

# Introduction to SQL and Databases

## Introduction to Databases

A database is an organized collection of data.

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## Types of Databases

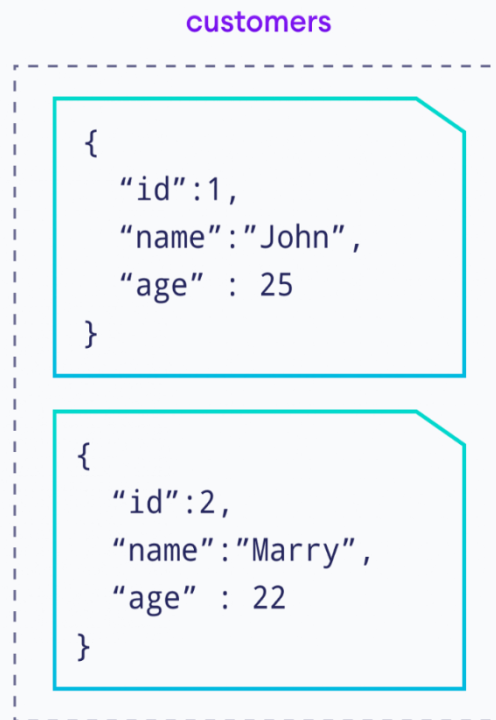
In general, there are two common types of databases:

- Non-Relational
- Relational

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## Non-Relational Database

In a non-relational database, data is stored in **key-value pairs**. For example:



Example: Data stored in non-relational database

Here, customers' data are stored in key-value pairs.

Commonly used non-relational database management systems (Non-RDBMS) are MongoDB, Amazon DynamoDB, Redis, etc.

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## Relational Database

In a relational database, data is stored in **tabular format**. For example,

Table: customers

customer_id	first_name	last_name	phone	country
1	John	Doe	817-646-8833	USA
2	Robert	Luna	412-862-0502	USA
3	David	Robinson	208-340-7906	UK
4	John	Reinhardt	307-242-6285	UK
5	Betty	Taylor	806-749-2958	UAE

Example: Relational Database

Here, `customers` is a table inside the database.

The first row is the attributes of the table. Each row after that contains the data of a customer.

In a relational database, two or more tables may be related to each other. Hence the term "**Relational**". For example,

Table: orders

order_id	product	total	customer_id
1	Paper	500	5
2	Pen	10	2
3	Marker	120	3
4	Books	1000	1
5	Erasers	20	4

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Example: Relational Database

Here, orders and customers are related through `customer_id`.

Commonly used relational database management systems (RDBMS) are MySQL, PostgreSQL, MSSQL, Oracle etc.

**Note:** To access data from these relational databases, **SQL (Structured Query Language)** is used.

# Introduction to SQL

**Structured Query Language (SQL)** is a standard query language that is used to work with relational databases.

We use SQL to

- create databases
- create tables in a database
- read data from a table
- insert data in a table
- update data in a table
- delete data from a table
- delete database tables
- delete databases
- and many more database operations

SQL commands are categorized into several groups:

**Data Query Language (DQL):** DQL commands like `SELECT` are used to retrieve data from the database.

**Data Definition Language (DDL):** DDL commands, including `CREATE`, `ALTER`, and `DROP`, are used to define and manage the structure of a database, including tables and schemas.

**Data Manipulation Language (DML):** DML commands such as `INSERT`, `UPDATE`, and `DELETE` allow users to modify and manipulate data within the database.

