

Relational Algebra (continued)

Announcements

HW1 Due

Project 1 Part 1:

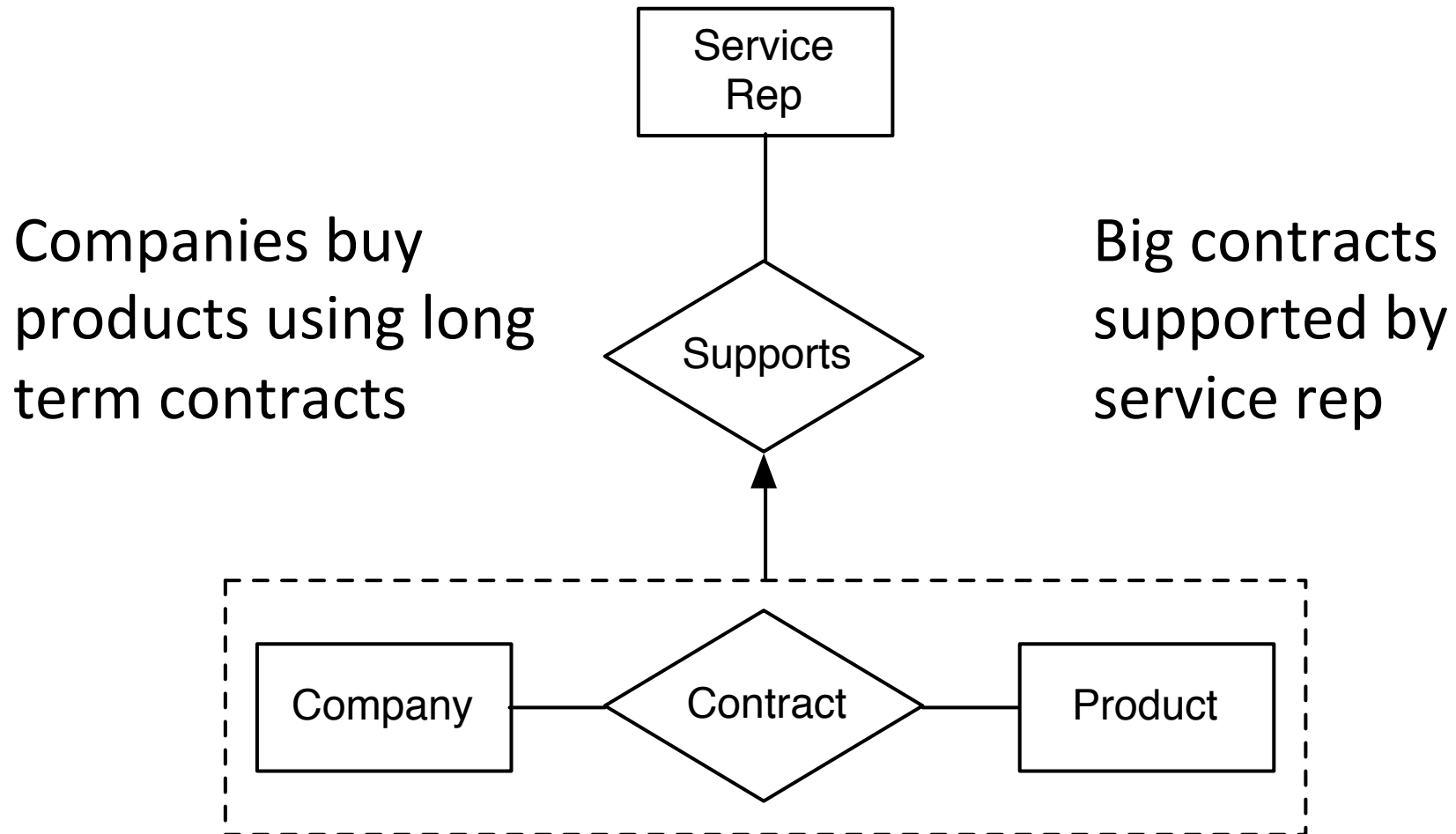
- Passwords for part 2 on front for each user

