

# Working with Databases

## Chapter 14

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# Databases and Web Development

The Role of Databases in Web Development

Databases provide a way to implement one of the most important software design principles namely, that:

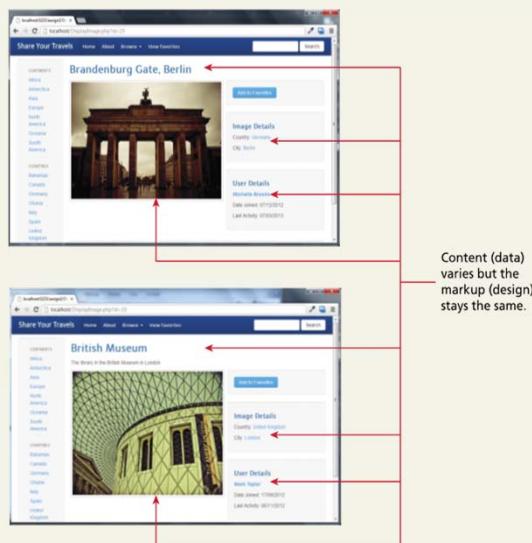
*one should separate that which varies from that which stays the same.*

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# Databases and Web Development

The Role of Databases in Web Development

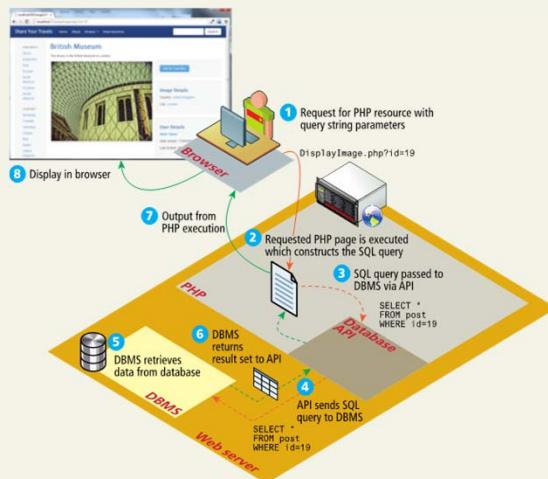


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How websites use databases



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# Databases and Web Development

Database Design

Normally taught in an entire course. This is a refresher.

Field names	ArtWorkID	Title	Artist	YearOfWork
Records	345	The Death of Marat	David	1793
	400	The School of Athens	Raphael	1510
	408	Bacchus and Ariadne	Titian	1520
	425	Girl with a Pearl Earring	Vermeer	1665
	438	Starry Night	Van Gogh	1889

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# Databases and Web Development

Diagramming a table

ArtWorks			
	PK	ArtWorkID	
⌚		Title	
		Artist	
		YearOfWork	INT

ArtWorks	
PK	ArtWorkID
	Title
	Artist
	YearOfWork

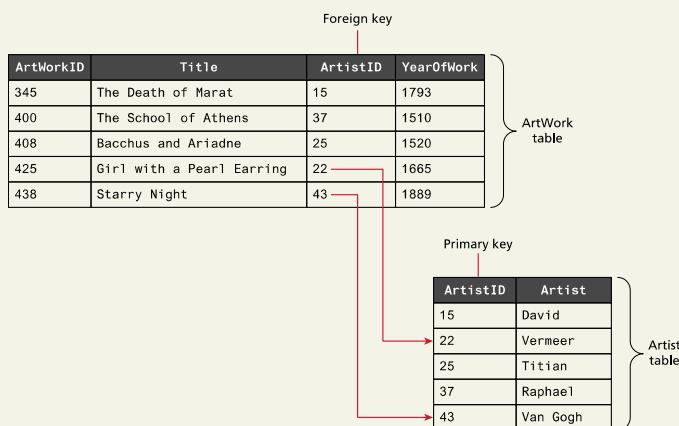
ArtWorks			
	ArtWorkID		
	Title		
	Artist		
	YearOfWork		

