

SQL (Structured Query Language)

[Astrahan, Gray, Lindsay, Selinger, ...]

- IBM Sequel language developed as part of System R project at the IBM San Jose Research Laboratory
- > Renamed Structured Query Language (SQL)
- > ANSI and ISO standard SQL:
 - SQL-86
 - SQL-89
 - SQL-92
 - SQL:1999 (language name became Y2K compliant!)
 - SQL:2003
- Commercial systems offer most, if not all, SQL-92 features, plus varying feature sets from later standards and special proprietary features.
 - Not all examples here may work on your particular system.



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Chapter 3: Introduction to SQL

- > Overview of The SQL Query Language
- > Data Definition
- > Basic Query Structure
- > Additional Basic Operations
- > Set Operations
- > Null Values
- > Aggregate Functions
- > Nested Subqueries
- > Modification of the Database



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Domain Types in SQL

char(n) Fixed length character string, with user-specified length n.

varchar(n) Variable length character strings, with maximum length n.

> int. Integer (a finite subset of the integers).

> smallint Small integer (a subset of the integer domain type).

- > numeric(p,d) Fixed point number, with user-specified precision of p digits, with d digits to the right of decimal point.
- real, double precision. Floating point and double-precision floating point numbers.
- float(n). Floating point number, with user-specified precision of at least n digits.
- More domains are discussed in chapter 4 (date, currency, etc.)



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Create Table Construct

> An SQL relation is defined using the create table command:

create table r (A_1 D_1 , A_2 D_2 , ..., A_n D_n , (integrity-constraint₁), ..., (integrity-constraint_k))

- r is the name of the relation
- each A_i is an attribute name in the schema of relation r
- D_i is the data type of values in the domain of attribute A_i

Integrity constraints

- > not null
- \rightarrow primary key $(A_1, ..., A_n)$
- \rightarrow foreign key (A_m , ..., A_n) references r



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Integrity Constraints in Create Table

Example: Declare ID as the primary key for instructor

create table instructor (
ID char(5),
name varchar(20) not null,
dept_name varchar(20),

salary numeric(8,2),

primary key (ID),

foreign key (dept_name) references department)

primary key declaration ensures not null

insert into *instructor* values ('10211', 'Smith', 'Biology', 66000); insert into *instructor* values ('10211', null, 'Biology', 66000);



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And a Few More Relation Definitions

> create table student (

ID varchar(5) primary key,name varchar(20) not null,

dept_name varchar(20),
tot_cred varchar(20),

foreign key (dept_name) references department);

create table takes (

ID varchar(5), Can we remove sec_id from the primary key?

course_id varchar(8), sec_id varchar(8), semester varchar(6), year numeric(4,0), grade varchar(2),

primary key (ID, course_id, sec_id, semester, year),

foreign key (ID) references student,

foreign key (course_id, sec_id, semester, year) references section);

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Drop and Alter Table Constructs

drop table

> alter table

- alter table r add A D
 - where A is the name of the attribute to be added to relation r and D is the domain of A.
 - All tuples in the relation are assigned null as the value for the new attribute.
- alter table r drop A
 - where A is the name of an attribute of relation r
 - Dropping of attributes not supported by many databases.



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Basic SQL Structure

Basic commands

Retrieve: select

Update: insert, delete, update

Example

select e.name

from emp e [from emp as e]

where e.age >30;

Comments

- > e is a tuple variable ranging over the emp relation
- a tuple variable followed by a dot and an attribute is an indexed tuple variable and specifies the corresponding attribute of the tuple
- > what follows the select keyword is the target list (e.name)
- what follows the from is called the tuple variable list and consists of a list of relations and variable names
- what follows the where keyword is the qualification clause. It is an arbitrary Boolean expression.

