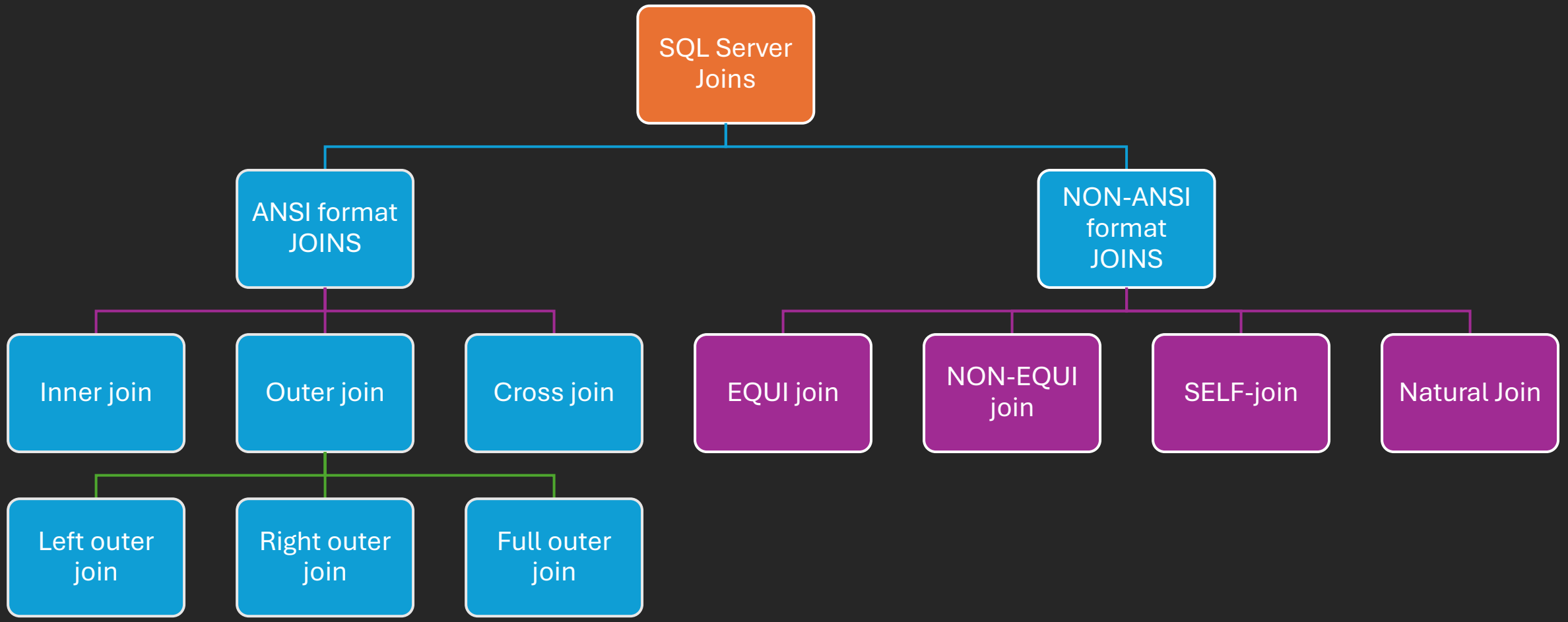
# JOIN

- The SQL Server Joins are used to retrieve the data from two or more related tables.
- In general, tables are related to each other using the primary key and foreign key relationship but it is not mandatory.
- The tables involved in the joins must have a common field. And based on that common field the SQL Server JOINS retrieves the records.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Full outer join

```
SELECT * FROM T1;
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T1 | detail_T1 |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA |
| 2 | 2 | BB |
| 3 | 3 | CC |

```
SELECT * FROM T2;
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T2 | detail_T2 | ID_T1 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 2 | 102 | BBB | 2 |
| 3 | 103 | CCC | 4 |
| 4 | 104 | DDD | 5 |
| 5 | 105 | EEE | 6 |

Table T1 & Table T2

both table ID_T1 column

matching column.

