

YOUR SQL



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FROM ANDREW_C_MADSON  
WHERE 'HELPFUL' = MAXIMUM
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WHAT IS A DATABASE?

A database is an organized collection of data that is stored and accessed electronically. Databases are designed to hold structured data or data that can be stored in tables with rows and columns. They provide a way to manage large amounts of data efficiently and allow for complex operations and queries to be performed on the data.

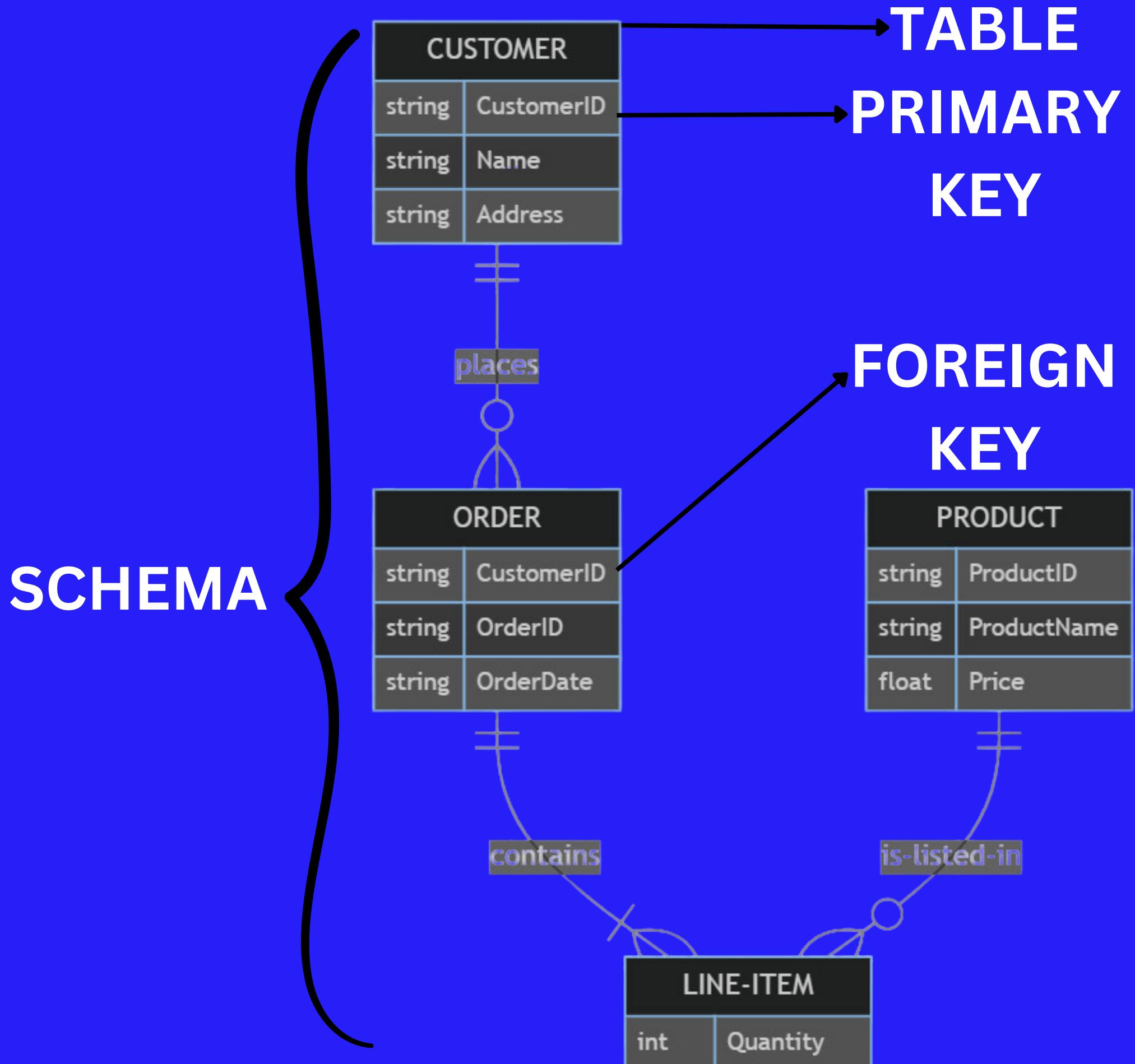


DATABASE COMPONENTS

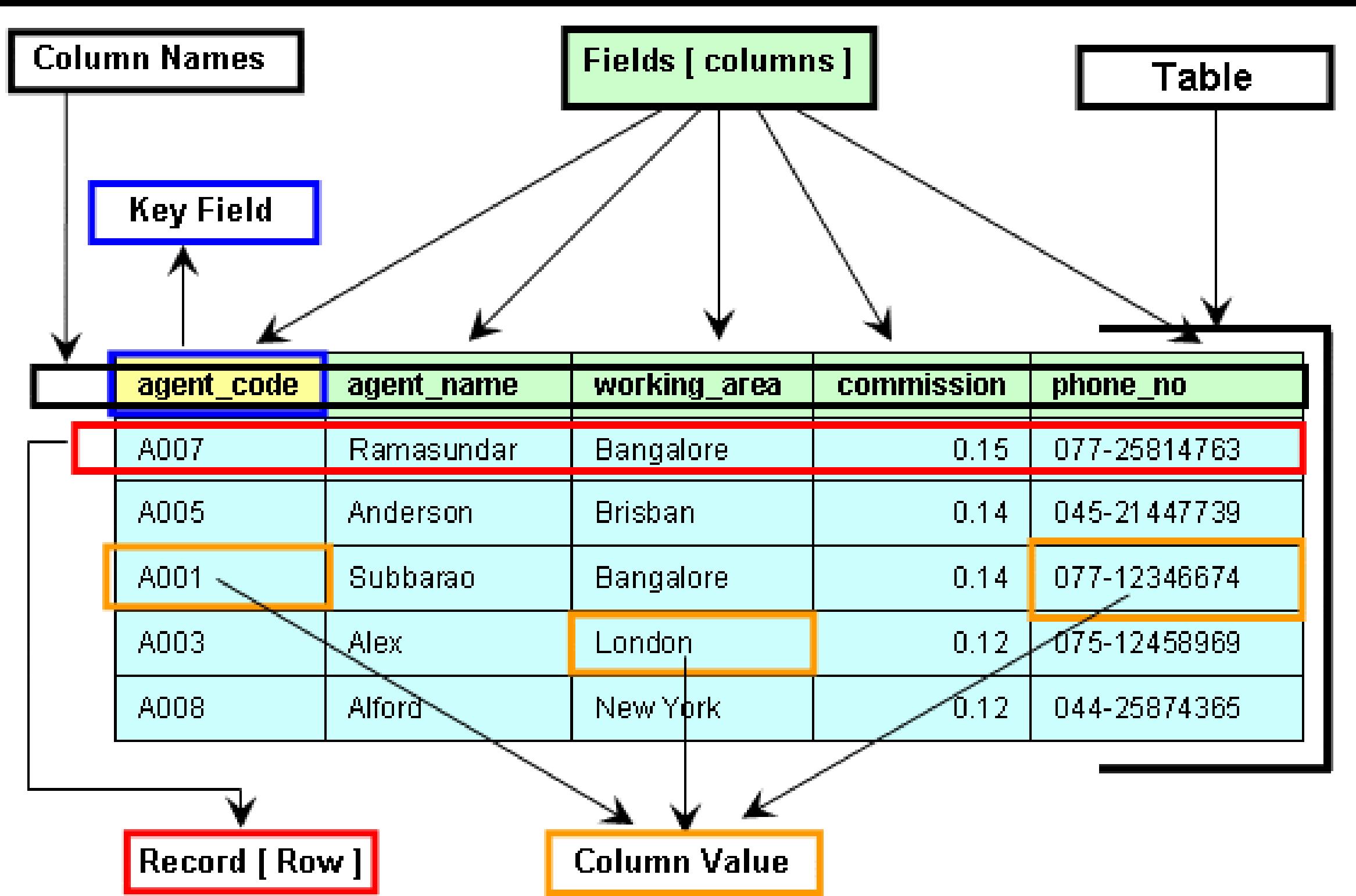
SCHEMA	A collection of database objects, including tables, views, indexes, and procedures.
TABLE	A collection of related data held in a structured format within a database. It consists of columns, and rows.
PRIMARY KEY	A column (or a set of columns) in a table that uniquely identifies each row in that table.
FOREIGN KEY	a column (or a set of columns) in one table, that is used to link two tables together.
INDEX	Similar to an index in a book. It's a pointer to data in a table. An index in a database is a data structure that improves the speed of data retrieval operations on a database table.



HOW IS IT ORGANIZED?



WHAT IS A TABLE?



SOURCE: <https://www.w3resource.com/sql/sql-basic/the-components-of-a-table.php>

WHAT IS SQL?