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Foreign keys lining tables

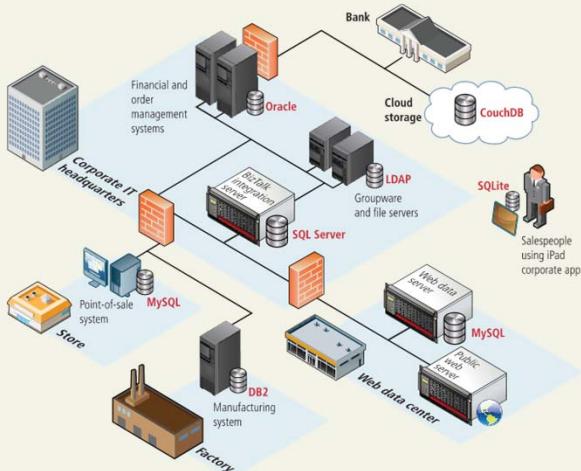


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Database Options



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# SQL

## SELECT Statement

SQL keyword that indicates the type of query (in this case a query to retrieve data)

`SELECT ISBN10, Title FROM Books`

Fields to retrieve

SQL keyword for specifying the tables

Table to retrieve from

`SELECT * FROM Books`

Wildcard to select all fields

*Note: While the wildcard is convenient, especially when testing, for production code it is usually avoided; instead of selecting every field, you should select just the fields you need.*

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# SQL

## SELECT Statement

`select ISBN10, title  
FROM BOOKS  
ORDER BY title`

SQL keyword to indicate sort order

*Note: SQL doesn't care if a command is on a single line or multiple lines, nor does it care about the case of keywords or table and field names. Line breaks and keyword capitalization are often used to aid in readability.*

`SELECT ISBN10, Title FROM Books  
ORDER BY CopyrightYear DESC, Title ASC`

Keywords indicating that sorting should be in descending or ascending order (which is the default)

Several sort orders can be specified: in this case the data is sorted first on year, then on title

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Use the WHERE clause

```
SELECT isbn10, title FROM books
WHERE copyrightYear > 2010
```

SQL keyword that indicates  
to return only those records  
whose data matches the  
criteria expression

```
SELECT isbn10, title FROM books
WHERE category = 'Math' AND copyrightYear = 2014
```

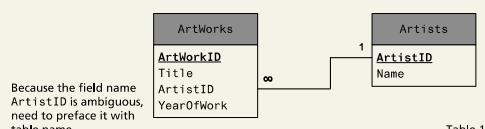
Comparisons with strings require string  
literals (single or double quote)

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# SQL

Join together



```
SELECT Artists.ArtistID, Title, YearOfWork, Name FROM Artists
INNER JOIN ArtWorks ON Artists.ArtistID = ArtWorks.ArtistID
```

SQL keywords indicate the type of join  
Table 2 Primary key in Table 1 Foreign key in Table 2



```
SELECT Books.BookID, Books.Title, Authors.Name, Books.CopyrightYear
FROM Books
INNER JOIN (Authors INNER JOIN BookAuthors ON Authors.AuthorID = BookAuthors.AuthorID)
ON Books.BookID = BookAuthors.BookID
```

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# SQL

Member group by

```
SELECT Count(ArtWorkID) AS NumPaintings
FROM ArtWorks
WHERE YearOfWork > 1900
```

This aggregate function returns a count of the number of records  
Defines an alias for the calculated value  
Count number of paintings after year 1900

*Note: This SQL statement returns a single record with a single value in it.*

NumPaintings
745

```
SELECT Nationality, Count(ArtistID) AS NumArtists
FROM Artists
GROUP BY Nationality
```

SQL keywords to group output by specified fields

Nationality	NumArtists
Belgium	4
England	15
France	36
Germany	27
Italy	53

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# SQL

INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE Statements

```
INSERT INTO ArtWorks (Title, YearOfWork, ArtistID)
VALUES ('Night Watch', 1642, 105)
```

SQL keywords for inserting (adding) a new record  
Table name  
Fields that will receive the data values

*Note: Primary key fields are often set to AUTO\_INCREMENT, which means the DBMS will set it to a unique value when a new record is inserted.*

```
INSERT INTO ArtWorks
SET Title='Night Watch', YearOfWork=1642, ArtistID=105
```

Nonstandard alternate MySQL syntax, which is useful when inserting record with many fields (less likely to insert wrong data into a field).

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INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE Statements

```
UPDATE ArtWorks  
SET Title='Night Watch', YearOfWork=1642, ArtistID=105  
WHERE ArtWorkID=54
```

It is essential to specify which record to update, otherwise it will update all the records!

Specify the values for each updated field.  
*Note: Primary key fields that are AUTO\_INCREMENT cannot have their values updated.*

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INSERT, UPDATE, and DELETE Statements

```
DELETE FROM ArtWorks  
WHERE ArtWorkID=54
```

It is essential to specify which record to delete, otherwise it will delete all the records!

