

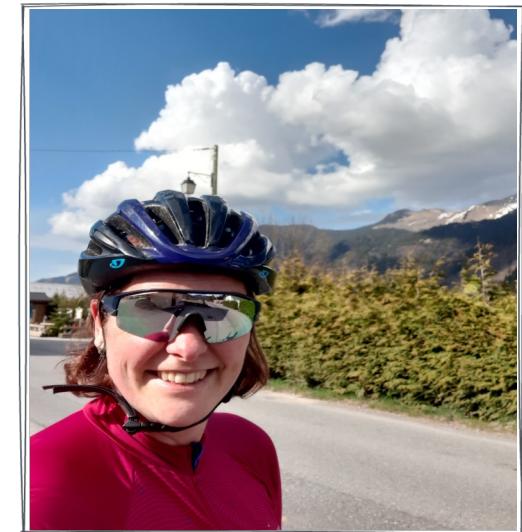
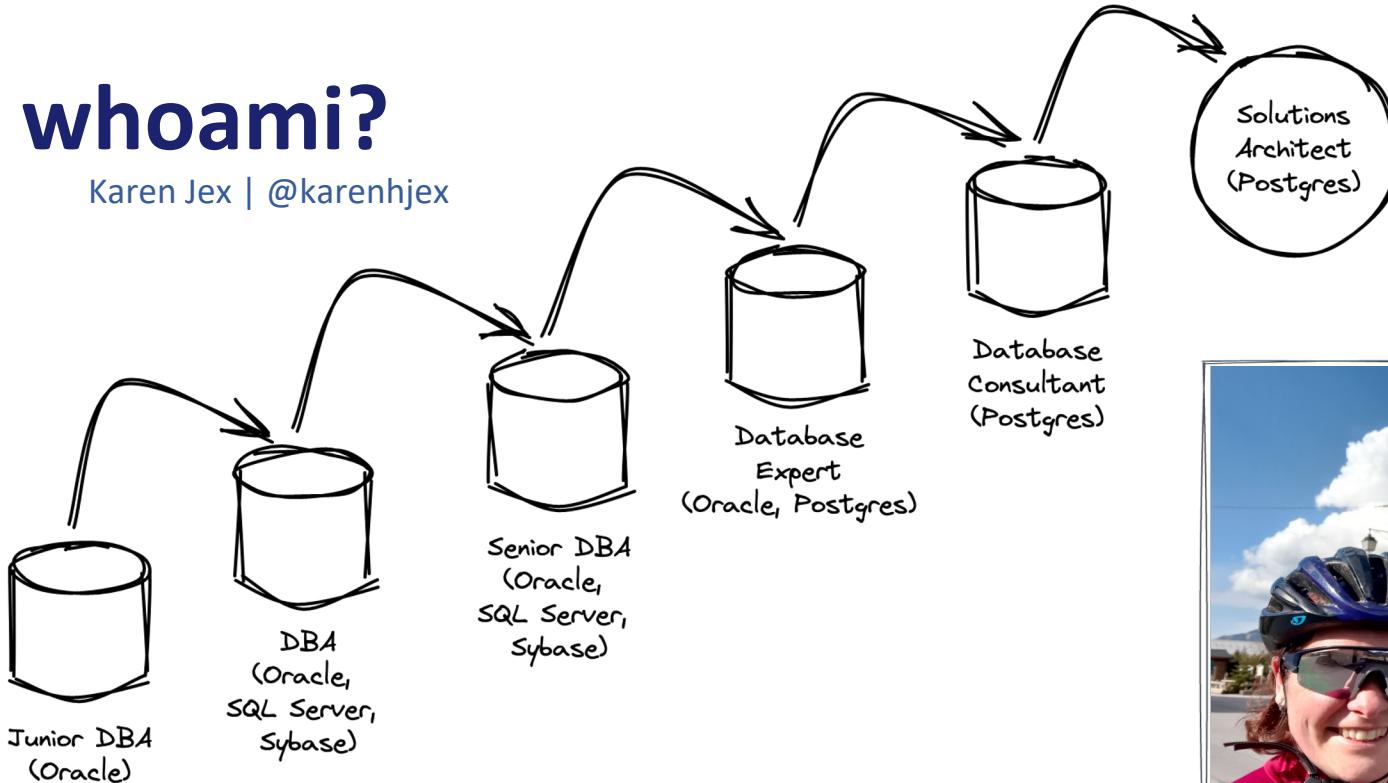


# **Everything You Wanted to Know about Databases as a Developer but Were Too Afraid to Ask Your DBA**

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# Introduction

- Databases are essential to most applications
- Most developers aren't trained in database administration
- DBAs are ~~grumpy~~ busy people

# Agenda

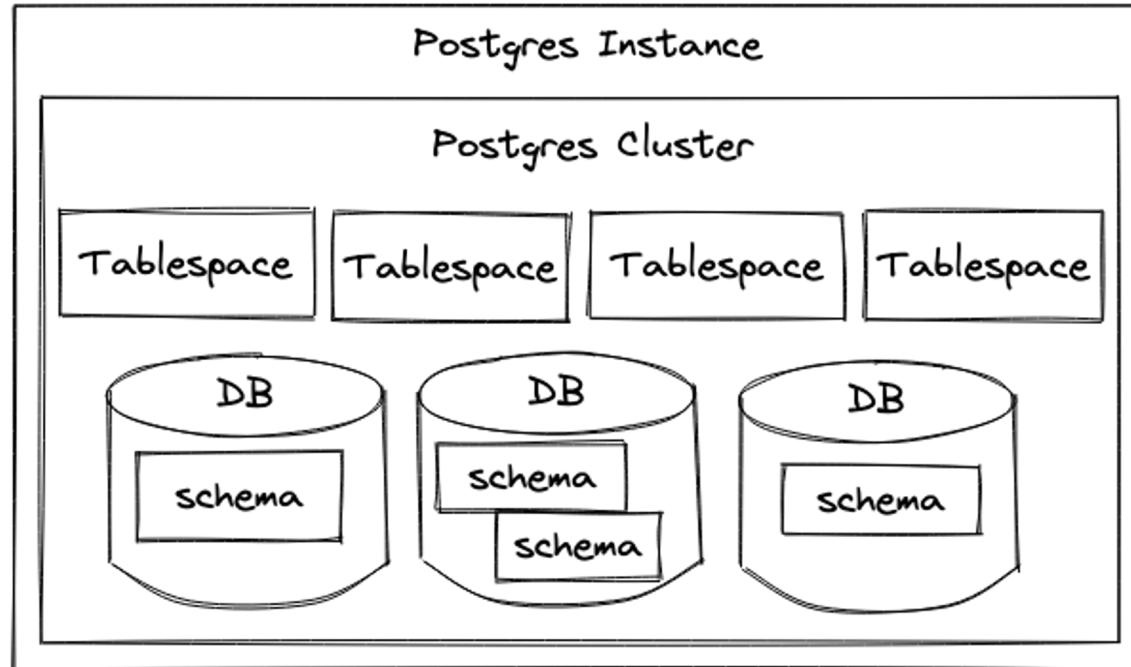
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# Database Architecture

