

Introduction to MySQL



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What is MySQL?

- An Open Source, platform-independent, Enterprise-level, multi-threaded, relational database management system that stores and retrieves data using the SQL(Structured Query Language).
 - SQL is 4th generational language in which we have to tell what is to be done instead of how it is to be done
 - It is very popular and much cheaper than oracle which is also another RDBMS package.
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Why use MySql?

- MySQL server can handle very large databases.
 - Offers rich and very useful set of functions.
 - Connectivity, speed and security make MySQL very suited for accessing database on a network.
 - A lot of contributed software available.
 - Multi-threaded request-handling using kernel thread.
 - Replication features.
 - Very actively developed.
 - Memory leak proof.
 - Each student can install MySQL locally.
 - Easy to use Shell for creating tables, querying tables, etc.
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How to use mysql using command prompt (terminal)?

- Start wamp server.
 - After few seconds, you will see wamp server icon in system tray(just on right side of where we can see date & time in task bar)
 - Click on wamp server icon, then we click on mysql> mysql console button.
 - This will start mysql console.
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What do we do with database?

- We basically
 - insert new data
 - To insert a new data, we insert sql command
 - Update existing data
 - To update existing data, we use update sql command
 - Delete existing data
 - To delete existing data, we use delete command
 - Fetch existing data
 - To fetch existing data, we use select command
 - On database
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Basic Queries

- Once logged in, you can try some simple queries.
- For example:

```
mysql> SELECT VERSION(), CURRENT_DATE;  
+-----+-----+  
| VERSION() | CURRENT_DATE |  
+-----+-----+  
| 3.23.49 | 2002-05-26 |  
+-----+-----+  
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

- Note that most MySQL commands end with a semicolon (;
 - MySQL returns the total number of rows found, and the total time to execute the query.
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Basic Queries

- Sql command in mysql is **not case sensitive**. So any sql command can be given in any case like below.

```
mysql> SELECT VERSION() , CURRENT_DATE;  
mysql> select version() , current_date;  
mysql> SeLeCt vErSiOn() , current_DATE;
```

Basic Queries

- You can also do mathematical operations like below:

```
mysql> SELECT (4+1)*5;  
25
```

Basic Queries

- You can get both date & time using now() functions.

```
mysql> SELECT NOW();  
+-----+  
| NOW() |  
+-----+  
| 2018-09-06 00:15:33 |  
+-----+
```

Multi-Line Commands

- ❑ mysql allows break long commands into multiple lines.
- ❑ Here's a simple multiple-line statement:

```
mysql> SELECT
    -> USER()
    -> ,
    -> CURRENT_DATE;
+-----+-----+
| USER()          | CURRENT_DATE |
+-----+-----+
| root@localhost |      2025-11-20 |
+-----+-----+
```

How to get list of all database?

```
mysql> show databases;  
+-----+  
| Database |  
+-----+  
| mysql   |  
| test    |  
+-----+  
2 rows in set (0.01 sec)
```

How to create new database?

- To create a new database, use the “create database databasename” command:
 - `create database theeasylearn;`
 - To select a database as current database, issue the “use databasename” command:
 - `use theeasylearn;`
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How to select database to work?

- To work with database like create/delete/edit tables, insert/update/delete rows, first we have select database as active database.
 - To do that use SQL command
 - USE databasename
 - example
 - USE theeasylearn
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How to get list of all table(s) in current database?

- Once you have selected a database, you can view all existing tables in it using command:

show tables;

How to remove database?

- To remove database with all tables and all rows in it & database we use below SQL command.
 - drop database databasename
 - drop database theeasylearn
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Let us create table

- Let's create a table for storing PERSON data.
- Table: person
 - Id(PRIMARY KEY, AUTOINCREMENT) INT,
 - Name (not null): VARCHAR(20)
 - Surname (not null): VARCHAR(20)
 - Weight null: int
 - Gender default m: char(1)
 - birthdate: DATE
 - Photo: varchar(255)
 - We always store filename in field table instead of file to reduce size of database.
 - Size of databases is usually less then 1gb in shared hosting server.

VARCHAR is
usually used
to store string
data.

Creating a Table

- To create a table, use the CREATE TABLE command:

```
CREATE TABLE person (
    id int PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    name VARCHAR(20) not null,
    surname VARCHAR(20) not null,
    weight int(3) not null,
    email varchar(128) unique not null,
    gender CHAR(1),
    birthdate DATE,
    photo varchar(255)
);
```

Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.04 sec)

Showing Tables

- To verify that the table has been created:

