

SQL SELECT

Part I



Agenda



- Column projections and aliasing
- The WHERE clause
- The ORDER BY clause
- Table inner joins
- Table outer joins
- Multi-table and self-referencing joins



SQL SELECT: Part I

The End





SQL SELECT



SQL SELECT Statement

- The most popular and complex statement in the SQL language
- Used to query data; queries can range from the simple to the very complex
- Many different components to the statement, which are called clauses
- These clauses affect the operation of the command itself
- Most queries are intuitive

Recall: SQL SELECT



```
SELECT

col1, col2, ...

FROM table

WHERE condition

ORDER BY columns
```

Columns to display (projection)

Table to use

Only return rows matching this condition

Sort row output by data in these columns

SELECT Statement Processing v1.0



How we write it

- 1. TOP/DISTINCT
- 2. (Projection)
- 3. FROM
- 4. WHERE (selection)
- 5. ORDER BY

How it is processed

- 1. FROM
- 2. WHERE (selection)
- 3. (Projection)
- 4. ORDER BY
- 5. TOP/DISTINCT

Query Processing

5. Take the first 5 rows. 5 rows × 3 columns

3. Project only these columns. 15 rows × 3 columns

Start with this table.
 67 rows × 12 columns

Sort by this column descending order.
 15 rows × 3 columns

		yee_firstname	employee_lastname	employee_pay_rate
1	1	Michael	Fudge	2724.5495
	2	Joy	Touda-World	1813.0920
	3	Amber	Wavesofgrain	1791.9112
	4	Willie	Pas-D'course	1116.0667
	5	Artie	Choke	20.4217

Select only rows
 matching this
 condition.
 15 rows × 12 columns



SQL SELECT

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SELECT Projections



Projections

Projections determine the columns in the query output.
 SELECT student_name, student_gpa FROM students

students				
student_id	student_name	student_gpa	student_year	
1	Robin Banks	4.00	Freshman	
2	Victor Edance	3.81	Junior	
3	Erin Yortires	2.40	Junior	
4	Phil McCup	2.75	Senior	



student_name	student_gpa
Robin Banks	4.00
Victor Edance	3.81
Erin Yortires	2.40
Phil McCup	2.75

Projections (cont.)

- If we do not know the columns, we can use the asterisk (*) to project all columns in the FROM.
- Since the output is not a table, we can project the same column multiple times.
- We can project expressions, which are applied to every row.
 These are called derived columns.
- We can rename any column using the AS keyword, creating a column alias.

Arithmetic Operators

Operator	Purpose	For types	Example
+	Addition	Exact and approximate numeric types	7 + 5.6 = 12.6
-	Subtraction	Exact and approximate numeric types	14 - 3 = 11
*	Multiplication	Exact and approximate numeric types	0.1 * 3 = 0.3
/	Integer division	Integers	14 / 4 = 3
/	Division	Exact and approximate numeric types	14 / 4.0 = 3.5
%	Remainder	Integers	14 % 4 = 2
+	Concatenation	String types	'Mi' + 'ke' = 'Mike'

Data Type Casting

Change the data type of an expression

Useful for type conversion, truncation, parsing

CAST(expression AS new_type)



SELECT Projections
The End





Demo

SELECT Projections



Demo: SELECT Projections



- We will use the payroll database.
- Selecting specific columns
- Column concatenation
- Column aliasing with AS
- CAST() data to different types
- The need for CAST(): conversion errors



Demo: SELECT Projections

The End





SELECT WHERE



Selections (WHERE Clause)

Selections determine the rows in the query output.

SELECT * FROM students WHERE student_year = 'Junior'

students			
student_id	student_name	student_gpa	student_year
1	Robin Banks	4.00	Freshman
2	Victor Edance	3.81	Junior
3	Erin Yortires	2.40	Junior
4	Phil McCup	2.75	Senior



student_id	student_name	student_gpa	student_year
2	Victor Edance	3.81	Junior
3	Erin Yortires	2.40	Junior

Selections (WHERE Clause) (cont.)

- If the WHERE clause is omitted, all rows are returned.
- The condition included in the WHERE clause is a Boolean expression.
- If the Boolean expression is true, the row is included in the output.
- Relational operators are Boolean expressions that compare values.
- Logical operators are Boolean expressions to connect relational expressions.