# INNER JOIN (or JOIN)

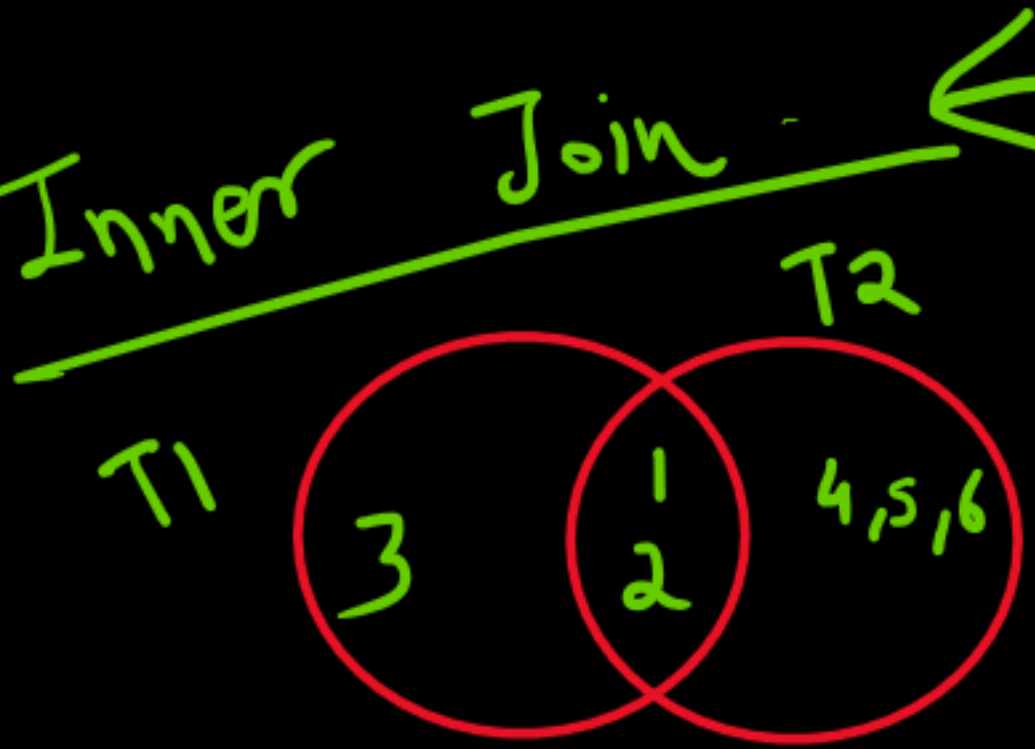
Table-1

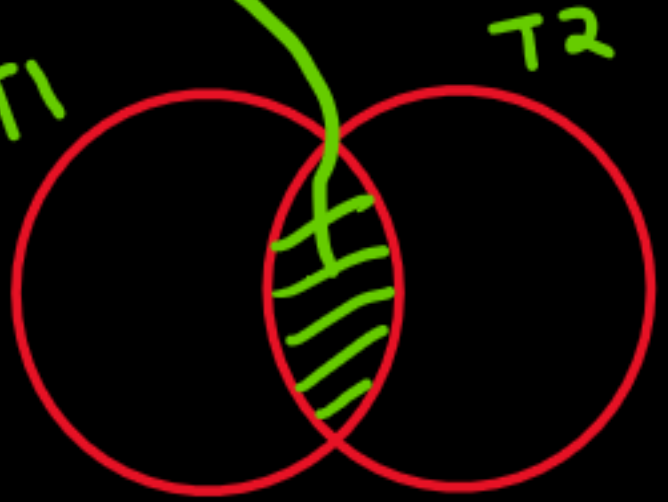
1,2,3

Table-2

1,2,4,5,6

Inner Join



```sql
--INNER JOIN

SELECT *

FROM T1

INNER JOIN T2
ON T1.ID_T1 = T2.ID_T1;
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T1 | detail_T1 | ID_T2 | detail_T2 | ID_T1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | BB | 102 | BBB | 2 |

# LEFT JOIN (or LEFT OUTER JOIN)

Table-1

1,2,3

Table-2

1,2,4,5,6

Left Join

T1

T2

3

1
2

4,5,6

T1

T2

