





You can't write programs like the ones you would have done using C language

You can only write questions in English like language called queries which will fetch some data rows from the database.







SQL has three flavours of statements. The DDL, DML and DCL.

DDL is Data Definition Language statements. Some examples:

CREATE - to create objects in the database

ALTER - alters the structure of the database

DROP - delete objects from the database

TRUNCATE - remove all records from a table, including all spaces allocated for the records are removed

COMMENT - add comments to the data dictionary

GRANT - gives user's access privileges to database

REVOKE - withdraw access privileges given with the GRANT command

DML is Data Manipulation Language statements. Some examples:

SELECT - retrieve data from the a database

INSERT - insert data into a table

UPDATE - updates existing data within a table

DELETE - deletes all records from a table, the space for the records remain

CALL - call a PL/SQL or Java subprogram

EXPLAIN PLAN - explain access path to data

LOCK TABLE - control concurrency

DCL is Data Control Language statements. Some examples:

COMMIT - save work done

SAVEPOINT - identify a point in a transaction to which you can later roll back

ROLLBACK - restore database to original since the last COMMIT

SET TRANSACTION - Change transaction options like what rollback segment to use



SQL supports various data types

Integers

Decimal numbers--- NUMBER, INTEGER .

Number is an oracle data type. Integer is an ANSI data type. Integer is equivalent of NUMBER(38)

The syntax for NUMBER is NUMBER(P,S) p is the precision and s is the scale. P can range from 1 to 38 and s from -84 to 127

Floating point numbers---- FLOAT

Fixed length character strings---- CHAR (len) Fixed length character data of length len bytes. This should be used for fixed length data.

Variable length character strings --- Varchar2(len) Variable length character string having maximum length *len* bytes. We must specify the size

Dates-----DATE





The Arithmetic operators are used to calculate something like given in the example below: Select * from employee where sal * 1.1 > 1000;

The logical operators are used to combine conditions like:

Select * from employee where (sal > 1000 AND age > 25);

The above two examples also illustrate use of relational operators









Used to create a table by defining its structure, the data type and name of the various columns, the relationships with columns of other tables etc.















Used to modify the structure of a table by adding and removing columns

















Here we will discuss about commands using which data from the tables would be extracted and updated in different ways



In the first format, we would pass values for all the columns in exactly the same order in which they appear in the table

When we wish to insert values only for few selected columns. For e.g in a Customer table, we may know only the Cust_Id, Cust_Last_Name, Cust_Mid_Name, Cust_First_Name, Account_No, Account_Type and Bank_Branch but not the emailid. So, we may insert only values for Cust_Id, Cust_Last_Name, Cust_Mid_Name, Cust_First_Name, Account_No, Account_Type and Bank_Branch columns in this case. The value of the remaining column will be represented as NULL by default.







Difference Between Delete and Truncate

DELETE	TRUNCATE	
Data can be recovered	Data cannot be recovered.	
DML statement	DDL statement	
DELETE does not do so	TRUNCATE releases the memo occupied by the records of the ta	ry able
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Examples:

SELECT Cust_First_Name FROM Customer_Details;

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Customer_Details

SELECT * FROM Customer_Details;





Distinct will filter repetitive occurrence of a particular value

Retrieving a subset o	f rows	
• For retrieval of rows base	ed on some condition, the synt	tax is
SELECT COL1,COL2,		
FROM TABLE NA	ME	
WHERE <	SEARCH CONDITION>	
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Retriev	al using IN	
	test-expression [NOT] IN (constant1, constant2)	
List all cu	ustomers who have account in Capital Bank or Indus E	Bank.
SELECT	Cust_ID	
FROM C	ustomer_Details	
WHERE	Bank_Branch = 'Capital Bank'	
	OR Bank_Branch = 'Indus Bank';	
Or		
SELECT	Cust_ID	
FROM C	ustomer_Details	
WHERE	Bank_Branch IN ('Capital Bank', 'Indus Bank');	
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SQL - Retrieval using IS NULL
column-name IS [NOT] NULL
List employees who have not been assigned a Manager yet.
SELECT Employee_ID
FROM Employee_Manager
WHERE Manager_ID IS NULL;
List employees who have been assigned to some Manager.
SELECI Employee_ID
FROM Employee_Manager
WHERE Manager_ID IS NOT NULL;
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SQL - Sorting your results (ORDER BY)				
ORDER BYColumn name1, Column name2, ASC ASC				
List the customers account numbers and their account balances, in t increasing order of the balance	he			
SELECT Account_No, Total_Available_Balance_in_Dollars				
FROM Customer_Transaction				
ORDER BY Total_Available_Balance_in_Dollars;				
• by default the order is ASCENDING				
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Retrieval using ORDER BY	
List the customers and their account numbers in the decrea account numbers.	sing order of the
SELECT Cust_Last_Name, Cust_First_Name, Account_No	
ORDER BY 3 DESC;	
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