DS 100: Principles and Techniques of Data Science

Discussion #5

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Name:

Writing SQL Queries

Given the tables,

```
Clowns (cid integer, cname text, booth text)
Balloons (bid integer, bshape text, bcolor text)
Catalog (cid integer, bid integer, cost float)
```

Note: The Catalog table contains prices for Balloons sold by different Clowns standing at certain booths in a fair.

1. How may we query for the top 3 most expensive shapes sold by Whompers LeFou?

Solution:

```
SELECT bshape, cost
FROM Clowns, Balloons, Catalog
WHERE Clowns.cid=Catalog.cid
AND Balloons.bid=Catalog.bid
AND cname='Whompers LeFou'
ORDER BY cost DESC
LIMIT 3;
```

2. How many different colors are available at each booth?

Solution:

```
SELECT booth, COUNT(DISTINCT bcolor)
FROM Clowns, Balloons, Catalog
WHERE Clowns.cid=Catalog.cid
AND Balloons.bid=Catalog.bid
GROUP BY booth
```

3. What is the average cost of a red balloon at booths that offer more than 3 red shapes per clown? Note that each clown at the booth does not necessarily have to be selling more than 3 shapes.

```
Solution:

SELECT booth, avg(cost)
FROM Clowns, Balloons, Catalog
WHERE Clowns.cid=Catalog.cid
    AND Balloons.cid=Catalog.cid
    AND bcolor='red'
GROUP BY booth
HAVING COUNT(DISTINCT bshape)/COUNT(DISTINCT Clowns.cid) > 3
You can play with a toy version of this schema at:
    https://tinyurl.com/ds100-clowns
```

4. The following relational schema represents a large database describing Olympic medalists.

```
medalist(name, country, birthday);
games(year, city, country);
medals(name, year, category, medaltype);
```

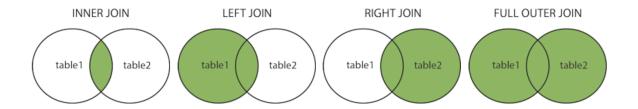
Which of the following queries returns the total number of medals broken down by type (gold, silver, and bronze) for each country in the 'vault' competition. (Select all that apply.)

```
A. SELECT medalists.country,
          medals.medaltype,
          COUNT(*) AS medal_count
  FROM medals, medalists
  WHERE medalists.name = medals.name
  AND medals.category = 'vault'
  GROUP BY medalists.country, medals.medaltype
B. SELECT games.country,
      medals.medaltype,
      COUNT (medals.medaltype) AS medal_count
  FROM medals, games
  AND games.year = medals.year
  HAVING medals.category = 'vault'
  GROUP BY games.country, medals.medaltype
C. SELECT medalists.country,
          medals.medaltype,
          COUNT(*) AS medal_count
  FROM medals, medalists
  WHERE medalists.name = medals.name
  GROUP BY medalists.country, medals.medaltype, medals.category
  HAVING category = 'vault'
D. FROM medals, games
  SELECT games.country,
      medals.medaltype,
      COUNT (medals.medaltype) AS medal_count
  AND games.year = medals.year
  AND medals.category = 'vault'
  GROUP BY games.country, medals.medaltype
```

Solution: Choice 1 and 3 are correct.

Choice 2 uses incorrect syntax and incorrect tables. Choice 4 is incorrect syntax.

SQL Joins



Note: You do not always have to use the JOIN keyword to join sql tables. The following are equivalent:

```
SELECT column1, column2

FROM table1, table2

WHERE table1.id = table2.id;

SELECT column1, column2

FROM table1 JOIN table2

ON table1.id = table2.id;
```

5. Describe which records are returned from each type of join.

Solution:

(INNER) JOIN: Returns records that have matching values in both tables

LEFT (OUTER) JOIN: Return all records from the left table, and the matched records from the right table

RIGHT (OUTER) JOIN: Return all records from the right table, and the matched records from the left table

FULL (OUTER) JOIN: Return all records when there is a match in either left or right table

SQL

- 6. Circle TRUE or FALSE.
 - (a) **TRUE** False SQL is a declarative language that specifies what to produce but not how to compute it.

Solution: SQL is declarative programming language which specifies what the user wants to accomplish allowing the system to determine how to accomplish it.

(b) **TRUE** False The primary key of a relation is the column or set of columns that determine the values of the remaining column.

(c) True **FALSE** The schema of a table consists of the data stored in the table.

Solution: The schema of a table consists of the column names, their types, and any constraints on those columns. The instance of a database is the data stored in the database.

(d) True **FALSE** The WHERE and HAVING clause can be used interchangeably as they perform the same operation.

Solution: The having clause is used to filter out groups, while the where clause operates on individual rows.