

Relational Data a

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Learning goals

- What is relational data?
- What is SQL?
- Basics of relational algebra
- Types of joins

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Relational d

- “Relational database” coined b
- Present data to user in relation
 - ◆ The database is a collection of data table
 - ◆ Each table consists of rows and columns
 - ◆ Each table represents an “entity” (e.g., “c
- Provide relational operators
 - ◆ Manipulate data based on relationships
 - ◆ Relationships defined on pairs of tables

Why relational

- Real-world data is often
be stored in a single table
- Relational data model p
 - ◆ A system for organizing such d
 - ◆ A system for computing on suc
- Other models are poss

SQL

- Standard language for u
- Structured Query Lang
 - ◆ Define relational schemes in a
 - ◆ Create/modify/delete tables in
 - ◆ Query tables in a database
- High-level, *declarative* la
for use with the relation

Why SQL?

- **Imperative** languages like C allow us to specify *how* to do things
- **Declarative** languages like SQL allow us to specify *what* data manipulation we want
 - ◆ Allows SQL to be highly optimized
 - ◆ We don't need to worry how to do things
- Use SQL to query and manipulate data

Tables in a relational

- A table is a **multiset** (unordered list) of tuples (rows/records)
- Columns of the table are **attributes** of atomic data type (string, int, etc.)
- Rows/records are **tuples** of attributes specified by a schema

Some
because

Tables in a relational

Student

Columns a

sid	name	major	g
0001	John	CS	NU
0002	Lucy	DS	4
0003	Aiden	CS	3

Rows/records are **tuples**

Number of attributes is the **arity** of the table

Tables in a relational

Student

sid	name	major	gpa
0001	John	CS	NULL
0002	Lucy	DS	4.00
0003	Aiden	CS	3.33

Course

crn	
00234	
00653	
00783	A
01945	

A **relational database** consists of multiple related tables

Tables correspond to **entities** (e.g., students, courses, etc.)

Table schema

- A table (relation) is defined by
 - ◆ Table name
 - ◆ Attributes names
 - ◆ Attribute data types
- Student(sid: *string*, name: *string*, gpa: *float*)
- Keys are attributes with

Keys

- A **key** is a *minimal* set of attributes that *uniquely* identifies a *tuple* in a table
- A **primary key** uniquely identifies tuples in *its own table*
- A **foreign key** uniquely identifies tuples in *another table*

Primary keys

- A **primary key** is a *special* candidate key that unique identifies tuples
- A **candidate key** is any attribute or set of attributes that could be used as a primary key
- A **composite key** is a key that consists of multiple attributes (vs. **simple key**)
 - ◆ A **compound key** is a composite key that is not a primary key (these are simple *foreign keys*)

Primary key

- A **natural key** uses attributes with real-world meaning
- A **surrogate key** has no meaning in the database
- We may create a surrogate key
 - ◆ There is no natural key
 - ◆ The natural key would be inefficient

Primary key

sid is

Student

sid	name	major
0001	John	CS
0002	Lucy	DS
0003	Aiden	CS

- **sid** is a key and likely used by the school
- **name** will certainly contain duplicates

Foreign key

- A **foreign key** is a set of attributes that *references* a candidate key
- May be required to reference
- Forms a constraint on allowed
- Forms a relationship between

Foreign ke

student and **course** are foreign keys

(stu

Enrolled

student	course
0002	00653
0002	01945
0003	00783

- (student, course) is a key with
- student and course reference

NULL

- Indicates we “don’t know”
 - ◆ Missing information
 - ◆ Attribute not applicable for that row
- Keys cannot have NULL
- Does not mean zero!
- Be careful of comparisons
 - ◆ *TRUE And NULL = NULL*
 - ◆ *TRUE Or NULL = TRUE*, etc.

Relationships between tables

- Relationships between tables
primary key-foreign key
 - ◆ Define a one-to-many relationship
 - ◆ Allows us to express join operations
- Indexing on keys allows
- Allows for powerful queries

Student

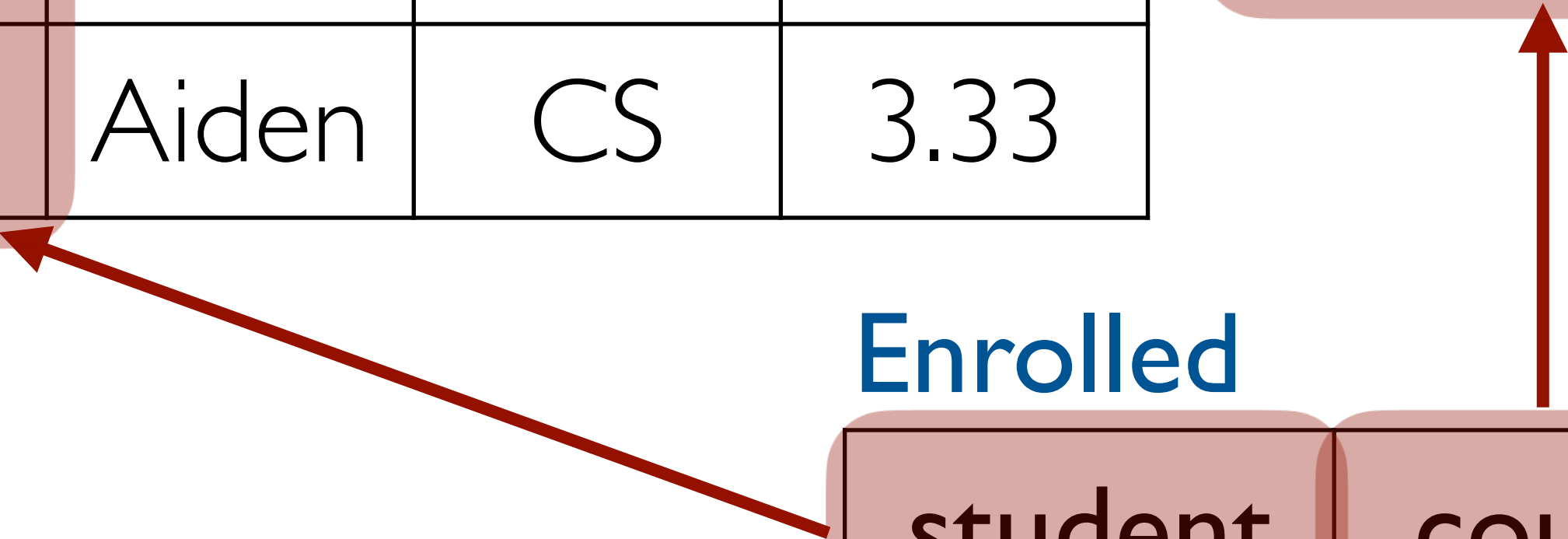
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Database normalization