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> Basic format of select

 select
 [distinct]
 target_list

 from
 tuple_variable_list

 where
 qualification

 [group by
 group_list_subset]

 [order by
 target_list_subset];

- > Semantics
- > Form the Cartesian product of all relations in the from clause
- evaluate qualification: select the subset of the cartesian product that satisfies the qualification.
- > apply grouping: partition the above subset into
- apply order and eliminate duplicates: if distinct, remove duplicate tuples and order the tuples according to the order by clause.
- > evaluate target list: eliminate columns from above that are not in the target list o



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SQL

> We'll write several queries on the following relational schema in SQL.

sailors(sid,sname,rating) boats(bid, bname,color) reserve(sid,bid,date)

(1) Find the names of sailors who have reserved boat #2

select s.sname from sailors s, reserve r where s.sid=r.sid and r.bid=2

(2) Find the names of sailors who have reserved red boat.

select s.sname from sailors s, boats b, reserve r where s.sid=r.sid and r.bid=b.bid and b.color="red"



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sailors(sid,sname,rating) boats(bid, bname,color) reserve(sid,bid,date)

(3) find the colors of boats reserved by Pat

select b.color

from sailor s, boats b, reserve r

where s.sid=r.sid and r.bid=b.bid and s.sname="Pat"

(4) Find the names of sailors who have reserved at least one boat.

select s.sname

from sailor s, reserve r where s.sid=r.sid



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sailors(sid,sname,rating) boats(bid, bname,color) reserve(sid,bid,date)

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(5) Find the names of sailor who have reserved a red or green boat

select s.sname

from sailors s, boats b, reserve r

where s.sid=r.sid and r.bid=b.bid and (b.color="red" or b.color="green")

(6) Find the names of sailors who have reserved both a red and a green boat

select s.sname

from sailors s, boats b, reserve r, boats b2, reserve r2
where s.sid=r.sid and r.bid=b.bid and b.color="red"
and s.sid=r2.sid and r2.bid=b2.bid and b2.color="green"



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sailors(sid,sname,rating) boats(bid, bname,color) reserve(sid,bid,date)

More on target lists:

- is an abbreviation for all attributes in the from clause list
- each item in a target list can be as general as attribute_name =expression, where expression is any arithmetic or string expression over indexed tuple variables and constants. It can also contain some built-in function like sqrt, sin, mod, etc., as well as aggregates (coming up)

Example: With rating an integer from 1 to 10, this query "gives bonus" to persons who sailed two different boats on the same day

select s.sname, rrating=s.rating+2 from sailors s, reserve r, reserve r2

where s.sid=r.sid and s.sid=r2.sid and r.date=r2.date and r.bid != r2.bid

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SQL

sailors(sid,sname,rating) boats(bid, bname,color) reserve(sid,bid,date)

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Qualifications: Each item in a qualification can be general as expression=expression.

Example:

select name1=s1.sname, name2=s2.sname

from sailors s1 s2

where 2*s1.rating=s2.rating-1



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Further elaboration:

- > Tuple variables can be implicit if the system can figure out which relation each attribute belongs to.
- > Table names can be used as tuple variables.

Example: Find names, ages, and departments of employees who are over 40 and work on the first floor.

select ename,age, emp.dname

from emp, dept

where age>40 and floor=1 and emp.dname=dept.dname



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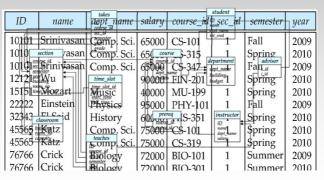
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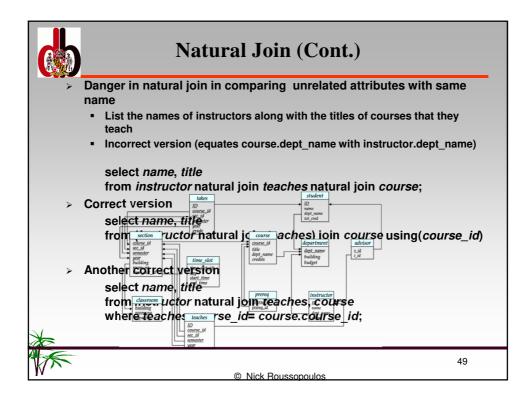
Natural Join

> Natural join matches tuples with the same values for all common attributes, and retains only one copy of each common column

select * from instructor natural join teaches;



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The Rename Operation

- > The SQL allows renaming relations and attributes using the as clause: old-name as new-name
- ➤ E.g.,

select ID, name, salary/12 as monthly_salary from instructor

> Find the names of all instructors who have a higher salary than some instructor in 'Comp. Sci'.

select distinct *T. name* from *instructor* as *T, instructor* as *S* where *T.salary* > *S.salary* and *S.dept_name* = 'Comp. Sci.'

