

# JOINING JOINS

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ⬡ I **will** have HW3 feedback to you by tomorrow afternoon
- ⬡ No homework due this week, because you have a test on Wednesday!
  - ⬡ You'll have the full class duration to take it, but it will be written for an hour
  - ⬡ Pen and paper exam: no computers
  - ⬡ **Study Materials**
    - ⬡ Study guide with some practice questions
    - ⬡ Old test
    - ⬡ Solutions to both
- ⬡ Polling: [polling.jedrembold.prof](https://polling.jedrembold.prof)
- ⬡ Haley here to talk for a moment with you about career development!

# REVIEW QUESTION!

Given the two tables and the query below, what would be the output?

events

id	name	att
0	Dinner	0
1	Dinner	1
2	Concert	2
3	Bingo	0

folks

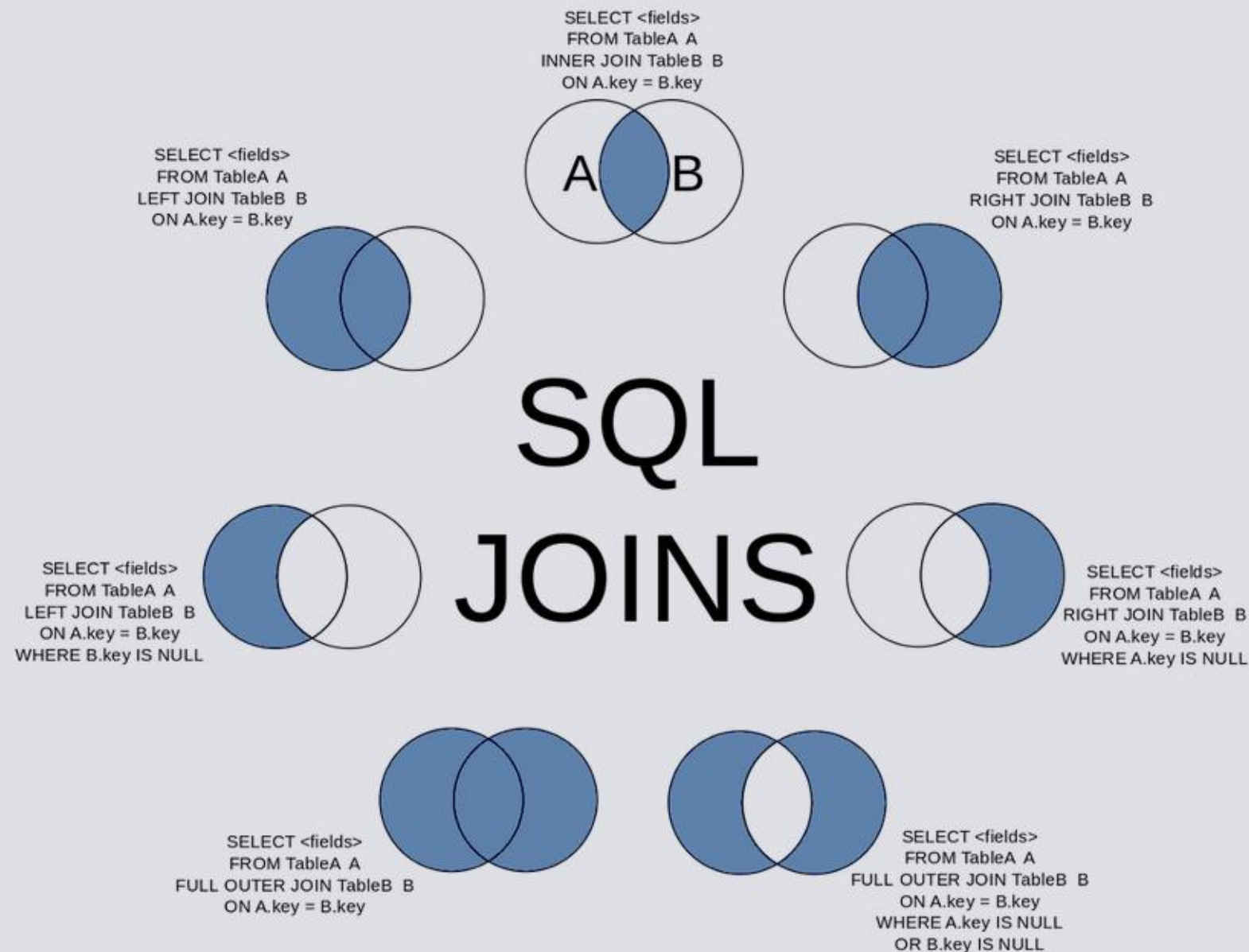
id	name	age
0	Bob	13
1	Jane	16
2	Bill	23
3	Hillary	20

```
SELECT  
    COUNT(events.name)  
FROM folks  
LEFT JOIN events  
    ON events.att = folks.id  
WHERE age % 2 = 0;
```

