



Chapter 3: Introduction to SQL

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Outline

- Overview of The SQL Query Language
- Data Definition
- Basic Query Structure
- Additional Basic Operations
- Set Operations
- Null Values
- Aggregate Functions
- Nested Subqueries
- Modification of the Database



History

- IBM **Sequel** language developed as part of **System R project** at the IBM San Jose Research Laboratory
- Renamed Structured Query Language (SQL)
- ANSI and ISO standard SQL:
 - 1986 SQL-86(the 1st)
 - 1992 SQL92
 - 1999 SQL99 (language name became Y2K compliant!)
 - 2006 SQL2008
 - 2010 SQL2011
- Commercial systems offer **most, but not all**, SQL-92 features, plus varying feature sets from later standards and special proprietary features.
 - Not all examples here may work on your particular system.



Data Definition Language

The SQL data-definition language (DDL) allows the specification of information about relations, including:

- The **schema** for each relation.
- The **domain** of values associated with each attribute.
- **Integrity constraints**
- And as we will see later, also other information such as
 - The set of **indices** to be maintained for each relations.
 - **Security** and **authorization** information for each relation.
 - The **physical storage structure** of each relation on disk.



Domain Types in SQL

- **char(*n*)**. Fixed length character string, with user-specified length *n*.
- **varchar(*n*)**. Variable length character strings, with user-specified maximum length *n*.
- **int**. Integer (a finite subset of the integers that is machine-dependent).
- **smallint**. Small integer (a machine-dependent **subset** of the integer domain type).
- **numeric(*p,d*)**. **Fixed point number**, with user-specified precision of *p* digits, with *d* digits to the right of decimal point. (ex., **numeric**(3,1), allows 44.5 to be stores exactly, but not 444.5 or 0.32)
- **real, double precision**. Floating point and double-precision floating point numbers, with machine-dependent precision.
- **float(*n*)**. Floating point number, with user-specified precision of at least *n* digits.
- More are covered in Chapter 4.



Create Table Construct

- An SQL relation is defined using the **create table** command:

```
create table  $r$  ( $A_1 D_1, A_2 D_2, \dots, A_n D_n,$   
                (integrity-constraint1),  
                ...,  
                (integrity-constraintk))
```

- r is the name of the relation
- each A_i is an attribute name in the schema of relation r
- D_i is the data type of values in the domain of attribute A_i

- Example:

```
create table instructor (  
    ID           char(5),  
    name         varchar(20),  
    dept_name    varchar(20),  
    salary       numeric(8,2))
```



Integrity Constraints in Create Table

- **not null**
- **primary key** (A_1, \dots, A_n)
- **foreign key** (A_m, \dots, A_n) **references** r

Example:

```
create table instructor (  
    ID          char(5),  
    name       varchar(20) not null,  
    dept_name varchar(20),  
    salary    numeric(8,2),  
    primary key (ID),  
    foreign key (dept_name) references department);
```

primary key declaration on an attribute automatically ensures **not null**



And a Few More Relation Definitions

- **create table** *student* (
 ID **varchar**(5),
 name **varchar**(20) not null,
 dept_name **varchar**(20),
 tot_cred **numeric**(3,0),
 primary key (*ID*),
 foreign key (*dept_name*) **references** *department*);

- **create table** *takes* (
 ID **varchar**(5),
 course_id **varchar**(8),
 sec_id **varchar**(8),
 semester **varchar**(6),
 year **numeric**(4,0),
 grade **varchar**(2),
 primary key (*ID*, *course_id*, *sec_id*, *semester*, *year*) ,
 foreign key (*ID*) **references** *student*,
 foreign key (*course_id*, *sec_id*, *semester*, *year*) **references** *section*);

- Note: *sec_id* can not be dropped from primary key above, to ensure a student **cannot** be registered for two sections of the same course in the same semester



And more still

```
■ create table course (  
    course_id      varchar(8),  
    title          varchar(50),  
    dept_name      varchar(20),  
    credits         numeric(2,0),  
    primary key (course_id),  
    foreign key (dept_name) references department);
```



Referential integrity constraint

foreign key (*course_id, sec_id, semester, year*) references *teches*);

<i>course_id</i>	<i>sec_id</i>	<i>semester</i>	<i>year</i>	<i>building</i>	<i>room_number</i>	<i>time_slot_id</i>
BIO-101	1	Summer	2009	Painter	514	B
BIO-301	1	Summer	2010	Painter	514	A
CS-101	1	Fall	2009	Packard	101	H
CS-101	1	Spring	2010	Packard	101	F
t CS-190	1	Spring	2009	Taylor	3128	E
CS-190	2	Spring	2009	Taylor	3128	A
CS-315	1	Spring	2010	Watson	120	D
CS-319	1	Spring	2010	Watson	100	B
CS-319	2	Spring	2010	Taylor	3128	C
CS-347	1	Fall	2009	Taylor	3128	A
EE-181	1	Spring	2009	Taylor	3128	C
FIN-201	1	Spring	2010	Packard	101	B
HIS-351	1	Spring	2010	Painter	514	C
MU-199	1	Spring	2010	Packard	101	D
PHY-101	1	Fall	2009	Watson	100	A

Figure 2.6 The *section* relation.