- All capital letters

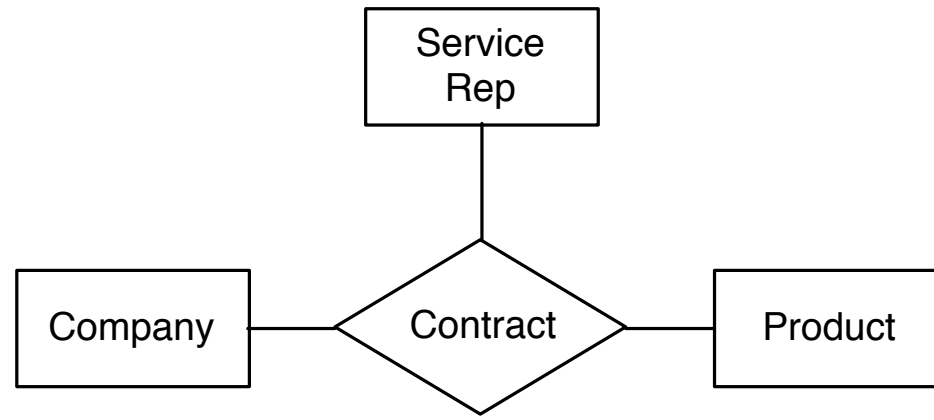
- Will provide access to list of Azure codes

Part 2: Available now

Aggregate example: Why not ternary?



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Companies buy products with a contract;

all contracts have service reps

Relationship sets: Connects N entities

All entities are required

Cross-Product

SI

sid	name	gpa	age
1	eugene	4	20
2	barak	3	21
3	trump	2	88

RI

sid	rid	day
1	101	10/10
2	102	11/11

SI x RI =

(sid)	name	gpa	age	(sid)	rid	day
1	eugene	4	20	1	101	10/10
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Rename

$\rho(<\text{new_name}>(<\text{mappings}>), Q)$

Explicitly defines/changes field names of schema

$\rho(C(1 \rightarrow \text{sid1}, 5 \rightarrow \text{sid2}), S1 \times R1)$

C =

sid1	name	gpa	age	sid2	rid	day
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How do I know column # in large DB?

You count

Yes, that seems silly, but need to assign identifiers automatically; all solutions are arbitrary

Project



Select



Cross product



Difference



Union



Intersect



Basic Single Table SELECT

```
SELECT * FROM Students
```

```
SELECT name FROM Students
```

```
SELECT name FROM Students WHERE age < 21
```

```
SELECT name, login FROM Students WHERE gpa >= 3
```

sid	name	login	age	gpa
1	eugene	ewu	20	2.5
2	luis	gravano	25	3.5
3	martha	martha	32	3.9

Students

$\pi_{\text{name}}(\text{Students})$

$\pi_{\text{name}}(\sigma_{\text{age} < 21}(\text{Students}))$

$\pi_{\text{name}, \text{login}}(\sigma_{\text{gpa} \geq 3}(\text{Students}))$

Ambiguous names

E.g. Students: (sid, name, ...)

Enrolled: (sid, cid, grade)

Qualified names: Use table name: Students.age

Rename: *AS* (optional): shortcuts, ambiguity, clarity

```
SELECT Students.sid, Students.name
```

```
FROM Students
```

```
SELECT S.sid, S.name FROM Students AS S
```

```
SELECT S.sid, S.name FROM Students S
```

Related data: Multiple tables

What does this return?

```
SELECT S.name, E.cid  
FROM Students S, Enrolled E  
WHERE S.sid = E.sid AND  
       E.grade = 'A'
```

