

Lecture 9

SQL part II

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Outline



- ◆ More on data types
- ◆ Null values
- ◆ Joins
- ◆ Subqueries
- ◆ Views

More on data types

- ◆ Data types
 - ◆ Strings: `char(n)`, `varchar(n)`
 - ◆ Numbers: `int`, `numeric(p,d)`, `real`
 - ◆ Date/time: `date`, `time`, `timestamp`
 - ◆ Large object types: `clob`, `blob`
- ◆ Some data types support special operations

String

- ◆ Example of string value: '123 ABC Road'
- ◆ The keyword **like** is used for string pattern matching
- ◆ Special characters
 - ◆ **_**: it can match any single character
 - ◆ **%**: it can match any substring
- ◆ Conversions
 - ◆ `upper()`, `lower()`

prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
2	Pepsi	PE	8.9
3	7 Up	DP	6.5
4	Sprite	CO	8.3

```
select upper(name)
from Product
where prod_id=2
```

name

PEPSI

```
select name
from Product
where name like '%la'
```

name

Coca Cola

Date/time

- ◆ Examples of values
 - ◆ date: '2018-09-27'
 - ◆ time: '18:30:00'
 - ◆ timestamp: '2018-09-27 18:30:00'
- ◆ Extract values from a date attribute d
 - ◆ $\text{year}(d)$, $\text{month}(d)$, $\text{day}(d)$
- ◆ Extract values from a time attribute t
 - ◆ $\text{hour}(t)$, $\text{minute}(t)$, $\text{second}(t)$
- ◆ Example SQL:
 - ◆ Assume the table *Sold* has an attribute *ts* of type timestamp

```
select *  
from Sold  
where year(ts)=2018
```

Large object types

- ◆ “lob” means large object
 - ◆ Typical size: kilobytes, megabytes
- ◆ **blob** type
 - ◆ It stores binary data
 - ◆ E.g., image, video
- ◆ **clob** type
 - ◆ It stores character data
 - ◆ E.g., text comment

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Null value


- ◆ Keyword **null**

- ◆ Represents a missing value

- ◆ Example: find products that have missing price

prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
2	Pepsi	PE	8.9
3	7 Up	DP	6.5
4	Sprite	CO	8.3
5	Soda	SO	null

```
select *  
from Product  
where price is null
```



prod_id	name	brand	price
5	Soda	SO	null

Null value

- ◆ In select-from-where statement, a tuple belongs to the result if it is **true**

prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
2	Pepsi	PE	8.9
3	7 Up	DP	6.5
4	Sprite	CO	8.3
5	Soda	SO	null

select *
from Product
where price<8.0

prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
3	7 Up	DP	6.5

select *
from Product
where price>8.0

prod_id	name	brand	price
2	Pepsi	PE	8.9
4	Sprite	CO	8.3

Null value

- ◆ Aggregate function on a column
 - ◆ Null values are ignored

```
select max(price)  
from Product
```

prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
2	Pepsi	PE	8.9
5	Soda	SO	null

max(price)

8.9

prod_id	name	brand	price
4	Sprite	CO	null
5	Soda	SO	null

max(price)

null

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Inner join

- ◆ Inner join
 - ◆ The join attribute value must appear in both tables
- ◆ **select * from**
course inner join prereq on
course.course_id = prereq.course_id

<i>course_id</i>	<i>title</i>	<i>dept_name</i>	<i>credits</i>	<i>prereq_id</i>	<i>course_id</i>
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4	BIO-101	BIO-301
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4	CS-101	CS-190

Relation *course*

<i>course_id</i>	<i>title</i>	<i>dept_name</i>	<i>credits</i>
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3

Relation *prereq*

<i>course_id</i>	<i>prereq_id</i>
BIO-301	BIO-101
CS-190	CS-101
CS-347	CS-101

Left outer join

- ◆ Left outer join
 - ◆ All join attribute values in the left table appear in the result
 - ◆ If the join attribute value is missing in the right table, mark the missing attributes as null
- ◆ **select * from**
course left outer join prereq on
course.course_id = prereq.course_id