<i>ID</i>	<i>course_id</i>	<i>sec_id</i>	<i>semester</i>	<i>year</i>
10101	CS-101	1	Fall	2009
10101	CS-315	1	Spring	2010
10101	CS-347	1	Fall	2009
12121	FIN-201	1	Spring	2010
15151	MU-199	1	Spring	2010
22222	PHY-101	1	Fall	2009
32343	HIS-351	1	Spring	2010
45565	CS-101	1	Spring	2010
45565	CS-319	1	Spring	2010
76766	BIO-101	1	Summer	2009
76766	BIO-301	1	Summer	2010
83821	CS-190	1	Spring	2009
83821	CS-190	2	Spring	2009
83821	CS-319	2	Spring	2010
98345	EE-181	1	Spring	2009

Figure 2.7 The *teches* relation.

referential integrity constraint; a referential integrity constraint requires that the values appearing in specified attributes of any tuple in the referencing relation also appear in specified attributes of **at least** one tuple in the referenced relation.

If we delete a tuple *t*, it may cause a violation error.



Updates to tables

■ Insert

- **insert into *instructor* values** ('10211', 'Smith', 'Biology', 66000);

■ Delete

- Remove **all tuples** from the *student* relation
 - ▶ **delete from *student***

■ Drop Table

- **drop table *r***

■ Alter

- **alter table *r* add *A D***
 - ▶ where *A* is the name of the attribute to be added to relation *r* and *D* is the domain of *A*.
 - ▶ All exiting tuples in the relation are assigned *null* as the value for the new attribute.
- **alter table *r* drop *A***
 - ▶ where *A* is the name of an attribute of relation *r*
 - ▶ Dropping of attributes **not supported** by many databases.



SQL Exercise

- <https://www.w3resource.com/sql-exercises/subqueries/index.php>



Basic Query Structure

- A typical SQL query has the form:

```
select  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$   
from  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m$   
where  $P$ 
```

- A_i represents an attribute
 - R_i represents a relation
 - P is a **predicate**.
- The result of an SQL query is a **relation**.



The select Clause

- The **select** clause lists the attributes desired in the result of a query
 - corresponds to the projection operation of the relational algebra

- Example: find the names of all instructors:

select *name*
from *instructor*

- NOTE: SQL names are **case insensitive** (i.e., you may use upper- or lower-case letters.)
 - E.g., *Name* \equiv *NAME* \equiv *name*
 - Some people use upper case wherever we use bold font.

<i>ID</i>	<i>name</i>	<i>dept_name</i>	<i>salary</i>
10101	Srinivasan	Comp. Sci.	65000
12121	Wu	Finance	90000
15151	Mozart	Music	40000
22222	Einstein	Physics	95000
32343	El Said	History	60000
33456	Gold	Physics	87000
45565	Katz	Comp. Sci.	75000
58583	Califieri	History	62000
76543	Singh	Finance	80000
76766	Crick	Biology	72000
83821	Brandt	Comp. Sci.	92000
98345	Kim	Elec. Eng.	80000

<i>name</i>
Srinivasan
Wu
Mozart
Einstein
El Said
Gold
Katz
Califieri
Singh
Crick
Brandt
Kim



The select Clause (Cont.)

- SQL **allows** duplicates in relations as well as in query results.
- To force the elimination of duplicates, insert the keyword **distinct** after select.
- Find the department names of all instructors, and remove duplicates

```
select distinct dept_name  
from instructor
```

- The keyword **all** specifies that duplicates should not be removed. (usually, it is default, so we need not write it in the clause explicitly)

```
select all dept_name  
from instructor
```

ID	name	dept_name	salary
10101	Srinivasan	Comp. Sci.	65000
12121	Wu	Finance	90000
15151	Mozart	Music	40000
22222	Einstein	Physics	95000
32343	El Said	History	60000
33456	Gold	Physics	87000
45565	Katz	Comp. Sci.	75000
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76766	Crick	Biology	72000
83821	Brandt	Comp. Sci.	92000
98345	Kim	Elec. Eng.	80000

dept_name
Comp. Sci.
Finance
Music
Physics
History
Physics
Comp. Sci.
History

```
select dept_name  
from instructor
```



The select Clause (Cont.)

