

# LU07a - SQL-DML: Basics

## Learning Objectives

1. Understand and Apply Data Insertion Concepts
2. Master the Use of UPDATE Statements with Filters
3. Safely Delete Records Using SQL DELETE Statements:
4. Demonstrate Practical Usage of SQL DML in Real-world Scenarios

## Introduction to DML

To begin with, the acronym DML stands for **Data Manipulation Language** and refers to how table contents are to be handled according to the rules of a relational database system such as MySQL.

## Overview of MySQL DML

MySQL DML is used to manage the data in tables, as opposed to the structure of the tables themselves. The three main operations are:

1. INSERT: Used to add new records to a table.
2. UPDATE: Modifies existing data within a table.
3. DELETE: Removes data from a table.

Each of these commands can be executed **with or without filtering conditions**, affecting either specific rows or all rows within a table.

## INSERT Statement

The INSERT command is used to add new records to a table. When using INSERT, it is essential to specify the table and columns where the data will be added.

### Syntax

```
INSERT INTO table_name (column1, column2, column3)
VALUES (value1, value2, value3);
```

### Example

```
INSERT INTO employees (employee_id, first_name, last_name, hire_date,
salary)
VALUES (1, 'John', 'Doe', '2023-09-18', 55000);
```

## 2. UPDATE Statement

The UPDATE command is used to modify existing data in a table. It can be executed with or without a WHERE clause, depending on whether you want to update specific rows or all rows.

### 2.1 UPDATE with Filter (WHERE Clause)

Using a WHERE clause allows you to target specific rows to update. This ensures that only rows meeting a certain condition are modified.

#### Syntax

```
UPDATE table_name
SET column1 = value1, column2 = value2
WHERE condition;
```

#### Example

```
UPDATE employees
SET salary = 60000
WHERE employee_id = 1;
```

### Vocabulary

English	Deutsch
to refer to	beziehen auf
according	gemäss
opposed to	im Gegensatz zu



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