

1. What are joins in SQL? State its types.

In SQL, **joins** are used to combine rows from two or more tables based on a related column between them. Joins allow you to retrieve data that is spread across multiple tables, enabling more complex queries and reporting.

Types of Joins in SQL:

1. Inner Join:

- **Definition:** Returns only the rows that have matching values in both tables.
- **Usage:** `SELECT * FROM A INNER JOIN B ON A.PK = B.PK;`

2. Left Join (Left Outer Join):

- **Definition:** Returns all rows from the left table and the matching rows from the right table. If there is no match, NULL values are returned for columns from the right table.
- **Usage:** `SELECT * FROM A Left Outer Join B ON A.PK = B.PK;`

3. Right Join (Right Outer Join):

- **Definition:** Returns all rows from the right table and the matching rows from the left table. If there is no match, NULL values are returned for columns from the left table.
- **Usage:** `SELECT * FROM A Right Outer Join B ON A.PK = B.PK;`

4. Full Join (Full Outer Join):

- **Definition:** Returns all rows when there is a match in either the left or right table. If there is no match, NULL values are returned for columns from the table that lacks a matching row.
- **Usage:** `Select * from A Full Join B on A.PK = B.Pk;`

Or `(SELECT * FROM A Left Outer Join B ON A.PK = B.PK) Union (SELECT * FROM A Right Outer Join B ON A.PK = B.PK);`

5. Cross Join:

- **Definition:** Returns the Cartesian product of the two tables, meaning it returns all possible combinations of rows from both tables.
- **Usage:** SELECT * FROM A CROSS JOIN B;

6. Natural Join:

- **Definition:** Automatically joins tables based on columns with the same name and data type in both tables. This join doesn't require an explicit ON condition.
- **Usage:** SELECT * FROM A Natural Join B;

Example:-

create table A (PK int primary key, value varchar(50));

insert into A values

(1, 'FOX'),

(2, 'COP'),

(3, 'TAXI'),

(6, 'WASHINGTON'),

(7, 'DELL'),

(5, 'ARIZONA'),

(4, 'LINCOLN'),

(10, 'LUCENT');

```
create table B (PK int, value varchar(50),FOREIGN  
KEY (PK) REFERENCES A(PK));
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```
insert into B values
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```
(1, 'TROT'),
```

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(2, 'CAR'),
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```
(3, 'CAB'),
```

