

SQL Queries (2)

Joining Tables

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Connecting tables in databases

- The power of relational databases lies in the connecting multiple tables
- We have learned how to connecting DataFrames in pandas where we can use either `db.merge()` and `db.join()`
 - Merge two DataFrames using a field common to two tables
- The idea is same for joining tables

JOIN: Basic syntax

- `SELECT tableA.*, tableB.* FROM tableA
INNER JOIN tableB
ON tableA.id = tableB.id`
 - This will connect to tables (tableA and tableB) using the key variable, id
 - Joining method is INNER JOIN (see the following slides)
 - Getting all fields from both tables (* is wild card but as fields are coming from two tables)
 - Note:
 - Table names are usually abbreviated using AS

Types of JOIN: Example data

tableA

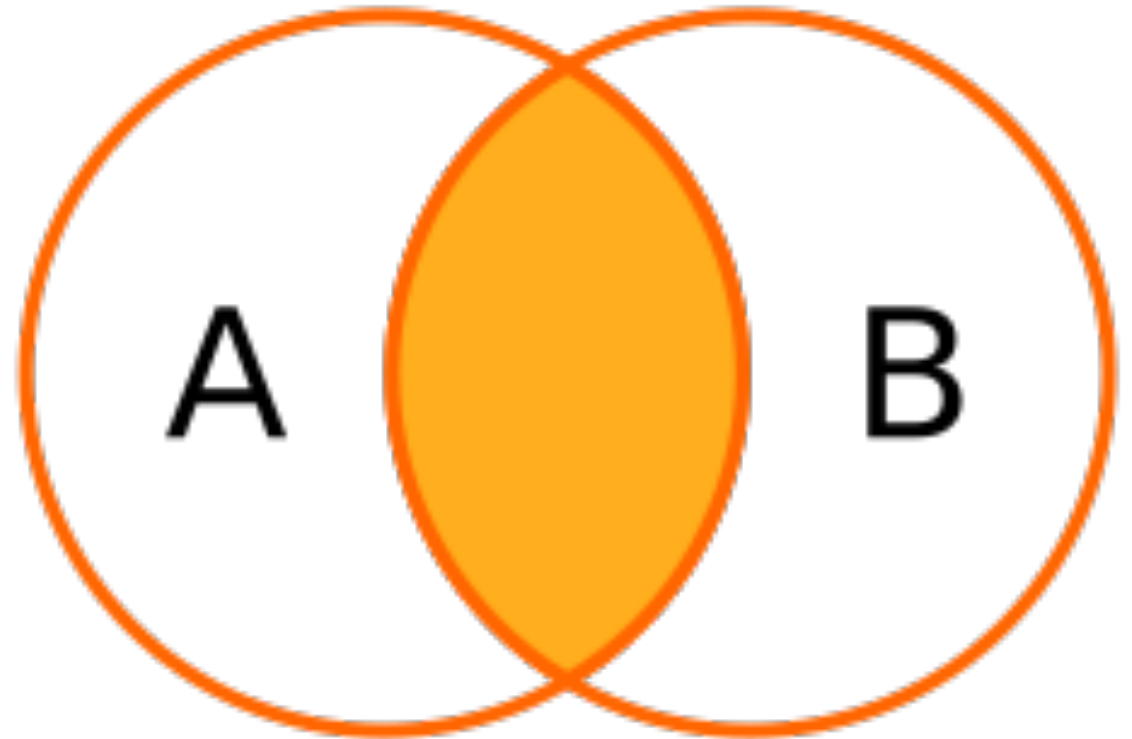
id	weight
1	64
3	80
5	55

tableB

id	height
1	180
2	167
3	150

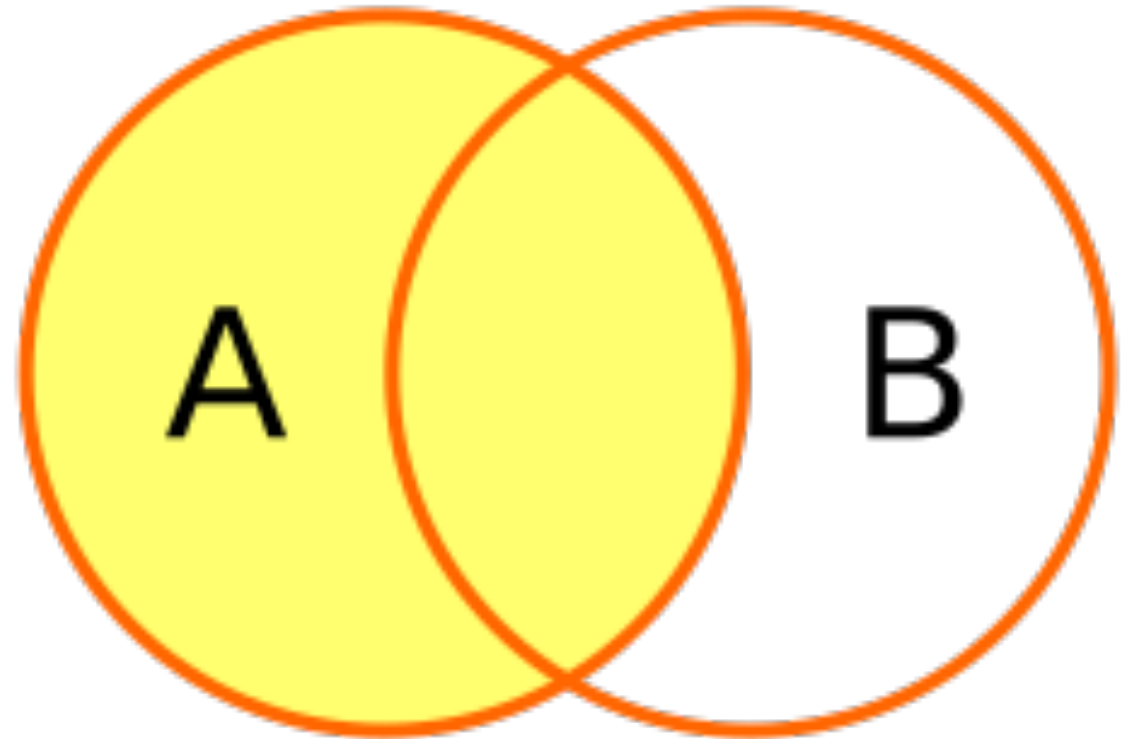
INNER JOIN

- Keep rows from A with matching B on id column.
 - `SELECT a.*, b.*`
`FROM tableA AS a`
`INNER JOIN tableB AS b`
`ON a.id = b.id`



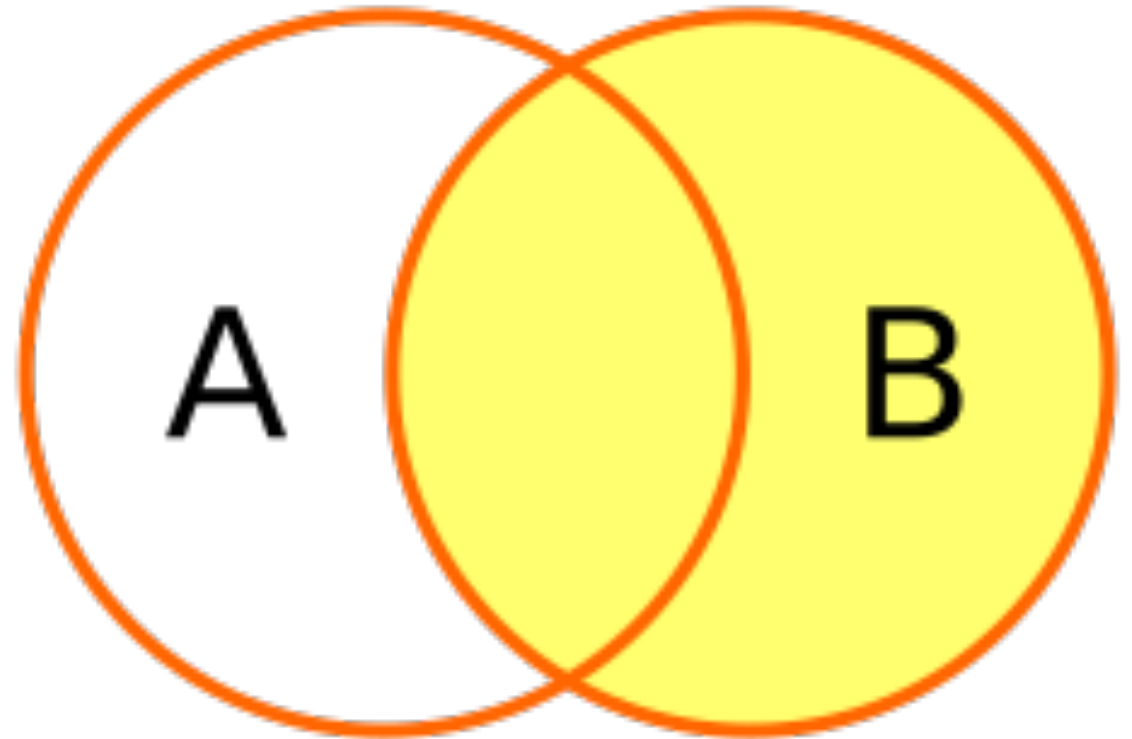
LEFT JOIN

- Keep all rows from A , and rows in B matching with A.
 - `SELECT a.*, b.*`
`FROM tableA AS a`
`LEFT JOIN tableB AS b`
`ON a.id = b.id`



RIGHT JOIN

- Keep all rows from B, and rows in A matching with B.
 - `SELECT a.*, b.*`
`FROM tableA AS a`
`RIGHT JOIN tableB AS b`
`ON a.id = b.id`
 - Not implemented in SQLite



FULL OUTER JOIN

- Keep all rows from B and A.
 - `SELECT a.*, b.*`
`FROM tableA AS a`
`FULL OUTER JOIN tableB AS b`
`ON a.id = b.id`
 - Again, it's not implemented in SQLite

