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1. Introduction

This document describes the Sakila sample database -- its history, installation, structure and usage.

The Sakila sample database is developed and maintained by Mike Hillyer of the MySQL AB documentation team and is intended to provide a standard schema that can be used for examples in books, tutorials, articles, samples, etc. The Sakila sample database also serves to highlight the latest features of MySQL including Views, Stored Procedures, Triggers, etc.

The Sakila sample database is the result of support and feedback from the MySQL user community and feedback and user input is always appreciated. Please direct all feedback to docs@mysql.com

Additional information on the Sakila sample database and its usage can be found through the [MySQL forums](http://forums.mysql.com/list.php?121) [<http://forums.mysql.com/list.php?121>].

Feedback, bug reports, and requests can be directed to the MySQL AB documentation team at [<docs@mysql.com>](mailto:docs@mysql.com).

2. History

The Sakila sample database was designed as a replacement to the [World](http://downloads.mysql.com/docs/#examples) [<http://downloads.mysql.com/docs/#examples>] sample database, also provided by MySQL AB.

The World sample database provides a set of tables containing information on the countries and cities of the world and is useful for basic queries, but lacked structures for testing MySQL-specific functionality and new features found in MySQL 5.

Development of the Sakila sample database began in early 2005 . Early designs were based on the database used in the Dell Whitepaper [Three Approaches to MySQL Applications on Dell PowerEdge Servers](http://www.dell.com/downloads/global/solutions/mysql_apps.pdf) [http://www.dell.com/downloads/global/solutions/mysql_apps.pdf].

Where Dell's sample database was designed to represent an online DVD store, the Sakila sample database is designed to represent a DVD rental store. The Sakila sample database still borrows film

and actor names from the Dell sample database.

Development was accomplished using MySQL Query Browser for schema design with the tables being populated by a combination of MySQL Query Browser and custom scripts, in addition to contributor efforts (see [Section 6, “Acknowledgements”](#)).

After the basic schema was completed, various views, stored routines, and triggers were added to the schema, after which the sample data was populated. After a series of review versions, the first official version of the Sakila sample database was released in March 2006.

3. Installation

The Sakila sample database is divided into two installation files: `sakila-schema.sql` and `sakila-data.sql`.

The `sakila-schema.sql` file contains all the `CREATE` statements required to create the structure of the Sakila database including tables, views, stored procedures and triggers.

The `sakila-data.sql` file contains the `INSERT` statements required to populate the structure created by the `sakila-schema.sql` file, along with definitions for triggers that must be created after the initial data load.

To install the Sakila sample database, follow these steps:

1. Extract the installation archive to a temporary location on the MySQL server machine such as `C:\temp\` or `/tmp/`.
2. Connect to the MySQL server using the `mysql` command-line client using the following command:

```
mysql -u root -p
```

Enter your password when prompted. Non-root accounts can be used as long as those accounts have privileges to create new databases.

3. Execute the `sakila-schema.sql` script to create the database structure with the following command:

```
SOURCE C:/temp/sakila-schema.sql;
```

Replace `C:/temp/` with the path to the `sakila-schema.sql` on the server.

4. Execute the `sakila-data.sql` script to populate the database structure with the following command:

```
SOURCE C:/temp/sakila-data.sql;
```

Replace `C:/temp/` with the path to the `sakila-data.sql` on the server.