```sql
--LEFT JOIN

SELECT *

FROM T1

LEFT JOIN T2
ON T1.ID_T1 = T2.ID_T1
```

| | ID_T1 | detail_T1 | ID_T2 | detail_T2 | ID_T1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | BB | 102 | BBB | 2 |
| 3 | 3 | CC | NULL | NULL | NULL |

# RIGHT JOIN (or RIGHT OUTER JOIN)

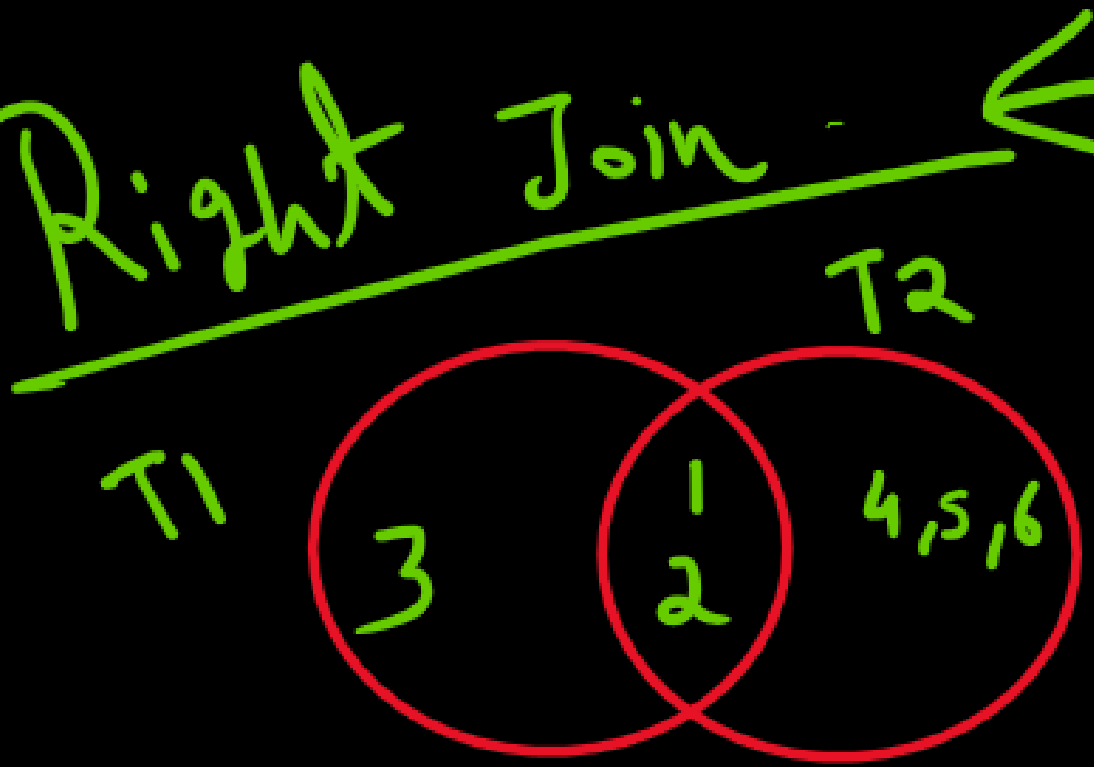
Table-1

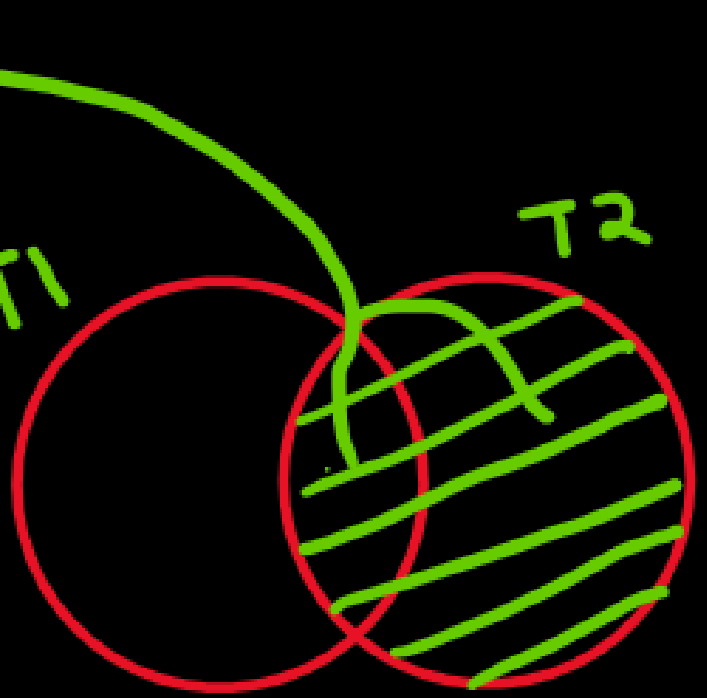
1,2,3

Table-2

1,2,4,5,6

Right Join



```sql
--RIGHT JOIN

SELECT *

FROM T1

RIGHT JOIN T2
ON T1.ID_T1 = T2.ID_T1
```

Results | Messages

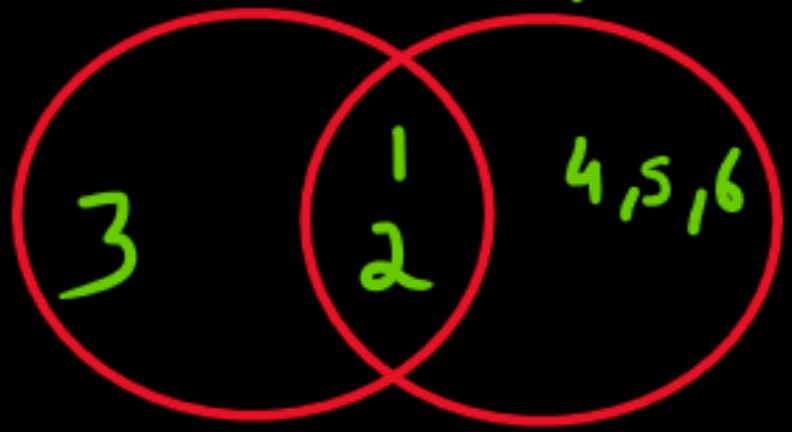
| | ID_T1 | detail_T1 | ID_T2 | detail_T2 | ID_T1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | BB | 102 | BBB | 2 |
| 3 | NULL | NULL | 103 | CCC | 4 |
| 4 | NULL | NULL | 104 | DDD | 5 |
| 5 | NULL | NULL | 105 | EEE | 6 |

# FULL JOIN (or FULL OUTER JOIN)

Table-1


Table-2


Full Join




