GROUP BY statement is often used with aggregate functions

(COUNT(), MAX(), MIN(), SUM(), AVG()) to group the result-set by one or more columns. **Syntax –**

- SELECT *column\_name(s)*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *condition*  
GROUP BY *column\_name(s)*  
ORDER BY *column\_name(s)*;

### Ex –

- SELECT COUNT(CustomerID), Country  
FROM Customers  
GROUP BY Country  
ORDER BY COUNT(CustomerID) DESC;

### **HAVING:**

The HAVING clause was added to SQL because the WHERE keyword cannot be used with aggregate functions.

\*WHERE is given priority over HAVING.

### Syntax –

- SELECT *column\_name(s)*  
FROM *table\_name*  
WHERE *condition*  
GROUP BY *column\_name(s)*  
HAVING *condition*  
ORDER BY *column\_name(s)*;

**Ex –**

- SELECT COUNT(CustomerID), Country  
FROM Customers  
GROUP BY Country  
HAVING COUNT(CustomerID) > 5;

### **CREATE DATABASE:**

The CREATE DATABASE statement is used to create a new SQL database.

**Syntax –**

- CREATE DATABASE *databasename*;

### **DROP DATABASE:**

The DROP DATABASE statement is used to drop an existing SQL database. **Syntax –**

- DROP DATABASE *databasename*;

### **CREATE TABLE:**

The CREATE TABLE statement is used to create a new table in a database. **Syntax –**

- CREATE TABLE *table\_name* (  
    *column1 datatype*,  
    *column2 datatype*,  
    *column3 datatype*,  
    ....  
);

### **DROP TABLE:**

The DROP TABLE statement is used to drop an existing table in a

database. **Syntax –**

- DROP TABLE *table\_name*;

### **TRUNCATE TABLE:**

The TRUNCATE TABLE statement is used to delete the data inside a table, but not the table itself. **Syntax –**

- TRUNCATE TABLE *table\_name*;

### **ALTER TABLE:**

The ALTER TABLE statement is used to add, delete, or modify columns in an existing table.

The ALTER TABLE statement is also used to add and drop various constraints on an existing table.

**Syntax –**

- ALTER TABLE *table\_name*  
ADD *column\_name datatype*;
- ALTER TABLE *table\_name*  
DROP COLUMN *column\_name*;
- ALTER TABLE *table\_name*  
MODIFY COLUMN *column\_name datatype*;

**Ex –**

- ALTER TABLE Customers  
ADD Email varchar(255);
- ALTER TABLE Customers  
DROP COLUMN Email;
- ALTER TABLE Persons  
ALTER COLUMN DateOfBirth year;