

SQL JOIN & Types of SQL JOIN

A SQL Join is used to fetch or combine data (rows or columns) from two or more tables based on the defined conditions.

Table 1: Order

OrderID	CustomerID	OrderName	ProductName
12025	101	Peter	ABC
12030	105	Robert	XYX
12032	110	James	XYZ
12034	115	Andrew	PQR
12035	120	Mathew	AAA

Table 2: Customer

CustomerID	CustomerName	Country
100	Messy	Maxico
101	Prince	Taiwan
103	Maria Fernandez	Turkey
105	Jasmine	Paris
110	Faf Weasel	Indonesia
120	Romen Rocket	Russia

Now, we have two tables **Order** and the **Customer**. There is a **CustomerID** column common in both tables. So, write the SQL query to define the general relationship to select the matches' records from both tables.

1. Select Order.OrderID, Customer.CustomerName, Customer.Country, Order.ProductName from Order INNER JOIN Customer ON **Order.CustomerID** = Customer.CustomerID;
After executing the above SQL

queries, it produces the following output:

OrderID	CustomerName	Country	ProductName
12025	Prince	Taiwan	ABC
12030	Jasmine	Paris	XYX
12032	Faf Weasel	Indonesia	XYZ
12035	Romen Rocket	Russia	AAA

Types of SQL Join

There are different types of joins used in SQL:

1. Inner Join/Simple Join
2. Left Outer Join/Left Join
3. Right Outer Join/ Right Join
4. Full Outer Join
5. Cross Join
6. Self Join

Inner Join

The inner join is used to select all matching rows or columns in both tables or as long as the defined condition is valid in SQL.

Syntax:

1. Select column_1, column_2, column_3 FROM table_1 INNER JOIN table_2 ON table_1.column = table_2.column;

We can represent the inner join through the Venn diagram, as follows:

Inner Join

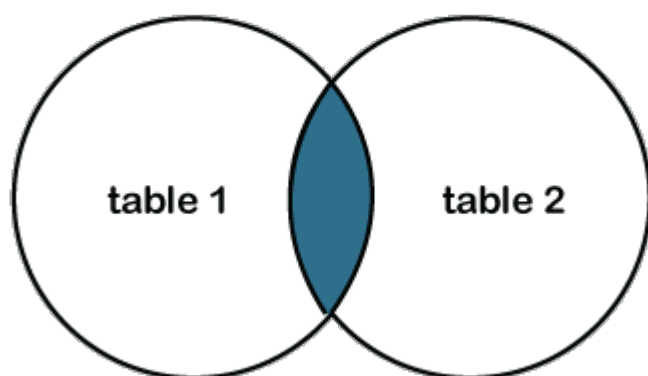


Table 1: Students

Student_ID	StudentName	Subject	TeacherID
101	Alexandra	Computer Science	T201
102	Charles	Economics	T202
103	Tom Cruise	Computer Science	T201
104	Aron Finch	Electronics	T203
105	Siemen Bajoff	Web designing	T204
106	Christopher	English Literature	T205
107	Denim	Fashion Designer	T206

Table 2: Teachers

TeacherID	TeacherName	TeacherEmail
T201	Mr Davis	abc@email.com
T202	Mrs Jonas	jonas@email.com
T201	Mr Davis	abc@email.com
T204	Mrs Lopez	lopez@email.com
T205	Mrs Wiley	wiley@email.com

T206	Mr Bean	bean@email.com
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We have two tables: **Students** and the **Teachers** Tables. Let's write the SQL Queries to join the table using the **INNER JOIN** as follows:

1. Select Student_ID, StudentName, TeacherName, TeacherEmail FROM Students INNER JOIN Teachers ON **Students.TeacherID** = **Teachers.TeacherID**;
After executing the query, it produces the below table.

