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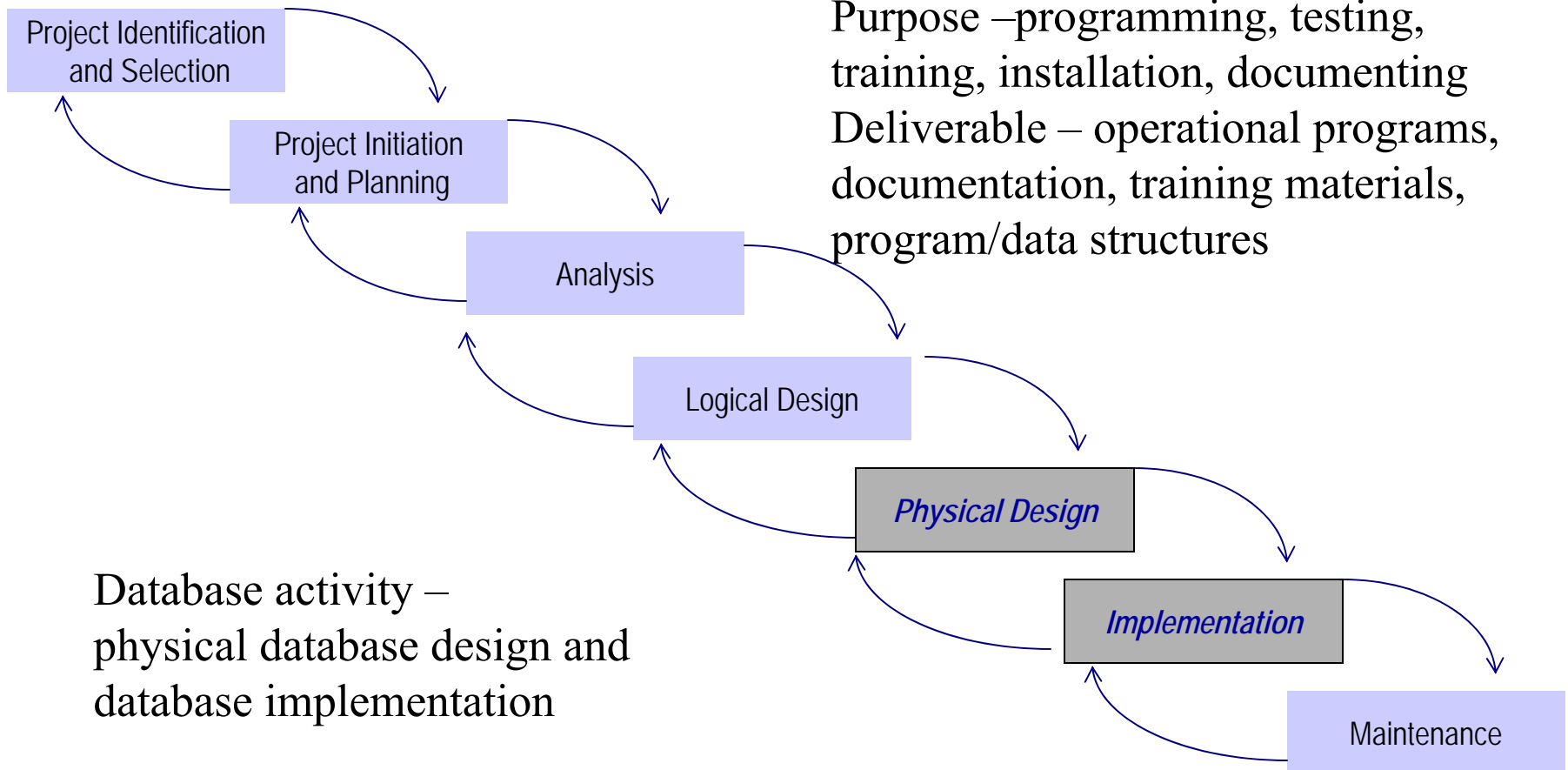
Chapter 5 – Introduction To SQL – Part 1

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The Physical Design Stage of SDLC



SQL Overview

- SQL \equiv Structured Query Language.
- The standard for relational database management systems (RDBMS).
- SQL-99 and SQL: 2003 Standards – Purpose:
 - Specify syntax/semantics for data definition and manipulation.
 - Define data structures.
 - Enable portability.
 - Specify minimal (level 1) and complete (level 2) standards.
 - Allow for later growth/enhancement to standard.