- Structure database tables into “normal forms”
- Reduce data redundancy
- Improve data integrity
- *Tidy data* follows the “three rules”

Codd's third normal

- A table is in 1st normal form
 - ◆ It stores information in rows and columns
 - ◆ It has a primary key that uniquely identifies each row
 - ◆ Each column is unique and contains atomic values
- A table is in 2nd normal form
 - ◆ It is in 1st normal form, and
 - ◆ All non-key columns are dependent on the primary key
- A table is in 3rd normal form
 - ◆ It is in 2nd normal form, and
 - ◆ All non-key columns depend *only* on the primary key

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Relational algebra

- Theoretical foundation for
- Defines operators that transform input relations and produce *output* relations
- Underlies SQL implementation in database management systems

Basic SQL query

- Basic query form
- “Select” query

```
SELECT <attributes>  
FROM <one or more tables>  
WHERE <conditions>
```

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Projection (σ)

- Selects attributes (columns)
- Drops duplicate tuples
- SQL : *SELECT*

Student

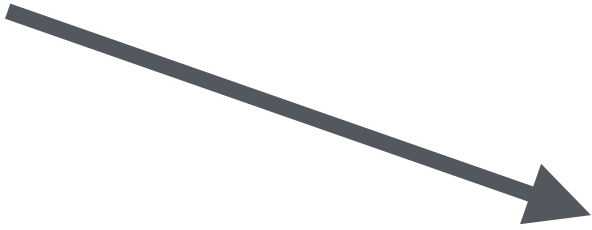
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SELECT name
FROM student

Student

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SELECT *
FROM stu



Selection (σ)

- Filter tuples (rows) based on a predicate
- SQL : *WHERE*

Student

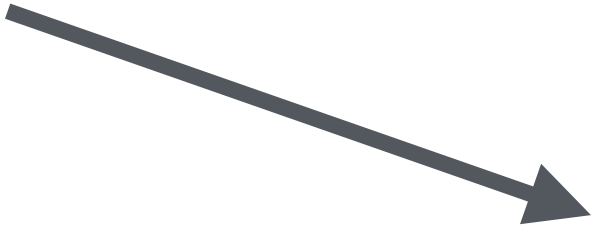
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WHERE g
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Student

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Rename (AS)

- Rename attributes (columns)
- SQL : AS

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0003	Aiden	CS	3.33

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0003	Aiden	CS	3.33

```
SELECT
  sid AS s,
  name AS n
FROM stu
```

Cross product

- All combinations of all t
from both tables
- Not commonly used by

```
SELECT *  
FROM student, enrolled
```



Student

sid	name	major	gpa
0001	John	CS	NULL
0002	Lucy	DS	4.00

X

En

st



sid	name	major	gpa	
0001	John	CS	NULL	
0001	John	CS	NULL	
0002	Lucy	DS	4.00	
0002	Lucy	DS	4.00	

Natural join

- Combinations of tuples (rows) with equal values for common attributes
- Also a term for any join on attributes (columns)

