

# Introduction to Data Management

## CSE 344

### Lecture 12: Relational Calculus

# Announcements

- WQ4 due tomorrow night (Tuesday)
- Homework 3 due on Thursday night
- For the material in the last three lectures:  
read *Query Language Primer*, posted on  
the website

# Datalog Summary

- EDB (base relations) and IDB (derived relations)
- Datalog program = set of rules
- Datalog is recursive
- Pure datalog does not have negation;  
if we want negation we say “datalog+negation”
- Multiple atoms in a rule mean join (or intersection)
- Multiple rules with same head mean union
- All variables in the body are existentially quantified
- If we need universal quantifiers, we use DeMorgan’s laws and negation

Friend(name1, name2)

Enemy(name1, name2)

# Review: Datalog

Find Joe's friends, and Joe's friends of friends.

```
A(x) :- Friend('Joe', x)
```

```
A(x) :- Friend('Joe', z), Friend(z, x)
```

Person(name)

Friend(name1, name2)

Enemy(name1, name2)

# Review: Datalog+negation

Find all people such that all their enemies' enemies are their friends

- Assume that if someone doesn't have any enemies nor friends, we also want them in the answer
- (All people) – (people X having some enemy's enemy who is not X's friend)

NonAns(x) :- ....

A(x) :- Person(x), NOT NonAns(x)

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# Review: Datalog+negation

Find all persons x having some friend all of whose enemies are x's enemies.

- (All people x) [(y is a friend of x) – (y has some enemy z who is NOT x's enemy)]

NonAnsFriend(x, y) :- ....

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See the conversion of  
Relational Calculus to datalog + negation  
at the end of these lecture slides  
to understand the above rules

# Next, Relational Calculus

- We will discuss briefly RC in class and mostly cover universal and existential quantifiers so that you can master their usage.
- If you are not sure how to write a complex SQL query, you can do  $RC \Rightarrow \text{Datalog} + \text{negation} \Rightarrow \text{SQL}$
- You already know RC from Discrete Mathematics, under the name Predicate Logic, please review it from your favorite textbook in Discrete Mathematics!

# Relational Calculus

- Aka *predicate calculus* or *first order logic*
- TRC = Tuple RC
  - See book, e.g.  $\{t.id \mid t.lname = 'Bacon'\}$
- DRC = Domain RC = unnamed perspective
  - E.g.  $Q(x) = \exists y \text{ Actor}(x, y, 'Bacon')$
  - We study only this one
  - Also see: *Query Language Primer*

# Relational Calculus

Relational predicate  $P$  is a formula given by this grammar:

$$P ::= \text{atom} \mid P \wedge P \mid P \vee P \mid P \Rightarrow P \mid \text{not}(P) \mid \forall x.P \mid \exists x.P$$

Query  $Q$ :

$$Q(x_1, \dots, x_k) = P$$

Predicate evaluates to true/false on a given database

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Ans: the first/last name of all actors who acted only in 1940

Likes(drinker, beer)

Frequents(drinker, bar)

Serves(bar, beer)

# Important Observation

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$A(x) = \dots$

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$$A(x) = \forall y. \text{Likes}(\text{"Fred"}, y) \Rightarrow \text{Serves}(x, y)$$

- Note: **P => Q** (read P implies Q) is the same as **(not P) OR Q**  
In this query: If Fred likes a beer the bar must serve it ( $P \Rightarrow Q$ )  
In other words: Either Fred does not like the beer (not P) OR the bar serves that beer (Q).

$$A(x) = \forall y. \text{not}(\text{Likes}(\text{"Fred"}, y)) \text{ OR } \text{Serves}(x, y)$$

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# More Examples

Average Joe

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# Domain Independent Relational Calculus

- As in datalog, one can write “unsafe” RC queries; they are also called domain dependent (answer depends on whether entire domain or active domain from the relations is considered)

$A(x) = \text{not Likes}(\text{"Fred"}, x)$

$A(x,y) = \text{Likes}(\text{"Fred"}, x) \text{ OR } \text{Serves}(\text{"Bar"}, y)$

$A(x) = \forall y. \text{Serves}(x,y)$

- Lesson: make sure your RC queries are domain independent (only depends on database)

# Relational Calculus

How to write a complex SQL query:

- Write it in RC
- Translate RC to datalog
- Translate datalog to SQL

Take shortcuts when you know what you're doing

Likes(drinker, beer)

Frequents(drinker, bar)

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# From RC to Datalog<sup>¬</sup> to SQL - 1

**Query:** Find drinkers that like some beer (so much) that they frequent all bars that serve it

$Q(x) = \dots$

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# From RC to Datalog<sup>¬</sup> to SQL - 2

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# From RC to Datalog<sup>¬</sup> to SQL – 3

