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# 4. SQL

#### CSCI 2541 Database Systems & Team Projects

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### Last time...

Relational Model & Algebra

SQL DDL

**SQL DML** 

this time...

## SQL: Structured Query Language

The standard language for relational data

- Invented by folks at IBM, esp. Don Chamberlin
- Actually not a great language...
- Beat a more elegant competing standard, QUEL, from Berkeley

Separated into a DML & DDL

Data Definition (**DDL**) – to define schema/tables

- Define Schema
- Define Constraints

Data Manipulation (**DML**) component based on relational algebra & calculus

### **SQL Hello World**

#### Create a table

```
CREATE TABLE Instructor (
id INT,
name VARCHAR(50),
department VARCHAR(5),
office DECIMAL(4),
PRIMARY KEY (id)
);
```

### **SQL Hello World**

#### Create a table

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id INT,
name VARCHAR(50),
department VARCHAR(5),
office DECIMAL(4),
PRIMARY KEY (id)
);
```

#### Insert a row

```
INSERT INTO Instructor (id, name, department, office)
VALUES (2, 'Roberto Finlaison', 'CIVIL', 185);
```

### **SQL Hello World**

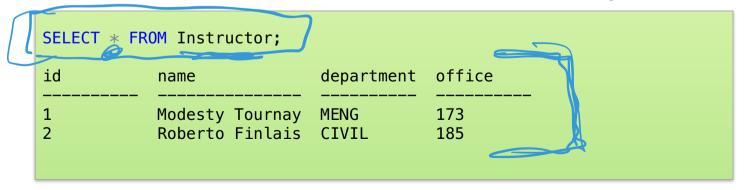
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#### Query a table



#### SQL Basic Rules...read up on SQL syntax

There is a set of **reserved words** that cannot be used as names for database objects. (e.g. SELECT, FROM, WHERE)

SQL is case-insensitive.

- Only exception is string constants. 'FRED' not the same as 'fred'.

SQL is free-format and white-space is ignored.

The semi-colon is often used as a statement terminator, although that is not always required.

Date and time constants have defined format:

- Dates: 'YYYY-MM-DD' e.g. '1975-05-17'
- Times: 'hh:mm:ss[.f] ' e.g. '15:00:00'
- Timestamp: 'YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm:ss[.f] ' e.g. '1975-05-17 15:00:00'

Two single quotes "are used to represent a single quote character in a character constant. e.g. 'Master's'.

### SQL DDL

#### SQL data definition language (DDL) allows users to:

- add, modify, and drop tables
- define and enforce integrity constraints
- enforce security restrictions
- Create views

#### Common commands:

- CREATE TABLE
- ALTER TABLE
- DROP TABLE
- DELETEY DUL

## SQL Identifiers and Data types

Identifiers are used to identify objects in the database such as tables, views, and columns.

- The identifier is the name of the database object.
- Rules for SQL identifiers...read notes
- Note: Quoted or **delimited identifiers** enclosed in double quotes allow support for spaces and other characters. E.g. "select"

Data types: each attribute has associated domain of values – i.e., each column has data type

- The DBMS can perform implicit data type conversion when necessary
- Can also do explicit conversion using CAST and CONVERT

SQL also supports user defined data types OruM

- CREATE DOMAIN
- Similar to typedef in C?

### SQL Data Types...similar to prog lang

**BOOLEAN** 

CHAR

**VARCHAR** 

BIT

NUMERIC or DECIMAL

**INTEGER** 

**SMALLINT** 

FLOAT or REAL

**DOUBLE PRECISION** 

DATE

TIME

**TIMESTAMP** 

INTFRVAL

CHARACTER LARGE

**OBJECT** 

**BINARY LARGE OBJECT** 

TRUE or FALSE

Fixed length string (padded with blanks) e.g. CHAR(10)

Variable length string e.g. VARCHAR(50)

Bit string e.g. BIT(4) can store '0101'

Exact numeric data type e.g. NUMERIC(7,2) has a precision (max. digits) of 7 and scale of 2 (# of decimals) e.g. 12345.67

Integer data only

Smaller space than INTEGER

Approximate numeric data types.

Precision dependent on implementation.

Stores YEAR, MONTH, DAY

Stores HOUR, MINUTE, SECOND

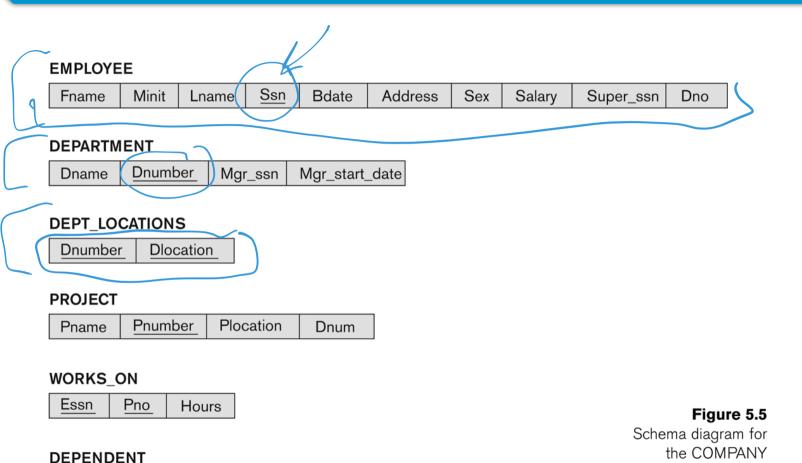
Stores date and time data.

Time interval.

Stores a character array (e.g. for a document)

Stores a binary array (e.g. for a picture, movie)

## **COMPANY Database Schema**



Relationship

Dependent name

Essn

Sex

**B**date

relational database

schema.

### **SQL CREATE TABLE**

The **CREATE TABLE** command is used to create a table in the database. A table consists of a table name, a set of fields with their names and data types, and specified constraints.

The general form is:

