CSCI4333 Database Design & Implement

Lecture Sixteen SQL 2

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What's contained in an SQL Query?

SELECT target-list
FROM relation-list
WHERE qualification

Every SQL Query must have:

- SELECT clause: specifies columns to be retained in result
- FROM clause: specifies a cross-product of tables

The WHERE clause (optional) specifies selection conditions on the tables mentioned in the FROM clause

Table Definitions

We will be using the following relations in our examples:

Sailors(sid, sname, rating, age)

Boats(bid, bname, color)

Reserves(sid, bid, day)

Sailors(S)

sid	sname	rating	age
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
58	Rusty	10	35.0
64	Horatio	7	35.0
71	Zorba	10	16.0
74	Horatio	9	35.0
85	Art	3	25.5
95	Bob	3	63.5

Reserves(R)

sid	bid	day
22	101	10/10/04
22	102	10/10/04
22	103	10/08/04
22	104	10/07/04
31	102	11/10/04
31	103	11/06/04
31	104	11/12/04
64	101	09/05/04
64	102	09/08/04
74	103	09/08/04

Boats(B)

bid	bname	Color	
101	Interlake	blue	
102	Interlake	red	
103	Clipper	green	
104	Marine	red	

UNION, INTERSECT, EXCEPT

- UNION: Can be used to compute the union of any two *union-compatible* sets of tuples (which are themselves the result of SQL queries).
- EXCEPT: Can be used to compute the setdifference operation on two *union-compatible* sets of tuples (Note: In ORACLE, the command for set-difference is *MINUS*).
- INTERSECT: Can be used to compute the intersection of any two *union-compatible* sets of tuples.

Illustration of UNION

Sailors who reserves red or green boat

```
SELECT S.sname
FROM Sailors S, Boats B, Reserves R
WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=B.bid
        AND B.color='red'
(Sailors who reserves red boat)
UNION
SELECT S.sname
FROM Sailors S, Boats B, Reserves R
WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=B.bid
        AND B.color='green';
(Sailors who reserves green boat)
```

Illustration of EXCEPT

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

```
SELECT S.sid
FROM Sailors S, Boats B, Reserves R
WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=B.bid AND B.color='red'
EXCEPT
SELECT S2.sid
FROM Sailors S2, Boats B2, Reserves R2
WHERE S2.sid=R2.sid AND R2.bid=B2.bid AND B2.color='green';
```

Illustration of INTERSECT...1

Find sids of sailors who 've reserved a red and a green boat

SELECT S.sid
FROM Sailors S, Boats B, Reserves R
WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=B.bid AND
B.color='red'
INTERSECT
SELECT S2.sid
FROM Sailors S2, Boats B2, Reserves R2
WHERE S2.sid=R2.sid AND R2.bid=B2.bid
AND B2.color='green';

Illustration of INTERSECT...1

Find names of sailors who 've reserved a red **and** a green boat

Illustration of INTERSECT...2

Find names of sailors who 've reserved a red and a green boat

```
SELECT S.sname
FROM Sailors S, Boats B, Reserves R
WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=B.bid AND B.color='red'
INTERSECT
SELECT S2.sname
FROM Sailors S2, Boats B2, Reserves R2
WHERE S2.sid=R2.sid AND R2.bid=B2.bid AND B2.color='green';
```

(Is this correct??)

if there are two sailors shared same name

sid	sname	rating	age
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
58	Rusty	10	35.0
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(Semi-)Correct SQL Query for the Previous Example

```
SELECT S.sid
FROM Sailors S, Boats B, Reserves R
WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=B.bid
AND B.color='red'
```

INTERSECT

```
SELECT S2.sid
FROM Sailors S2, Boats B2, Reserves R2
WHERE S2.sid=R2.sid AND R2.bid=B2.bid
AND B2.color='green';
```

(This time we have actually extracted the *sids* of sailors, and not their names.)

(But the query asks for the names of the sailors.)

Nested Queries

- A **nested** query is a query that has another query embedded within it; this embedded query is called the **subquery**.
- Subqueries generally occur within the WHERE clause (but can also appear within the FROM and HAVING clauses)
- Nested queries are a very powerful feature of SQL. They help us write short and efficient queries.

(Think of nested **for** loops in C++. Nested queries in SQL are similar)

Nested Query 1

Find names of sailors who have reserved boat 103

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

Nested Query 2

Find names of sailors who have not reserved boat 103

```
SELECT S.sname
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.sid NOT IN (SELECT R.sid
FROM Reserves R
WHERE R.bid=103)
```

Revisit a previous query

Find names of sailors who 've reserved a red and a green boat

```
SELECT S.sid
FROM Sailors S, Boats B, Reserves R
WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=B.bid
AND B.color='red'
```

INTERSECT

SELECT S2.sid FROM Sailors S2, Boats B2, Reserves R2 WHERE S2.sid=R2.sid AND R2.bid=B2.bid AND B2.color='green';

Revisit a previous query

Find names of sailors who 've reserved a red and a green boat

```
SELECT S.sname
FROM Sailor S
WHERE S.sid IN (SELECT R.sid
FROM Boats B, Reserves R
WHERE R.bid=B.bid AND B.color='red'
INTERSECT
SELECT R2.sid
FROM Boats B2, Reserves R2
WHERE R2.bid=B2.bid AND B2.color='green');
```