Chapter 1

An introduction to relational databases and SQL

Objectives

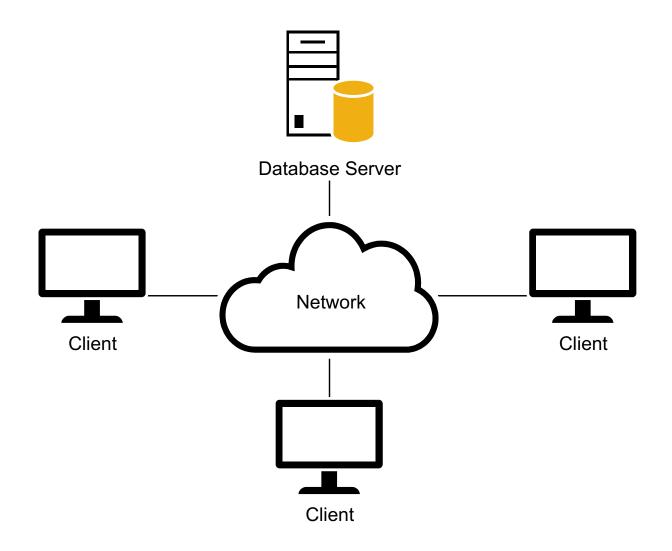
Knowledge

- Identify the three main hardware components of a client/server system.
- Describe the way a client accesses the database on a server using these terms: application software, data access API, database management system, SQL query, and query results.
- Describe the way a relational database is organized using these terms: tables, columns, rows, cells, primary keys, and foreign keys.
- Identify the three types of relationships that can exist between two tables.
- Describe the way the columns in a table are defined using these terms: data type, null value, and default value.

Objective (cont.)

- Describe how an entity relationship diagram can show how the tables in a database are defined and related.
- Describe the difference between DML statements and DDL statements.
- List three coding techniques that can make your SQL code easier to read and maintain.
- Describe the use of a database driver.

A simple client/server system



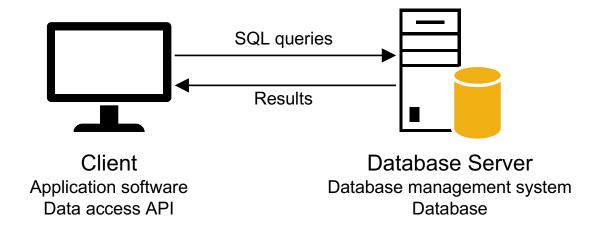
The three hardware components of a client/server system

- Clients
- Server
- Network

Terms to know

- Local area network (LAN)
- Wide area network (WAN)
- Enterprise system

Client software, server software, and the SQL interface



Server software

- Database management system (DBMS)
- The DBMS does the *back-end processing*

Client software

- Application software
- Data access API (application programming interface)
- The client software does the *front-end processing*

The SQL interface

- The application software communicates with the DBMS by sending SQL queries through the data access API.
- When the DBMS receives a query, it provides a service like returning the requested data (the query results) to the client.
- *SQL* stands for *Structured Query Language*, which is the standard language for working with a relational database.

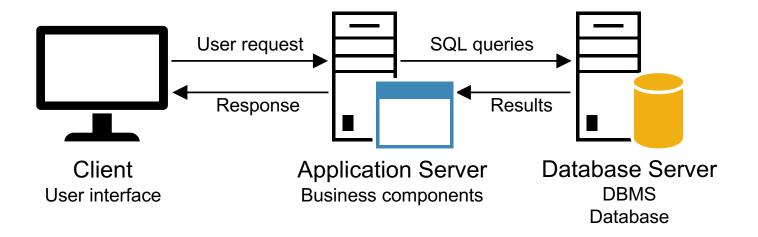
Client/server system

• Processing is divided between client and server.

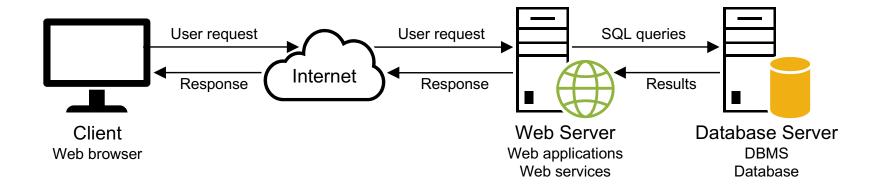
File-handling system

• All processing is done on the clients.