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## Transactions

By starting the transaction, all database modifications within the transaction will only be permanently saved in the database if they all work

### START TRANSACTION

```
INSERT INTO orders . . .
INSERT INTO orderDetails . . .
UPDATE inventory . . .
/* if we have made it here everything has worked so commit
changes */
```

### COMMIT

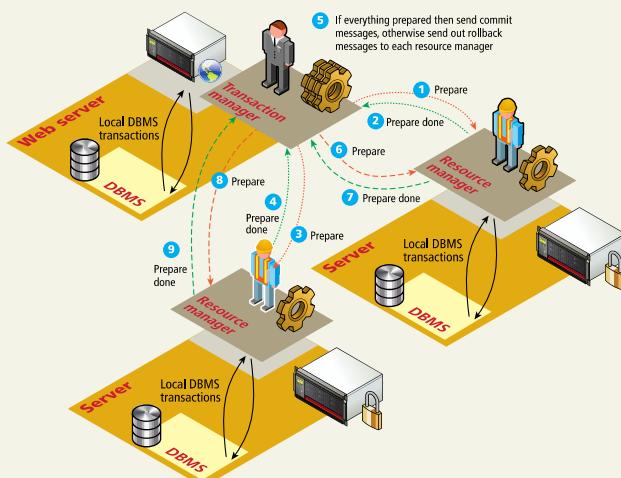
```
/* if we replace COMMIT with ROLLBACK then the three
database changes would be "undone" */
```

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## Distributed Transactions



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# SQL

Data Definition Statements

All of the SQL examples that you will use in this book are examples of the **Data Manipulation Language** features of SQL, that is, SELECT , UPDATE , INSERT , and DELETE .

There is also a **Data Definition Language (DDL)** in SQL, which is used for creating tables, modifying the structure of a table, deleting tables, and creating and deleting databases

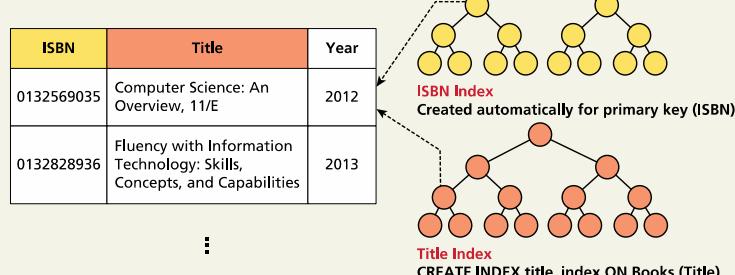
While the book's examples do not use these database administration statements within PHP, your instructor may, and you may find yourself using them indirectly within something like the phpMyAdmin management tool anyhow.

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# SQL

Database Indexes and Efficiency



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# NoSQL

A different way of thinking

Relational Design

User Table				Address Table			
ID	FirstName	LastName	AddressID	ID	Address1	CityID	PostalCode
142	Pablo	Picasso	998	998	15-23 Carrer Montcada	320	08003

City Table			Country Table		
ID	CityName	CountryID	ID	Name	Population
320	Barcelona	44	44	Spain	46,042,812

Document Store Design

ID	Document
142	{     "User": {       "FirstName": "Pablo",       "LastName": "Picasso",       "Address": {         "Address1": "15-23 Carrer Montcada",         "City": "Barcelona",         "Country": {           "Name": "Spain",           "Population": 46042812         },         "PostalCode": "08003"       }     }   }

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# NoSQL

Key-Value Stores

- **Key-value stores** alone are very simplistic in that each record consists of one key and one value (i.e., is, they are analogous to PHP arrays).
- fast retrieval through means such as a hash function
- No need for indexes

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# NoSQL

Document Stores

**Document Stores** associate keys with values, but unlike key-value stores, they call that value a **document**.

ID	Document
142	{         "User": {           "FirstName": "Pablo",           "LastName": "Picasso",           "Address": {             "Address1": "15-23 Carrer Montcada",             "City": "Barcelona",             "Country": {               "Name": "Spain",               "Population": 46042812             },             "PostalCode": "08003"           }         }       }

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# NoSQL

Column Stores

Row-wise storage

	ID	Title	Artist	Year
Row # 1	345	The Death of Marat	David	1793
2	400	The School of Athens	Raphael	1510
3	408	Bacchus and Ariadne	Titian	1521
4	425	Girl with a Pearl Earring	Vermeer	1665
5	438	Starry Night	Van Gogh	1889

