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2          DATABASE ADMINISTRATION FUNDAMENTALS:
3          INTRODUCTION TO STRUCTURED QUERY LANGUAGE
4          SF21SQL1001, 2021/11/02 - 2021/12/09
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8 SESSION #2 (2021/11/04): UNDERSTANDING CORE DATABASE CONCEPTS

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- 10 1. Learning history of SQL and basic concepts of the structure of a
 - 11 relational database
 - 12 2. Understanding structured programming
 - 13 3. Understanding naming convention
 - 14 4. Understanding basic syntax to query one table

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- 17 1. Database professionals in the labor economy is on the rise. By 2024, the
- 18 US Bureau of Labor Statistics has projected an 18.8% job increase for
- 19 `Software developers, applications` with a median annual income of \$100,080
- 20 and 20.9% for `Computer systems analysts` with a median annual income of
- 21 \$87,220 as of 04/14/2017 (https://bls.gov/emp/ep_table_104.htm) creating a
- 22 surge for individuals who possess the right skills to store and query large
- 23 data sets.

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26	Computer Systems Analysts \$88,270 / yr \$42.44 / hr
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28	https://bls.gov/ooh/computer-and-information-technology/computer-systems-analysts.htm
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30	Database Administrators \$87,020 / yr \$41.84 / hr
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32	https://bls.gov/ooh/computer-and-information-technology/database-administrators.htm
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34	Web Developers \$67,990 / yr \$32.69 / hr
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36	https://bls.gov/ooh/computer-and-information-technology/web-developers.htm
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38	Operations Research Analysts \$81,390 / yr \$39.13 / hr
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40	https://bls.gov/ooh/math/operations-research-analysts.htm
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- 43 2. The following are concepts that you need to know.

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- 45 2.1. SQL (Structured Query Language) is a standardized programming language
- 46 used for managing relational databases and performing various
- 47 operations on the data in them. Initially created in the 1970s, SQL
- 48 is regularly used by database administrators, as well as by developers
- 49 writing data integration scripts and data analysts looking to set up
- 50 and run analytical queries.

51 <https://searchsqlserver.techtarget.com/definition/SQL>
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53 The SQL programming language was first developed in the 1970s by IBM
54 researchers Raymond Boyce and Donald Chamberlin. The programming
55 language, known then as SEQUEL, was created following the publishing
56 of Edgar Frank Todd's paper, ``A Relational Model of Data for Large
57 Shared Data Banks,`` in 1970.
58 <https://businessnewsdaily.com/5804-what-is-sql.html>
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60 Refer to <https://ibm.com/ibm/history/ibm100/us/en/icons/reldb/> for
61 more information on Edgar Frank Todd's paper.
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63 2.2. T-SQL (Transact-SQL) is a set of programming extensions from Sybase
64 and Microsoft that add several features to the Structured Query
65 Language (SQL), including transaction control, exception and error
66 handling, row processing and declared variables.
67 <https://searchsqlserver.techtarget.com/definition/T-SQL>
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69 2.3. Microsoft SQL Server is a relational database management system, or
70 RDBMS, that supports a wide variety of transaction processing,
71 business intelligence and analytics applications in corporate IT
72 environments. It's one of the three market-leading database
73 technologies, along with Oracle Database and IBM's DB2.
74 <https://searchsqlserver.techtarget.com/definition/SQL-Server>
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76 2.4. A server is a computer program that provides a service to another
77 computer programs (and its user). In a data center, the physical
78 computer that a server program runs in is also frequently referred to
79 as a server. That machine may be a dedicated server or it may be used
80 for other purposes as well.
81 In the client/server programming model, a server program awaits and
82 fulfills requests from client programs, which may be running in the
83 same or other computers. A given application in a computer may
84 function as a client with requests for services from other programs
85 and also as a server of requests from other programs.
86 <https://whatis.techtarget.com/definition/server>
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88 2.5. A relational database management system (RDBMS) is a collection of
89 programs and capabilities that enable IT teams and others to create,
90 update, administer and otherwise interact with a relational database.
91 Most commercial RDBMSes use Structured Query Language (SQL) to access
92 the database, although SQL was invented after the initial development
93 of the relational model and is not necessary for its use.
94 [https://searchdatamanagement.techtarget.com/definition/RDBMS-relational-
95 database-management-system](https://searchdatamanagement.techtarget.com/definition/RDBMS-relational-database-management-system) ↗