Enrolled

sid	cid	grade
1	2	A
1	3	B
2	2	A+

```
SELECT S.name, E.cid  
FROM Students S, Enrolled E  
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Students

sid	name
1	eugene
2	luis

Result

name	cid
eugene	2

Multi-Table Semantics

- Modify the FROM clause evaluation
 - 1. FROM clause: compute *cross-product* of Students and

Enrolled

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Cross-product

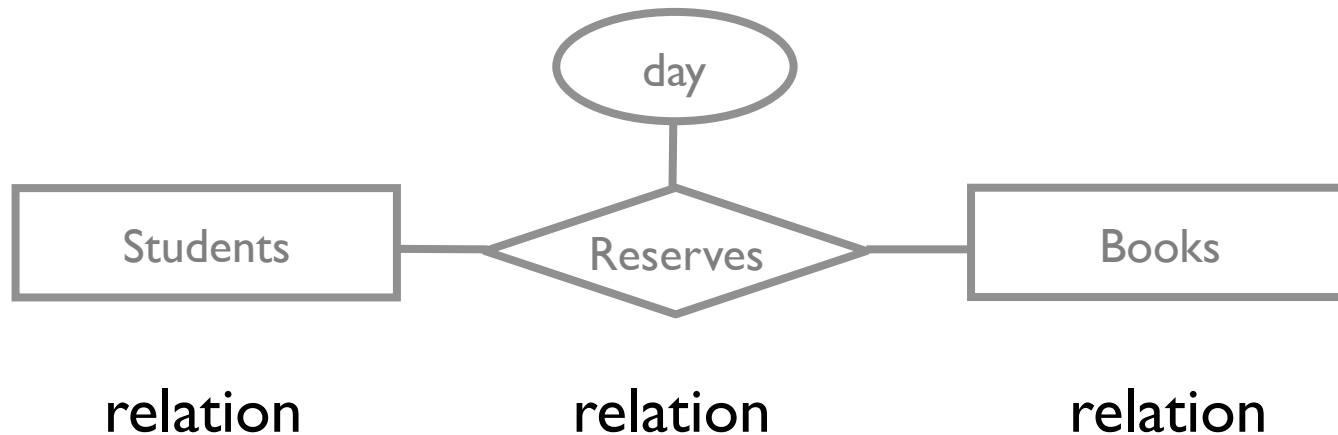
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1	2	A	1	eugene
1	3	B	1	eugene
2	2	A+	1	eugene
1	2	A	2	luis
1	3	B	2	luis
2	2	A+	2	luis

Multi-Table Semantics

Modify the FROM clause evaluation

1. FROM clause: compute *cross-product* of Students, Enrolled
2. WHERE clause: Check conditions, discard tuples that fail
3. SELECT clause: Delete unwanted fields

Joins (high level)



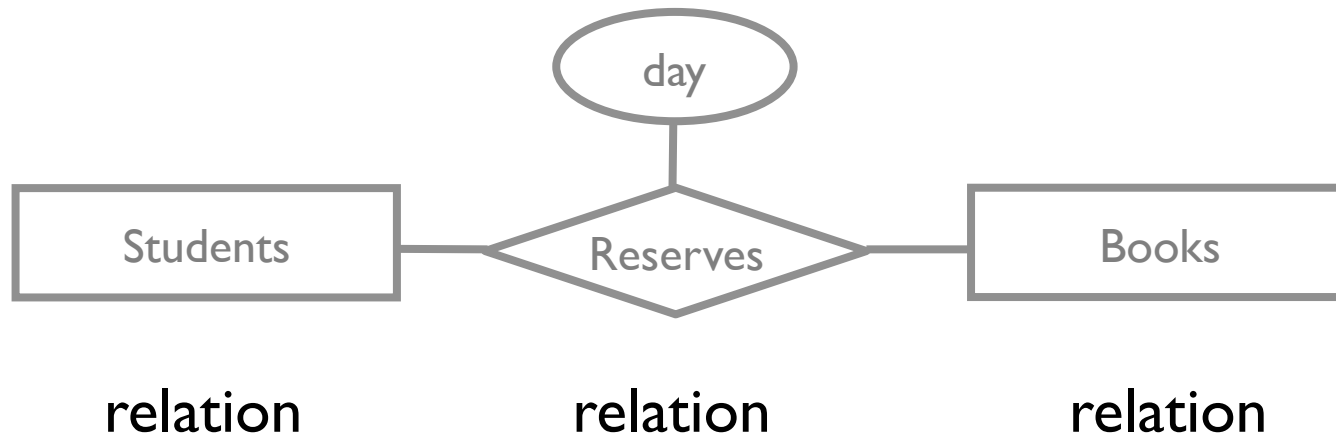
What if you want to query across all three tables?

e.g., names of all students that reserved “The Purple Crayon”

Need to combine these tables

Cross product? But that ignores foreign key references

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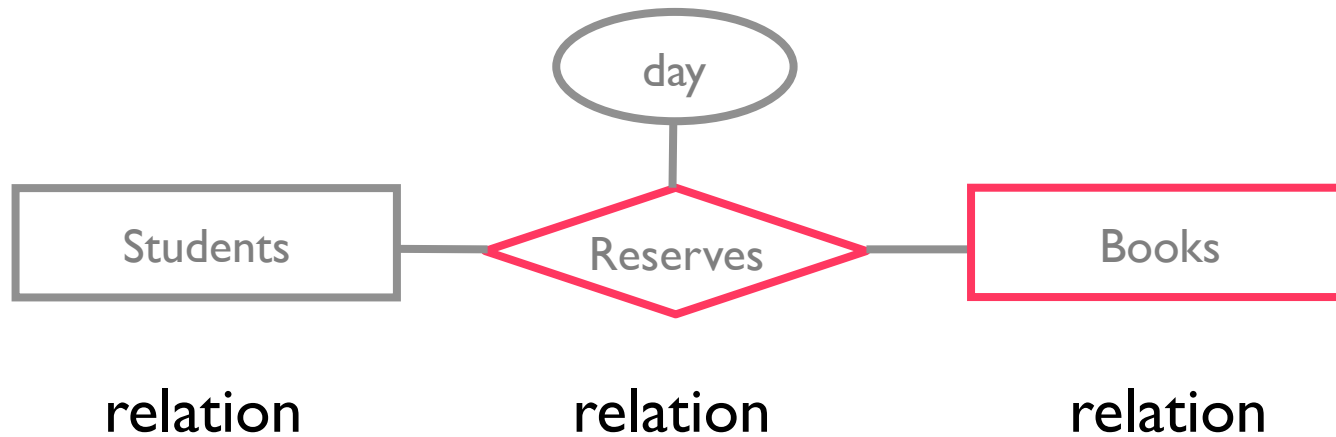
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BI

rid	name
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102	1984

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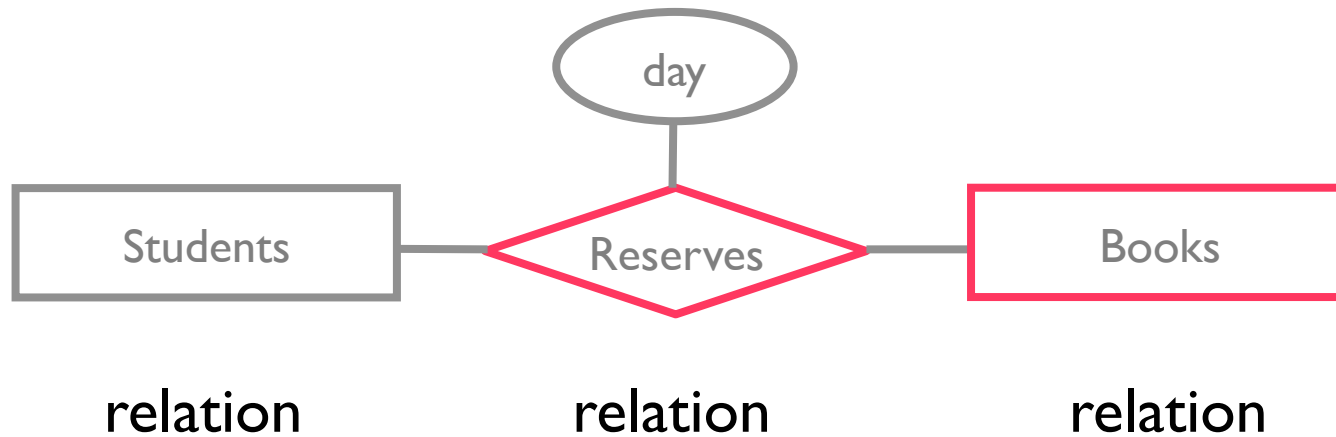