- An **asterisk** in the select clause denotes “all attributes”

select *
from *instructor*

- An attribute can be a literal with no **from** clause

select '437'

- Results is a table with one column and a single row with value “437”
- Can give the column a name using:

select '437' **as** *FOO*

- An attribute can be a literal with **from** clause

select 'A'
from *instructor*

- Result is a table with one column and **N** rows (number of tuples in the *instructors* table), each row with value “A”



The select Clause (Cont.)

- The **select** clause can contain *arithmetic expressions* involving the operation, +, −, *, and /, and operating on constants or attributes of tuples.

- The query:

```
select ID, name, salary/12  
from instructor
```

would return a relation that is the same as the *instructor* relation, except that the value of the attribute *salary* is divided by 12.

- Can rename “salary/12” using the **as** clause:

```
select ID, name, salary/12 as monthly_salary
```



The where Clause

- The **where** clause specifies conditions that the result must satisfy
 - Corresponds to the **selection** predicate of the relational algebra.
- Example :To find all instructors in Comp. Sci. dept

```
select name
from instructor
where dept_name = 'Comp. Sci.'
```

- Comparison results can be **combined** using the **logical connectives: and, or, and not**
 - To find all instructors in Comp. Sci. dept with salary > 80000

```
select name
from instructor
where dept_name = 'Comp. Sci.' and salary > 80000
```

- Comparisons can be applied to results of arithmetic expressions.



The from Clause

- The **from** clause lists the relations involved in the query
 - Corresponds to the Cartesian product operation of the relational algebra.
- Find the Cartesian product *instructor X teaches*
select *
from *instructor, teaches*
 - generates **every possible** instructor – teaches pair, with all attributes from both relations.
 - For common attributes (e.g., *ID*), the attributes in the resulting table are renamed using the relation name (e.g., *instructor.ID*)
- Cartesian product not very useful directly, but useful combined with where-clause condition (selection operation in relational algebra).



Cartesian Product

instructor

ID	name	dept_name	salary
10101	Srinivasan	Comp. Sci.	65000
12121	Wu	Finance	90000
15151	Mozart	Music	40000
22222	Einstein	Physics	95000
32343	El Said	History	60000

teaches

ID	course_id	sec_id	semester	year
10101	CS-101	1	Fall	2009
10101	CS-315	1	Spring	2010
10101	CS-347	1	Fall	2009
12121	FIN-201	1	Spring	2010
15151	MU-199	1	Spring	2010
22222	PHY-101	1	Fall	2009

Inst.ID	name	dept_name	salary	teaches.ID	course_id	sec_id	semester	year
10101	Srinivasan	Comp. Sci.	65000	10101	CS-101	1	Fall	2009
10101	Srinivasan	Comp. Sci.	65000	10101	CS-315	1	Spring	2010
10101	Srinivasan	Comp. Sci.	65000	10101	CS-347	1	Fall	2009
10101	Srinivasan	Comp. Sci.	65000	12121	FIN-201	1	Spring	2010
10101	Srinivasan	Comp. Sci.	65000	15151	MU-199	1	Spring	2010
10101	Srinivasan	Comp. Sci.	65000	22222	PHY-101	1	Fall	2009
...
...
12121	Wu	Finance	90000	10101	CS-101	1	Fall	2009
12121	Wu	Finance	90000	10101	CS-315	1	Spring	2010
12121	Wu	Pinance	90000	10101	CS-347	1	Fall	2009
12121	Wu	Pinance	90000	12121	FIN-201	1	Spring	2010
12121	Wu	Finance	90000	15151	MU-199	1	Spring	2010
12121	Wu	Pinance	90000	22222	PHY-101	1	Fall	2009
...
...



Examples

- Find the names of all instructors who have taught some course and the course_id
 - **select** *name, course_id*
from *instructor , teaches*
where *instructor.ID = teaches.ID*

- Find the names of all instructors in the Art department who have taught some course and the course_id
 - **select** *name, course_id*
from *instructor , teaches*
where *instructor.ID = teaches.ID and instructor. dept_name = 'Art'*



The Rename Operation

- The SQL allows renaming relations and attributes using the **as** clause:

old-name as new-name

- Find the names of all instructors who have a higher salary than some instructor in 'Comp. Sci'.

- **select distinct** *T.name*
from *instructor as T, instructor as S*
where *T.salary > S.salary and S.dept_name = 'Comp. Sci.'*

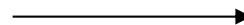
- Keyword **as** is optional and may be omitted

instructor as T \equiv *instructor T*

- Demonstration

We want to find all pairs of the students who are in the same department.