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/tutorial-arch.html>



# How do I Install PostgreSQL?

# How do I Install Postgres?

- Install from source code

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/install-procedure.html>

- Install package for given platform

<https://www.postgresql.org/download/>

- Choose a managed service

<https://crunchybridge.com/register>

- Try out the Postgres Playground (Postgres in your browser using WASM):

<https://www.crunchydata.com/developers/tutorials>

# How do I Install Postgres?

Ubuntu 20.04 (Focal)

```
# 1. Configure the PostgreSQL repository

user@my_vm$ sudo sh -c 'echo "deb http://apt.postgresql.org/pub/repos/apt $(lsb_release -cs)-pgdg main"
> /etc/apt/sources.list.d/pgdg.list'

# 2. Import the repository signing key

user@my_vm$ wget --quiet -O - https://www.postgresql.org/media/keys/ACCC4CF8.asc | sudo apt-key add -

# 3. Update the package lists

user@my_vm$ sudo apt-get update

# 3. Install PostgreSQL

user@my_vm$ sudo apt-get -y install postgresql
```

# How do I Install Postgres?

Centos7

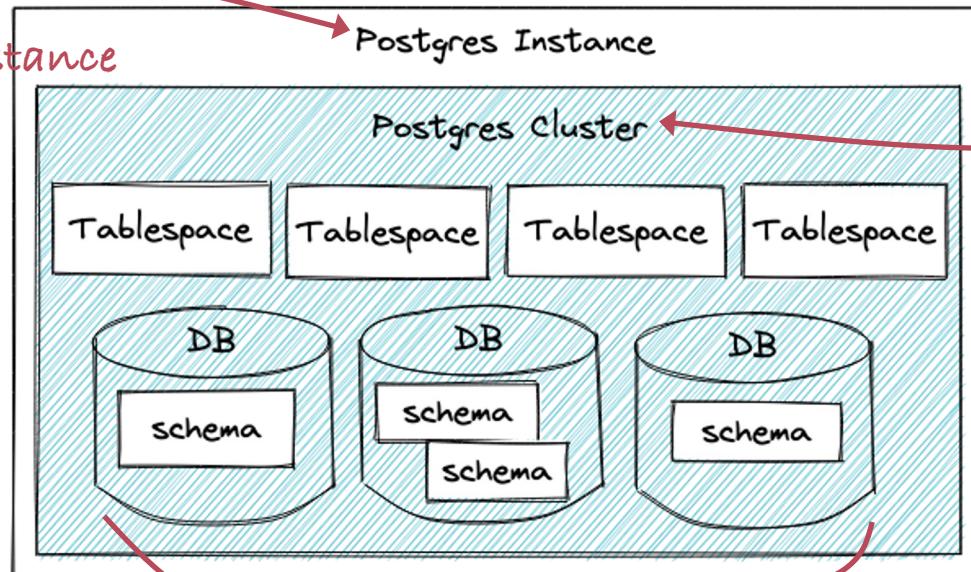
```
# 1. Enable the pgdg repository  
  
user@my_vm$ sudo yum -y install https://download.postgresql.org/pub/repos/yum/reporpms/EL-7-x86_64/pgdg-redhat-repo-latest.noarch.rpm  
  
# 2. Install extra packages for Enterprise Linux  
  
user@my_vm$ sudo yum -y install https://dl.fedoraproject.org/pub/epel/epel-release-latest-7.noarch.rpm  
  
# 3. Install PostgreSQL  
  
user@my_vm$ yum -y install postgresql14 postgresql14-server
```

# What is a PostgreSQL Cluster?

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<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/creating-cluster.html>

managed by single instance



Collection of DBs

# **How do I Create a PostgreSQL Cluster?**

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<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/app-initdb.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ export PATH=$PATH:/usr/pgsql-14/bin  
postgres@my_vm$ export PGDATA=/var/lib/pgsql/14/data  
postgres@my_vm$ initdb  
...  
Success. You can now start the database server using:
```

```
/usr/pgsql-14/bin/pg_ctl -D /var/lib/pgsql/14/data -l logfile start
```

# How do I Start (or Stop) PostgreSQL?

# How do I Start Postgres?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/app-pg-ctl.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ pg_ctl -l logfile start  
waiting for server to start.... done  
server started
```

# Postgres Processes

```
postgres@my_vm$ ps -ef|grep postgres
postgres 4236      1  0 11:59 ?        00:00:00 /usr/pgsql-14/bin/postgres
postgres 4237  4236  0 11:59 ?        00:00:00 postgres: logger
postgres 4239  4236  0 11:59 ?        00:00:00 postgres: checkpointer
postgres 4240  4236  0 11:59 ?        00:00:00 postgres: background writer
postgres 4241  4236  0 11:59 ?        00:00:00 postgres: walwriter
postgres 4242  4236  0 11:59 ?        00:00:00 postgres: autovacuum launcher
postgres 4243  4236  0 11:59 ?        00:00:00 postgres: stats collector
postgres 4244  4236  0 11:59 ?        00:00:00 postgres: logical replication launcher
```

# How do I Stop Postgres?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/app-pg-ctl.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ pg_ctl stop  
waiting for server to shut down.... done  
server stopped
```

# How do I Control Postgres using systemd?

```
root@my_vm$ systemctl start|stop|restart postgresql-14
```

```
root@my_vm$ systemctl status postgresql-14
```

- postgresql-14.service - PostgreSQL 14 database server

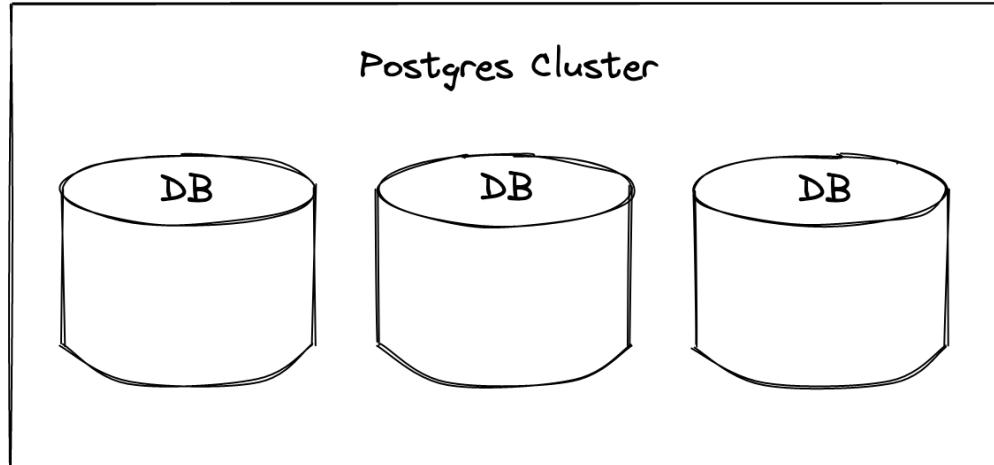
```
    Loaded: loaded (/usr/lib/systemd/system/postgresql-14.service; disabled; vendor preset: disabled)
```