5. Confirm the sample database is installed correctly:

```
mysql> USE sakila;
Database changed

mysql> SHOW TABLES;
+-----+
| Tables_in_sakila |
+-----+
| actor             |
| address           |
| category          |
| city              |
| country           |
| customer          |
| customer_list     |
```

```
film
film_actor
film_category
film_list
film_text
inventory
language
nicer_but_slower_film_list
payment
rental
sales_by_film_category
sales_by_store
staff
staff_list
store
+-----+
22 rows in set (0.00 sec)

mysql> SELECT COUNT(*) FROM film;
+-----+
| COUNT(*) |
+-----+
| 1000      |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.02 sec)

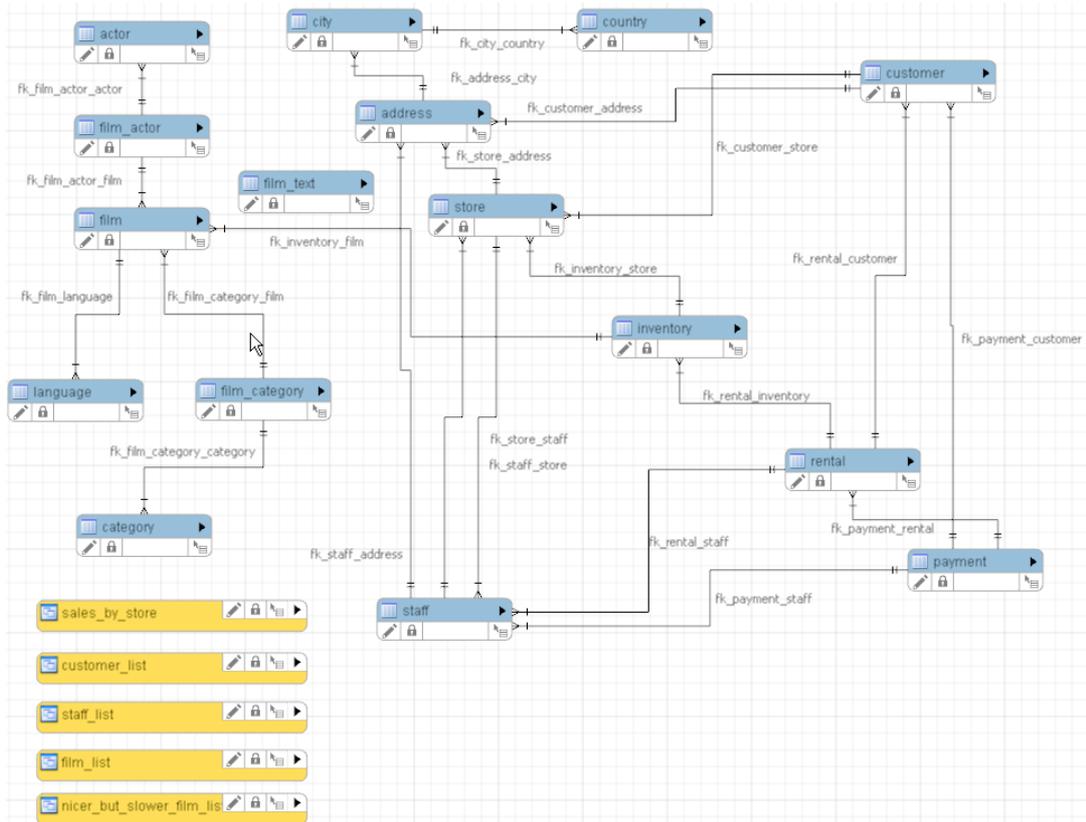
mysql> SELECT COUNT(*) FROM film_text;
+-----+
| COUNT(*) |
+-----+
| 1000      |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

4. Structure

This section provides an overview of the structure of the Sakila sample database.

The following diagram provides an overview of the Sakila structure. The source file (for use with MySQL Workbench) is included in the Sakila distribution and is named [sakila.mwb](#).

Figure 1. The Sakila schema



4.1. Tables

This section describes the tables that make up the Sakila sample database, in alphabetical order.

Note

All tables, with the exception of the `film_text` table, contain a `last_update` column that serves as a timestamp marking the last time each row was updated. This column will not be listed for each table in the table's column list.

4.1.1. The actor Table

The `actor` table lists information for all actors.

The actor table is joined to the `film` table by means of the `film_actor` table.

Columns:

- `actor_id` - Surrogate primary key used to uniquely identify each actor in the table.
- `first_name` - The actor's first name.
- `last_name` - The actor's last name.

4.1.2. The address Table

The `address` table contains address information for customers, staff, and stores.

The address table primary key appears as a foreign key in the `customer`, `staff` and `store` tables.

Columns:

- `address_id` - Surrogate primary key used to uniquely identify each address in the table.
- `address` - First line of an address.
- `address2` - Optional second line of an address.
- `district` - The region of an address, this may be a state, province, prefecture, etc.
- `city_id` - A foreign key pointing to the `city` table.
- `postal_code` - The postal code or zip code of the address (where applicable).
- `phone` - The telephone number for the address.

4.1.3. The category Table

The `category` table contains a list of categories which the various categories that can be assigned to a film.

The category table is joined to the `film` table by means of the `film_category` tables.

Columns:

- `category_id` - Surrogate primary key used to uniquely identify each category in the table.
- `name` - The name of the category.

4.1.4. The city Table

The `City` table contains a list of cities.

The city table is referred to by a foreign key in the `address` table and refers to the `country` table using a foreign key.

Columns:

- `city_id` - Surrogate primary key used to uniquely identify each city in the table.
- `city` - The name of the city.
- `country_id` - Foreign key identifying the country that the city belongs to.

4.1.5. The country Table

The `country` table contains a list of countries.

The country table is referred to by a foreign key in the `city` table.

Columns:

- `country_id` - Surrogate primary key used to uniquely identify each country in the table.
- `country` - The name of the country.

4.1.6. The customer Table

The `customer` table contains a list of all customers.

The customer table is referred to in the `payment` and `rental` tables and refers to the `address` and `store` tables using foreign keys.

Columns:

- `customer_id` - Surrogate primary key used to uniquely identify each customer in the table.