96 2.6. In computer programming, a schema (pronounced SKEE-mah) is the
97 organization or structure for a database. The activity of data
98 modeling leads to a schema. (The plural form is schemata. The term is
99 from a Greek word for ``form`` or ``figure.`` Another word from the
100 same source is ``schematic.``) The term is used in discussing both
101 relational databases and object-oriented databases. The term

102 sometimes seems to refer to a visualization of a structure and
 103 sometimes to a formal text-oriented description.
 104 <https://searchsqlserver.techtarget.com/definition/schema>
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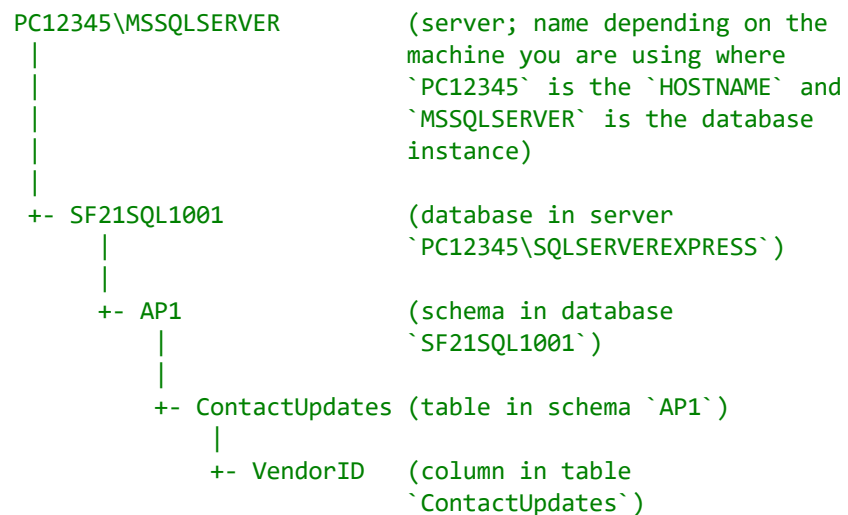
106 2.7. In computer programming, a table is a data structure used to organize
 107 information, just as it is on paper. There are many different types
 108 of computer-related tables, which work in a number of different ways.
 109 The following are examples of the more common types.

110 1) In data processing, a table (also called an array) is a organized
 111 grouping of fields. Tables may store relatively permanent data, or
 112 may be frequently updated. For example, a table contained in a
 113 disk volume is updated when sectors are being written.

114 2) In a relational database, a table (sometimes called a file)
 115 organizes the information about a single topic into rows and
 116 columns. For example, a database for a business would typically
 117 contain a table for customer information, which would store
 118 customers' account numbers, addresses, phone numbers, and so on as
 119 a series of columns. Each single piece of data (such as the
 120 account number) is a field in the table. A column consists of all
 121 the entries in a single field, such as the telephone numbers of all
 122 the customers. Fields, in turn, are organized as records, which
 123 are complete sets of information (such as the set of information
 124 about a particular customer), each of which comprises a row. The
 125 process of normalization determines how data will be most
 126 effectively organized into tables.

127 <https://whatis.techtarget.com/definition/table>
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129 3. Before we start, you should be familiar with the naming convention used in
 130 T-SQL (<https://searchsqlserver.techtarget.com/definition/T-SQL>) using the
 131 database for this course.
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150 3.1. Using the structure above, `SF21SQL1001` is the database
 151 (<https://searchsqlserver.techtarget.com/definition/database>). A
 152 database (DB) is a collection of related data like schemata, tables,
 153 views, functions, procedures and other related objects.