SELECT DISTINCT

S.sid, name, major, gpa, crn, grade

FROM student S, enrolled E

WHERE S.sid = E.sid

Student

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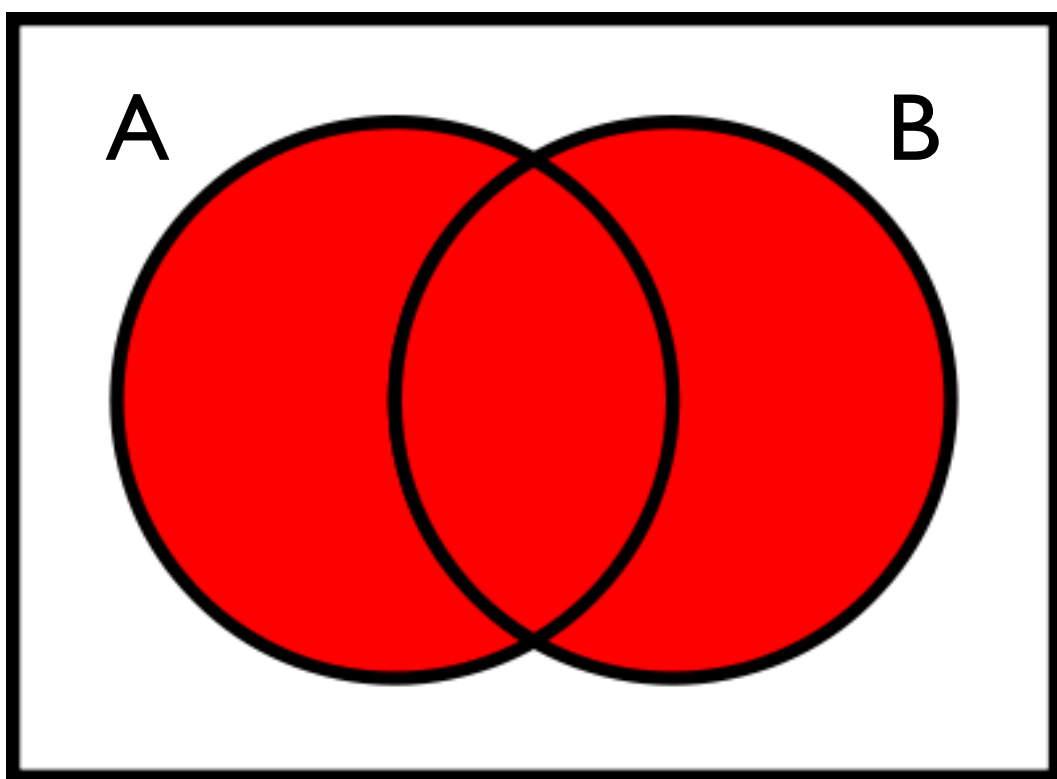
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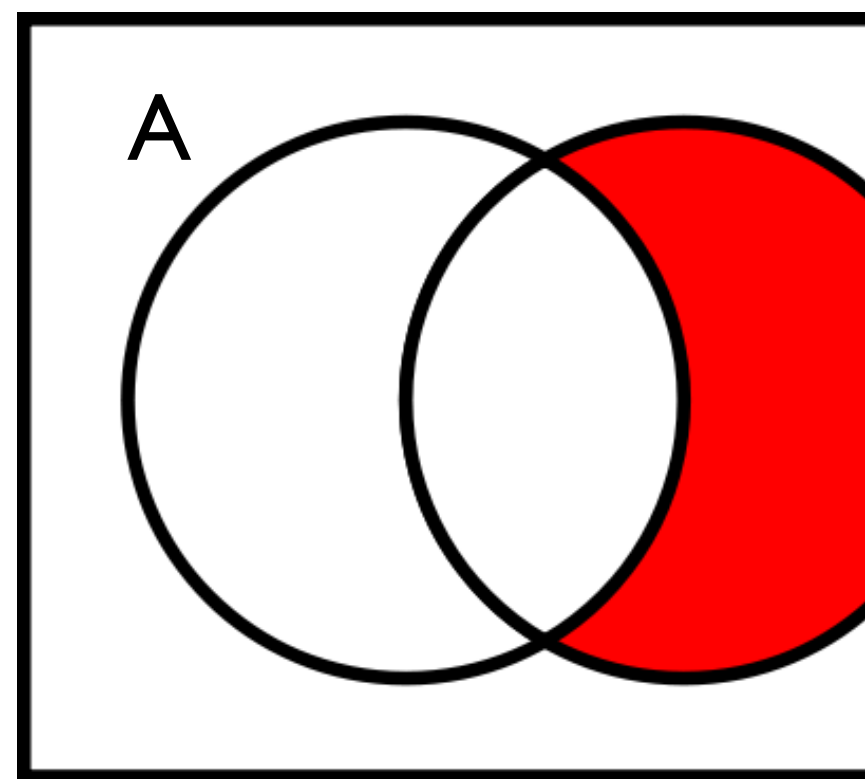
Set union (U) and difference

- Both tables must have the same number of attributes (columns)
- Intersection (\cap) defined as the intersection of the union and difference

$A \cup B$



$B - A$



Relational algebra (RA)

- SQL queries are translated into RA expressions
- SQL engine then optimizes RA expression
 - ◆ Search for logically-equivalent RA expressions using mathematical properties (commutativity, associativity, etc.)
 - ◆ Optimize to minimize I/O and # of rows



SQL

Basic SQL query

```
SELECT [DISTINCT] <attributes>  
FROM <tables> [aliases]  
WHERE <conditions>  
[GROUP BY <attributes>]  
[HAVING <conditions>]  
[ORDER BY <attributes>]
```

Basic SQL queries

SELECT selects columns

DISTINCT eliminates duplicates

AS renames columns with an alias

FROM specifies which tables to use

WHERE filters rows based on conditions

GROUP BY groups rows with same values

HAVING filters the groups

ORDER BY sorts the output

Student

sid	name	major	gpa
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0003	Aiden	CS	3.33

SELECT name
FROM student
WHERE major = 'CS'

SELECT name
FROM student
ORDER BY gpa

Aggregation

COUNT() number of documents

SUM() sum of values

AVG() mean of values

MAX() maximum value

MIN() minimum value

Student

sid	name	major	gpa
0001	John	CS	NULL
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0003	Aiden	CS	3.33

SELECT AVG(
FROM stude
WHERE ma

SELECT majo
FROM stude
GROUP BY
HAVING gpa

JOINS

Joins

- Join between two tables returns combinations of tuples meeting the join condition
- Typically join on primary key
- Often multiple ways to express join

```
SELECT  
    sid, name, course, grade  
FROM student, enrolled  
WHERE sid = student
```

```
SELECT  
    sid, name, course, grade  
FROM  
    JOIN
```