```
CREATE TABLE tableName (
  attr1Name attr1Type [attr1_constraints],
  attr2Name attr2Type [attr2_constraints],
  ...
  attrMName attrMType [attrM_constraints],
  [primary and foreign key constraints]
);
```

# SQL CREATE TABLE Example

The **CREATE TABLE** command for the **Emp** relation:

## **SQL Constraints - Entity Integrity**

Entity Integrity constraint: The primary key of a table must contain a unique, non-null value for each row. The primary key is specified using the **PRIMARY KEY** clause.

- e.g. **PRIMARY KEY** (eno) (for Emp relation)
- e.g. **PRIMARY KEY** (eno, pno) (for WorksOn relation)
- It is also possible to use **PRIMARY KEY** right after defining the attribute in the **CREATE TABLE** statement.

There can only be one primary key per relation, other candidate keys can be specified using **UNIQUE**:

- e.g. UNIQUE (ename)

## Another Example...'mini-banner'

#### Create **Students** table

- Info on students
- Every student has unique Student ID (sid)

Enrollment table holds information about courses that students take

What uniqueness property do we want?

```
CREATE TABLE Students (
sid: CHAR(20),
name: CHAR(20),
login: CHAR(10),
age: INTEGER,
gpa: REAL,
PRIMARY KEY (sid)
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE Enrollment (
   sid: CHAR(20),
   cid: CHAR(20),
   grade: CHAR(2)
);
```



## **Enrollment Keys**

Both of these schemas guarantee that:

- "For a given student and course, there is a single grade"

Do they both meet the logic we actually expect?

```
CREATE TABLE Enrolled1 (
sid CHAR(20)
cid CHAR(20),
grade CHAR(2),
PRIMARY KEY (sid,cid)
)
```

```
CREATE TABLE Enrolled2 (
sid CHAR(20)
cid CHAR(20),
grade CHAR(2),
PRIMARY KEY (sid),
UNIQUE (cid, grade)
)
```

## **Enrollment Keys**

Enrolled1: "For each unique student and course combination, there can only be one grade."

VS.

Enrolled 2: "Students can take only one course, and receive a single grade for that course; further, no two students in a course receive the same grade."

```
CREATE TABLE Enrolled1 (
sid CHAR(20)
cid CHAR(20),
grade CHAR(2),
PRIMARY KEY (sid,cid)
)
```

```
CREATE TABLE Enrolled2 (
sid CHAR(20)
cid CHAR(20),
grade CHAR(2),
PRIMARY KEY (sid),
UNIQUE (cid, grade)
)
```

## Another example

What if instead of having a grade, we want to record a student's "rank" in the class?

- Best student, 2nd best, 3rd best, etc...

Do these meet the logic we want?