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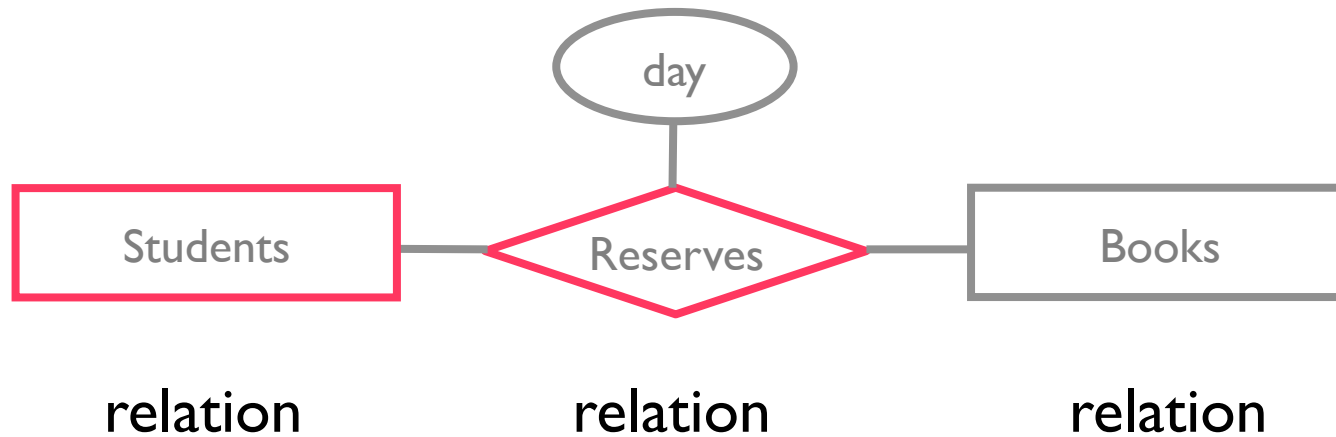
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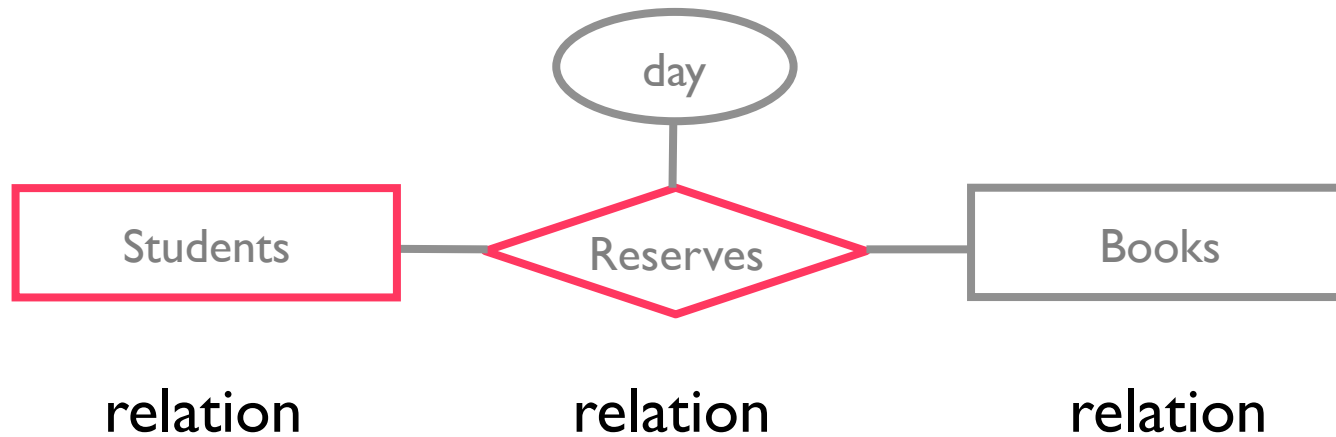
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SRBI

(sid)	(name)	gpa	age	(sid)	(rid)	day	(rid)	(name)
1	eugene	4	20	1	101	10/10	101	The Purple Crayon
2	barak	3	21	2	102	11/11	102	1984

theta (θ) Join

$$A \bowtie_c B = \sigma_c(A \times B)$$

Most general form

Result schema same as cross product

Often *far* more efficient to compute than cross product

Commutative

$$(A \bowtie_c B) \bowtie_c C = A \bowtie_c (B \bowtie_c C)$$

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Equi-Join

Common case where the condition is attribute equality

$$A \bowtie_{\text{attr}} B = \pi_{\text{all attrs except B.attr}}(A \bowtie_{A.\text{attr} = B.\text{attr}} B)$$

Result schema only keeps *one copy* of equality fields

Natural Join ($A \bowtie B$):

Equijoin on *all* shared fields (fields w/ same name)

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Names of students that reserved book 2

$$\pi_{\text{name}}(\sigma_{\text{rid}=2} (R1) \bowtie S1)$$

**Equivalent
Queries**

$$\begin{aligned} & p(\text{tmp1}, \sigma_{\text{rid}=2} (R1)) \\ & p(\text{tmp2}, \text{tmp1} \bowtie S1) \\ & \pi_{\text{name}}(\text{tmp2}) \end{aligned}$$
