[**数据库**](http://lib.csdn.net/base/mysql)在通过连接两张或多张表来返回记录时，都会生成一张中间的临时表，然后再将这张临时表返回给用户。

     下面以使用left jion时，on和where条件的区别如下：

1、 on条件是在生成临时表时使用的条件，它不管on中的条件是否为真，都会返回左边表中的记录。

2、where条件是在临时表生成好后，再对临时表进行过滤的条件。这时已经没有left join的含义（必须返回左边表的记录）了，条件不为真的就全部过滤掉。

      假设有两张表：

表1：tab2

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| id | size |
| 1 | 10 |
| 2 | 20 |
| 3 | 30 |

表2：tab2

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| size | name |
| 10 | AAA |
| 20 | BBB |
| 20 | CCC |

两条SQL:  
1、select \* form tab1 left join tab2 on (tab1.size = tab2.size) where tab2.name=’AAA’  
2、select \* form tab1 left join tab2 on (tab1.size = tab2.size and tab2.name=’AAA’)

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| 第一条SQL的过程：   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 1、中间表 on条件:  tab1.size = tab2.size | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | tab1.id | tab1.size | tab2.size | tab2.name | | 1 | 10 | 10 | AAA | | 2 | 20 | 20 | BBB | | 2 | 20 | 20 | CCC | | 3 | 30 | (null) | (null) | | | | | | | | 2、再对中间表过滤 where 条件（此时不为真的行会被过滤掉）： tab2.name=’AAA’ | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | tab1.id | tab1.size | tab2.size | tab2.name | | 1 | 10 | 10 | AAA | | |  |  | |

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| 第二条SQL的过程：   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 1、中间表 on条件:  tab1.size = tab2.size and tab2.name=’AAA’ (条件不为真也会返回左表中的记录) | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | tab1.id | tab1.size | tab2.size | tab2.name | | 1 | 10 | 10 | AAA | | 2 | 20 | (null) | (null) | | 3 | 30 | (null) | (null) | | |

     其实以上结果的关键原因就是left join,right join,full join的特殊性，**不管on上的条件是否为真都会返回left或right表中的记录**，full则具有left和right的特性的并集。 而inner jion没这个特殊性，则条件放在on中和where中，返回的结果集是相同的

**总结：**

**总的来说，就是where语句会过滤掉含NULL的行数（条件为假的行数）。所以在FULL JOIN语句中where语句和on语句的结果差别最大；在JOIN/INNER JOIN 语句中没有差别；在LEFT JOIN 和 RIGHT JOIN中差别大小取决于表达式和表中的数据。**