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155 3.2. `AP1` (`SF21SQL1001.AP1`) is a schema
156 (<https://searchsqlserver.techtarget.com/definition/schema>) in database
157 `SF21SQL1001`. A schema is a collection of tables, views, functions
158 and other related objects often used for organizational purposes only.
159
160 3.3. `ContactUpdates` (`SF21SQL1001.AP1.ContactUpdates`) is a table
161 (<https://whatis.techtarget.com/definition/table>) in schema `AP1`
162 calling the schema because the schema is not `dbo` (`database owner`
163 default schema in T-SQL, which does not need to be called when used).
164 A table is a collection of columns/fields and rows/records.
165
166 3.4. `VendorID` (`SF21SQL1001.AP1.ContactUpdates.VendorID`) is a
167 column/field (<https://searchoracle.techtarget.com/definition/field>) in
168 table `AP1.ContactUpdates`. A column/field is an allocation of data
169 in a record/row.
170
171 This column stores the row identifier for the table.
172
173 It is best practice for a row identifier (usually an integer, a whole
174 number) to be a unique identifier, preferably not related to the rest
175 of the data in the row.
176
177 3.5. A record/row (<https://searchoracle.techtarget.com/definition/record>)
178 is a collection of related data
179 (<https://searchdatamanagement.techtarget.com/definition/data>), not
180 referred to with a name but rather its row identifier or position in
181 the table.
182
183 4. As a quick review, in SQL, in order to retrieve data, we use a `SELECT`
184 statement where the simplest syntax is the following.
185
186 SELECT field1, field2 ...
187 FROM table1;
188
189 4.1. In the example below, we retrieve all columns (fields) and all rows
190 (records) from `AP1.ContactUpdates` calling each one of the columns.
191 ***** */
192
193 SELECT VendorID,
194 VendorName,
195 VendorAddress1,
196 VendorAddress2,
197 VendorCity,
198 VendorState,
199 VendorZipCode,
200 VendorPhone,
201 VendorContactLName,
202 VendorContactFName,
203 DefaultTermsID,
204 DefaultAccountNo
205 FROM AP1.ContactUpdates;


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258     4.3.2. In the example below, we retrieve all data (rows) from table
259         `AP1.ContactUpdates` and any shared data (rows) from
260         `AP1.Vendors`.
261     ***** */
262
263     SELECT *
264     FROM AP1.ContactUpdates           -- 1. all data (rows) from main
265                                     -- table
266                                     -- `AP1.ContactUpdates`
267     LEFT JOIN AP1.Vendors            -- 2. any shared data (rows)
268                                     -- from `AP1.Vendors`
269     ON AP1.ContactUpdates.VendorID = AP1.Vendors.VendorID;
270                                     -- 3. on common data (rows)
271                                     -- `VendorID`
272
273
274     /* *****
275     4.3.3. In the example below, we retrieve all data (rows) from table
276         `AP1.Vendors` and any shared data (rows) from
277         `AP1.ContactUpdates`.
278     ***** */
279
280     SELECT *
281     FROM AP1.ContactUpdates           -- 1. any shared data (rows)
282                                     -- from `AP1.ContactUpdates`
283     RIGHT JOIN AP1.Vendors           -- 2. all data (rows) from main
284                                     -- table `AP1.Vendors`
285     ON AP1.ContactUpdates.VendorID = AP1.Vendors.VendorID;
286                                     -- 3. on common data (rows)
287                                     -- `VendorID`
288
289
290     /* *****
291     4.4. In the example below, we retrieve all columns (fields) and rows
292         (columns) from `AP1.Vendors` calling each one of the columns.
293
294     4.4.1. We use `AS` to assign aliases to ``create a temporary name for
295         columns or tables.``
296
297         We can use aliases on columns ``to make column headings in your
298         result set easier to read.``
299
300         We can use aliases on tables ``to shorten your SQL to make it
301         easier to read or when you are performing a self join (ie:
302         listing the same table more than once in the FROM clause).``
303         https://techonthenet.com/sql_server/alias.php
304
305     4.4.2. We also use some functions
306         (https://techonthenet.com/sql_server/functions/index_alpha.php).
307
308     CONCAT() allows you to concatenate strings together
309         https://techonthenet.com/sql_server/functions/