Benefits of a Standardized Relational Language

- Reduced training costs
- Productivity
- Application portability
- Application longevity
- Reduced dependence on a single vendor
- Cross-system communication

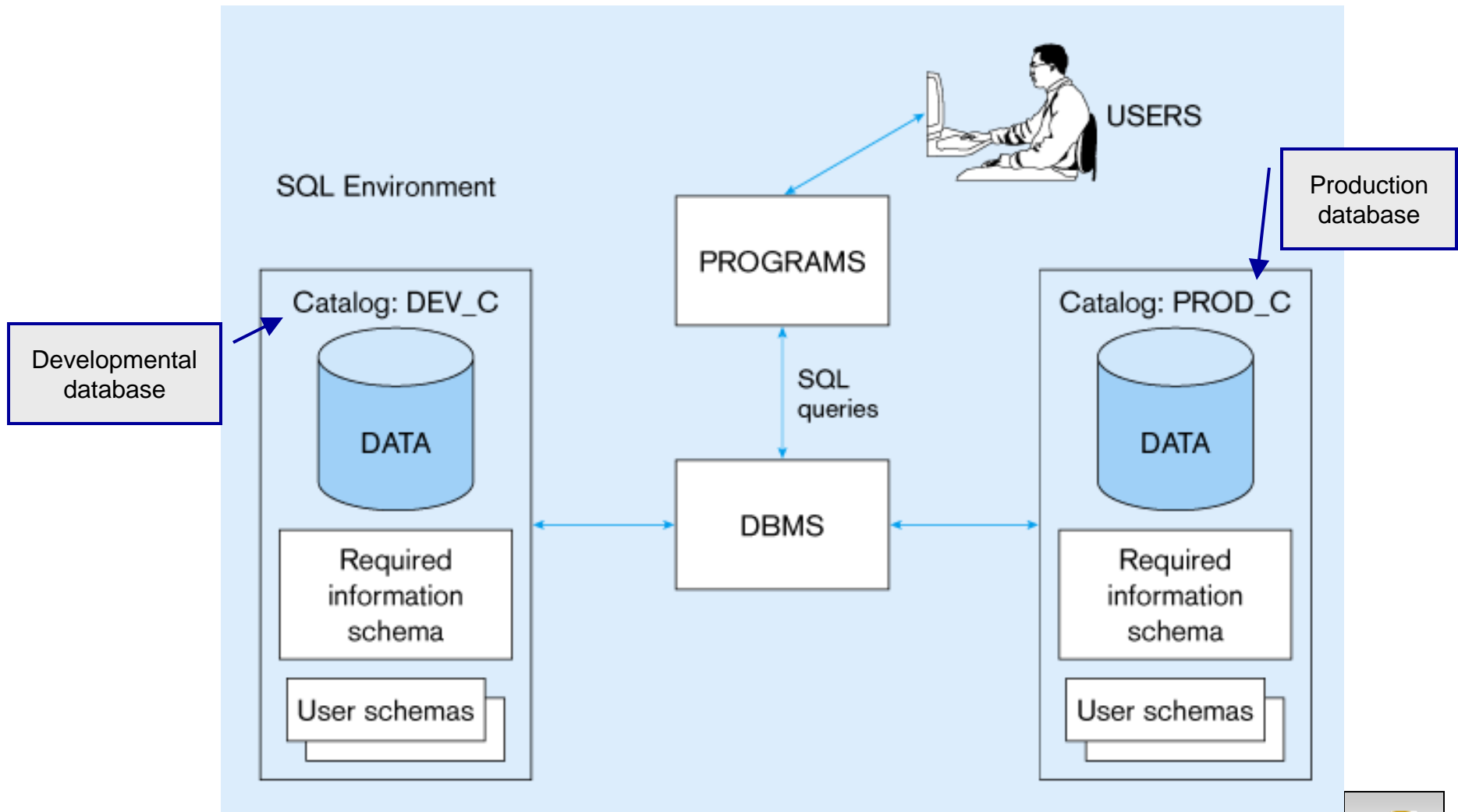


The SQL Environment

- **Catalog**
 - A set of schemas that constitute the description of a database.
- **Schema**
 - The structure that contains descriptions of objects created by a user (base tables, views, constraints).
- **Data Definition Language (DDL)**
 - Commands that define a database, including creating, altering, and dropping tables and establishing constraints.
- **Data Manipulation Language (DML)**
 - Commands that maintain and query a database.
- **Data Control Language (DCL)**
 - Commands that control a database, including administering privileges and committing data.



A simplified schematic of a typical SQL environment, as described by the SQL:2003 standard

