

## CZ2007 Introduction to Databases



## Querying Relational Databases using SQL Part--4

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## Summary and roadmap



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#### Views -- Motivation

## Author PenName RealName ... ...

#### Wrote

PenName	<u>Article</u>
	•••

RealName	<u>Article</u>

- SELECT RealName, Article
   FROM Author, Wrote
   WHERE Author.PenName = Wrote.PenName
- Assume that we frequently need to check the real names of the authors of some articles
- Can we somehow make the above join results more easily accessible?

### Views

#### Author

PenName RealName ...

#### Wrote

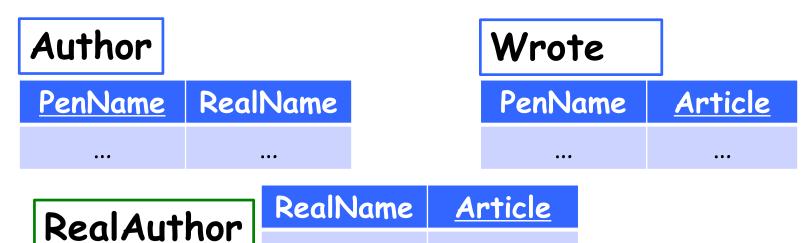
PenName	<u>Article</u>
•••	•••

#### RealAuthor

RealName	<u>Article</u>

- CREATE VIEW RealAuthor AS
   SELECT RealName, Article
   FROM Author, Wrote
   WHERE Author.PenName = Wrote.PenName;
- This view can then be used as a table
- SELECT Article FROM RealAuthor WHERE RealName = 'Chris'

#### Tables vs. Views



- Tables are physically stored in the database
- Views are NOT physically stored but are computed on the fly

## Queries on Views

Wrote

Author

PenName RealName

PenName Article

We have a view as follows:

CREATE VIEW Real Author AS

SELECT RealName, Article

FROM Author, Wrote

WHERE Author. PenName = Wrote. PenName:

We have a query like this:
 SELECT Article FROM RealAuthor

WHERE RealName = 'Chris'

What the DBMS would do:

SELECT RealName, Article

FROM Author, Wrote

WHERE Author. PenName = Wrote. PenName

AND RealName = 'Chris';

RealAuthor

RealName Article

Query Rewriting

## Deleting Views

Wrote

Author

PenName RealName

PenName Article

DROP VIEW Real Author:

RealAuthor

RealName Article

## Summary on Views

#### What is view?

A **view** is a query over the base relations to produce another relation.

#### View is virtual

It is considered *virtual* because it does not usually exist physically.

#### To the user

A view appears just like any other table and can be present in any SQL query where a table is present.

#### View Materialization

#### The idea

Physically creating and keeping a temporary table Syntax: CREATE MATERIALIZED VIEW ... AS..

#### **Pro and Con**

Pro: Other queries defined on the view can be answered efficiently

Con: Maintaining correspondence between the base table and the view when the base table is updated

## Views vs. Temporary Views

#### **Author**

<u>PenName</u>	RealName

PenName	<u>Article</u>
•••	

CREATE VIEW RealAuthor AS

SELECT RealName, Article

FROM Author, Wrote

WHERE Author.PenName = Wrote.PenName;

WITH Real Author AS

(SELECT RealName, Article

FROM Author, Wrote

WHERE Author.PenName = Wrote.PenName)

SELECT Article

FROM RealAuthor

WHERE RealAuthor.RealName = 'Chris';

## Views vs. Temporary Views

- A view persists after its creation
- It will be there unless you explicitly delete it
- CREATE VIEW RealAuthor AS SELECT RealName, Article FROM Author, Wrote WHERE Author.PenName = Wrote.PenName;
- DROP VIEW Real Author:

## Views vs. Temporary Views

- A temporary view only persists during the execution of a query
- It will not be there once the guery is done
- WITH RealAuthor AS (SELECT RealName, Article FROM Author, Wrote WHERE Author.PenName = Wrote.PenName) SELECT Article FROM RealAuthor WHERE RealAuthor.RealName = 'Cedric';
- Here, the temporary view Real Author is gone once the query is finished

#### SELECT INTO vs. VIEWS

SELECT RealName, Article
 INTO RealAuthor
 FROM Author, Wrote
 WHERE Author.PenName =
 Wrote.PenName

A Table is created (Physically)

CREATE VIEW RealAuthor AS SELECT RealName, Article FROM Author, Wrote WHERE Author.PenName = Wrote.PenName;