A networked system that uses an application server



A simple web-based system



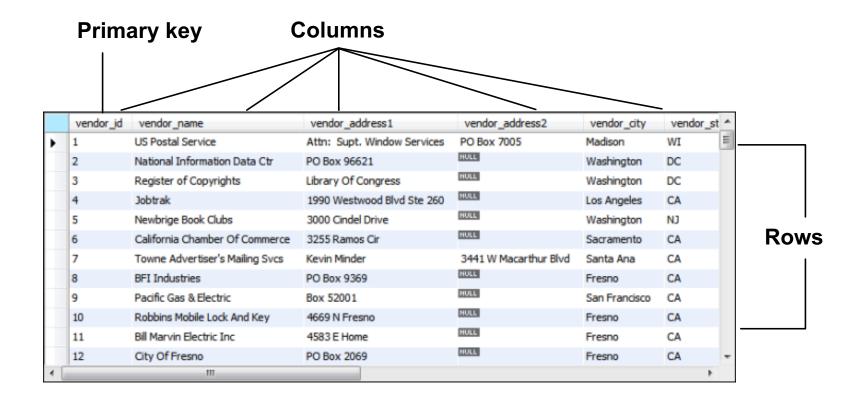
Other client/server components

- Application servers store business components
- Web servers store web applications and web services

How web applications work

- A web browser on a client sends a request to a web server.
- The web server processes the request.
- The web server passes any data requests to the database server.
- The database server returns results to web server.
- The web server returns a response to the browser.

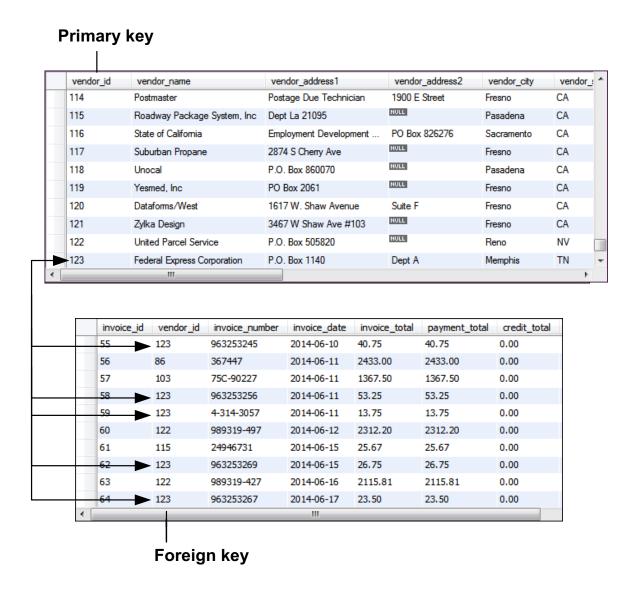
The Vendors table in an Accounts Payable (AP) database



Terms to know

- Relational database
- Table
- Column
- Row
- Cell
- Primary key
- Composite primary key
- Non-primary key (unique key)
- Index

The relationship between two tables



Terms to know

- Foreign key
- Referential integrity
- One-to-many relationship
- One-to-one relationship
- Many-to-many relationship

The columns of the Invoices table

| Column Name | Datatype | PK | NN | UQ | BIN | UN | ZF | ΑI | Default | |
|------------------|--------------|----|----------|------|--------|------|-----|----------|----------|-----------|
| invoice_id | INT(11) | 1 | V | | | | | V | | |
| vendor_id | INT(11) | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| invoice_number | VARCHAR(50) | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| invoice_date | DATE | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| invoice_total | DECIMAL(9,2) | | 1 | | | | | | | |
| payment_total | DECIMAL(9,2) | | 1 | | | | | | '0.00' | |
| credit_total | DECIMAL(9,2) | | 1 | | | | | | '0.00' | |
| terms_id | INT(11) | | V | | | | | | | |
| invoice_due_date | DATE | | / | | | | | | | |
| payment_date | DATE | | | | | | | | NULL | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | _ | | | | | | | |
| Column Name: | | | | Data | а Туре | 2: | | | | |
| Collation: | | - | | | Defaul | t: [| | | | |
| Comments: | | | | | | | Pri | mary | Not Null | Unique |
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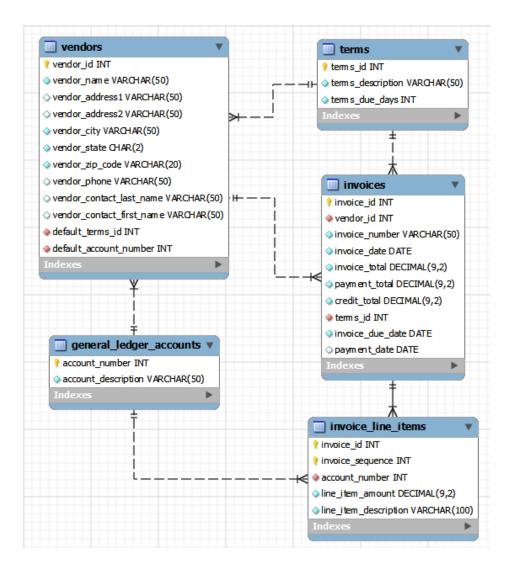
Common MySQL data types