```
CREATE TABLE Enrolled3 (
sid CHAR(20)
cid CHAR(20),
rank INT,
PRIMARY KEY (sid,cid),
UNIQUE (rank)
```

```
CREATE TABLE Enrolled4

sid CHAR(20)

cid CHAR(20),

rank INT,

PRIMARY KEY (sid,cid,rank)

123

DB

345

DB

7
```

## Another example

What if instead of having a grade, we want to record a student's "rank" in the class?

- Best student, 2nd best, 3rd best, etc...

Prevents students in different classes from having the same rank!

```
CREATE TABLE Enrolled3 (
sid CHAR(20)
cid CHAR(20),
rank INT,
PRIMARY KEY (sid,cid),
UNIQUE (rank)
)
```

```
CREATE TABLE Enrolled4 (
sid CHAR(20)
cid CHAR(20),
rank INT,
PRIMARY KEY (sid,cid,rank)
)
```

Allows different students to have the same rank!

# Another example

What if instead of having a grade, we want to record a student's "rank" in the class?

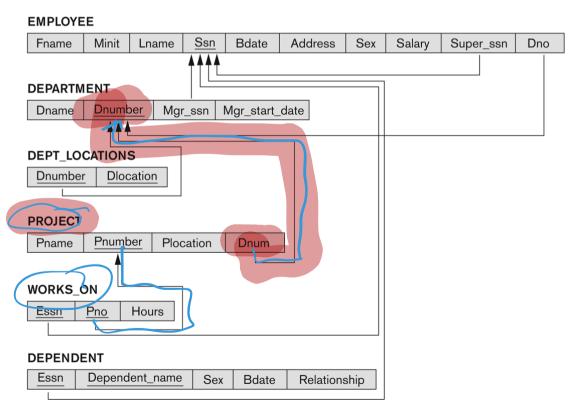
- Each student/course pair should get a rank
- Rank only needs to be unique within a class

```
CREATE TABLE Enrolled5 (
sid CHAR(20)
cid CHAR(20),
rank INT,
PRIMARY KEY (sid,cid)
UNIQUE (cid, rank)
```

Need to be careful about Integrity Constraints!

#### Referential Integrity Constraints for COMPANY database

**Figure 5.7**Referential integrity constraints displayed on the COMPANY relational database schema.



### SQL Constraints - Referential Integrity

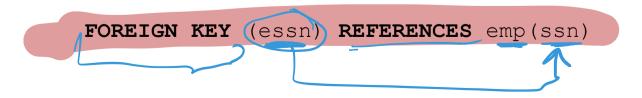
**Referential integrity constraint** - Defines a foreign key that references the primary key of another table.

- If a foreign key contains a value that is not NULL, that value must be present in some tuple in the relation containing the referenced primary key.

Example: Workson contains two foreign keys:

- workson essn references emp.ssn
- + workson.pno references proj.pnumber

Specify foreign keys using FOREIGN KEY syntax:



## **SQL** Referential Integrity Example

The **CREATE TABLE** command for the **workson** relation:

**EMPLOYEE** 

```
Minit
                                                   Fname
                                                           Iname
                                                                    Bdate
                                                                        Address
                                                                              Sex
                                                                                 Salary
                                                                                     Super ssn
                                                                                            Dno
                                                  DEPARTMENT
                                                        Dnumber
                                                             Mar ssn | Mar start date
                                                         DEPT LOCATIONS
                                                   Dnumber
                                                         Dlocation
CREATE TABLE workson
                                                  PROJECT
                                                        Pnumber
                          CHAR(5),
                                                             Plocation
                                                                    Dnum
    essn
                          CHAR(5),
     pno
                                                  WORKS ON
                                                   Essn
                                                       Pno
                                                           Hours
                          VARCHAR (20),
     resp
                                                  DEPENDENT
     hours
                          SMALLINT,
                                                       Dependent name
                                                                 Sex
                                                                    Bdate
                                                                         Relationship
     PRIMARY KEY (essn, pno),
                         (essn) REFERENCES employee (ssn)
     FOREIGN KEY
                          (pno) REFERENCES project (pnumber)
     FOREIGN KEY
```

### SQL Referential Integrity and Updates

When you try to INSERT or UPDATE a row in a relation containing a foreign key (e.g. workson) that operation is rejected if it violates referential integrity.

When you UPDATE or DELETE a row in the referenced primary key relation (e.g. emp or proj), you have the option on what happens to the values in the foreign key relation (workson):

- CASCADE Delete (update) values in foreign key relation when primary key relation has rows deleted (updated).
- SET NULL Set foreign key fields to NULL when corresponding primary key relation row is deleted.
- SET DEFAULT Set foreign key values to their default value (if defined).
- NO ACTION Reject the request on the parent table.

## **SQL** Referential Integrity Updates