Relational Operators

Operator	Definition	Example of use
=	Equal to	1 = 1
!=	Not equal to	'Mike' != 'Fudge'
>	Greater than	3 > 1
<	Less than	1 < 3
>=	Greater than or equal to	4 >= 4
<=	Less than or equal to	6 <= 10
In	Set inclusion	4 in (2,4,6,8)
Not in	Set exclusion	<pre>'eggs' not in ('bacon', 'cheese', 'toast')</pre>
Is null	Column null check	Column_name is null
Is not null	Column not null check	Column_name is not null
Between	Inclusive numeric range	Column_name between 0 and 4
Like	Text pattern matching	'Michael' like 'Mi%'
Not Like	Text pattern not matching	'Michael' not like 'Mike%'

Logical Operators

Operator	Definition	Example of use
AND	Evaluates to true only when both expressions are true, otherwise false	Customers with a gmail.com email address in the 315 area code customer_phone like '315%' AND customer email like '%@gmail.com'
OR	Evaluates to false only when both expressions are false, otherwise true	Students on academic warning below 2.0 GPA or on the Dean's list above 3.4 GPA student_GPA >= 3.4 OR student_gpa < 2.0
NOT	Negation; false becomes true, true becomes false	<pre>Employees not in the 'Toys' department NOT Employee_department = 'Toys' Note—this is the equivalent to: Employee_department != 'Toys'</pre>



SELECT WHERE

The End





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SELECT With WHERE



Demo: SELECT With WHERE



- We will use the payroll database
- WHERE clauses
- Relational operators >=, <
- Pattern matching with Like % and Like?
- Logical operators, AND/OR



Demo: SELECT With WHERE

The End





SELECT CASE





SELECT

CASE

CASE Statement

- Tests a sequence of Boolean expressions
- The first one true returns the value
- Can be added anywhere a value is yielded—for example, projection, selection

```
CASE
WHEN condition1 THEN value1
WHEN condition2 THEN value2
...
[ ELSE catch_all_value ]
FND
```



SELECT CASE

The End





Demo

CASE



Demo: SELECT With CASE



- We will use the payroll database
- CASE to create pay bands for sales associates
- Why doesn't this work in the WHERE clause?
- Workarounds for this?



Demo: CASE

The End





SELECT ORDER BY



Sorting Output (ORDER BY Clause)

- The ORDER BY clause is used to sort the query output.
- You must specify the columns by which you will sort.
- The ASC keyword sorts in ascending order and is the default.
- The DESC keyword sorts in descending order.
- If the ORDER BY clause is omitted, rows are returned in the default table order based on the primary key.

TOP and DISTINCT Keywords

TOP_n

- Limits output to the first n rows
- This is based on the sorted output of the query

DISTINCT

- Removes duplicate rows from the query output
- Guarantees the output has entity integrity



SELECT ORDER BY





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TOP, DISTINCT, ORDER BY



Demo: TOP, DISTINCT, ORDER BY





- DISTINCT Example
- ORDER BY to arrange output
- Combined with TOP to produce a specific number of rows, such as the highest or lowest



Demo: TOP, DISTINCT, ORDER BY





SELECT Joins

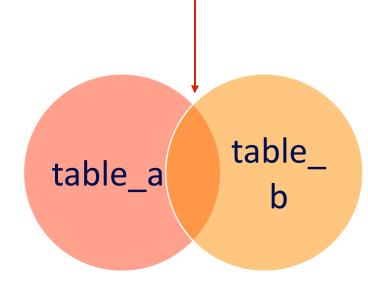


Joins: Inner Join

FROM table_a

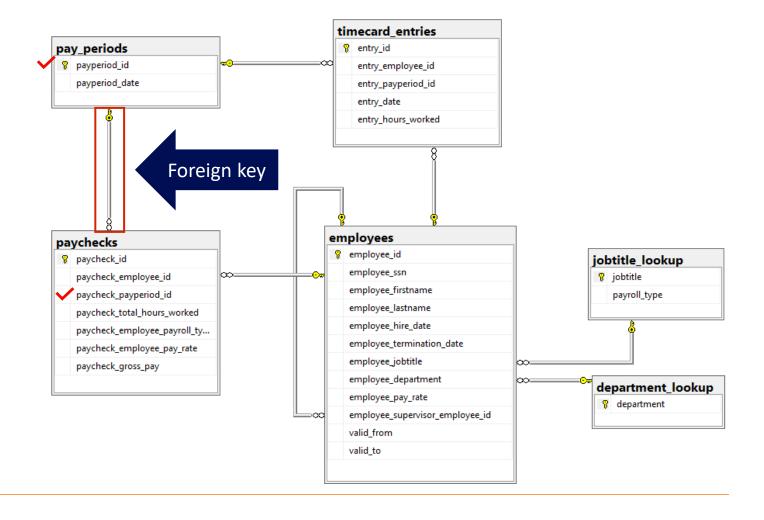
JOIN table_b ON column_a = column_b

- Processed first in the SELECT statement
- Columns must be the same data type
- Typically PK–FK pairs
- Output is a temporary table in the query pipeline consisting of matching rows



Payroll Database Internal Model

FROM paychecks
 JOIN pay_periods
 ON payperiod_id =
paycheck_payperiod_id





SELECT Joins





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Inner Join



Demo: Inner Join



- We will use the demo and payroll databases.
- Inspect bbplayers and bbteams tables.
- Implement inner join.
- Join output is a subset of both tables.
- Note that you can join any column of the same data type, but that does not mean it is sensible to do so.



