

# Structured Query Language (SQL) - Part 1

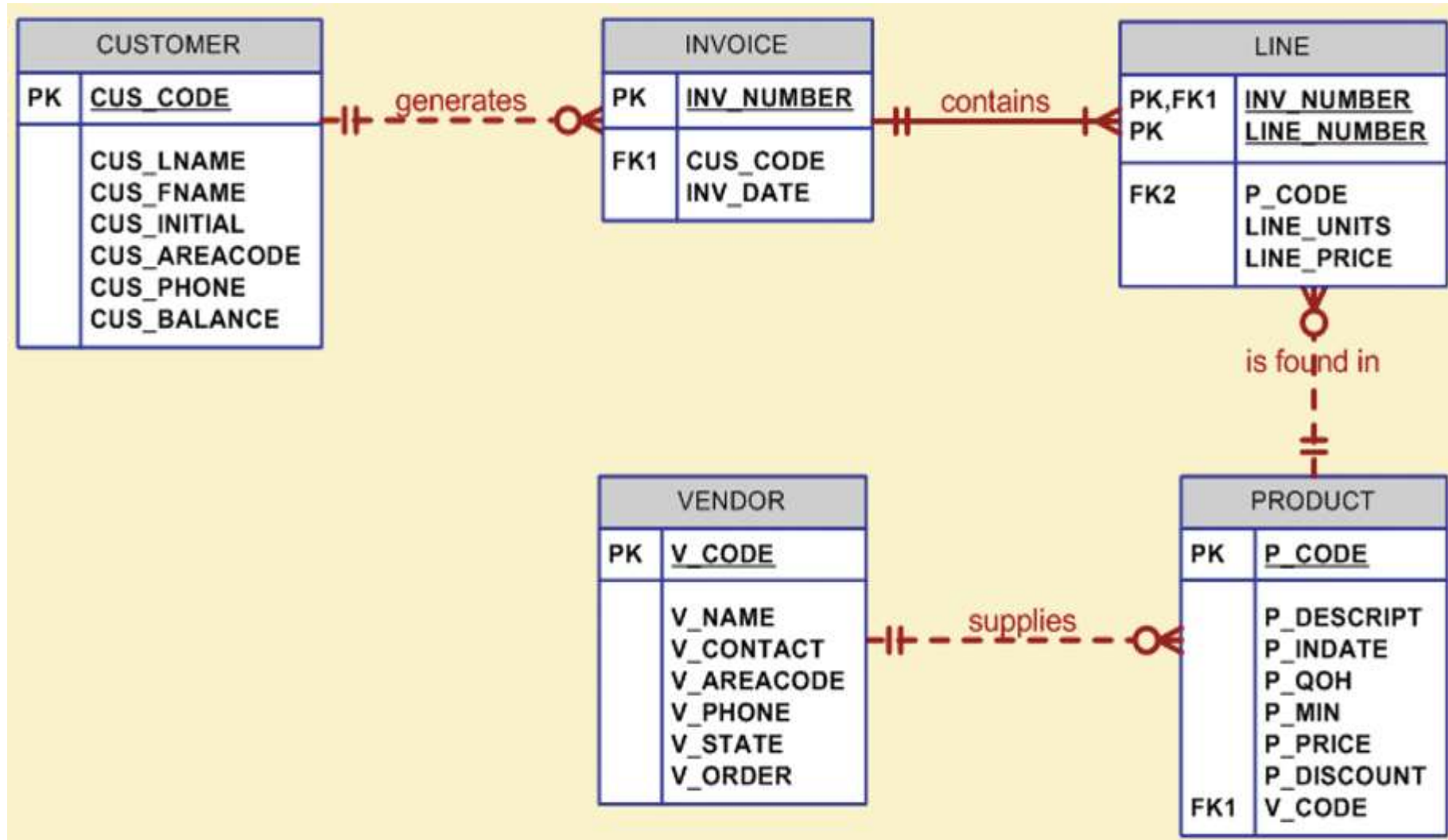
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# Learning Outcomes