- CHAR, VARCHAR
- INT, DECIMAL
- FLOAT
- DATE

Terms to know

- Data type
- Null value
- Default value
- Auto increment column

An EER diagram for the AP database



Important events in the history of SQL

| Year | Event |
|------|--|
| 1970 | Dr. E. F. Codd developed the relational database model. |
| 1979 | Relational Software, Inc. (later renamed Oracle) released the first relational DBMS, Oracle. |
| 1982 | IBM released their first RDBMS, SQL/DS (SQL/Data System). |
| 1985 | IBM released DB2 (Database 2). |
| 1987 | Microsoft released SQL Server. |
| 1989 | ANSI published the first set of standards (ANSI/ISO SQL-89, or SQL1). |
| 1992 | ANSI revised standards (ANSI/ISO SQL-92, or SQL2) |
| 1995 | MySQL AB released MySQL for internal use. |
| 1999 | ANSI published SQL3 (ANSI/ISO SQL:1999). |

Important events in the history of SQL (continued)

| Year | Event |
|------|---|
| 2000 | MySQL became an open-source database. |
| 2003 | ANSI published SQL4 (ANSI/ISO SQL:2003). |
| 2008 | Sun Microsystems acquired MySQL. |
| 2010 | Oracle acquired Sun Microsystems and MySQL. |

How knowing "standard SQL" helps you

- Basic SQL statements are the same for all *dialects*.
- Once you know one dialect, you can easily learn others.

How knowing "standard SQL" does not help you

• Most applications require modification when moved to another database.

First database releases

Oracle 1979

DB2 1985

SQL Server 1987

MySQL 2000

Primary platforms

Oracle Unix, Windows, Mac OS

OS/390 and z/OS

DB2 OS/390 and z/OS

Unix, Windows, Mac OS

SQL Server Windows

MySQL Unix, z/OS

Windows

Mac OS

SQL DML statements

- SELECT
- INSERT
- UPDATE
- DELETE

SQL DDL statements

- CREATE DATABASE, TABLE, INDEX
- ALTER TABLE, INDEX
- DROP DATABASE, TABLE, INDEX

A statement that creates a new database

CREATE DATABASE ap

A statement that selects the current database

USE ap

A statement that creates a new table

```
CREATE TABLE invoices
 invoice id
                    INT
                                     PRIMARY KEY
                    AUTO INCREMENT,
 vendor id
                    INT
                                     NOT NULL,
  invoice number
                   VARCHAR (50)
                                     NOT NULL,
 invoice date
                   DATE
                                     NOT NULL,
 invoice total
                   DECIMAL(9,2)
                                     NOT NULL,
 payment total
                   DECIMAL (9,2)
                                                 DEFAULT 0,
 credit total
                   DECIMAL (9,2)
                                                 DEFAULT 0,
 terms id
                    INT
                                     NOT NULL,
  invoice due date DATE
                                     NOT NULL,
 payment date
                   DATE,
 CONSTRAINT invoices fk vendors
   FOREIGN KEY (vendor id)
   REFERENCES vendors (vendor id),
 CONSTRAINT invoices fk terms
   FOREIGN KEY (terms id)
   REFERENCES terms (terms id)
```

A statement that adds a new column to a table

ALTER TABLE invoices
ADD balance_due DECIMAL(9,2)

A statement that deletes the new column

ALTER TABLE invoices
DROP COLUMN balance due

A statement that creates an index on the table

CREATE INDEX invoices_vendor_id_index
ON invoices (vendor id)