```
(6, 'MONUMENT'),
```

```
(7, 'PC'),
```

```
(5, 'MICROSOFT'),
```

```
(4, 'APPLE'),
```

```
(10,'SCOTCH');
```

```
SELECT * FROM A INNER JOIN B ON A.PK =  
B.PK;
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SELECT * FROM A, B WHERE A.PK = B.PK;
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```
SELECT * FROM A Natural Join B;
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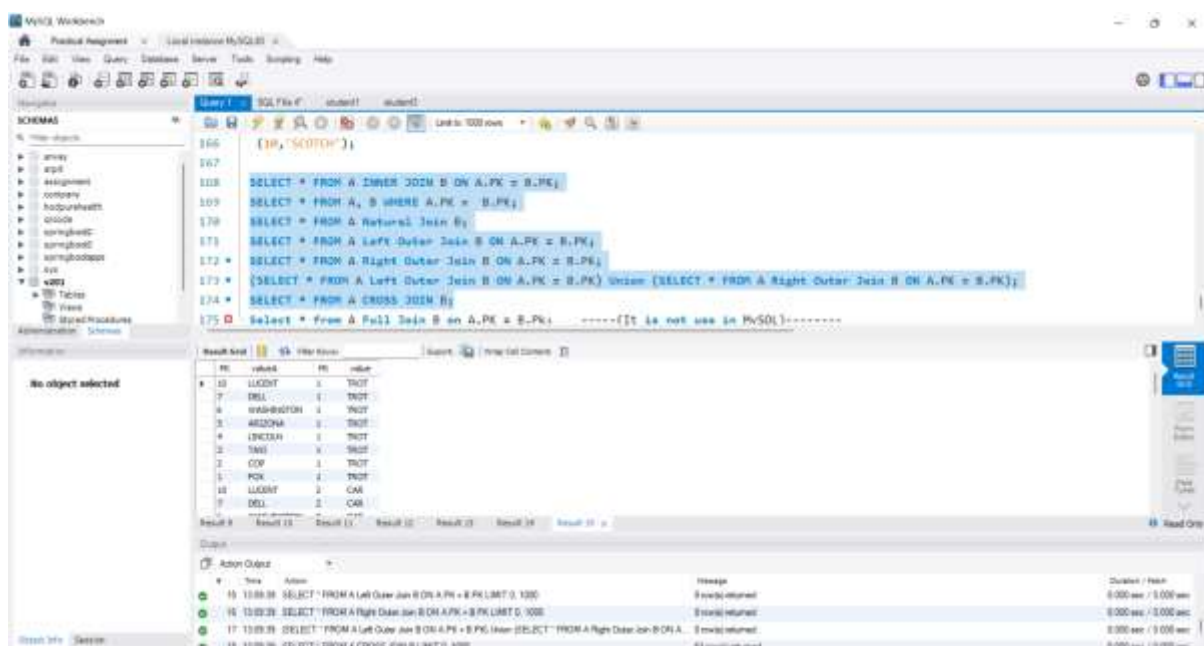
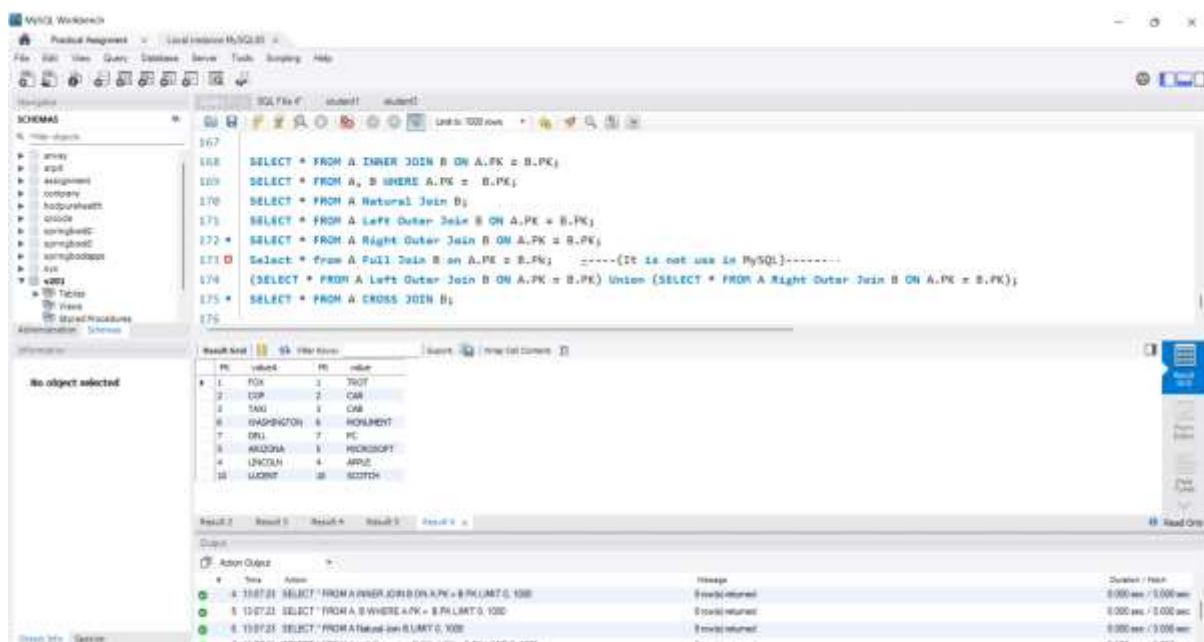
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SELECT * FROM A Left Outer Join B ON A.PK =  
B.PK;
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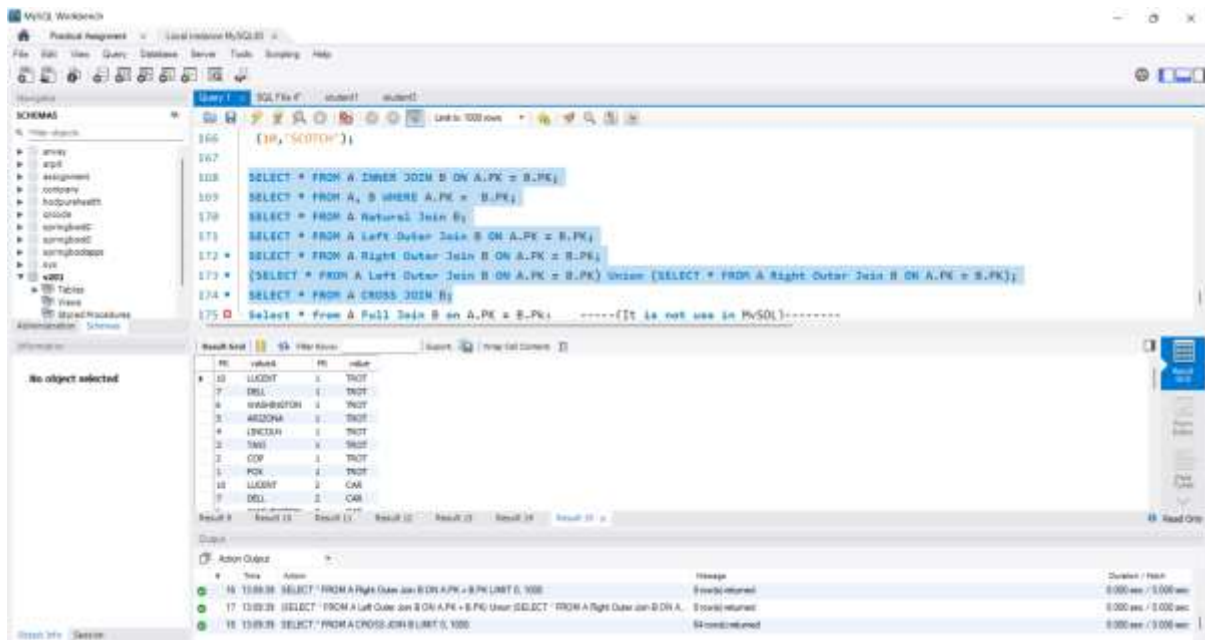
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SELECT * FROM A Right Outer Join B ON A.PK =  
B.PK;
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Select * from A Full Join B on A.PK = B.Pk; -----(It is not use in MySQL)-----