A Definition is created (Virtually)

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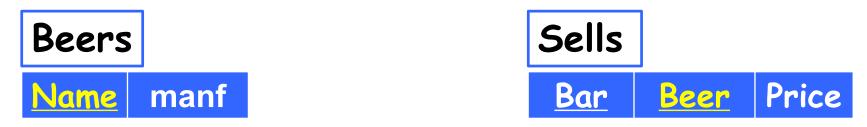
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Views

#### Constraints

- A constraint is a requirement on tuples/tables that the DBMS needs to enforce
- Examples
  - PRIMARY KEY
  - UNIQUE
  - NOT NULL
- More to be discussed
  - FOREIGN KEY
  - CHECK
  - ASSERTION
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## FOREIGN KEY Example



- Any value in Sells.Beer should appear in Beer.Name
  - values for certain values must make sense
- How to ensure this when we create Sells?

## Example

Requirement: Beers.Name must be declared as either PRIMARY KEY or UNIQUE

```
CREATE TABLE
                   Beers (
                   CHAR(30) PRIMARY KEY,
       name
                   VARCHAR(50)
       manf
CREATE TABLE
                 Sells (
                CHAR(20),
     bar
                CHAR(30),
     beer
                REAL,
     price
     FOREIGN KEY beer REFERENCES Beers(name)
```

## Foreign Key

#### What it is?

- Consider Sells(Bar, Beer, Price)
- The beer value might be a "real" beer
  - Can be found in the Beers relation
- A constraint that requires a beer in Sells to be a beer in Beers is called a foreign key constraint

#### **Expressing Foreign Key**

- Use the keyword REFERENCES. Two methods:
  - 1. Within the declaration of an attribute, when FK has only one attribute
  - An separate element of Create Table: FOREIGN KEY (<attribute list>) REFERENCES <relation> (<attributes>)
- Referenced attributes must be declared as Primary Key or UNIQUE in the other relation

## FOREIGN KEY (cont.)

#### **Visits**

Purchase

Name Shop

Name Shop Product

- Any value combination in Purchase(Name, Shop) should appear in Visits(Name, Shop)
- CREATE TABLE Purchase(
   Name VARCHAR(30),
   Shop VARCHAR(30),
   Product VARCHAR(30),
   FOREIGN KEY (Name, Shop) REFERENCES
   Visits(Name, Shop));
- Requirement: Visits(Name, Shop) is declared as either PRIMARY KEY or UNIQUE

## Foreign Key Constraints

# Beers Name Brand B1 Tiger

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<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price

**B1** 

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Lotus

- Sells(Beer) is a foreign key referencing Beer(Name)
- INSERT INTO Sells VALUES ('Lotus', B2, 20)
- This insertion will be rejected

INSERT or UPDATE a Sells tuple so it refers to a nonexistent beer

Always rejected

## Foreign Key Constraints (cont.)

# Beers Name Brand B1 Tiger

Sells		
Bar	Beer	Pric

Lotus B1 10

- Sells(Beer) is a foreign key referencing Beer(Name)
- DELETE FROM Beers
   WHERE Name = 'B1'
- What is going to happen?
- Three possibilities
  - Default: Reject the deletion
  - Cascade: Delete the corresponding tuple in Sells
  - Set NULL: Set the corresponding values to NULL

### Default

Beers

Name	Brand
B1	Tiger

Sells

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

- Sells(Beer) is a foreign key referencing Beer(Name)
- DELETE FROM Beers
   WHERE Name = 'B1'

Rject!

UPDATE Beers
 SET Name = 'B2'
 Where Name = 'B1'

Rject!

#### Cascade

Beers

Name Brand
B1 Tiger

#### Sells

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

- Sells(Beer) is a foreign key referencing Beer(Name)
- DELETE FROM Beers
   WHERE Name = 'B1'
- Delete all tuples from sells where Beer = 'B1'
- UPDATE Beers
   SET Name = 'B2'
   Where Name = 'B1'
- Update Sells: for any tuple with Beer = 'B1', set its Beer value to 'B2'

#### Set NULL

Beers

Name	Brand
B1	Tiger

#### Sells

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

- Sells(Beer) is a foreign key referencing Beer(Name)
- DELETE FROM Beers
   WHERE Name = 'B1'
- Change all 'B1' Beer values in Sells to NULL
- UPDATE Beers SET Name = 'B2' Where Name = 'B1'
- Change all 'B1' Beer values in Sells to NULL