Column-wise storage

ID	Title	Artist	Year
1	345	1 The Death of Marat	1 David
2	400	2 The School of Athens	2 Raphael
3	408	3 Bacchus and Ariadne	3 Titian
4	425	4 Girl with a Pearl Earring	4 Vermeer
5	438	5 Starry Night	5 Van Gogh

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# Database APIs

PHP MySQL APIs

- **MySQL extension.** This was the original extension to PHP for working with MySQL and has been replaced with the newer mysqli extension.
- **mysqli extension.** This extension provides both a procedural and an object-oriented approach. This extension also supports most of the latest features of MySQL.
- **PHP data objects (PDOs).** provides an abstraction layer that with the appropriate drivers can be used with any database, and not just MySQL databases. However, it is not able to make use of all the latest features of MySQL.

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# Database APIs

Deciding on a Database API

While PDO is unable to take advantage of some features of MySQL, there is a lot of merit to the fact that PDO can create database-independent PHP code

- Like many things in the web world, there is no single best choice.
- As the chapter (and book) proceed, we will standardize on the object-oriented, database-independent PDO approach.

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# Managing a MySQL Database

Command-Line Interface

```
[root@f1 ~]#
Database changed
mysql> SHOW TABLES;
+-----+
| Tables_in_book_database |
+-----+
| authors
| bookauthors
| books
| categories
| disciplines
| institutions
| productionstatuses
| subcategories
+-----+
9 rows in set (0.00 sec)

mysql> SHOW COLUMNS IN authors;
+-----+
| Field | Type | Null | Key | Default | Extra |
+-----+
| ID | int(11) | NO | PRI | NULL | auto_increment |
| FirstName | varchar(255) | YES | | NULL | |
| LastName | varchar(255) | YES | | NULL | |
| Institution | varchar(255) | YES | | NULL | |
+-----+
4 rows in set (0.00 sec)

mysql> SELECT * FROM authors WHERE FirstName LIKE "An";
+-----+
| ID | FirstName | LastName | Institution |
+-----+
| 2 | Andrew | Abel | Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania |
| 25 | Allen | Center | |
| 37 | Allen | Soren | |
| 98 | Andrew | Durbin | Rochester Institute of Technology |
| 58 | Allan | Hambley | null |
| 93 | Allan | Known | Indiana University of Pennsylvania |
| 82 | Arthur | Known | Virginia Polytechnic Inst. and State University |
| 182 | Arthur | O'Leary | |
| 119 | Arthur | O'Sullivan | null |
| 121 | Arthur | Washington | |
| 194 | Alice Frances | Weyman | |
| 198 | Alice M. | Gillam | University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee |
| 201 | Alice M. | Karp | |
| 216 | Alvin C. | Burns | null |
| 223 | Alvin C. | Gholz | |
| 252 | Alvin | Arens | Michigan State University |
| 258 | Alis | Orville | null |
| 278 | Alton | Parker | null |
| 275 | Alan | Marks | Derry University |
+-----+
19 rows in set (0.00 sec)

mysql>
```

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# Managing a MySQL Database

## Command-Line Interface

To launch an interactive MySQL command-line session, you must specify the host, username, and database name to connect to as shown below:

```
mysql -h 192.168.1.14 -u bookUser -p
```

To import commands from a file called `commands.sql`, for example, we would use the `<` operation:

```
mysql -h 192.168.1.14 -u bookUser -p < commands.sql
```

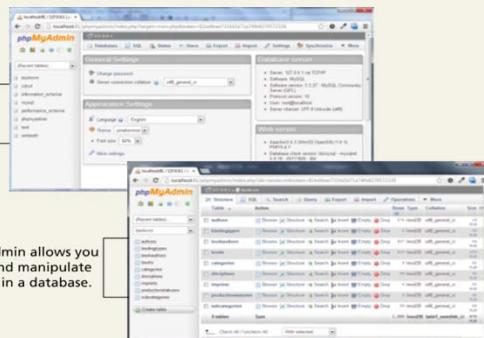
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# Managing a MySQL Database

## phpMyAdmin

MySQL has a number of predefined databases it uses for its own operation.



phpMyAdmin allows you to view and manipulate any table in a database.