<input type="checkbox"/>	id	name	dept_name	salary
<input type="checkbox"/>	12345	a	comp	56789
<input type="checkbox"/>	23456	b	phy	12000
<input type="checkbox"/>	34567	c	phy	24000
<input type="checkbox"/>	45678	d	comp	36000



<input type="checkbox"/>	id	id
<input type="checkbox"/>	45678	12345
<input type="checkbox"/>	34567	23456
<input type="checkbox"/>	23456	34567
<input type="checkbox"/>	12345	45678



Cartesian Product Example

- Relation *emp-super*

<i>person</i>	<i>supervisor</i>
Bob	Alice
Mary	Susan
Alice	David
David	Mary

- Find the supervisor of “Bob”
- Find the supervisor of the supervisor of “Bob”
- Find ALL the supervisors (direct and indirect) of “Bob”



String Operations

- SQL includes a **string-matching operator** for comparisons on character strings. The operator **like** uses *patterns* that are described using two special characters:
 - percent (%). The % character matches any substring.
 - underscore (_). The _ character matches any character.
- Find the names of all instructors whose name includes the substring “dar”.

```
select name  
from instructor  
where name like '%dar%'
```

- Match the string “100%”

```
like '100 \% ' escape '\'
```

in that above we use backslash (\) as the **escape character**.



String Operations (Cont.)

- Patterns are case sensitive.
- Pattern matching examples:
 - 'Intro%' matches any string beginning with "Intro".
 - '%Comp%' matches any string containing "Comp" as a substring.
 - '___' matches any string of exactly three characters.
 - '___ %' matches any string of at least three characters.
- SQL supports a variety of string operations such as
 - concatenation (using "||")
 - converting from upper to lower case (and vice versa) **upper(s)**, **lower(s)**
 - finding string length, extracting substrings, etc.
 - **trim(s)**, eliminate spaces in the given string s



Ordering the Display of Tuples

- List in alphabetic order the names of all instructors

```
select distinct name  
from instructor  
order by name
```

- We may specify **desc** for descending order or **asc** for ascending order, for each attribute; **ascending** order is the **default**.
 - Example: **order by** *name desc*
- Can sort on multiple attributes
 - Example: **order by** *dept_name, name*



Where Clause Predicates

- SQL includes a **between** comparison operator
- Example: Find the names of all instructors with salary between \$90,000 and \$100,000 (that is, $\geq \$90,000$ and $\leq \$100,000$)
 - **select** *name*
from *instructor*
where *salary* **between** 90000 **and** 100000
- **Tuple comparison**
 - **select** *name, course_id*
from *instructor, teaches*
where (*instructor.ID, dept_name*) = (*teaches.ID, 'Biology'*);



Duplicates

- In relations with duplicates, SQL can define how many copies of tuples appear in the result.
- **Multiset** versions of some of the relational algebra operators – given multiset relations r_1 and r_2 :
 1. $\sigma_{\theta}(r_1)$: If there are c_1 copies of tuple t_1 in r_1 , and t_1 satisfies selections σ_{θ} , then there are c_1 copies of t_1 in $\sigma_{\theta}(r_1)$.
 2. $\Pi_A(r)$: For each copy of tuple t_1 in r_1 , there is a copy of tuple $\Pi_A(t_1)$ in $\Pi_A(r_1)$ where $\Pi_A(t_1)$ denotes the projection of the single tuple t_1 .
 3. $r_1 \times r_2$: If there are c_1 copies of tuple t_1 in r_1 and c_2 copies of tuple t_2 in r_2 , there are $c_1 \times c_2$ copies of the tuple $t_1 \cdot t_2$ in $r_1 \times r_2$.



Duplicates (Cont.)

- Example: Suppose multiset relations $r_1 (A, B)$ and $r_2 (C)$ are as follows:

$$r_1 = \{(1, a) (2, a)\} \quad r_2 = \{(2), (3), (3)\}$$

- Then $\Pi_B(r_1)$ would be $\{(a), (a)\}$, while $\Pi_B(r_1) \times r_2$ would be $\{(a, 2), (a, 2), (a, 3), (a, 3), (a, 3), (a, 3)\}$
- SQL duplicate semantics:

select A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n
from r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m
where P

is equivalent to the **multiset** version of the expression:

$$\Pi_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n} (\sigma_P(r_1 \times r_2 \times \dots \times r_m))$$



Set Operations *

- Find courses that ran in Fall 2009 or in Spring 2010

(select course_id from section where sem = 'Fall' and year = 2009)

union

(select course_id from section where sem = 'Spring' and year = 2010)

- Find courses that ran in Fall 2009 and in Spring 2010

(select course_id from section where sem = 'Fall' and year = 2009)

intersect

(select course_id from section where sem = 'Spring' and year = 2010)

- Find courses that ran in Fall 2009 but not in Spring 2010

(select course_id from section where sem = 'Fall' and year = 2009)

except

(select course_id from section where sem = 'Spring' and year = 2010)



Set Operations (Cont.)

