Introduction to Database Systems(Lab)

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Structured Query Language(SQL)

- SQL stands for Structured Query Language.
- SQL is a standard language for storing, manipulating and retrieving data in databases.
- Softwares:
- MySQL,
- SQL Server,
- Oracle,
- Sybase,
- Informix,
- Postgres, and other database systems.

What Can SQL do?

- SQL can execute queries against a database
- SQL can retrieve data from a database
- SQL can insert records in a database
- SQL can update records in a database
- SQL can delete records from a database
- SQL can create new databases
- SQL can create new tables in a database
- SQL can create stored procedures in a database
- SQL can create views in a database
- SQL can set permissions on tables, procedures, and views

SQL Statements

 Most of the actions you need to perform on a database are done with SQL statements.

SELECT Statement:

- The SELECT statement is used to select data from a database.
- The data returned is stored in a result table, called the resultset.

SELECT Syntax

- SELECT column1, column2, ...
 FROM table_name;
- Here, column1, column2, ... are the field names of the table you want to select data from.

SELECT Statement

- If you want to select all the fields available in the table, use the following syntax:
- SELECT * FROM table_name;
- SELECT Statement Example:
- The following SQL statement selects the "CustomerName" and "City" columns from the "Customers" table:
- SELECT CustomerName, City FROM Customers;
- The following SQL statement selects all the columns from the "Customers" table:

SELECT DISTINCT Statement

- The SELECT DISTINCT statement is used to return only distinct (different) values.
- Inside a table, a column often contains many duplicate values; and sometimes you only want to list the different (distinct) values.
- SELECT DISTINCT Syntax
- SELECT DISTINCT column1, column2, ...
 FROM table_name;

SELECT DISTINCT Statement

- SELECT DISTINCT Examples
- The following SQL statement selects only the DISTINCT values from the "Country" column in the "Customers" table:
- SELECT DISTINCT Country FROM Customers;
- The following SQL statement lists the number of different (distinct) customer countries:
- SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT Country) FROM Customers;

The SQL WHERE Clause

- The WHERE clause is used to filter records.
- The WHERE clause is used to extract only those records that fulfill a specified condition.
- The WHERE clause is not only used in SELECT statement, it is also used in UPDATE, DELETE statement, etc.
- WHERE Syntax
- SELECT column1, column2, ...
 FROM table_name
 WHERE condition;

The SQL WHERE Clause

- Example:
- The following SQL statement selects all the customers from the country "Mexico", in the "Customers" table:
- SELECT * FROM Customers WHERE Country='Mexico';

The SQL WHERE Clause

- Text Fields vs. Numeric Fields:
- SQL requires single quotes around text values (most database systems will also allow double quotes).
- However, numeric fields should not be enclosed in quotes:
- SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE CustomerID=1;

- The WHERE clause can be combined with AND, OR, and NOT operators.
- The AND and OR operators are used to filter records based on more than one condition:
- The AND operator displays a record if all the conditions separated by AND are TRUE.
- The OR operator displays a record if any of the conditions separated by OR is TRUE.
- The NOT operator displays a record if the condition(s) is NOT TRUE.

- AND Syntax
- SELECT column1, column2, ...
 FROM table_name
 WHERE condition1 AND condition2 AND condition3 ...;
- OR Syntax
- SELECT column1, column2, ...
 FROM table_name
 WHERE condition1 OR condition2 OR condition3 ...;
- NOT Syntax
- SELECT column1, column2, ...
 FROM table_name
 WHERE NOT condition;

AND Example

- The following SQL statement selects all fields from "Customers" where country is "Germany" AND city is "Berlin":
- SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE Country='Germany' AND City='Berlin';
- OR Example
- The following SQL statement selects all fields from "Customers" where country is "Germany" OR "Spain":
- Example
- SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE Country='Germany' OR Country='Spain';

- NOT Example
- The following SQL statement selects all fields from "Customers" where country is NOT "Germany":
- Example
- SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE NOT Country='Germany';

- Combining AND, OR and NOT
- You can also combine the AND, OR and NOT operators.
- The following SQL statement selects all fields from "Customers" where country is "Germany" AND city must be "Berlin" OR "München" (use parenthesis to form complex expressions):
- Example
- SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE Country='Germany' AND (City='Berlin' OR City='München');

- The following SQL statement selects all fields from "Customers" where country is NOT "Germany" and NOT "USA":
- Example
- SELECT * FROM Customers
 WHERE NOT Country='Germany' AND NOT Country='USA';

The SQL ORDER BY Keyword

- The ORDER BY keyword is used to sort the result-set in ascending or descending order.
- The ORDER BY keyword sorts the records in ascending order by default.
- To sort the records in descending order, use the DESC keyword.
- ORDER BY Syntax
- SELECT column1, column2, ...
 FROM table_name
 ORDER BY column1, column2, ... ASC|DESC;

The SQL ORDER BY Keyword

- Example
- The following SQL statement selects all customers from the "Customers" table, sorted by the "Country" column:
- SELECT * FROM Customers
 ORDER BY Country;
- DESC Example
- The following SQL statement selects all customers from the "Customers" table, sorted DESCENDING by the "Country" column:
- Example
- SELECT * FROM Customers ORDER BY Country DESC;

The SQL ORDER BY Keyword

- The following SQL statement selects all customers from the "Customers" table, sorted by the "Country" and the "CustomerName" column.
- This means that it orders by Country, but if some rows have the same Country, it orders them by CustomerName:
- SELECT * FROM Customers
 ORDER BY Country, CustomerName;

- The INSERT INTO statement is used to insert new records in a table.
- INSERT INTO Syntax
- It is possible to write the INSERT INTO statement in two ways.
- The first way specifies both the column names and the values to be inserted:
- INSERT INTO table_name (column1, column2, column3, ...)
 VALUES (value1, value2, value3, ...);

- If you are adding values for all the columns of the table, you
 do not need to specify the column names in the SQL query.
- However, make sure the order of the values is in the same order as the columns in the table.
- The INSERT INTO syntax would be as follows:
- INSERT INTO table_name
 VALUES (value1, value2, value3, ...);

- Example:
- The following SQL statement inserts a new record in the "Customers" table:
- INSERT INTO Customers (CustomerName, ContactName, Address, City, PostalCode, Country)
 VALUES ('Cardinal', 'Tom B. Erichsen', 'Skagen 21', 'Stavanger', '4006', 'Norway');

- Insert Data Only in Specified Columns
- It is also possible to only insert data in specific columns.
- The following SQL statement will insert a new record, but only insert data in the "CustomerName", "City", and "Country" columns (CustomerID will be updated automatically):
- INSERT INTO Customers (CustomerName, City, Country)
 VALUES ('Cardinal', 'Stavanger', 'Norway');

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