# **SQL** (2)

#### Select-From-Where Statements

Principal form of a query is:

```
SELECT desired attributes

FROM one or more tables

WHERE condition about tuples of the tables
```

- 1. Begin with the relation in the **FROM** clause.
- 2. Apply the selection indicated by the **WHERE** clause.
- 3. Apply the projection indicated by the **SELECT** clause.

## (Extended) Projection in SQL

```
SELECT title, length
FROM Movies
WHERE studioName = 'Disney';
SELECT title AS name, length AS duration
FROM Movies
WHERE studioName = 'Disney';
SELECT title AS name, length*0.016667 AS lenghtInHours
FROM Movies
WHERE studioName = 'Disney';
SELECT title AS name, length/60.0 AS length, 'hrs.' AS inHours
FROM Movies
WHERE studioName = 'Disney';
```

#### WHERE in SQL

Build expressions by using the operators:

```
=, <>, <, >, <=, >=
```

- String constants are surrounded by single quotes.
   studioName = 'Disney'
- Numeric constants are for e.g.: -12.34, 1.23E45
- Boolean operators are: AND, OR, NOT.

#### **Example**

Which movies are made by Disney and aren't rated 'G'?

```
SELECT title
FROM Movies
WHERE (studioname = 'Disney') AND NOT (rating='G');
```

## Selection in SQL (Cont.)

Which Disney movies are after 1970 or have length greater than 90 mins?

```
SELECT title
FROM Movies
WHERE (year > 1970 OR length < 90) AND
  studioName='Disney';</pre>
```

 Parenthesis are needed because the precedence of OR is less than that of AND.

#### Patterns in WHERE

General form:

```
<Attribute> LIKE <pattern>
<Attribute> NOT LIKE <pattern>
```

<pattern> is a quoted string which may contain

**Example**. Suppose we remember a movie "Princess something".

```
SELECT title
FROM Movies
WHERE title LIKE '%Princess%';
Or
SELECT title
FROM Movies
WHERE lower(title) LIKE '%princess%';
```

## Ordering the Input

**Example**. Find the Disney movies and list them by length, shortest first.

```
SELECT *
FROM Movies
WHERE studioName = 'Disney'
ORDER BY length;
```

**Example**. Find the Disney movies and list them by length, shortest first, and among movies of equal length, sort alphabetically.

```
SELECT *
FROM Movies
WHERE studioName = 'Disney'
ORDER BY length, title;
```

#### Remarks

- Ordering is ascending, unless you specify the DESC keyword after an attribute.
- Ties are broken by the second attribute on the ORDER BY list, etc.

#### Products and Joins in SQL

- SQL has a simple way to couple tables: list them in the FROM clause.
  - All the tables in the FROM clause are coupled through Cartesian product
  - Then we can put conditions in the WHERE clause in order to get the desired kind of join.

**Example**. We want to know the website of the studio of Pretty Woman.

```
SELECT website
FROM Movies, Studios
WHERE title = 'Pretty Woman' AND studioName=name;
```

#### Products and Joins in SQL

**Example**. We want to know the stars of Paramount movies.

```
SELECT Stars.name, Stars.birthdate, Stars.birthplace
FROM Movies, Stars, StarsIn
WHERE studioname = 'Paramount' AND
  StarsIn.title = Movies.title AND
  StarsIn.year = Movies.year AND
  StarsIn.starName = Stars.name;
```

- When we involve two or more tables in a query, we can have attributes with the same name among these relations.
  - Solution: We disambiguate by putting the name of the relation followed by a dot and then the name of the attribute.

#### **Natural Join**

```
SELECT *
FROM Movies NATURAL JOIN StarsIn;
```

Possible because the join attributes have the same name Almost the same as

```
SELECT *
FROM Movies, StarsIn
WHERE Movies.title=StarsIn.title AND
Movies.year=StarsIn.year;
```

Why not the same?

#### Natural Join with USING

Better:

SELECT \*
FROM Movies **JOIN** StarsIn **USING** (title,year);

Because now it is explicit which attributes are used to join the tables.