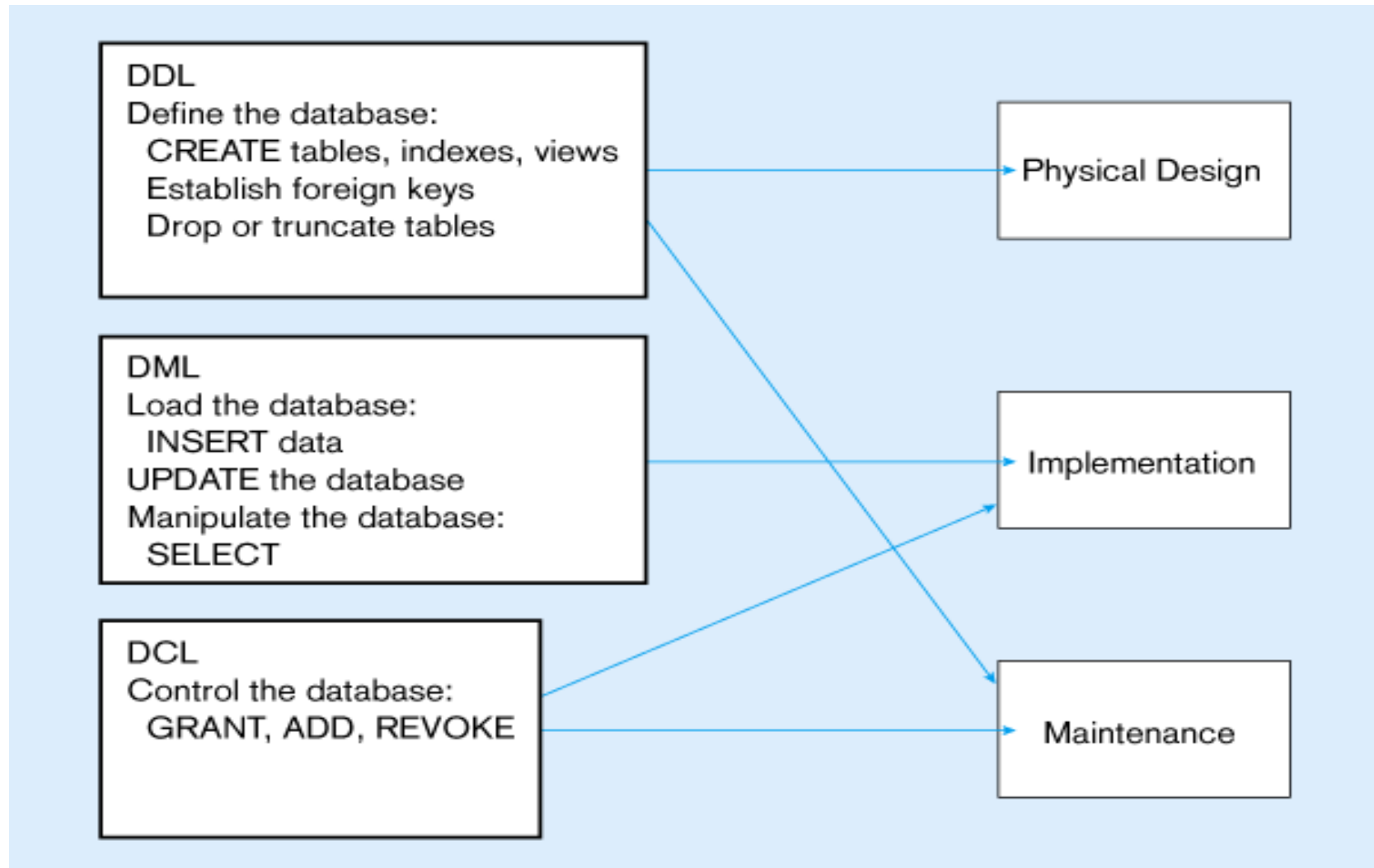


Some SQL Data Types (from Oracle 9i)

- String types
 - CHAR(n) – fixed-length character data, n characters long
Maximum length = 2000 bytes
 - VARCHAR2(n) – variable length character data, maximum 4000 bytes
 - LONG – variable-length character data, up to 4GB. Maximum 1 per table
- Numeric types
 - NUMBER(p,q) – general purpose numeric data type
 - INTEGER(p) – signed integer, p digits wide
 - FLOAT(p) – floating point in scientific notation with p binary digits precision
- Date/time type
 - DATE – fixed-length date/time in dd-mm-yy form



DDL, DML, DCL, and the database development process



SQL Database Definition

- Data Definition Language (DDL)
- Major CREATE statements:
 - CREATE SCHEMA – defines a portion of the database owned by a particular user.
 - CREATE TABLE – defines a table and its columns.
 - CREATE VIEW – defines a logical table from one or more views.
- Other CREATE statements: CHARACTER SET, COLLATION, TRANSLATION, ASSERTION, DOMAIN.



Table Creation

General syntax for CREATE TABLE

```
CREATE TABLE tablename  
( {column definition [table constraint] } . . .  
[ON COMMIT {DELETE | PRESERVE} ROWS] );
```

where *column definition* ::=

```
column_name  
    {domain name | datatype [(size)] }  
    [column_constraint_clause . . .]  
    [default value]  
    [collate clause]
```

and *table constraint* ::=

```
[CONSTRAINT constraint_name  
Constraint_type [constraint_attributes]
```

Steps in table creation:

1. Identify data types for attributes
2. Identify columns that can and cannot be null
3. Identify columns that must be unique (candidate keys)