```
    Active: active (running) since ...
```

# What is a Database?

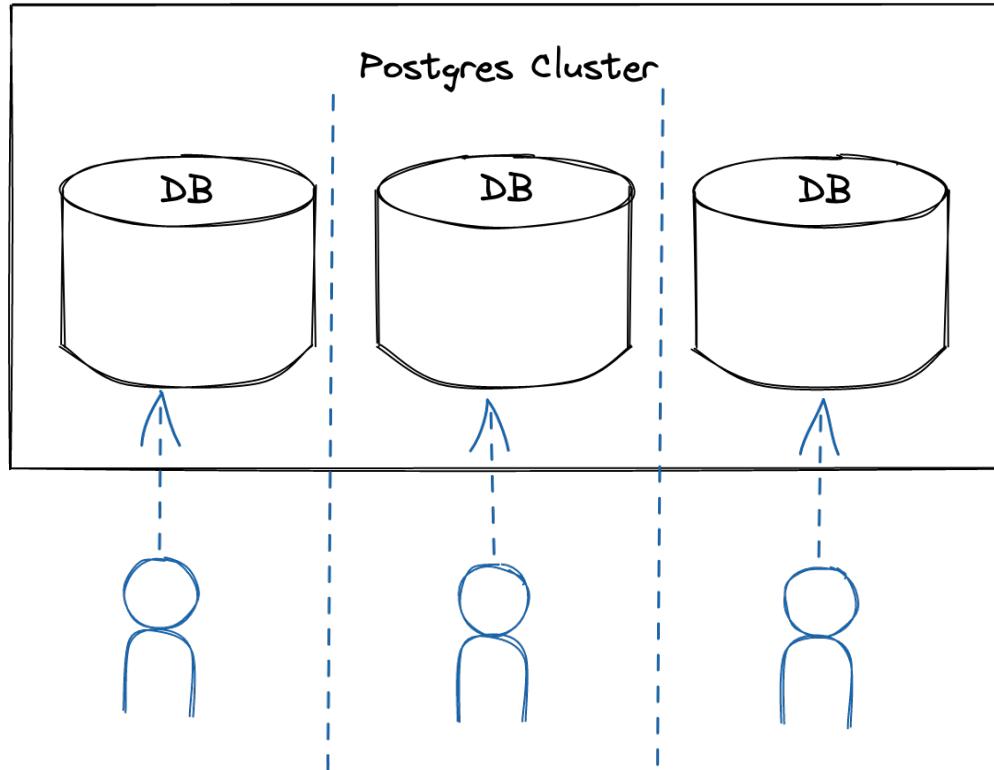
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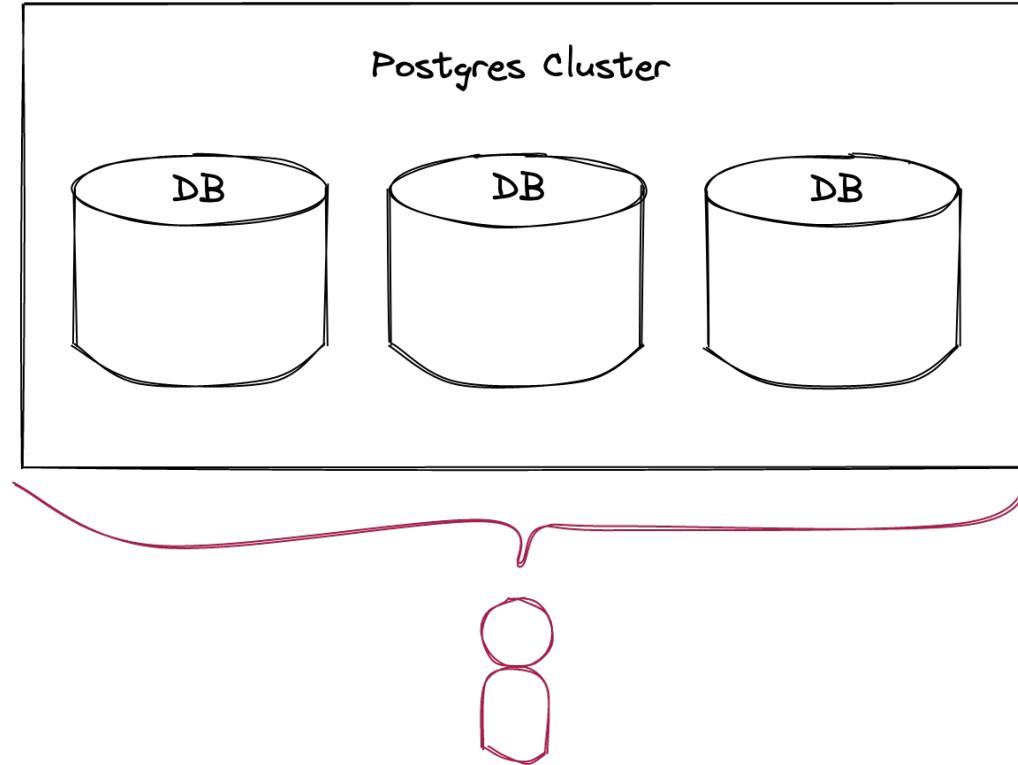
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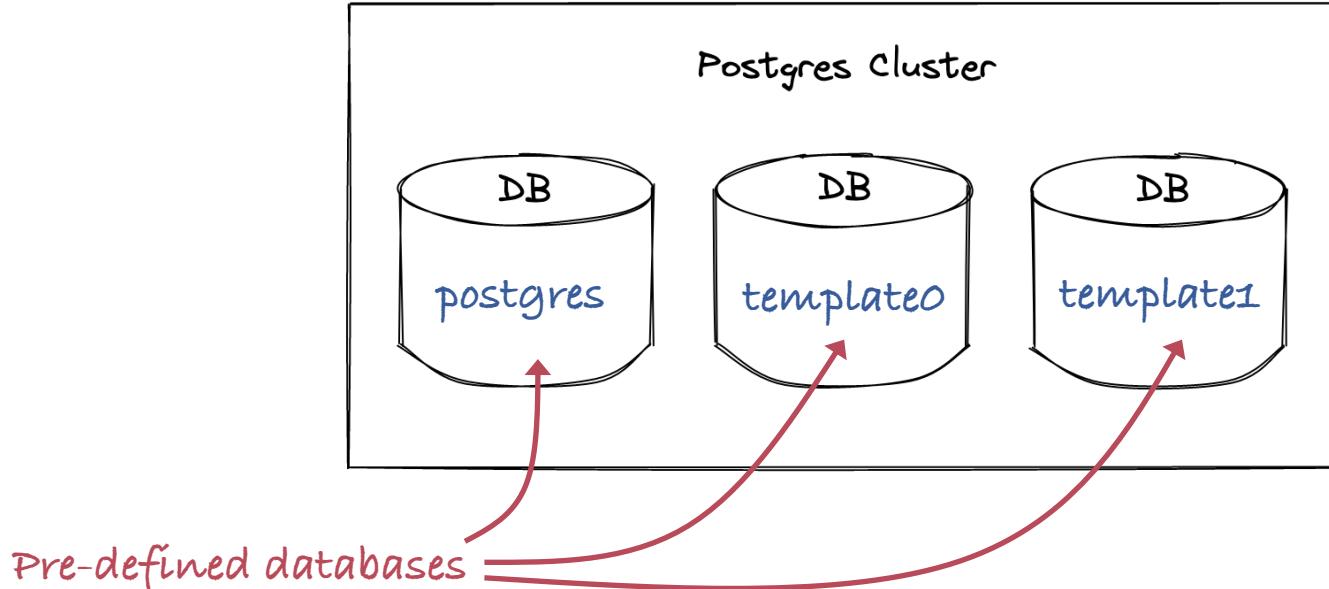
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## Aside: What is psql?

# Aside: What is a psql?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/app-psql.html>

- Command line tool
- Execute commands and/or scripts against the database
  - SQL
  - psql commands: e.g. \d to view table details

# **How do I Create a Database?**

# How do I Create a Database?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createdatabase.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ psql
psql (14.0)
Type "help" for help.

postgres=# CREATE DATABASE my_database;
CREATE DATABASE
```

