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CHAPTER 1 - COURSE INTRODUCTION

COURSE OBJECTIVES

- * Describe the features of a Relational Database.
- * Interact with a Relational Database Management System.
- * Use SQL*Plus to connect to an Oracle database and submit SQL statements.
- * Write SQL queries.
- * Use SQL functions.
- * Use a query to join together data items from multiple tables.
- * Write nested queries.
- * Perform summary analysis of data in a query.
- * Add, change, and remove data in a database.
- * Manage database transactions.
- * Work in a multi-user database environment.
- * Create and manage tables and other database objects.
- * Control access to data.



COURSE OVERVIEW

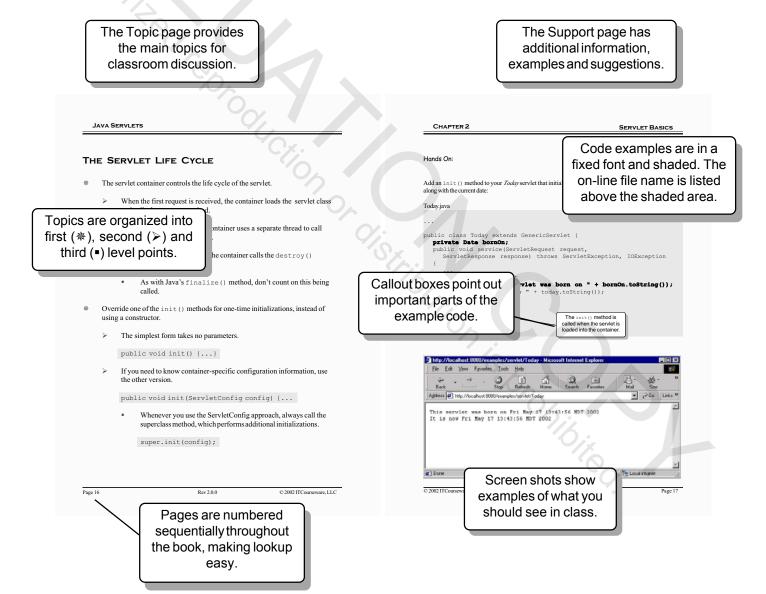
- * Audience: This course is designed for database application developers.
- * Prerequisites: Familiarity with relational database concepts.
- *** Student Materials:**
 - > Student workbook
- **Classroom Environment:**
 - One workstation per student
 - > Oracle 12c

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USING THE WORKBOOK

This workbook design is based on a page-pair, consisting of a Topic page and a Support page. When you lay the workbook open flat, the Topic page is on the left and the Support page is on the right. The Topic page contains the points to be discussed in class. The Support page has code examples, diagrams, screen shots and additional information. **Hands On** sections provide opportunities for practical application of key concepts. **Try It** and **Investigate** sections help direct individual discovery.

In addition, there is an index for quick look-up. Printed lab solutions are in the back of the book as well as on-line if you need a little help.



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Your single most important reference is the *SQL Language Reference* book, which is part of the *Oracle Database Online Documentation Library*. This is the official, complete description of Oracle's implementation of SQL. It includes many examples and discussions.

An easy way to find it is to go to:

http://docs.oracle.com/

Find the documentation for your version of Oracle Database. Locate the *SQL Language Reference*, and open the HTML table of contents.

If you have web access in the classroom, open a browser now and find the *SQL Language Reference*. Set a browser bookmark, and have the *SQL Language Reference* at hand throughout this class.



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CHAPTER 2 - RELATIONAL DATABASE AND SQL OVERVIEW

OBJECTIVES

- * Describe the features of a Relational Database.
- * Describe the features of a Relational Database Management System.
- * Describe the standard SQL datatypes.

REVIEW OF RELATIONAL DATABASE TERMINOLOGY

- * A Relational Database consists of tables, each with a specific name.
- * A table is organized in *columns*, each with a specific name and each capable of storing a specific *datatype*.
- * A row is a distinct set of values, one value for each column (although a column value might be empty (null) for a particular row).
- * Each table can have a *primary key*, consisting of one or more columns.
 - The set of values in the primary key column or columns must be unique and not null for each row.
- * One table might contain a column or columns that correspond to the primary key or unique key of another table; this is called a *foreign key*.
- * A view, or result set, is a collection of row and column values derived by querying tables.

