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Introduction

The organization of this document is as follows:

- 1) Clause 1, “Scope”, specifies the scope of this document.
- 2) Clause 2, “Normative references”, identifies additional standards that, through reference in this document, constitute provisions of this document.
- 3) Clause 3, “Terms and definitions”, defines the terms and definitions used in this document.
- 4) Clause 4, “Concepts”, presents concepts related to this document.
- 5) Clause 5, “Lexical elements”, defines the lexical elements of the language specified in this document.
- 6) Clause 6, “Scalar expressions”, defines the elements of the language that produce scalar values.
- 7) Clause 7, “Query expressions”, defines the elements of the language that produce rows and tables of data.
- 8) Clause 8, “Additional common rules”, specifies the rules for assignments that retrieve data from or store data into SQL-data, and formation rules for set operations.
- 9) Clause 9, “Additional common elements”, defines additional common elements used in the definition of foreign tables, foreign servers, and foreign-data wrappers.
- 10) Clause 10, “Schema definition and manipulation”, defines facilities related to foreign tables and datalink type support for creating and managing a schema.
- 11) Clause 11, “Access control”, defines facilities for controlling access to SQL-data.
- 12) Clause 12, “SQL-client modules”, defines SQL-client modules and externally-invoked procedures.
- 13) Clause 13, “Additional data manipulation rules”, defines additional rules for data manipulation.
- 14) Clause 14, “Session management”, defines the SQL-session management statements.
- 15) Clause 15, “Dynamic SQL”, defines the dynamic SQL statements.
- 16) Clause 16, “Embedded SQL”, defines the embedded SQL statements.
- 17) Clause 17, “Diagnostics management”, defines the diagnostics management facilities.
- 18) Clause 18, “Call-Level Interface specifications”, defines facilities for using SQL through a Call-Level Interface.
- 19) Clause 19, “SQL/CLI routines”, defines each of the routines that comprise the Call-Level Interface.
- 20) Clause 20, “URLs”, specifies the format of URLs used in this document.
- 21) Clause 21, “Catalog manipulation”, defines facilities for creating, altering, and dropping foreign servers and foreign-data wrappers.
- 22) Clause 22, “SQL/MED common specifications”, specifies common facilities used by SQL/MED.
- 23) Clause 23, “Foreign-data wrapper interface routines”, specifies the interaction between an SQL-server and a foreign-data wrapper.
- 24) Clause 24, “Information Schema”, defines viewed tables that contain schema information.
- 25) Clause 25, “Definition Schema”, defines base tables on which the viewed tables containing schema information depend.