- `store_id` - Foreign key identifying the customer's 'home store'. Customers are not limited to renting only from this store, but this is the store they generally shop at.
- `first_name` - The customer's first name.
- `last_name` - The customer's last name.
- `email` - The customer's email address.
- `address_id` - Foreign key identifying the customer's address in the `address` table.
- `active` - Indicates whether the customer is an active customer. Setting this to `FALSE` serves as an alternative to deleting a customer outright. Most queries should have a `WHERE active = TRUE` clause.
- `create_date` - The date the customer was added to the system. This date is automatically set using a trigger during an `INSERT`.

4.1.7. The film Table

The `film` table is a list of all films potentially in stock in the stores. Actually copies of each film and represented in the `inventory` table.

The film table refers to the `language` table and is referred to by the `film_category`, `film_actor` and `inventory` tables.

Columns:

- `film_id` - Surrogate primary key used to uniquely identify each film in the table.
- `title` - The title of the film.
- `description` - A short description or plot summary of the film.
- `release_year` - The year in which the movie was released.
- `language_id` - Foreign key pointing at the `language` table, identified the language of the film.
- `original_language_id` - Foreign key pointing at the `language` table, identified the original language of the film. Used when a film has been dubbed into a new language.
- `rental_duration` - The period in days that the film is rented for.
- `rental_rate` - The cost to rent the film for the period specified in the `rental_duration` column.
- `length` - The duration of the film, in minutes.
- `replacement_cost` - The amount charged to the customer if the film is not returned or is re-

turned in a damaged state.

- `rating` - The rating assigned to the film. Can be one of: `G`, `PG`, `PG-13`, `R` or `NC-17`.
- `special_features` - Lists which common special features are included on the DVD. Can be zero or more of: `Trailers`, `Commentaries`, `Deleted Scenes`, `Behind the Scenes`.

4.1.8. The `film_actor` Table

The `film_actor` table is used to support a many-to-many relationship between films and actors. For each actor in a given film, there will be one row in the `film_actor` table listing the actor and film.

The `film_actor` table refers to the `film` and `actor` tables using foreign keys.

Columns:

- `actor_id` - Foreign key identifying the actor.
- `film_id` - Foreign key identifying the film.

4.1.9. The `film_category` Table

The `film_category` table is used to support a many-to-many relationship between films and categories. For each category applied to a film, there will be one row in the `film_category` table listing the category and film.

The `film_category` table refers to the `film` and `category` tables using foreign keys.

Columns:

- `film_id` - Foreign key identifying the film.
- `category_id` - Foreign key identifying the category.

4.1.10. The `film_text` Table

The `film_text` table is the only table in the Sakila sample database that uses a `MyISAM` storage engine. This table is provided to allow for fulltext searching of the titles and descriptions of the films listed in the `film` table.

The `film_text` table contains the `film_id`, `title` and `description` columns of the `film` table, with the contents of the table kept in sync with the `film` table by means of triggers on the `film` table's `INSERT`, `UPDATE` and `DELETE` operations (see [Section 4.5, "Triggers"](#)).

Columns:

- `film_id` - Surrogate primary key used to uniquely identify each film in the table.
- `title` - The title of the film.
- `description` - A short description or plot summary of the film.