- Find the salaries of all instructors that are less than the largest salary.
 - **select distinct** *T.salary*
from *instructor* **as** *T*, *instructor* **as** *S* Q1
where *T.salary* < *S.salary*

- Find all the salaries of all instructors
 - **select distinct** *salary* Q2
from *instructor*

- Find the largest salary of all instructors.
 - (Q2)
except
(Q1)



Set Operations (retain duplicates)*

- Set operations **union**, **intersect**, and **except**
 - Each of the above operations automatically eliminates duplicates
- To **retain all** duplicates use the corresponding multiset versions **union all**, **intersect all** and **except all**.
- Suppose a tuple occurs m times in r and n times in s , then, it occurs:
 - $m + n$ times in r **union all** s
 - $\min(m, n)$ times in r **intersect all** s
 - $\max(0, m - n)$ times in r **except all** s



Null Values

- It is possible for tuples to have a null value, denoted by *null*, for some of their attributes
- *null* signifies an unknown value or that a value does not exist.
- The result of any arithmetic expression involving *null* is *null*
 - Example: $5 + \text{null}$ returns null
- The predicate **is null** can be used to check for null values.
 - Example: Find all instructors whose salary is null.

```
select name  
from instructor  
where salary is null
```



Null Values and Three Valued Logic

- Three values – *true*, *false*, *unknown*
- **Any comparison** with *null* returns *unknown*
 - Example: $5 < null$ or $null <> null$ or $null = null$
- Three-valued logic using the value *unknown*:
 - OR: $(unknown \text{ or } true) = true$,
 $(unknown \text{ or } false) = unknown$
 $(unknown \text{ or } unknown) = unknown$
 - AND: $(true \text{ and } unknown) = unknown$,
 $(false \text{ and } unknown) = false$,
 $(unknown \text{ and } unknown) = unknown$
 - NOT: $(\text{not } unknown) = unknown$
 - “*P* is unknown” evaluates to true if predicate *P* evaluates to *unknown*
- Result of **where** clause predicate is treated as *false* if it evaluates to *unknown*



Aggregate Functions

- These functions operate on the multiset of values of a column of a relation, and return a value

avg: average value

min: minimum value

max: maximum value

sum: sum of values

count: number of values



Aggregate Functions (Cont.)

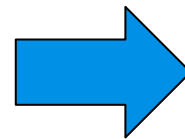
- Find the average salary of instructors in the Computer Science department
 - **select avg** (*salary*)
from *instructor*
where *dept_name*= 'Comp. Sci.';
- Find the total number of instructors who teach a course in the Spring 2010 semester
 - **select count** (**distinct** *ID*)
from *teaches*
where *semester* = 'Spring' **and** *year* = 2010;
- Find the number of tuples in the *course* relation
 - **select count** (*)
from *course*;



Aggregate Functions – Group By

- Find the average salary of instructors in each department
 - **select** *dept_name*, **avg** (*salary*) **as** *avg_salary*
from *instructor*
group by *dept_name*;

<i>ID</i>	<i>name</i>	<i>dept_name</i>	<i>salary</i>
76766	Crick	Biology	72000
45565	Katz	Comp. Sci.	75000
10101	Srinivasan	Comp. Sci.	65000
83821	Brandt	Comp. Sci.	92000
98345	Kim	Elec. Eng.	80000
12121	Wu	Finance	90000
76543	Singh	Finance	80000
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15151	Mozart	Music	40000
33456	Gold	Physics	87000
22222	Einstein	Physics	95000



<i>dept_name</i>	<i>avg_salary</i>
Biology	72000
Comp. Sci.	77333
Elec. Eng.	80000
Finance	85000
History	61000
Music	40000
Physics	91000



Aggregation (Cont.)

- Attributes in **select** clause outside of aggregate functions **must** appear in **group by** list
 - */* erroneous query */*
select *dept_name, ID, avg (salary)*
from *instructor*
group by *dept_name;*



Aggregate Functions – Having Clause

It is useful to state a condition that applies to groups rather than to tuples.

- Find the names and average salaries of all departments whose average salary is greater than 42000

```
select dept_name, avg (salary)
from instructor
group by dept_name
having avg (salary) > 42000;
```

Note: predicates in the **having** clause are applied **after** the formation of groups whereas predicates in the **where** clause are applied before forming groups



Null Values and Aggregates

- Total all salaries

```
select sum (salary )  
from instructor
```

- Above statement **ignores** null amounts
- Result is *null* if there is no non-null amount
- All aggregate operations **except count(*)** ignore tuples with null values on the aggregated attributes
- What if collection has only null values?
 - count returns 0
 - all other aggregates return null



Nested Subqueries

- SQL provides a mechanism for the nesting of subqueries. A **subquery** is a **select-from-where** expression that is nested within another query.
- The nesting can be done in the following SQL query

```
select  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$   
from  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m$   
where  $P$ 
```

as follows:

- A_i can be replaced by a subquery that generates a single value.
- r_i can be replaced by any valid subquery
- P can be replaced with an expression of the form:

B <operation> (subquery)

Where B is an attribute and <operation> to be defined later.