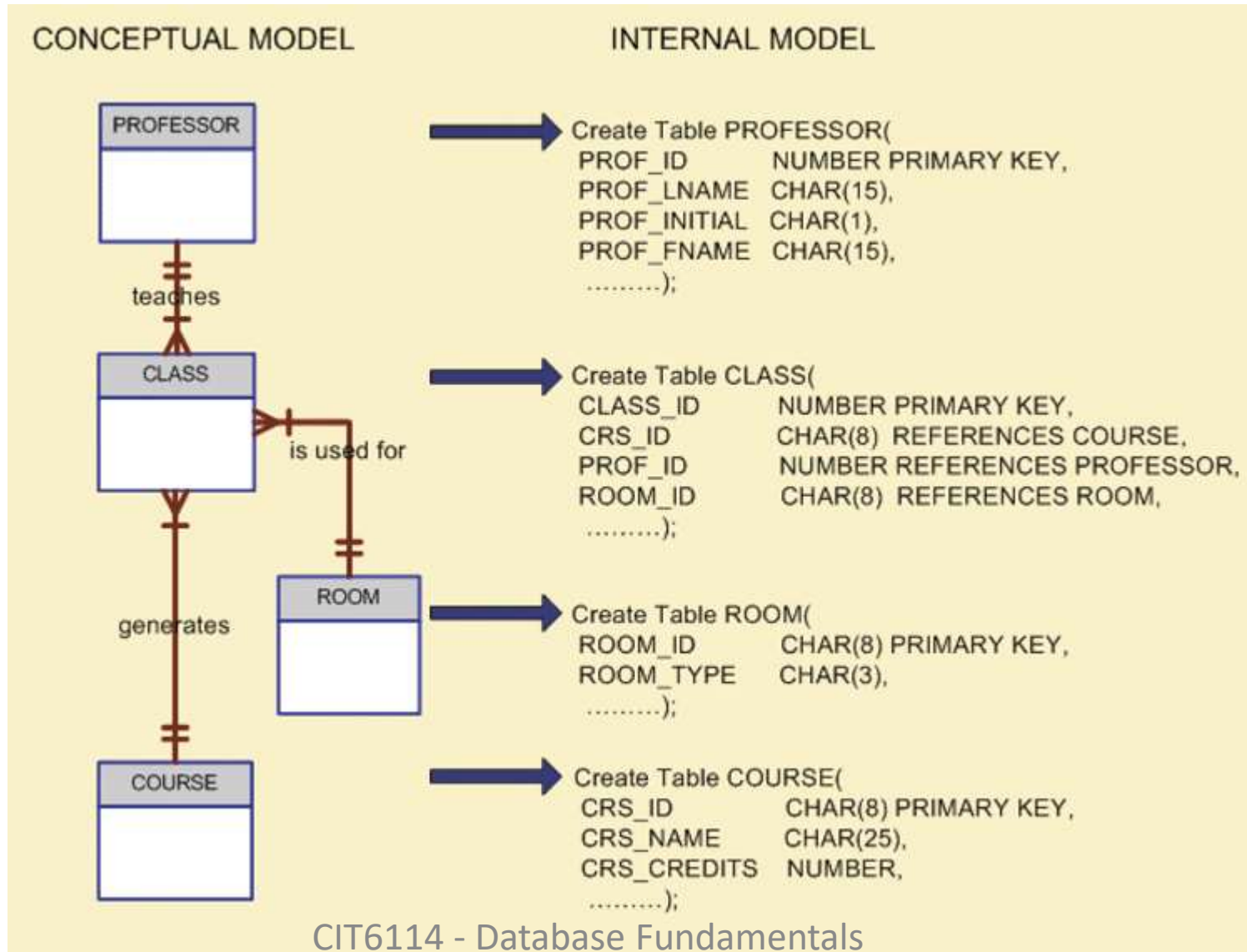
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- In this chapter, students will learn:
  - The basic commands and functions of SQL
  - How to use SQL for data administration (to create tables)
  - How to use SQL for data manipulation (to add, modify, delete, and retrieve data)
  - How to use SQL to query a database for useful information

# The Database Conceptual Model (Recap!)



# Maps Conceptual Model to the DBMS



# Introduction to SQL

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- Structured Query Language (SQL) is a **non-procedural language** (command what to do and *not* how)
- SQL provides **statements** that help work with the database
- SQL functions fit into two broad categories:
  - **Data definition language (DDL):** ***create*** database, tables, indexes, views, trigger, procedure
  - **Data manipulation language (DML):** ***insert, update, delete, retrieve*** data
- American National Standards Institute (ANSI) prescribes a standard SQL

# Creating the Database

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- Syntax:
  - **CREATE DATABASE** <database\_name>;
- Example:
  - **CREATE DATABASE** Tiny\_College;

# Creating Tables

- A database consists of tables (entities)
- Syntax:
  - **CREATE TABLE** <table name>  
(<attribute1 name> <attribute1 characteristics>,  
<attribute2 name> <attribute2 characteristics>,  
**primary key** <attribute name>,  
**foreign key** <attribute name> );

**CREATE TABLE** Faculty  
(  
    fac\_id char(3) primary key not null,  
    fac\_name char(50)  
);

Table name

Data type

Attribute name

The diagram shows a SQL statement to create a table named 'Faculty'. It has two attributes: 'fac\_id' which is a character string of length 3, and 'fac\_name' which is a character string of length 50. 'fac\_id' is designated as the primary key and cannot be null. Callout boxes identify the components: 'Faculty' is the table name, 'char(3)' and 'char(50)' are data types, and 'fac\_id' and 'fac\_name' are attribute names.

- Table names and column names must:
  - Begin with a letter
  - Be 1–30 characters long
  - Contain only A–Z, a–z, 0–9, \_, \$, and #
  - Not duplicate the name of another object owned by the same user
  - Not be a reserved word

# Data Types

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## Three groups of Data Types:

- **Character** - store character (alphanumeric) data in strings

- **Numeric**

- **Date**

<u>Data Type</u>	<u>Format</u>
N umeric	INTEGER BIGINT SMALLINT DECIMAL(L,D)
C haracter	CHAR(L) VARCHAR(L)
D ate	DATE



# Data Types

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- **Numeric**

- E.g., **INTEGER**



- Integers are (whole) counting numbers
- CANNOT use to store decimal places
- Size:  $[-2^{31}, 2^{31}-1] = [-2147483648 - 2147483647]$