```
CREATE TABLE workson (
                                          What properties
          CHAR(5),
   eno
   pno CHAR(5),
                                        does this provide?
   resp VARCHAR(20),
   hours SMALLINT,
   PRIMARY KEY (eno, pno),
   FOREIGN KEY (eno) REFERENCES emp (eno)
                                    ON DELETE NO ACTION
                                    ON UPDATE CASCADE,
                        REFERENCES proj (pnumber)
   FOREIGN KEY
                  (pno)
                                    ON DELETE NO ACTION
                                    ON UPDATE CASCADE
    workson table
                                    emp table
             pno
                    resp
                          hours
                                      eno
                                              name
      eiio
                   Manager
                                             T. Wood
                                           L. Chaufournier
                                      456
                                            C. Meadows
      789
              6
                           35
                                      789
                  Programmer
```

## **SQL** Referential Integrity Updates

```
CREATE TABLE workson (
                                    You don't want to delete an
         CHAR(5),
   eno
                                  employee who is still working on
   pno CHAR(5),
                                    a project... must delete from
   resp VARCHAR(20),
                                          WorksOn first
   hours SMALLINT,
   PRIMARY KEY (eno, pno),
   FOREIGN KEY (eno) REFERENCES emp (eno)
                                 ON DELETE NO ACTION
                                 ON UPDATE CASCADE,
   FOREIGN KEY (pno) REFERENCES proj (pnumber)
                                 ON DELETE NO ACTION
                                 ON UPDATE CASCADE
```

#### workson table

eno	pno	resp	hours
123	2	Manager	23
456	4	Admin	15
789	6	Programmer	35

#### emp table

eno	name	
123	T. Wood	
456	L. Chaufournier	
789	C. Meadows	

### More Referential Integrity Updates

The **CREATE TABLE** command for the **Emp** relation:

```
What properties
CREATE TABLE emp (
              CHAR(5),
   eno
                                             does this provide?
              VARCHAR (30) NOT NULL,
   name
   bdate
             DATE,
   title
              CHAR(2),
   salaryDECIMAL(9,2),
   supereno CHAR(5),
   dno
          CHAR(5),
   PRIMARY KEY (eno),
   FOREIGN KEY (dno) REFERENCES dept(dno)
           ON DELETE SET NULL ON UPDATE CASCADE
                                         dept table
      emp table
                                          dnumber
                                                   dname
                              dno
        eno
                name
                                           AB12
                                                 Cloud Systems
        123
               T Wood
                              AB12/(4)
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        456
             L. Chaufournier
                                           CD34
                                                  Marketing
              C. Meadows
                              FF56
                                                  Web Devel
        789
                                           FE56
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salaryDECIMAL(9,2),
supereno CHAR(5),
dno CHAR(5),
PRIMARY KEY (eno),
FOREIGN KEY (dno) REFERENCES dept(dno)
ON DELETE SET NULL ON UPDATE CASCADE
```

If a department is deleted, do not fire the employee

emp table

eno	name	•••	dno
123	T. Wood		AB12
456	L. Chaufournier		EF56
789	C. Meadows		EF56

dept table

dnumber	dname	
AB12	Cloud Systems	
CD34	Marketing	
EF56	Web Devel	

## **Database Updates**

Database updates such as inserting rows, deleting rows, and updating rows are performed using their own statements.



## Database Updates

Insert is performed using the INSERT command:

```
INSERT INTO tableName [(column list)]

VALUES (data value list)
```

#### Examples:

```
INSERT INTO proj (pno, pname) VALUES ('P6', 'Programming');
```

Note: If column list is omitted, values must be specified in order they were created in the table. If any columns are omitted from the list, they are set to NULL.

## **DDL Summary**

SQL contains a data definition language that allows you to **CREATE**, **ALTER**, and **DROP** database objects such as tables, triggers, indexes, schemas, and views.

Constraints are used to preserve the integrity of the database:

- **CHECK** can be used to validate attribute values (only available in recent MySQL versions)
- Entity Integrity constraint The primary key of a table must contain a unique, non-null value for each row.
- Referential integrity constraint Defines a foreign key that references a unique key of another table.

INSERT, DELETE, and UPDATE commands modify the data stored within the database (thus they are part of DML)