Student

sid	name	major	gpa
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JOIN



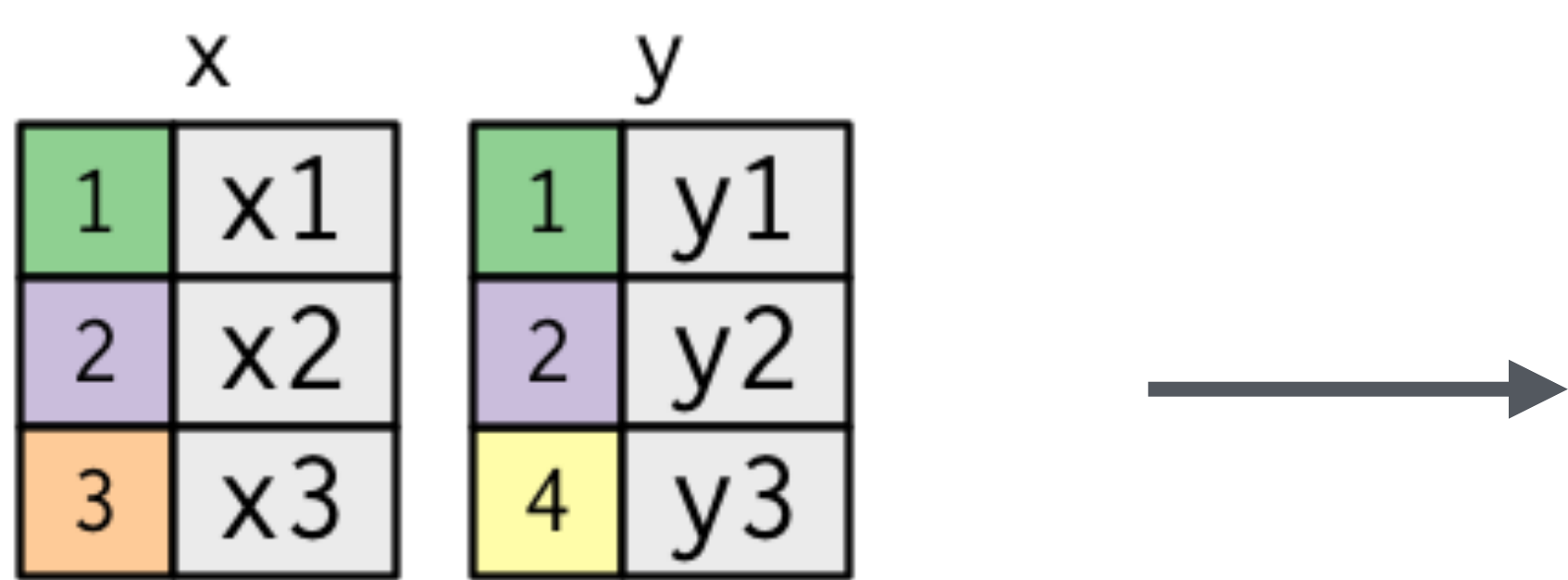
sid	name	c
0002	Lucy	0
0002	Lucy	0
0003	Aiden	0

Types of joins

- Joins are distinguished by which columns are retained in the result
- Mutating joins keep columns from both tables
 - ◆ *Inner joins* keep **only** rows with equal values in both tables
 - ◆ *Outer joins* keep any rows that appear in either table
- Filtering joins keep columns from only one table
 - ◆ *Semi joins* keep only rows that appear in both tables
 - ◆ *Anti joins* drop rows that appear in a specified table