4. Identify primary key-foreign key mates
5. Determine default values
6. Identify constraints on columns (domain specifications)
7. Create the table and associated indexes



Examples of SQL database definition commands

```
CREATE TABLE CUSTOMER_T
(CUSTOMER_ID          NUMBER(11, 0) NOT NULL,
 CUSTOMER_NAME       VARCHAR2(25) NOT NULL,
 CUSTOMER_ADDRESS    VARCHAR2(30),
 CITY                VARCHAR2(20),
 STATE               VARCHAR2(2),
 POSTAL_CODE         VARCHAR2(9),
 CONSTRAINT CUSTOMER_PK PRIMARY KEY (CUSTOMER_ID));
```

```
CREATE TABLE ORDER_T
(ORDER_ID            NUMBER(11, 0) NOT NULL,
 ORDER_DATE         DATE          DEFAULT SYSDATE,
 CUSTOMER_ID        NUMBER(11, 0),
 CONSTRAINT ORDER_PK PRIMARY KEY (ORDER_ID),
 CONSTRAINT ORDER_FK FOREIGN KEY (CUSTOMER_ID) REFERENCES CUSTOMER_T(CUSTOMER_ID));
```

```
CREATE TABLE PRODUCT_T
(PRODUCT_ID          INTEGER      NOT NULL,
 PRODUCT_DESCRIPTION VARCHAR2(50),
 PRODUCT_FINISH      VARCHAR2(20)
                    CHECK (PRODUCT_FINISH IN ('Cherry', 'Natural Ash', 'White Ash',
                    'Red Oak', 'Natural Oak', 'Walnut')),
 STANDARD_PRICE      DECIMAL(6,2),
 PRODUCT_LINE_ID     INTEGER,
 CONSTRAINT PRODUCT_PK PRIMARY KEY (PRODUCT_ID));
```

```
CREATE TABLE ORDER_LINE_T
(ORDER_ID            NUMBER(11,0) NOT NULL,
 PRODUCT_ID          NUMBER(11,0) NOT NULL,
 ORDERED_QUANTITY    NUMBER(11,0),
 CONSTRAINT ORDER_LINE_PK PRIMARY KEY (ORDER_ID, PRODUCT_ID),
 CONSTRAINT ORDER_LINE_FK1 FOREIGN KEY(ORDER_ID) REFERENCES ORDER_T(ORDER_ID),
 CONSTRAINT ORDER_LINE_FK2 FOREIGN KEY (PRODUCT_ID) REFERENCES PRODUCT_T(PRODUCT_ID));
```