<i>course_id</i>	<i>title</i>	<i>dept_name</i>	<i>credits</i>	<i>prereq_id</i>	<i>course_id</i>
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4	BIO-101	BIO-301
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4	CS-101	CS-190
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3	<i>null</i>	<i>null</i>

Relation *course*

<i>course_id</i>	<i>title</i>	<i>dept_name</i>	<i>credits</i>
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3

Relation *prereq*

<i>course_id</i>	<i>prereq_id</i>
BIO-301	BIO-101
CS-190	CS-101
CS-347	CS-101

Full outer join

- ◆ Full outer join
 - ◆ If the join attribute value is missing in the left table, mark the missing attributes as null
 - ◆ If the join attribute value is missing in the right table, mark the missing attributes as null
- ◆ **select * from**
course full outer join prereq using (course_id)

<i>course_id</i>	<i>title</i>	<i>dept_name</i>	<i>credits</i>	<i>prereq_id</i>
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4	BIO-101
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4	CS-101
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3	<i>null</i>
CS-347	<i>null</i>	<i>null</i>	<i>null</i>	CS-101

Relation *course*

<i>course_id</i>	<i>title</i>	<i>dept_name</i>	<i>credits</i>
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Subqueries

- ◆ What is a subquery?
 - ◆ A “select-from-where” statement within a larger query statement
 - ◆ It should be enclosed in (...)
- ◆ A subquery may produce
 - ◆ A single value
 - ◆ A single-column table
 - ◆ Compare with it using: **in**, **some**, **all**, **exists**
 - ◆ A multi-column table
 - ◆ Compare with it using: **exists**

Subqueries

- ◆ Let's use subqueries to express the following tasks
 - ◆ Find the products with price below the average price of products
 - ◆ Find the products with the same brand as the product with prod_id=4
 - ◆ Find the products that are cheaper than **some** 'CO' products
 - ◆ Find the products that are cheaper than **all** 'CO' products
 - ◆ Find the email of customers who have not purchased anything

Subquery output as single value

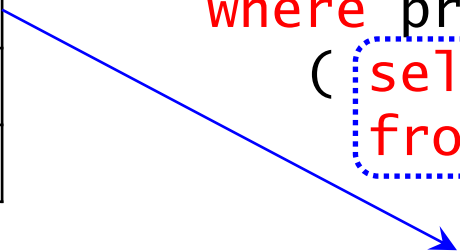
- ◆ Example: find the products with price below the average price of products

- ◆ Get the average price by subquery:

```
select avg(price)
from Product
```

prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
2	Pepsi	PE	8.9
3	7 Up	DP	6.5
4	Sprite	CO	8.3

```
select *
from Product
where price <
( select avg(price)
  from Product )
```



prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
3	7 Up	DP	6.5

Subquery output as single value

- ◆ Example: find the products with the same brand as the product with prod_id=4

- ◆ Get the brand by subquery:

```
select brand
from Product
where prod_id=4
```

prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
2	Pepsi	PE	8.9
3	7 Up	DP	6.5
4	Sprite	CO	8.3

```
select *
from Product
where brand =
    (select brand
     from Product
     where prod_id=4)
```

prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
4	Sprite	CO	8.3

Subquery output as single column

◆ Notations

- ◆ Let X be a value, and SC be the result of a subquery
- ◆ Let $\langle \text{compare} \rangle$ be a comparison operator (e.g., =, <, >)

