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Relational Query Languages – SQL

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For related literature in English see [Chapter 5](#) of
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Overview

- 1 SQL then and now
- 2 Data Query Language
- 3 Data Definition Language
- 4 Data Manipulation Language

SQL then and now

SQL was developed based on relational algebra and relational calculus

declarative language

processing translation of the query through parser in a relational algebra and optimization through query optimizer of the DBMS (VU “Advanced Database Systems”)

relations are represented by tables

SQL offers a standardized

- data definition languages (DDL)
- data manipulation language (DML)
- query language

SQL then and now

SQL 99: extended SQL 92 with object relational constructs, recursive queries and trigger

SQL 2003: offers extended support for nested tables, merge operations and XML based features

SQL 2006: bridge to XML, XQuery

SQL 2008, 2011: 2011 introduces temporal data

SQL 2016: a.o. JSON, current standard

System R (IBM): first DBMS prototype, language: Structured English Query Language \Rightarrow SQL

DBMS: Oracle (Oracle Corporation), Informix (Informix), SQL-Server (Microsoft), DB2 (IBM), PostgreSQL, MySQL

Query Language

- 1 simple SQL queries
- 2 queries over several relations
- 3 set operations
- 4 aggregate functions
- 5 aggregate and grouping
- 6 nested queries
- 7 existentially quantified queries
- 8 universally quantified queries
- 9 null values
- 10 special language construct

Simple SQL Queries

Example

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select *  
from professor;
```

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professor			
persNr	name	rank	room
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distinct ... eliminates duplicates from the result

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from professor  
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```

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professor	
name	room
Popper	52

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table: name of the table that will be searched

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Simple SQL Queries

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persNr and name of all C4-professors

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```
select    persNr, name
from      professor
where     rank='C4';
```


Simple SQL Queries – Sorting

Example (sorting)

persNr name and rank of all professors, sorted by **rank in descending order** and by **name in ascending order**

result		
persNr	name	rank
2136	Curie	C4
2137	Kant	C4
2126	Russel	C4
2125	Sokrates	C4
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select persNr, name, rank
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order by rank desc, name asc;
```

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2136	Curie	C4
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2126	Russel	C4
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Simple SQL Queries

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information from table: professor, lecture

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```

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from professor, lecture
where persNr = givenBy and
       title = 'Mäeutik';
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- 2 check for every row the where conditions
- 3 project to the select attributes

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      title = 'Mäeutik';
```

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from professor, lecture
where persNr = givenBy and
      title = 'Mäeutik';
```

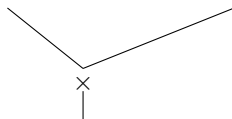
$$\pi_{\text{name, title}}(\sigma_{\text{persNr=givenBy} \wedge \text{title='Mäeutik'}}(\text{professor} \times \text{lecture}))$$

Queries over Several Relations – Processing

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5043	Erkenntnistheorie	3	2126
5049	Mäeutik	2	2125
4052	Logik	4	2125
5052	Wissenschaftstheorie	3	2126
5216	Bioethik	2	2126
5259	Der Wiener Kreis	2	2133
5022	Glaube und Wissen	2	2134
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2125	Sokrates	C4	226	5049	Mäeutik	2	2125
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persNr	name	rank	room	lecNr	title	SWS	IPersNr
2125	Sokrates	C4	226	5049	Mäeutik	2	2125

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2125	Sokrates	C4	226	5049	Mäeutik	2	2125

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$\pi_{name, title}(\dots)$	
name	title
Sokrates	Mäeutik

Queries over Several Relations

Example

name and matrNr of students and the title of the lectures they are attending

```
student(matrNr, name, sem)
attend(matrNr, lecNr)
lecture(lecNr, title, SWS, givenBy)
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```
select student.matrNr, name, title
from student, attend, lecture
where student.matrNr = attend.matrNr and
      attend.lecNr = lecture.lecNr;
```

Place Holder for Tables and Renaming of Attributes

Example

same query for placing place holders for table names:

