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Tutorial 1

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Outline

- Relational Model
 - Exercise
- SQL (Part A, and a little bit about Part B)
 - OJ (Online Judge System) Registration
 - Exercise

Relational Model

- Concepts:

- Relation: Artist

- Attribute: **name** **year** **origin**

- Tuple: The Chainsmokers 2012 US

- Schema:

name	year	origin
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- Instance:

name	year	origin
The Chainsmokers	2012	US
Imagine Dragon	2008	US
Coldplay	1997	UK

- Domain: The set of allowable values

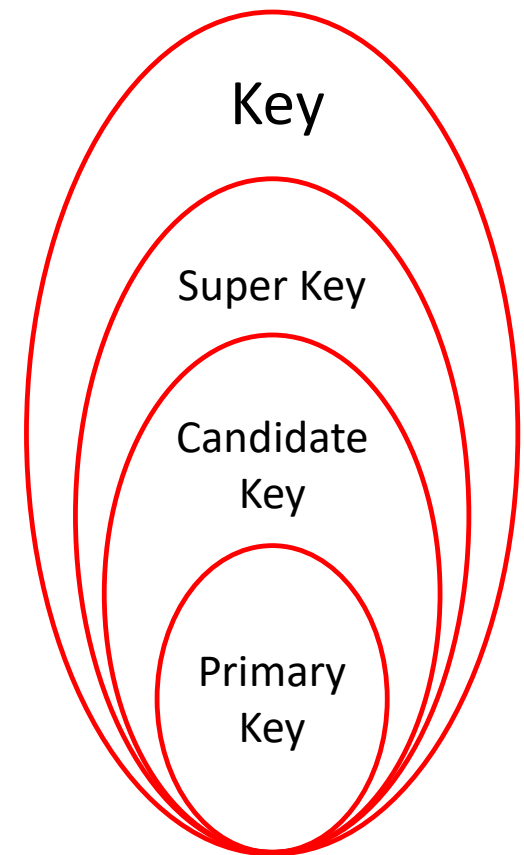
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Artist (name, year, origin)

name	year	origin
The Chainsmokers	2012	US
Imagine Dragon	2008	US
Coldplay	1997	UK

Key

- Key: an attribute or a group of attributes
 - Primary key: uniquely identifies a single tuple
 - ~~Any~~ key that can uniquely identify a single tuple is a primary key ❌
- Super key: Any set of attributes whose values, taken together, uniquely identify each row (tuple) of a table.
- Candidate key: A minimal super key (that is, if AB is a super key, then ABC is a super key but not a candidate key).
- Primary key: A specific candidate key we pick as the unique identifier.



Foreign Key

- A foreign key is a column or columns in a table that are **linked to a primary key** in a different table.

Student

Student ID	Name	Department
12*****	Alan	SDS
12*****	Tom	SSE
12*****	Richard	SME

Foreign Key

Department

Department	Location	...
SDS	DY Building	...
...
...

Relational Algebra

name	year	origin
The Chainsmokers	2012	US
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7 Fundamental operations:

- Select σ : Filters $\sigma_{year < 2000}(Artist) \rightarrow$
- Projection Π : Pick attributes $\Pi_{name}(Artist) \rightarrow$
- Union \cup
- Intersection \cap } Tuples that appear in either/ both
- Difference $-$: Tuples that appear in the first but not the second
- Product \times : All combinations
- Join \bowtie : “Composite of Select and Product”
 - $artist \bowtie_{artist.name=company.name} company$
 - $\sigma_{artist.name=company.name}(artist \times company)$

name	year	origin
Coldplay	1997	UK

name
The Chainsmokers
Imagine Dragon
Coldplay

name	company
The Chainsmokers	A
The Chainsmokers	B
Coldplay	A

Practice

Customer (name, age, gender)

Buys (name, drink)

Sells (store, drink, price)

Visits (name, store)

- Find all stores that are visited by at least 1 customer under 18;
- Find the names of all female customers that bought either apple juice or orange juice (or both);
- Find all stores that sells at least 1 kind of drink that Alex bought before and is more expensive than 10\$.