Defining attributes and their data types

```
CREATE TABLE PRODUCT_T
```

```
(PRODUCT_ID          INTEGER NOT NULL,  
 PRODUCT_DESCRIPTION VARCHAR2(50),  
 PRODUCT_FINISH      VARCHAR2(20)
```

Domain
constraint

```
→ CHECK (PRODUCT_FINISH IN ('Cherry', 'Natural Ash', 'White Ash',  
                             'Red Oak', 'Natural Oak', 'Walnut')),
```

```
STANDARD_PRICE      DECIMAL(6,2),  
 PRODUCT_LINE_ID    INTEGER,
```

```
CONSTRAINT PRODUCT_PK PRIMARY KEY (PRODUCT_ID));
```



```
CREATE TABLE PRODUCT_T
```

```
(PRODUCT_ID
```

Non-null specification

```
INTEGER NOT NULL,
```

```
PRODUCT_DESCRIPTION VARCHAR2(50),
```

```
PRODUCT_FINISH VARCHAR2(20)
```

```
CHECK (PRODUCT_FINISH IN ('Cherry', 'Natural Ash', 'White Ash',  
                             'Red Oak', 'Natural Oak', 'Walnut')),
```

```
STANDARD_PRICE DECIMAL(6,2),
```

```
PRODUCT_LINE_ID INTEGER,
```

```
CONSTRAINT PRODUCT_PK PRIMARY KEY (PRODUCT_ID));
```

Primary keys
can never have
NULL values

Identifying primary key



```
CREATE TABLE ORDER_LINE_T
```

```
(ORDER_ID
```

```
NUMBER(11,0) NOT NULL,
```

```
PRODUCT_ID
```

```
NUMBER(11,0) NOT NULL,
```

```
ORDERED_QUANTITY
```

```
NUMBER(11,0),
```

Non-null specifications

```
CONSTRAINT ORDER_LINE_PK PRIMARY KEY (ORDER_ID, PRODUCT_ID),
```

Primary key

```
CONSTRAINT ORDER_LINE_FK1 FOREIGN KEY (ORDER_ID) REFERENCES ORDER_T (ORDER_ID),
```

```
CONSTRAINT ORDER_LINE_FK2 FOREIGN KEY (PRODUCT_ID) REFERENCES PRODUCT_T (PRODUCT_ID));
```

**Some primary keys are composite –
composed of multiple attributes**



Controlling the values in attributes

```
CREATE TABLE ORDER_T
  (ORDER_ID          NUMBER(11,0) NOT NULL,
   ORDER_DATE       DATE          DEFAULT SYSDATE,
   CUSTOMER_ID      NUMBER(11,0),
  CONSTRAINT ORDER_PK PRIMARY KEY (ORDER_ID),
  CONSTRAINT ORDER_FK FOREIGN KEY (CUSTOMER_ID) REFERENCES CUSTOMER_T(CUSTOMER_ID));

CREATE TABLE PRODUCT_T
  (PRODUCT_ID       INTEGER      NOT NULL,
   PRODUCT_DESCRIPTION VARCHAR2(50),
   PRODUCT_FINISH   VARCHAR2(20),
   CHECK (PRODUCT_FINISH IN ('Cherry', 'Natural Ash', 'White Ash',
                              'Red Oak', 'Natural Oak', 'Walnut')),
   STANDARD_PRICE   DECIMAL(6,2),
   PRODUCT_LINE_ID  INTEGER,
```

