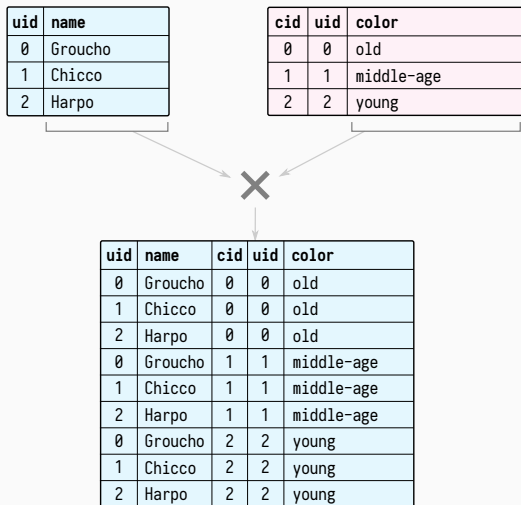


SELECT from multiple relations

If we use more than one table in a **SELECT**, the cartesian product is produced:

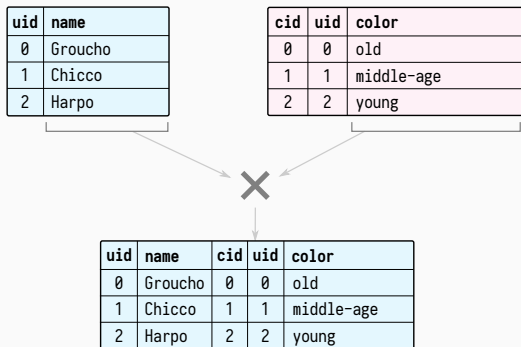
```
SELECT *  
FROM r1, r2;
```



Filtering the Cartesian Product

To produce the desired result, we have to restrict the cartesian product:

```
SELECT *  
FROM r1, r2  
WHERE  
    r2.uid = r1.uid;
```



More Examples

List Addresses with city name:

```
SELECT address.address, city.city  
FROM address, city  
WHERE address.city_id = city.city_id;
```

List all cities with country name:

```
SELECT city.city, country.country  
FROM city, country  
WHERE city.country_id = country.country_id;
```

Abbreviation with AS

We can assign an alias to tables to be able to refer to them more easily

```
SELECT a.address, c.city  
FROM address AS a, city AS c  
WHERE a.city_id = c.city_id;
```

The AS keyword is optional

```
SELECT a.address, c.city  
FROM address a, city c  
WHERE a.city_id = c.city_id;
```

NATURAL JOIN

The "natural" join assumes columns with *the same name*.

```
SELECT a.city, b.country  
FROM city a NATURAL JOIN country b;
```

You can rename columns with ALTER TABLE:

```
ALTER TABLE users RENAME COLUMN id TO uid;
```

Problems

- Sometimes different columns have identical names and no relationship and a NATURAL JOIN is not possible.

JOIN ... USING

When a NATURAL JOIN is not possible, we can specify which columns to match with USING:

```
SELECT a.city, b.country  
FROM city a JOIN country b  
USING(country_id);
```

```
SELECT a.address, c.city  
FROM address a JOIN city c  
USING(city_id);
```

If ID columns do not have identical names, with **ON** we can specify a general condition:

```
SELECT ci.city, co.country
FROM city ci
JOIN country co
ON ci.country_id = co.id;
```

```
SELECT c.first_name, c.last_name, s.store_id
FROM customer c
JOIN store s
ON c.store_id = s.id;
```

Joining 3 Tables

What cities do customers live in (hierarchical):

```
SELECT c.first_name, c.last_name, ci.city
FROM customer c
JOIN address a USING(address_id)
JOIN city ci USING(city_id)
ORDER BY ci.city;
```

Show each film with category (free interaction):

```
SELECT f.title, f.release_year, c.name as category
FROM film f
JOIN film_category USING(film_id)
JOIN category c USING(category_id)
ORDER BY f.title;
```


Joining 4 Tables

What movies did all customers rent

```
SELECT c.first_name, c.last_name, f.title, r.rental_date
FROM customer c
JOIN rental r USING(customer_id)
JOIN inventory USING(inventory_id)
JOIN film f USING(film_id);
```

Joining 6 Tables

What movies of "Family" category did all customers rent:

```
SELECT c.first_name, c.last_name, r.rental_date, f.title
FROM customer c
JOIN rental r USING(customer_id)
JOIN inventory USING(inventory_id)
JOIN film f USING(film_id)
JOIN film_category USING(film_id)
JOIN category USING(category_id)
WHERE category.name = 'Family'
ORDER BY r.rental_date;
```

INNER JOINS vs OUTER JOINS

The **INNER JOIN** will show only the intersection between tuples in the cartesian product.

In a **SELECT** like

```
SELECT * from ta NATURAL JOIN tb;
```

there could be:

- Tuples in **ta** with no related tuples in **tb**,
- Tuples in **tb** with no related tuples in **ta**.

OUTER JOINS just list this unpaired tuples.

LEFT JOIN

If we do a **INNER JOIN** for inventory, certain films will not appear because they do not have copies.

```
SELECT f.film_id, f.title, i.inventory_id  
FROM film f  
LEFT JOIN inventory i USING(film_id);
```

To specifically show films with no inventory:

```
SELECT f.film_id, f.title, i.inventory_id  
FROM film f  
LEFT JOIN inventory i USING(film_id)  
WHERE i.inventory_id IS NULL;
```