# How do I List my Databases?

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```
postgres=# \l
                                         List of databases
   Name    |  Owner   | Encoding | Collate   |      Ctype      | Access privileges
-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
my_database | postgres | UTF8     | en_US.UTF-8 | en_US.UTF-8 |
Postgres    | postgres | UTF8     | en_US.UTF-8 | en_US.UTF-8 |
template0   | postgres | UTF8     | en_US.UTF-8 | en_US.UTF-8 | =c/postgres      +
              |          |          |          |          | postgres=CTc/postgres
template1   | postgres | UTF8     | en_US.UTF-8 | en_US.UTF-8 | =c/postgres      +
              |          |          |          |          | postgres=CTc/postgres
(4 rows)
```

# How do I List my Databases?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/catalogs.html>

```
postgres=# SELECT datname FROM pg_database;

datname
-----
my_database
Postgres
template0
template1
(4 rows)
```

# What is a Tablespace?

# What is a Tablespace?

And why should I create one?

- Physical location of the database objects
- Default tablespace pg\_default
- Allows control of the disk layout of a PostgreSQL installation
- Accessible to the **entire cluster**

# How do I Create a Tablespace?

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<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createtablespace.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ mkdir -p /my_tablespaces/tbsp_1
```

```
postgres@my_vm$ psql -c "CREATE TABLESPACE tablespace_1 location '/my_tablespaces/tbsp_1'"  
CREATE TABLESPACE
```

# How do I List my Tablespaces?

# How do I List my Tablespaces?

```
postgres=# \db
              List of tablespaces
  Name   |  Owner   |          Location
-----+-----+
pg_default  | postgres |
pg_global    | postgres |
tablespace_1 | postgres | /my_tablespaces/tbsp_1
(3 rows)
```

# How do I List my Tablespaces?

```
postgres=# \db+  
  
                                         List of tablespaces  
  
Name           |  Owner   |          Location          | Access privileges | Options |  Size   | Description  
-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+  
pg_default     | postgres |                   |                  |         | 33 MB  |  
pg_global      | postgres |                   |                  |         | 560 kB  |  
tablespace_1    | postgres | /my_tablespaces/tbsp_1 |                  |         | 0 bytes |  
(3 rows)
```

# How do I List my Tablespaces?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/catalogs.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ psql -c "select spcname from pg_tablespace"

          spcname
-----
pg_default
pg_global
tablespace_1
(3 rows)
```

# What is a Schema?

# What is a Schema?

Collection of objects within the database

- Logical grouping - no impact on physical location of objects
- Schema and owner of objects need not be the same
- Specific to the **database** in which it is created
- Namespace

# **How do I Create a Schema?**

# How do I Create a Schema?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createschema.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ psql my_database -c "CREATE SCHEMA my_schema"  
CREATE SCHEMA
```

# How do I List my Schemas?

```
my_database=# \dn+  
  
          List of schemas  
  
   Name    |  Owner   | Access privileges  |           Description  
-----+-----+-----+-----+  
my_schema | postgres |                   |  
public    | postgres | postgres=UC/postgres+ | standard public schema  
          |          | =UC/postgres        |  
(2 rows)
```

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# What's the Difference Between a User and a Role?

# What's the Difference Between a User and a Role?

- **CREATE USER** and **CREATE ROLE** are synonyms except:
  - CREATE USER:            LOGIN by default
  - CREATE ROLE:          NOLOGIN by default
- A **role** can be considered a **user** or a **group** (or both)
- A role is available to the **entire cluster**
- A role can own database objects

# How do I Create a Role?

# How do I Create a Role?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createrole.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ psql -c "CREATE ROLE my_role"
```

```
CREATE ROLE
```

```
postgres@my_vm$ psql -d my_database -U my_role
```

```
psql: error: connection to server on socket "/var/run/postgresql/.s.PGSQL.5432" failed:  
FATAL:  role "my_role" is not permitted to log in
```

# **How do I Create a User?**

# How do I Create a User?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createuser.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ psql -c "CREATE USER my_user"
```

# How do I Create a User Role?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createuser.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ psql -c "CREATE USER my_user"
```