Subqueries in the Where Clause



Subqueries in the Where Clause

- A common use of subqueries is to perform tests:
 - For set membership
 - For set comparisons
 - For set cardinality.

*A common use of subqueries is to perform tests for set membership, make set comparisons, and determine set cardinality, by nesting subqueries in the **where** clause*



Set Membership

- Find courses offered in Fall 2009 and in Spring 2010

```
select distinct course_id
from section
where semester = 'Fall' and year= 2009 and
       course_id in (select course_id
                       from section
                       where semester = 'Spring' and year= 2010);
```

- Find courses offered in Fall 2009 but not in Spring 2010

```
select distinct course_id
from section
where semester = 'Fall' and year= 2009 and
       course_id not in (select course_id
                             from section
                             where semester = 'Spring' and year= 2010);
```



Set Membership (Cont.) *

- Find the total number of (distinct) students who have taken course sections taught by the instructor with *ID* 10101

```
select count (distinct ID)  
from takes  
where (course_id, sec_id, semester, year) in  
      (select course_id, sec_id, semester, year  
       from teaches  
       where teaches.ID= 10101);
```

- Note: Above query can be written in another manner. (Have a try!)
The formulation above is simply to illustrate SQL features.



Set Comparison – “some” Clause

- Find names of instructors with salary greater than that of **some (at least one)** instructor in the Biology department.

```
select distinct T.name  
from instructor as T, instructor as S  
where T.salary > S.salary and S.dept name = 'Biology';
```

- Same query using > **some** clause

```
select name  
from instructor  
where salary > some (select salary  
                        from instructor  
                        where dept name = 'Biology');
```



Definition of “some” Clause

- $F <\text{comp}> \text{some } r \Leftrightarrow \exists t \in r \text{ such that } (F <\text{comp}> t)$
Where $<\text{comp}>$ can be: $<, \leq, >, =, \neq (<>)$

$(5 < \text{some } \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline 5 \\ \hline 6 \\ \hline \end{array}) = \text{true}$ (read: 5 < some tuple in the relation)

$(5 < \text{some } \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline 5 \\ \hline \end{array}) = \text{false}$

$(5 = \text{some } \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline 5 \\ \hline \end{array}) = \text{true}$

$(5 \neq \text{some } \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline 5 \\ \hline \end{array}) = \text{true (since } 0 \neq 5)$

(= some) \equiv in

However, **(\neq some) $\not\equiv$ not in**



Set Comparison – “all” Clause

- Find the names of all instructors whose salary is greater than the salary of all instructors in the Biology department.

```
select name  
from instructor  
where salary > all (select salary  
                        from instructor  
                        where dept name = 'Biology');
```




Definition of “all” Clause

- $F \text{ <comp> all } r \Leftrightarrow \forall t \in r (F \text{ <comp> } t)$

$$(5 \text{ < all } \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 0 \\ \hline 5 \\ \hline 6 \\ \hline \end{array}) = \text{false}$$

$$(5 \text{ < all } \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 6 \\ \hline 10 \\ \hline \end{array}) = \text{true}$$

$$(5 \text{ = all } \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 4 \\ \hline 5 \\ \hline \end{array}) = \text{false}$$

$$(5 \neq \text{all } \begin{array}{|c|} \hline 4 \\ \hline 6 \\ \hline \end{array}) = \text{true (since } 5 \neq 4 \text{ and } 5 \neq 6)$$

(\neq all) \equiv not in

However, **(= all) $\not\equiv$ in**



Test for Empty Relations

- The **exists** construct returns the value **true** if the argument subquery is nonempty.
- **exists** $r \Leftrightarrow r \neq \emptyset$
- **not exists** $r \Leftrightarrow r = \emptyset$



Use of “exists” Clause

- Another way of specifying the query “Find all courses taught in both the Fall 2009 semester and in the Spring 2010 semester”

```
select course_id
from section as S
where semester = 'Fall' and year = 2009 and
      exists (select *
              from section as T
              where semester = 'Spring' and year = 2010
                  and S.course_id = T.course_id);
```

- **Correlation name** – variable *S* in the outer query
- **Correlated subquery** – the inner query which contains names from outer query