# Data Types

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- **Numeric**

- E.g., **BIGINT**



123456987034



-126992389155

- Up to nineteen digits long
    - Size:  $[-2^{63}, 2^{63}-1]$

- E.g., **SMALLINT**



3456



-19531

- Like INTEGER, but limited to integer values up to five digits
    - Size:  $[-32768, 65535]$

# Data Types

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- **Numeric**

- E.g., **DECIMAL(5,2)**



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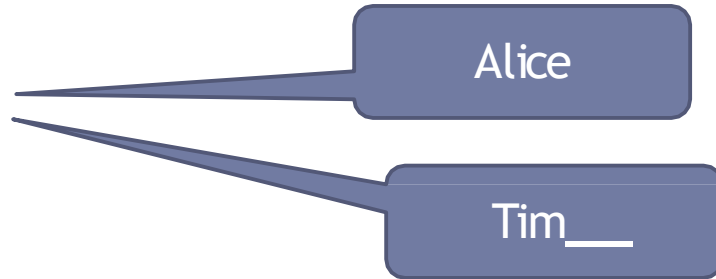
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- Storage length is a minimum specification (i.e., smaller lengths are acceptable but greater ones are not)

# Data Types

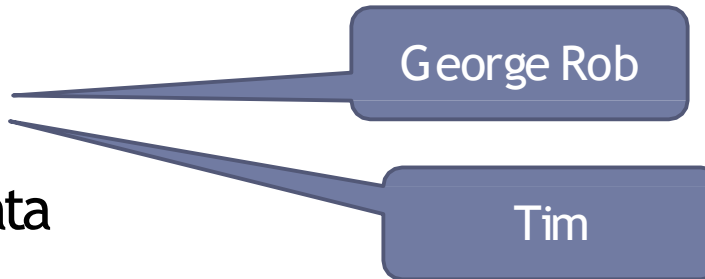
- **Character**

- E.g., **CHAR(5)**



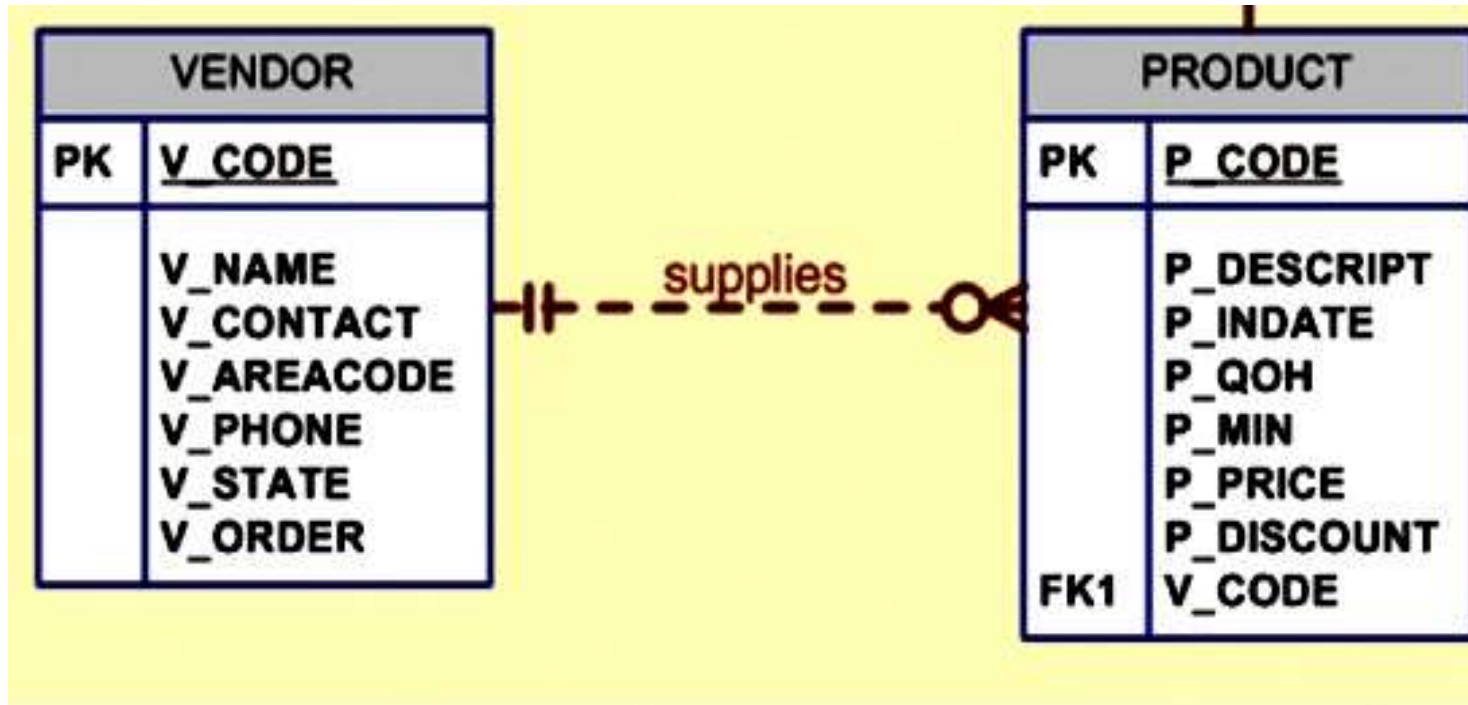
- Fixed-length character data for up to 255 characters.
- If you store strings that are not as long as the CHAR parameter value, the remaining spaces are left unused