#### Join with ON

A similar result can be obtained by:

**SELECT** \*

FROM Movies **JOIN** StarsIn **ON** Movies.title=StarsIn.title AND Movies.year=StarsIn.year;

However, now we get two copies for title and year. This is exactly the same as:

SELECT \*
FROM Movies, StarsIn
WHERE Movies.title=StarsIn.title AND
Movies.year=StarsIn.year;

#### **Outer Joins**

**SELECT**\*

FROM Movies NATURAL FULL OUTER JOIN StarsIn;

**SELECT** \*

FROM Movies NATURAL LEFT OUTER JOIN StarsIn;

**SELECT**\*

FROM Movies NATURAL RIGHT OUTER JOIN StarsIn;

One of LEFT, RIGHT, or FULL before OUTER (but not missing).

- ◆LEFT = pad dangling tuples of Movies only.
- ◆RIGHT = pad dangling tuples of StarsIn only.
- ◆FULL = pad both.

# Example

#### Compare:

```
SELECT *
FROM Movies JOIN Studios
ON Movies.studioName = Studios.name;
```

SELECT \*
FROM Movies LEFT OUTER JOIN Studios
ON Movies.studioName = Studios.name;

# Outerjoins: Students example (I)

```
CREATE TABLE Fexam (stdid INT PRIMARY KEY, mark INT);
CREATE TABLE Assig ( stdid INT PRIMARY KEY, mark INT);
INSERT INTO Fexam VALUES(1,60);
INSERT INTO Fexam VALUES(2,70);
INSERT INTO Fexam VALUES(3,80);
INSERT INTO Fexam VALUES(5,90);
INSERT INTO Assig VALUES(1,30);
INSERT INTO Assig VALUES(3,40);
INSERT INTO Assig VALUES(4,50);
INSERT INTO Assig VALUES(5,60);
```

Suppose we want to join Fexam and Assig to get both marks for each student.

# Outerjoins: Students example (II)

Suppose we start with:

```
SELECT *
FROM Fexam NATURAL JOIN Assig;
```

Result? Empty.

Why?

Attribute *mark* used too for the join. It shouldn't.

# Outerjoins: Students example (III)

**SELECT**\*

FROM Fexam JOIN Assig USING(stdid);

Result?

stdid	mark	mark
1	60	30
3	80	40
5	90	60

Problem1?

Not clear which mark is fexam mark, which is assig mark.

# Outerjoins: Students example (IV)

SELECT stdid, Fexam.mark AS fmark, Assig.mark AS amark FROM Fexam JOIN Assig USING(stdid);

#### Result?

stdid	fmark	amark
1	60	30
3	80	40
5	90	60

Problem2?

Student 2 and 4 are lost.

# Outerjoins: Students example (V)

SELECT stdid, Fexam.mark AS fmark, Assig.mark AS amark FROM Fexam FULL OUTER JOIN Assig USING(stdid);

Result?

stdid	fmark	amark
1	60	30
2	70	NULL
3	80	40
4	NULL	60
5	90	60

# Outerjoins: Students example (VI)

SELECT Fexam.stdid, Fexam.mark AS fmark, Assig.mark AS amark FROM Fexam FULL OUTER JOIN Assig ON Fexam.stdid=Assig.stdid;

Result?

Why did we get NULL for stdid of this tuple here?

stdid	fmark	amark
1	60	30
3	80	40
	NULL	50
5	90	60
2	70	NULL

Because that tuple has stdid=4 which is not in Fexam.

Recall, we are printing Fexam.stdid We should change the query to:

SELECT Fexam.stdid, Assig.stdid, Fexam.mark AS fmark, Assig.mark AS amark FROM Fexam FULL OUTER JOIN Assig ON Fexam.stdid=Assig.stdid;

#### **Aliases**

- Sometimes we need to ask a query that combines a table with itself.
  - We may list a table T as many times we want in the from clause but we need a way to refer to each occurrence of T.
  - SQL allows us to define, for each occurrence in the FROM clause, an alias (which is called "tuple variable").

**Example**. Find pairs of stars who have played together in the same movie.

```
SELECT S1.starname, S2.starname
FROM StarsIn S1, StarsIn S2
WHERE S1.title = S2.title AND S1.year = S2.year
AND S1.starname < S2.starname;

Why not use
<> instead?
```

#### Aggregations

 SUM, AVG, COUNT, MIN, and MAX can be applied to a column in a SELECT clause to produce that aggregation on the column.

**Example.** Find the average length of movies from Disney.

```
SELECT AVG(length)
FROM Movies
WHERE studioName = 'Disney';
```

## Eliminating Duplicates in an Aggregation

 DISTINCT inside an aggregation causes duplicates to be eliminated before the aggregation.