Student_ID	StudentName	TeacherName	TeacherEmail
101	Alexandra	Mr Davis	abc@email.com
101	Alexandra	Mr Davis	abc@email.com
102	Charles	Mrs Jonas	jonas@email.com
103	Tom Cruise	Mr Davis	abc@email.com
103	Tom Cruise	Mr Davis	abc@email.com
105	Siemen Bajoff	Mrs Lopez	lopez@email.com
106	Chrishtopher	Mrs Wiley	wiley@email.com
107	Denim	Mr Bean	bean@email.com

8 rows in set (0.00 sec)

Natural Join

It is a type of inner type that joins two or more tables based on the same column name and has the same data type present on both tables.

Syntax:

1. Select * from tablename1 Natural JOIN tablename_2;
We have two tables: **Students** and the **Teachers** Tables. Let's write the SQL Queries to join the table using the **Natural JOIN** as follows:
1. Select * from Students Natural JOIN Teachers;
After executing the above query, it produces the following table.

TeacherID	Student_ID	StudentName	Subject	TeacherName	TeacherEmail
T201	101	Alexandra	Computer Science	Mr Davis	abc@email.co
T201	101	Alexandra	Computer Science	Mr Davis	abc@email.co
T202	102	Charles	Economics	Mrs Jonas	jonas@email.
T201	103	Tom Cruise	Computer Science	Mr Davis	abc@email.co
T201	103	Tom Cruise	Computer Science	Mr Davis	abc@email.co
T204	105	Siemen Bajoff	Web Designing	Mrs Lopez	lopez@email.
T205	106	Chrishtopher	English Literature	Mrs Wiley	wiley@email.
T206	107	Denim	Fashion Designer	Mr Bean	bean@email.c

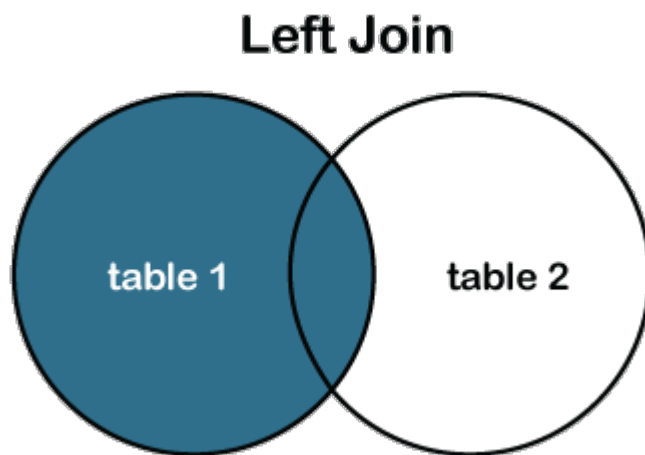
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LEFT JOIN

The LEFT Join is used to retrieve all records from the left table (table1) and the matched rows or columns from the right table (table2). If both tables do not contain any matched rows or columns, it returns the NULL.

Syntax:

1. Select column_1, column_2, column(s) FROM table_1 LEFT JOIN table_2 ON table_1.column_name = table_2.column_name;
We can also represent the left join through the Venn diagram, as follows:



Note: In some databases, LEFT JOIN is also known as LEFT OUTER JOIN.

Table 1: Product_Details

ProductID	ProductName	Amount
Pro101	Laptop	56000
Pro102	Mobile	38000
Pro103	Headphones	5000
Pro104	Television	25000
Pro105	iPad	60000

Table 2: Customer_Details

CustomerName	CustomerAddress	CustomerAge	ProductID
Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	26	Pro101
James	Australia	29	Pro103

Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	27	Pro102
Jofra Archer	South Africa	24	Pro105
Kate Wiley	Australia	20	Pro103

We have two tables: **Product_Details** and the **Customer_Details** Tables. Let's write the SQL Queries to join the table using the **LEFT JOIN** as follows:

1. Select ID, ProductName, CustomerName, CustomerAddress, Amount FROM Product_Details LEFT JOIN Customer_Details ON **Product_Details.ID** = **Customer_Details.ProductID**;
After executing the query, it produces the following table.