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# Managing a MySQL Database

MySQL Workbench

The screenshot shows the MySQL Workbench interface. On the left, the 'Object Tree' pane lists various database objects like authors, books, categories, and subcategories. In the center, the 'Diagram' pane displays an Entity-Relationship (EER) diagram with entities such as categories, subcategories, books, publications, and imports. Associations between these entities are shown with lines and arrows. Below the diagram, the 'books' table is selected in the 'Table Name' dropdown, and its schema is displayed in the 'Table Editor'. The 'book\_database' schema is specified. The table has columns: ID (INT(11)), ISBN10 (VARCHAR(255)), ISBN13 (VARCHAR(255)), Title (VARCHAR(255)), Subtitle (VARCHAR(255)), CopyrightYear (YEAR), SubCategoryID (INT(11)), ImprentID (INT(11)), ProducerID (INT(11)), and BindingTypeID (INT(11)). The 'Columns' tab of the editor is active, showing column details like Data type, Nullability, and Default value.

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Basic Connection Algorithm

1. Connect to the database.
2. Handle connection errors.
3. Execute the SQL query.
4. Process the results.
5. Free resources and close connection.

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Basic Connection Algorithm

```
<?php

try {
    $connString = "mysql:host=localhost;dbname=bookcrm";
    $user = "testuser";
    $pass = "mypassword";

    $pdo = new PDO($connString,$user,$pass);
    $pdo->setAttribute(PDO::ATTR_ERRMODE, PDO::ERRMODE_EXCEPTION);

    $sql = "SELECT * FROM Categories ORDER BY CategoryName";
    $result = $pdo->query($sql);

    while ($row = $result->fetch()) {
        echo $row['ID'] . " - " . $row['CategoryName'] . "<br/>";
    }
    $pdo = null;
}

catch (PDOException $e) {
    die( $e->getMessage() );
}

?>
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Connecting to a Database (mysqli procedural)

```
// modify these variables for your installation
$host = "localhost";
$database = "bookcrm";
$user = "testuser";
$pass = "mypassword";
$connection = mysqli_connect($host, $user, $pass, $database);
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Connecting to a Database (PDO Object-oriented)

```
// modify these variables for your installation
$connectionString = "mysql:host=localhost;dbname=bookcrm";
$user = "testuser";
$pass = "mypassword";
$pdo = new PDO($connectionString, $user, $pass);
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Handling Connection Errors - mysqli

```
$connection = mysqli_connect(DBHOST, DBUSER, DBPASS, DBNAME);
// mysqli_connect_errno returns the last error code
if ( mysqli_connect_errno() ) {
    die( mysqli_connect_error() );
    // die() is equivalent to exit()
}
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Handling Connection Errors - PDO

```
try {
    $connString = "mysql:host=localhost;dbname=bookcrm";
    $user = DBUSER;
    $pass = DBPASS;
    $pdo = new PDO($connString,$user,$pass);
    ...
}

catch (PDOException $e) {
    die( $e->getMessage() );
}
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Executing the Query

```
$sql = "SELECT * FROM Categories ORDER BY CategoryName";
// returns a mysqli_result object
$result = mysqli_query($connection, $sql);
OR
$result = $pdo->query($sql);
```

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Processing the Query Results

```
$sql = "SELECT * FROM Categories ORDER BY CategoryName";
// run the query
$result = $pdo->query($sql);
// fetch a record from result set into an associative array
while ($row = $result->fetch()) {
    // the keys match the field names from the table
    echo $row['ID'] . " - " . $row['CategoryName'];
    echo "<br/>";
}
```

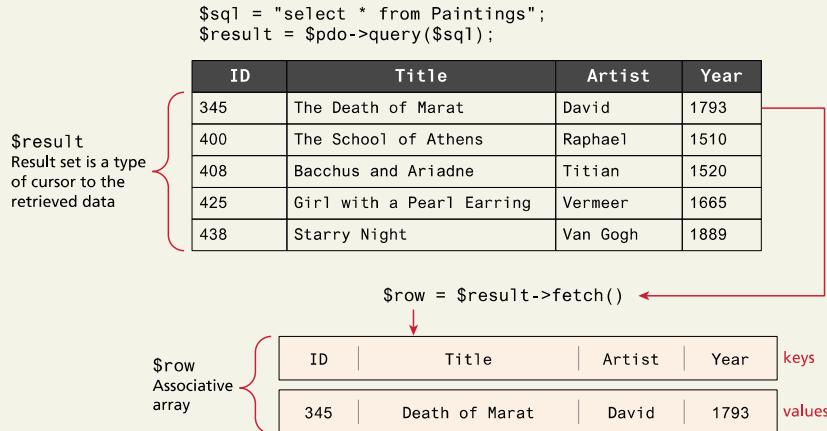
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Processing the Query Results



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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Freeing Resources and Closing Connection

