

1.264 Lecture 11

SQL: Basics, SELECT

Please start SQL Server before each class

Download Lecture11CreateDB.sql from Web site; open it in SQL Svr Mgt Studio

This class: Upload your .sql file from the exercises after class

Next class: Murach chapter 7. Exercises due after class

Reminder: Solutions to exercises are posted in the evening after each class

Building a database

- **When building a database by loading data based on a data model:**
 - It may build well, which usually means you found the real business rules
 - It may build with some errors, which usually means you have the real business rules but the data is sloppy
 - It may build with many errors, which usually means that you were told the business rules people wish to have or think they have, not the ones they actually use
- **It's often useful to get some sample data and browse it while building the data model**

SQL

- **Structured query language (SQL) used for**
 - **Data definition (DDL): tables and views (virtual tables). These are the basic operations to convert a data model to a database**
 - **Data manipulation (DML): user or program can INSERT, DELETE, UPDATE or retrieve (SELECT) data.**
 - **Data integrity: referential integrity and transactions. Enforces keys (primary and foreign)**
 - **Access control: security**
 - **Data sharing: by concurrent users**
- **Not a complete language like Java, Visual Basic or C++**
 - **SQL is sub-language of about 30 statements**
 - **Embedded in another language or tool for database access**
 - **SQL has several inconsistencies; NULLs are problematic**
 - **Portable across operating systems and somewhat among vendors**
 - **Declarative language, not procedural**

Things that vary among SQL implementations

- **Error codes**
- **Data types supported (dates/times, currency, string/text variations)**
- **System tables, about the structure of the database itself**
- **Interactive SQL**
- **Programming interface: no vendor follows the standard**
- **Dynamic SQL, used for report writers and query tools**
- **Implementer-defined variations within the standard**
- **Database initialization, opening and connection**
- **Whether case matters (upper, lower case)**

SQL SELECT

- **SELECT** constructed of clauses to get columns and rows from one or more tables or views. Clauses must be in order:
 - **SELECT** *columns/attributes*
 - **INTO** *new table*
 - **FROM** *table or view*
 - **WHERE** *specific rows or a join is created*
 - **GROUP BY** *grouping conditions (columns)*
 - **HAVING** *group-property (specific rows)*
 - **ORDER BY** *ordering criterion ASC | DESC*

Example tables

Orders

OrderNbr	Cust	Prod	Qty	Amt	Disc
1	211	Bulldozer	7	\$31,000.00	0.2
2	522	Riveter	2	\$4,000.00	0.3
3	522	Crane	1	\$500,000.00	0.4

Customers

CustNbr	Company	CustRep	CreditLimit
211	Connor Co	89	\$50,000.00
522	AmaratungaEnterprises	89	\$40,000.00
890	Feni Fabricators	53	\$1,000,000.00

SalesReps

RepNbr	Name	RepOffice	Quota	Sales
53	Bill Smith	1	\$100,000.00	\$0.00
89	Jen Jones	2	\$50,000.00	\$130,000.00

Offices

OfficeNbr	City	State	Region	Target	Sales	Phone
1	Denver	CO	West	\$3,000,000.00	\$130,000.00	970.586.3341
2	New York	NY	East	\$200,000.00	\$300,000.00	212.942.5574
57	Dallas	TX	West	\$0.00	\$0.00	214.781.5342

Example data model

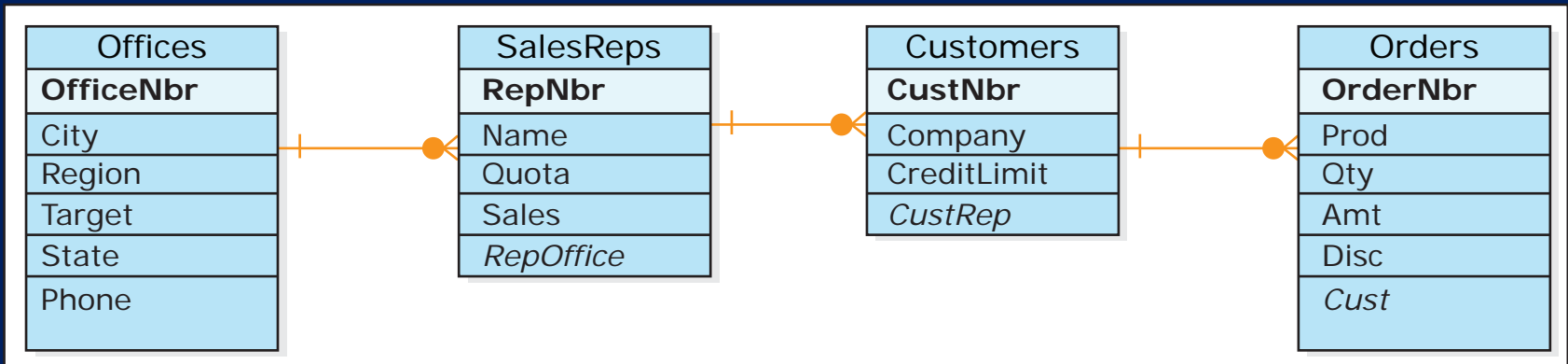


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Columns with the same meaning usually have the same name in different tables. We give them different names here so we don't have to say `tablename.columnname`, e.g. `Orders.OrderNbr`

Using SQL Server and Management Studio

- Your SQL Server database engine should start by default when your system starts
- Start SQL Server Management Studio (SSMS) from Start->Programs->MS SQL Server 2012
- Open Lecture11CreateDB.sql with SSMS in Windows Explorer
 - Download the .sql file from the web site first
- Select 'Execute' from toolbar
 - Database MIT1264 will be created and data inserted for exercises during this class
- Review Lecture11CreateDB.sql
 - Creates tables, relationships, keys, inserts data
 - IDENTITY means auto-number

Exercise 1 SQL queries: SELECT

- Click 'New Query' in SSMS; type these statements:
- List the sales reps
 - **SELECT Name, Sales, Quota FROM SalesReps**
- Find the amount each rep is over or under quota
 - **SELECT Name, Sales, Quota, (Sales-Quota) FROM SalesReps**
- Find the slackers
 - **SELECT Name, Sales, Quota, (Sales-Quota) FROM SalesReps WHERE Sales < Quota**

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Exercise 2 SQL queries: insert, delete, update

- Find the average sale
 - **SELECT AVG(Amt) FROM Orders;**
- Find the average sale for a customer
 - **SELECT AVG(Amt) FROM Orders WHERE Cust = 211;**
- Add an office
 - **INSERT INTO Offices (OfficeNbr, City, State, Region, Target, Sales, Phone) VALUES ('55', 'Dallas', 'TX', 'West', 200000, 0, '214.333.2222');**
- Delete a customer
 - **DELETE FROM Customers WHERE Company = 'Connor Co';**
 - (Syntax is valid but command will fail due to referential integrity)
- Exercise: Create (insert) a new order and delete it
 - Omit OrderNbr in INSERT because it's auto-generated
- Raise a credit limit
 - **UPDATE Customers**
SET CreditLimit = 75000 WHERE Company = 'Amaratunga Enterprises';

Exercise 3: SELECT * and duplicates

- Select all columns (fields)
 - **SELECT * FROM Offices;**
- Duplicate rows: query will get two instances of 'West'
 - **SELECT Region FROM Offices;**
- Select, but eliminate duplicates:
 - **SELECT DISTINCT Region FROM Offices;**
- **Exercise:**
 - **Find the greatest positive difference between sales and target**

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