Use of “not exists” Clause

- Find all students who have taken all courses offered in the Biology department.

```
select distinct S.ID, S.name  
from student as S  
where not exists ( (select course_id  
                    from course  
                    where dept_name = 'Biology')  
                  except  
                  (select T.course_id  
                   from takes as T  
                   where S.ID = T.ID));
```

- First nested query lists all courses offered in Biology
- Second nested query lists all courses a particular student took

- Note that $X - Y = \emptyset \Leftrightarrow X \subseteq Y$
- *Note:* Cannot write this query using = **all** and its variants



Test for Absence of Duplicate Tuples

- The **unique** construct tests whether a subquery has any duplicate tuples in its result.
- The **unique** construct evaluates to “true” if a given subquery contains **no duplicates** .
- Find all courses that were offered at most once in 2009

```
select T.course_id
from course as T
where unique (select R.course_id
                  from section as R
                  where T.course_id= R.course_id
                      and R.year = 2009);
```



Subqueries in the From Clause



Subqueries in the From Clause

- SQL allows a subquery expression to be used in the **from** clause
- Find the average instructors' salaries of those departments where the average salary is greater than \$42,000."

```
select dept_name, avg_salary
from (select dept_name, avg (salary) as avg_salary
      from instructor
      group by dept_name)
where avg_salary > 42000;
```

- Note that we do not need to use the **having** clause
- Another way to write above query

```
select dept_name, avg_salary
from (select dept_name, avg (salary)
      from instructor
      group by dept_name) as dept_avg (dept_name, avg_salary)
where avg_salary > 42000;
```



With Clause

- The **with** clause provides a way of defining a **temporary relation** whose definition is available only to the query in which the **with** clause occurs.
- Find all departments with the maximum budget

```
with max_budget (value) as  
    (select max(budget)  
     from department)  
select department.name  
from department, max_budget  
where department.budget = max_budget.value;
```




Complex Queries using With Clause

- Find all departments where the total salary is greater than the average of the total salary at all departments

```
with dept_total (dept_name, value) as
    (select dept_name, sum(salary)
     from instructor
     group by dept_name),
dept_total_avg(value) as
    (select avg(value)
     from dept_total)
select dept_name
from dept_total, dept_total_avg
where dept_total.value > dept_total_avg.value;
```



Subqueries in the Select Clause



Scalar Subquery

SQL allows subqueries to occur wherever an expression returning a value is permitted, provided the subquery returns *only one tuple containing a single attribute*; such subqueries are called **scalar subqueries**

- Scalar subquery is one which is used where a single value is expected
- List all departments along with the number of instructors in each department

```
select dept_name,  
        (select count(*)  
         from instructor  
         where department.dept_name = instructor.dept_name)  
        as num_instructors  
from department;
```

- Runtime error if subquery returns more than one result tuple



Modification of the Database

- Deletion of tuples from a given relation.
- Insertion of new tuples into a given relation
- Updating of values in some tuples in a given relation



Deletion

- Delete all instructors

delete from *instructor*

- Delete all instructors from the Finance department

delete from *instructor*
where *dept_name* = 'Finance';

- Delete all tuples in the *instructor* relation for those instructors associated with a department located in the Watson building.

delete from *instructor*
where *dept name* in (**select** *dept name*
 from *department*
 where *building* = 'Watson');



Deletion (Cont.)

- Delete all instructors whose salary is less than the average salary of instructors

```
delete from instructor  
where salary < (select avg (salary)  
                  from instructor);
```

- Problem: as we delete tuples from deposit, the average salary changes
- Solution used in SQL:
 1. First, compute **avg** (*salary*) and find all tuples to delete
 2. Next, delete all tuples found above (without recomputing **avg** or retesting the tuples)



Insertion

- Add a new tuple to *course*

```
insert into course  
  values ('CS-437', 'Database Systems', 'Comp. Sci.', 4);
```

- or equivalently

```
insert into course (course_id, title, dept_name, credits)  
  values ('CS-437', 'Database Systems', 'Comp. Sci.', 4);
```

- Add a new tuple to *student* with *tot_creds* set to null

```
insert into student  
  values ('3003', 'Green', 'Finance', null);
```



Insertion (Cont.)

- Add all instructors to the *student* relation with *tot_creds* set to 0

```
insert into student  
  select ID, name, dept_name, 0  
from instructor
```

- The **select from where** statement is evaluated fully **before** any of its results are inserted into the relation.