$$\pi_{\text{name}}(\sigma_{\text{rid}=2}(R1 \bowtie S1))$$

Names of students that reserved db books

Book(rid, type) Reserve(sid, rid) Student(sid)

Need to join DB books with reserve and students

$\sigma_{\text{type}='db'}(\text{Book})$

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More efficient query

$\pi_{\text{name}}(\pi_{\text{sid}}((\pi_{\text{rid}} \sigma_{\text{type}='db'}(\text{Book})) \bowtie \text{Reserve}) \bowtie \text{Student})$

Query optimizer can find the more efficient query!

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Students that reserved DB or HCI book

1. Find all DB or HCI books
2. Find students that reserved one of those books
 - $\rho(\text{tmp}, (\sigma_{\text{type}='DB' \vee \text{type}='HCI'} (\text{Book})))$
 - $\pi_{\text{name}}(\text{tmp} \bowtie \text{Reserve} \bowtie \text{Student})$

Alternatives

define tmp using UNION (how?)

what if we replaced \vee with \wedge in the query?

Students that reserved a DB and HCI book

Does previous approach work?

$\rho(\text{tmp}, (\sigma_{\text{type}='DB' \wedge \text{type}='HCI'}(\text{Book})))$
 $\pi_{\text{name}}(\text{tmp} \bowtie \text{Reserve} \bowtie \text{Student})$

NO

Students that reserved a DB and HCI book

Does previous approach work?

1. Find students that reserved DB books