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 - $\Pi_{name}(\sigma_{gender='female'}(Customer) \bowtie \sigma_{drink='apple\ juice' \vee drink='orange\ juice'}(Buys))$
- Find all stores that sells at least 1 kind of drink that Alex bought before and is more expensive than 10\$.
 - $\Pi_{store}(\sigma_{name='Alex'}(Buys) \bowtie \sigma_{price > 10}(Sells))$

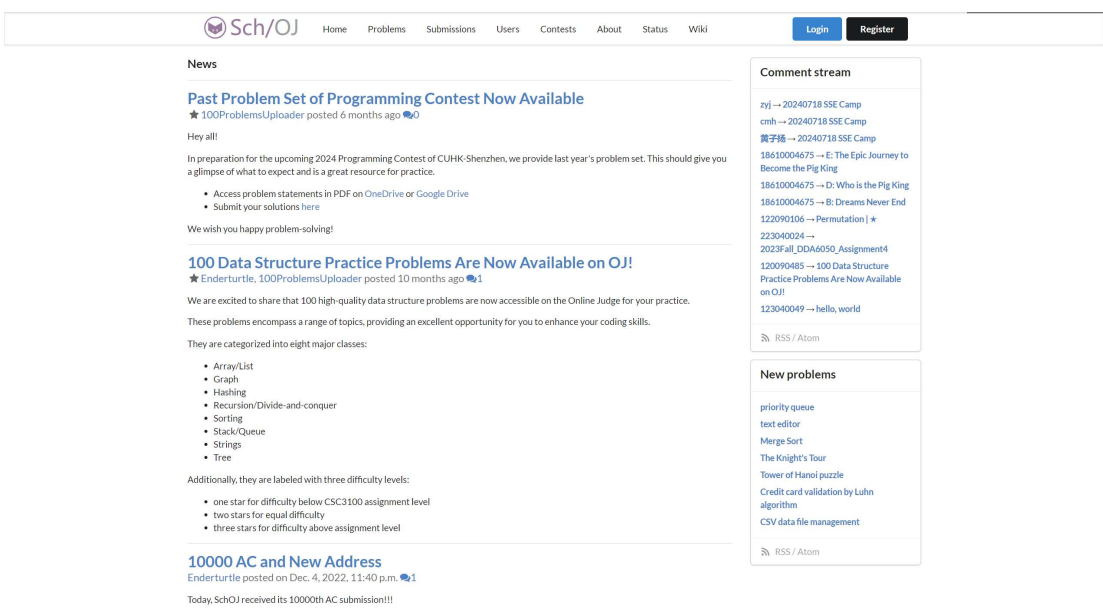
SQL

- Data Definition Language (DDL)
 - **CREATE TABLE**: define a table; **DROP TABLE**: delete a table;
 - **ALTER TABLE**: modify columns of a table;
 - Other keywords: **(type)**, **NOT NULL**, **PRIMARY KEY**, **FOREIGN KEY**, etc.
- Data Manipulation Language (DML)
 - **INSERT INTO**: insert records; **COPY**: insert a large amount of records;
 - **DELETE FROM / UPDATE**: usually used with **WHERE** clause;
 - Other keywords: **CASE – WHEN – THEN – ELSE**, etc.
- Data Query Language (DQL)
 - **SELECT (attributes) AS (renaming)**
FROM (relations)
WHERE (conditions)
 - **Aggregates**
 - **AVG(col)** → Return the average col value.
 - **MIN(col)** → Return minimum col value.
 - **MAX(col)** → Return maximum col value.
 - **SUM(col)** → Return sum of values in col.
 - **COUNT(col)** → Return # of values for col.