SQL (Structured Query Language) is a programming language used to manage and manipulate relational databases. SQL is primarily used for managing data held in a relational database management system (RDBMS) or for processing data in a stream management system. It is particularly effective for handling structured data, i.e., data incorporating relations among entities and variables.



WHAT ARE THE TYPES OF SQL DATABASES?

MySQL	This is an open-source relational database management system (RDBMS) owned by Oracle. It's widely used in web applications and is a component of the LAMP web application software stack (Linux, Apache, MySQL, Perl/PHP/Python).
PostgreSQL	An open-source object-relational database system, PostgreSQL supports both SQL (relational) and JSON (non-relational) querying. It's known for its performance, robustness, and advanced features.
SQLite	Unlike most other SQL databases, SQLite is a serverless database and is embedded into the end program. It's a popular choice for local/client storage in web browsers and mobile apps.
Oracle	This is a multi-model database management system produced and marketed by Oracle Corporation. It's widely used in enterprise applications.
SQL Server	Developed by Microsoft, SQL Server is a relational database management system that supports a wide range of transaction processing, business intelligence, and analytics applications in corporate IT environments.
MariaDB	MariaDB is a community-developed, commercially supported fork of the MySQL relational database management system. It was created by the original developers of MySQL after concerns arose when Oracle acquired MySQL.
IBM DB2	An RDBMS from IBM, DB2 supports the relational model, but also supports object-relational features and non-relational structures like JSON and XML.



SQL BASICS

SQL SYNTAX

SELECT - FROM - WHERE

GROUP BY - HAVING

ORDER BY

**AGGREGATE
FUNCTIONS**



SELECT - FROM -

WHERE

SELECT

This command is used to select data from a database. The data returned is stored in a result table, called the result-set. You specify the columns you want after the SELECT keyword. If you want to select all columns, you can use *.

FROM

This keyword is used to specify the table from which to select the data. You write the name of the table (or tables) after the FROM keyword.

WHERE

This keyword is used to filter the results. After the WHERE keyword, you specify the conditions that the data must meet. You can use operators like =, <, >, <=, >=, <> (not equal), BETWEEN, LIKE, and IN.



EXAMPLE: SELECT - FROM - WHERE

SELECT

In this example, the **SELECT** command is used to specify that we want the **FirstName** and **LastName** columns.

FROM

The **FROM** command is used to specify that we're selecting from the **Employees** table.

WHERE

The **WHERE** clause is used to filter out any employees whose **Salary** is not greater than 50000. So the statement will return a table of first and last names of employees who earn more than 50000.



```
SELECT FirstName, LastName  
FROM Employees  
WHERE Salary > 50000;
```



GROUP BY - HAVING

**GROUP
BY**

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.

HAVING

The HAVING clause was added to SQL because the WHERE keyword could not be used with aggregate functions. It is used to filter the results of a grouping. It acts like a WHERE clause but for groups of rows rather than individual rows.



EXAMPLE: GROUP BY

SELECT

In this example, the **SELECT** statement is combined with **GROUP BY** to group the employees based on their Department and then count the number of EmployeeID in each department. The **COUNT(EmployeeID)** function will return the number of employees in each department.

HAVING

The **HAVING** clause is then used to filter out any departments where the count of EmployeeID (which is given the alias **NumOfEmployees**) is not greater than 5. So the statement will return a table of departments and their employee counts, but only for departments with more than 5 employees.



```
SELECT Department, COUNT(EmployeeID) as NumOfEmployees  
FROM Employees  
GROUP BY Department  
HAVING COUNT(EmployeeID) > 5;
```



ORDER BY

ORDER BY

The ORDER BY keyword in SQL is used to sort the result-set in ascending or descending order. It sorts the records in a result set by one or more columns.

ASCENDING

By default, ORDER BY sorts the data in ascending order. If you want to specify sorting in ascending order, you can use the ASC keyword, but it's not required.

DESCENDING

If you want to sort the data in descending order, you can use the DESC keyword.



EXAMPLE: ORDER BY

**SELECT
ORDER
BY**

In this example, the **SELECT** statement is used to specify that we want the **FirstName**, **LastName**, and **Salary** columns from the **Employees** table.

The **ORDER BY** keyword is used to sort the results by the **Salary** column in descending order (**DESC**). So the statement will return a table of first names, last names, and salaries of employees, ordered from the highest salary to the lowest.



```
SELECT FirstName, LastName, Salary  
FROM Employees  
ORDER BY Salary DESC;
```



AGGREGATE FUNCTIONS

COUNT

This function returns the number of rows that matches a specified criterion.