A) 0    B) 1    C) 2    D) 3

# JOINS AS VENN DIAGRAMS

- ⬡ Sometimes it may help to think of different types of joins as Venn diagrams



# COMPOUND JOINS



# MULTIPLE JOIN CONDITIONALS

- ⬡ You are not limited to just a single condition in your `ON` statement!
- ⬡ You can chain multiple conditions together with `AND` or `OR`, just like with `WHERE`
- ⬡ Just recall when comparing two rows that ALL the conditions must be true for the data to be included in the joined table

```
SELECT *  
FROM table 1  
JOIN table 2  
ON table 1.column 1 = table 2.column 1  
   AND table 1.column 2 > table 2.column 2;
```

# WORD OF WARNING

- ⬡ For **inner joins**, the output of joining on multiple conditions would look the same as joining on one condition and then filtering out the others using `WHERE`
- ⬡ For **other** types of joins though, this isn't necessarily the case!
  - ⬡ A `LEFT JOIN` would still give you everything in the left table, for instance, along with `NULL` values that a `WHERE` would likely have filtered out
- ⬡ Main take-away:
  - ⬡ Join conditions and filtering conditions *are* doing different things, but they may seem interchangeable if you are just using inner joins.



# TABLE ALIASES

- ⬡ Including long table names before each column name when referring to information from two different tables can get tedious
- ⬡ You can define aliases for table names just like you can for column names!
- ⬡ Syntax looks just like column aliases, using `AS`
- ⬡ Can come immediately after you first reference a table name
  - ⬡ Usually after a `FROM` or `JOIN` statement
- ⬡ In truth, the `AS` is optional, but I find it helps some with readability