A statement that deletes the new index

DROP INDEX invoices vendor id index

The Invoices base table

| | invoice_id | vendor_id | invoice_number | invoice_date | invoice_total | payment_total | credit_total | terms_id | invoice_du |
|---|------------|-----------|----------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|----------|--------------|
| | 1 | 122 | 989319-457 | 2014-04-08 | 3813.33 | 3813.33 | 0.00 | 3 | 2014-05-08 |
| | 2 | 123 | 263253241 | 2014-04-10 | 40.20 | 40.20 | 0.00 | 3 | 2014-05-10 |
| | 3 | 123 | 963253234 | 2014-04-13 | 138.75 | 138.75 | 0.00 | 3 | 2014-05-13 |
| | 4 | 123 | 2-000-2993 | 2014-04-16 | 144.70 | 144.70 | 0.00 | 3 | 2014-05-16 |
| | 5 | 123 | 963253251 | 2014-04-16 | 15.50 | 15.50 | 0.00 | 3 | 2014-05-16 + |
| 4 | | | | 111 | | | | | + |

A SELECT statement that retrieves and sorts selected columns and rows

The result set defined by the SELECT statement

| | invoice_number | invoice_date | invoice_total | payment_total | credit_total | balance_due | > |
|---|----------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|---|
| • | 39104 | 2014-07-10 | 85.31 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 85.31 | = |
| | 963253264 | 2014-07-18 | 52.25 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 52.25 | |
| | 31361833 | 2014-07-21 | 579.42 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 579.42 | |
| | 263253268 | 2014-07-21 | 59.97 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 59.97 | |
| | 263253273 | 2014-07-22 | 30.75 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 30.75 | ÷ |

A SELECT statement that joins data from the Vendors and Invoices tables

The result set defined by the SELECT statement

| vendor_name | invoice_number | invoice_date | invoice_total | * |
|-----------------------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|---|
| Federal Express Corporation | 963253230 | 2014-07-07 | 739.20 | |
| Ford Motor Credit Company | 9982771 | 2014-07-24 | 503.20 | |
| Franchise Tax Board | RTR-72-3662-X | 2014-05-25 | 1600.00 | |
| Fresno County Tax Collector | P02-88D77S7 | 2014-05-03 | 856.92 | |
| IBM | Q545443 | 2014-06-09 | 1083.58 | |
| Ingram | 31359783 | 2014-06-03 | 1575.00 | |
| Ingram | 31361833 | 2014-07-21 | 579.42 | |
| Malloy Lithographing Inc | 0-2058 | 2014-05-28 | 37966.19 | ÷ |

Terms to know

- Query
- Base table
- Result table (result set)
- Calculated value
- Join
- Inner join
- Outer join

A statement that adds a row to the Invoices table

```
INSERT INTO invoices
  (vendor_id, invoice_number, invoice_date,
    invoice_total, terms_id, invoice_due_date)
VALUES
  (12, '3289175', '2014-07-18', 165, 3, '2014-08-17')
```

A statement that changes the value of the credit_total column for a selected row

```
UPDATE invoices
SET credit_total = 35.89
WHERE invoice number = '367447'
```

A statement that changes the values in the invoice_due_date column for all invoices with the specified terms_id

A statement that deletes a selected invoice from the Invoices table

```
DELETE FROM invoices
WHERE invoice_number = '4-342-8069'
```

A statement that deletes all paid invoices from the Invoices table

```
DELETE FROM invoices
WHERE invoice_total - payment_total - credit_total = 0
```

A SELECT statement that's difficult to read

```
select invoice_number, invoice_date, invoice_total,
payment_total, credit_total, invoice_total - payment_total -
credit_total as balance_due from invoices where
invoice_total - payment_total - credit_total > 0 order by
invoice_date
```

A SELECT statement that's coded with a readable style

A SELECT statement with a block comment

```
/*
Author: Joel Murach
Date: 8/22/2014
*/
SELECT invoice_number, invoice_date, invoice_total,
    invoice_total - payment_total - credit_total
    AS balance_due
FROM invoices
```

A SELECT statement with a single-line comment

```
-- The fourth column calculates the balance due

SELECT invoice_number, invoice_date, invoice_total,

    invoice_total - payment_total - credit_total

    AS balance_due

FROM invoices
```