```
mysql> show tables;
```

Tables_in_test
pet

1 row in set (0.01 sec)

Describing Tables (display structure of the table)

- To view a table structure, use the DESCRIBE command:
 - `describe person;`
 - Refer following output.

Field	Type	Null	Key	Default	Extra
<code>id</code>	<code>int(11)</code>	<code>NO</code>	<code>PRI</code>	<code>NULL</code>	<code>auto_increment</code>
<code>name</code>	<code>varchar(32)</code>	<code>YES</code>		<code>NULL</code>	
<code>surname</code>	<code>varchar(32)</code>	<code>YES</code>		<code>NULL</code>	
<code>weight</code>	<code>int(3)</code>	<code>YES</code>		<code>NULL</code>	
<code>gender</code>	<code>char(1)</code>	<code>YES</code>		<code>NULL</code>	
<code>birthdate</code>	<code>date</code>	<code>YES</code>		<code>NULL</code>	

How to insert new row into table?

- To insert a new row into table, we use insert SQL command
 - It has below syntax
 - Insert into table-name values (value-1,value-2,value-3,value-4)
 - Example
 - Insert into person values (0,'saprem','donda',58,'m','2012-04-12','photo.jpg')
 - Insert command has another version also. In 2nd version we need to give field names.
 - It has below syntax
 - Insert into tablename (field-1,field-2,field-3,field-4,field-5,field-6) values (value-1,value-2,value-3,value-4,value-5,value-6)
 - Example
 - Insert into person (name,surname,weight,gender,birthdate,photo) values ('ankit','patel',75,'m','1985-07-12','photo.jpg')
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Deleting a Table

- To delete an entire table with data, use the DROP TABLE tablename command:

```
drop table person;  
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.02 sec)
```

SQL Select

- The SELECT statement is used to pull information from a table.
- The general format is:

```
SELECT what_to_select
FROM which_table
WHERE conditions_to_satisfy
```

Selecting All Data

- The simplest form of SELECT retrieves everything from a table

```
mysql> select * from pet;
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| name | owner | species | sex | birth       | death      |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| Fluffy | Harold | cat | f | 1999-02-04 | NULL      |
| Claws | Gwen | cat | f | 1994-03-17 | NULL      |
| Buffy | Harold | dog | f | 1989-05-13 | NULL      |
| Fang | Benny | dog | m | 1999-08-27 | NULL      |
| Bowser | Diane | dog | m | 1998-08-31 | 1995-07-29 |
| Chirpy | Gwen | bird | f | 1998-09-11 | NULL      |
| Whistler | Gwen | bird | | 1997-12-09 | NULL      |
| Slim | Benny | snake | m | 1996-04-29 | NULL      |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
8 rows in set (0.00 sec)
```

Selecting Particular Rows

- You can select only particular rows from your table.
- For example, if you want to verify the change that you made to Bowser's birth date, select Bowser's record like this:

```
mysql> SELECT * FROM pet WHERE name = "Bowser";
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| name | owner | species | sex | birth       | death      |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| Bowser | Diane | dog     | m   | 1998-08-31 | 1995-07-29 |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

Selecting Particular Rows

- To find all animals born after 1998

```
SELECT * FROM pet WHERE birth >= "1998-1-1";
```

- To find all female dogs, use a logical AND

```
SELECT * FROM pet WHERE species = "dog" AND sex =  
"f";
```

- To find all snakes or birds, use a logical OR

```
SELECT * FROM pet WHERE species = "snake"  
OR species = "bird";
```

Selecting Particular Columns

- If you don't want to see entire rows from your table, just name the columns in which you are interested, separated by commas.
 - For example, if you want to know when your pets were born, select the name and birth columns.
 - (see example next slide.)
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Selecting Particular Columns

```
mysql> select name, birth from pet;
+-----+-----+
| name | birth |
+-----+-----+
| Fluffy | 1999-02-04 |
| Claws | 1994-03-17 |
| Buffy | 1989-05-13 |
| Fang | 1999-08-27 |
| Bowser | 1998-08-31 |
| Chirpy | 1998-09-11 |
| Whistler | 1997-12-09 |
| Slim | 1996-04-29 |
+-----+-----+
8 rows in set (0.01 sec)
```

Sorting Data

- To sort a result, use an ORDER BY clause.
- For example, to view animal birthdays, sorted by date:

```
mysql> SELECT name, birth FROM pet ORDER BY birth;
+-----+-----+
| name      | birth      |
+-----+-----+
| Buffy     | 1989-05-13 |
| Claws     | 1994-03-17 |
| Slim      | 1996-04-29 |
| Whistler   | 1997-12-09 |
| Bowser    | 1998-08-31 |
| Chirpy    | 1998-09-11 |
| Fluffy    | 1999-02-04 |
| Fang      | 1999-08-27 |
+-----+-----+
8 rows in set (0.02 sec)
```