```
//closes the connection
mysqli_close($connection);

// closes connection and frees the resources used by the PDO object
$pdo = null;
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Working with Parameters

```
$sql = "UPDATE Categories SET CategoryName='Web' WHERE
        CategoryName='Business'";
$count = $pdo->exec($sql);
echo "<p>Updated " . $count . " rows</p>";
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Working with Parameters – Technique 1 ? Placeholders

```
$sql = "INSERT INTO books (ISBN10, Title, CopyrightYear, ImprintId,
ProductionStatusId, TrimSize, Description) VALUES (?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?)";
$stmt = $pdo->prepare($sql);
$stmt->bindValue(1, $_POST['isbn']);
$stmt->bindValue(2, $_POST['title']);
$stmt->bindValue(3, $_POST['year']);
$stmt->bindValue(4, $_POST['imprint']);
$stmt->bindValue(5, $_POST['status']);
$stmt->bindValue(6, $_POST['size']);
$stmt->bindValue(7, $_POST['desc']);
$stmt->execute();
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Working with Parameters – Technique 1 ? Placeholders with Array

```
/* can pass an array, to be used in order */

$sql = "INSERT INTO books (ISBN10, Title, CopyrightYear, ImprintId,
ProductionStatusId, TrimSize, Description) VALUES (?,?,?,?,?,
?,?,?)";
$stmt = $pdo->prepare($sql);
$stmt->execute(array($_POST['isbn'],
$_POST['title'],$_POST['year'], $_POST['imprint'], $_POST['status'],
$_POST['size'],$_POST['desc']));
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Working with Parameters – Technique 2 - named parameters

```
$sql = "INSERT INTO books (ISBN10, Title, CopyrightYear, ImprintId,
ProductionStatusId, TrimSize, Description) VALUES (:isbn,
:title, :year, :imprint, :status, :size, :desc)";
$stmt = $pdo->prepare($sql);
$stmt->bindValue(':isbn', $_POST['isbn']);
$stmt->bindValue(':title', $_POST['title']);
$stmt->bindValue(':year', $_POST['year']);
$stmt->bindValue(':imprint', $_POST['imprint']);
$stmt->bindValue(':status', $_POST['status']);
$stmt->bindValue(':size', $_POST['size']);
$stmt->bindValue(':desc', $_POST['desc']);
$stmt->execute();
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Working with Parameters – Technique 2 - named parameters *with Array*

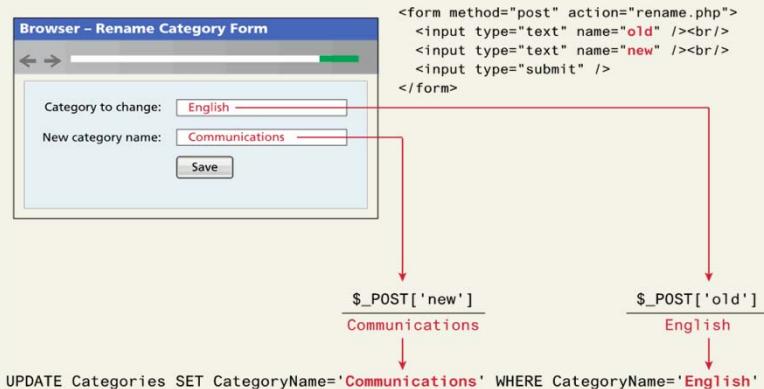
```
$sql = "INSERT INTO books (ISBN10, Title, CopyrightYear, ImprintId,
ProductionStatusId, TrimSize, Description) VALUES (:isbn,
:title, :year, :imprint, :status, :size, :desc)";
$stmt = $pdo->prepare($sql);
$stmt->execute(array(':isbn' => $_POST['isbn'],
':title'=> $_POST['title'],
':year'=> $_POST['year'],
':imprint'=> $_POST['imprint'],
':status'=> $_POST['status'],
':size'=> $_POST['size']
':desc'=> $_POST['desc']));
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Getting user input into a query



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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Using Transactions

```
$pdo = new PDO($connString,$user,$pass);

try {
    // begin a transaction
    $pdo->beginTransaction();
    // a set of queries: if one fails, an exception will be thrown
    $pdo->query("INSERT INTO Categories (CategoryName) VALUES ('Philosophy')");
    $pdo->query("INSERT INTO Categories (CategoryName) VALUES ('Art')");
    // if we arrive here, it means that no exception was thrown
    $pdo->commit();
} catch (Exception $e) {
    // we must rollback the transaction since an error occurred with insert
    $pdo->rollback();
}
```

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# Accessing MySQL in PHP

Advanced example