**Query:** Find drinkers that like some beer so much that they frequent all bars that serve it

$$Q(x) = \exists y. \text{Likes}(x, y) \wedge \forall z. (\text{Serves}(z, y) \Rightarrow \text{Frequents}(x, z))$$

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$\forall x P(x)$  same as  
 $\neg \exists x \neg P(x)$

$\neg(\neg P \vee Q)$  same as  
 $P \wedge \neg Q$

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# From RC to Datalog<sup>¬</sup> to SQL - 4

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$\neg(\neg P \vee Q)$  same as  
 $P \wedge \neg Q$

**Step 2:** Make all *subqueries* domain independent

$$Q(x) = \exists y. \text{Likes}(x, y) \wedge \neg \exists z. (\text{Likes}(x, y) \wedge \text{Serves}(z, y) \wedge \neg \text{Frequents}(x, z))$$

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# From RC to Datalog<sup>¬</sup> to SQL - 5

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$$H(x, y)$$

**Step 3:** Create a datalog rule for each subexpression;  
(shortcut: only for “important” subexpressions)

$$H(x, y) :- \text{Likes}(x, y), \text{Serves}(z, y), \neg \text{Frequents}(x, z)$$
$$Q(x) :- \text{Likes}(x, y), \neg H(x, y)$$

Likes(drinker, beer)

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# From RC to Datalog<sup>¬</sup> to SQL - 6

H(x,y) :- Likes(x,y), Serves(z,y), not Frequents(x,z)

Q(x) :- Likes(x,y), not H(x,y)

Step 4: Write it in SQL

SELECT DISTINCT L.drinker FROM Likes L

WHERE .....

Likes(drinker, beer)

Frequents(drinker, bar)

Serves(bar, beer)

# From RC to Datalog<sup>7</sup> to SQL - 7

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## Step 4: Write it in SQL

SELECT DISTINCT L.drinker FROM Likes L

WHERE not exists

(SELECT \* FROM Likes L2, Serves S

WHERE ... ....)

Likes(drinker, beer)

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# From RC to Datalog<sup>¬</sup> to SQL - 8

H(x,y) :- Likes(x,y), Serves(z,y), not Frequents(x,z)

Q(x) :- Likes(x,y), not H(x,y)

## Step 4: Write it in SQL

```
SELECT DISTINCT L.drinker FROM Likes L  
WHERE not exists  
(SELECT * FROM Likes L2, Serves S  
WHERE L2.drinker=L.drinker and L2.beer=L.beer  
and L2.beer=S.beer  
and not exists (SELECT * FROM Frequents F  
WHERE F.drinker=L2.drinker  
and F.bar=S.bar))
```

Likes(drinker, beer)  
Frequents(drinker, bar)  
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# From RC to Datalog<sup>¬</sup> to SQL - 9

```
H(x,y) :- Likes(x,y), Serves(z,y), not Frequents(x,z)
Q(x)  :- Likes(x,y), not H(x,y)
```

Unsafe rule

Improve the SQL query by using an unsafe datalog rule

```
SELECT DISTINCT L.drinker FROM Likes L
WHERE not exists
(SELECT * FROM Serves S
WHERE L.beer=S.beer
and not exists (SELECT * FROM Frequents F
WHERE F.drinker=L.drinker
and F.bar=S.bar))
```

# Another (old) example:

Person(name)  
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## RC to Datalog<sup>-1</sup>

**Query:** Find all persons x having some friend  
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# Another (old) example: RC to Datalog<sup>¬</sup> - 2

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Note: there are two interpretations (of this type of questions)

- (1) the friend y has to have at least one enemy, then  $[\exists w \text{ Enemy}(y, w)]$  will be added. Just append  $\text{Enemy}(y, w)$  to the final datalog rule
- (2) if the friend y does not have any enemy then that friend y satisfies this condition, which is captured by the expression  $A(x)$  above.
- We are going to assume the second interpretation, for exam/homeworks, either is fine.  
Please mention whatever you are assuming.

# Another (old) example: RC to Datalog<sup>¬</sup> - 3

Person(name)  
Friend(name1, name2)  
Enemy(name1, name2)

**Query:** Find drinkers that like some beer so much that they frequent all bars that serve it

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## RC to Datalog<sup>¬</sup> -4

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A(x)      :- Person(x), Friend(x,y), NOT NonAnsFriend(x,y)
```

# Summary: all these formalisms are equivalent!

- We have seen these translations:
  - RA  $\rightarrow$  datalog $\neg$
  - RC  $\rightarrow$  datalog $\neg$
- Practice at home, or read *Query Language Primer*:
  - Nonrecursive datalog $\neg$   $\rightarrow$  RA
  - RA  $\rightarrow$  RC
- Summary:
  - RA, RC, and non-recursive datalog $\neg$  can express the same class of queries, called **Relational Queries**