

5. SQL Querying

Views: Making Access Easy

- A view is a **virtual table** defined by an SQL-expression.

```
CREATE VIEW V AS
  SELECT ... FROM ... WHERE ...;
```

- **Real tables** are introduced by the CREATE TABLE-clause. They are also called *base tables*.
- A view can be used wherever we expect a table in an SQL-expression.

```
CREATE VIEW Capital-Info AS
  SELECT Capital, Inhabitants
  FROM Country, City
  WHERE Country.CoCode = City.CoCode;
SELECT * FROM Capital-Info
  WHERE Inhabitants =
  ( SELECT MAX(Inhabitants) FROM Capital-Info );
```

Dynamics: Insert, Delete and Update

A new EU-member.

```
INSERT INTO Membership (CoCode, Organization, Status)
VALUES ('PL', 'EU', 'member')
```

```
INSERT INTO Country ( CoCode )
SELECT DISTINCT M.CoCode
FROM Membership M
WHERE NOT EXISTS (
    SELECT L.CoCode
    FROM Country L
    WHERE L.CoCode = M.CoCode)
```

Sequence-numbers — mostly used as surrogate keys (the Oracle way)

```
CREATE TABLE Country(  
  CoID INTEGER GENERATED ALWAYS AS IDENTITY  
  ( START WITH 1  
  INCREMENT BY 1  
  MINVALUE 1  
  MAXVALUE 100000  
  NO CYCLE),  
  ...)
```

Sequence-numbers (the Postgresql way)

```
CREATE TABLE Country(  
  CoID SERIAL,  
  ...)
```

Insertion for both

```
INSERT INTO Country  
  (CoName, CoCode, Capital)  
  VALUES ( 'Bavaria', 'BY', 'Munich')
```

Don't do this!

```
DELETE FROM City
```

It deletes **all** tuples!

```
DELETE FROM City
  WHERE Longitude < 90;
```

```
UPDATE City
  SET Inhabitants = Inhabitants * 1.1,
  ...WHERE Inhabitants > 1000;
```

Integrity

Integrity constraints

- Integrity constraints define the legal states of a database.
- The DBMS guarantees that all integrity constraints are obeyed.
- Primary key and foreign key clauses express integrity constraints.
No null-values and no duplicates allowed for primary keys!

- There are also *domain* constraints:

```
CREATE TABLE Location (  
    Continent VARCHAR(35) NONNULL,  
    Percentage NUMBER DEFAULT 100);
```

- More general constraints need the *check*-clause:

```
CREATE TABLE City (  
    Longitude NUMBER,  
    Latitude NUMBER,  
    CHECK (Longitude BETWEEN -180 AND 180),  
    CHECK (Latitude BETWEEN -90 AND 90));
```

Foreign Keys: the Complete Story (almost)

Examples

```
CREATE TABLE Province (  
    PrName    VARCHAR(35),  
    CoCode    VARCHAR(4),  
    PRIMARY KEY (PrName, CoCode),  
    FOREIGN KEY (CoCode) REFERENCES Country (CoCode) )
```

```
CREATE TABLE Border (  
    CoCode1   VARCHAR(4),  
    CoCode2   VARCHAR(4),  
    Length    INTEGER,  
    PRIMARY KEY (CoCode1, CoCode2),  
    FOREIGN KEY (CoCode1) REFERENCES Country (CoCode),  
    FOREIGN KEY (CoCode2) REFERENCES Country (CoCode) )
```

```
CREATE TABLE City ( ...  
    PRIMARY KEY (CiName, CoCode, PrName),  
    FOREIGN KEY (CoCode) REFERENCES Country (CoCode),  
    FOREIGN KEY (CoCode, PrName) REFERENCES Province (CoCode, PrName) )
```

Referential actions

Without any additional provisions the DBMS will cancel all operations on a database which are going to violate integrity constraints.

To retain referential integrity we can specify actions that maintain consistency; these are the *referential* actions.

For a given FOREIGN KEY-clause, the table containing the clause is called (*child*) C-table and the referenced table is called (*parent*) P-table.

Referential actions are part of the C-table; they state what has to happen when a DELETE- or UPDATE-operation executed with respect to the corresponding P-table violates referential integrity.

```
CREATE TABLE Province (  
    :  
    FOREIGN KEY (CoCode) REFERENCES Country (CoCode)  
        ON DELETE CASCADE ON UPDATE NO ACTION )  
  
CREATE TABLE City (  
    :  
    PRIMARY KEY (CiNAME)  
    FOREIGN KEY (CoCode, PrName)  
        REFERENCES Province (CoCode, PrName)  
        ON DELETE SET NULL ON UPDATE SET DEFAULT )
```



```
DROP TABLE T4; DROP TABLE T3; DROP TABLE T2; DROP TABLE T1;
```

```
CREATE TABLE T1( k1 INTEGER, PRIMARY KEY(k1) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE T2( k2 INTEGER, k1 INTEGER,  
PRIMARY KEY(k2), FOREIGN KEY(k1) REFERENCES T1(k1) ON DELETE CASCADE );
```

```
CREATE TABLE T3( k3 INTEGER, k1 INTEGER,  
PRIMARY KEY(k3), FOREIGN KEY(k1) REFERENCES T1(k1) ON DELETE CASCADE );
```

```
CREATE TABLE T4( k4 INTEGER, k2 INTEGER, k3 INTEGER, PRIMARY KEY(k4),  
FOREIGN KEY(k2) REFERENCES T2(k2) ON DELETE CASCADE,  
FOREIGN KEY(k3) REFERENCES T3(k3) ON DELETE SET NULL );
```

```
INSERT INTO T1(k1) VALUES(1); INSERT INTO T1(k1) VALUES(2);  
INSERT INTO T2(k2,k1) VALUES(21,1); INSERT INTO T2(k2,k1) VALUES(22,2);  
INSERT INTO T3(k3,k1) VALUES(31,1); INSERT INTO T3(k3,k1) VALUES(32,2);  
INSERT INTO T4(k4,k2,k3) VALUES(41,21,31);  
INSERT INTO T4(k4,k2,k3) VALUES(42,22,32);  
INSERT INTO T4(k4,k2,k3) VALUES(43,22,31);
```

```
delete from T1 where k1 = 2;
```

