# Joining tables

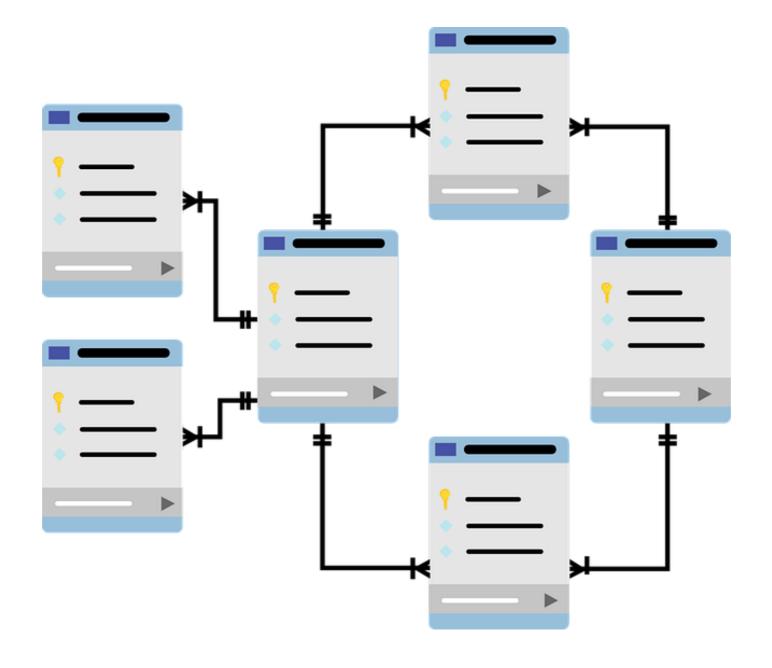
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### **Relational Databases**



# **Primary Keys**

Primary keys: Uniquely identify each row in a table

```
artist_id
          name
          AC/DC
          | Accept
           Aerosmith
           Alanis Morissette
          | Alice In Chains
```

• Primary key: artist\_id

```
album_id | title
                                | artist_id |
        | For Those About To Rock | 1
        | Balls to the Wall | 2
        | Restless and Wild
3
        | Let There Be Rock | 1
        | Big Ones
```

- Primary key: album\_id
- What about artist\_id ?

### Foreign keys

artist table

• album table

artist\_id : Foreign key to artist

## Joining album and artist

artist table

• AC/DC has artist\_id = 1

album table

Rows 1 and 4 have artist\_id = 1

## Joining album and artist

- Return album details from album table
- Return corresponding artist details from artist table
- Joined using artist\_id column

### **INNER JOIN**

```
SELECT

album_id,
title,
album.artist_id,
name AS artist_name

FROM album

INNER JOIN artist_0N artist_id = album.artist_id

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album.artist_id,
album.artist_id = album.artist_id

WHERE album.artist_id = 1;
```



### **INNER JOIN syntax**

```
SELECT
  table_A.columnX,
  table_A.columnY,
  table_B.columnZ
FROM table_A
INNER JOIN table_B ON table_B.foreign_key = table_A.primary_key;
```

```
SELECT
  album_id,
  title,
  album.artist_id,
  name AS artist_name
FROM album
INNER JOIN artist on artist.artist_id = album.artist_id;
```

• Returns all combinations of all matches between album and artist

### Multiple INNER JOINS

```
SELECT
  table_A.columnX,
  table_A.columnY,
  table_B.columnZ table_C columnW
FROM table_A
INNER JOIN table_B ON table_B.foreign_key = table_A.primary_key
INNER JOIN table_C ON table_C.foreign_key = table_B.primary_key;
```

# Let's join some tables!

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# Mix n match - LEFT & RIGHT joins

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## The rationale for LEFT and RIGHT joins

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### Admissions table

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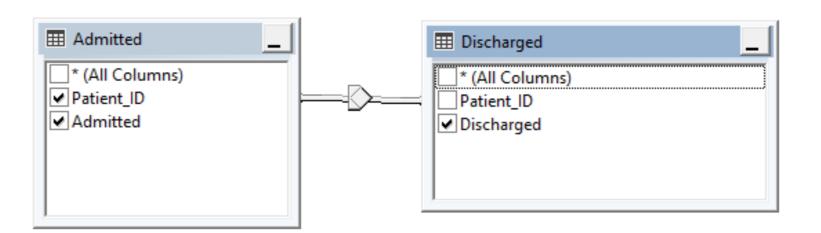
### Discharges table