```sql
--FULL JOIN

SELECT *

FROM T1

FULL JOIN T2
ON T1.ID_T1 = T2.ID_T1
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T1 | detail_T1 | ID_T2 | detail_T2 | ID_T1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | BB | 102 | BBB | 2 |
| 3 | 3 | CC | NULL | NULL | NULL |
| 4 | NULL | NULL | 103 | CCC | 4 |
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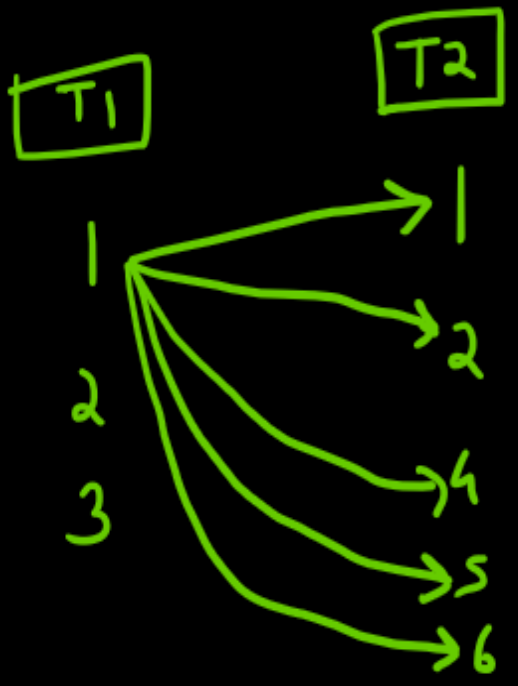
| 6 | NULL | NULL | 105 | EEE | 6 |