The contents of the `film_text` table should never be modified directly, all changes should be made to the `film` table instead.

4.1.11. The inventory Table

The `inventory` table contains one row for each copy of a given film in a given store.

The inventory table refers to the `film` and `store` tables using foreign keys and is referred to by the `rental` table.

Columns:

- `inventory_id` - Surrogate primary key used to uniquely identify each item in inventory.
- `film_id` - Foreign key pointing to the film this item represents.
- `store_id` - Foreign key pointing to the store stocking this item.

4.1.12. The language Table

The `language` table is a lookup table listing the possible languages a film can be listed as having for its language and original language.

The language table is referred to by the `film` table.

Columns:

- `language_id` - Surrogate primary key used to uniquely identify each language.
- `name` - The English name of the language.

4.1.13. The payment Table

The `payment` table records each payment made by a customer, with information such as the amount and the rental being paid for (when applicable).

The payment table refers to the `customer`, `rental` and `staff` tables.

Columns:

- `payment_id` - Surrogate primary key used to uniquely identify each payment.
- `customer_id` - The customer whose balance the payment is being applied to. Foreign key reference to the `customer` table.
- `staff_id` - The staff member who processed the payment. Foreign key reference to the `staff` table.
- `rental_id` - The rental that the payment is being applied to. This is optional because some payments are for outstanding fees and may not be directly related to a rental.
- `amount` - The amount of the payment.
- `payment_date` - The date the payment was processed.

4.1.14. The rental Table

The `rental` table contains one row for each rental of each inventory item with information about who rented what item, when it was rented and when it was returned.

The rental table refers to the [inventory](#), [customer](#) and [staff](#) tables and is referred to by the [payment](#) table.

Columns:

- [rental_id](#) - Surrogate primary key that uniquely identifies the rental.
- [rental_date](#) - The date/time that the item was rented.
- [inventory_id](#) - The item being rented.
- [customer_id](#) - The customer renting the item.
- [return_date](#) - The date/time the item was returned.
- [staff_id](#) - The staff member who processed the rental.

4.1.15. The staff Table

The [staff](#) table lists all staff members, including information on email address, login information, and picture.

The staff table refers to the [store](#) and [address](#) tables using foreign keys, and is referred to by the [rental](#), [payment](#) and [store](#) tables.

Columns:

- [staff_id](#) - Surrogate primary key that uniquely identifies the staff member.
- [first_name](#) - The first name of the staff member.
- [last_name](#) - The last name of the staff member.
- [address_id](#) - Foreign key to the staff member's address in the address table.
- [picture](#) - A BLOB containing a photograph of the employee.
- [email](#) - The staff member's email address.
- [store_id](#) - The staff member's 'home store'. The employee can work at other stores but is generally assigned to the store listed.
- [active](#) - Whether this is an active employee. If an employee leaves their row is not deleted from this table, instead this column is set to `FALSE`.
- [username](#) - The username used by the staff member to access the rental system.
- [password](#) - The password used by the staff member to access the rental system. The password should be stored as a hash using the `SHA1()` function.

4.1.16. The store Table

The [store](#) table lists all stores in the system. All inventory is assigned to specific stores, and staff and customers are assigned a 'home store'.