◆ X **in** SC

- ◆ Returns true if SC contains X

◆ X $\langle \text{compare} \rangle$ **some** SC

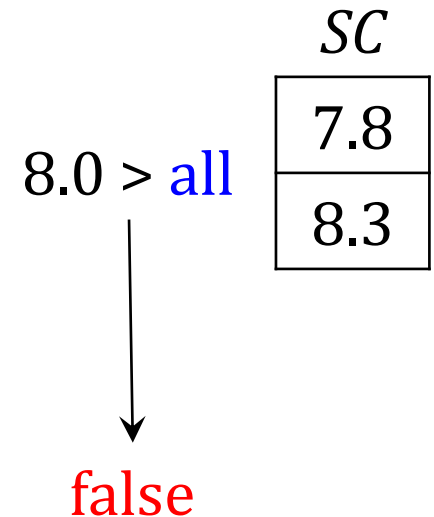
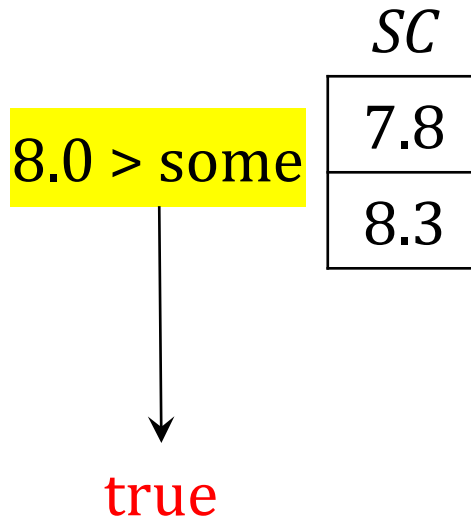
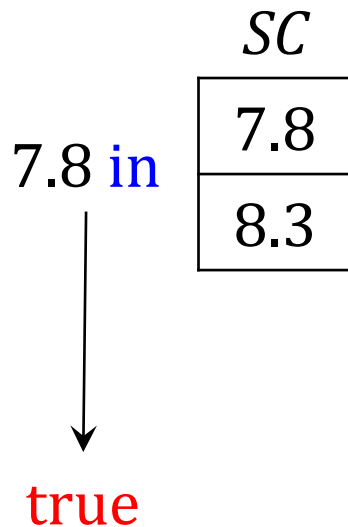
- ◆ Returns true for comparison with at least one value in SC

◆ X $\langle \text{compare} \rangle$ **all** SC

- ◆ Returns true for comparison with all values in SC

Subquery output as single column

- ◆ Let SC be the result of a subquery
- ◆ Examples for comparison:

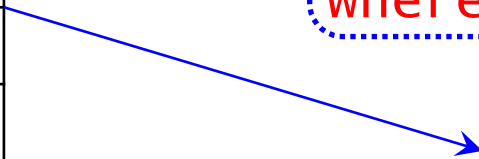


Subquery output as single column

- Example: find the products that are cheaper than **some** 'CO' products

```
select *  
from Product  
where price < some  
(  
    select price  
    from Product  
    where brand='CO')  
)
```

prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
2	Pepsi	PE	8.9
3	7 Up	DP	6.5
4	Sprite	CO	8.3
5	Soda	SO	8.0



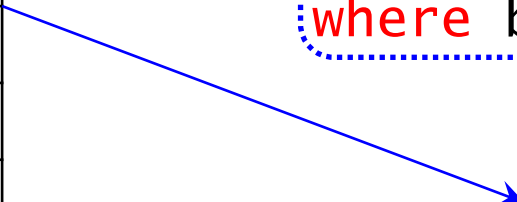
prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
3	7 Up	DP	6.5
5	Soda	SO	8.0

Subquery output as single column

- ◆ Example: find the products that are cheaper than **all** 'CO' products

prod_id	name	brand	price
1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
2	Pepsi	PE	8.9
3	7 Up	DP	6.5
4	Sprite	CO	8.3
5	Soda	SO	8.0

```
select *  
from Product  
where price < all  
    (select price  
     from Product  
     where brand='CO' )
```



