Database Systems

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SQL NULL Values

- A field with a NULL value is a field with no value.
- If a field in a table is optional, it is possible to insert a new record or update a record without adding a value to this field.
- Then, the field will be saved with a NULL value.
- It is not possible to test for NULL values with comparison operators, such as =, <, or <>.
- We will have to use the IS NULL and IS NOT NULL operators instead.

SQL NULL Values

- IS NULL Syntax:
- SELECT column_names
 FROM table_name
 WHERE column_name IS NULL;
- IS NOT NULL Syntax:
- SELECT column_names
 FROM table_name
 WHERE column_name IS NOT NULL;

SQL NULL Values

- IS NULL Example:
- SELECT CustomerName, ContactName, Address FROM Customers WHERE Address IS NULL;
- IS NOT NULL Example:
- SELECT CustomerName, ContactName, Address FROM Customers WHERE Address IS NOT NULL;

SQL UPDATE Statement

- The UPDATE statement is used to modify the existing records in a table.
- UPDATE Syntax:
- UPDATE table_name
 SET column1 = value1, column2 = value2, ...
 WHERE condition;
- UPDATE Example:
- The following SQL statement updates the first customer
 (CustomerID = 1) with a new contact person and a new city.
 - UPDATE CustomersSET ContactName = 'Alfred Schmidt', City= 'Frankfurt'WHERE CustomerID = 1;

SQL UPDATE Statement

- UPDATE Multiple Records:
- It is the WHERE clause that determines how many records that will be updated.
- The following SQL statement will update the contactname to "Juan" for all records where country is "Mexico":
 - UPDATE CustomersSET ContactName='Juan'WHERE Country='Mexico';

SQL UPDATE Statement

- Example:
- UPDATE Customers
 SET ContactName='Juan';
- Be careful when updating records. If you omit the WHERE clause, ALL records will be updated.

SQL DELETE Statement

- The DELETE statement is used to delete existing records in a table.
- DELETE Syntax:
- DELETE FROM table_name WHERE condition;
- SQL DELETE Example:
- The following SQL statement deletes the customer "Alfreds Futterkiste" from the "Customers" table:
 - DELETE FROM Customers WHERE CustomerName='Alfreds Futterkiste';

SQL DELETE Statement

- Delete All Records:
- It is possible to delete all rows in a table without deleting the table. This means that the table structure, attributes, and indexes will be intact:
- DELETE FROM table_name;
- The following SQL statement deletes all rows in the "Customers" table, without deleting the table:
 - DELETE FROM Customers;

SQL MIN() and MAX() Functions

- The MIN() function returns the smallest value of the selected column.
- The MAX() function returns the largest value of the selected column.
- MIN() Syntax:
- SELECT MIN(column_name)
 FROM table_name
 WHERE condition;
- MAX() Syntax:
- SELECT MAX(column_name)
 FROM table_name
 WHERE condition;

SQL MIN() and MAX() Functions

MIN() Example:

- The following SQL statement finds the price of the cheapest product:
 - SELECT MIN(Price) AS SmallestPrice FROM Products;
- MAX() Example:
- The following SQL statement finds the price of the most expensive product:
 - SELECT MAX(Price) AS LargestPrice FROM Products;

SQL COUNT(), AVG() and SUM() Functions

- The COUNT() function returns the number of rows that matches a specified criteria.
- The AVG() function returns the average value of a numeric column.
- The SUM() function returns the total sum of a numeric column.
- COUNT() Syntax:
- SELECT COUNT(column_name)
 FROM table_name
 WHERE condition;

SQL COUNT(), AVG() and SUM() Functions

- AVG() Syntax:
- SELECT AVG(column_name)
 FROM table_name
 WHERE condition;
- SUM() Syntax:
- SELECT SUM(column_name)
 FROM table_name
 WHERE condition;
- COUNT() Example:
- The following SQL statement finds the number of products:
 - SELECT COUNT(ProductID)FROM Products;

SQL COUNT(), AVG() and SUM() Functions

AVG() Example:

- The following SQL statement finds the average price of all products:
 - SELECT AVG(Price)FROM Products;
- SUM() Example:
- The following SQL statement finds the sum of the "Quantity" fields in the "OrderDetails" table:
 - SELECT SUM(Quantity)
 FROM OrderDetails;

- The LIKE operator is used in a WHERE clause to search for a specified pattern in a column.
- There are two wildcards often used in conjunction with the LIKE operator:
- % The percent sign represents zero, one, or multiple characters
- _ The underscore represents a single character.
- LIKE Syntax:
- SELECT column1, column2, ...
 FROM table_name
 WHERE columnN LIKE pattern;

 Here are some examples showing different LIKE operators with '%' and '_' wildcards:

LIKE Operator	Description
WHERE CustomerName LIKE 'a%'	Finds any values that start with "a"
WHERE CustomerName LIKE '%a'	Finds any values that end with "a"
WHERE CustomerName LIKE '%or%'	Finds any values that have "or" in any position
WHERE CustomerName LIKE '_r%'	Finds any values that have "r" in the second position
WHERE CustomerName LIKE 'a_%_%'	Finds any values that start with "a" and are at least 3 characters in length
WHERE ContactName LIKE 'a%o'	Finds any values that start with "a" and ends with "o"

- SQL LIKE Examples:
- The following SQL statement selects all customers with a CustomerName starting with "a":
 - SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE CustomerName LIKE 'a%';
- The following SQL statement selects all customers with a CustomerName ending with "a":
 - SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE CustomerName LIKE '%a';

- The following SQL statement selects all customers with a CustomerName that have "or" in any position:
 - SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE CustomerName LIKE '%or%';
- The following SQL statement selects all customers with a CustomerName that have "r" in the second position:
 - SELECT * FROM CustomersWHERE CustomerName LIKE '_r%';

- The following SQL statement selects all customers with a CustomerName that starts with "a" and are at least 3 characters in length:
 - SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE CustomerName LIKE 'a_%_%';
- The following SQL statement selects all customers with a ContactName that starts with "a" and ends with "o":
 - SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE ContactName LIKE 'a%o';
- The following SQL statement selects all customers with a CustomerName that does NOT start with "a":
 - SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE CustomerName NOT LIKE 'a%';

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