```
<?php
// get database connection details
require_once('config-travel.php'); → config-travel.php
// retrieve continent from querystring
$continent = 'EU';
if (!isset($_GET['continent'])) {
    $continent = $_GET['continent'];
}
...
<?php
try {
    $pdo = new PDO(DBCONNSTRING,DBUSER,DBPASS);
    $pdo->setAttribute(PDO::ATTR_ERRMODE, PDO::ERRMODE_EXCEPTION);

    // construct parameterized query - notice the ? parameter
    $sql = "SELECT * FROM Countries WHERE Continent=? ORDER BY CountryName ";
    // run the prepared statement
    $statement = $pdo->prepare($sql);
    $statement->execute(['$continent']);
    $statement->execute();
    // output the list
    echo makeCountryList($statement);
}
catch (PDOException $e) {
    die($e->getMessage());
}
finally {
    $pdo = null;
}

function makeCountryList($statement) {
    $htmlList = '<ul>';
    $foundOne = false;
    while ($row = $statement->fetch()) {
        $foundOne = true;
        $htmlList .= '<li>';
        $htmlList .= "<a href='country.php?iso=" . $row['ISO'] . "'>";
        $htmlList .= $row['CountryName'];
        $htmlList .= "</a>";
        $htmlList .= '</li>';
    }
    $htmlList .= '</ul>';