ID	ProductName	CustomerName	CustomerAddress	Amount
Pro101	Laptop	Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	56000
Pro102	Mobile	Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	38000
Pro103	HeadPhone	James	Australia	5000
Pro104	Television	NULL	NULL	25000
Pro105	iPad	Jofra Archer	South Africa	60000

5 rows in set (0.02 sec)

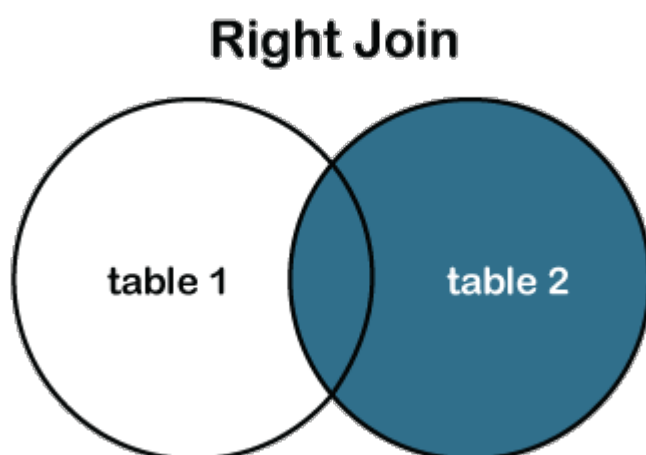
RIGHT JOIN or RIGHT Outer JOIN:

The RIGHT JOIN is used to retrieve all records from the right table (table2) and the matched rows or columns from the left table (table1). If both tables do not contain any matched rows or columns, it returns the NULL.

Syntax:

1. Select column_1, column_2, column(s) FROM table_1 RIGHT JOIN table_2 ON **table_1.column_name** = **table_2.column_name**;

We can also represent the right join through the Venn diagram, as follows:



Note: In some databases, the RIGHT JOIN is also known as the RIGHT OUTER JOIN.

Table 1: Product_Details

ID	ProductName	Amount
Pro101	Laptop	56000
Pro102	Mobile	38000
Pro103	Headphones	5000
Pro104	Television	25000
Pro105	iPad	60000

Table 2: Customer_Details

CustomerName	CustomerAddress	CustomerAge	ProductID
Martin Gupthill	San Francisco, USA	26	Pro101
James	Australia	29	Pro103
Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	27	Pro102
Jofra Archer	South Africa	24	Pro105
Omen	England	29	Pro107
Morgan	England	20	Pro108

We have two tables: **Product_Details** and the **Customer_Details** Tables. Let's write the SQL Queries to join the table using the **RIGHT JOIN** as follows:

1. Select ID, ProductName, CustomerName, CustomerAddress, Amount FROM Product_Details LEFT JOIN Customer_Details ON Product_Details.ID = Customer_Details.ProductID;
After executing the query, it produces the below table.

ID	ProductName	CustomerName	CustomerAddress	Amount
Pro101	Laptop	Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	56000
Pro103	HeadPhone	James	Australia	5000
Pro102	Mobile	Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	38000
Pro105	iPad	Jofra Archer	South Africa	60000
NULL	NULL	Omen	England	NULL
NULL	NULL	Morgan	England	NULL

6 rows in set (0.01 sec)

FULL JOIN or FULL Outer JOIN:

It is a combination result set of both **LEFT JOIN** and **RIGHT JOIN**. The joined tables return all records from both the tables and if no matches are found in the table, it places NULL. It is also called a **FULL Outer JOIN**.

