Multiple Table Queries: where Clause

Multiple Techniques

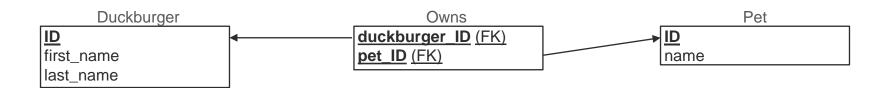
- On this course we will learn three different ways of making queries where the required data is stored in several tables.
- where as join condition
- inner join (left join, right join)
- subquery

Why Different Techniques?

- Often you can freely select the technique you want, but sometimes it is not possible.
- On this course we will run into two situations where we must use a specific technique:
 - left join
 - subquery

where

- We need to fetch the first name and last name for each of Bolivar's owners.
- Let's first take another look at our relational model.



 The owns table contains two foreign keys referencing the duckburger and pet tables respectively.

where

- We notice that the required columns, the owners' first and last names, are stored in the duckburger table.
- Furthermore, we notice that the first information, Bolivar's name is stored in the pets table.
- The ownership information is in the owns table.
- Conclusion: We need all three tables to complete the query.

Example Queries: select *

Fetch all columns in the duckburger table:

```
MariaDB [duckburg]> select * from duckburger;
 ID first_name last_name
  1 | Donald | Duck
  2 Scrooge McDuck
  3 Huey Duck
  4 Magica De Spell
    Mickey
              Mouse
```

The wildcard symbol * selects all columns.

Example Queries: where

 Fetch all columns in the duckburger table but only include the records where the last name is Duck.

New skill: where conditions

Example Queries: like

 Select all last names that have the letter "e" in them.

```
MariaDB [duckburg]> select last_name from duckburger
where last_name like "%e%";

+----+
| last_name |
+----+
| De Spell |
| Mouse |
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```

New skills:

- Pick specific field(s) in the select statement.
- Fetch by letter: The % symbol matches any letters.

Example Queries: order by

 Fetches all columns in the duckburger table and sorts the records first by last name and then by first name, in descending order.

New skill: Sorting (order by, asc, desc)

Example Queries: alias

 Fetch all columns in the duckburger table so that the ID column has a new name "identifier".

New skill: alias or as

Note: aliases are much more versatile than shown here.