AVG

This function returns the average value of a numeric column.

MIN

This function returns the smallest value of the selected column.

MAX

This function returns the largest value of the selected column.

SUM

This function returns the total sum of a numeric column.



EXAMPLE:

AGGREGATE

FUNCTIONS

Let's consider a simple table named 'Employees' with the following data:

EmployeeID	FirstName	LastName	Department	Salary
1	John	Doe	HR	70000
2	Jane	Smith	IT	80000
3	Mary	Johnson	HR	90000
4	James	Brown	IT	70000
5	Emily	Davis	Marketing	80000
6	Robert	Miller	HR	80000
7	Michael	Wilson	Marketing	70000



EXAMPLE: COUNT



```
SELECT COUNT(EmployeeID) as TotalEmployees  
FROM Employees;
```

OUTPUT

TotalEmployees
7

EXPLANATION

This statement returns the total number of employees (EmployeeID).



EXAMPLE: AVG



```
SELECT AVG(Salary) as AverageSalary  
FROM Employees;
```

OUTPUT

AverageSalary
77142.86

EXPLANATION

This SQL statement calculates and returns the average salary (Salary) of all employees.

EXAMPLE: MIN



```
SELECT MIN(Salary) as LowestSalary  
FROM Employees;
```

OUTPUT

LowestSalary
70000

EXPLANATION

This SQL statement finds and returns the lowest salary (Salary) from all employees.



EXAMPLE: MAX



```
SELECT MAX(Salary) as HighestSalary  
FROM Employees;
```

OUTPUT

HighestSalary
90000

EXPLANATION

This SQL statement finds and returns the highest salary (Salary) from all employees.



EXAMPLE: SUM



```
SELECT SUM(Salary) as TotalSalary  
FROM Employees;
```

OUTPUT

TotalSalary
540000

EXPLANATION

This SQL statement calculates and returns the total sum of salaries (Salary) for all employees.



JOINS

INNER

This returns records that have matching values in both tables.

LEFT

This returns all records from the left table, and the matched records from the right table. If there is no match, the result is **NULL** on the right side.

RIGHT

This returns all records from the right table, and the matched records from the left table. If there is no match, the result is **NULL** on the left side.

FULL

This returns all records when there is a match in either the left or the right table. If there is no match, the result is **NULL** on either side.



EXAMPLE: JOINS

Let's consider two tables:

TABLE A 'EMPLOYEES'

EmployeeID	FirstName	LastName
1	John	Doe
2	Jane	Smith
3	Mary	Johnson

TABLE B 'DEPARTMENTS'

DeptID	DeptName	EmployeeID
1	HR	1
2	IT	2
3	Marketing	4



EXAMPLE: INNER

TABLE A 'EMPLOYEES'

EmployeeID	FirstName	LastName
1	John	Doe
2	Jane	Smith
3	Mary	Johnson

TABLE B 'DEPARTMENTS'

DeptID	DeptName	EmployeeID
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INNER JOIN

Table A ← Matched Records → Table B



```
SELECT Employees.FirstName, Employees.LastName,  
Departments.DeptName  
FROM Employees  
INNER JOIN Departments ON Employees.EmployeeID =  
Departments.EmployeeID;
```

OUTPUT

FirstName	LastName	DeptName
John	Doe	HR
Jane	Smith	IT

EXAMPLE: LEFT

TABLE A 'EMPLOYEES'

EmployeeID	FirstName	LastName
1	John	Doe
2	Jane	Smith
3	Mary	Johnson

TABLE B 'DEPARTMENTS'

DeptID	DeptName	EmployeeID
1	HR	1
2	IT	2
3	Marketing	4



```
SELECT Employees.FirstName, Employees.LastName,  
Departments.DeptName  
FROM Employees  
LEFT JOIN Departments ON Employees.EmployeeID =  
Departments.EmployeeID;
```

OUTPUT

FirstName	LastName	DeptName
John	Doe	HR
Jane	Smith	IT
Mary	Johnson	NULL

EXAMPLE: RIGHT

TABLE A 'EMPLOYEES'

EmployeeID	FirstName	LastName
1	John	Doe
2	Jane	Smith
3	Mary	Johnson

TABLE B 'DEPARTMENTS'

DeptID	DeptName	EmployeeID
1	HR	1
2	IT	2
3	Marketing	4



```
SELECT Employees.FirstName, Employees.LastName,  
Departments.DeptName  
FROM Employees  
RIGHT JOIN Departments ON Employees.EmployeeID =  
Departments.EmployeeID;
```