The store table refers to the [staff](#) and [address](#) tables using foreign keys and is referred to by the [staff](#), [customer](#) and [inventory](#) tables.

Columns:

-
- `store_id` - Surrogate primary key that uniquely identifies the store.
 - `manager_staff_id` - Foreign key identifying the manager of this store.
 - `address_id` - Foreign key identifying the address of this store.

4.2. Views

This section describes the views that are included with the Sakila sample database, in alphabetical order.

4.2.1. The `actor_info` View

The `actor_info` view provides a list of all actors, including the films they have performed in, broken down by category.

The `staff_list` view incorporates data from the `film`, `actor`, `category`, `film_actor` and `film_category` tables.

4.2.2. The `customer_list` View

The `customer_list` view provides a list of customers, with first name and last name concatenated together and address information combined into a single view.

The `customer_list` view incorporates data from the `customer`, `address`, `city` and `country` tables.

4.2.3. The `film_list` View

The `film_list` view contains a formatted view of the `film` table, with a comma-separated list of the film's actors.

The `film_list` view incorporates data from the `film`, `category`, `film_category`, `actor` and `film_actor` tables.

4.2.4. The `nicer_but_slower_film_list` View

The `nicer_but_slower_film_list` view contains a formatted view of the `film` table, with a comma-separated list of the film's actors.

The `nicer_but_slower_film_list` view differs from the `film_list` view in the list of actors. The letter-case of the actor names is adjusted so that the first letter of each name is capitalized rather than have the name in all-caps.

As indicated in its name, the `nicer_but_slower_film_list` performs additional processing and therefore takes longer to return data than the `film_list` view.

The `nicer_but_slower_film_list` view incorporates data from the `film`, `category`, `film_category`, `actor` and `film_actor` tables.

4.2.5. The `sales_by_film_category` View

The `sales_by_film_category` view provides a list of total sales, broken down by individual film category.

Because a film can be listed in multiple categories, it is not advisable to calculate aggregate sales by totalling the rows of this view.

The `sales_by_film_category` view incorporates data from the `category`, `payment`, `rental`, `inventory`, `film`, `film_category` and `category` tables.

4.2.6. The sales_by_store View

The `sales_by_store` view provides a list of total sales, broken down by store.

The view returns the store location, manager name, and total sales.

The `sales_by_store` view incorporates data from the `city`, `country`, `payment`, `rental`, `inventory`, `store`, `address` and `staff` tables.

4.2.7. The staff_list View

The `staff_list` view provides a list of all staff members, including address and store information.

The `staff_list` view incorporates data from the `staff` and `address` tables.

4.3. Stored Procedures

This is a list of stored procedures included with the Sakila sample database, in alphabetical order.

All parameters listed are IN parameters unless listed otherwise.

4.3.1. The film_in_stock Stored Procedure

Description

The `film_in_stock` stored procedure is used to determine if there are any copies of a given film in stock at a given store.

Parameters

- `p_film_id` - The id of the film to be checked, from the `film_id` column of the `film` table.
- `p_store_id` - The id of the store to check for, from the `store_id` column of the `store` table.
- `p_film_count` - An OUT parameter that returns a count of the copies of the film in stock.

Return Values

This function returns a table of inventory id numbers for the copies of the film in stock.

Sample Usage