- E.g., **VARCHAR(10)**

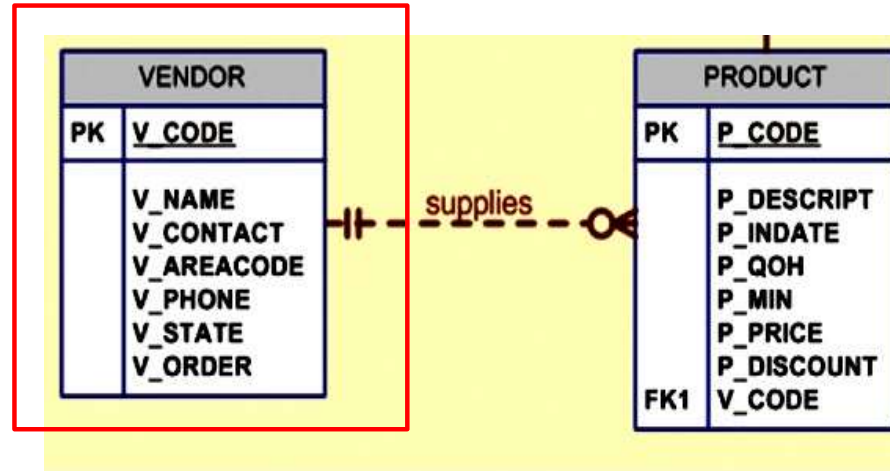


- Variable-length character data
- VARCHAR will not leave unused spaces
- Oracle can use VARCHAR or VARCHAR2

# Creating Table Structure: Example



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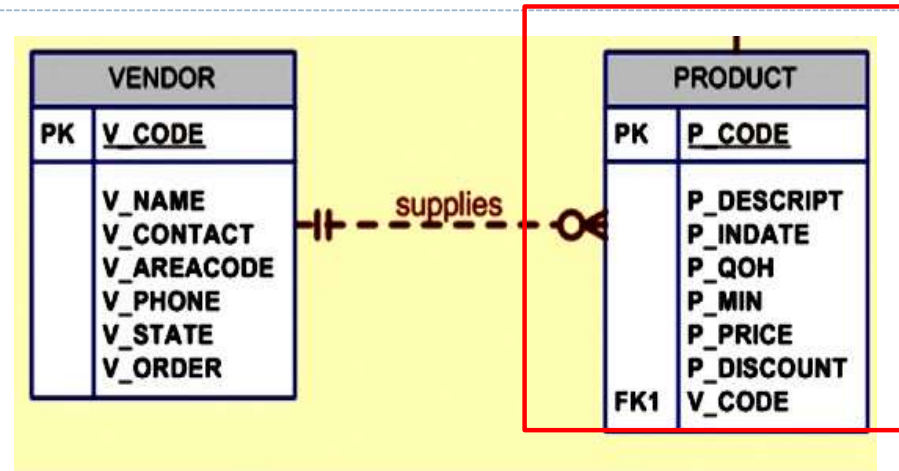


- **CREATE TABLE** VENDOR (  
    v\_code        varchar(5) **PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL**,  
    v\_name        varchar(20),  
    v\_contact     varchar(15),  
    v\_areacode    integer,  
    v\_phone       varchar(10),  
    v\_state       char(2),  
    v\_order       char(1) );

**Entity integrity (recap!):**

- Primary key cannot contain NULL value

# Creating Table Structure: Example



- **CREATE TABLE** PRODUCT (  
 p\_code varchar(10) **PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL**,  
 p\_descript varchar(50),  
 p\_indate date,  
 p\_onhand integer,  
 p\_min integer,  
 p\_price decimal(5,2),  
 p\_discount decimal (3,2),  
 v\_code varchar(5),

**Referential integrity rules**  
 – the value must match the  
 value in the parent table or  
 it contains null

**FOREIGN KEY** (v\_code) **REFERENCES** VENDOR **ON DELETE RESTRICT**);

# Referential Integrity Rules

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- **DELETE rules**
  - **RESTRICT** - cannot delete a record if records are found in both parent and dependent table
  - **NO ACTION** - cannot delete a record if records are found in both parent and dependent table. The row in the dependent table **MUST** be deleted first before deleting the row from the parent table
  - **CASCADE** - deleting row in parent table automatically deletes any related rows in dependent tables
  - **SET NULL** - foreign key is set to null, other columns left unchanged



# Referential Integrity - Example

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custID	custName
100	Ali
101	Bob

orderNum	orderDate	custID
1	06-11-2014	100
2	06-12-2014	100

... FOREIGN KEY (*custID*) REFERENCES *customer* **ON DELETE RESTRICT;**

... FOREIGN KEY (*custID*) REFERENCES *customer* **ON DELETE CASCADE;**

... FOREIGN KEY (*custID*) REFERENCES *customer* **ON DELETE SET NULL;**

# SQL Constraints

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- **NOT NULL** constraint
  - Ensures that column does not accept nulls
- **UNIQUE** constraint
  - Ensures that all values in column are unique
- **DEFAULT** constraint
  - Assigns value to attribute when a new row is added to table
- **CHECK** constraint
  - Validates data when attribute value is entered