**Example.** Find the number of different studios in the Movies table.

**SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT** studioName) **FROM** Movies;

This is not the same as:

SELECT DISTINCT COUNT(studioName)

**FROM** Movies;

DISTINCT here is useless! Why?

#### Not only in COUNT...

SELECT AVG(DISTINCT length)
FROM Movies
WHERE studioname = 'Disney';

• This will produce the average of only the distinct values for length.

## Grouping

- What if we want to find the average movie length for each studio?
- We may follow the query by GROUP BY and a list of attributes.
- The result
  - is grouped according to the values of all the listed attributes in GROUP BY,
     and
  - any aggregation is applied only within each group.

#### Example.

SELECT studioName, AVG(length)
FROM Movies
GROUP BY studioName;

## Another Example

From **Movies** and **StarsIn**, find the star's total length of film played.

SELECT starName, SUM(length)

FROM Movies, StarsIn

WHERE Movies.title=StarsIn.title AND Movies.year=StarsIn.year

GROUP BY starName;

Compute those tuples first, then group by starName.

#### **HAVING Clauses**

**HAVING <condition>** may follow a GROUP BY clause.

 If so, the condition applies to each group, and groups not satisfying the condition are eliminated.

#### **Example**

SELECT starName, SUM(length)

FROM Movies, StarsIn

WHERE Movies.title=StarsIn.title AND Movies.year=StarsIn.year

GROUP BY starName;

Suppose we didn't wish to include all the stars in our table of aggregated lengths. We want those stars that have at least one movie before 2000.

#### Solution

SELECT starName, SUM(length)

FROM Movies, StarsIn

WHERE Movies.title=StarsIn.title AND Movies.year=StarsIn.year

**GROUP BY starName** 

HAVING MIN(StarsIn.year) < 2000;

#### Requirements on HAVING Conditions

- These conditions may refer to any relation in the FROM clause.
- They may refer to attributes of those relations, as long as the attribute makes sense within a group; i.e., it is either:
  - 1. A grouping attribute, or
  - 2. Aggregated attribute.

# Restriction on SELECT Lists With Aggregation

- If any aggregation is used, then each element of the SELECT list must be either:
  - 1. Aggregated, or
  - 2. An attribute on the GROUP BY list.

## Illegal Query Example

We might think we could find the shortest movie of Disney as:

```
SELECT title, MIN(length)
FROM Movies
WHERE studioName = 'Disney';
```

- But this query is illegal in SQL. Because title is neither aggregated nor on the GROUP BY list.
- We should do instead:

```
SELECT title, length
FROM Movies
WHERE studioName = 'Disney' AND length =
    (SELECT MIN(length)
    FROM Movies
    WHERE studioName = 'Disney');
```

## **Exercises**

Using Movies, StarsIn, and Stars,
 find the star's total length of film played.
 We are interested only in Canadian stars and who first appeared in a movie before 2000.

#### Solutions

SELECT starName, SUM(length)

FROM Movies, StarsIn, Stars

WHERE Movies.title=StarsIn.title AND Movies.year=StarsIn.year

AND Stars.name=StarsIn.starName

AND Stars.birthplace LIKE '%Canada%'

**GROUP BY starName** 

HAVING MIN(StarsIn.year) < 2000;

# Correlated Subqueries

Suppose StarsIn table has an additional attribute "salary"

**StarsIn**(movie, movie, starName, salary)

Now, find the stars who were paid for some movie more than the average salary for that movie.

#### Remark

Semantically, the value of the X tuple changes in the outer query, so the database must rerun the subquery for each X tuple.

## Another Solution (Nesting in FROM)

```
SELECT X.starName, X.title, X.year
FROM StarsIn X, (SELECT title, year, AVG(salary) AS avgSalary
FROM StarsIn
GROUP BY title, year) Y
WHERE X.salary>Y.avgSalary AND
X.title=Y.title AND X.year=Y.year;
```

# Intersection (INTERSECT)

**Example**. Find the movies where both Richard Gere and Julia Roberts star.

```
SELECT title, year
FROM StarsIn
WHERE starName='Richard Gere'
INTERSECT
SELECT title, year
FROM StarsIn
WHERE starName='Julia Roberts';
```