prod_id	name	brand	price
3	7 Up	DP	6.5

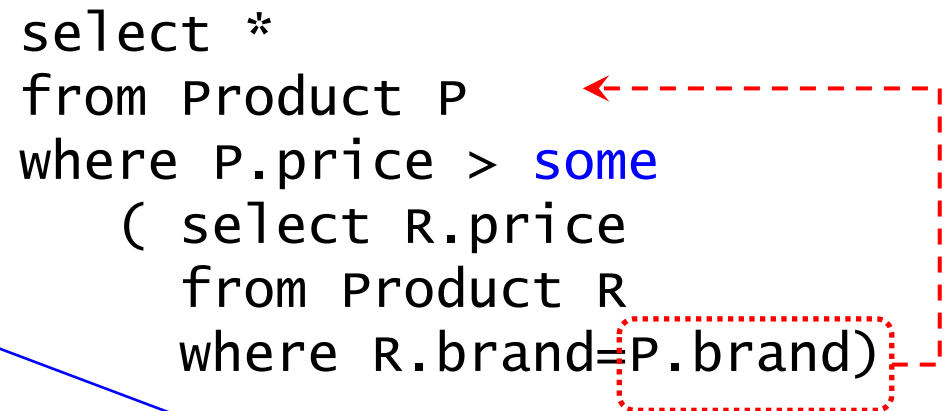
Subquery output as single column

◆ Correlated subquery

- ◆ A subquery that refers to the outer statement
 - ◆ E.g., `P.brand` refers to the outer statement

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1	Coca Cola	CO	7.8
2	Pepsi	PE	8.9
3	7 Up	DP	6.5
4	Sprite	CO	8.3
5	Soda	SO	8.0

```
select *  
from Product P  
where P.price > some  
    ( select R.price  
      from Product R  
      where R.brand=P.brand)
```



prod_id	name	brand	price
4	Sprite	CO	8.3

[Question] Is this result correct? Why?

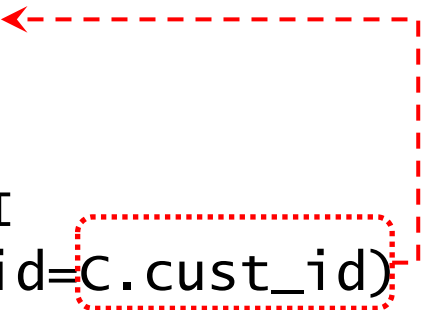
Subquery output as table

- ◆ Let ST be the result of a subquery
- ◆ **exists (ST)**
 - ◆ Returns true if ST is not empty
- ◆ **unique (ST)**
 - ◆ Returns true if ST does not have duplicates
 - ◆ *Note:* this keyword is not supported in MySQL

Subquery output as table

- Find the email of customers who have not purchased anything

```
select email
from Customer C
where not exists
( select *
  from Invoice I
  where I.cust_id=C.cust_id)
```



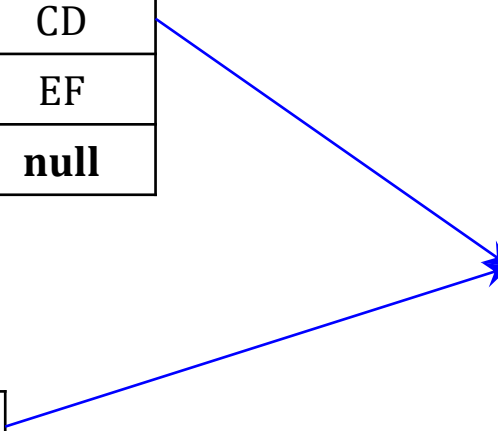
Customer:

cust_id	name	email	address
1	James	james@yahoo.com	AB
2	Mary	mary@gmail.com	CD
3	Peter	peter@yahoo.com	EF
4	Peter	peter@gmail.com	null

Invoice:

inv_id	timestamp	cust_id	amount
1	101	3	8.9
2	102	2	7.8

email
james@yahoo.com
peter@gmail.com



Subquery: use it or not?