```
mysql> CALL film_in_stock(1,1,@count);
+-----+
| inventory_id |
+-----+
| 1            |
| 2            |
| 3            |
| 4            |
+-----+
4 rows in set (0.06 sec)

Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.06 sec)

mysql> SELECT @count;
+-----+
| @count |
+-----+
| 4      |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

```
mysql>
```

4.3.2. The `film_not_in_stock` Stored Procedure

Description

The `film_not_in_stock` stored procedure is used to determine if there are any copies of a given film not in stock (rented out) at a given store.

Parameters

- `p_film_id` - The id of the film to be checked, from the `film_id` column of the `film` table.
- `p_store_id` - The id of the store to check for, from the `store_id` column of the `store` table.
- `p_film_count` - An OUT parameter that returns a count of the copies of the film not in stock.

Return Values

This function returns a table of inventory id numbers for the copies of the film not in stock.

Sample Usage

```
mysql> CALL film_not_in_stock(2,2,@count);
+-----+
| inventory_id |
+-----+
| 9            |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.02 sec)

Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.02 sec)

mysql> SELECT @count;
+-----+
| @count |
+-----+
| 1      |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

4.3.3. The `rewards_report` Stored Procedure

Description

The `rewards_report` stored procedure generates a customizable list of the top customers for the previous month.

Parameters

- `min_monthly_purchases` - The minimum number of purchases/rentals a customer needed to make in the last month to qualify.
- `min_dollar_amount_purchased` - The minimum dollar amount a customer needed to spend in the last month to qualify.
- `count_rewardees` - An OUT parameter that returns a count of the customers who met the qualifications specified.

Return Values

This function returns a table of customers who met the qualifications specified. The table returned is of the same structure as the [customer](#) table.

Sample Usage

```
mysql> CALL rewards_report(7,20.00,@count);
...
| 598          | 1          | WADE          | DELVALLE     | WADE.DELVALLE@sakilacustomer.org
| 599          | 2          | AUSTIN        | CINTRON      | AUSTIN.CINTRON@sakilacustomer.org
...
42 rows in set (0.11 sec)
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.67 sec)

mysql> SELECT @count;
+-----+
| @count |
+-----+
| 42     |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

4.4. Stored Functions

This section lists the stored functions included with the Sakila sample database.

4.4.1. The `get_customer_balance` Function

The `get_customer_balance` function returns the current amount owing on a specified customer's account.

Parameters

- `p_customer_id` - The id of the customer to check, from the `customer_id` column of the `customer` table.
- `p_effective_date` - The cutoff date for items that will be applied to the balance. Any rentals/payments/etc after this date are not counted.

Return Values

This functions returns the amount owing on the customer's account.

Sample Usage

```
mysql> SELECT get_customer_balance(298,NOW());
+-----+
| get_customer_balance(298,NOW()) |
+-----+
| 22.00                            |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

4.4.2. The `inventory_held_by_customer` Function

The `inventory_held_by_customer` function returns the `customer_id` of the customer who has rented out the specified inventory item.

Parameters

- `p_inventory_id` - The id of the inventory item to be checked.

Return Values

This functions returns the `customer_id` of the customer who is currently renting the item, or `NULL` if the item is in stock.

Sample Usage

```
mysql> SELECT inventory_held_by_customer(8);
+-----+
| inventory_held_by_customer(8) |
+-----+
| NULL                           |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.14 sec)

mysql> SELECT inventory_held_by_customer(9);
+-----+
| inventory_held_by_customer(9) |
+-----+
| 366                           |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)

mysql>
```

4.4.3. The `inventory_in_stock` Function

The `inventory_function` function returns a boolean value indicating whether the inventory item specified is in stock.

Parameters

- `p_inventory_id` - The id of the inventory item to be checked.

Return Values

This function returns `TRUE` or `FALSE` depending on whether the item specified is in stock.

Sample Usage

```
mysql> SELECT inventory_in_stock(9);
+-----+
| inventory_in_stock(9) |
+-----+
| 0                     |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.03 sec)