### **INNER JOIN:**

### **LEFT JOIN:**

### LEFT JOIN SYNTAX

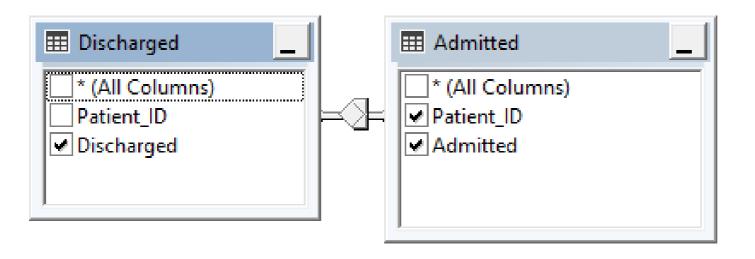
# SELECT Admitted.Patient\_ID, Admitted, Discharged FROM Admitted LEFT JOIN Discharged ON Discharged.Patient\_ID = Admitted.Patient\_ID;



```
SELECT
   Admitted.Patient_ID,
   Admitted,
   Discharged
FROM Admitted
LEFT JOIN Discharged ON Discharged.Patient_ID = Admitted.Patient_ID;
```

### **RIGHT JOIN**

```
SELECT
   Admitted.Patient_ID,
   Admitted,
   Discharged
FROM Discharged
RIGHT JOIN Admitted ON Admitted.Patient_ID = Discharged.Patient_ID;
```



### RIGHT JOIN results

```
SELECT
   Admitted.Patient_ID,
   Admitted,
   Discharged
FROM Discharged
RIGHT JOIN Admitted ON Admitted.Patient_ID = Discharged.Patient_ID;
```

### Summary

- INNER JOIN : Only returns matching rows
- LEFT JOIN (or RIGHT JOIN ): All rows from the main table plus matches from the joining table
- NULL: Displayed if no match is found
- LEFT JOIN and RIGHT JOIN can be interchangeable

### INNER JOIN

LEFT TABLE	RIGHT TABLE
MATCHES RETURNED, NON MATCHES DISCARDED	MATCHES RETURNED, NON MATCHES DISCARDED

### LEFT JOIN

LEFT - MAIN TABLE	RIGHT - JOINING TABLE
ALL ROWS RETURNED	MATCHES RETURNED, NON MATCHES RETURN NULL

### RIGHT JOIN

)

# Let's Practice!

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# UNION & UNION ALL

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```
SELECT

album_id,

title,

artist_id

FROM album

WHERE artist_id IN (1, 3)
```

```
SELECT

album_id,

title,

artist_id

FROM album

WHERE artist_id IN (1, 4, 5)
```

same structure: both tables have the same number of columns, the columns are listed in the same order and have similar data types

## **Combining results**

```
SELECT
  album_id,
 title,
  artist_id
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN (1, 3)
UNION
SELECT
  album_id,
 title,
  artist_id
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN (1, 4, 5);
```

Duplicate rows are excluded

### **UNION ALL**

```
SELECT
  album_id,
 title,
  artist_id
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN (1, 3)
UNION ALL
SELECT
  album_id,
 title,
  artist_id
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN (1, 4, 5);
```

Includes duplicate rows

### Creating new column names for final results

```
SELECT
  album_id AS ALBUM_ID,
  title AS ALBUM_TITLE,
  artist_id AS ARTIST_ID
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN(1, 3)
UNION ALL
SELECT
  album_id AS ALBUM_ID,
  title AS ALBUM_TITLE,
  artist_id AS ARTIST_ID
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN(1, 4, 5)
```

## Summary

• UNION or UNION ALL: Combines queries from the same table or different tables

If combining data from different tables:

- Select the same number of columns in the same order
- Columns should have the same data types

If source tables have different column names

Alias the column names

UNION: Discards duplicates (slower to run)

UNION ALL: Includes duplicates (faster to run)

# Let's practice!

#### **SELECT**

album\_id AS ID,

title AS description,

'Album' AS Source

-- Complete the FROM statement

#### FROM album

-- Combine the result set using the relevant keyword

UNION

**SELECT** 

artist\_id AS ID,

name AS description,

'Artist' AS Source

-- Complete the FROM statement

FROM artist;



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