Default value

Domain constraint



Identifying foreign keys and establishing relationships

```
CREATE TABLE CUSTOMER_T
```

```
(CUSTOMER_ID          NUMBER(11, 0) NOT NULL,  
  CUSTOMER_NAME       VARCHAR2(25) NOT NULL,  
  CUSTOMER_ADDRESS    VARCHAR2(30),  
  CITY                 VARCHAR2(20),  
  STATE                VARCHAR2(2),  
  POSTAL_CODE          VARCHAR2(9),
```

Primary key of
parent table

```
CONSTRAINT CUSTOMER_PK PRIMARY KEY (CUSTOMER_ID));
```

```
CREATE TABLE ORDER_T
```

```
(ORDER_ID             NUMBER(11, 0) NOT NULL,  
  ORDER_DATE          DATE          DEFAULT SYSDATE,  
  CUSTOMER_ID         NUMBER(11, 0),
```

Foreign key of
dependent table

```
CONSTRAINT ORDER_PK PRIMARY KEY (ORDER_ID),
```

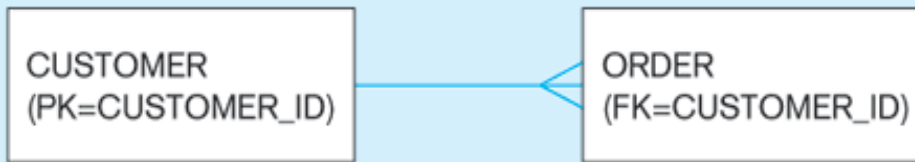
```
CONSTRAINT ORDER_FK FOREIGN KEY (CUSTOMER_ID) REFERENCES CUSTOMER_T(CUSTOMER_ID);
```



Data Integrity Controls

- **Referential integrity** – constraint that ensures that foreign key values of a table must match primary key values of a related table in 1:M relationships.
- **Restricting:**
 - Deletes of primary records.
 - Updates of primary records.
 - Inserts of dependent records.





Restricted Update: A customer ID can only be deleted if it is not found in ORDER table.

```

CREATE TABLE CUSTOMER_T
  (CUSTOMER_ID      INTEGER DEFAULT 'C999' NOT NULL,
   CUSTOMER_NAME    VARCHAR(40)      NOT NULL,
   ...
 CONSTRAINT CUSTOMER_PK PRIMARY KEY (CUSTOMER_ID),
 ON UPDATE RESTRICT);
  
```

Cascaded Update: Changing a customer ID in the CUSTOMER table will result in that value changing in the ORDER table to match.

```

... ON UPDATE CASCADE);
  
```

Set Null Update: When a customer ID is changed, any customer ID in the ORDER table that matches the old customer ID is set to NULL.

```

... ON UPDATE SET NULL);
  
```

Set Default Update: When a customer ID is changed, any customer ID in the ORDER tables that matches the old customer ID is set to a predefined default value.

```

... ON UPDATE SET DEFAULT);
  
```

Relational integrity is enforced via the primary-key to foreign-key match



Changing and Removing Tables

- **ALTER TABLE** statement allows you to change column specifications:
 - ALTER TABLE CUSTOMER_T ADD (TYPE VARCHAR(2))
- **DROP TABLE** statement allows you to remove tables from your schema:
 - DROP TABLE CUSTOMER_T



Schema Definition

- Control processing/storage efficiency:
 - Choice of indexes
 - File organizations for base tables
 - File organizations for indexes
 - Data clustering
 - Statistics maintenance
- Creating indexes
 - Speed up random/sequential access to base table data
 - Example
 - CREATE INDEX NAME_IDX ON CUSTOMER_T(CUSTOMER_NAME)
 - This makes an index for the CUSTOMER_NAME field of the CUSTOMER_T table