# CROSS JOIN

Table-1


Table-2


Cross Join




T1 → m row

T2 → n row

Cross Join result

m*n rows

Here
T1 → m = 3 & T2 → n = 5

Cross Join → 3 * 5 = 15 row

```
--CROSS JOIN

SELECT *

FROM T1

CROSS JOIN T2
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T1 | detail_T1 | ID_T2 | detail_T2 | ID_T1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 2 | 1 | AA | 102 | BBB | 2 |
| 3 | 1 | AA | 103 | CCC | 4 |
| 4 | 1 | AA | 104 | DDD | 5 |
| 5 | 1 | AA | 105 | EEE | 6 |
| 6 | 2 | BB | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 7 | 2 | BB | 102 | BBB | 2 |
| 8 | 2 | BB | 103 | CCC | 4 |
| 9 | 2 | BB | 104 | DDD | 5 |
| 10 | 2 | BB | 105 | EEE | 6 |
| 11 | 3 | CC | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 12 | 3 | CC | 102 | BBB | 2 |
| 13 | 3 | CC | 103 | CCC | 4 |
| 14 | 3 | CC | 104 | DDD | 5 |
| 15 | 3 | CC | 105 | EEE | 6 |

# LEFT ANTI JOIN (T1 – T2)

(or Only T1)

(or Left Join Excluding Inner Join)

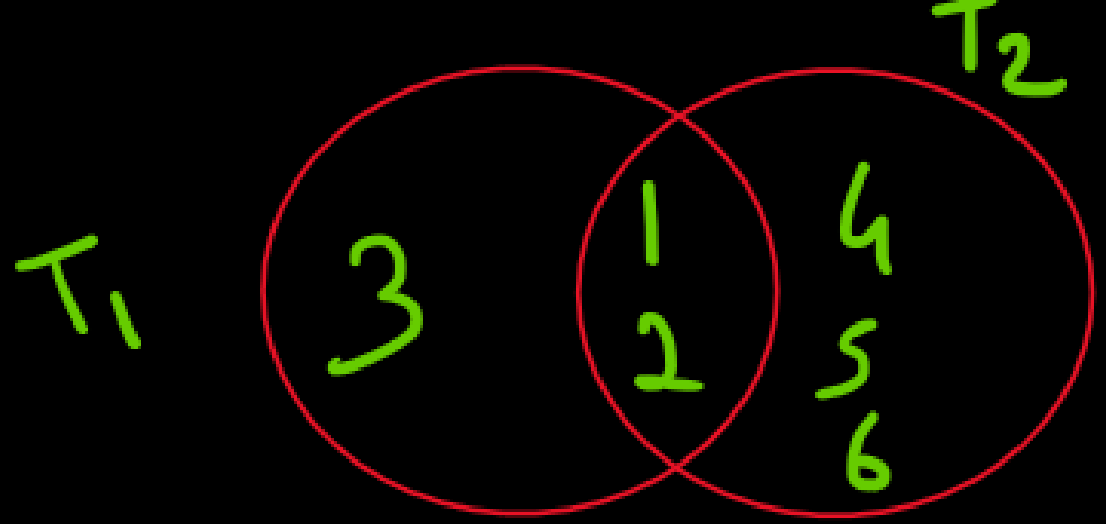
Table-1

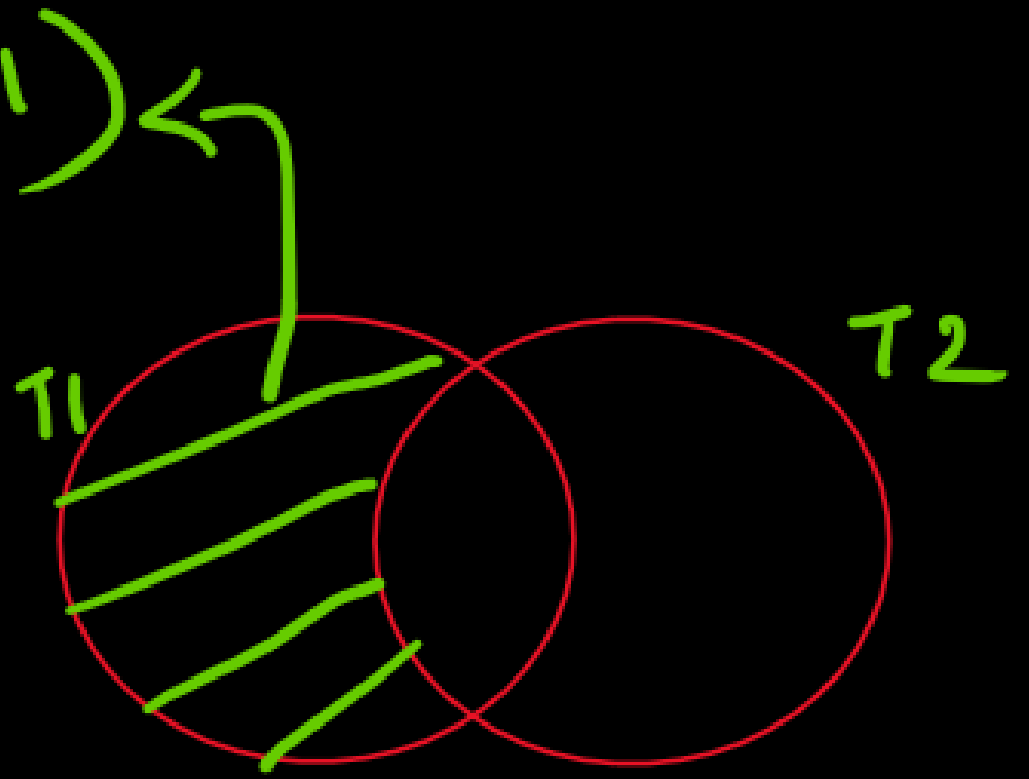
1, 2, 3

Table-2

1, 2, 4, 5, 6

Left Anti Join (only T1)



```sql
--method-1
SELECT T1.*

FROM T1

LEFT JOIN T2
ON T1.ID_T1 = T2.ID_T1

WHERE T2.ID_T1 IS NULL;

--method-2
SELECT * FROM T1
WHERE ID_T1 NOT IN (SELECT ID_T1 FROM T2)
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T1 | detail_T1 |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 3 | CC |

# RIGHT ANTI JOIN (T1 – T2)

(or Only T2)

(or Right Join Excluding Inner Join)