≻ Keyword as is optional and may be omitted instructor as T ≡ instructor T



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String Operations

- SQL includes a string-matching operator for comparisons on character strings. The operator "like" uses patterns that are described using two special characters:
 - percent (%). The % character matches any substring.
 - underscore (_). The _ character matches any character.
- Find the names of all instructors whose name includes the substring "dar".

select *name* from *instructor* where *name* like '%dar%'

Match the string "100 %"

like '100 \%' escape '\'

- > SQL supports a variety of string operations such as
 - concatenation (using "||")
 - converting from upper to lower case (and vice versa)
 - finding string length, extracting substrings, etc.



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Ordering the Display of Tuples

- List in alphabetic order the names of all instructors select distinct name from instructor order by name
- We may specify desc for descending order or asc for ascending order, for each attribute; ascending order is the default.
 - Example: order by name desc
- > Can sort on multiple attributes
 - Example: order by dept_name, name



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Where Clause Predicates

- > SQL includes a between comparison operator
- > Example: Find the names of all instructors with salary between \$90,000 and \$100,000 (that is, \geq \$90,000 and \leq \$100,000)

select *name* from *instructor* where *salary* between 90000 and 100000;

> Tuple comparison

select name, course_id from instructor, teaches where (instructor.ID, dept_name) = (teaches.ID, 'Biology');



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Duplicates

> In relations with duplicates, SQL treats the relations as multiset relations unless otherwise specified

select $A_{1_{1_1}}, A_{2_1}, ..., A_{n_1}$ from $r_1, r_2, ..., r_m$ where P

- Multiset versions of some of the relational algebra operators given multiset relations r_1 and r_2 :
 - 1. $\sigma_{\theta}(r_1)$: If there are c_1 copies of tuple t_1 in r_1 , that satisfy θ , then there are c_1 copies of t_1 in $\sigma_{\theta}(r_1)$.
 - 2. $\Pi_A(r)$: For each copy of tuple t_1 in r_1 , there is a copy of tuple $\Pi_A(t_1)$ in $\Pi_A(r_1)$ where $\Pi_A(t_1)$
 - 3. $r_1 \times r_2$: If there are c_1 copies of tuple t_1 in r_1 and c_2 copies of tuple t_2 in r_2 , there are $c_1 \times c_2$ copies of the tuple t_1 . t_2 in $t_1 \times t_2$



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Duplicates (Cont.)

> Example: Suppose multiset relations r_1 (A, B) and r_2 (C) are as follows:

$$r_1 = \{(1, a) \quad r_2 = \{(2) \\ (2, a)\}$$
 (3) (3)}

- > $\Pi_B(r_1) = \{(a), (a)\}$
- > $\Pi_B(r_1) \times r_2 = \{(a,2), (a,2), (a,3), (a,3), (a,3), (a,3)\}$



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Null Values

- It is possible for tuples to have a null value, denoted by null, for some of their attributes
- > null signifies an unknown value or that a value does not exist
- > The result of any arithmetic expression involving *null* is *null*
 - Example: 5 + null returns null
- > The predicate is null can be used to check for null values.
 - Example: Find all instructors whose salary is null.
 select name
 from instructor
 where salary is null



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Null Values and Three Valued Logic

- Any comparison with null returns unknown
 - Example: 5 < null or null <> null or null = null
- > Three-valued logic using the truth value *unknown*:
 - OR: (unknown or true) = true, (unknown or false) = unknown (unknown or unknown) = unknown
 - AND: (true and unknown) = unknown, (false and unknown) = false, (unknown and unknown) = unknown
 - NOT: (not unknown) = unknown
- Result of where clause predicate is treated as false if it evaluates to unknown



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SQL Aggregates

> These functions operate on the multiset of values of a column of a relation, and return a value

avg: average value min: minimum value max: maximum value sum: sum of values count: number of values



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SQL Aggregates

- Find the average salary of instructors in the Computer Science department
 - select avg (salary) from instructor where dept_name= 'Comp. Sci.';
- Find the total number of instructors who teach a course in the Spring 2010 semester
 - select count (distinct ID) from teaches where semester = 'Spring' and year = 2010
- > Find the number of tuples in the course relation
 - select count (*) from course;



