

Session 4 – Manual

ERDs and Table Joins

Objective:

Session: Table Joins

- Comprehend the significance of primary and foreign keys in establishing relationships between tables.
- Identify and understand different types of relationships between tables (one-to-one, one-to-many, many-to-many).
- Learn how to read and interpret Entity-Relationship Diagrams (ERDs).
- Gain proficiency in using various types of joins (INNER, LEFT, RIGHT, FULL, CROSS, SELF) to combine data from multiple tables.

Understanding Relationships Between Tables

Key Points:

- **Primary Key:** A unique identifier for each record in a table.
- **Foreign Key:** A field in one table that uniquely identifies a row of another table.

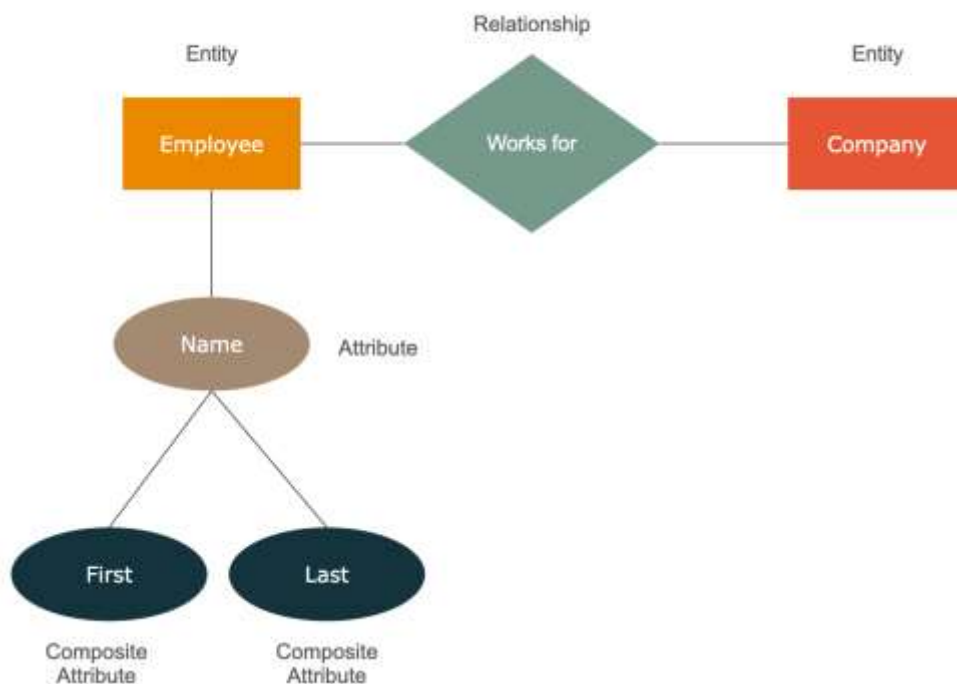
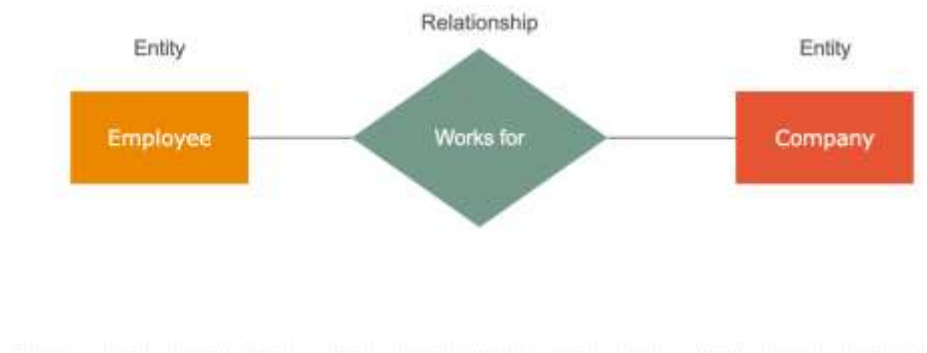


Types of Relationships:

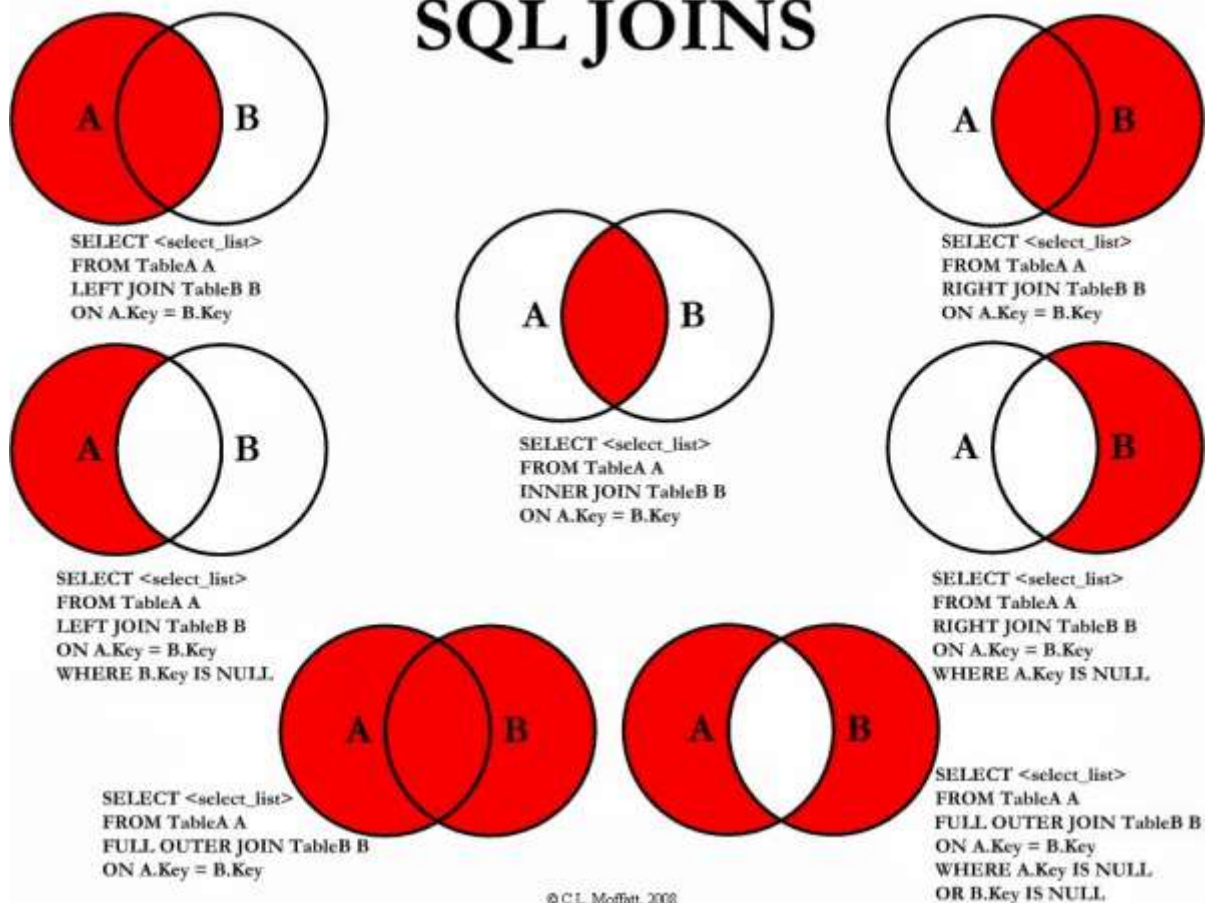
1. **One-to-One:** Each row in Table A is linked to one and only one row in Table B.
2. **One-to-Many:** Each row in Table A is linked to one or more rows in Table B.
3. **Many-to-Many:** Rows in Table A are linked to multiple rows in Table B and vice versa, typically implemented using a junction table.

