ICS 321 Spring 2013 The Database Language SQL (ii)

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UNION, INTERSECT & EXCEPT

- Set-manipulation constructs for result sets of SQL queries that are union-compatible
- Can simplify some complicated SQL queries
- Consider Q5: Find the names of sailors who have reserved a red or a green boat

```
SELECT S1.sname
```

FROM Sailors S1, Reserves R1, Boats B1

WHERE S1.sid=R1.sid

AND R1.bid=B1.bid

AND (B1.color='red' OR B1.color='green')

Q6: Find the names of sailors who have reserved both a red and a green boat

SELECT S1.sname

FROM Sailors S1, Reserves R1, Boats B1

WHERE S1.sid=R1.sid

AND R1.bid=B1.bid

AND (B1.color=`red'

OR AND B1.color='green')

SELECT S1.sname

FROM Sailors S1, Reserves R1, Boats B1,

Reserves R2, Boats B2

WHERE S1.sid=R1.sid AND R1.bid=B1.bid

AND S1.sid=R2.sid AND R2.bid=B2.bid

AND B1.color='red' AND B2.color='green'

Q6 with INTERSECT: Find the names of sailors who have reserved both a red and a green boat

SELECT S1.sname

FROM Sailors S1, Reserves R1, Boats B1

WHERE S1.sid=R1.sid AND R1.bid=B1.bid

AND B1.color='red'

INTERSECT

SELECT S2.sname

FROM Sailors S2, Reserves R2, Boats B2

WHERE S2.sid=R2.sid AND R2.bid=B2.bid

AND B2.color='green'

Q6 Nested: Find the names of sailors who have reserved both a red and a green boat

```
SELECT S3.sname
FROM Sailors S3
WHERE S3.sid IN (
     SELECT S1.sid
     FROM Sailors S1, Reserves R1, Boats B1
     WHERE S1.sid=R1.sid AND R1.bid=B1.bid
                 AND B1.color='red'
     INTERSECT
     SELECT S2.sid
     FROM Sailors S2, Reserves R2, Boats B2
     WHERE S2.sid=R2.sid AND R2.bid=B2.bid
                 AND B2.color=`green')
```

Q5 with UNION: Find the names of sailors who have reserved a red or a green boat

SELECT S1.sname

FROM Sailors S1, Reserves R1, Boats B1

WHERE S1.sid=R1.sid AND R1.bid=B1.bid

AND B1.color='red'

UNION

SELECT S2.sname

FROM Sailors S2, Reserves R2, Boats B2

WHERE S2.sid=R2.sid AND R2.bid=B2.bid

AND B2.color='green'

Q19: Find the sids of sailors who have reserved red boats but not green boats

SELECT S1.sid

FROM Sailors S1, Reserves R1, Boats B1

WHERE S1.sid=R1.sid AND R1.bid=B1.bid

AND B1.color='red'

EXCEPT

SELECT S2.sid

FROM Sailors S2, Reserves R2, Boats B2

WHERE S2.sid=R2.sid AND R2.bid=B2.bid

AND B2.color='green'

Find the sid of sailors who have reserved exactly one boat

SELECT S1.sid

FROM Sailors S1

EXCEPT

SELECT R1.sid

FROM Reserves R1, Boats B1, Reserves R2, Boats B2

WHERE R1.sid=R2.sid AND R1.bid=B1.bid

AND R2.bid=B2.bid AND R1.bid R2.bid

SELECT R3.sid

FROM Reserves R3

EXCEPT

SELECT R1.sid

FROM Reserves R1, Boats B1, Reserves R2, Boats B2

WHERE R1.sid=R2.sid AND R1.bid=B1.bid

AND R2.bid=B2.bid AND R1.bid R2.bid

Nested Queries

Q1: Find the names of sailors who have reserved boat 103

SELECT S.sname
FROM Sailors S, Reserves R
WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND bid=103