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A *Relational Database* (RDB) is a database which conforms to Foundation Rules defined by Dr. E. F. Codd. It is a particular method of organizing information.

A Relational Database Management System (RDBMS) is a software system that allows you to create and manage a Relational Database. Minimum requirements for such a system are defined by both ANSI and ISO. The most recent standard is named SQL2, since most of the standard simply defines the language (SQL) used to create and manage such a database and its data. Some people use the term SQL Database as a synonym for Relational Database.

Each row (sometimes called a *record*) represents a single entity in the real world. Each column (sometimes called a *field*) in that row represents an attribute of that entity.

Entity Relationship Modeling is the process of deciding which attributes of which entities you will store in your database, and how different entities are related to one another.

The formal word for row is *tuple*; that is, each row in a table that has three columns might be called a *triple* (a set of three attribute values); five columns, a *quintuple*; eight columns, an *octuple*; or, in general, however many attributes describe an entity of some sort, the set of column values in a row that represents one such entity is a tuple. The formal word for column is *attribute*.

RELATIONAL DATABASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

- * A Relational Database Management System (RDBMS) provides for users.
 - Each *user* is identified by an account name.
 - A user can access data and create database objects based on privileges granted by the database administrator.
 - Users own the tables they create; the set of tables (and other database objects) owned by a user is called a *schema*.
 - Users can grant *privileges* so that other users can access the schema.
- * A session starts when you connect to the system.
- * Once you connect to the database system, all your changes are considered a single *transaction* until you either *commit* or *rollback* your work.
- * SQL is a standard language for querying, manipulating data, and creating and managing objects in your schema.
- * The *Data Dictionary* (also called a *System Catalog* or *Online Catalog*) is a set of ordinary relational tables, maintained by the system, whose rows describe the tables and other items in your schema.
 - This is referred to as *metadata*.
 - You can query a system catalog table just like any other table.
 - Each database vendor has its own system catalog.

Each database product organizes their online catalog or data dictionary as they see fit. For example:

MySQL - the *mysql* database:

columns_priv db event func

general_log help_category
help_keyword help_relation

help_topichostndb_binlog_indexpluginprocprocs_privserversslow_logtables_privtime_zone

time_zone_leap_second time_zone_name

time_zone_transition time_zone_transition_type

user

Microsoft SQL Server - Database System Tables (there are many other system tables):

syscolumns sysindexkeys
syscomments sysmembers
sysconstraints sysobjects
sysdepends syspermissions
sysfilegroups sysprotects
sysfiles sysreferences
sysforeignkeys systypes

sysforeignkeys systypes sysfulltextcatalogs sysusers

sysindexes

Oracle Database - Static Data Dictionary Views (there are hundreds of others, these are some commonly-used examples):

user_tables all_tables

dba_tables user_tab_columns

user_views user_indexes

user_constraints user_cons_columns

user_usersall_usersuser_cataloguser_objectsuser_tab_privsuser_col_privsuser_role_privsuser_sys_privsuser_tablespacesuser_ts_quotasuser_segmentsuser_triggers

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SQL DATATYPES

- * Each column in a table has a specific, predefined datatype.
 - Only values of the correct type can be stored in the column.
 - Many datatype definitions also include a limit on the size of the values that are allowed.
- * The details of how data values are stored vary among database vendors.
 - Most database vendors provide similar sets of datatypes, though.
- * The most important ANSI/ISO standard datatypes are:
 - **CHARACTER** Text values of a specific predefined length; the database pads shorter values to the correct length with spaces.
 - **CHARACTER VARYING** Text values whose length can vary, up to a predefined maximum length for each column.
 - **BIT, BIT VARYING** Fixed or varying-length bit strings for binary data such as images or documents.
 - > INTEGER Whole number values, possibly with predefined precision.
 - > FLOAT, DOUBLE PRECISION FLOAT— Floating-point numbers.
 - > **NUMERIC/DECIMAL** Fixed-point numbers, with predefined precision and scale.
 - **DATE, TIME, DATETIME, TIMESTAMP** Calendar date, clock time, combined date/time, date/time with predefined precision.
 - > INTERVAL Time interval, perhaps with predefined precision.