Syntax:

1. Select column_1, column_2, column(s) FROM table_1 FULL JOIN table_2 ON **table_1.column_name** = **table_2.column_name**;
Or, **FULL OUTER JOIN**

1. Select column_1, column_2, column(s) FROM table_1 FULL OUTER JOIN table_2 ON **table_1.column_name** = **table_2.column_name**;
We can also represent the full outer join through the Venn diagram, as follows:

Full Outer Join

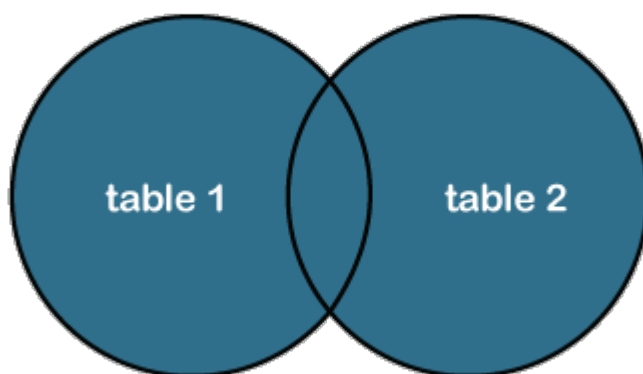


Table 1: Product_Details

ID	ProductName	Amount
Pro101	Laptop	56000
Pro102	Mobile	38000

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Pro10 3	Headphones	5000
Pro10 4	Television	25000
Pro10 5	iPad	60000

Table 2: Customer_Details

CustomerName	CustomerAddress	CustomerAge	ProductID
Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	26	Pro101
James	Australia	29	Pro103
Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	27	Pro102
Jofra Archer	South Africa	24	Pro105
Omen	England	29	Pro107
Morgan	England	20	Pro108

We have two tables: **Product_Details** and the **Customer_Details** Tables. Let's write the SQL Queries to join the table using the **FULL JOIN** as follows:

1. Select ID, ProductName, CustomerName, CustomerAddress, Amount FROM Product_Details FULL JOIN Customer_Details ON **Product_Details.ID** = **Customer_Details.ProductID**;
After executing the query, it produces the below table.

Pro101	Laptop	Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	56000
Pro102	Mobile	Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	38000
Pro103	HeadPhone	James	Australia	5000
Pro104	Television	NULL	NULL	25000
Pro105	iPad	Jofra Archer	South Africa	60000
Pro101	Laptop	Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	56000
Pro103	HeadPhone	James	Australia	5000
Pro102	Mobile	Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	38000
Pro105	iPad	Jofra Archer	South Africa	60000
NULL	NULL	Omen	England	NULL
NULL	NULL	Morgan	England	NULL

Note: MySQL does not support FULL JOIN concepts, so we can use UNION ALL clause to combine both tables.

Here is the Syntax for **UNION ALL** Clause to combine the tables.

1. Select ID, ProductName, CustomerName, CustomerAddress, Amount FROM Product_Details LEFT JOIN Customer_Details ON **Product_Details.ID** = **Customer_Details.ProductID**
2. UNION ALL
3. Select ID, ProductName, CustomerName, CustomerAddress, Amount FROM Product_Details RIGHT JOIN Customer_Details ON **Product_Details.ID** = **Customer_Details.ProductID**

Pro101	Laptop	Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	56000
Pro102	Mobile	Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	38000
Pro103	HeadPhone	James	Australia	5000
Pro104	Television	NULL	NULL	25000
Pro105	iPad	Jofra Archer	South Africa	60000
Pro101	Laptop	Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	56000
Pro103	HeadPhone	James	Australia	5000
Pro102	Mobile	Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	38000
Pro105	iPad	Jofra Archer	South Africa	60000
NULL	NULL	Omen	England	NULL
NULL	NULL	Morgan	England	NULL

CROSS JOIN

It is also known as **CARTESIAN JOIN**, which returns the Cartesian product of two or more joined tables. The **CROSS JOIN** produces a table that merges each row from the first table with each second table row. It is not required to include any condition in CROSS JOIN.