(SELECT * FROM A Left Outer Join B ON A.PK = B.PK) Union (SELECT * FROM A Right Outer Join B ON A.PK = B.PK);

SELECT * FROM A CROSS JOIN B;

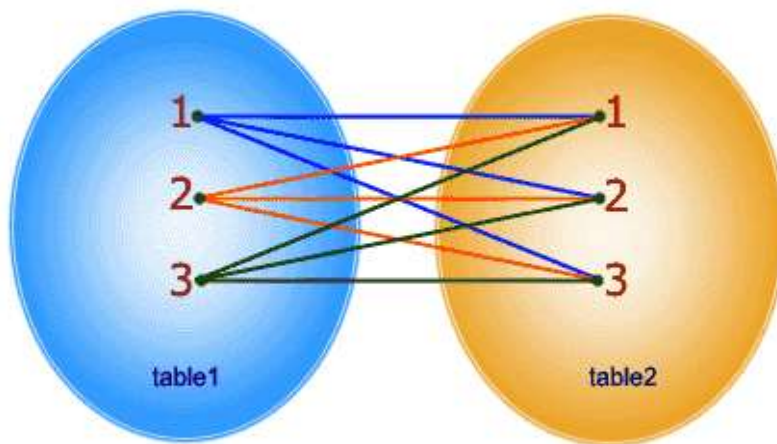




2. Define Cross join.

- If we use the cross join to combine two different tables, then we will get the Cartesian product of the sets of rows from the joined table.
- When each row of the first table is combined with each row from the second table, it is known as Cartesian join or cross join.
- After performing the cross join operation, the total number of rows present in the final table will be equal to the product of the number of rows present in table 1 and the number of rows present in table 2.
- **For example:**
If there are two records in table 1 and three records in table 2, then after performing cross join operation, we will get six records in the final table.

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SELECT * FROM table1 CROSS JOIN table2;
```



In CROSS JOIN, each row from 1st table joins with all the rows of another table.
If 1st table contain x rows and y rows in 2nd one the result set will be $x * y$ rows.

Example:-

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(7, 'DELL'),

(5, 'ARIZONA'),

(4, 'LINCOLN'),

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```
create table B (PK int, value varchar(50),FOREIGN  
KEY (PK) REFERENCES A(PK));
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insert into B values
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SELECT * FROM A CROSS JOIN B;
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