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Aggregate Functions – Group By

- > Find the average salary of instructors in each department
 - select dept_name, avg (salary) as avg_salary from instructor group by dept_name;

ID	пате	dept_name	salary
76766	Crick	Biology	72000
45565	Katz	Comp. Sci.	75000
10101	Srinivasan	Comp. Sci.	65000
83821	Brandt	Comp. Sci.	92000
98345	Kim	Elec. Eng.	80000
12121	Wu	Finance	90000
76543	Singh	Finance	80000
32343	El Said	History	60000
58583	Califieri	History	62000
15151	Mozart	Music	40000
33456	Gold	Physics	87000
22222	Einstein	Physics	95000

avg salary
72000
77333
80000
85000
61000
40000
91000

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Aggregation (Cont.)

cannot mix tuple and aggregate values (attributes in select clause outside of aggregate functions must appear in the "group by" list)

select dept_name; ID, avg (salary) from instructor group by dept_name;

- > multiple attribute "group by"
 - count the number of rooms used by course sections for each building per year

select building, year, count(room_no)

from section group by building, year



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Aggregate Functions – Having Clause

Find the names and average salaries of all departments whose average salary is greater than 42000

select dept_name, avg (salary) from instructor group by dept_name having avg (salary) > 42000;

Note: predicates in the having clause are applied after the formation of groups whereas predicates in the where clause are applied before forming groups



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Null Values and Aggregates

> Total all salaries

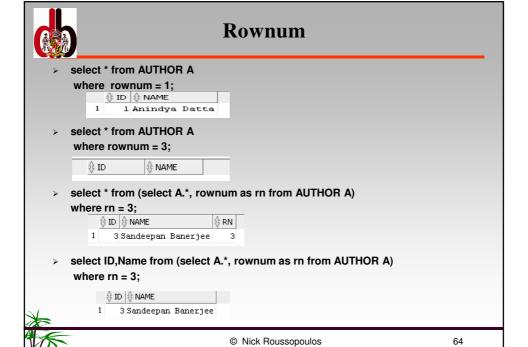
select sum (salary) from instructor

- Above statement ignores null amounts
- Result is *null* if there is no non-null amount (all values are null)
- > All aggregate operations except count(*) ignore tuples with null values on the aggregated attributes
- > What if collection has only null values?
 - count returns 0
 - all other aggregates return null



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SQL Set Operators

> union, intersect, and minus (except).

<u>Example</u>: Find the names of employees who work in the toy department and make at most 60K.

(select ename from emp

where dname="toy")

minus

(select ename from emp where sal>60K)



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SQL Nested Queries

np	ename	sal	dept	Dept	dept
	Gary	30K	toy		candy
	Shirley	35K	candy		
	Christos	37K	shoe		to y
	Robin	22K	tov		men
	Uma	30K	shoe		shoe
	Tim	12K			

- A common use of subqueries is to perform tests for set membership, set comparisons, and set cardinality.
 - in" tests for set membership
 - "not in" tests for non membership

Example: Find names of employees who work on the 1st floor.

select ename

from emp select ename where dname in from emp

 (select
 dname
 where
 dname not in

 from
 dept
 (select
 dname

 where
 floor=1)
 from
 dept

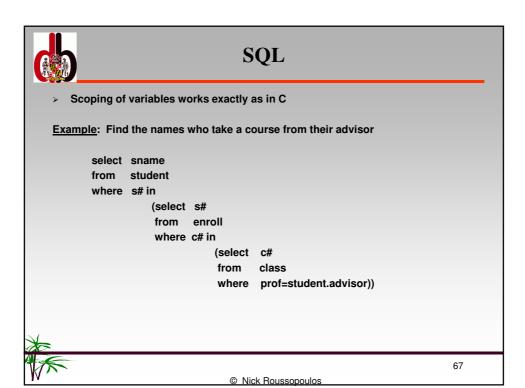
 where
 floor=1)
 where
 floor=1)