Trigger: A Powerful Mechanism Based on Events

T1	K1	T2	K2	K1	T3	K3	K1	T4	K4	K2	K3
1		a		1	b		1	c		a	b

```

/* DELETE CASCADE bei T2->T1 and T3->T1 */
CREATE TRIGGER t1delete_t2undt3
  AFTER DELETE ON T1 REFERENCING OLD as oldrow
  FOR EACH ROW
  BEGIN DELETE FROM T2 WHERE k1=oldrow.k1;
        DELETE FROM T3 WHERE k1=oldrow.k1; END

/* DELETE CASCADE bei T4->T2 */
CREATE TRIGGER t2delete_t4
  AFTER DELETE ON T2 REFERENCING OLD as oldrow
  FOR EACH ROW DELETE FROM T4 WHERE k2=oldrow.k2;

/* DELETE RESTRICT bei T4->T3 */
CREATE TRIGGER t3delete_t4
  AFTER DELETE ON T3 REFERENCING OLD as oldrow
  FOR EACH ROW DELETE FROM T4 WHERE k3 = oldrow.k3
  
```

On Triggers

- Triggers are *Event-Condition-Action (ECA)*-rules
- they execute when the event occurs and the condition is fulfilled.
- Powerful mechanism to check and possibly correct violations of integrity.
- Executing a trigger may activate another trigger, and so on. Danger of nontermination!

Outlook: Analysis

Online Analytical Processing (OLAP): ROLLUP and CUBE

SALES			
Model	Year	Color	Sales
Chevy	1990	red	5
Chevy	1990	white	87
Chevy	1990	blue	62
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Chevy	1991	white	95
Chevy	1991	blue	49
Chevy	1992	red	31
Chevy	1992	white	54
Chevy	1992	blue	71
Ford	1990	red	64
Ford	1990	white	62
Ford	1990	blue	63
Ford	1991	red	52
Ford	1991	white	9
Ford	1991	blue	55
Ford	1992	red	27
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Ford	1992	blue	39

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 $ROLLUP(M, Y, C)$

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Chevy	1990	blue	62
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Chevy	1990	ALL	154
Chevy	1991	blue	49
Chevy	1991	red	54
Chevy	1991	white	95
Chevy	1991	ALL	198
Chevy	1992	blue	71
Chevy	1992	red	31
Chevy	1992	white	54
Chevy	1992	ALL	156
Chevy	ALL	ALL	508
Ford	1990	blue	63
Ford	1990	red	64
Ford	1990	white	62
Ford	1990	ALL	189
Ford	1991	blue	55
Ford	1991	red	52
Ford	1991	white	9
Ford	1991	ALL	116
Ford	1992	blue	39
Ford	1992	red	27
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Chevy	1992	white	54	ALL	1990	blue	125
Chevy	1992	ALL	156	ALL	1990	red	69
Chevy	ALL	blue	182	ALL	1990	white	149
Chevy	ALL	red	90	ALL	1990	ALL	343
Chevy	ALL	white	236	ALL	1991	blue	106
Chevy	ALL	ALL	508	ALL	1991	red	104
Ford	1990	blue	63	ALL	1991	white	110
Ford	1990	red	64	ALL	1991	ALL	314
Ford	1990	white	62	ALL	1992	blue	110
Ford	1990	ALL	189	ALL	1992	red	58
Ford	1991	blue	55	ALL	1992	white	116
Ford	1991	red	52	ALL	1992	ALL	284
Ford	1991	white	9	ALL	ALL	blue	339
Ford	1991	ALL	116	ALL	ALL	red	233
Ford	1992	blue	39	ALL	ALL	white	369
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OLAP Useful for *Datawarehouse*-applications, i.e. applications based on *historical* data. This is in contrast to *Online Transaction Processing* (OLTP), i.e. applications on the *production* data.

OLAP in SQL

```
SELECT Model, Year, Color, sum(Sales)
FROM SALES
GROUP BY ROLLUP(Model, Year, Color)
```

```
SELECT Model, Year, Color, sum(Sales)
FROM SALES
GROUP BY CUBE(Model, Year, Color)
```