Otherwise queries like

```
insert into table1 select * from table1
```

would cause problem



Updates

- Increase salaries of instructors whose salary is over \$100,000 by 3%, and all others by a 5%
 - Write two **update** statements:

```
update instructor
  set salary = salary * 1.03
  where salary > 100000;
update instructor
  set salary = salary * 1.05
  where salary <= 100000;
```
 - The order is important
 - Can be done better using the **case** statement (next slide)



Case Statement for Conditional Updates

- Same query as before but with case statement

```
update instructor  
  set salary = case  
    when salary <= 100000 then salary * 1.05  
    else salary * 1.03  
  end
```



Updates with Scalar Subqueries

- Recompute and update *tot_creds* value for all students

update *student S*

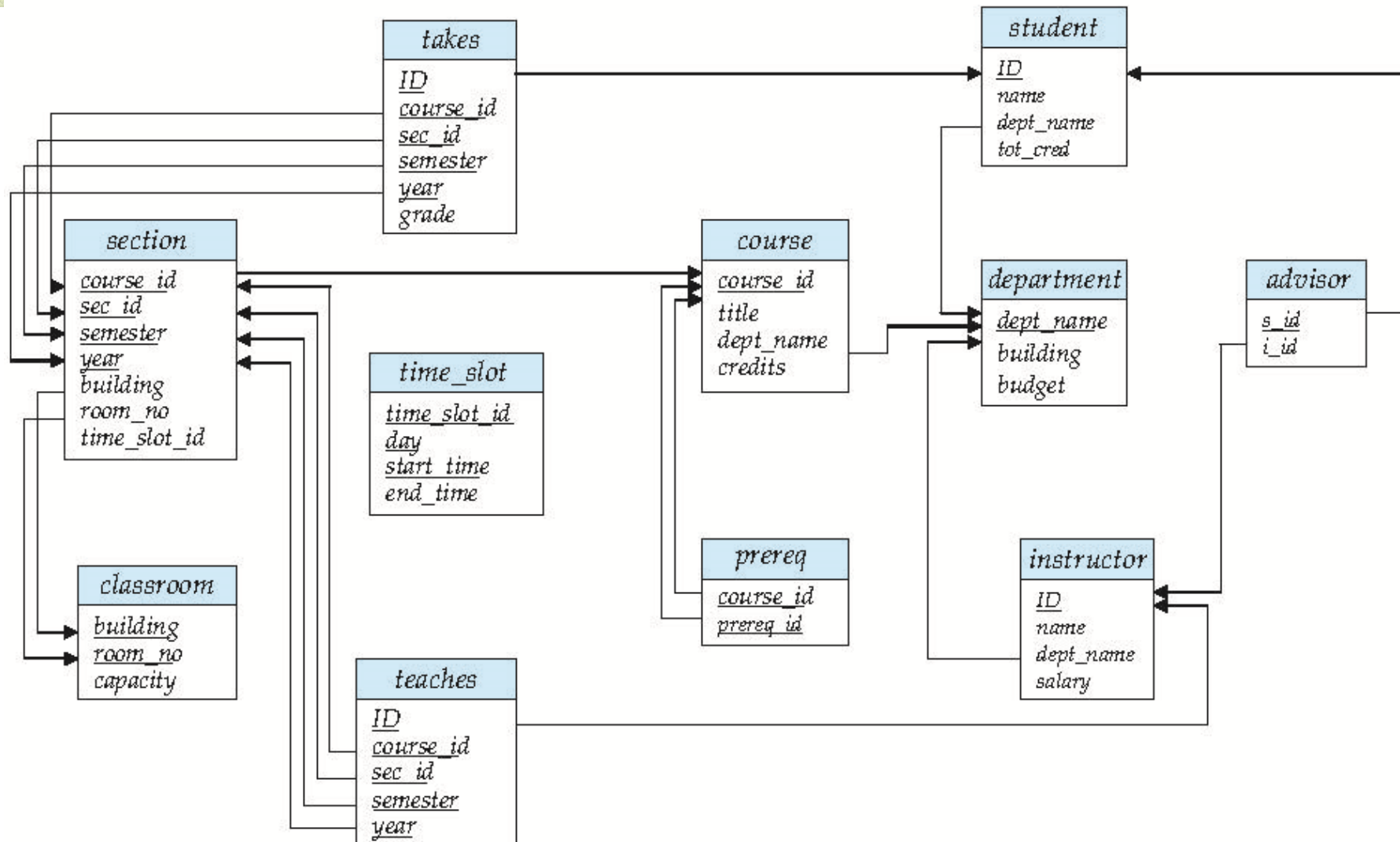
```
set tot_cred = (select sum(credits)  
                from takes, course  
                where takes.course_id = course.course_id and  
                    S.ID= takes.ID.and  
                    takes.grade <> 'F' and  
                    takes.grade is not null);
```

- Sets *tot_creds* to null for students who have not taken any course
- Instead of **sum**(*credits*), use:

```
case  
  when sum(credits) is not null then sum(credits)  
  else 0  
end
```



Schema Diagram for University Database





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