## Choosing a Policy

Sells

Beers

Name	Brand
B1	Tiger

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

- We can specify whether to default, cascade, or set null when we declare a foreign key
- Example:

CREATE TABLE Sells(

Bar VARCHAR(30),

Beer VARCHAR(30),

Price FLOAT,

FOREIGN KEY (Beer) REFERENCES Beers (Name)

ON DELETE SET NÚLL ON UPDATE CASCADE );

Default is taken when SET NULL and CASCADE are absent

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### attribute-based check

We want to make sure that any beer does not sell over 100 dollars. How?

```
CREATE TABLE Sells (
bar CHAR(20),
beer CHAR(30),
price REAL CHECK (price <= 100),
);
```

- CHECK (<condition>) must be added to the declaration for the attribute
- An attribute-based check is checked only when a value for that attribute is inserted or updated (but not deleted)

## Tuple-Based Check

- CHECK (<condition>) may be added as separate element in a table declaration
  - •The condition can refer to any attribute of the relation,

Example: Only Lotus can sell beer for more than \$10

```
CREATE TABLE Sells (
bar CHAR(20),
beer CHAR(30),
price REAL,
CHECK (bar = 'Lotus' OR price <= 10.00)
);
```

Checked whenever a tuple is inserted or updated

## SQL Assertions

#### What is it?

- Database schema constraints
  - Not available with majorDBMS, but in SQL standard
- Condition can refer to any relation or attribute in the database schema
- We must check every ASSERTION after every modification to any relation of the database

#### **Syntax**

CREATE ASSERTION <name>
CHECK (condition);

#### Assertions

## Beers

Name	Brand
B1	Tiger

#### Sells

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

- A more flexible type of checks
  - But not available with most of DBMS
- Example: There should not be more bars than beers
- CREATE ASSERTION MoreBars CHECK (SELECT COUNT(\*) FROM Beers) >= (SELECT COUNT(DISTINT Bar) FROM Sells)

## Example

#### **Constraint**

In Sells(Bar, Beer, Price) no bar may charge an average of more than \$10.

```
CREATE ASSERTION NoRipOffBars CHECK (
NOT EXISTS (
SELECT bar
FROM Sells
GROUP BY bar
HAVING 10.00 < AVG(price)
));
```



## Motivation for Trigger

#### **Attributes and Tuple-based checks**

Limited capabilities

#### **Assertions**

- Sufficiently general for most constraint applications
- Hard to implement efficiently!
- We must check every ASSERTION after every modification to any relation of the database

## Trigger

Beers





<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

- Every time there is a new beer from Tiger, the Lotus Bar would sell it at 10 dollars.
- How to capture this?
- we can use triggers
  - Triggering event
  - Action

## Trigger (AFTER INSERT)

Sells

Beers

Name	Brand
B1	Tiger

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

- Every time there is a new beer from Tiger, the Lotus Bar would sell it at 10 dollars.
- CREATE TRIGGER BeerTrig AFTER INSERT ON Beers REFERENCING NEW ROW AS NewTuple FOR EACH ROW WHEN (NewTuple.Brand = 'Tiger') INSERT INTO Sells VALUES ('Loctus', NewTuple.Name, 10);

## Trigger (AFTER DELETE)

Sells

Name	Brand
B1	Tiger

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

- Every time the Lotus Bar stops selling a beer,
   the Cheetah Bar would sell it at its last price
- CREATE TRIGGER BeerTrig AFTER DELETE ON Sells REFERENCING OLD ROW AS OldTuple FOR EACH ROW WHEN (OldTuple.Bar = 'Lotus') INSERT INTO Sells VALUES ('Cheetah', OldTuple.Beer, OldTuple.Price);

## Trigger (AFTER UPDATE ON)

Sells

Beers

Name	Brand
B1	Tiger

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

- Every time the some bar raises the price of a beer by over 10 dollars, the Cheetah Bar would sell it at its old price
- CREATE TRIGGER BeerTrig AFTER UPDATE ON Sells REFERENCING OLD ROW AS OldTuple NEW ROW AS NewTuple FOR EACH ROW WHEN (OldTuple.Price + 10 < NewTuple.Price) INSERT INTO Sells VALUES ('Cheetah', OldTuple.Beer, OldTuple.Price);

duplicate beers at the Cheetah Bar. How to avoid?