mysql> SELECT inventory_in_stock(8);
+-----+
| inventory_in_stock(8) |
+-----+
| 1                     |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)
```

4.5. Triggers

This section lists the triggers in the Sakila sample database.

4.5.1. The `customer_create_date` Trigger

The `customer_create_date` trigger sets the `create_date` column of the customer table to the current time and date as rows are inserted.

4.5.2. The `payment_date` Trigger

The `payment_date` trigger sets the `payment_date` column of the `payment` table to the current time and date as rows are inserted.

4.5.3. The `rental_date` Trigger

The `rental_date` trigger sets the `rental_date` column of the `rental` table to the current time and date as rows are inserted.

4.5.4. The `ins_film` Trigger

The `ins_film` trigger duplicates all INSERT operations on the `film` table to the `film_text` table.

4.5.5. The `upd_film` Trigger

The `upd_film` trigger duplicates all UPDATE operations on the `film` table to the `film_text` table.

4.5.6. The `del_film` Trigger

The `del_film` trigger duplicates all DELETE operations on the `film` table to the `film_text` table.

5. Usage Examples

These are a few usage examples of how to perform common operations using the Sakila sample database. While these operations are good candidates for stored procedures and views, such implementation is intentionally left as an exercise to the user.

Rent a DVD

To rent a DVD, first confirm that the given inventory item is in stock, then insert a row into the `rental` table. After the rental is created, insert a row into the `payment` table. Depending on business rules, you may also need to check if the customer has an outstanding balance before processing the rental.

```
mysql> SELECT INVENTORY_IN_STOCK(10);
+-----+
| INVENTORY_IN_STOCK(10) |
+-----+
| 1                       |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)

mysql> INSERT INTO rental(rental_date, inventory_id, customer_id, staff_id)
-> VALUES(NOW(), 10, 3, 1);
Query OK, 1 row affected (0.00 sec)

mysql> SELECT @balance := get_customer_balance(3, NOW());
+-----+
| @balance := get_customer_balance(3, NOW()) |
+-----+
| 4.99                                       |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.01 sec)

mysql> INSERT INTO payment (customer_id, staff_id, rental_id, amount, payment_date)
-> VALUES(3,1, LAST_INSERT_ID(), @balance, NOW());
Query OK, 1 row affected (0.00 sec)
```

Return a DVD

To return a DVD, we update the `rental` table and set the return date. To do this, we first need to identify the `rental_id` to update based on the `inventory_id` of the item being returned. Depending on the situation we may then need to check the customer balance and perhaps process a payment for overdue fees by inserting a row into the `payment` table.

```
mysql> SELECT rental_id
-> FROM rental
-> WHERE inventory_id = 10
-> AND customer_id = 3
```

```

-> AND return_date IS NULL;
+-----+
| rental_id |
+-----+
| 16050      |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.00 sec)

mysql> UPDATE rental
-> SET return_date = NOW()
-> WHERE rental_id = @rentID;
Query OK, 1 row affected (0.00 sec)
Rows matched: 1 Changed: 1 Warnings: 0