Visualizing joins

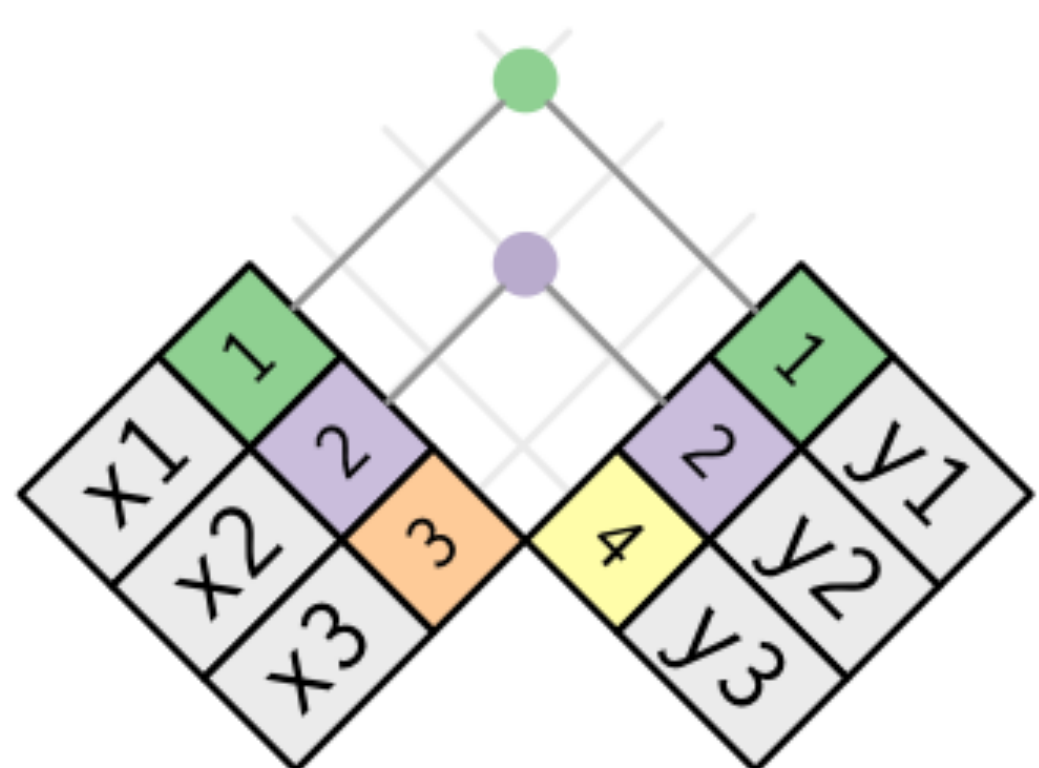
Look for rows with matching



Two tables

Inner join

- Keep **only** rows with matching
- Useful for retaining only com

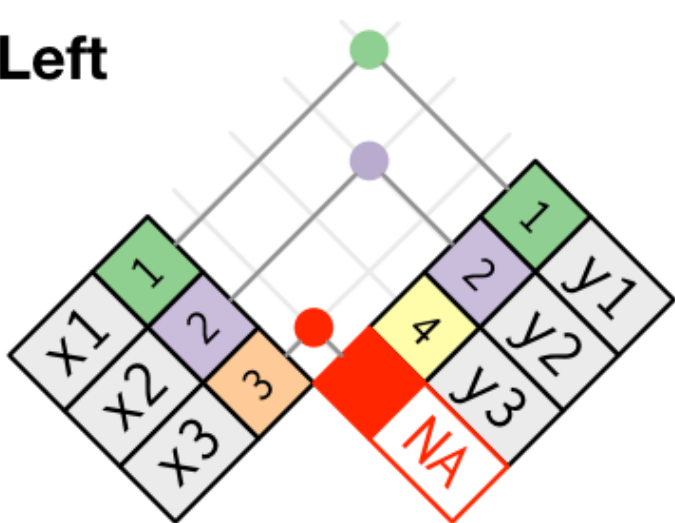


```
SELECT * FROM x JOIN y ON
```


Outer join

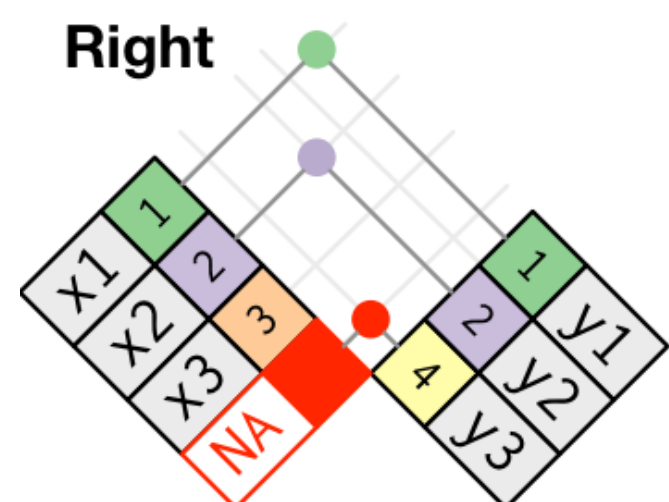
- Keep **any** rows that appear in
- Fill in non-matches with missi
- Useful for annotating one tab
- another while retaining the o