While most SQL database vendors provide all the ANSI/ISO standard datatypes in one form or another, they vary widely in their implementation and internal storage format. Examples:

INTEGER:

- * MySQL has **TINYINT** (1 byte, signed or unsigned), **SMALLINT** (2 bytes, signed or unsigned), **INT** or **INTEGER** (4 bytes, signed or unsigned), and **BIGINT** (8 bytes, signed or unsigned.)
- * Microsoft SQL Server has **TINYINT** (1 byte, unsigned), **SMALLINT** (2 bytes, signed), **INT** (4 bytes, signed), and **BIGINT** (8 bytes, signed).
- * Oracle Database has **NUMBER**(*p*), where *p* specifies precision as the number of decimal digits (up to 38); values stored in a varying length proprietary binary format, consuming only as many bytes as are needed for each number.

CHARACTER VARYING:

- * MySQL has VARCHAR(n) where n is the maximum number of characters allowed, up to 65,536.
- * Microsoft SQL Server has **VARCHAR**(*n*), where *n* is either the maximum number of bytes allowed, up to 8,000; or the word **max** indicating strings up to 2GB are allowed.
- * Oracle Database has **VARCHAR2**(*n*), where *n* is the maximum number of bytes allowed, up to 4,000. Starting in Oracle version 12c, this 4,000 byte limit can be increased by the database administrator to 32,767, though the default is still 4,000.

DATE, TIME, DATETIME:

- * MySQL has **DATE** (calendar date, from 1000-01-01 ad to 9999-12-31 A.D.), **TIME** (clock time), and **DATETIME** (combined date and clock time), all stored in compact binary formats.
- * Microsoft SQL Server has **DATE** (calendar date, from 0001-01-01 to 9999-12-31 A.D.), **TIME** (clock time), **DATETIME** (combined date and time from 1753-01-01 to 9999-12-31 A.D), **DATETIME2** (combined date and time from 0001-01-01 to 9999-12-31 A.D), and **SMALLDATETIME** (combined date and time from 1900-01-01 to 2079-06-06 A.D).
- * Oracle Database has **DATE** (combined date and time from 4712-01-01 B.C to 9999-12-31 A.D.), stored in a compact 7-byte binary format.

In addition, each database product has its own rules for presenting and accepting dates as human-readable strings.

Introduction to SQL

- * SQL is the abbreviation for *Structured Query Language*.
 - ➤ It is often pronounced as "sequel."
- SQL was first developed by IBM in the mid-1970s.
- * SQL is the international standard language for relational database management systems.
 - > SQL is considered a fourth-generation language.
 - It is English-like and intuitive.
 - > SQL is robust enough to be used by:
 - Users with non-technical backgrounds.
 - Professional developers.
 - Database administrators.
- * SQL is a non-procedural language that emphasizes what to get, but not how to get it.
- * Each vendor has its own implementation of SQL; most large vendors comply with the more recent ANSI/ISO standards, and may include proprietary language extensions for greater functionality.

SQL statements can be placed in two main categories:

Data Manipulation:

Query: SELECT

Data Manipulation Language (DML): INSERT

UPDATE DELETE

Transaction Control: COMMIT

ROLLBACK

Data Definition:

Data Definition Language (DDL): CREATE

ALTER DROP

Data Control Language (DCL): GRANT

REVOKE

SQL is actually an easy language to learn (many users pick up the basics with no additional instruction). SQL statements look more like natural language than many other programming languages. We can parse them into "verbs," "clauses," and "predicates." Additionally, SQL is a compact language, making it easy to learn and remember. Users and programmers spend most of their time working with only four simple keywords (the Query and DML verbs in the list above). Of course, as we'll learn in this class, you can use them in sophisticated ways.