# SQL Constraints

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- **Example:**

```
CREATE TABLE STUDENT (  
STU_ID VARCHAR(8) PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,  
STU_Name VARCHAR(20) NOT NULL UNIQUE,  
STU_Gender CHAR(1) CHECK (STU_Gender IN ('F', 'M')),  
STU_Country CHAR(8) DEFAULT 'MALAYSIA' );
```

# Data Manipulation Commands

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- INSERT
- SELECT
- UPDATE
- DELETE

# Adding Table Rows

```
CREATE TABLE STUDENT (  
  STU_ID VARCHAR(8) PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,  
  STU_Name VARCHAR(20) NOT NULL UNIQUE,  
  STU_Gender CHAR(1) CHECK (STU_Gender IN ('F', 'M')),  
  STU_Country CHAR(8) DEFAULT 'MALAYSIA' );
```

- **INSERT :**
  - Used to enter data into table
- Syntax:
  - **INSERT INTO** <columnname1,columnname2,...,columnnameN>  
**VALUES** (value1,value2,... ,valueN );
- Example1:
  - **INSERT INTO** STUDENT **VALUES** ('12340', 'John', 'M', 'UK');
  - **INSERT INTO** STUDENT **VALUES** ('56780', 'Anne', 'F', default);

STUDENT:

	123 STU_ID T↑	ABC STU_NAME T↑	ABC STU_GENDER T↑	ABC STU_COUNTRY T↑
1	56 780	Anne	F	MALAYSIA
2	12 340	John	M	UK

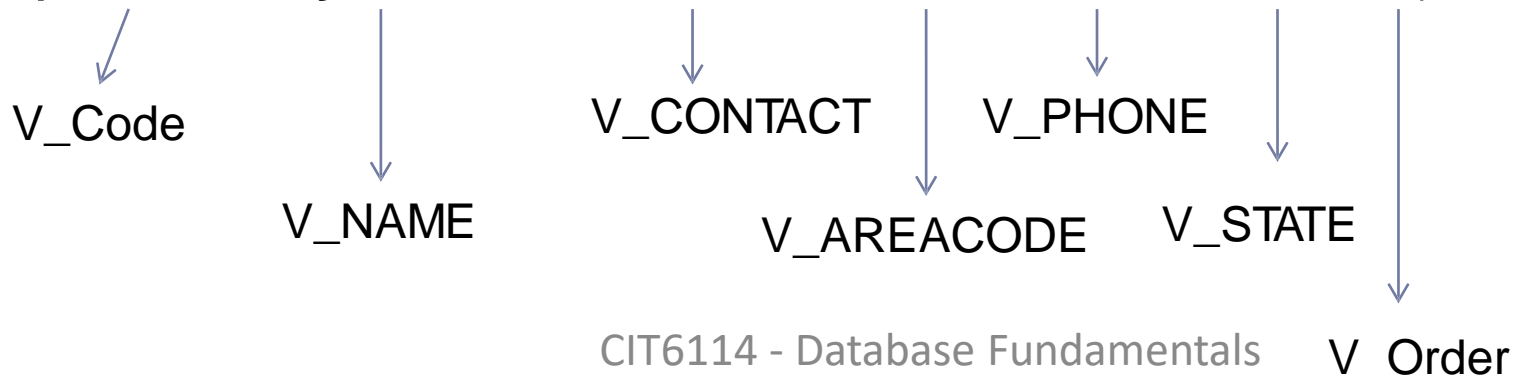
## Adding Table Rows (cont'd.)

```
CREATE TABLE VENDOR (  
  v_code      varchar(5) PRIMARY KEY NOT NULL,  
  v_name      varchar(20),  
  v_contact   varchar(15),  
  v_areacode  integer,  
  v_phone     varchar(10),  
  v_state     char(2),  
  v_order     char(1) );
```

- When entering values, notice that:
  - Character and date values are entered between apostrophes (')
  - Numerical entries are **not** enclosed in apostrophes
  - Attribute entries are separated by commas (,)
  - A value is required for each column

### INSERT INTO VENDOR VALUES

('21226', 'Bryson Inc.', 'Smithson', 615, '223234', 'TN', 'Y');



VENDOR	
PK	V_CODE
	V_NAME V_CONTACT V_AREACODE V_PHONE V_STATE V_ORDER

# Listing Table Rows

- **SELECT**
  - Used to list contents of table
- Syntax:
  - **SELECT** <columnlist> **FROM** <tablename>;
- Columnlist represents one or more attributes, separated by commas
  - E.g., **SELECT** p\_code, p\_descript, p\_indate **FROM** product;
  - E.g., **SELECT \* FROM** product;

Use \* to list  
all attributes


**SELECT STU\_Name, STU\_ID FROM STUDENT;**

	ABC STU_NAME ↑↓	123 STU_ID ↑↓
1	Anne	56,780
2	John	12,340

# Updating Table Rows

- **UPDATE**
  - Modify data in a table
- Syntax:
  - **UPDATE** tablename
  - **SET** <columnname = expression> [, columnname = expression]
  - [**WHERE** conditionlist];