Left



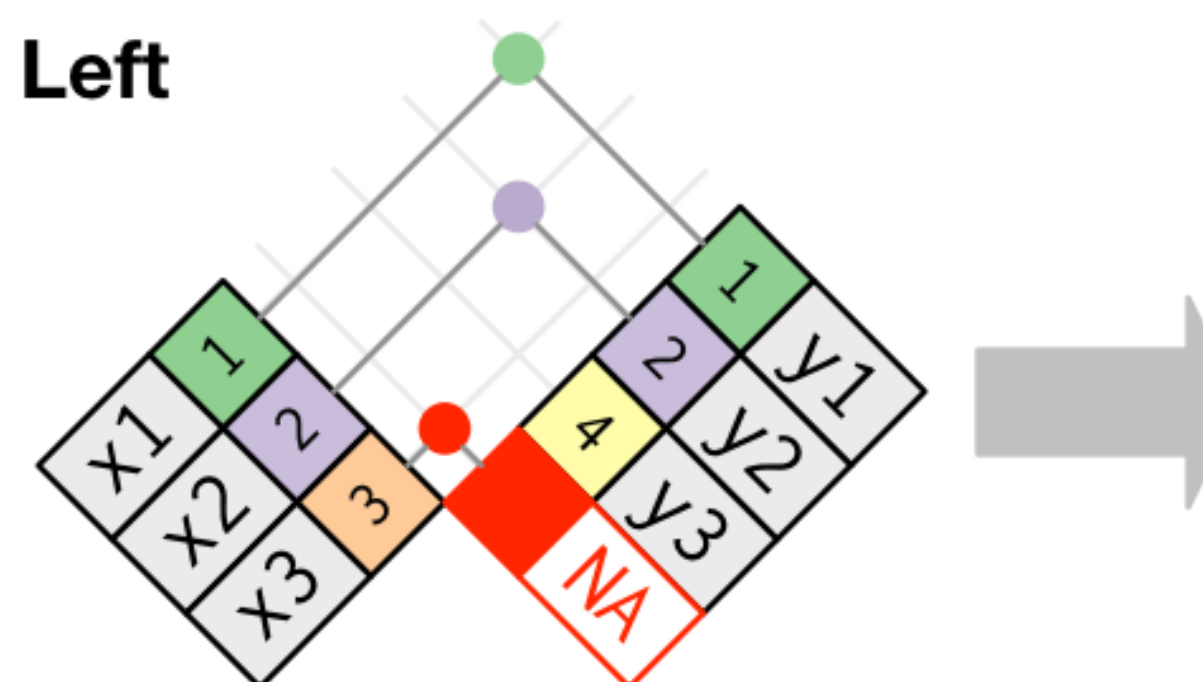
key	val_x	val_y
1	x1	y1
2	x2	y2
3	x3	NA

Right



Left outer join

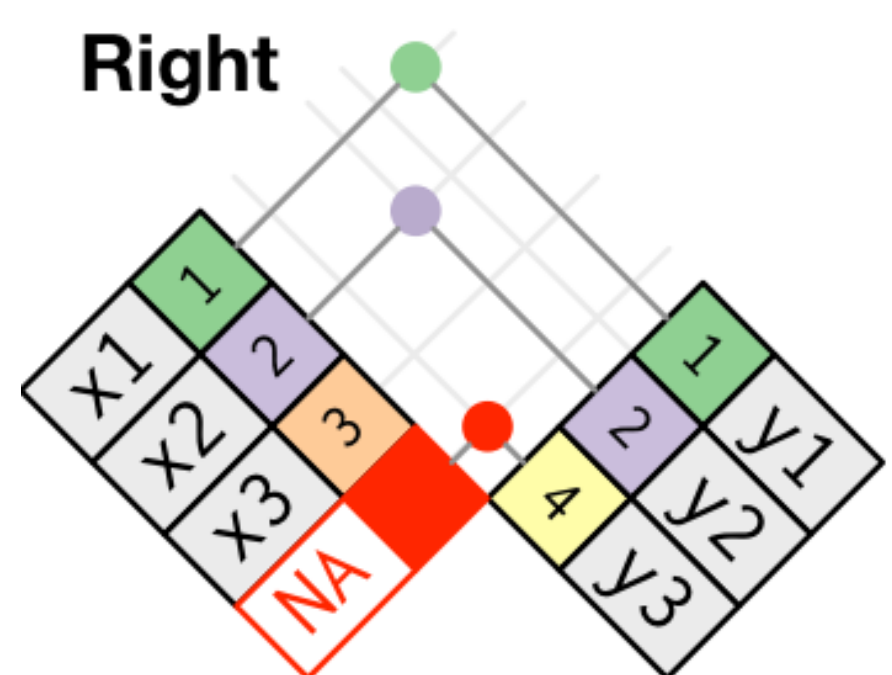
- Keep **all** rows that appear in **left** table
- Most common type of join in SQL



SELECT * FROM x LEFT JOIN y ON x.x2 = y.y2

Right outer

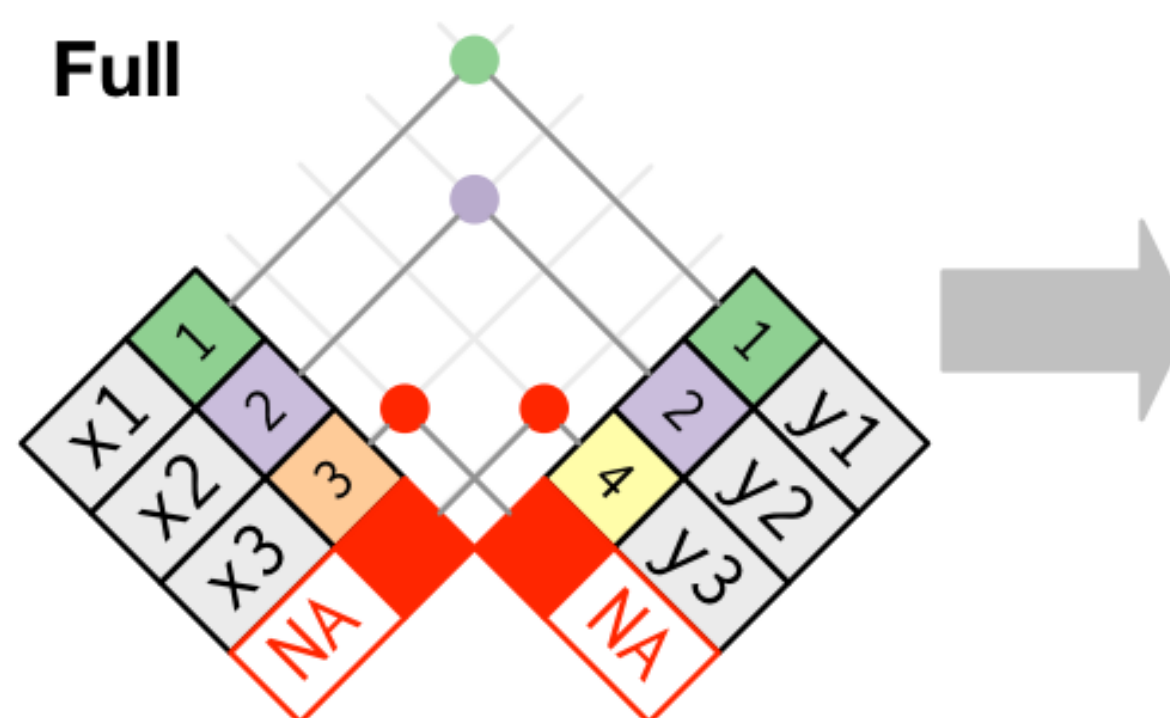
- Keep **all** rows that appear in **right**
- Can be expressed with an eq