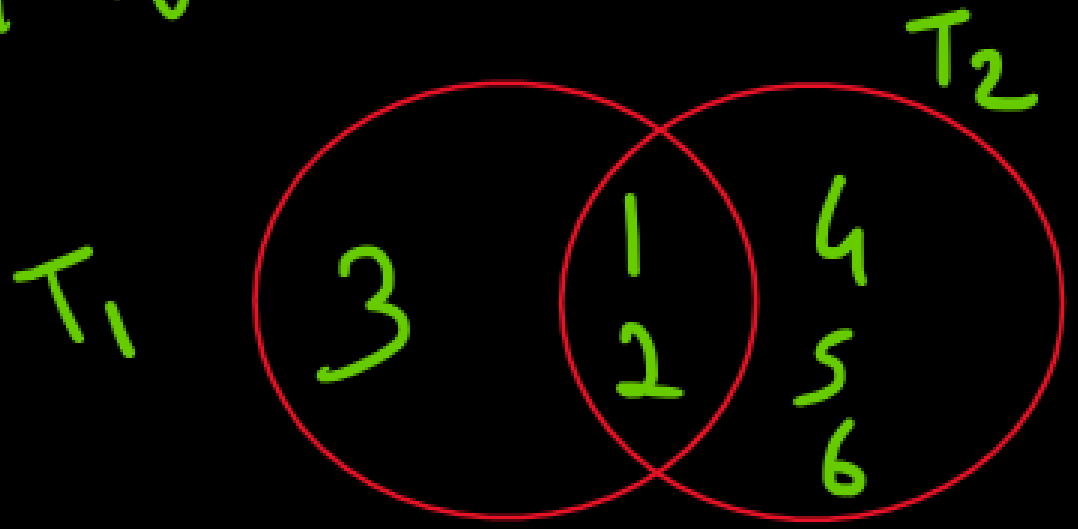
Table-1

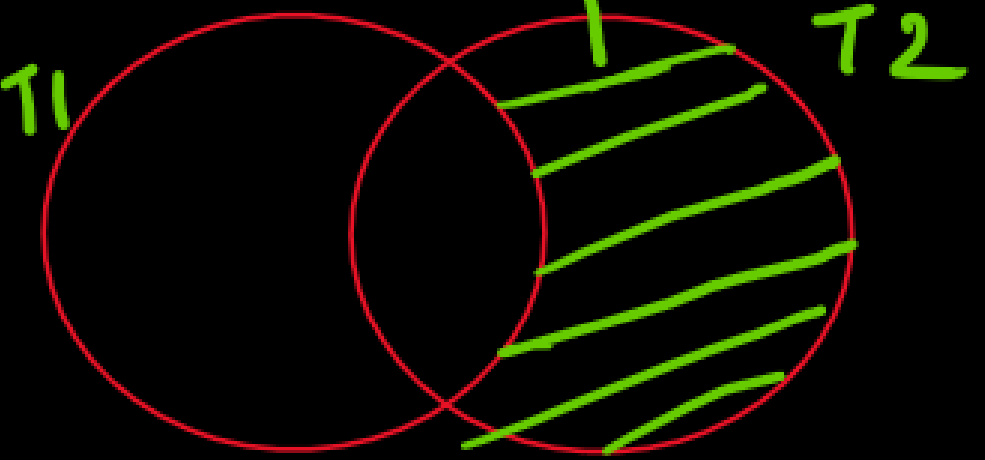
1, 2, 3

Table-2

1, 2, 4, 5, 6

Right Anti Join (only T2)



```sql
--Method--1
SELECT T2.*

FROM T1

RIGHT JOIN T2
ON T1.ID_T1 = T2.ID_T1

WHERE T1.ID_T1 IS NULL;

--Method--2

SELECT * FROM T2
WHERE ID_T1 NOT IN (SELECT ID_T1 FROM T1)
```

Results | Messages

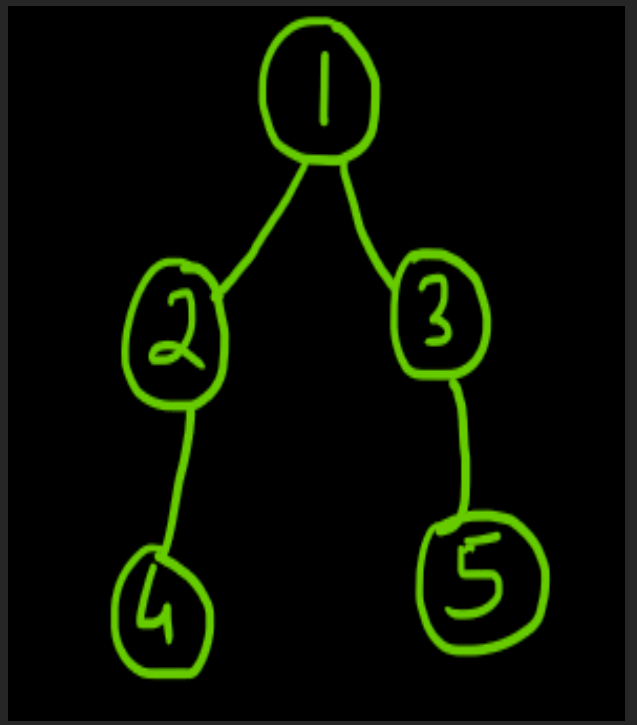
| | ID_T2 | detail_T2 | ID_T1 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 103 | CCC | 4 |
| 2 | 104 | DDD | 5 |
| 3 | 105 | EEE | 6 |

# SELF JOIN

```
SELECT * FROM T3_Self;
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T3 | detail_T3 | ParentID |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA | NULL |
| 2 | 2 | BB | 1 |
| 3 | 3 | CC | 1 |
| 4 | 4 | DD | 2 |
| 5 | 5 | EE | 3 |