```
select s.matrNr, s.name, l.title
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Example

find the lecture number of the lectures that are second-level predecessors of the lecture 5216 (= predecessor of the predecessor of 5216)

presuppose(predNr, sucNr)

```
select v1.predNr as pred_order_2
from presuppose v1, presuppose v2
where v1.sucNr=v2.predNr and v2.sucNr=5216;
```

Queries over Several Relations

structure of a query over several relations

```
select attribute1 [ as ] a1,  
       attribute2 [ as ] a2,  
       ...,  
       attributeM [ as ] aM  
from table1 [ as ] t1,  
   table2 [ as ] t2,  
   ...,  
   tableN [ as ] tN  
where conditions;
```

Translation to Relational Algebra

general structure of a (non-nested)
SQL query

```
select  $A_1, \dots, A_n$   
from  $R_1, \dots, R_k$   
where  $P$ ;
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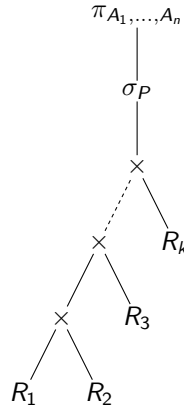
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Example

names of all assistants or professors

```
( select name from assistant )  
union  
( select name from professor );
```

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- **count()** counts the number of tuples in a set

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student		
matrNr	name	sem
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25403	Jonas	12
26120	Fichte	10
26830	Aristoxenos	8
27550	Schopenhauer	6
28106	Carnap	3
29120	Theophrastos	2
29555	Feuerbach	2

Aggregate Functions

Example

average/maximal/minimal number of semesters a student is enrolled in;
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```
select avg(semester)
from student;
```

```
select max(semester)
from student;
```

```
select min(semester)
from student;
```

```
select count(matrNr)
from student;
```

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conditions for the aggregated values are listed using **having**

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Example

return for every C4 professor the sum of hours of lectures **given by him/her**

```
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```
select givenBy, sum (SWS)
from lecture, professor
where givenBy = persNr and rank = 'C4'
group by givenBy;
```

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Example

return for every C4 professor lecturing long lectures (average ≥ 3) the sum of hours of lectures given by him/her

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```

```
select givenBy, name, sum (SWS)
from lecture, professor
where givenBy = persNr and rank = 'C4'
group by givenBy, name
having avg (SWS) >= 3;
```

Aggregates and Grouping – Processing

from lecture, professor

professor \times *lecture*

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2125	Sokrates	C4	226	5001	Grundzüge	4	2137
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grouping

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group by givenBy, name

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having avg(SWS) >= 3

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having-condition

having avg(SWS) >= 3

persNr	name	rank	room	lecNr	title	SWS	givenBy
2125	Sokrates	C4	226	5041	Ethik	4	2125
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aggregation (sum) and projection

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attention: the sub query is correlating (=it works with attributes of the (super) query), for each resulting tuple the sub query is executed once

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      from student s, attend h
     where s.matrNr=h.matrNr
    group by s.matrNr, s.name) tmp
where tmp.lecAmount > 2;
```

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```
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                    from lecture);
```


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equivalent to

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group by givenBy;
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counts the number of distinct values different from NULL in the given column (i.e. without duplicates)

Null Values

Example

in case there are tuples where the value for semester is unknown we have:

```
select count(*)  
from student  
where semester < 13 or semester >= 13;
```

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```
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comparison operators: SQL has a three-valued logic: true, false, unknown. The result is unknown if at least one of the arguments is null.

Example

$(\text{semester} > 13)$ results in unknown if the semester is unknown, i.e. takes the value null.

attention! for example, also $(\text{semester} = \text{null})$

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grouping: null is interpreted as a value and classified as an own group
null values are queried using: is **null** resp. is **not null**.

