## Introduction to Relational Databases:

- Database **schema** (name of a relations with set of attributes)
- **Key** is an attribute (or set of attributes) that uniquely defines the characteristics of each row (<u>underlined</u>)
- example:

Movies (mID, title, year, length, genre)

Relation is a 2-dimensional table:

#### Movies

mID	title	year	length	genre	<b>→</b> attributes
0001	Title1	1939	120	drama	
0002	Title2	2002	243	comedy	→ tuple
0003	Title3	1987	156	sci-fi	

- **Projection** operation extracts only the specified attributes from table (picks certain columns columns from table)
- **Selection** operation allows us to select tuples (table rows) that satisfy certain conditions.

# Join operation

Join operation is used for answering queries that combine data that reside in several tables. Two tables are joinable by their common attributes.

**Natural Join**: The result of the natural join on two tables is the set of all combinations of tuples in two tables that are equal on their common attribute names.

**Theta Join**: Natural join on a conditions (instead of returning all combinations of tuples that are equal on common attribute names)

# SQL

#### SQL is used for:

- Data definition (declaring database schemas)
  - table declarations (create table, drop table, alter table
- Data manipulation (querying and modifying database)
  - select, insert, delete, update
- Other commands
  - indexes, constraints, views, triggers, transactions, authorization...

### Relations in SQL:

- stored relations (tables)
- Views (constructed on fly, not stored)
- temporary tables (constructed by SQL processor when executing queries, not stored)

## Basic Query:

SELECT A1, A2,....,An
FROM R1, R2,...Rn
WHERE condition
GROUP BY columns
HAVING condition

### Set operators:

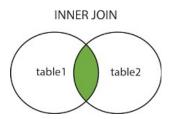
Union, Intersect, Except

### Aggregation functions:

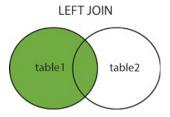
· min, max, sum, average, count

# SQL join expressions

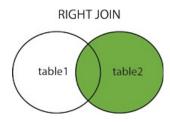
- Inner Join (Join) on condition
  - · taking cross-product, applying condition and keeping tuples that satisfy condition



- Natural Join
  - The result of the natural join on two tables is the set of all combinations of tuples in two tables that are equal on their common attribute names.
- Inner Join Using Attributes
  - Like natural join, only you explicitly list arguments that you want equated.
- Left / Right / Full Outer Join
  - Like natural join, only when tuples don't match the condition they are still added to result and padded with null values
  - **Left Join** returns all rows from the left table (table1), with the matching rows in the right table (table2). The result is NULL in the right side when there is no match.



• **Right Join** returns all rows from the right table (table2), with the matching rows in the left table (table1). The result is NULL in the left side when there is no match.



• Full Outer Join returns all rows from the left table (table1) and from the right table (table2).