CHAPTER 7 - AGGREGATE FUNCTIONS AND ADVANCED TECHNIQUES

OBJECTIVES

- * Describe and use regular and correlated subqueries.
- * Use the **EXISTS** operator.
- * Use aggregate functions to generate a summary row.
- * Group summary rows by key values.
- * Combine multiple queries using set operators.

SUBQUERIES

- * A subquery is a **SELECT** that appears as part of another SQL statement.
 - In the **WHERE** clause of another **SELECT** statement this is called a *nested subquery*.
 - In the **FROM** clause of another **SELECT** statement this is called an *inline view*.
 - The result of the subquery is treated as though it were another table; you can even give the subquery a table alias.
 - As an expression in a **SELECT**, **VALUES**, or **SET** clause.
- * A subquery must return the correct number and type of columns and rows.
 - A single-row subquery returns exactly one record, while a multi-row subquery might return more than one record.
 - > Operators such as = and != must be given a *scalar subquery*, a single-row subquery with just one column.

subquery1.sql

Operators such as **IN** allow a multi-row subquery, one that can return any number of rows.

```
subquery2.sql
```

```
SELECT lastname, firstname, city, state
FROM person
WHERE state IN (SELECT state FROM store);
```

Report all personal orders made by the manager of Store #4:

invoice.sql

Show the name of the customer on Invoice #2345:

invoice2.sql

```
SELECT lastname, firstname

FROM person

WHERE id = (SELECT customer_id

FROM order_header

WHERE invoice_number = 2345);
```

When do you use a subquery versus a **JOIN** in a **SELECT** statement?

When the query is only returning column values from a single table, you can use a subquery in the **WHERE** clause to help limit the result set.

person_sub.sql

```
SELECT lastname, firstname

FROM person

WHERE id IN (SELECT id

FROM employee);
```

When the query is returning column values from multiple tables, you will have to use a **JOIN** so that all of the table data is available in the main query.

person_join.sql

```
SELECT lastname, firstname, title
FROM person JOIN employee USING (id);
```

CORRELATED SUBQUERIES

- A subquery whose **WHERE** clause refers to a table in the **FROM** clause of a parent query is a *correlated subquery*.
 - The subquery is correlated to specific values in each row processed by the parent query.

corr_subquery.sql

- Subqueries often can be rewritten as joins in **SELECT** statements.
- * Oracle has an internal query optimizer.
 - Using a join, rather than a correlated subquery, gives Oracle the flexibility to determine the most efficient query technique.

join.sql



THE EXISTS OPERATOR

- The **EXISTS** operator is used in the **WHERE** clause of a correlated subquery to test for the existence of data; it does not return data.
 - The outer query relies on the subquery's boolean result to determine whether to include its current row in the resultset.

```
WHERE [NOT] EXISTS (subquery);
```

- * An **EXISTS** condition is true if its subquery returns at least one row.
- * The item in the subquery's **SELECT** list is often the primary key or a *.

exists.sql

- * The **EXISTS** operator results in a *semi-join*.
 - A matched row from the containing query appears only once, no matter how many matching rows would be found by the subquery.

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There is always more than one way to do it in SQL:

not_exists.sql

```
SELECT product_id, description

FROM product

WHERE NOT EXISTS (SELECT *

FROM inventory

WHERE product_id = product_product_id

AND store_number = 7);
```

not_in.sql

```
SELECT product_id, description
FROM product
WHERE product_id NOT IN (SELECT product_id
FROM inventory
WHERE store_number = 7);
```

inline_view.sql

```
SELECT p.product_id, p.description

FROM product p LEFT OUTER JOIN (SELECT product_id FROM inventory

WHERE store_number = 7) i

ON p.product_id = i.product_id

WHERE i.product_id IS NULL;
```

These are examples of *antijoins* — queries that return rows from one table for which there are no matching rows in the other table.

Although there is always more than one way to do it, not everything you try will actually work. Consider:

bad_join.sql

```
SELECT p.product_id, description
FROM product p JOIN inventory i
ON p.product_id != i.product_id;
```

Exactly which rows will be selected by this join condition? (Hint: do NOT try running it!) This results not in an antijoin, but in a Cartesian or **CROSS** join of **product** with **inventory**, with just the matching rows left out.