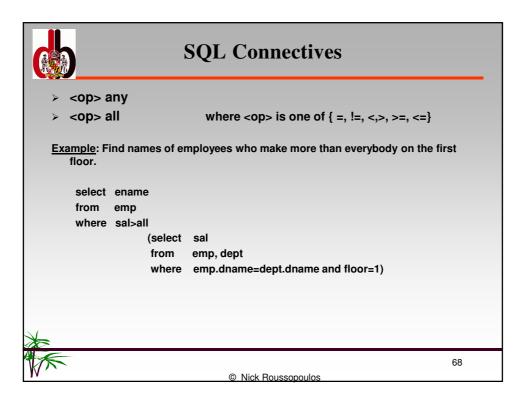
The same query in flat form is:

select ename from emp, dept

where emp.dname=dept.dname and floor=1

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Set Comparison

Find names of instructors with salary greater than that of some (at least one) instructor in the Biology department.

■ Same query without "> some" clause

select distinct *T.name*from *instructor* as *T*, *instructor* as *S*where *T.salary* > *S.salary* and *S.dept name* = 'Biology';



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Definition of Some Clause

> F <op> some $r \Leftrightarrow \exists t \in r \text{ such that } (F < op > t)$ Where <op> can be: <, \leq , >, =, \neq

(5 < some $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$) = true (read: 5 < some tuple in the relation)

 $(5 < some \boxed{ 0 }$) = false

 $(5 = some \begin{vmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \end{vmatrix}) = true$

 $(5 \neq \text{some} \quad \boxed{0 \atop 5}) = \text{true (since } 0 \neq 5)$

Note: (= some) \equiv in But (\neq some) \neq not in

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Example Query

Find the names of all instructors whose salary is greater than the salary of all instructors in the Biology department.

select name
from instructor
where salary > all (select salary
from instructor
where dept name = 'Biology');



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Definition of all Clause

F < op> all $r \Leftrightarrow \forall t \in r \text{ (F < op> t)}$

$$(5 < all \begin{vmatrix} 6 \\ 10 \end{vmatrix}) = true$$

$$(5 = all \begin{vmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{vmatrix}) = false$$

$$(5 \neq \text{all } 6)$$
) = true (since $5 \neq 4$ and $5 \neq 6$)

Note (≠ all) is equivalent to not in see example 4 above But (= all) is not equivalent to in see example 3 above

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Test for Empty Relations

> The exists construct returns the value true if the argument subquery is nonempty.

> not exists is true if subquery returns a nonempty result



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Correlation Variables

"Find all courses taught in both the Fall 2009 semester and in the Spring 2010 semester"

select course_id
from section as S
where semester = 'Fall' and year= 2009 and
exists (select *
from section as T
where semester = 'Spring' and year= 2010
and S.course_id= T.course_id);

- > Correlated subquery
- > Correlation name or correlation variable



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Not Exists

Find all students who have taken all courses offered in the Biology department.

- Note that $X Y = \emptyset \iff X \subseteq Y$
- Note: Cannot write this query using = all and its variants



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Test for Absence of Duplicate Tuples

- > The unique construct tests whether a subquery has any duplicate tuples in its result.
- > Find all courses that were offered at most once in 2009

select T.course_id
from course as T
where unique (select R.course_id
from section as R
where T.course_id= R.course_id
and R.year = 2009);



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Derived Relations in the "from clause"

- > SQL allows a subquery expression to be used in the "from clause"
- Find the average instructors' salaries of those departments where the average salary is greater than \$42,000."

select dept_name, avg_salary
from (select dept_name, avg (salary) as avg_salary
from instructor
group by dept_name)
where avg_salary > 42000;

- > Note that we do not use the having clause
- > Another way to write above query

select dept_name, avg_salary
from (select dept_name, avg (salary)
from instructor
group by dept_name) as dept_avg (dept_name, avg_salary)
where avg_salary > 42000;



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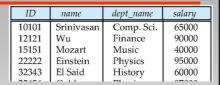


Views

- In some cases, it is not desirable for all users to see the entire table
- > Students need to know an instructors name and department, but not the salary.

select *ID*, *name*, *dept_name* from *instructor*

Any relation other than the "base relational schema" but is made visible to a user via a query ("virtual relation") is called a view.