```
CREATE ROLE
```

```
postgres@my_vm$ psql -d my_database -U my_user
```

```
psql (14.0)
```

```
Type "help" for help.
```

# What is a Privilege?

# What is a Privilege?

Permission to perform certain action(s) on given object(s)

- Granted by the **owner** of the object or by a **superuser**
  - Objects: DATABASE, FUNCTION, SCHEMA, TABLE ...
  - Privileges: SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE, TRUNCATE, CREATE ...
- ALTER DEFAULT PRIVILEGES

# Granting Privileges

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/ddl-priv.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ psql -d my_database

my_database=# GRANT CREATE ON DATABASE my_database TO my_user;
GRANT

my_database=# GRANT CREATE ON SCHEMA my_schema TO my_user;
GRANT

my_database=# GRANT CREATE ON TABLESPACE tablespace_1 TO my_user;
GRANT
```

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# Database Objects

- Table
- Index
- Constraint
- View
- Materialized View
- Sequence

# What is a Table?

# What is a Table?

- A “relation”
- Data arranged in columns and rows
- Rows are not ordered

dept_id	dept_name

dept

emp_id	emp_name	dept_id

emp

# **How do I Create a Table?**

# How do I Create a Table?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createtable.html>

```
postgres@my_vm$ psql -d my_database -U my_user

my_database=> CREATE TABLE my_schema.dept (
my_database(>   dept_id integer,
my_database(>   dept_name varchar);
my_database-> TABLESPACE tablespace_1;
CREATE TABLE
```

# What is a Sequence?

# What is a Sequence?

Object that generates a sequence of integers

- Specific to a **schema**
- Used to generate unique numeric identifiers
- Implemented as a single row table

# How do I Create a Sequence?

# How do I Create a Sequence?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createsequence.html>

```
my_database=> CREATE SEQUENCE my_schema.s_dept
my_database->   INCREMENT BY 1 MINVALUE 1 NO MAXVALUE;
CREATE SEQUENCE

my_database=> ALTER TABLE my_schema.dept
my_database-> ALTER COLUMN dept_id SET DEFAULT nextval('my_schema.s_dept');
ALTER TABLE
```

# **How do I Auto Generate an ID Column?**

# How do I Auto Generate an ID Column?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createtable.html>

```
my_database=> CREATE TABLE my_schema.emp (
my_database(>   emp_id integer,
my_database(>   emp_name varchar,
my_database(>   dept_id integer)
my_database-> TABLESPACE tablespace_1;
```

# How do I Auto Generate an ID Column?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createtable.html>

```
my_database=> CREATE TABLE my_schema.emp (
my_database(>   emp_id integer generated always as identity,
my_database(>   emp_name varchar,
my_database(>   dept_id integer)
my_database-> TABLESPACE tablespace_1;
CREATE TABLE
```

# **How do I View the Table Definitions?**

# How do I View the Table Definitions?

```
my_database=> \d my_schema.dept
                                         Table "my_schema.dept"
      Column |          Type          | Collation | Nullable | Default
-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
dept_id | integer           |           |       | nextval('s_dept'::regclass)
dept_name | character varying |           |       |
Tablespace: "tablespace_1"
```

# How do I View the Table Definitions?

```
my_database=> \d my_schema.emp
                                         Table "my_schema.emp"
   Column |          Type          | Collation | Nullable | Default
-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
emp_id  | integer           |           | not null | generated always as identity
emp_name | character varying |           |           |
dept_id  | integer           |           |           |
Tablespace: "tablespace_1"
```

# What is an Index?

# What is an Index?

Ordered list of entries containing a value and a pointer to the table row

- Can create on one or more columns or expressions
- Can speed up searches based on values of column(s) in the index
- Default type is **btree**
- Various types available in Postgres

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/indexes-types.html>

# **How do I Create an Index?**

# How do I Create an Index?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createindex.html>

```
my_database=> CREATE INDEX emp_dept_id  
my_database-> ON my_schema.emp (dept_id)  
my_database-> TABLESPACE tablespace_1;  
CREATE INDEX
```

# What is a Constraint?

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<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/ddl-constraints.html>

- NOT NULL constraint
- CHECK constraint
- PRIMARY KEY (PK) constraint
- FOREIGN KEY (FK) constraint

# What is a NOT NULL Constraint?

- Column must contain a value

# What is a CHECK Constraint?

- Value must conform to certain rules
- for example: dept\_name must contain only letters and spaces

# What is a Primary Key?

One or more columns that allow a row in a table to be identified uniquely

- Enforced through PK constraint + unique index
- A table may have **only one** PK constraint
- The columns in the PK must be **NOT NULL**

# **How do I Create a Primary Key Constraint?**

# How do I Create a PK Constraint?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-altertable.html>

```
my_database=> ALTER TABLE my_schema.emp
my_database-> ADD CONSTRAINT emp_pk PRIMARY KEY (emp_id)
my_database-> USING INDEX TABLESPACE tablespace_1;
ALTER TABLE
my_database=> \d my_schema.emp
                                         Table "my_schema.emp"
   Column |          Type          | Collation | Nullable |           Default
-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
emp_id | integer          |           | not null | generated always as identity
emp_name | character varying |           |           |
dept_id | integer          |           |           |
Indexes:
    "emp_pk" PRIMARY KEY, btree (emp_id), tablespace "tablespace_1"
    "emp_dept_id" btree (dept_id), tablespace "tablespace_1"
Tablespace: "tablespace_1"
```

# How do I Create a PK Constraint?

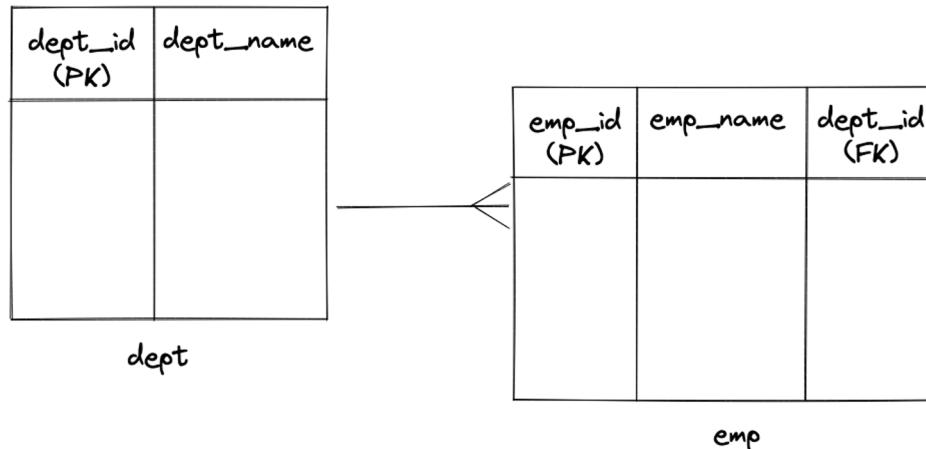
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my_database-> ADD CONSTRAINT dept_pk PRIMARY KEY (dept_id)
my_database-> USING INDEX TABLESPACE tablespace_1;
ALTER TABLE
my_database=> \d my_schema.dept
                                         Table "my_schema.dept"
   Column |          Type          | Collation | Nullable | Default
-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
dept_id | integer          |           | not null | generated always as identity
dept_name | character varying |           |
Indexes:
    "dept_pk" PRIMARY KEY, btree (dept_id), tablespace "tablespace_1"
Tablespace: "tablespace_1"
```

# What is a Foreign Key?

A relationship between a “parent” and a “child” table

- A way to enforce “referential integrity”
- References the primary key or another unique key in the parent table



# How do I Create a Foreign Key Constraint?

# How do I Create a FK Constraint?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-altertable.html>

