CS186 Discussion Section Week 5

SQL

Outline for Today

- Quick SQL Intro
- Except, Union, Intersect
- Nested Subqueries
- Joins
  - Inner, Left, Right, Full
- Aggregation

What is it?

- Structured query language
- AKA the most useful thing you will learn out of this course
- Used to communicate with databases
- ANSI standard for relational databases

Basic SQL

```
SELECT   target-list
FROM     relation-list
WHERE    qualification
```

- target-list: list of attributes in each relation (or *)
- relation-list: list of relations, usually a table
- qualification: set of select clauses

Tables

```
CREATE TABLE Students
(sid text PRIMARY KEY,
name text,
gpa integer)

CREATE TABLE Courses
(cid text PRIMARY KEY,
name text,)
```

```
CREATE TABLE
Enrollments
(sid text,
cid text,
FOREIGN KEY(sid)
REFERENCES students
(sid),
FOREIGN KEY(cid)
REFERENCES courses
(cid),
PRIMARY KEY(sid, cid))
```

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```

"Select all courses."

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SELECT cid FROM Courses
INTERSECT
SELECT cid
   FROM Students S, Enrollments E
   WHERE S.sid = E.sid;
```

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Nested Subqueries

- IN operator: check if attribute is in subrelation
- SELECT name
  FROM Students
  WHERE sid IN (SELECT sid FROM Enrollments);
- “Select students enrolled in some class.”

Nested Subqueries

- EXISTS operator: check if subrelation is empty
- SELECT name

  FROM Students

  WHERE EXISTS (SELECT sid FROM Enrollments);

- Wait, what?
  - EXISTS doesn't seem useful here…
  - Result: Correlated subqueries!
- This returns names of all students if the inner query finds one or more sid. If inner query does not return any sids, full query returns nothing.

Correlated Subqueries

- Inner query depends on outer query.
- SELECT name

  FROM Students S

  WHERE EXISTS (SELECT sid FROM Enrollments

  WHERE sid = S.sid)

- Same query as before!
- Any Caveats?
  - Much slower. Inner query must run once per outer tuple.

Other Subquery Operations

- UNIQUE: is every result unique?
- SELECT name

  FROM Students S

  WHERE UNIQUE (SELECT sid FROM Enrollments

  WHERE sid = S.sid)
- “Select students enrolled in exactly 1 class (since sid is a key of students).”

Other Subquery Operations

- > ANY, > ALL
- SELECT name
  FROM Students S
  WHERE gpa >= ALL
  (SELECT gpa FROM Students)
- “Select students with the highest GPA.”
- For the WHERE condition to be met, gpa >= every single gpa returned by subquery
- In this case, subquery is not correlated.

Other Subquery Operations

- > ANY, > ALL
- SELECT name
  FROM Students S
  WHERE gpa = ANY
  (SELECT gpa FROM Students)
- “Select all students!”
- For the WHERE condition to be met, gpa = any gpa returned by subquery
- Again, subquery is not correlated.

Summary of Operations

Operation	Truth condition
attr IN (subquery)	attr is one of the returned rows
EXISTS (subquery)	subquery returned non-empty result
NOT EXISTS (subquery)	subquery returned empty result
UNIQUE (subquery)	subquery returned all unique results
attr *op* ANY (subquery)	attr *op* (each returned row) returns true at least once
attr *op* ALL (subquery)	attr *op* (each returned row) returns true for all rows

Special Joins

```
SELECT (column_list)
FROM  table_name
 [INNER | {LEFT |RIGHT | FULL } OUTER] JOIN table_name
  ON qualification_list
WHERE ...
```

- SELECT * FROM Students S

  INNER JOIN Enrollments E

  ON S.sid = E.sid;

- Not really different than before:
- SELECT * FROM Students S, Enrollments E

  WHERE S.sid = E.sid;

Outer Joins (LEFT)

- Outer joins add in unmatched rows.
- SELECT sname, cid FROM Students S
  LEFT OUTER JOIN Enrollments E
  ON S.sid = E.sid;
- Example output
- Rows of left relation that couldn't be matched are still here with a NULL right hand side.

sname	cid
Dan	160
Evan	186
Lu	186
Victor	186
Liwen	NULL
Mike	NULL

Outer Joins (RIGHT)

- Outer joins add in unmatched rows.
- SELECT sname, cid FROM Students S
  RIGHT OUTER JOIN Enrollments E
  ON S.sid = E.sid;
- Example output
- Rows of right relation that couldn't be matched are still here with a NULL left hand side.

sname	cid
Dan	160
Evan	186
Lu	186
Victor	186
NULL	188
NULL	189

Outer Joins (FULL)

- Outer joins add in unmatched rows.
- SELECT sname, cid FROM Students S

  FULL OUTER JOIN Enrollments E

  ON S.sid = E.sid;
- Example output
- Any unmatched rows are still there, with the other side NULL

sname	cid
Dan	160
Evan	186
Lu	186
Victor	186
NULL	188
NULL	189
Liwen	NULL
Mike	NULL

Aggregation

SELECT COUNT(*) FROM Students;

SELECT AVG(gpa) FROM Students;

SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT name) FROM Students;

SELECT DISTINCT COUNT(name) FROM Students;

count
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GROUP BY

- GROUP BY aggregates rows together.

- SELECT standing
  FROM Students
  GROUP BY standing;

standing
freshman
senior
junior
sophomore

- SELECT standing, COUNT(*)
  FROM Students
  GROUP BY standing;

standing	count
freshman	122
senior	178
junior	212
sophomore	115

GROUP BY

- SELECT sname, standing
  FROM Students
  GROUP BY standing;

sname	standing
???	freshman
???	senior
???	junior
???	sophomore

- Illegal! Can't find one 'sname' for whole table.
- Rule:
  - SELECT fields must either be inside the GROUP BY or aggregates.

GROUP BY

- How about grouping by multiple fields?
- SELECT standing, gpa, COUNT(*)
  FROM Students
  GROUP BY standing, gpa;

standing	gpa	count
freshman	3	38
freshman	4	21
freshman	2	20
sophomore	4	19
…	…	…

HAVING

- HAVING: Modifies which groups are returned.
- SELECT standing, gpa, COUNT(*)

  FROM Students

  GROUP BY standing, gpa

  HAVING COUNT(*) > 30;

standing	gpa	count
freshman	3	38
sophomore	3	32
junior	3	46
junior	4	31

HAVING vs. WHERE

- HAVING: condition on aggregations
  - usually after group by
- WHERE: condition on individual rows
  - usually before group by
- SELECT standing, gpa, COUNT(*)
  FROM Students
  WHERE sname STARTS_WITH ‘A’
  GROUP BY standing, gpa
  HAVING COUNT(*) > 30;

Logical Order of a Query

- SELECT standing, gpa, COUNT(*)
  FROM Students
  WHERE sname STARTS_WITH ‘A’
  GROUP BY standing, gpa
  HAVING COUNT(*) > 3;

- Where does aggregation happen?
  During GROUP BY!