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View Definition

A view is defined using the create view statement which has the form

create view v as < query expression >

where <query expression> is any legal SQL expression. The view name is represented by $\emph{v}.$

- > Once a view is defined, the view name can be used to refer to the virtual relation that the view generates.
- View definition is not the same as creating a new relation by evaluating the query expression
 - Rather, a view definition causes the saving the definition of a query expression;
- Query Modification: when a query uses a view, the defining expression is substituted in its place.

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Example Views

 A view of instructors without their salary create view faculty as

select ID, name, dept_name from instructor;

> Create a view of department salary totals

create view departments_total_salary(dept_name, total_salary) as
 select dept_name, sum (salary)
 from instructor
 group by dept_name;



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Views Defined Using Other Views

create view physics_fall_2009 as select course.course_id, sec_id, building, room_number from course, section where course.course_id = section.course_id and course.dept_name = 'Physics' and section.semester = 'Fall' and section.year = '2009';

create view physics_fall_2009_watson as select course_id, room_number from physics_fall_2009 where building= 'Watson';





With Clause

- > The with clause provides a way of defining a temporary view whose definition is available only to the query in which the with clause occurs.
- > Find all departments with the maximum budget

with max_budget (value) as
 (select max(budget)
 from department)
select budget
from department, max_budget
where department.budget = max_budget.value;



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Complex Queries using With Clause

> Find all departments where the total salary is greater than the average of the total salary at all departments

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with dept_total (dept_name, value) as
    (select dept_name, sum(salary)
    from instructor
    group by dept_name),
dept_total_avg(value) as
    (select avg(value)
    from dept_total)
select dept_name
from dept_total, dept_total_avg
where dept_total.value >= dept_total_avg.value;
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SQL Updates

> Insert command format:

insert into relation_name values (value_list)

or

insert into relation_name select_statement

- > Semantics of insert:
 - Format 1: Add the tuple corresponding to value_list into relation_name.
 - Format 2: Execute the select statement, and then add the resulting tuples into relation_name.

Example:

insert into student

values(1, "Carey", "CS", "Stonebraker")



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SQL Updates

Example: Suppose we have a relation register(s#, name, paid),

in which registered students are recorded. After the end of registration week, we execute

insert into student

select r.s#, r.name from register r where r.paid="yes"



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SQL Delete

> Delete command format:

<u>delete</u> relation_name <u>where</u> qualification

> Semantics of delete: Execute the corresponding select command i.e.,

select full_target_list from relation_name where qualification

and then remove the resulting tuples from relation_name.



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SQL Delete

The following command expels CS majors who received less than 1.5 in a CS course:

delete student

where major="CS" and s# in

(select s# from enroll, course

where enroll.s#student.s# and grade < 1.5 and enroll.c#course.c# and dept="CS")



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SQL Update

> Update format

update relation_name set target_list where qualification

- 1. Semantics of update: it is equivalent to executing the following:
 - 1. insert into del_temp

select full_target_list from relation_name

where qualification

2. insert into app_temp

select ext_target_list from relation_name where qualification The difference of ext_target_list from full_ target_list is that the former is augmented with tuple_variable.attr_name for all attributes of the from relation(s) that don't appear in full_target_list

- 3. remove the tuples in del_temp from relation_name
- 4. add the tuples in app_temp into relation_name.

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SQL Update

Example: Give a 10% grade raise in every CS major in CS564.

update enroll

set grade=1.1 * grade where c#="CS564" and s# in

(select s# from student where major="CS")

The equivalent

insert into del_temp insert into app_temp
select s#,c#,grade select s#,c#,grade=1.1 * grade
from enroll
where c#="CS564" and s# in
(select s#

insert into app_temp
select s#,c#,grade=1.1 * grade
from enroll
where c#="CS564" and s# in
(select s#

(select s# (select s# from student from student where major="CS") where major="CS")

then do (enroll minus del_temp) union app_temp

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Outer Joins

- An extension of the join operation that avoids loss of information.
- Computes the join and then adds tuples form one relation that does not match tuples in the other relation to the result of the join.
- > Uses null values.