- Example:
  - **UPDATE** product
  - **SET** p\_indate = '2021-07-19'
  - **WHERE** p\_code = '13-Q2/P2';



**UPDATE STUDENT**  
**SET** STU\_Name = 'Hidayah '  
**WHERE** STU\_ID = '56780';

	123 STU_ID T!	ABC STU_NAME T!	ABC STU_GENDER T!	ABC STU_COUNTRY
1	56 780	Anne	F	MALAYSIA
2	12 340	John	M	UK

	123 STU_ID T!	ABC STU_NAME T!	ABC STU_GENDER T!	ABC STU_COUNTRY
1	56 780	Hidayah	F	MALAYSIA
2	12 340	John	M	UK



# Updating Table Rows

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- If more than one attribute is to be updated in row, separate corrections with *commas*
- Example:

**UPDATE** product

**SET** P\_INDATE = '12/11/96', P\_PRICE = 15.99, P\_MIN=10

**WHERE** P\_CODE = '13-Q2/P2';


# Deleting Table Rows

- DELETE :Deletes a table row
- Syntax:
  - **DELETE FROM** tablename **WHERE** [conditionlist];
- Example:
  - **DELETE FROM** product **WHERE** p\_code = '2238/QPD';

**DELETE FROM** Student **WHERE** STU\_ID = '12340';

OR

**DELETE FROM** Student **WHERE** STU\_NAME = 'John';



	123 STU_ID	ASC STU_NAME	ASC STU_GENDER	ASC STU_COUNTRY
1	56 780	Anne	F	MALAYSIA
2	12 340	John	M	UK

	123 STU_ID	ASC STU_NAME	ASC STU_GENDER	ASC STU_COUNTRY
1	56 780	Hidayah	F	MALAYSIA

# Deleting Table Rows

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- WHERE condition is *optional*
- If WHERE condition is not specified, all rows from specified table will be deleted
- Example:
  - **DELETE FROM** product;

# SELECT Queries

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- Fine-tune SELECT command by adding restrictions to search criteria using:
  - Conditional restrictions/Comparison operator (=, <=, >=, etc.)
  - Arithmetic operators (+, -, /, \*)
  - Logical operators (AND, OR, NOT)
  - Special operators (BETW EEN, EXISTS, etc.)

# Comparison Operators

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**Comparison Operators**

<b>SYMBOL</b>	<b>MEANING</b>
=	Equal to
<	Less than
<=	Less than or equal to
>	Greater than
>=	Greater than or equal to
<> or !=	Not equal to

# Selecting Rows with Conditional Restrictions

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- Select partial table contents by placing restrictions on rows to be included in output
  - Add conditional restrictions to SELECT statement, using WHERE clause
- Syntax:  
**SELECT** columnlist  
**FROM** tablelist  
[ **WHERE** conditionlist ] ;

## Selected PRODUCT Table Attributes for VENDOR Code 21344

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```
SELECT P_DESCRIPT, P_INDATE, P_PRICE, V_CODE  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE V_CODE = 21344;
```

	P_DESCRIPT	P_INDATE	P_PRICE	V_CODE
▶	7.25-in pwr. saw blade	13-Dec-05	14.99	21344
	9.00-in. pwr. saw blade	13-Nov-05	17.49	21344
	Rat-tail file, 1/8-in. fine	15-Dec-05	4.99	21344

# Selected PRODUCT Table Attributes for VENDOR Codes Other than 21344

```
SELECT P_DESCRIPT,P_INDATE,P_PRICE,V_CODE
FROM PRODUCT
WHERE V_CODE <> 21344;
```

	P_DESCRIPT	P_INDATE	P_PRICE	V_CODE
▶	Power painter, 15 psi, 3-nozzle	03-Nov-05	109.99	25595
	Hrd. cloth, 1/4-in., 2x50	15-Jan-06	39.95	23119
	Hrd. cloth, 1/2-in., 3x50	15-Jan-06	43.99	23119
	B&D jigsaw, 12-in. blade	30-Dec-05	109.92	24288
	B&D jigsaw, 8-in. blade	24-Dec-05	99.87	24288
	B&D cordless drill, 1/2-in.	20-Jan-06	38.95	25595
	Claw hammer	20-Jan-06	9.95	21225
	Hicut chain saw, 16 in.	07-Feb-06	256.99	24288
	1.25-in. metal screw, 25	01-Mar-06	6.99	21225
	2.5-in. wd. screw, 50	24-Feb-06	8.45	21231
	Steel matting, 4'x8'x1/8", 5" mesh	17-Jan-06	119.95	25595



## Selected PRODUCT Table Attributes with a P\_PRICE Restriction

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```
SELECT P_DESCRIPT, P_QOH, P_MIN, P_PRICE  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE P_PRICE <= 10;
```

	P_DESCRIPT	P_QOH	P_MIN	P_PRICE
▶	Claw hammer	23	10	9.95
	Rat-tail file, 1/8-in. fine	43	20	4.99
	PVC pipe, 3.5-in., 8-ft	188	75	5.87
	1.25-in. metal screw, 25	172	75	6.99
	2.5-in. wd. screw, 50	237	100	8.45