2. Find students that reversed HCI books
3. Intersection

$$\begin{aligned} & p(\text{tmpDB}, \pi_{\text{sid}}(\sigma_{\text{type}='DB'} \text{Book} \bowtie \text{Reserve})) \\ & p(\text{tmpHCI}, \pi_{\text{sid}}(\sigma_{\text{type}='HCI'} \text{Book} \bowtie \text{Reserve})) \\ & \pi_{\text{name}}((\text{tmpDB} \cap \text{tmpHCI}) \bowtie \text{Student}) \end{aligned}$$

Let's step back

Relational algebra is expressiveness benchmark

A language equal in expressiveness as relational algebra is relationally complete

But has limitations

nulls

aggregation

recursion

duplicates

Equi-Joins are a way of life

Matching of two sets based on shared attributes

Yelp: Join between your location and restaurants

Market: Join between consumers and suppliers

High five: Join between two hands on time and space

Comm.: Join between minds on ideas/concepts

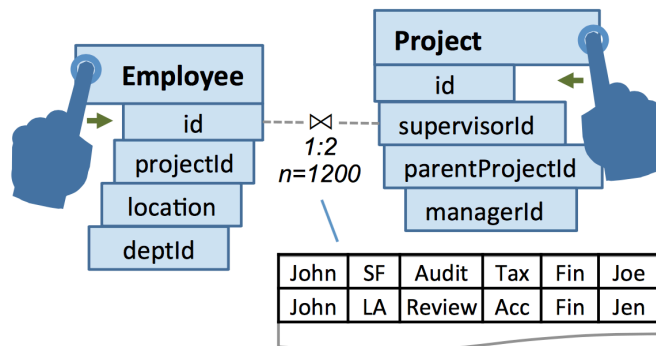
What can we do with RA?

Query optimization

Query by example

Here is my data and examples, *generate the query*

Novel relationally complete interfaces



GestureDB. Nandi et al.

Summary

Relational Algebra (RA) operators

Operators are closed

inputs & outputs are relations

Multiple Relational Algebra queries can be equivalent

It is operational

Same semantics but different performance

Forms basis for optimizations

Next Time

~~Relational Calculus~~

SQL