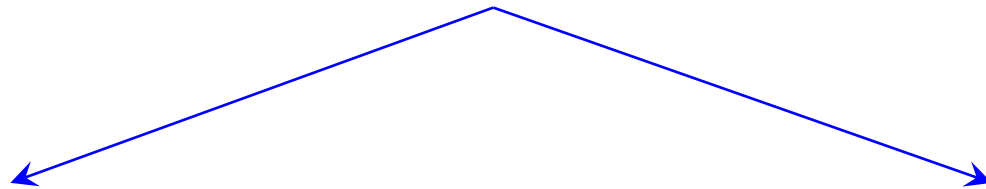
- ◆ Different SQL statements may be used to express the same task
 - ◆ E.g., SQL with subquery vs. SQL without subquery
 - ◆ Just use a SQL statement convenient to you
- ◆ *[Question]* Rewrite the following SQL so that no subqueries are used

```
select prod_id, price
from Product
where price < some
( select price
  from Product
  where brand='CO' )
```

- ◆ *[Question]* Rewrite the following SQL so that no subqueries are used

- ◆ Two alternative answers are provided

```
select prod_id, price
from Product
where price < some
    ( select price
      from Product
      where brand='CO' )
```



```
select PA.prod_id, PA.price
from Product as PA,
     Product as PB
where PB.brand='CO'
     and PA.price<PB.price
group by PA.prod_id, PA.price
```

```
select distinct
     PA.prod_id, PA.price
from Product as PA,
     Product as PB
where PB.brand='CO'
     and PA.price<PB.price
```

Derived relation

- ◆ *Derived relation*: a relation obtained by a subquery in the **from** clause
- ◆ The following two queries are equivalent
 - ◆ The second one uses a derived relation *TX*

```
select cust_id, sum(amount)
from Invoice
group by cust_id
having sum(amount)>15.0
```

```
select * from
( select cust_id, sum(amount) as B
  from Invoice
  group by cust_id ) as TX
where B>15.0
```

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View

- ◆ What is a **view**?
 - ◆ A virtual table defined by a SQL statement
 - ◆ Its content not physically stored in DBMS
- ◆ Advantages of using a view
 - ◆ Improve the readability of SQL statements
 - ◆ Hide unnecessary data from users
 - ◆ Provide fine-grained access control to users

How to create a view?

- ◆ Consider the table *Customer*
- ◆ The marketing team wishes to get the contact information of customers only, but not their names
- ◆ Let's create a view called *Contact*

Customer

cust_id
name
email
address

Contact

email
address

create view Contact as
select email, address
from Customer

How to use a view?

- ◆ Just use a view like a table

Contact

email
address

- ◆ Example:

```
select *  
from Contact  
where email like '%yahoo.com'
```

[Question]

- ◆ Try to define a view called *CustomerLoyalty* so that
 - ◆ It has two attributes: cust_id, amount
 - ◆ The attribute amount stores the **total amount paid** by the corresponding customer in *Invoice*

Customer:

cust_id	name	email	address
1	James	james@yahoo.com	AB
2	Mary	mary@gmail.com	CD
3	Peter	peter@yahoo.com	EF
4	Peter	peter@gmail.com	null

Invoice:

inv_id	timestamp	cust_id	amount
1	101	3	8.9
2	102	2	7.8
3	103	2	8.3

SQL Authorization

- ◆ **grant** statement: confer authorization
grant <privilege list> **on** <relation or view > **to** <user list>
- ◆ **revoke** statement: revoke authorization
revoke <privilege list> **on** <relation or view> **from** <user list>
- ◆ <privilege list> can contain:
 - ◆ **select**: able to query views or relations
 - ◆ **insert**: able to insert tuples
 - ◆ **update**: able to use the SQL update statement
 - ◆ **delete**: able to delete tuples
 - ◆ **all**: all the above

Roles

- ◆ The users with the same privileges should be assigned the same **role**
- ◆ How to create a role?
 - ◆ **create role** instructor;
- ◆ How to grant a role to users?
 - ◆ **grant** *instructor* **to** John;
 - ◆ **grant** *instructor* **to** Peter;
- ◆ How to grant a privilege to a role?
 - ◆ **grant** **select on** *takes* **to** *instructor*;
- ◆ Then, John and Peter can execute this SQL query:
 - ◆ **select** * **from** *takes*;

Summary

- ◆ After this lecture, you should be able to:
 - 1) Understand null values and more data types in SQL
 - 2) Use subqueries to solve problems
 - 3) Understand the concept of view
- ◆ Please read Chapter 4 in the book
“Database System Concepts”, 7th Edition
- ◆ Next lecture: How to design database tables?