## Selected PRODUCT Table Attributes: The ASCII Code Effect

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```
SELECT P_CODE, P_DESCRIPT, P_QOH, P_MIN, P_PRICE  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE P_CODE < '1558-QW1';
```

	P_CODE	P_DESCRIPT	P_QOH	P_MIN	P_PRICE
▶	10EF/S1	Power painter, 15 psi., 3-nozzle	8	5	109.99
	13-Q2P2	7.25-in. pwr. saw blade	32	15	14.99
	14-Q1A3	9.00-in. pwr. saw blade	18	12	17.49
	1546-QQ2	Hrd. cloth, 1/4-in., 2x50	15	8	39.95

## Selected PRODUCT Table Attributes: Date Restriction

```
SELECT P_DESCRIPT, P_QOH, P_MIN, P_PRICE, P_INDATE  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE P_INDATE >= '2004-01-20';
```

	P_DESCRIPT	P_QOH	P_MIN	P_PRICE	P_INDATE
▶	330 cordless drill, 1/2-in	12	5	38.95	20-Jan-06
	Claw hammer	23	10	9.95	20-Jan-06
	Hicut chain saw, 16 in.	11	5	256.99	07-Feb-06
	PVC pipe, 3.5-in., 8-ft.	188	75	5.87	20-Feb-06
	1.25-in. metal screw, 25	172	75	6.99	01-Mar-06
	2.5-in. wd. screw, 50	237	100	8.45	24-Feb-06

# SELECT Statement with a Computed Column

```
SELECT P_DESCRIPT, P_QOH, P_PRICE, P_ONHAND * P_PRICE  
AS P_SUM  
FROM PRODUCT;
```

	P_DESCRIPT	P_QOH	P_PRICE	Expr1
▶	Power painter, 15 psi, 3-nozzle	8	109.99	879.92
	7.25-in. pwr. saw blade	32	14.99	479.68
	9.00-in. pwr. saw blade	18	17.49	314.82
	Hrd. cloth, 1/4-in., 2x50	15	39.95	599.25
	Hrd. cloth, 1/2-in., 3x50	23	43.99	1011.77
	B&D jigsaw, 12-in. blade	8	109.92	879.36
	B&D jigsaw, 8-in. blade	6	99.87	599.22
	B&D cordless drill, 1/2-in.	12	38.95	467.40
	Claw hammer	23	9.95	228.85
	Sledge hammer, 12 lb.	8	14.40	115.20
	Rat-tail file, 1/8-in. fine	43	4.99	214.57
	Hicut chain saw, 16 in.	11	256.99	2826.89
	PVC pipe, 3.5-in., 8-ft.	188	5.87	1103.56
	1.25-in. metal screw, 25	172	6.99	1202.28
	2.5-in. wd. screw, 50	237	8.45	2002.65
	Steel matting, 4'x8'x1/8", .5" mesh	18	119.95	2159.10

# SELECT Statement with a Computed Column and an Alias

```
SELECT P_DESCRIPT,P_QOH,P_PRICE,  
       P_ONHAND * P_PRICE AS TOTVALUE  
FROM PRODUCT;
```

	P_DESCRIPT	P_QOH	P_PRICE	TOTVALUE
▶	Power painter, 15 psi, 3-nozzle	8	109.99	879.92
	7.25-in. pwr. saw blade	32	14.99	479.68
	9.00-in. pwr. saw blade	18	17.49	314.82
	Hrd. cloth, 1/4-in., 2x50	15	39.95	599.25
	Hrd. cloth, 1/2-in., 3x50	23	43.99	1011.77
	B&D jigsaw, 12-in. blade	8	109.92	879.36
	B&D jigsaw, 8-in. blade	6	99.87	599.22
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	2.5-in. wd. screw, 50	237	8.45	2002.65
	Steel matting, 4'x8'x1/8" 5" mesh	18	119.95	2159.10



# Arithmetic Operators: The Rule of Precedence

- Perform operations within parentheses
- Perform power operations
- Perform multiplications and divisions
- Perform additions and subtractions

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The Arithmetic Operators

ARITHMETIC OPERATOR	DESCRIPTION
+	Add
-	Subtract
*	Multiply
/	Divide
^	Raise to the power of (some applications use ** instead of ^)

# Logical Operators: AND, OR, and NOT

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- Searching data involves multiple conditions
- Logical operators: **AND**, **OR**, and **NOT**
- Can be combined
  - Parentheses enforce precedence order
    - Conditions in parentheses are always executed first
- **NOT** negates result of conditional expression

## Selected PRODUCT Table Attributes: The Logical OR

```
SELECT P_DESCRIPT,P_INDATE,P_PRICE,V_CODE  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE V_CODE = 21344 OR V_CODE = 24288;
```

	P_DESCRIPT	P_INDATE	P_PRICE	V_CODE
▶	7-25-in. pwr. saw blade	13-Dec-05	14.99	21344
	9.00-in. pwr. saw blade	13-Nov-05	17.49	21344
	B&D jigsaw, 12-in. blade	30-Dec-05	109.92	24288
	B&D jigsaw, 8-in. blade	24-Dec-05	99.87	24288
	Rat-tail file, 1/8-in. fine	15-Dec-05	4.99	21344
	Hicut chain saw, 16 in.	07-Feb-06	256.99	24288



## Selected PRODUCT Table Attributes: The Logical AND

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```
SELECT P_DESCRIPT,P_INDATE,P_PRICE,V_CODE  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE P_PRICE < 50AND P_INDATE > '2004-01-15';
```