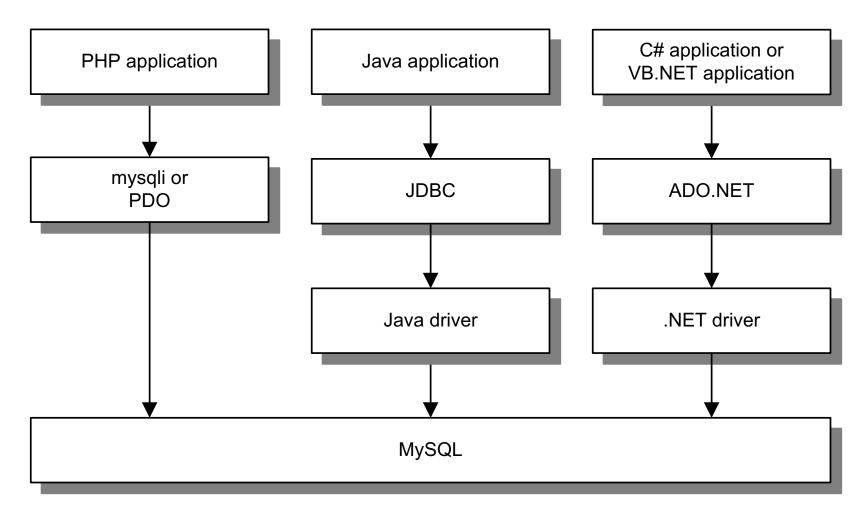
Coding recommendations

- Capitalize all keywords.
- Use lowercase for the other code.
- Separate the words in names with underscores.
- Start each clause on a new line.
- Break long clauses into multiple lines.
- Indent continued lines.
- Use comments only for code that is difficult to understand.
- Make sure that the comments are correct and up-to-date.

Note

• Line breaks, white space, indentation, and capitalization have no effect on the operation of a statement.

Common options for accessing MySQL data



Two commonly used MySQL drivers

- Connector/J
- Connector/Net

Terms to know

- Data access API
- mysqli API (for PHP)
- PDO API (for PHP)
- JDBC API (for Java)
- ADO.NET API (for .NET languages)
- Database driver

PHP code that gets data from MySQL

```
<?php
    $query =
        "SELECT vendor name, invoice number, invoice total
         FROM vendors INNER JOIN invoices
             ON vendors.vendor id = invoices.vendor id
         WHERE invoice total >= 500
         ORDER BY vendor name, invoice total DESC";
    $dsn = 'mysql:host=localhost;dbname=ap';
    $username = 'ap tester';
    $password = 'sesame';
    try {
        $db = new PDO($dsn, $username, $password);
    } catch (PDOException $e) {
        $error message = $e->getMessage();
        echo $error message;
        exit();
    $rows = $db->query($query);
?>
```

PHP code that gets data from MySQL (cont.)

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
    <head>
       <title>DB Test</title>
    </head>
    <body>
        <h1>Invoices with totals over 500:</h1>
        <?php foreach ($rows as $row) : ?>
        >
            Vendor: <?php echo
               $row['vendor name']; ?><br/>
            Invoice No: <?php echo
              $row['invoice number']; ?><br/>
            Total: $<?php echo
              number format($row['invoice total'], 2); ?>
        <?php endforeach; ?>
    </body>
</html>
```

Java code that gets data from MySQL

```
package murach.ap;
import java.sql.*;
import java.text.NumberFormat;
public class DBTestApp {
   public static void main(String args[]) {
      String query
      = "SELECT vendor name, invoice number, invoice total "
      + "FROM vendors INNER JOIN invoices "
      + " ON vendors.vendor id = invoices.vendor id "
      + "WHERE invoice total >= 500 "
      + "ORDER BY vendor name, invoice total DESC";
      String dbUrl = "jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/ap";
      String username = "ap tester";
      String password = "sesame";
```

Java code that gets data from MySQL (cont.)

```
// define common JDBC objects
try (Connection connection =
         DriverManager.getConnection(
            dbUrl, username, password);
     Statement statement =
         connection.createStatement();
     ResultSet rs = statement.executeQuery(query)) {
    // Display the results of a SELECT statement
    System.out.println(
        "Invoices with totals over 500:\n");
    while (rs.next()) {
        String vendorName =
            rs.getString("vendor name");
        String invoiceNumber =
            rs.getString("invoice number");
        double invoiceTotal =
            rs.getDouble("invoice total");
```

Java code that gets data from MySQL (cont.)