mysql> SELECT get_customer_balance(3, NOW());
+-----+
| get_customer_balance(3, NOW()) |
+-----+
| 0.00                            |
+-----+
1 row in set (0.09 sec)

```

Find Overdue DVDs

Many DVD stores produce a daily list of overdue rentals so that customers can be contacted and asked to return their overdue DVDs.

To create such a list, we search the rental table for films with a return date that is NULL and where the rental date is further in the past than the rental duration specified in the film table. If so, the film is overdue and we should return the name of the film along with the customer name and phone number.

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mysql> SELECT CONCAT(customer.last_name, ' ', customer.first_name) AS customer,
-> address.phone, film.title
-> FROM rental INNER JOIN customer ON rental.customer_id = customer.customer
_id
-> INNER JOIN address ON customer.address_id = address.address_id
-> INNER JOIN inventory ON rental.inventory_id = inventory.inventory_id
-> INNER JOIN film ON inventory.film_id = film.film_id
-> WHERE rental.return_date IS NULL
-> AND rental_date + INTERVAL film.rental_duration DAY < CURRENT_DATE()
-> LIMIT 5;
+-----+-----+-----+
| customer          | phone      | title          |
+-----+-----+-----+
| OLVERA, DWAYNE   | 62127829280 | ACADEMY DINOSAUR |
| HUEY, BRANDON    | 99883471275 | ACE GOLDFINGER   |
| BROWN, ELIZABETH | 10655648674 | AFFAIR PREJUDICE |
| OWENS, CARMEN    | 272234298332 | AFFAIR PREJUDICE |
| HANNON, SETH     | 864392582257 | AFRICAN EGG     |
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5 rows in set (0.02 sec)

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9. Sakila Change History

9.1. Version 0.8

- Added `actor_info` view.
- Changed error handler for `inventory_held_by_customer` function. Function now has an exit handler for `NOT FOUND` instead of the more cryptic `1329`.
- Added template for new BSD license to schema and data files.
- Added `READS SQL DATA` to the procedures and functions where appropriate to support loading on MySQL 5.1.
- Fixed date range issue in `rewards_report` procedure (thanks Goplat).

9.2. Version 0.7

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- Fixed bug in `sales_by_store` view that caused the same manager to be listed for every store.
 - Fixed bug in `inventory_held_by_customer` function that caused function to return multiple rows.
 - Moved `rental_date` trigger to `sakila-data.sql` file to prevent it from interfering with data loading.

9.3. Version 0.6

- Added `film_in_stock` stored procedure.
- Added `film_not_in_stock` stored procedure.
- Added `inventory_help_by_customer` stored function.
- Added `inventory__in_stock` stored function.
- Optimized data file for loading (multi-row INSERT statements, transactions). (Thanks Giuseppe)
- Fixed error in payment table loading script that cause infinitely increasing payment amounts.

9.4. Version 0.5

- Added views `sales_by_store` and `sales_by_film_category` submitted by Jay Pipes.
- Added stored procedure `rewards_report` submitted by Jay Pipes.
- Added stored procedure `get_customer_balance`.
- Added `sakila-data.sql` file to load data into sample database.

9.5. Version 0.4

- Added password column to staff table (VARCHAR(40) BINARY DEFAULT NULL)

9.6. Version 0.3

- Changed `address.district` to VARCHAR(20)
- Changed `customer.first_name` to VARCHAR(45)
- Changed `customer.last_name` to VARCHAR(45)
- Changed `customer.email` to VARCHAR(50)
- `payment.rental_id` added - NULLable INT column
- Foreign key added for `payment.rental_id` to `rental.rental_id`
- `rental.rental_id` added, INT Auto_Increment, made into surrogate primary key, old primary key changed to UNIQUE key.

9.7. Version 0.2

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- All tables have a `last_update` TIMESTAMP with traditional behavior (DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP ON UPDATE CURRENT_TIMESTAMP)
 - `actor_id` is now a SMALLINT
 - `address_id` is now a SMALLINT
 - `category_id` is now a TINYINT
 - `city_id` is now a SMALLINT
 - `country_id` is now a SMALLINT
 - `customer_id` is now a SMALLINT
 - `first_name`, `last_name` for customer table are now CHAR instead of VARCHAR
 - `customer` table now has email CHAR(50)
 - `create_date` on customer table is now DATETIME (to accommodate last_update TIMESTAMP)
 - `customer` table has a new ON INSERT trigger that enforces `create_date` column being set to NOW()
 - `film_id` is now SMALLINT
 - `film.description` now has DEFAULT NULL
 - `film.release_year` added with type YEAR
 - `film.language_id` and `film.original_language_id` added along with language table. For foreign films that may have been subbed. `original_language_id` can be NULL, `language_id` is NOT NULL
 - `film.length` is now SMALLINT
 - `film.category_id` column removed
 - New table: `film_category` - allows for multiple categories per film
 - `film_text.category_id` column removed
 - `inventory_id` is now MEDIUMINT
 - `payment_id` is now SMALLINT
 - `payment.payment_date` is now DATETIME
 - Trigger added to `payment` table to enforce that `payment_date` is set to NOW() upon INSERT
 - `rental.rent_date` is now rental.rental_date and is now DATETIME
 - Trigger added to `rental` table to enforce that `rental_date` is set to NOW() upon INSERT
 - `staff_id` is now TINYINT
 - `staff.email` added (VARCHAR(50))
 - `staff.username` added (VARCHAR(16))
 - `store_id` is now TINYINT
 - VIEW `film_list` updated to handle new `film_category` table

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- VIEW `nicer_but_slower_film_list` updated to handle new `film_category` table