SELECT S.sname
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.sid IN (SELECT R.sid
FROM Reserves R
WHERE R.bid=103)

- A <u>nested query</u> is a query that has another query, called a <u>subquery</u>, embedded within it.
- Subqueries can appear in WHERE, FROM, HAVING clauses

Conceptual Evaluation Strategy for Nested Queries

- 1. Compute the cross-product of *relation-list*.
 - If there is a subquery, recursively (re-)compute the subquery using this conceptual evaluation strategy
 - Compute the cross-product over the results of the subquery.
- 2. Discard resulting tuples if they fail qualifications.
 - If there is a subquery, recursively (re-)compute the subquery using this conceptual evaluation strategy
 - Evaluate the qualification condition that depends on the subquery
- 3. Delete attributes that are not in target-list.
- 4. If **DISTINCT** is specified, eliminate duplicate rows.

Q2: Find the names of sailors who have reserved a red boat

```
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.sid IN ( SELECT R.sid
FROM Reserves R
WHERE R.bid IN ( SELECT B.bid
FROM Boats B
WHERE B.color=`red'))
```

Unravel the nesting from the innermost subquery

Q21: Find the names of sailors who have not reserved a red boat

```
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.sid NOT IN ( SELECT R.sid
FROM Reserves R
WHERE R.bid IN ( SELECT B.bid
FROM Boats B
WHERE B.color=`red'))
```

Correlated Nested Queries

Q1: Find the names of sailors who've reserved boat #103

```
SELECT S.sname
FROM Sailors S
WHERE EXISTS ( SELECT *
FROM Reserves R
WHERE R.bid = 103 AND R.sid=S.sid
```

- EXISTS is another set comparison operator, like IN.
- If UNIQUE is used, and * is replaced by R.bid, finds sailors with at most one reservation for boat #103.
 (UNIQUE checks for duplicate tuples; * denotes all attributes. Why do we have to replace * by R.bid?)
- Illustrates why, in general, subquery must be recomputed for each Sailors tuple.

Set Comparison Operators: ANY

 Q22: Find sailors whose rating is better than some sailor called Horatio.

```
SELECT S1.sid
FROM Sailors S1
WHERE S1.rating > ANY ( SELECT S2.rating
FROM Sailors S2
WHERE S2.name=`Horatio')
```

 Subquery must return a row that makes the comparison true, in order for S1.rating>ANY to return true

Set Comparison Operators: ALL

Q23: Find sailors whose rating is better than every sailor.

```
SELECT S1.sid

FROM Sailors S1

WHERE S1.rating >= ALL ( SELECT S2.rating
FROM Sailors S2)
```

 Subquery must return a row that makes the comparison true, in order for S1.rating>ANY to return true

Rewriting INTERSECT Queries using IN

 Q6: Find sid's of sailors who've reserved both a red and a green boat.

```
SELECT S1.sid
        Sailors S1, Boats B1, Reserves R1
WHERE S1.sid=R1.sid AND R1.bid=B1.bid
       AND B1.color='red'
       AND S1.sid IN ( SELECT S2.sid
                      FROM Sailors S2, Boats B2,
                             Reserves R2
                      WHERE S2.sid=R2.sid
                              AND R2.bid=B2.bid
                              AND B2.color='green')
```

Q9: Find the names of sailors who have reserved all boats

```
SELECT S.sname
FROM Sailors S
WHERE NOT EXISTS (( SELECT B.bid
                     FROM Boats B)
                     EXCEPT
                    ( SELECT R.bid
                     FROM Reserves R
                     WHERE R.sid=S.sid ))
```

Q9: Find the names of sailors who have reserved all boats (without EXCEPT)

```
FROM Sailors S
WHERE NOT EXISTS ( SELECT B.bid
FROM Boats B
WHERE NOT EXISTS
( SELECT R.bid
FROM Reserves R
WHERE R.bid=B.bid
AND R.sid=S.sid ))
```