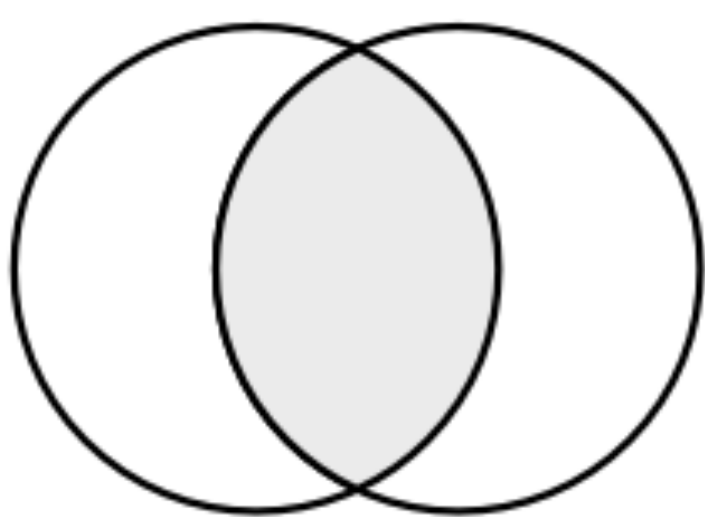
SELECT * FROM X RIGHT JOIN Y

Full outer join

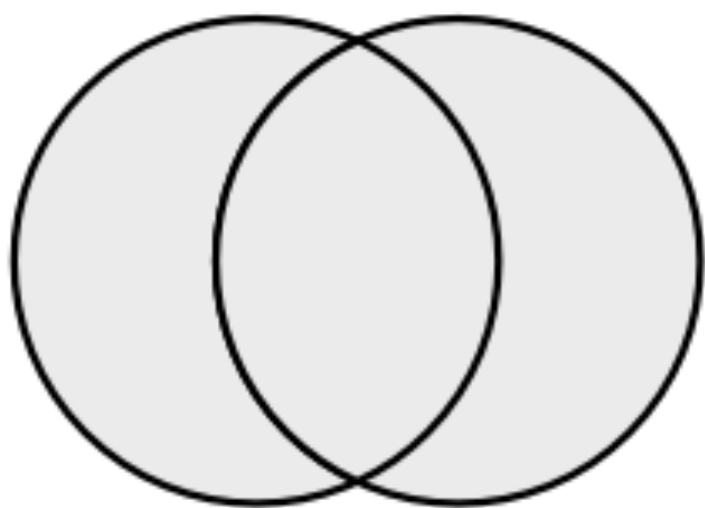
- Keep **all** rows that appear in either table
- Not often used in data analysis



```
SELECT * FROM X FULL JOIN Y
```