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353     VendorAddress1,
354     ' ',
355     VendorAddress2
356     ) AS VendorAddress,           -- 2. using an alias (`AS`)
357                                     -- since losing column name
358                                     -- with when using function
359                                     -- `CONCAT()` to concatenate
360                                     -- (to put strings together)
361     LOWER(VendorCity) AS VendorCity, -- 3. using an alias (`AS`)
362                                     -- since losing column name
363                                     -- with when using function
364                                     -- `LOWER()` to make all
365                                     -- characters lower upper
366                                     -- case
367     RIGHT(VendorCity, 4) AS VendorCityRight, -- 4. using an alias (`AS`)
368                                     -- since losing column name
369                                     -- with when using function
370                                     -- `RIGHT()` to retrieve
371                                     -- four (4) characters from
372                                     -- the right
373     LEFT(VendorCity, 3) AS VendorCityLeft, -- 5. using an alias (`AS`)
374                                     -- since losing column name
375                                     -- with when using function
376                                     -- `LEFT()` to retrieve
377                                     -- three (3) characters from
378                                     -- the left
379     SUBSTRING(VendorCity, 3, 4) AS VendorCitySubstring,
380                                     -- 6. using an alias (`AS`)
381                                     -- since losing column name
382                                     -- with when using function
383                                     -- `SUBSTRING()` to retrieve
384                                     -- four (4) characters
385                                     -- starting from the the
386                                     -- third (3rd) character
387     LEN(VendorCity) AS VendorCityLen, -- 7. using an alias (`AS`)
388                                     -- since losing column name
389                                     -- with when using function
390                                     -- `LEN()` to retrieve the
391                                     -- length of string in field
392     REPLACE(VendorState, 'CA', 'California') AS VendorState,
393                                     -- 8. using an alias (`AS`)
394                                     -- since losing column name
395                                     -- with when using function
396                                     -- `REPLACE()` to replace
397                                     -- string `CA` with string
398                                     -- `California`
399     VendorZipCode,
400     VendorPhone,
401     VendorContactLName AS 'Vendor Contact Last Name',
402                                     -- 9. using an alias (`AS`)
403                                     -- to change the name of
404                                     -- column
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405 VendorContactFName AS 'Vendor Contact First Name',
406                                     -- 10. using an alias (`AS`)
407                                     --    to change the name of
408                                     --    column
409 DefaultTermsID,
410 DefaultAccountNo
411 FROM AP1.Vendors;
412
413
414 /* *****
415 3. LAB 1
416 Write a query calling all shared fields (`INNER JOIN`) from `AP1.Invoices`,
417 `AP1.Terms` and `AP1.Vendors`.
418 * Delete or rename the duplicate name of the columns.
419 ***** */
420
421 SELECT AP1.Invoices.InvoiceID,
422        AP1.Invoices.VendorID,
423        AP1.Invoices.InvoiceNumber,
424        AP1.Invoices.InvoiceDate,
425        AP1.Invoices.InvoiceTotal,
426        AP1.Invoices.PaymentTotal,
427        AP1.Invoices.CreditTotal,
428        AP1.Invoices.TermsID,
429        AP1.Invoices.InvoiceDueDate,
430        AP1.Invoices.PaymentDate,
431        -- AP1.Terms.TermsID,           -- 1. duplicate column name
432                                     --    (`TermsID`), which can
433                                     --    be removed (commented
434                                     --    out, in this case)
435                                     --    without affecting the
436                                     --    query output; could also
437                                     --    be renamed
438        AP1.Terms.TermsDescription,
439        AP1.Terms.TermsDueDays,
440        -- AP1.Vendors.VendorID,       -- 2. duplicate column name
441                                     --    (`VendorID`), which can
442                                     --    be removed (commented
443                                     --    out, in this case)
444                                     --    without affecting the
445                                     --    query output; could also
446                                     --    be renamed
447        AP1.Vendors.VendorName,
448        AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress1,
449        AP1.Vendors.VendorAddress2,
450        AP1.Vendors.VendorCity,
451        AP1.Vendors.VendorState,
452        AP1.Vendors.VendorZipCode,
453        AP1.Vendors.VendorPhone,
454        AP1.Vendors.VendorContactLName,
455        AP1.Vendors.VendorContactFName,
456        AP1.Vendors.DefaultTermsID,

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457     AP1.Vendors.DefaultAccountNo
458 FROM AP1.Invoices           -- 3. from table `AP1.Invoices`
459 INNER JOIN AP1.Terms        -- 4. `INNER JOIN` to retrieve
460                               -- data in the first (left)
461                               -- table (`AP1.Invoices`)
462                               -- that is also in the
463                               -- second (right) table
464                               -- (`AP1.Terms`)
465     ON AP1.Invoices.TermsID = AP1.Terms.TermsID -- 5. `ON` two fields with the
466                                               -- same values/data and the
467                                               -- same name (`TermsID`);
468                                               -- specifying the relation
469                                               -- between tables
470                                               -- `AP1.Invoices` and
471                                               -- `AP1.Terms`
472 INNER JOIN AP1.Vendors      -- 6. `INNER JOIN` to retrieve
473                               -- data in the second (left)
474                               -- table (`AP1.Terms`) that
475                               -- is also in the third
476                               -- (right) table
477                               -- (`AP1.Vendors`)
478     ON AP1.Vendors.VendorID = AP1.Invoices.VendorID;
479                                               -- 7. `ON` two fields with the
480                                               -- same values/data and the
481                                               -- same name (`VendorID`);
482                                               -- specifying the relation
483                                               -- between tables
484                                               -- `AP1.Vendors` and
485                                               -- `AP1.Invoices`
486
487 /* *****
488 https://folvera.commons.gc.cuny.edu/?p=988
489 ***** */
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