Natural-Join Operation

- Notation: Let r and s be relations on schemas R and S respectively. Then, r ⋈ s is a relation on schema $R \cup S$ obtained as follows:
  - Consider each pair of tuples t_r from r and t_s from s.
  - If t_r and t_s have the same value on each of the attributes in $R \cap S$, add a tuple t to the result, where
    - t has the same value as t_r on r
    - t has the same value as t_s on s
- Example:

$R = (A, B, C, D)$

$S = (E, B, D)$

- Result schema = (A, B, C, D, E)
- $r \bowtie s$ is defined as:

$$\Pi_{r.A,\ r.B,\ r.C,\ r.D,\ s.E}\ (\sigma_{r.B = s.B \wedge r.D = s.D}\ (r \times s))$$

Natural Join Operation – Example

- **Relations r. s:**

A	B	C	D
α	1	α	a
β	2	γ	a
γ	4	β	b
α	1	γ	a
δ	2	β	b

r

B	D	E
1	a	α
3	a	β
1	a	γ
2	b	δ
3	b	∈

s

$r \bowtie s$

A	B	C	D	E
α	1	α	a	α
α	1	α	a	γ
α	1	γ	a	α
α	1	γ	a	γ
δ	2	β	b	δ

OUTER JOIN:

The outer join operation is an extension of the join operation to deal with missing information.

There are three forms of outer join

- left outer join
- right outer join
- full outer join

employee:

Empname	Street	City
Coyote	Toon	Hollywood
Rabbit	Tunnel	carrot
Smith	Revolver	Death valley
William	Seaview	Seattle

Ft_works:

Empname	Branch name	Salary
Coyote	Mesa	1500
Rabbit	Mesa	1300
Gates	Redmond	5300
William	Redmond	1500

Employee ⋈ ft_works

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Coyote	Toon	Hollywood	Mesa	1500
Rabbit	Tunnel	carrot	Mesa	1300
William	Seaview	Seattle	Redmond	1500

Left outer join:

It takes all tuples in the left relation that did not match with any tuple in the right relation, pads the tuples with null values for all other attributes. The right relation and adds them to the result of the natural join. In tuple (smith, Revolcer, Death valley, null, null) is such a tuple. All information from the left relation is present in the result of the left outer join.

Empname	Street	City	Branch name	Salary
Coyote	Toon	Hollywood	Mesa	1500
Rabbit	Tunnel	carrot	Mesa	1300
William	Seaview	Seattle	Redmond	1500
Smith	Revolver	Death valley	Null	null

Result of Employee ⟗ ft_works

Right outer join:

It is symmetric with the left outer join. It pads tuples from the right relation that did not match any from the left relation with nulls and adds them to the result of the natural join. tuple(Gates,null,null,Redmond,5300) is such a tuple. Thus, all information from the right relation is present in the result of the right outer join.

Empname	Street	City	Branch name	Salary
Coyote	Toon	Hollywood	Mesa	1500
Rabbit	Tunnel	carrot	Mesa	1300
William	Seaview	Seattle	Redmond	1500
gates	Null	null	Redmond	5300

Full outer join:

It does both of those operations, padding tuples from the left relation that did not match any from the right relation, as well as tuples from the right relation that did not match any from the left relation, and adding them to the result of the join. Figure 3.35 shows the result of a full outer join.

Since outer join operations may generate results containing null values, we need to specify how the different relation-algebra operations deal with null values. It is interesting to note that the outer join operations can be expressed by the basic relational algebra operations. For instance the left outer join operation

Employee ⟕ ft_works

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William	Seaview	Seattle	Redmond	1500
gates	Null	null	Redmond	5300

Natural Join

4x3 = 12 (m x n) no. of rows.

Join → Cross product + Condition

Emp. (m no. of rows)

Emp.no	Ename	Address
1	Ram	Delhi
2	Varun	chd
3	Ravi	chd
4	Amit	Delhi

Deptt. (n no. of rows)

Deptt no.	Name	Eno
D1	HR	1
D2	IT	2
D3	Elect	4

Emp | Deptt

E.no	Ename	Deptt no	Eno
1	Ram	D1	1 ✓
1	Ram	D2	2 ✗
1	Ram	D3	4 ✗
2	Varun	D1	1 ✗
2	Varun	D2	2 ✓
2	Varun	D3	4 ✗
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m x n

Ex: Find the EmpNames who is working in a Deptt.

Sol: Select Emp.name from Employee, Deptt where

Emp.Empno = Deptt.Empno

↳ we are keeping equal for Natural Join.

Actually we use Natural Join

Select Ename from Emp Natural Join Deptt.

Emp no	Ename	Deptt no	Eno
1	Ram	D1	1
2	Varun	D2	2
4	Amit	D3	4

Self Join: find student id who is enrolled in at least two courses

at least = 2

may be more than 2 i.e. 3, 4, ... n

Sid & Cid is a composite primary key

Sid, Cid

S-id	C-id	Fee
S_1	C_1	2016
S_2	C_2	2017
S_1	C_2	2017

Study T_1 — Intermediate table

Select T_1.Sid from Study as T_1, Study as T_2

where T_1.Sid = T_2.Sid

and T_1.Cid <> T_2.Cid

Join = Cross product + some condition

Study table will be multiplied by Study table

T_1 T_2

~~$S_1 C_1$ $S_1 C_1$~~

~~$S_1 C_1$ $S_2 C_2$~~

$S_1 C_1$ $S_1 C_2$ ✓

~~$S_2 C_2$ $S_1 C_1$~~

~~$S_2 C_2$ $S_2 C_2$~~

~~$S_2 C_2$ $S_1 C_2$~~

$S_1 C_2$ $S_1 C_1$ ✓

~~$S_1 C_2$ $S_2 C_2$~~

~~$S_1 C_2$ $S_1 C_2$~~

S_1	C_1	2016
S_2	C_2	2017
S_1	C_2	2017

T_2

Equi Join = Join = Cross product + Condition

Find the Emp name who worked in a department having location same as his address?

Emp.

Eno	E_name	Address
1	Ram	Delhi
2	Varun	Chd
3	Ravi	Chd
4	Amit	Delhi

Dept.

Dept no	Locatn	Eno
D_1	Delhi	1
D_2	Pune	2
D_3	Patna	4

(Emp) (Dept.)

1 RAM Delhi D_1 Delhi 1 ✓

~~1 RAM Delhi D_2 Pune 2~~

~~1 RAM Delhi D_3 Patna 4~~

~~2 Varun Chd D_1 Delhi 1~~

~~2 Varun Chd D_2 Pune 2~~

~~2 Varun Chd D_3 Patna 4~~

~~3 Ravi Chd D_1 Delhi 1~~

~~3 Ravi Chd D_2 Pune 2~~

~~3 Ravi Chd D_3 Patna 4~~

~~4 Amit Delhi D_1 Delhi 1~~

~~4 Amit Delhi D_2 Pune 2~~

~~4 Amit Delhi D_3 Patna 4~~

Select E_name from Employee, Dept. where
Emp. Eno = Dept. Eno and
Emp. Address = Dept. Location

f and f = f

output = RAM

Left outer Join: It gives the matching rows and the rows which are in left table but not in right table.

Emp_No	E_name	Dept_no
E_1	Varun	D_1
E_2	Amit	D_2
E_3	Ravi	D_1
E_4	Nitin	—

Deptno	D_name	Loc.
D_1	IT	Delhi
D_2	HR	Hyd.
D_3	Finance	Pune