```
my_database=> ALTER TABLE my_schema.emp
my_database-> ADD CONSTRAINT emp_dept_fk FOREIGN KEY (dept_id)
my_database-> REFERENCES my_schema.dept(dept_id);
ALTER TABLE
my_database=> \d my_schema.emp
...
Foreign-key constraints:
    "emp_dept_fk" FOREIGN KEY (dept_id) REFERENCES my_schema.dept(dept_id)
...

my_database=> \d my_schema.dept
...
Referenced by:
    TABLE "emp" CONSTRAINT "emp_dept_fk" FOREIGN KEY (dept_id) REFERENCES dept(dept_id)
...
```

## **Aside: What is a Search Path?**

# Aside: What is a Search Path?

Schema(s) that will be searched if I don't refer to an object using a fully-qualified object name

```
my_database=> SHOW search_path;
search_path
-----
"$user", public

my_database=> select * from emp;
ERROR:  relation "emp" does not exist
LINE 1: select * from emp
          ^
```

# Aside: What is a Search Path?

Schema(s) that will be searched if I don't refer to an object using a fully-qualified object name

```
my_database=> SET search_path = my_schema;
SET
my_database=> SHOW search_path;
search_path
-----
my_schema
(1 row)
my_database=> select * from emp;
emp_id | emp_name | dept_id
-----+-----+-----
(0 rows)
```

# Aside: What is a Search Path?

I can set the search path (and other options) automatically

```
postgres@my_vm$ echo 'set search_path to my_schema' >> ~/.psqlrc
postgres@my_vm$ psql -d my_database -U my_user
SET
psql (14.0)
Type "help" for help.

my_database=> SHOW search_path;
search_path
-----
my_schema
(1 row)
```

# **How do I Populate my Tables?**

# How do I Populate my Tables?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-insert.html>

```
my_database=> INSERT INTO dept (dept_name)
my_database-> VALUES ('Sales'),('Consulting'),('Product'),('HR');
INSERT 0 4
my_database=> SELECT * FROM dept ORDER BY dept_id;
 dept_id | dept_name
-----+-----
 1 | Sales
 2 | Consulting
 3 | Product
 4 | HR
(4 rows)
```

# How do I Populate my Tables?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-insert.html>

```
my_database=> INSERT INTO emp (emp_name, dept_id)
my_database->VALUES ('Ay Bee',2),('Cee Dee',2),('E.F. Gee',1),('Aitch Eye',null),('Jay Kay',4);
INSERT 0 4
my_database=> SELECT * FROM emp ORDER BY emp_id;
   emp_id | emp_name  | dept_id
-----+-----+-----
      1 | Ay Bee    |      2
      2 | Cee Dee   |      2
      3 | E.F. Gee  |      1
      4 | Aitch Eye |
      5 | Jay Kay   |      4
(5 rows)
```

# What if I try to Insert an Invalid dept\_id?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-insert.html>

```
my_database=> INSERT INTO emp (emp_name, dept_id)
my_database-> VALUES ('No Good',7);
ERROR: insert or update on table "emp" violates foreign key constraint "emp_dept_fk"
DETAIL: Key (dept_id)=(7) is not present in table "dept".
```

# What is a View?

# What is a View?

A virtual table, based on a query

- Does not take up any space
- Executed in real-time
- Shorthand for a long query
- Present just certain data to certain users

# **How do I Create a View?**

# How do I Create a View?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-createview.html>

```
my_database=> CREATE VIEW emp_name_view AS
my_database-> SELECT emp_name AS "employee_name" FROM emp ORDER BY emp_name;
CREATE VIEW
my_database=> SELECT * FROM emp_name_view;
employee_name
-----
Aitch Eye
Ay Bee
Cee Dee
E.F. Gee
Jay Kay
(5 rows)
```

# **What is a Materialized View?**

# What is a Materialized View?

A table that contains the results of a query

- Query is not executed in real-time
- Can be “refreshed” (query re-executed to gather latest results)
- Useful for aggregating data
- Avoids re-executing long-running/frequently executed queries

# **How do I Create a Materialized View?**

# How do I Create a Materialized View?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-creatematerializedview.html>

```
my_database=> CREATE MATERIALIZED VIEW emp_mview
my_database-> TABLESPACE tablespace_1 AS
my_database-> SELECT emp_id, emp_name AS "employee_name" FROM emp WHERE dept_id in (1,2,3);
SELECT 3

my_database=> SELECT * FROM emp_mview;
emp_id | employee_name
-----+-----
      1 | Ay Bee
      2 | Cee Dee
      3 | E.F. Gee
(3 rows)
```

# How do I Refresh a Materialized View?

First, update some data...

```
my_database=> UPDATE emp SET emp_name = 'CEE DEE' WHERE emp_id = 2;
UPDATE 1

my_database=> SELECT emp_name FROM emp WHERE emp_id = 2;
emp_name
-----
CEE DEE

my_database=> SELECT employee_name FROM emp_name_view WHERE employee_name like 'C%';
employee_name
-----
CEE DEE
(1 row)
```

# How do I Refresh a Materialized View?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql-refreshmaterializedview.html>