```sql
--All rows
SELECT
    child.ID_T3     AS Child_ID,
    child.detail_T3 AS Child_Name,
    parent.ID_T3    AS Parent_ID,
    parent.detail_T3 AS Parent_Name
FROM T3_Self child
LEFT JOIN T3_Self parent
    ON child.ParentID = parent.ID_T3;
```

Results | Messages

| | Child_ID | Child_Name | Parent_ID | Parent_Name |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA | NULL | NULL |
| 2 | 2 | BB | 1 | AA |
| 3 | 3 | CC | 1 | AA |
| 4 | 4 | DD | 2 | BB |
| 5 | 5 | EE | 3 | CC |

```sql
-- Only rows having a parent
SELECT
    child.ID_T3 AS Child_ID,
    child.detail_T3 AS Child_Name,
    parent.ID_T3    AS Parent_ID,
    parent.detail_T3 AS Parent_Name
FROM T3_Self child
INNER JOIN T3_Self parent
    ON child.ParentID = parent.ID_T3;
```

Results | Messages

| | Child_ID | Child_Name | Parent_ID | Parent_Name |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | BB | 1 | AA |
| 2 | 3 | CC | 1 | AA |
| 3 | 4 | DD | 2 | BB |
| 4 | 5 | EE | 3 | CC |

# EQUI JOIN

Join with equality condition between common columns.

```sql
--EQUI JOIN
SELECT *
FROM T1
JOIN T2
     ON T1.ID_T1 = T2.ID_T1;
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T1 | detail_T1 | ID_T2 | detail_T2 | ID_T1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | BB | 102 | BBB | 2 |

# NON-EQUI JOIN

Join using condition **other than** “=” (like <, >, <=, etc.)

```sql
--NON-EQUI JOIN
SELECT *
FROM T1
JOIN T2
    ON T1.ID_T1 < T2.ID_T1;
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T1 | detail_T1 | ID_T2 | detail_T2 | ID_T1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA | 102 | BBB | 2 |
| 2 | 1 | AA | 103 | CCC | 4 |
| 3 | 1 | AA | 104 | DDD | 5 |
| 4 | 1 | AA | 105 | EEE | 6 |
| 5 | 2 | BB | 103 | CCC | 4 |
| 6 | 2 | BB | 104 | DDD | 5 |
| 7 | 2 | BB | 105 | EEE | 6 |
| 8 | 3 | CC | 103 | CCC | 4 |
| 9 | 3 | CC | 104 | DDD | 5 |
| 10 | 3 | CC | 105 | EEE | 6 |

# NATURAL JOIN

SQL Server ❌ doesn't have NATURAL JOIN keyword,
but logically it's an **EQUI JOIN on same column names**.

# Summary

Table-1

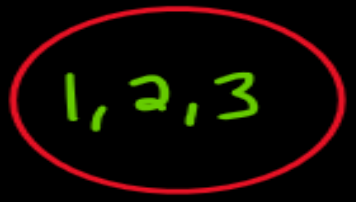
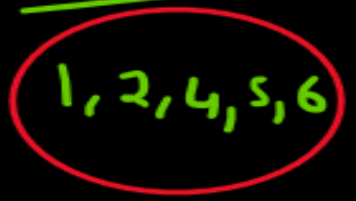
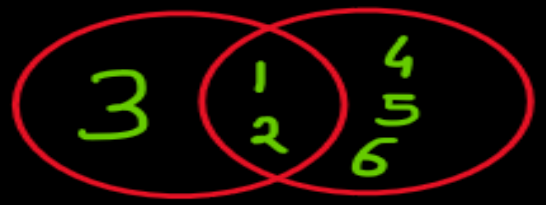
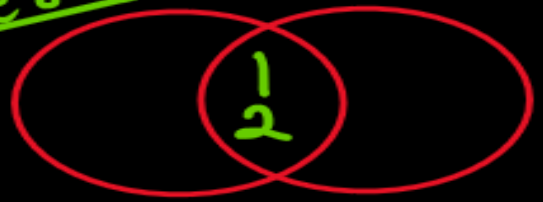



Table-2

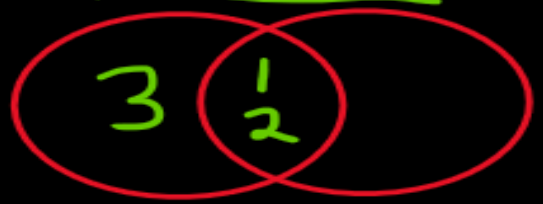


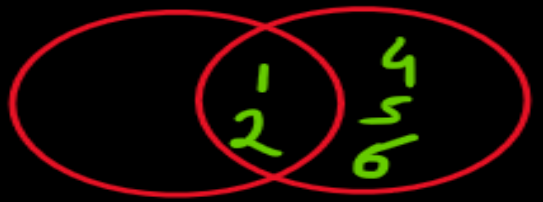

Inner Join




Left Join




Right Join

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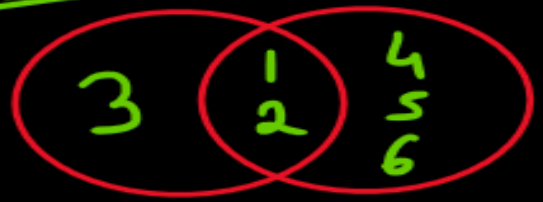


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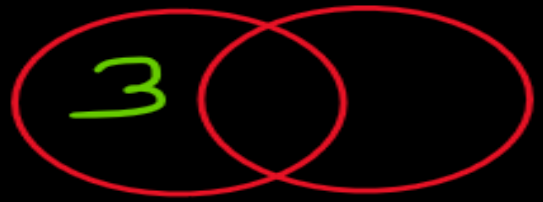


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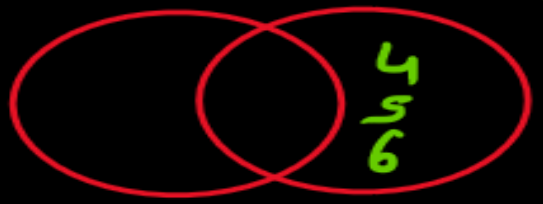
Right Anti Join




only Right

| # | Join Type | SQL Keyword | Purpose | Matched / Unmatched |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | INNER JOIN | INNER JOIN | Common rows | Matched only |
| 2 | LEFT JOIN | LEFT JOIN | All from left + matched right | Unmatched left as NULL |
| 3 | RIGHT JOIN | RIGHT JOIN | All from right + matched left | Unmatched right as NULL |
| 4 | FULL OUTER | FULL JOIN | All rows both sides | Both unmatched shown |
| 5 | CROSS JOIN | CROSS JOIN | All combinations | No ON condition |
| 6 | LEFT ANTI | LEFT JOIN ... WHERE B.ID IS NULL | Only left unmatched | A − B |
| 7 | RIGHT ANTI | LEFT JOIN ... WHERE A.ID IS NULL | Only right unmatched | B − A |
| 8 | LEFT SEMI | WHERE EXISTS | Left rows that match right | A ∩ B |
| 9 | RIGHT SEMI | WHERE EXISTS | Right rows that match left | B ∩ A |
| 10 | SELF JOIN | Join table with itself | Hierarchical / relational data | — |
| 11 | NON-EQUI | ON <, >, BETWEEN | Conditional joins | Range matching |

# New Table for semi join