	P_DESCRIPT	P_INDATE	P_PRICE	V_CODE
▶	3/8D cordless drill, 1/2-in	20-Jan-06	38.95	25595
	Claw hammer	20-Jan-06	9.95	21225
	PVC pipe, 3.5-in., 8-ft.	20-Feb-06	5.87	
	1.25-in. metal screw, 25	01-Mar-06	6.99	21225
	2.5-in. wd. screw, 50	24-Feb-06	8.45	21231

## Selected PRODUCT Table Attributes: The Logical AND and OR

```
SELECT P_DESCRIPT, P_INDATE, P_PRICE, V_CODE  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE (P_PRICE < 50 AND P_DATE > '2004-01-15')  
OR V_CODE = 24288;
```

	P_DESCRIPT	P_INDATE	P_PRICE	V_CODE
▶	B&D jigsaw, 12-in. blade	30-Dec-05	109.92	24288
	B&D jigsaw, 8-in. blade	24-Dec-05	99.87	24288
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## Selected PRODUCT Table Attributes: The Logical AND and OR

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```
SELECT P_DESCRIPT,P_INDATE,P_PRICE,V_CODE  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE NOT (V_CODE=21344);
```

	P_DESCRIPT	P_INDATE	P_PRICE	V_CODE
▶	Power painter, 15 psi, 3-nozzle	03-Nov-05	109.99	25595
	Hrd. cloth, 1/4-in., 2x50	15-Jan-06	39.95	23119
	Hrd. cloth, 1/2-in., 3x50	15-Jan-06	43.99	23119
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# Special Operators

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- **BETWEEN**
- **IS NULL**
- **LIKE**
- **IN**
- **EXISTS**

# Special Operators

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

- Examples:

- **SELECT** \*  
**FROM** PRODUCT  
**WHERE** P\_PRICE **BETWEEN** 50.00 **AND** 100.00;

- **SELECT** \*  
**FROM** PRODUCT  
**WHERE** P\_PRICE **>=** 50.00 **AND** P\_PRICE **<=** 100.00;

# Special Operators

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- **IS NULL** is used to check whether an attribute value is null.
- Examples:
  - **SELECT** P\_CODE, P\_DESCRIPT, V\_CODE  
**FROM** PRODUCT  
**WHERE** V\_CODE **IS NULL**;
  - **SELECT** P\_CODE, P\_DESCRIPT, P\_INDATE  
**FROM** PRODUCT  
**WHERE** P\_INDATE **IS NOT NULL**;

# Special Operators

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

- Examples:

```
SELECT V_NAME, V_CONTACT, V_AREACODE, V_PHONE  
FROM VENDOR  
WHERE V_CONTACT LIKE 'Smith%';
```

```
SELECT V_NAME, V_CONTACT, V_AREACODE, V_PHONE  
FROM VENDOR  
WHERE V_CONTACT LIKE 'SMITH%';
```

## Special Operators - LIKE: %

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- SQL has two special *pattern matching* symbols:
  - **%** sequence of zero or more characters
  - **\_** (underscore): any single character
- **LIKE** 'Sm%' sequence of characters of any length starts with '*Sm*'.
- **LIKE** '%st' sequence of characters of any length ends with '*st*'
- **LIKE** '%mi%' sequence of characters of any length **contains** '*mi*'

- Examples:

```
SELECT V_NAME, V_CONTACT, V_AREACODE, V_PHONE  
FROM VENDOR  
WHERE V_CONTACT LIKE 'Sm%';
```



## Special Operators - LIKE: \_

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- SQL has two special *pattern matching* symbols:
  - % sequence of zero or more characters
  - \_ (underscore): any single character
- find the vendor who has the last names with the following pattern 'Je\_i'  

```
SELECT * from Vendor  
  where LastName LIKE 'Je_i';
```
- The pattern 'Je\_i' matches any string that starts with 'Je', followed by one character, and then followed by 'i'
- e.g., J~~e~~ri or J~~e~~ni, but not J~~e~~nni.

## Special Operators -LIKE: MIXED %, \_

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- find the vendor who has the last names with the following: start with the string 'Je' followed by two characters and then any number of characters.
- `SELECT * from Vendor`  
    `where LastName LIKE 'Je_%';`
- it will match any last name that starts with Je and has **at least 3 characters**.
- e.g., J<sub>e</sub>ri or J<sub>e</sub>ni, but not Je nor J<sub>a</sub>ri.

# Special Operators

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- **IN** is used to check whether an attribute value matches a value contained within a (sub)set of listed values.

```
SELECT *  
FROM PRODUCT  
WHERE V_CODE IN (21344, 24288);
```

- **EXISTS** is used to check whether an attribute has value.

```
DELETE FROM PRODUCT WHERE P_CODE EXISTS;  
SELECT * FROM PRODUCT WHERE V_CODE EXISTS;
```