Insert Statement

- Adds data to a table
- Inserting into a table
 - `INSERT INTO CUSTOMER_T VALUES (001, 'Contemporary Casuals', 1355 S. Himes Blvd.', 'Gainesville', 'FL', 32601);`
- Inserting a record that has some null attributes requires identifying the fields that actually get data
 - `INSERT INTO PRODUCT_T (PRODUCT_ID, PRODUCT_DESCRIPTION, PRODUCT_FINISH, STANDARD_PRICE, PRODUCT_ON_HAND) VALUES (1, 'End Table', 'Cherry', 175, 8);`
- Inserting from another table
 - `INSERT INTO CA_CUSTOMER_T SELECT * FROM CUSTOMER_T WHERE STATE = 'CA';`



Delete Statement

- Removes rows from a table.
- Delete certain rows
 - `DELETE FROM CUSTOMER_T WHERE STATE = 'HI';`
- Delete all rows
 - `DELETE FROM CUSTOMER_T;`



Update Statement

- Modifies data in existing rows
- `UPDATE PRODUCT_T SET UNIT_PRICE = 775
WHERE PRODUCT_ID = 7;`

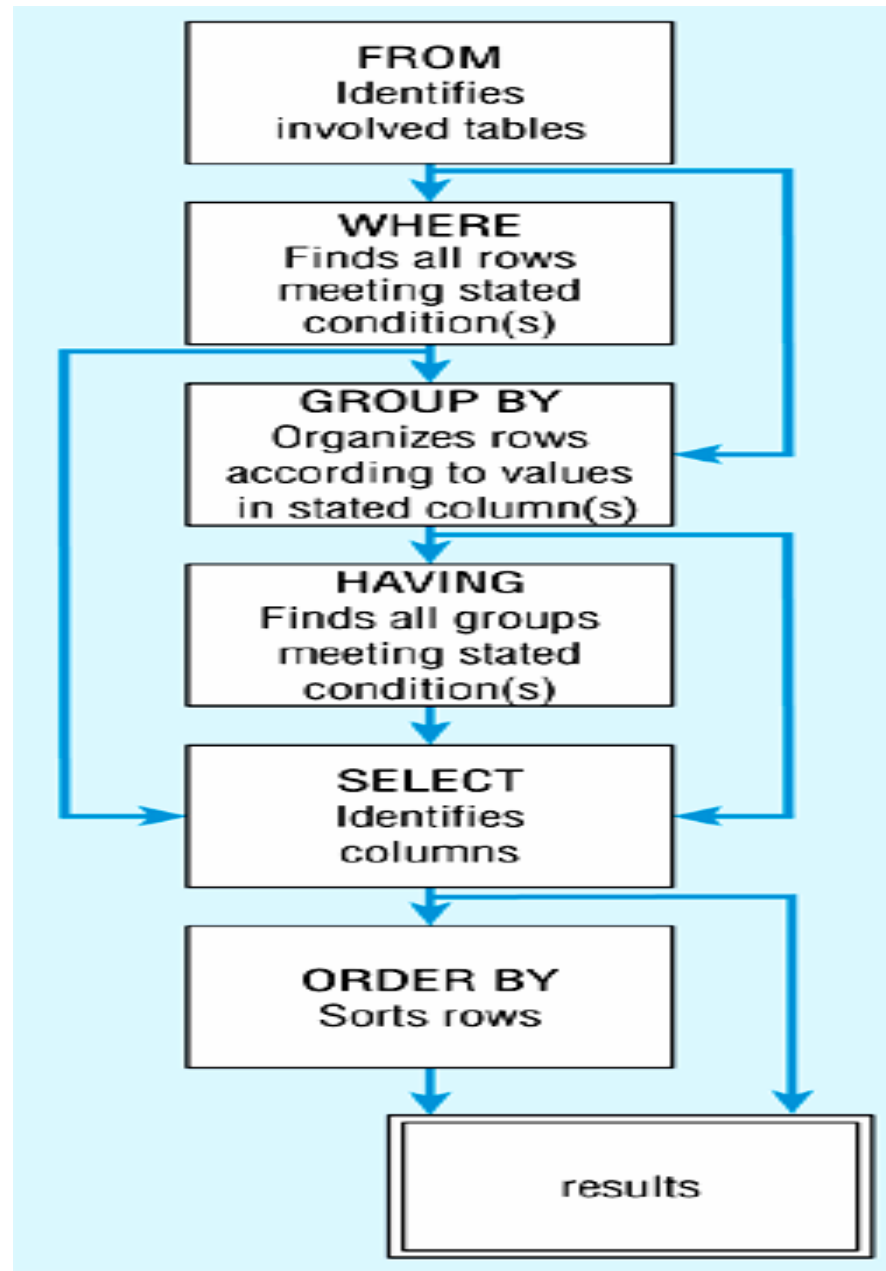


SELECT Statement

- Used for queries on single or multiple tables.
- Clauses of the SELECT statement:
 - **SELECT**
 - List the columns (and expressions) that should be returned from the query
 - **FROM**
 - Indicate the table(s) or view(s) from which data will be obtained
 - **WHERE**
 - Indicate the conditions under which a row will be included in the result
 - **GROUP BY**
 - Indicate categorization of results
 - **HAVING**
 - Indicate the conditions under which a category (group) will be included
 - **ORDER BY**
 - Sorts the result according to specified criteria



SQL statement processing order



SELECT Example

- Find products with standard price less than \$275

```
SELECT PRODUCT_NAME, STANDARD_PRICE  
FROM PRODUCT_V  
WHERE STANDARD_PRICE < 275;
```



SELECT Example using Alias

- Alias is an alternative column or table name.

```
SELECT CUST.CUSTOMER AS NAME,  
       CUST.CUSTOMER_ADDRESS  
FROM CUSTOMER_V CUST  
WHERE NAME = 'Home Furnishings';
```



SELECT Example Using a Function

- Using the COUNT *aggregate function* to find totals

```