`inner_join(x, y)`

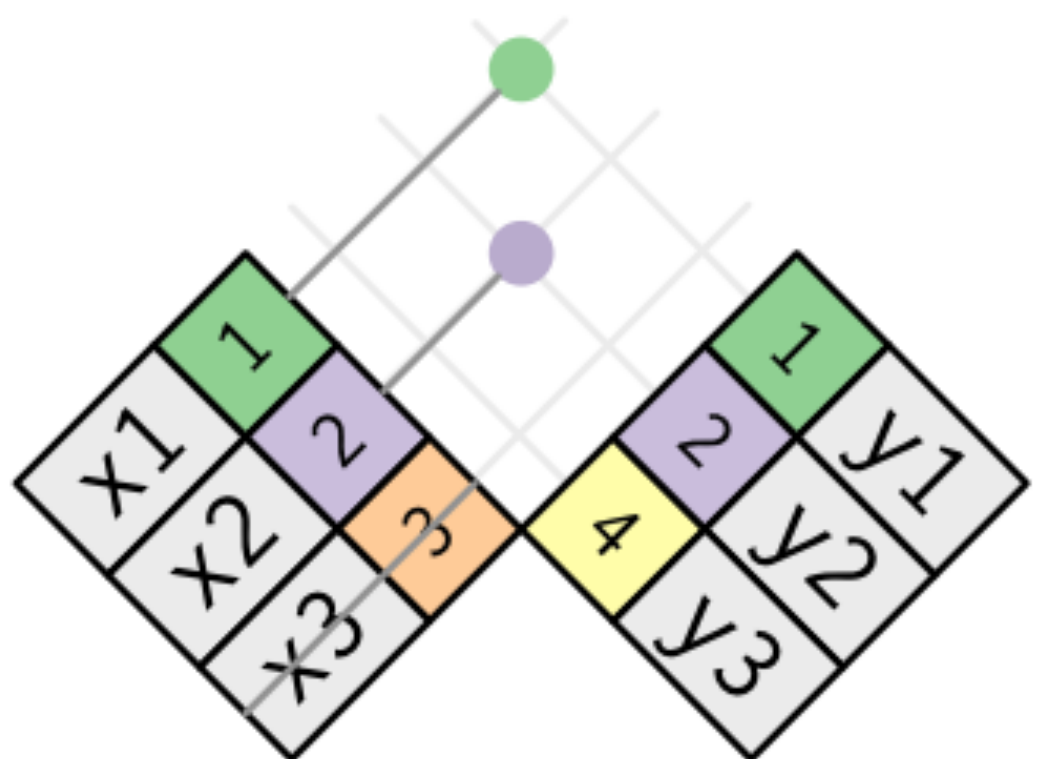


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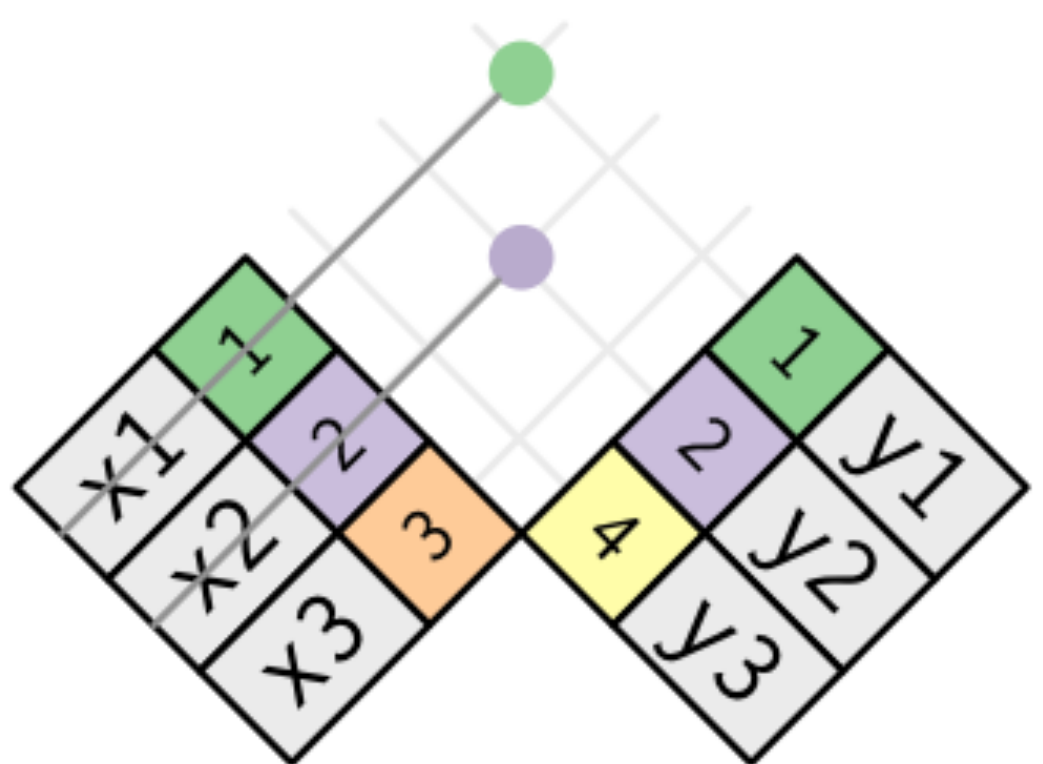
Semi join

- Keep rows in one table that
- Useful for filtering



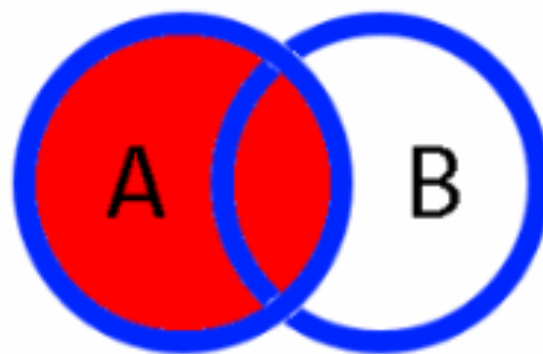
Anti join

- Drop rows in one table that
- Useful for filtering

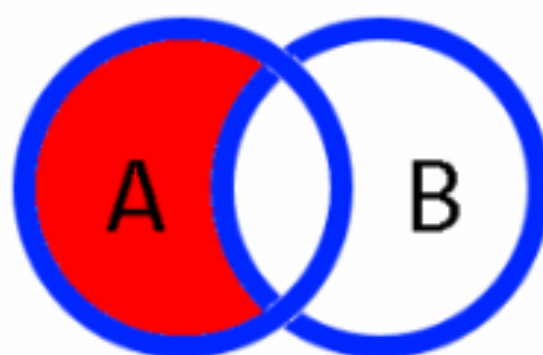


SQL JOIN

LEFT OUTER JOIN

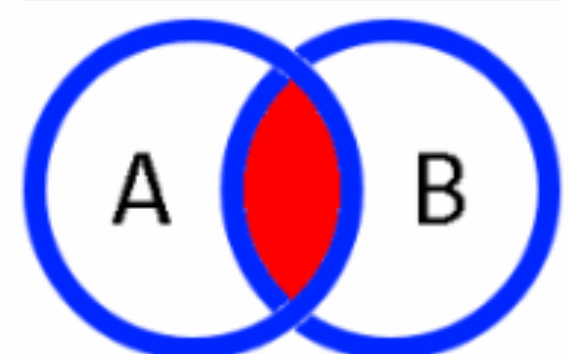


```
SELECT *  
FROM TableA a  
LEFT JOIN TableB b  
ON a.KEY = b.KEY
```



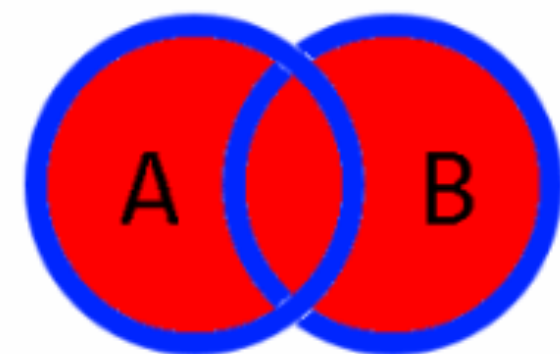
```
SELECT *  
FROM TableA a  
LEFT JOIN TableB b  
ON a.KEY = b.KEY  
WHERE b.KEY IS NULL
```

INNER JOIN

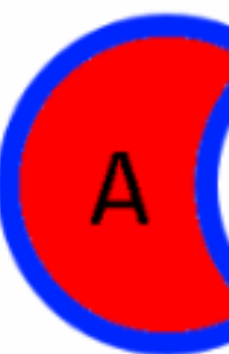


```
SELECT *  
FROM TableA a  
INNER JOIN TableB b  
ON a.KEY = b.KEY
```

FULL OUTER JOIN



```
SELECT *  
FROM TableA a  
FULL OUTER JOIN TableB b  
ON a.KEY = b.KEY
```



```
SELECT *  
FROM TableA a  
FULL OUTER JOIN TableB b  
ON a.KEY = b.KEY  
WHERE a.KEY IS NULL  
OR b.KEY IS NULL
```