# Difference (EXCEPT)

**Example**. Find the movies where Richard Gere stars but Julia Roberts doesn't.

```
SELECT title, year
FROM StarsIn
WHERE starName='Richard Gere'
EXCEPT --MINUS in ORACLE
SELECT title, year
FROM StarsIn
WHERE starName='Julia Roberts';
```

# Union (UNION)

**Example**. Find the movies where either Richard Gere or Julia Roberts star.

```
SELECT title, year
FROM StarsIn
WHERE starName='Richard Gere'
UNION
SELECT title, year
FROM StarsIn
WHERE starName='Julia Roberts';
```

#### Views

- A view is a "virtual table", a relation that is defined in terms of the contents of other tables and views.
- In contrast, a relation whose value is really stored in the database is called a base table.

#### **Example**

CREATE VIEW DMovies AS

SELECT title, year, length, rating
FROM Movies

WHERE studioName = 'Disney';

## Accessing a View

Query a view as if it were a base table.

#### **Examples**

SELECT title FROM DMovies WHERE year = 1990;

SELECT DISTINCT starName
FROM DMovies, StarsIn
WHERE DMovies.title = StarsIn.title AND DMovies.year = StarsIn.year;

#### View on more than one relation

CREATE VIEW MoviesAndStars AS

SELECT Movies.title, Movies.year, Stars.name, Stars.birthdate

FROM Movies, StarsIn, Stars

WHERE Movies.title= StarsIn.title AND Movies.year= StarsIn.year AND Stars.name= StarsIn.starname;

## **Exercises**

- Find the stars who have worked for every studio.
- Find the stars who have worked for Disney but no other studio.
- For each star that has more than two movies with Paramount, find how many movies he/she has with Fox.

```
For the last, let's
INSERT INTO Movies
VALUES('Primal Fear', 1996, 129, 'R', 'Paramount');
INSERT INTO StarsIn
VALUES('Primal Fear', 1996, 'Richard Gere');
```

Find the stars who have worked for every studio.

```
CREATE VIEW MovieStar AS
SELECT title, year, studioName, starName
FROM Movies NATURAL JOIN StarsIn;
```

```
SELECT DISTINCT starName
FROM MovieStar X
WHERE NOT EXISTS (
SELECT name
FROM Studios
MINUS
SELECT studioName
FROM MovieStar
WHERE starName = X.starName);
```

Find the stars who have worked for Disney but no other studio.

```
SELECT starName
FROM MovieStar X
WHERE X.studioName='Disney' AND NOT EXISTS (
  SELECT *
  FROM MovieStar
  WHERE starName=X.starName AND
           studioName<>'Disney'
```

Find the stars who have worked for only one studio.

```
SELECT starName
FROM MovieStar X
WHERE NOT EXISTS (
  SELECT *
  FROM MovieStar
  WHERE starName=X.starName AND
           studioName<>X.studioName
```

For each star that has more than two movies with Paramount, find how many movies he/she has with Fox.

**CREATE VIEW ParamountStars2 AS** 

SELECT starName

FROM MovieStar

WHERE studioName='Paramount'

**GROUP BY starName** 

HAVING COUNT(title)>=2;

CREATE VIEW FoxStars AS

SELECT \*

FROM MovieStar

WHERE studioName='Fox';

SELECT starName, COUNT(title)
FROM ParamountStars2 NATURAL LEFT OUTER JOIN FoxStars
GROUP BY starName;

Find the stars who have co-starred with the same star.

CREATE VIEW costars AS
SELECT X.starname AS star1, Y.starname AS star2
FROM StarsIn X JOIN StarsIn Y USING(title,year)
WHERE X.starname <> Y.starname;

SELECT Z.star1, W.star2
FROM costars Z, costars W
WHERE Z.star2=W.star1 AND Z.star1<W.star2;

For each pair of co-stars give the number of movies each has starred in. The result should be a set of (star1 star2 n1 n2) quadruples, where n1 and n2 are the number of movies that star1 and star2 have starred in, respectively. Observe that there might be stars with zero movies they have starred in.

CREATE VIEW starMovieCounts AS
SELECT name AS star, COUNT(title) AS moviecount
FROM Stars LEFT OUTER JOIN StarsIn ON name=starname
GROUP BY name;

SELECT C.star1, C.star2, X.moviecount, Y.moviecount FROM costars C, starMovieCounts X, starMovieCounts Y WHERE C.star1=X.star AND C.star2=Y.star;