SELECT COUNT(*) FROM ORDER_LINE_V  
WHERE ORDER_ID = 1004;
```

Note: with aggregate functions you can't have single-valued columns included in the SELECT clause



SELECT Example – Boolean Operators

- **AND**, **OR**, and **NOT** Operators for customizing conditions in WHERE clause

```
SELECT PRODUCT_DESCRIPTION, PRODUCT_FINISH,  
       STANDARD_PRICE  
FROM PRODUCT_V  
WHERE (PRODUCT_DESCRIPTION LIKE '%Desk'  
OR PRODUCT_DESCRIPTION LIKE '%Table')  
AND UNIT_PRICE > 300;
```

Note: the LIKE operator allows you to compare strings using wildcards. For example, the % wildcard in '%Desk' indicates that all strings that have any number of characters preceding the word "Desk" will be allowed



SELECT Example – Sorting Results with the ORDER BY Clause

- Sort the results first by STATE, and within a state by CUSTOMER_NAME

```
SELECT CUSTOMER_NAME, CITY, STATE  
FROM CUSTOMER_V  
WHERE STATE IN ('FL', 'TX', 'CA', 'HI')  
ORDER BY STATE, CUSTOMER_NAME;
```

Note: the IN operator in this example allows you to include rows whose STATE value is either FL, TX, CA, or HI. It is more efficient than separate OR conditions



SELECT Example –

Categorizing Results Using the GROUP BY Clause

- For use with aggregate functions
 - *Scalar aggregate*: single value returned from SQL query with aggregate function
 - *Vector aggregate*: multiple values returned from SQL query with aggregate function (via GROUP BY)

```
SELECT STATE, COUNT(STATE)
FROM CUSTOMER_V
GROUP BY STATE;
```

Note: you can use single-value fields with aggregate functions if they are included in the GROUP BY clause.



SELECT Example –

Qualifying Results by Category Using the HAVING Clause

- For use with GROUP BY

```
SELECT STATE, COUNT(STATE)
FROM CUSTOMER_V
GROUP BY STATE
HAVING COUNT(STATE) > 1;
```

Like a WHERE clause, but it operates on groups (categories), not on individual rows. Here, only those groups with total numbers greater than 1 will be included in final result