Entity-Relationship Diagrams (ERDs):

- **Purpose:** To visually represent the relationships between tables.
- **Components:**
 - Entities (tables)
 - Attributes (columns)
 - Relationships (lines connecting entities)



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Using Joins to Combine Data from Multiple Tables

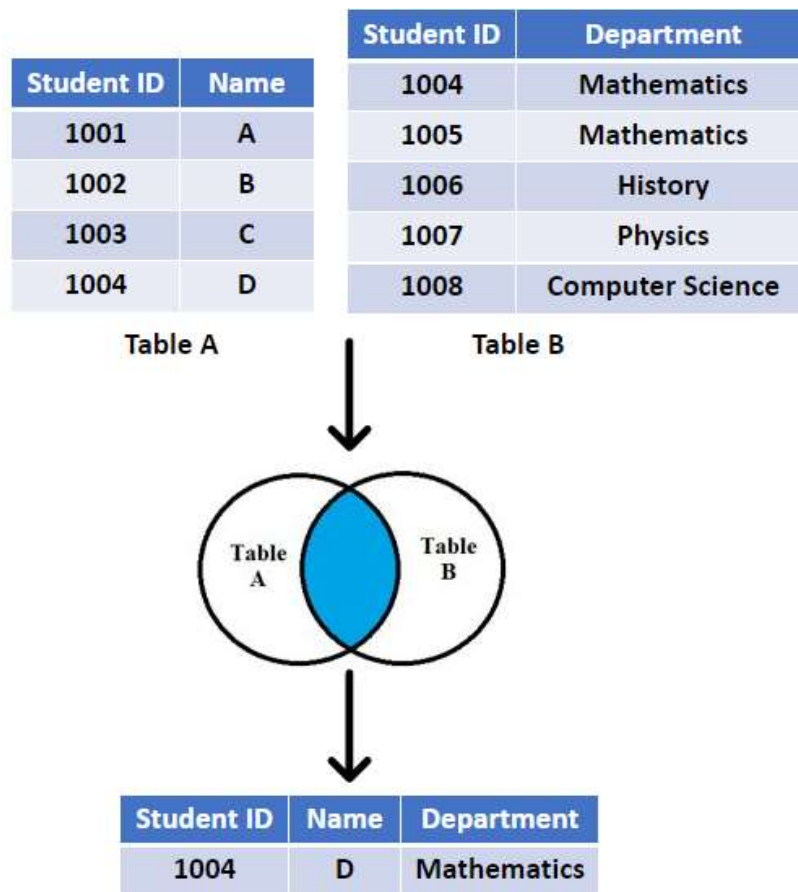
Key Points:

- **Purpose:** To retrieve related data from multiple tables.

Types of Joins:

1. **INNER JOIN:** Selects records with matching values in both tables.

```
SELECT
    a.column_name, b.column_name
FROM
    table1 a
INNER JOIN
    table2 b ON a.common_field = b.common_field;
```



2. **LEFT JOIN (LEFT OUTER JOIN):** Selects all records from the left table and matched records from the right table.

```
SELECT
    a.column_name, b.column_name
FROM
    table1 a
LEFT JOIN
    table2 b ON a.common_field = b.common_field;
```

3. **RIGHT JOIN (RIGHT OUTER JOIN):** Selects all records from the right table and matched records from the left table.

```
SELECT
    a.column_name, b.column_name
FROM
    table1 a
RIGHT JOIN
    table2 b ON a.common_field = b.common_field;
```

4. **FULL JOIN (FULL OUTER JOIN):** Selects all records when there is a match in either left or right table.

```
SELECT
    a.column_name, b.column_name
FROM
    table1 a
FULL JOIN
    table2 b ON a.common_field = b.common_field;
```

5. **Cross Join:** Combines all rows of Table A with all rows of Table B.

```
SELECT
    a.column_name, b.column_name
FROM
    table1 a
CROSS JOIN
    table2 b;
```

6. **Self Join:** Joins a table with itself.

```
SELECT
    a.column_name, b.column_name
FROM
    table1 a, table1 b
WHERE
    a.common_field = b.common_field;
```

Happy querying!