```
my_database=>SELECT employee_name FROM emp_mview where emp_id = 2;
employee_name
-----
Cee Dee
(1 row)

my_database=> REFRESH MATERIALIZED VIEW emp_mview;
REFRESH MATERIALIZED VIEW

my_database=> SELECT employee_name FROM emp_mview where emp_id = 2;
employee_name
-----
CEE DEE
```

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# What Information do I Need?

- host
- port
- database
- username
- password/certificate

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Format depends on client tool/driver

psql example:    `psql -h 127.0.0.1 -p 5432 -U myuser mydatabase`

jdbc example:    `jdbc:postgresql://myuser@127.0.0.1:5432/mydatabase`

database host

name of database to connect to

database username

database port (5432 by default)

# What Client Tools are Available?

Many client tools allow connection to Postgres, including:

- psql
- DBeaver (multi-platform)

<https://dbeaver.io/>

- pgAdmin4

<https://www.pgadmin.org/>

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# Database Operations and Transactions

- Transactions
- Commit
- Rollback
- SQL, DML, DDL
- Join Types
- Execution Plans

# What is a Transaction?

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A single unit of work that consists of one or more operations

- Ends with a COMMIT or a ROLLBACK:
  - COMMIT: operations permanently applied to database
  - ROLLBACK: operations cancelled
- Changes only visible to other transactions after COMMIT
- Certain locks retained until end of transaction
- ACID (Atomic, Consistent, Isolated, Durable)

# How do I Begin/End a Transaction?

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Example for psql: default behaviour is autocommit

- No need to explicitly BEGIN or COMMIT any transactions
- Each command is a distinct transaction with implicit COMMIT
- To manage a transaction manually:
  - Issue BEGIN to start a transaction
  - Execute the operations that comprise the transaction
  - Issue COMMIT to make the changes permanent                        or/
  - Issue ROLLBACK to undo the changes

# What is SQL/DML/DDL?

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<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/sql.html>

**SQL** Structured Query Language

**DML** Data Manipulation Language

SELECT, INSERT, UPDATE, DELETE...

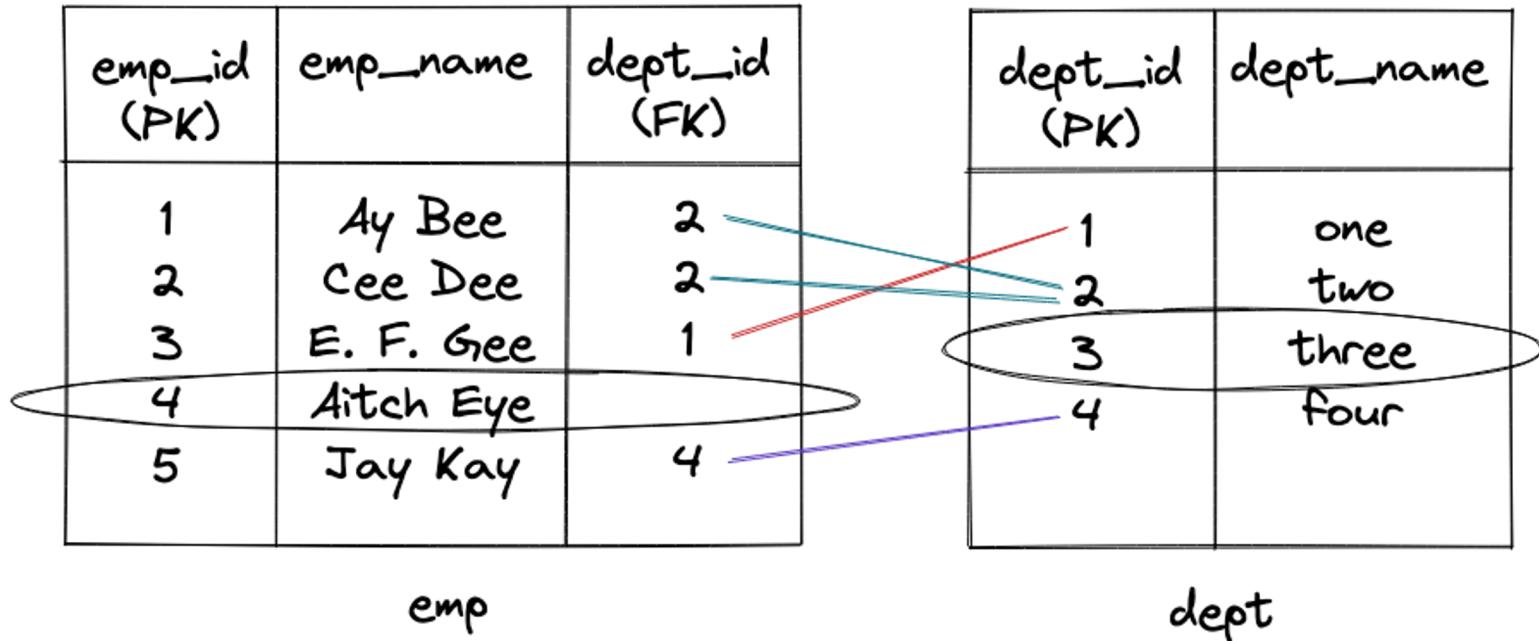
**DDL** Data Definition Language

CREATE, ALTER, DROP, RENAME ...

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A way to select from multiple tables in one statement



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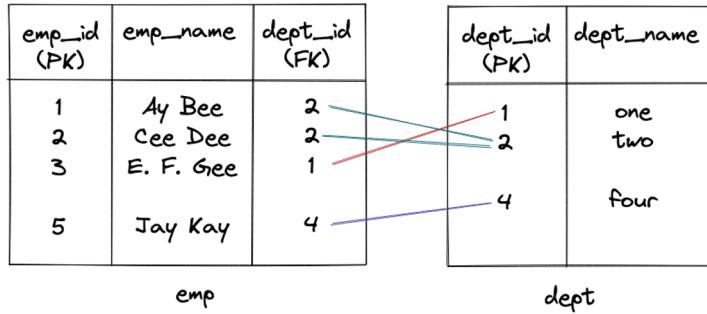
## INNER JOIN

```
my_database=> SELECT emp.emp_id, emp.emp_name, dept.dept_name  
my_database-> FROM emp INNER JOIN dept  
my_database-> ON emp.dept_id = dept.dept_id;
```

# What are the Different Types of Join?

INNER JOIN or JOIN default join type

```
my_database=> SELECT emp.emp_id, emp.emp_name, dept.dept_name  
my_database-> FROM emp JOIN dept  
my_database-> ON emp.dept_id = dept.dept_id;  
emp_id | emp_name | dept_name  
-----+-----+  
1 | Ay Bee | Consulting  
2 | Cee Dee | Consulting  
3 | E.F. Gee | Sales  
5 | Jay Kay | HR  
(4 rows)
```



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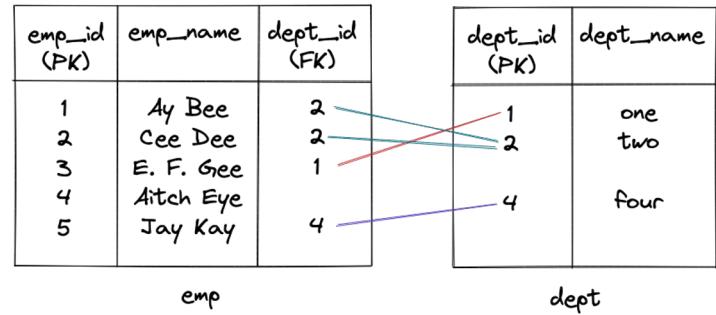
## LEFT OUTER JOIN