Sorting Data

- To sort in reverse order, add the DESC (descending keyword)

```
mysql> SELECT name, birth FROM pet ORDER BY birth DESC;
+-----+-----+
| name | birth |
+-----+-----+
| Fang | 1999-08-27 |
| Fluffy | 1999-02-04 |
| Chirpy | 1998-09-11 |
| Bowser | 1998-08-31 |
| Whistler | 1997-12-09 |
| Slim | 1996-04-29 |
| Claws | 1994-03-17 |
| Buffy | 1989-05-13 |
+-----+-----+
8 rows in set (0.02 sec)
```

Working with NULLs

- NULL means missing value or unknown value.
 - To test for NULL, you cannot use the arithmetic comparison operators, such as =, < or <>.
 - Rather, you must use the IS NULL and IS NOT NULL operators instead.
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Working with NULLs

- For example, to find all your dead pets (what a morbid example!)

```
mysql> select name from pet where death >IS NOT
      NULL;
+-----+
| name  |
+-----+
| Bowser |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.01 sec)
```

Pattern Matching

- MySQL provides:
 - standard SQL pattern matching;
 - regular expression pattern matching, similar to those used by Unix utilities such as vi, grep and sed.
 - SQL Pattern matching:
 - To perform pattern matching, use the LIKE or NOT LIKE comparison operators
 - By default, patterns are case insensitive.
 - Special Characters:
 - _ Used to match any single character.
 - % Used to match an arbitrary number of characters.
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Pattern Matching Example

- To find names beginning with 'b':

```
mysql> SELECT * FROM pet WHERE name LIKE "b%";  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
| name | owner | species | sex | birth | death |  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
| Buffy | Harold | dog | f | 1989-05-13 | NULL |  
| Bowser | Diane | dog | m | 1989-08-31 | 1995-07-29 |  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

Pattern Matching Example

- To find names ending with `fy':

```
mysql> SELECT * FROM pet WHERE name LIKE "%fy";
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| name | owner | species | sex | birth       | death |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| Fluffy | Harold | cat     | f   | 1993-02-04 | NULL  |
| Buffy  | Harold | dog     | f   | 1989-05-13 | NULL  |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

Pattern Matching Example

- To find names containing a 'w':

```
mysql> SELECT * FROM pet WHERE name LIKE "%w%";  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
| name | owner | species | sex | birth | death |  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
| Claws | Gwen | cat | m | 1994-03-17 | NULL |  
| Bowser | Diane | dog | m | 1989-08-31 | 1995-07-29 |  
| Whistler | Gwen | bird | NULL | 1997-12-09 | NULL |  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

Pattern Matching Example

- To find names containing exactly five characters, use the `_` pattern character:

```
mysql> SELECT * FROM pet WHERE name LIKE "____";
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| name | owner | species | sex  | birth      | death   |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| Claws | Gwen  | cat    | m    | 1994-03-17 | NULL    |
| Buffy | Harold | dog    | f    | 1989-05-13 | NULL    |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

Regular Expression Matching

- The other type of pattern matching provided by MySQL uses extended regular expressions.
 - When you test for a match for this type of pattern, use the REGEXP and NOT REGEXP operators (or RLIKE and NOT RLIKE, which are synonyms).
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Regular Expressions

- Some characteristics of extended regular expressions are:
 - . matches any single character.
 - A character class [...] matches any character within the brackets. For example, [abc] matches a, b, or c. To name a range of characters, use a dash. [a-z] matches any lowercase letter, whereas [0-9] matches any digit.
 - * matches zero or more instances of the thing preceding it. For example, x* matches any number of x characters, [0-9]* matches any number of digits, and .* matches any number of anything.
 - To anchor a pattern so that it must match the beginning or end of the value being tested, use ^ at the beginning or \$ at the end of the pattern.
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Reg Ex Example

- To find names beginning with b, use ^ to match the beginning of the name:

```
mysql> SELECT * FROM pet WHERE name REGEXP "^\b";  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
| name | owner | species | sex | birth | death |  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
| Buffy | Harold | dog | f | 1989-05-13 | NULL |  
| Bowser | Diane | dog | m | 1989-08-31 | 1995-07-29 |  
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```

Reg Ex Example

- To find names ending with `fy', use `'\$' to match the end of the name:

```
mysql> SELECT * FROM pet WHERE name REGEXP "fy$";
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| name | owner | species | sex | birth       | death |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| Fluffy | Harold | cat | f | 1993-02-04 | NULL |
| Buffy | Harold | dog | f | 1989-05-13 | NULL |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
```