```
SELECT * FROM T4;
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T4 | details_T4 |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA |
| 2 | 2 | BB |
| 3 | 3 | CC |

```
SELECT * FROM T5;
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T5 | details_T5 | ID_T4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 2 | 102 | BBB | 2 |
| 3 | 103 | CCC | 1 |
| 4 | 104 | DDD | 4 |
| 5 | 105 | EEE | 5 |
| 6 | 106 | FFF | 2 |

```sql
--INNER JOIN
SELECT * FROM T4
INNER JOIN T5
ON T4.ID_T4 = T5.ID_T4
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T4 | details_T4 | ID_T5 | details_T5 | ID_T4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | BB | 102 | BBB | 2 |
| 3 | 1 | AA | 103 | CCC | 1 |
| 4 | 2 | BB | 106 | FFF | 2 |

```sql
--LEFT SEMI JOIN
SELECT * FROM T4 WHERE EXISTS(SELECT 1 FROM T5 WHERE T5.ID_T4 = T4.ID_T4)
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T4 | details_T4 |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1 | AA |
| 2 | 2 | BB |

```sql
--RIGHT SEMI JOIN
SELECT * FROM T5 WHERE EXISTS(SELECT 1 FROM T4 WHERE T4.ID_T4 = T5.ID_T4)
```

Results | Messages

| | ID_T5 | details_T5 | ID_T4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 101 | AAA | 1 |
| 2 | 102 | BBB | 2 |
| 3 | 103 | CCC | 1 |
| 4 | 106 | FFF | 2 |

| Feature | INNER JOIN | LEFT SEMI JOIN | RIGHT SEMI JOIN |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Returns columns from | Both tables | Only Left table | Only Right table |
| Duplicates if multiple matches | ☑ Yes | ✗ No | ✗ No |
| Result purpose | Combine data | Filter left table | Filter right table |
| SQL Server keyword | INNER JOIN | EXISTS (no direct keyword) | EXISTS (no direct keyword) |
| Conceptually | A ∩ B (with details) | A ∩ B (as left filter) | A ∩ B (as right filter) |