```
my_database=> SELECT emp.emp_id, emp.emp_name, dept.dept_name  
my_database-> FROM emp LEFT OUTER JOIN dept  
my_database-> ON emp.dept_id = dept.dept_id;
```

# What are the Different Types of Join?

## LEFT OUTER JOIN or LEFT JOIN

```
my_database=> SELECT emp.emp_id, emp.emp_name, dept.dept_name  
my_database-> FROM emp LEFT JOIN dept  
my_database-> ON emp.dept_id = dept.dept_id;  
emp_id | emp_name | dept_name  
-----+-----+  
1 | Ay Bee | Consulting  
2 | Cee Dee | Consulting  
3 | E.F. Gee | Sales  
4 | Aitch Eye |  
5 | Jay Kay | HR  
(5 rows)
```



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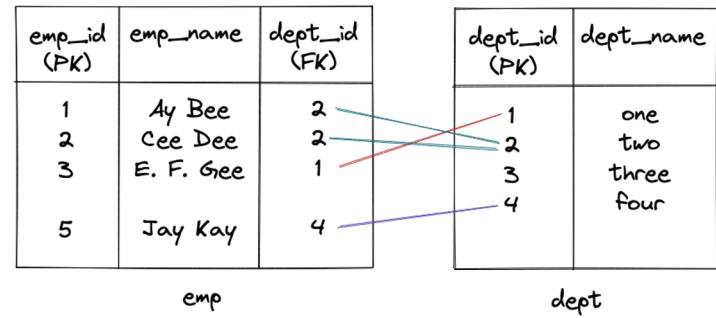
## RIGHT OUTER JOIN

```
my_database=> SELECT emp.emp_id, emp.emp_name, dept.dept_name  
my_database-> FROM emp RIGHT OUTER JOIN dept  
my_database-> ON emp.dept_id = dept.dept_id;
```

# What are the Different Types of Join?

## RIGHT OUTER JOIN or RIGHT JOIN

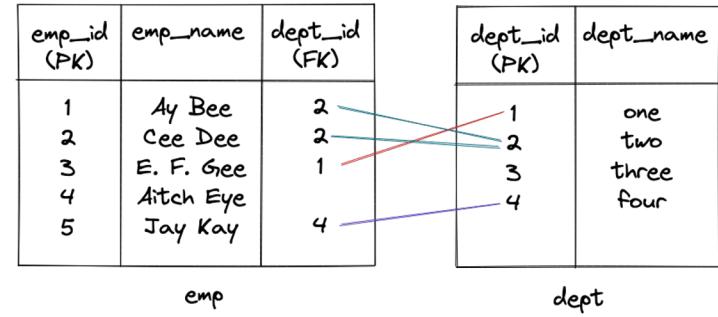
```
my_database=> SELECT emp.emp_id, emp.emp_name, dept.dept_name  
my_database-> FROM emp RIGHT JOIN dept  
my_database-> ON emp.dept_id = dept.dept_id;  
emp_id | emp_name | dept_name  
-----+-----+  
1 | Ay Bee | Consulting  
2 | Cee Dee | Consulting  
3 | E.F. Gee | Sales  
5 | Jay Kay | HR  
 | | Product  
(5 rows)
```



# What are the Different Types of Join?

## FULL OUTER JOIN

```
my_database=> SELECT emp.emp_id, emp.emp_name, dept.dept_name  
my_database-> FROM emp FULL OUTER JOIN dept  
my_database-> ON emp.dept_id = dept.dept_id;  
emp_id | emp_name | dept_name  
-----+-----+  
1 | Ay Bee | Consulting  
2 | Cee Dee | Consulting  
3 | E.F. Gee | Sales  
4 | Aitch Eye |  
5 | Jay Kay | HR  
 | | Product  
(6 rows)
```



# **What is an Execution Plan?**

# What is an Execution Plan?

The steps that Postgres takes to execute a SQL statement

- Access path: full table scan, index lookup
- Join algorithm: nested loop, hash, merge
- Estimated # rows
- Estimated cost

# **How do I Generate an Execution Plan?**

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<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/using-explain.html>

```
my_database=> EXPLAIN SELECT * FROM emp_name_view;
```

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```
my_database=> EXPLAIN SELECT * FROM emp_name_view;
                  QUERY PLAN
-----
Sort  (cost=1.11..1.12 rows=5 width=32)
  Sort Key: emp.emp_name
    -> Seq Scan on emp  (cost=0.00..1.05 rows=5 width=32)
(3 rows)
```

# How do I Generate an Execution Plan?

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/using-explain.html>

```
my_database=> EXPLAIN ANALYZE SELECT * FROM emp_name_view;
```

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```
my_database=> EXPLAIN ANALYZE SELECT * FROM emp_name_view;
                                         QUERY PLAN
-----
Sort  (cost=83.37..86.37 rows=1200 width=32) (actual time=0.225..0.226 rows=5 loops=1)
    Sort Key: emp.emp_name
    Sort Method: quicksort  Memory: 25kB
    -> Seq Scan on emp  (cost=0.00..22.00 rows=1200 width=32) (actual time=0.009..0.010 rows=5 loops=1)
Planning Time: 0.310 ms
Execution Time: 0.434 ms
(6 rows)
```

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<https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/wal-intro.html>

- Write-ahead log
- Details of changes executed against the Postgres cluster
- Allows crash-recovery, online backups and restores
- WAL files can be archived to allow point in time recovery (PITR)
- DON'T DELETE THEM!

# Where are my WAL Files?

```
postgres@my_vm$ ls -ltr $PGDATA/pg_wal
```

# Where are my WAL Files?

```
postgres@my_vm$ ls -ltr $PGDATA/pg_wal
total 32768
drwx----- 2 postgres postgres      6 Nov  9 11:00 archive_status
-rw----- 1 postgres postgres 16777216 Nov 14 08:41 000000010000000000000001
-rw----- 1 postgres postgres 16777216 Nov 14 08:41 000000010000000000000002
-rw----- 1 postgres postgres 16777216 Nov 14 08:46 000000010000000000000003
```

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# Where is the PostgreSQL Documentation?

# PostgreSQL Documentation

<https://www.postgresql.org/docs>

Current online version: <https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/index.html>

**Where else can I get information?**

# Slack Channel

<https://postgres-slack.herokuapp.com/>

- Over 100 channels
- 20k members

# Mailing Lists

<https://lists.postgresql.org/>

- Linked to PostgreSQL Community account
- Many different lists

# Congratulations!



# Thank You!



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