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SELECT *  
FROM tablename AS tn  
JOIN tablename 2 AS tn2  
ON tn.column 1 = tn2.column 2;
```

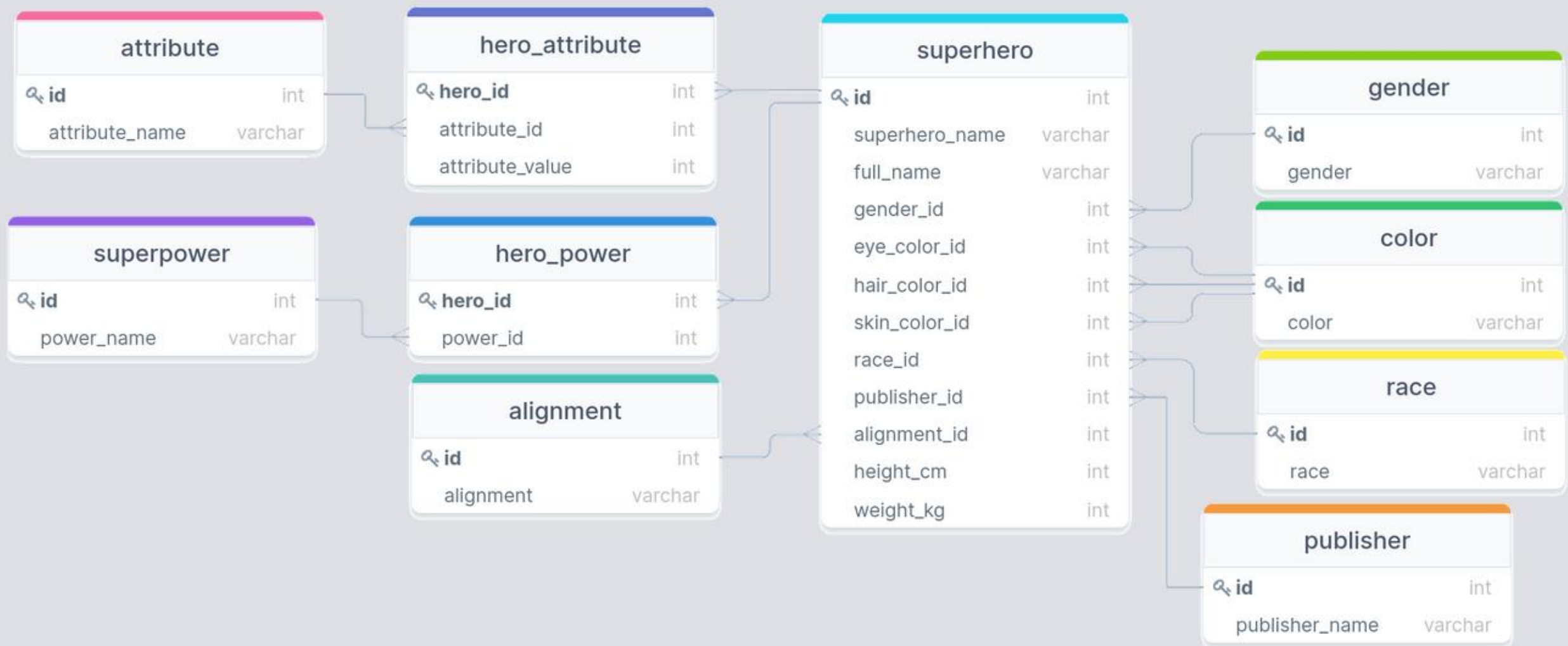


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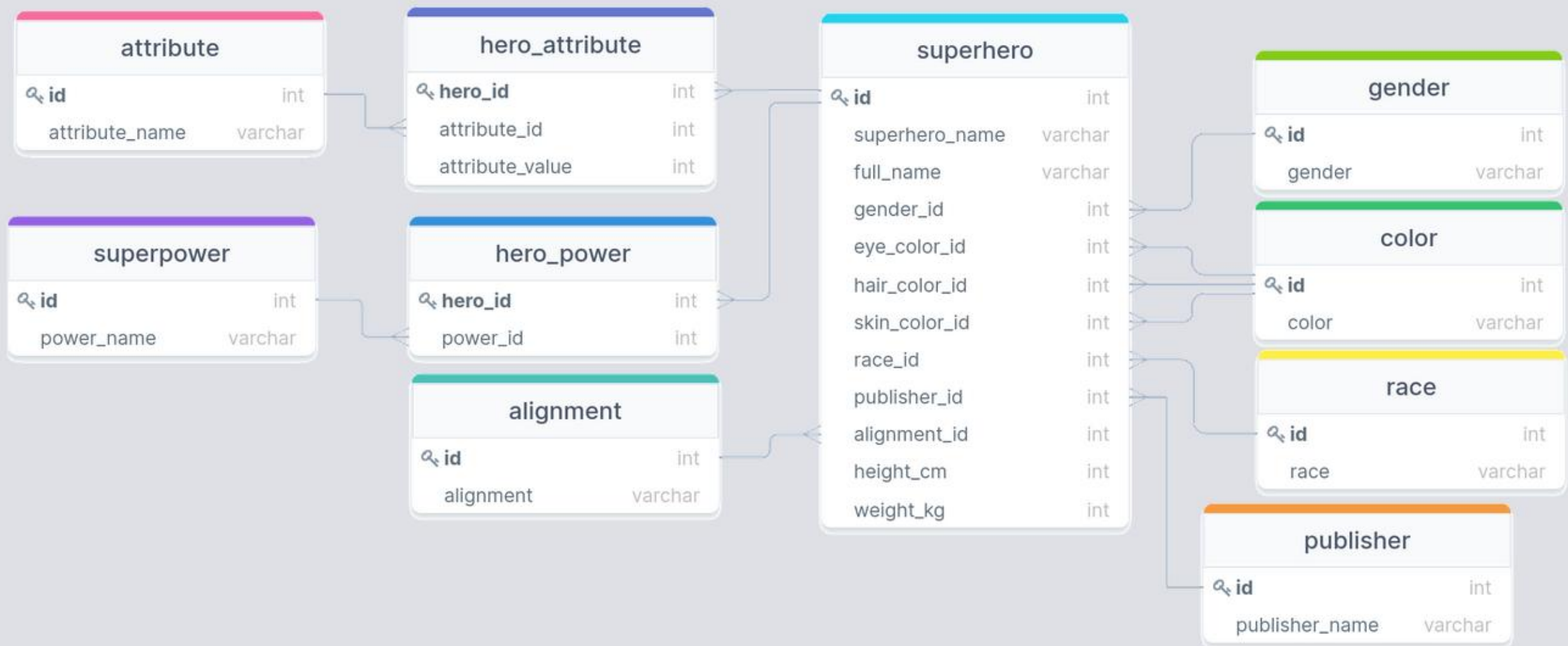
- ⬡ Nothing stops you from including multiple joins in your query
- ⬡ Each additional join links back to the current growing joined table
  - ⬡ This means a second join is treating the entire initial join as the “left” table
  - ⬡ Be wary that if you join a new table that has multiple columns that could link to existing columns in previously joined tables, you likely want to ensure your join condition matches them all!

```
SELECT *  
FROM tablename AS t1  
JOIN tablename 2 AS t2 ON t1.column_1 = t2.column_1  
JOIN tablename 3 AS t3 ON t1.column_2 = t3.column_1;
```

# A SUPER EXAMPLE



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How many blue-eyed superheroes can fly?



# JOIN THYSELF



# SELF JOINS

- ⬡ You can actually join a table to itself!
- ⬡ Why would you want to do this?
  - ⬡ Hierarchy data can frequently be explored in this fashion
  - ⬡ Comparisons between rows of a table
- ⬡ You **need** to give unique aliases when doing this, or else you won't have a way to distinguish between which columns you want

# A CORPORATE EXAMPLE

- ⬡ We have a table containing the names and subordinate relationships between individuals in a corporation.
- ⬡ What sorts of questions could we answer using just that table and some self joins?



# STUDY TIME



# THE TIME IS YOURS

- ⬡ The remainder of our time today is set aside for you to ask questions or work on the study materials