

8.3 Data Definition Language (DDL) and Data Manipulation Language (DML)

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Objective

Build the skills to answer exam questions on **SQL** 结构化查询语言 — the difference between DDL and DML, and reading and writing simple SQL statements.

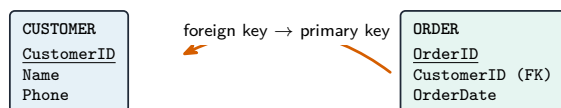
You must be able to:

- explain that the DBMS uses **DDL** to build the structure and **DML** to work with the data
- read and write simple **SQL (DDL)** statements (CREATE, ALTER, DROP)
- write **SQL (DML)** to query or change data in up to two tables

1 Worked examples

Study these first. Each one shows the method for a question type used later — follow the steps and you can do the Practice and Exam-style questions yourself.

■ DDL or DML?



DDL builds the tables and keys that DML statements then query

SQL has two halves: **Data Definition Language (DDL)** changes the **structure** (tables, keys); **Data Manipulation Language (DML)** works with the **data** (query, insert, update, delete).

■ DDL — building the structure

```
CREATE TABLE Student (
    StudentID INTEGER PRIMARY KEY,
    Name      VARCHAR(50) NOT NULL,
    Year      INTEGER
);
```

```
ALTER TABLE Student ADD Email VARCHAR(100);
```

A **foreign key** is declared with **FOREIGN KEY ... REFERENCES**:

```
CREATE TABLE Grade (
    StudentID INTEGER,
    Mark      INTEGER,
    FOREIGN KEY (StudentID) REFERENCES Student(StudentID)
);
```

■ DML — working with the data

```
INSERT INTO Student (StudentID, Name, Year) VALUES (7, 'Lee', 12);
```

```
SELECT Name FROM Student WHERE Year = 12 ORDER BY Name;
```

```
UPDATE Student SET Year = 13 WHERE StudentID = 7;
```

```
DELETE FROM Student WHERE Year = 13;
```

To query **two tables**, match the foreign key to the primary key:

```
SELECT Student.Name, Grade.Mark
FROM   Student, Grade
WHERE  Student.StudentID = Grade.StudentID;
```

2 Practice

Now apply the methods above.

2.1 State the difference between **DDL** and **DML**.

[2]

2.2 Write an SQL statement to list the **Name** of every student in **Year 12**. [2]

2.3 Write an SQL statement to **insert** a new student (StudentID 9, name “Sam”, Year 11). [2]

2.4 Name the SQL statement used to **change a table’s structure**. [1]

3 Exam-style questions

3.1 Write SQL **DDL** to create a table **Book** with: **BookID** (integer, primary key), **Title** (text, must not be empty), **Author** (text). [3]

3.2 Write SQL to change the **Year** of the student with **StudentID** 5 to 13. [2]

3.3 Tables **Student**(StudentID, Name) and **Grade**(StudentID, Mark) are linked by **StudentID**. Write SQL to list each student’s **Name** with their **Mark**. [3]

3.4 Write SQL to **delete** every student in Year 13. [2]

3.5 Write SQL **DDL** to create a table **Grade** with **StudentID** (integer) as a **foreign key** referencing **Student**(StudentID), and **Mark** (integer). [3]

3.6 Write SQL to list the **Name** of every Year-12 student, sorted into **alphabetical order** of name. [3]

3.7 A shipping company's database has two tables:

SHIP(ShipID, ShipName, Capacity) and CONTAINER(ContainerID, ShipID, Contents, Weight)

(a) **Describe** the relationship between the two tables, referring to the **primary** and **foreign** keys. [3]

(b) The company must record the date each container was last inspected. **Write** the SQL to add a suitable field to the CONTAINER table. [2]

(c) **Write** an SQL script to return the **number** of containers stored for the ship whose ShipName is 'Aurora'. [4]

(d) **Write** an SQL script to list the ShipName and the total Weight carried, for every ship carrying more than 500 tonnes, heaviest first. [4]

(e) **Describe** the purpose of the **developer interface** in a DBMS, and **give** one feature it provides that the query processor does not. [3]

Solutions

Each answer shows the steps, then the **result**.

2.1

- DDL defines/changes the **structure** (tables, keys)
- DML works with the **data** (insert, update, delete, query)

2.2

- SELECT ... FROM the student table, then filter Year 12
- SELECT Name FROM Student WHERE Year = 12;

2.3

- INSERT INTO ... VALUES
- INSERT INTO Student (StudentID, Name, Year) VALUES (9, 'Sam', 11);

2.4

- ALTER (TABLE) — a DDL statement

3.1

```
CREATE TABLE Book (  
    BookID INTEGER PRIMARY KEY,  
    Title  VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL,  
    Author VARCHAR(50)  
);
```

- CREATE TABLE + fields; PRIMARY KEY; NOT NULL on Title

3.2

- UPDATE ... SET
- UPDATE Student SET Year = 13 WHERE StudentID = 5;

3.3

- both tables, joined on StudentID
- SELECT Student.Name, Grade.Mark FROM Student, Grade WHERE Student.StudentID = Grade.StudentID;

3.4

- DELETE FROM
- DELETE FROM Student WHERE Year = 13;

3.5

```
CREATE TABLE Grade (  
    StudentID INTEGER,  
    Mark      INTEGER,  
    FOREIGN KEY (StudentID) REFERENCES Student(StudentID)  
);
```

- CREATE TABLE + fields; FOREIGN KEY; REFERENCES the correct table/field

3.6

- SELECT ... WHERE and ORDER BY
- SELECT Name FROM Student WHERE Year = 12 ORDER BY Name;

3.7

(a) one ship has **many** containers, so it is a one-to-many relationship

- ShipID is the **primary key** of SHIP, uniquely identifying each ship
- ShipID in CONTAINER is a **foreign key** referring to it, which links each container to its ship

(b) ALTER TABLE CONTAINER

- ADD LastInspected DATE;

(c)

```
SELECT COUNT(*)  
FROM CONTAINER, SHIP  
WHERE CONTAINER.ShipID = SHIP.ShipID  
      AND SHIP.ShipName = 'Aurora';
```

- SELECT COUNT; both tables; the join condition; the name condition, quoted

(d)

```
SELECT ShipName, SUM(Weight)  
FROM SHIP, CONTAINER  
WHERE SHIP.ShipID = CONTAINER.ShipID  
GROUP BY ShipName  
HAVING SUM(Weight) > 500  
ORDER BY SUM(Weight) DESC;
```

- SUM with GROUP BY; the join; HAVING — not WHERE, because the condition is on an aggregate; ORDER BY ... DESC

(e) the developer interface is the part of the DBMS used to **create and maintain** the database

- defining tables and data types, setting keys and relationships, and managing users and access rights
- the query processor only **runs** queries against a structure that already exists — it cannot create it