Syntax:

1. Select * from table_1 cross join table_2;
Or,
1. Select column1, column2, column3 FROM table_1, table_2;

Table 1: Product_Details

ID	ProductName	Amount
Pro101	Laptop	56000
Pro102	Mobile	38000
Pro103	Headphones	5000

Pro10 4	Television	25000
Pro10 5	iPad	60000

Table 2: Customer_Details

CustomerName	CustomerAddress	CustomerAge	ProductID
Martin Gupthill	San Francisco, USA	26	Pro101
James	Australia	29	Pro103
Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	27	Pro102
Jofra Archer	South Africa	24	Pro105
Omen	England	29	Pro107
Morgan	England	20	Pro108

We have two tables: **Product_Details** and the **Customer_Details** Tables. Let's write the SQL Queries to join the table using the **FULL JOIN** as follows:

1. Select ID, ProductName, CustomerName, CustomerAddress, Amount FROM Product_Details, Customer_Details;
After executing the query, it produces the below table.

ID	ProductName	CustomerName	CustomerAddress	Amount
Pro101	Laptop	Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	56000
Pro102	Mobile	Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	38000
Pro103	HeadPhone	Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	5000
Pro104	Television	Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	25000
Pro105	iPad	Martin Guptill	San Francisco, USA	60000
Pro101	Laptop	James	Australia	56000
Pro102	Mobile	James	Australia	38000
Pro103	HeadPhone	James	Australia	5000
Pro104	Television	James	Australia	25000
Pro105	iPad	James	Australia	60000
Pro101	Laptop	Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	56000
Pro102	Mobile	Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	38000
Pro103	HeadPhone	Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	5000
Pro104	Television	Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	25000
Pro105	iPad	Ambati Williamson	New Zealand	60000
Pro101	Laptop	Jofra Archer	South Africa	56000
Pro102	Mobile	Jofra Archer	South Africa	38000
Pro103	HeadPhone	Jofra Archer	South Africa	5000
Pro104	Television	Jofra Archer	South Africa	25000
Pro105	iPad	Jofra Archer	South Africa	60000
Pro101	Laptop	Omen	England	56000
Pro102	Mobile	Omen	England	38000
Pro103	HeadPhone	Omen	England	5000
Pro104	Television	Omen	England	25000
Pro105	iPad	Omen	England	60000
Pro101	Laptop	Morgan	England	56000
Pro102	Mobile	Morgan	England	38000
Pro103	HeadPhone	Morgan	England	5000
Pro104	Television	Morgan	England	25000
Pro105	iPad	Morgan	England	60000

30 rows in set (0.00 sec)

SELF JOIN

It is a SELF JOIN used to create a table by joining itself as there were two tables. It makes temporary naming of at least one table in an SQL statement.

Syntax:

1. Select column1, column2, column(s) FROM table_1 Tbl1, table_2 Tbl2 WHERE condition; **Tbl1** and **Tbl2** are two different table aliases for the same table.

Table 1: Product_Details

ID	ProductName	Amount
Pro101	Laptop	56000
Pro102	Mobile	38000

Pro10 3	Headphones	5000
Pro10 4	Television	25000
Pro10 5	iPad	60000

Let's write the SQL Queries to join the table using the **SELF JOIN** as follows:

1. Select TB.ID, TB.ProductName FROM Product_Details TB, Product_Details TB2
 2. WHERE TB.AMOUNT < TB2.AMOUNT;
- After executing the query, it produces the below table.

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| ID      | ProductName |
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| Pro102  | Mobile      |
| Pro103  | HeadPhone   |
| Pro104  | Television   |
| Pro103  | HeadPhone   |
| Pro104  | Television   |
| Pro103  | HeadPhone   |
| Pro101  | Laptop      |
| Pro102  | Mobile      |
| Pro103  | HeadPhone   |
| Pro104  | Television   |
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10 rows in set (0.02 sec)

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