# Trigger (cont.)

### Sells

Beers

Name	Brand
B1	Tiger

Bar	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

- Every time the some bar raises the price of a beer by over 10 dollars, the Cheetah Bar would sell it at its old price. (Note: Avoid duplicate beers at the CheeTah Bar)
- CREATE TRIGGER BeerTrig Sells AFTER UPDATE ON REFERENCING OLD ROW AS OldTuple NEW ROW AS New Tuple FOR EACH ROW (OldTuple.Price + 10 < NewTuple.Price) WHEN **BEGIN** DELETE FROM Sells Bar = 'Cheetah' AND Beer = OldTuple.Beer; INSERT INTO Sells VALUES ('CheeTah', OldTuple.Beer, OldTuple.Price); **END**

# A summary of Trigger



- A triggering event can be the execution of an SQL INSERT, DELETE, and UPDATE statement
- WHEN clause is optional
  - If it is missing, then the action is executed whenever the trigger is awakened
- If the When condition of the trigger is satisfied, the action associated with the trigger is performed by the DBMS

### Types of actions

- An SQL query, a DELETE, INSERT, UPDATE, ROLLBACK, SQL/PSM
- There can be more than one SQL statements
- Queries make no sense in an action
  - So only DB modification

## Exercise (1)

## Beers

Name	Brand
B1	Tiger

### Sells

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

 Every time the Lotus Bar sells a new bear, the Cheetah Bar would sell it with 1 dollars less

```
CREATE TRIGGER
                        BeerTrig
 AFTER INSERT ON
                        Sells
 RFFERENCING
     NEW ROW AS NewTuple
 FOR FACH ROW
           (NewTuple.Bar = 'Lotus')
 WHEN
 BEGIN
     DELETE FROM
                        Sells
     WHERE
                  Bar = 'Cheetah' AND Beer = NewTuple.Beer;
     INSERT INTO Sells
           VALUES ('CheeTah', NewTuple.Beer,
                  NewTuple.Price - 1);
 END
```

# Exercise (2)

## Beers

Name	Brand
B1	Tiger

### Sells

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

Every time the Lotus Bar cut the price of a beer by x dollars, the Cheetah Bar would cut the price by 2 \* x dollars

```
CREATE TRIGGER
                        BeerTrig
AFTER UPDATE ON
                        Sells
REFERENCING
    OLD ROW AS OldTuple
    NEW ROW AS NewTuple
FOR EACH ROW
           (OldTuple.Price > NewTuple.Price AND OldTuple.Bar
WHEN
= 'Lotus')
BEGIN
    UPDATE
                  Sells
    SET Price = Price - 2 * (OldTuple.Price - NewTuple.Price)
                 Bar = 'Cheètah' AND Beer = OldTuple.Beer;
    WHERE
END
```

# Exercise (3)

## Beers

Name	Brand
B1	Tiger

### Sells

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

- Every time the Lotus Bar stops selling a beer, if the Cheetah bar sells the beer, it would set the price of the beer to the average price of the Tiger beers sold at the Lotus Bar
- CREATE TRIGGER BeerTrig Sells AFTER DELETE ON REFERENCING OLD ROW AS OldTuple FOR EACH ROW WHEN (OldTuple.Bar = 'Lotus') BEGIN UPDATE Sells SET Price = (SELECT AVG(Price) FROM Beers, Sells WHERE Bar = 'Lotus' AND Brand = Tiger and name = beer) WHERE Bar = 'Cheetah' AND Beer = OldTuple.Beer;

**END** 

## Question

- All customers must have an account balance of at least \$1000 in their account.
  - Do you use Check or Trigger?
- All new customers opening an account must have a balance of \$1000
  - Do you use Check or Trigger?

# Other syntax of triggers

- Before { [ INSERT ] [ , ] [ UPDATE ] [ , ] [
  DELETE ] }
  - WHEN condition is tested before the triggering event is executed
- Instead of {[INSERT][,][UPDATE][
  ,][DELETE]}
  - It overrides Insert, Update, Delete
  - Mostly used for updating a view---to update base tables of view



### BEFORE - Trigger Execution (Example)

### **Employee**

First_Name	Last_Name	Phone

CREATE TRIGGER Last\_Name\_Upper BEFORE INSERT ON Employee REFERENCING NEW ROW AS N FOR EACH ROW N.Last\_Name = Upper(N.Last\_Name);

- No When Clause. The trigger action is executed.
- Then the triggering event (Insert N into Employee) is executed

# BEFORE - Trigger Execution

- 1. WHEN condition is tested before the triggering event
  - If the condition is true then the action of the trigger is executed
- 2. The triggering event is executed, regardless of whether the when condition is true
  - Some DBMS may allow to raise error in action and then triggering event is not executed

