

Lecture 8: More on Joins

CS1106/CS6503– Introduction to Relational Databases

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Summary

More on joins.

Movies Database

Today we will get more practice with multi-table queries using the following simple film database

```
movies(id, title, yr, score, votes, director)
actors(id, name)
castings(movieid, actorid)
```

Movies and Actors tables

```
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```

movies

id unique id number for each movie

title the name of the movie

yr the year the movie was released

score viewers rating (real number)

director the name of the director

actors

id unique id number for each actor

name the actor's name

Castings Table

```
movies(id, title, yr, score, votes, director)
actors(id, name)
castings(movieid, actorid)
```

role

- “Bridges” movies and actors tables
- Models who appeared in what films

attributes

movieid id number of some movie

actorid id number of some actor

Signifies that the actor appeared in that movie

Target Practice

Query 1

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Solution

```
SELECT MAX(score)
FROM movies
WHERE yr BETWEEN 1960 AND 1969;
```

Query 2

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Solution

```
SELECT yr, COUNT(*), MIN(score), AVG(score), MAX(score)
FROM movies
GROUP BY yr;
```

Query 3

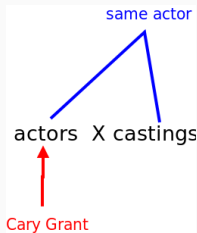
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Query 3

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Issues

- Need both actors and castings tables



Query 3 cont'd

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Solution

```
SELECT movieid  
FROM  
    actors JOIN castings  
    ON id = actorid  
WHERE name = 'Cary Grant';
```

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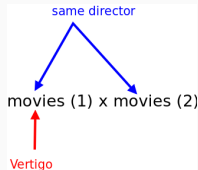
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Query 4 cont'd

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Solution

```
SELECT m2.title
FROM
    movies AS m1
    JOIN movies as m2
    ON m1.director = m2.director
WHERE m1.title = 'Vertigo';
```

Query 5

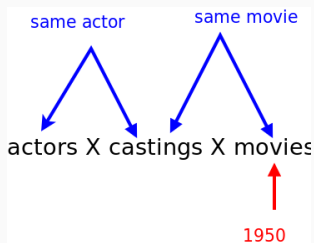
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Query 5

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Issues

- Need actor-casting-movies triples :



Query 5 cont'd

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Solution

```
SELECT actors.name, movies.title, movies.yr
FROM
    actors JOIN castings JOIN movies
ON actors.id = castings.actorid
    AND castings.movieid = movies.id
WHERE movies.yr = 1950
ORDER BY actors.name;
```

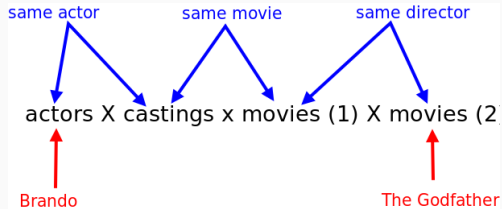
Query 6

Task List all the films in which Marlon Brando stars that were directed by the director of “The Godfather”; list the titles and years of the films concerned, arranged in increasing order by year.

Plan

- Can use (3-way) join to generate all appearances (actor-casting-movie) by Brando
- Use 4-way join ((actor-casting-movie)-movie) to generate appearance-movie combinations and filter for Coppola

Query 6 cont'd



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Solution

```
SELECT m1.title, m1.yr
FROM
    actors AS a1
  JOIN castings AS c1
  JOIN movies AS m1
  JOIN movies AS m2
  ON a1.id = c1.actorid
      AND c1.movieid = m1.id
      AND m1.director = m2.director
WHERE
    m2.title = 'Godfather, The'
      AND a1.name = 'Marlon Brando'
ORDER BY m1.yr;
```

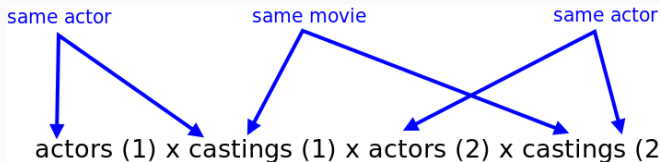

Task List the names of all pairs of actors that have appeared together in more than four films.

Issues

- Use join to generate all “co-appearances”: pairs of actor-castings relating to same film
- Use grouping and aggregation on join table for counting

Query 7 cont'd

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Solution

```
SELECT a1.name, a2.name, COUNT(*)  
FROM  
    actors AS a1  
    JOIN castings AS c1  
    JOIN actors AS a2  
    JOIN castings as c2  
    ON a1.id = c1.actorid  
        AND a2.id = c2.actorid  
        AND a1.id < a2.id  
        AND c1.movieid = c2.movieid  
GROUP BY a1.name, a2.name  
HAVING COUNT(*) > 4  
ORDER BY COUNT(*) DESC;
```

Query 8

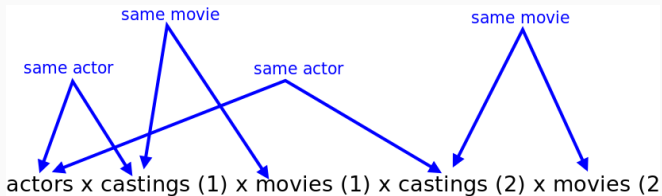
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Issues

- Use join to generate actor-appearance1-appearance2 tuples
- (where appearances1/appearances2 relate to actor)
- Filter to ensure appearance1 is a bad film (< 3.0) and
- Filter to ensure appearance2 is a good film (> 8.5) and

Query 8

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Query 8 cont'd

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Solution

```
SELECT DISTINCT a.name
  actors AS a JOIN
  castings AS c1 JOIN
  movies AS m1 JOIN
  castings AS c2 JOIN
  movies AS m2 JOIN
ON
    a.id = c1.actorid AND
    a.id = c2.actorid AND
    m1.id = c1.movieid AND
    m2.id = c2.movieid
WHERE
    m1.score < 3.0 AND m2.score > 8.5
ORDER BY a.name;
```

Reading

Code

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