THE AGGREGATE FUNCTIONS

- The *aggregate* functions take a group of rows generated by a **SELECT** statement and calculate a single value.
- By default, aggregate functions will generate a single summary row for all values retrieved by the query.
- * The most commonly used aggregate functions are:
 - **COUNT(*)** Total count of all rows selected.
 - **COUNT**(*column*) Total count of rows selected in which *column* is not **NULL**.
 - **SUM**(*column*) Sum of values of *column* for selected rows.
 - **AVG**(*column*) Average value of *column* for selected rows.
 - > MAX(column) Maximum value of column for selected rows.
 - ➤ MIN(column) Minimum value of column for selected rows.
- * The *column* may also be an expression that yields a value.

```
inv_sum.sql
SELECT SUM(quantity_on_hand * price)
  FROM inventory JOIN product USING (product_id)
WHERE store_number = 7;
```

- * Aggregate functions are sometimes called *grouping*, *column*, or *set* functions.
- * Aggregate functions cannot be used in a **WHERE** clause.
 - However, you can place the aggregate in a subquery's **SELECT** list. sub agg.sql

```
order count.sql
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM order_header;
avg_pay.sql
SELECT AVG(pay_amount) FROM employee;
min_pay.sql
SELECT MIN(pay_amount) FROM employee
WHERE pay_type_code = 'H';
max_invoice.sql
SELECT MAX(invoice_number) FROM order_header;
Multiple aggregates can be used in a single query.
mult_agg.sql
SELECT MIN(pay_amount), AVG(pay_amount), MAX(pay_amount)
                         This or distribution is on his item.
  FROM employee
 WHERE pay_type_code = 'S';
```

NULLS AND DISTINCT

* When you aggregate the values of a specific column, rows with null values for that column are skipped.

```
account_orders.sql
SELECT COUNT(account_number) AS order_on_acct
FROM order_header;
```

- When all rows have null values for the rows selected, the aggregation will result in null.
- * When you include the **DISTINCT** keyword with the column to be aggregated, duplicate row values for the column are removed, so that only unique values are aggregated.

```
distinct_acct_num.sql
SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT account_number) AS distinct_accts
FROM order_header;
```

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The following query will return the total number of orders ever placed.

order_count.sql

```
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM order_header;
```

This query will return the number of orders that were placed on account, as opposed to orders paid for with cash, check, etc., which have null account numbers.

account orders.sql

```
SELECT COUNT(account_number) AS order_on_acct
  FROM order_header;
```

This last query will return the number of unique accounts that have been used for purchases.

distinct_acct_num.sql

```
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SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT account_number) AS distinct_accts
  FROM order_header;
```

GROUPING ROWS

* Use **GROUP BY** to evaluate an aggregate function over groups of rows.

```
group_by.sql
SELECT invoice_number, SUM(quantity * price)
FROM order_item oi JOIN product p USING (product_id)
GROUP BY invoice_number;
```

- * The rows are organized into groups in which the values of the grouping column are equal.
 - The aggregate function is then evaluated once for each group.
 - The **SELECT** statement returns a single summary row for each group.
 - Only aggregate functions and the column(s) used in the GROUP
 BY clause are permitted in the SELECT clause.
- * HAVING can be used to eliminate groups based on the value of their aggregations.

having.sql

```
SELECT invoice_number, SUM (quantity * price)
FROM order_item oi JOIN product p USING (product_id)
GROUP BY invoice_number
HAVING SUM (quantity * price) > 2000;
```

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```
group_by2.sql
SELECT pay_type_code, AVG(pay_amount) "average pay"
FROM employee
GROUP BY pay_type_code;
```

The **GROUP BY** clause comes after any **WHERE** clause:

```
group_by3.sql
```

```
SELECT invoice_number, SUM (quantity * price)

FROM order_item oi JOIN product p USING (product_id)

WHERE vendor_id = 'DELL'

GROUP BY invoice_number;
```

Multiple columns in the **GROUP BY** clause will produce subgroups.