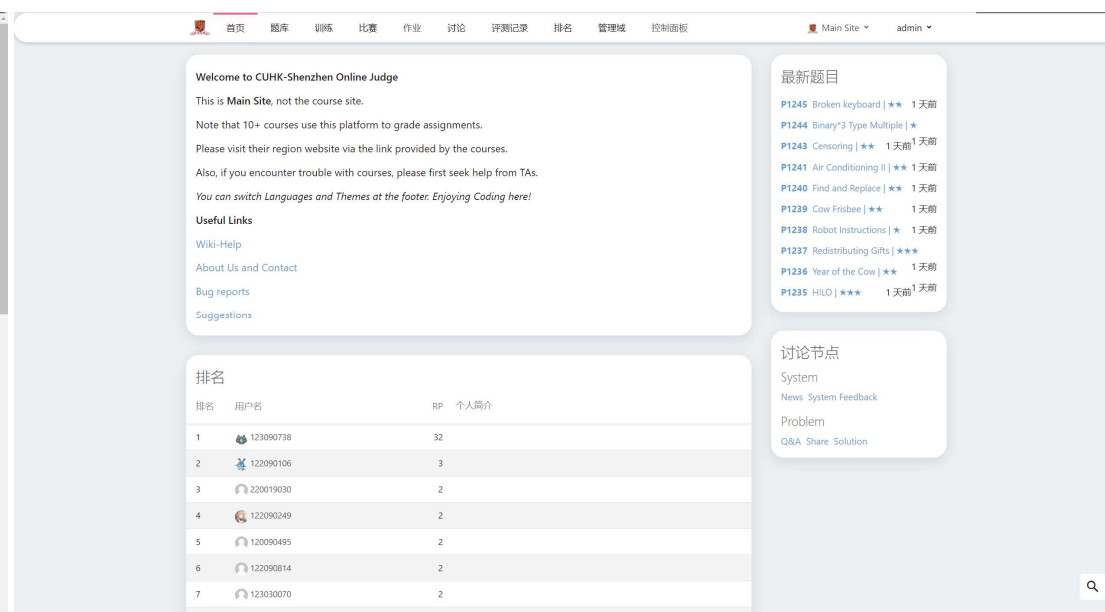
OJ System

- OJ link: http://oj.cuhk.edu.cn/d/csc3170_2025_fall/ (neither “https://oj.cuhk.edu.cn” nor “https://oj.cuhk.edu.cn/d/csc3170_2025_fall” works! You need to copy the whole link!)
- How to register:
 - Case 1: You have the experience of using **new OJ** -> Directly login
 - Case 2: You have never used new OJ system:
 - Step 1: Access http://oj.cuhk.edu.cn/d/csc3170_2025_fall/
 - Step 2: Click “Login” button at the top-right corner
 - Step 3: Click “Forgot password or username?”
 - Step 4: Enter your email (student_id@link.cuhk.edu.cn) and send reset email
 - Step 5: Check your email and reset your password, and then login (username is your student id instead of your email).

OJ System



Former OJ



New OJ

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Practice

- You are encouraged to complete the problem on OJ (Sample Problem C-E).

You are given a database for a bookstore. The database has a table named “Books” with the following attributes:

- ‘book_id’ (integer)
- ‘title’ (varchar)
- ‘author’ (varchar)
- ‘genre’ (varchar)
- ‘price’ (decimal)
- ‘stock_quantity’ (integer)

Write a SQL query to:

1. Find all books written by “Mark Twain” that are in the genre of “Fiction”;
2. Calculate the total value (num * price, named as ‘total_value’) of all “Textbook” books in stock;
3. Update the stock quantity by adding 5 to the current stock for the book title “The Great Gatsby”.

Practice

Write a SQL query to:

1. Find all books written by “Mark Twain” that are in the genre of “Fiction”;

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SELECT * FROM Books  
WHERE author = 'Mark Twain' AND genre = 'Fiction'
```

2. Calculate the total value (num * price, named as 'total_value') of all “Textbook” books in stock;

```
SELECT SUM(price * stock_quantity) AS total_value  
FROM Books  
WHERE genre = 'Textbook'
```

3. Update the stock quantity by adding 5 to the current stock for the book title “The Great Gatsby”.

```
UPDATE Books SET stock_quantity = stock_quantity + 5  
WHERE title = 'The Great Gatsby'
```

Q&A

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