Example

```
select *  
from Student  
where semester is null;
```

Special Language Constructs

More Language Constructs

- `between`
- `like`
- `case`
- Joins
 - `cross join`
 - `natural join`
 - `join`
 - `left`, `right`, `full outer join`

between

Example

find all students studying between the first and the fourth semester

```
select * from student
where semester >= 1 and semester <= 4;
```

```
select * from student
where semester between 1 and 4;
```

```
select * from student
where semester in (1,2,3,4);
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```
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from lecture v, attend h
where h.lecNr = v.lecNr and
      v.title like '%thics%';
```

case

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the first qualifying **when**-clause will be executed

Joins

SQL supports the following join keywords:

`cross join` (cross product)

`natural join`

`[inner] join` (theta-join)

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Joins

SQL supports the following join keywords:

`cross join` (cross product)
`natural join`
`[inner] join` (theta-join)
`(left|right|full) outer join`

`cross join`:

$$R_1 \times R_2$$

```
select * from professor, lecture;
```

```
select * from professor cross join lecture;
```

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from student natural join attend
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```

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```
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lecture(lecNr, title, SWS, givenBy)
```

```
select name, title
from professor, lecture
where persNr = givenBy and
      title = 'Mäeutik';
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```

```
select name, title
from professor join
      lecture on persNr=givenBy
where title='Mäeutik';
```

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```
select s.matrNr, s.name, e.lecNr, e.grade
from student s left outer join examine e
              on s.matrNr=e.matrNr;
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from examine e right outer join student s
              on s.matrNr=e.matrNr;
```

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result without using outer join

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```
select s.matrNr, s.name,
       coalesce(e.lecNr,0),
       coalesce(e.grade,0)
from student s left outer join examine e
               on s.matrNr=e.matrNr;
```

attention: types have to be compatible

concat()

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student(matrNr, name, surname, semester);
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or

```
select concat(name, surname) from student;
```

(sometimes "+" instead of "||")

Overview

- 1 SQL then and now
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- 4 Data Manipulation Language

Data Definition Language

data types: constructs for strings, digits, dates, ...

```
character(n),          char(n)
character varying(n), varchar(n)

numeric(p,s)
integer, int

date

blob, raw              %for big binary resp. text data
clob                   %for big text data
```

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schema definition and modification

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  (predNr  integer,
   sucNr   integer,
   primary key (predNr, sucNr)
  );
```

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insert several professors:

```
insert into professor  
values (2125, 'Sokrates', 'C4', 226),  
       (2126, 'Russel', 'C4', 232);
```

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insert the result of a query into a table

Example

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insert into attend
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from student, lecture
where title='Logik';
```

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Data Manipulation Language – Delete Tuples

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  from attend, lecture
  where attend.lecNr = lecture.lecNr and
        title = 'Logik');
```

Data Manipulation Language – Manipulate Tuples

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modify tuples

Example

increase the semester number of all students by 1:

```
update student
set semester = semester + 1;
```

Example

change the rank of C3 professors with a persNr bigger than 2500 to C2

```
update professor
set rank = 'C2'
where rank = 'C3' and persNr > 2500;
```

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```
professor(persNr:integer, name:varchar(30),  
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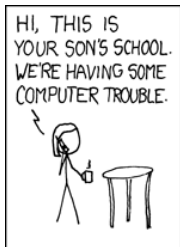
```
update professor  
set teaching load = (  
    select sum(SWS)  
    from lecture v  
    where v.persNr = professor.persNr)
```

(remark: this is not how the teaching load should be stored)

Learning Objectives

- simple SQL queries
- queries over several relations
- set operations
- aggregate operations
- aggregate and grouping
- nested queries
- existentially quantified queries
- universally quantified queries
- null values
- special language constructs

Security – SQL Injections



OH, DEAR – DID HE BREAK SOMETHING?
IN A WAY –)



DID YOU REALLY NAME YOUR SON Robert'); DROP TABLE Students;-- ?



WELL, WE'VE LOST THIS YEAR'S STUDENT RECORDS. I HOPE YOU'RE HAPPY.



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