OUTPUT

FirstName	LastName	DeptName
John	Doe	HR
Jane	Smith	IT
NULL	NULL	Marketing

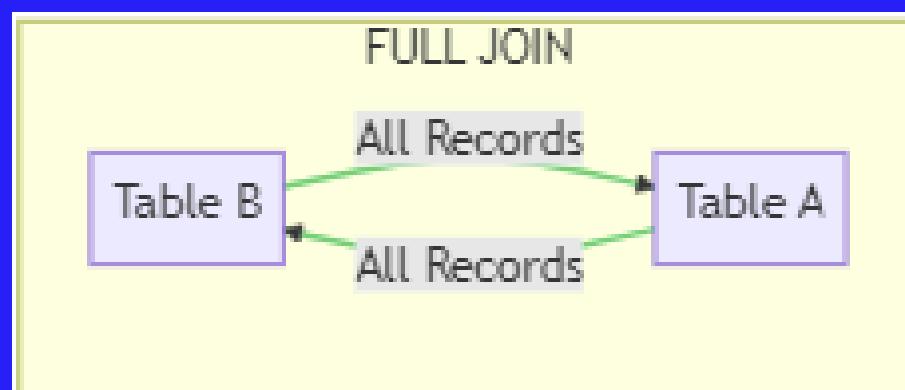
EXAMPLE: FULL

TABLE A 'EMPLOYEES'

EmployeeID	FirstName	LastName
1	John	Doe
2	Jane	Smith
3	Mary	Johnson

TABLE B 'DEPARTMENTS'

DeptID	DeptName	EmployeeID
1	HR	1
2	IT	2
3	Marketing	4



```
SELECT Employees.FirstName, Employees.LastName,  
       Departments.DeptName  
  FROM Employees  
 FULL JOIN Departments ON Employees.EmployeeID =  
        Departments.EmployeeID;
```

OUTPUT

FirstName	LastName	DeptName
John	Doe	HR
Jane	Smith	IT
Mary	Johnson	NULL
NULL	NULL	Marketing

RESOURCES

[SQL: A Practical Introduction for Querying Databases](#)

[Introduction to SQL on DataCamp](#)

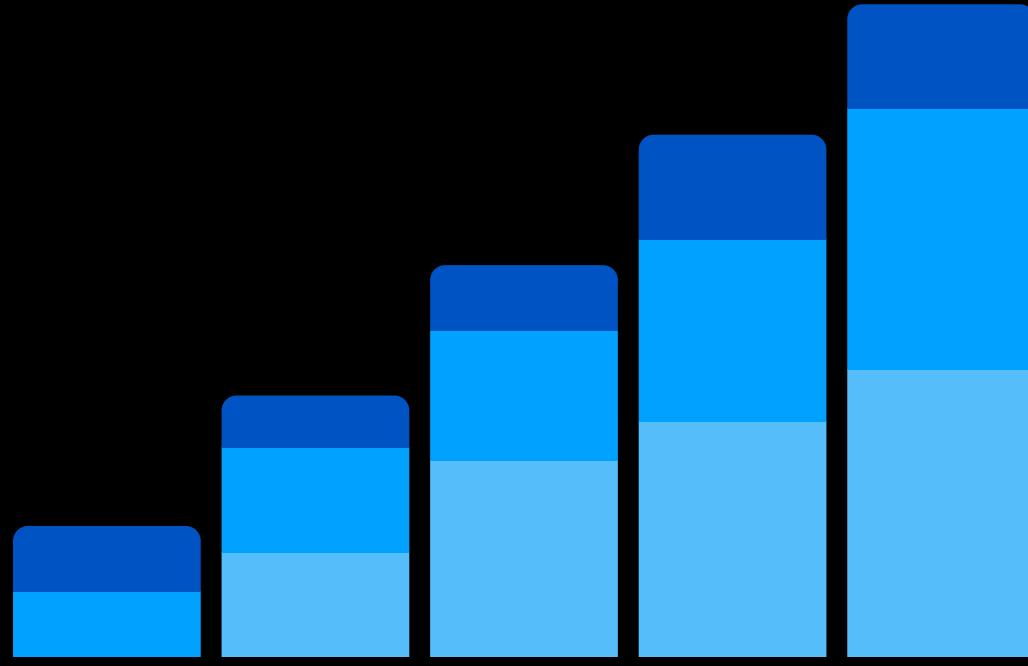
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