#### Action:

 update or validate record values (the same record in the triggering event) before they are saved to the database



### INSTEAD OF - Trigger Execution (Example)

### Likes

Drinker	Beer
John	A1

### Frequent

Drinker	Bar
John	B2

### Sells

<u>Bar</u>	<u>Beer</u>	Price
Lotus	B1	10

CREATE VIEW SELECT FROM WHERE Synergy AS

Likes.drinker, Likes.beer, Sells.bar

Likes, Sells, Frequents

Likes.drinker = Frequents.drinker AND

Likes.beer = Sells.beer AND

Sells.bar = Frequents.bar

view Synergy has (<u>drinker</u>, <u>beer</u>, <u>bar</u>) triples: the bar serves the beer and the drinker frequents the bar and likes the beer

Use a INSTEAD OF trigger to turn a (drinker, beer, bar) triple into three insertions of projected pairs

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### INSTEAD OF - Trigger Execution (Example)

CREATE TRIGGER ViewTrig

INSTEAD OF INSERT ON Synergy

REFERENCING

NEW ROW AS n

FOR EACH ROW

BEGIN

INSERT INTO Likes VALUES(n.drinker, n.beer);

INSERT INTO Sells(bar, beer) VALUES(n.bar, n.beer);

INSERT INTO Frequents VALUES(n.drinker, n.bar);

#### END;

- Semantic: Trigger defined on view. instead of triggering event, we implement action
- Generally it is impossible to modify views because it doesn't exists physically.

# Trigger - Syntax



```
CREATE TRIGGER
                                 triggerName
{BEFORE | AFTER| INSTEAD OF}
   {INSERT | DELETE | UPDATE [OF column-name-list]}
ON table-name
   [REFERENCING [OLD ROW AS var-to-refer-to-old-tuple]
                     [ NEW ROW AS var-to-refer-to-new-tuple]]
                     [ OLD TABLE AS name-to-refer-to-new-table]]
                     [ NEW TABLE AS name-to-refer-to-old-table]]
[FOR EACH { ROW | STATEMENT } ]
                                                Granularity
[ WHEN (precondition) ]
[BEGIN]
statement-list;
[END];
```

### Trigger Execution Granularity (Example)



CREATE TRIGGER BeerTrig

AFTER INSERT ON Sells

REFERENCING NEW ROW AS newTuple

FOR EACH ROW

WHEN (newTuple.beer NOT IN

(SELECT name FROM Beers))

INSERT INTO Beers(name)

VALUES (newTuple.beer);

CREATE TRIGGER RecordNewAvg

AFTER UPDATE OF Salary ON Employee

FOR EACH STATEMENT

INSERT INTO Log

VALUES (Current\_Date, SELECT AVG(Salary) FROM Employee)

# Trigger Execution Granularity



#### **Row level**

- FOR EACH ROW indicates row-level
- Row-level triggers are executed once for each modified (inserted, updated, or deleted) tuple/ row

#### **Statement level**

- Executed once for an SQL statement, regardless of the number of tuples modified
  - even if 0 tuple is modified: An UPDATE statement that makes no changes (condition in the WHERE clause does not affect any tuples)
- If neither is specified, default is "Statement level"

# Trigger - Syntax



```
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                                  triggerName
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    {INSERT | DELETE | UPDATE [OF column-name-list]}
 ON table-name
    [REFERENCING [OLD ROW AS var-to-refer-to-old-tuple]
                      [ NEW ROW AS var-to-refer-to-new-tuple]]
Referencing
                      [ OLD TABLE AS name-to-refer-to-new-table]]
                      [ NEW TABLE AS name-to-refer-to-old-table]]
 [FOR EACH { ROW | STATEMENT } ]
 [ WHEN (precondition) ]
 [BEGIN]
 statement-list;
 [END];
```

# Trigger Referencing a table

```
CREATE TRIGGER FLIGHTS_DELETE
AFTER DELETE ON FLIGHTS
REFERENCING OLD TABLE AS DELETED_FLIGHTS
FOR EACH STATEMENT
BEGIN
DELETE FROM FLIGHT_AVAILABILITY
WHERE FLIGHT_ID IN
(SELECT FLIGHT_ID
FROM DELETED_FLIGHTS);
END
```

- The OLD TABLE maps those rows affected by the triggering event (i.e., only deleted rows of FLIGHT due to the execution of the triggering SQL statement).
  - □ NOT the old version of FLIGHT table before deletion

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