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Left Outer Join

Course

course_id	title	dept_name	credits
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3

prereq

course_id	prereg_id
BIO-301	BIO-101
CS-190	CS-101
CS-347	CS-101

■ course natural left outer join prereq

course_id	title	dept_name	credits	prere_id
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4	BIO-101
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4	CS-101
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3	null



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Right Outer Join

Course

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BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3

prereq

course_id	prereg_id
BIO-301	BIO-101
CS-190	CS-101
CS-347	CS-101

■ course natural right outer join prereq

course_id	title	dept_name	credits	prere_id
CS-190	Genetics Game Design	Biology Comp. Sci.	4 4	BIO-101 CS-101
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Full Outer Join

Course

course_id	title	dept_name	credits
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3

prereq

course_id	prereg_id
BIO-301	BIO-101
CS-190	CS-101
CS-347	CS-101

■ course natural full outer join prereq

course_id	title	dept_name	credits	prere_id
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4	BIO-101
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4	CS-101
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3	null
CS-347	null	null	null	CS-101



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Update of a View

Add a new tuple to faculty view which we defined earlier insert into faculty values ('30765', 'Green', 'Music');
This insertion causes an insertion into the instructor relation of the tuple:

('30765', 'Green', 'Music', null)

- > Most SQL implementations allow updates only on simple views
 - The key is in the view definition and the value is specified; other attributes can be omitted and are set to null.
 - No expressions, aggregates, or distinct specification in the select clause
 - No join, group by or having clause views
 - The query does not have a group by or having clause.



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Integrity Constraints

- Numerical constraints
 - kevs
 - quantified constraints of relationships (1-1, 1-N)
- Domain constraints
 - type declarations
 - fixed length char strings
 - [small] integer
 - · floating point, double precision
 - extensions
 - date
 - currency
 - NULL values
 - for values to be filled in later on
 - primary keys cannot have NULL value
 - some attributes can be specified as NOT NULL
- Key constraints
 - keys have unique values
 - primary key- a candidate key declared primary
 - unique key- a candidate key
 - foreign key- a set of attributes that are primary keys for other relations)



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Referential Integrity

a value in a tuple of a relation must appear in at least one tuple of another relation, e.g. every value of eno in WORKS-IN is in at least one tuple of EMP

EMP(eno,ename,sal)
DEPT(dno,dname,floor)
WORKS-IN(eno,dno,hours)
eno: foreign key dno: foreign key

- > referential integrity
 - $\begin{array}{ccc} \pi & (WORKS\text{-IN}) \subseteq & \pi & (EMP) \\ & \text{eno} & & \text{eno} \end{array}$
- > Updates may violate ref. integrity constraints
 - insertion: inserts in the referencing relation a value that is not in the referenced one
 - update: referencing relation (as insertions)
 - deletion: delete a tuple referenced from the referencing relation
 - update: referenced relation (as deletions)



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Assertions

> declare arbitrary expressions that have to be satisfied

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assertion = predicate expression
e.g. GPA > 2.8
sum(all_charges) < credit_line
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> SQL:

When assertion is introduced, the condition is validated and if not rejected. After that it stays a a watchdog for violations- VERY expensive



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Triggers



- trigger is a statement that is executed when an update is applied to the database
- > the trigger has 2 parts
 - condition under which the trigger is executed
 - the actions to be taken when executed

e.g.

define trigger overdraft on update of account T

(if new T.balance < 0 then (insert into borrow values

(T.branch.name, T.account-number, T.customer-name, T.balance)

update deposit S

set S.balance = 0

where S.account-number = T.account-number))

- > triggers make the system reactive
- > triggers are also called active rules and they are also VERY expensive



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Large-Object Types

- Large objects (photos, videos, CAD files, etc.) are stored as a large object:
 - blob: binary large object -- object is a large collection of uninterpreted binary data (whose interpretation is left to an application outside of the database system)
 - clob: character large object -- object is a large collection of character data
 - When a query returns a large object, a pointer is returned rather than the large object itself.



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Authorization Specification in SQL

> The grant/revoke statement is used to authorize/de-authorize

grant select on (id,ename) on emp to Jeff,Jim,Joe; grant update (adr) on emp to public; grant delete on emp to Joe; revoke select on emp from Jeff; revoke update (adr) on emp from public;

- > The format is
 - grant <privilege list> on <relation name or view name> to <user list>
 <user list> is: a user-id, public
- > Granting a privilege on a view does not imply granting any privileges on the underlying relations.
- > The grantor of the privilege must already hold the privilege on the specified item (or be the dba).



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