    if (!$foundOne) return $htmlList;
    return 'No countries found';
}
?>
```

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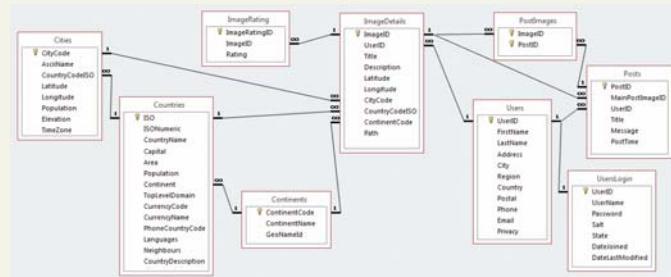
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Travel Photo Sharing Database

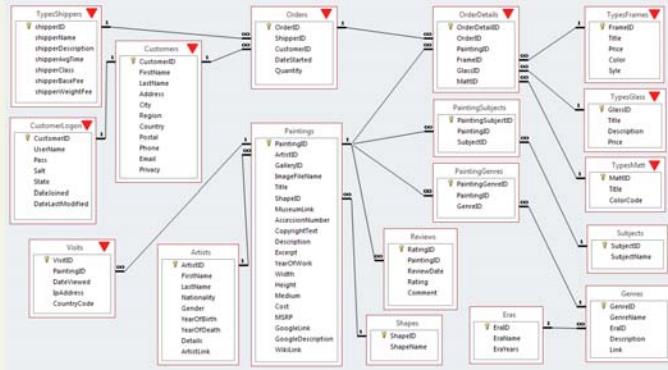


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Art Database

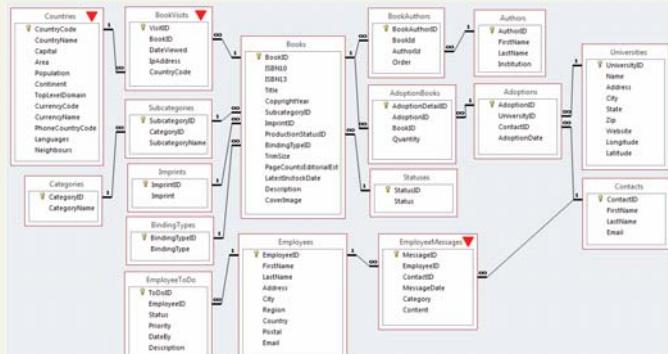


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Book CRM Database



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# Sample Database Techniques

## Search and Results Page

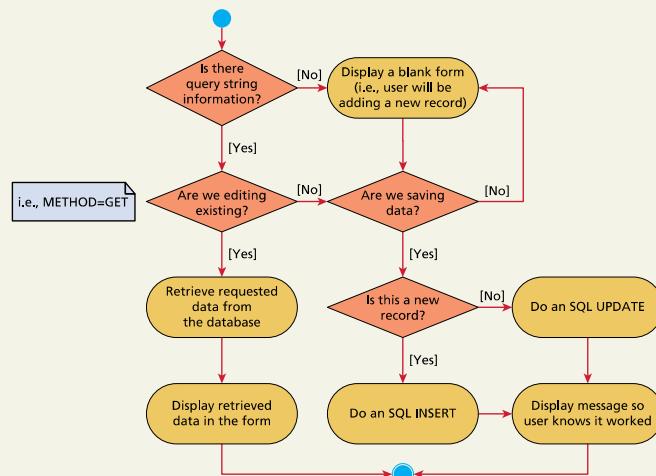


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# Sample Database Techniques

## Editing a Record

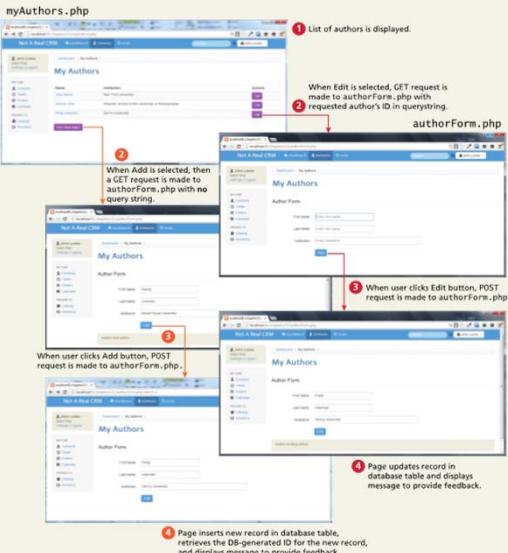


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# Sample Database Techniques

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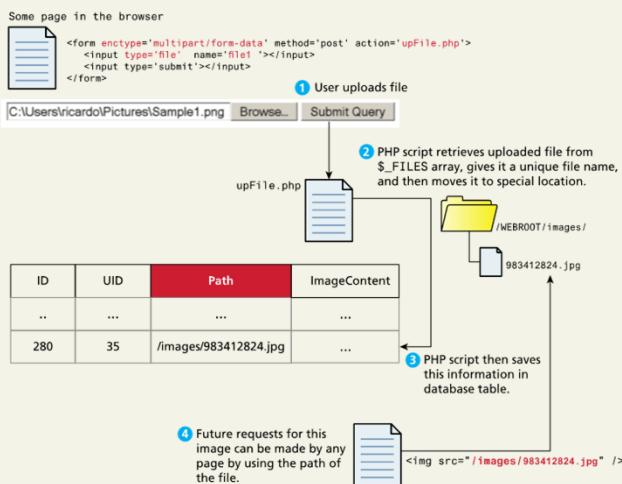


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## Saving and Displaying Raw Files in the Database

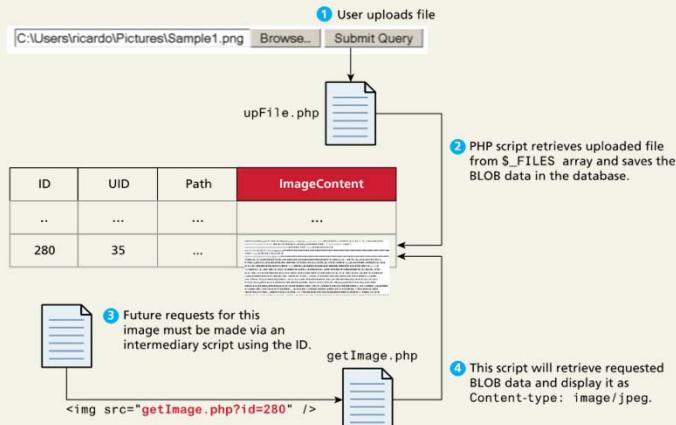


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# Sample Database Techniques

Using BLOBS to store images



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Headers matter



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## Key Terms

abstraction layer	document stores	phpMyAdmin
aggregate functions	field	prepared statement
binary tree	foreign key	primary key
BLOB	hash table	procedural API
column store	index	query
composite key	inner join	record
connection	join	result set
connection string	key-value stores	sanitization
database	local transactions	schema
database API	many-to-many relationship	SQL
data integrity	MySQL	SQL script
data definition language (DDL)	named parameter	table
data duplication	No-SQL database	transaction
data manipulation language	object-oriented API	two-phase commit
database normalization	one-to-many relationship	
distributed transactions	one-to-one relationship	

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