Demo: Inner Join





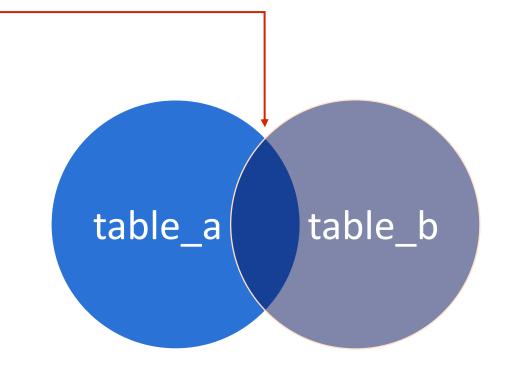
Outer Joins



Joins: Left Outer Join

FROM table_a LEFT JOIN table_b
ON column_a = column_b

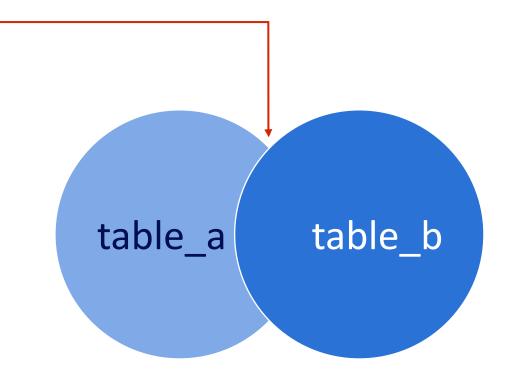
 All rows in table_a are included, including those matching the ON condition.



Joins: Right Outer Join

FROM $table_a$ RIGHT JOIN $table_b$ ON $column_a = column_b$

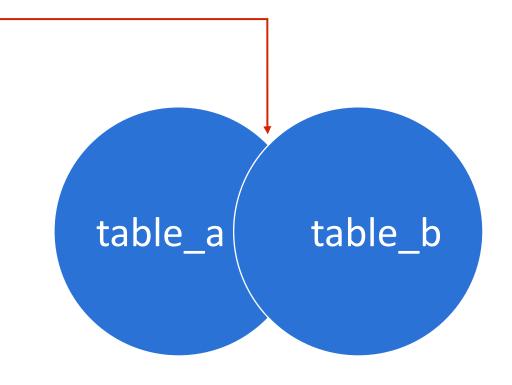
- All rows in table_b are included, including those matching the ON condition.
- LEFT and RIGHT determine which table participates in the outer join.



Joins: Full Outer Join

FROM table_a FULL JOIN table_b
ON column_a = column_b

- All rows in table_b are included, including those matching the ON condition
- Like performing a LEFT and RIGHT join simultaneously





Outer Joins





Demo

Outer Joins



Demo: Outer Joins



- We will use the demo and payroll databases
- Players not on a team
- Teams without players
- Both!
- Null checks in the query to get exceptions, such as only players without teams
- Which employees have not filled out a timecard?



Demo: Outer Joins





Advanced Joins



More Joins

• It is not limited to two table joins. We can join multiple tables.

```
SELECT *
FROM table_a

JOIN table_b ON table_b_col = table_a_col

JOIN table_c ON table_c_col = table_a_or_b_col
```

We can alias tables to simplify complex joins.

```
SELECT a.*
FROM table_a AS a
JOIN table_b ON table_b_col = a.table_a_col
```

We can use table aliasing to join a table to itself!



Advanced Joins





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Multi-Table Joins and Self-Joins



Demo: Multi-Table Joins and Self-Joins



- We will use the payroll database
- Joining three tables in a complex join
- Table aliasing in a complex join
- Joining a table to itself; employees and supervisors



Demo: Multi-Table Joins and Self-Joins





Summary



Summary



- The processing order of the SELECT statement differs from how it is written.
- Projections filter columns.
- Selections filter rows with the WHERE clause.
- The CASE statement is used for conditional evaluation.
- Joins combine tables based on matching columns.
- Outer joins allow for including rows in a table that do not match the inner join output.



Summary