```
group_by4.sql
```

```
SELECT store_number, title, COUNT(*) "number of employees"
FROM employee
GROUP BY store_number, title;
```

group by5.sql

COMBINING SELECT STATEMENTS

- * Set operators combine the results of two or more queries into one.
 - The **SELECT** lists of all queries must have the same number and data type of expressions in the select list, in the same order.
 - An **ORDER BY** clause can appear after the final query.
- * The **UNION** (*OR*) operator combines the results of both queries into a single resultset, but returns only distinct records.

union.sql

```
SELECT manager_id, firstname, lastname
  FROM person JOIN store ON manager_id = id
  UNION
SELECT vendor_rep_id, firstname, lastname
  FROM person JOIN vendor ON vendor_rep_id = id;
```

- > The UNION ALL operator will retain duplicates.
- * The **INTERSECT** (*AND*) operator returns rows common to both.

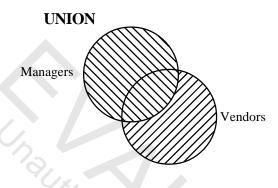
intersect.sql

```
SELECT customer_id, firstname, lastname
  FROM person JOIN account ON customer_id = id
INTERSECT
SELECT vendor_rep_id, firstname, lastname
  FROM person JOIN vendor ON vendor_rep_id = id;
```

* The **MINUS** (*AND NOT*) operator returns all rows in the first query that are not in the second; this is yet another way of producing an antijoin.

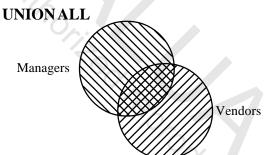
minus.sql

```
SELECT id, firstname, lastname
FROM person
MINUS
SELECT id, firstname, lastname
FROM person JOIN employee USING (id);
```



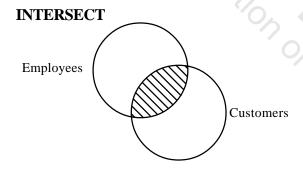
union2.sql

SELECT manager_id
FROM store
UNION
SELECT vendor_rep_id
FROM vendor;



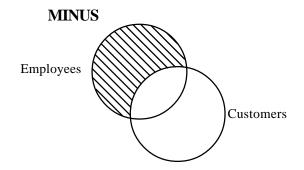
union_all.sql

SELECT manager_id
FROM store
UNION ALL
SELECT vendor_rep_id
FROM vendor;



intersect2.sql

SELECT id
FROM employee
INTERSECT
SELECT customer_id
FROM order_header;



minus2.sql

SELECT id
FROM employee
MINUS
SELECT customer_id
FROM order_header;

When you combine two queries with a set operator, Oracle uses the column names (or aliases) from the first query for the final result set.

LABS

- Write queries that will:
 - a. Retrieve the total number of employees at Store #1. (Solution: report a.sql)
 - b. Retrieve the total number of supervisor ids at Store #1. (Solution: report b.sql)
 - c. Retrieve the total number of store managers. (Solution: report_c.sql)
 - d. Report the average wage for hourly workers. (Solution: report_d.sql)
 - e. Report all hourly employees making less than the average hourly wage. (Solution: report_e.sql)
 - f. Report the names of the highest paid salaried employees of the company. (Solution: report f.sql)
 - g. Report the names of the lowest paid salaried employees of the company. (Solution: report_g.sql)
 - h. Report the total balance owed on all accounts. (Solution: report_h.sql)
 - i. Report the total amount due on all orders at Store #1. (Solution: report_i.sql)
- 2 Write queries that will:
- is or on its individual of the contract of the a. Report the average employee income based on state and pay type. (Solution: avg_emp_income.sql)
 - b. Report the number of employees for each store. (Solution: *num_emps.sql*)
 - c. Report the number of employees for each store that has more than 15 employees. (Solution: *num_emps2.sql*)

Write a query that will retrieve a combined list of the ids and the names of all store managers and vendor sales reps.

(Solution: *mgr_vendors.sql*)