Data Control Language (DCL): DCL commands like GRANT and REVOKE are used to control access and permissions to the database.

```
CREATE TABLE [Students] ([StudentId] INTEGER NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY, [SubjectName] VARCHAR(30) NOT NULL, [DepartmentId] VARCHAR(30) NOT NULL, [DateofBirth] DATE NULL);
```

```
INSERT INTO Students (StudentId, SubjectName, DepartmentId, DateofBirth) VALUES (10005, "Prince", "IT002", "09-08-1989");
```

```
SELECT StudentId, SubjectName FROM Students;
```

```
SELECT * FROM Students;
```

```
UPDATE Students SET SubjectName = "Computer Science" WHERE StudentId = 10005;
```

Delete Table:

```
DROP TABLE tableName;
```

Rename Table:

```
ALTER TABLE oldTableName RENAME TO newTableName;
```

Add new field:

```
ALTER TABLE tableName ADD COLUMN newFieldName dataType;
```

Insert values:

```
INSERT INTO Tablename(colname1, colname2, ....) VALUES(valu1,  
value2, ....);
```

or

```
INSERT INTO Tablename VALUES(value1, value2, ....);
```

DELETE

```
DELETE FROM Students WHERE StudentId = 11;
```

Primary Key:

```
ColumnName INTEGER NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY;
```

```
PRIMARY KEY(ColumnName);
```

```
PRIMARY KEY(ColumnName1, ColumnName2);
```

Not Null constraints

```
ColumnName INTEGER NOT NULL;
```

Default constraints

```
ColumnName INTEGER DEFAULT 0;
```

Unique constraints

```
EmployeeId INTEGER NOT NULL UNIQUE;
```

Check constraints

```
Quantity INTEGER NOT NULL CHECK(Quantity > 10);
```

Foreign Key

```
PRAGMA foreign_keys = ON;
```

```
CREATE TABLE [Departments] (  
    [DepartmentId] INTEGER NOT NULL PRIMARY KEY  
    AUTOINCREMENT,  
    [DepartmentName] NVARCHAR(50) NULL  
);  
  
CREATE TABLE [Students] (  
    [StudentId] INTEGER PRIMARY KEY AUTOINCREMENT NOT  
    NULL,  
    [StudentName] NVARCHAR(50) NULL,  
    [DepartmentId] INTEGER NOT NULL,  
    [DateOfBirth] DATE NULL,  
    FOREIGN KEY(DepartmentId) REFERENCES  
    Departments(DepartmentId)  
);  
  
INSERT INTO Departments VALUES(1, 'IT');  
INSERT INTO Departments VALUES(2, 'Arts');
```

Datatypes

Queries

JOIN

SELECT \*

FROM Students

INNER JOIN Departments ON Students.DepartmentId =  
Departments.DepartmentId;

SELECT Students.\*

FROM Students



INNER JOIN Departments ON Students.DepartmentId =  
Departments.DepartmentId;

Alias name - To column

SELECT StudentName AS 'Student Name' FROM Students;

or

SELECT StudentName 'Student Name' FROM Students;

Alias name - To table

SELECT s.\* FROM Students AS s;

SELECT Students.StudentName, Departments.DepartmentName  
FROM Students

INNER JOIN Departments ON Students.DepartmentId =  
Departments.DepartmentId;

or

SELECT s.StudentName, d.DepartmentName  
FROM Students AS s  
INNER JOIN Departments AS d ON s.DepartmentId = d.DepartmentId;

Where - Startswith

SELECT StudentName FROM Students WHERE StudentName LIKE 'j%';

Where - Endswith

SELECT StudentName FROM Students WHERE StudentName LIKE '%y';

Where - Contains

```
SELECT StudentName FROM Students WHERE StudentName LIKE  
'%n%';
```

AND

```
SELECT *  
FROM Students  
WHERE (StudentId > 5) AND (StudentName LIKE 'N%');
```

OR

```
SELECT *  
FROM Students  
WHERE (StudentId > 5) OR (StudentName LIKE 'N%');
```

BETWEEN

```
SELECT *  
FROM Students  
WHERE StudentId BETWEEN 5 AND 8;
```

LIMIT

```
SELECT * FROM Students LIMIT 4,3;
```

AGGREGATE

AVG

```
SELECT AVG(Mark) FROM Marks;
```

COUNT

```
SELECT COUNT(DepartmentId), COUNT(DISTINCT DepartmentId),  
COUNT(*) FROM Students;
```

SUM

```
SELECT SUM(Mark) FROM Marks;
```

