Joining tables

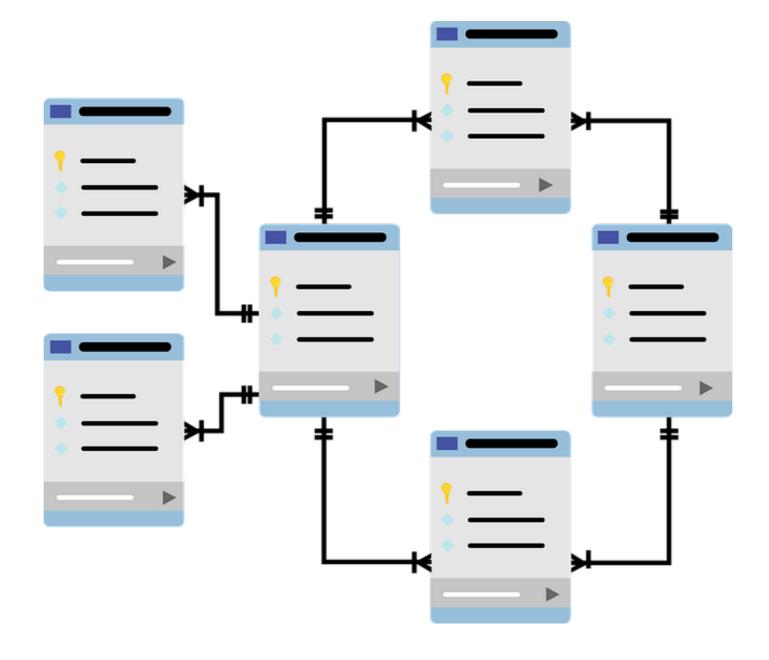
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Relational Databases



Primary Keys

• Primary keys: Uniquely identify each row in a table

```
artist_id | name
          AC/DC
          Accept
3
          | Aerosmith
          | Alanis Morissette
          | Alice In Chains
```

Primary key: artist_id

```
album_id | title
                           | artist_id |
       | For Those About To Rock | 1
       Balls to the Wall 2
   Restless and Wild 2
   Let There Be Rock 1
       | Big Ones
```

- Primary key: album_id
- What about artist_id?

Foreign keys

artist table

album table

• artist_id: Foreign key to artist

Joining album and artist

artist table

• AC/DC has artist_id = 1

album table

• Rows 1 and 4 have artist_id = 1

Joining album and artist

- Return album details from album table
- Return corresponding artist details from artist table
- Joined using artist_id column

INNER JOIN

```
SELECT
  album_id,
  title,
  album.artist_id,
  name AS artist_name
FROM album
INNER JOIN artist ON artist.artist_id = album.artist_id
WHERE album.artist_id = 1;
```

INNER JOIN syntax

```
SELECT
  table_A.columnX,
  table_A.columnY,
  table_B.columnZ
FROM table_A
INNER JOIN table_B ON table_A.foreign_key = table_B.primary_key;
```

```
SELECT
  album_id,
  title,
  album.artist_id,
  name AS artist_name
FROM album
INNER JOIN artist on artist.artist_id = album.artist_id;
```

• Returns all combinations of all matches between album and artist

Multiple INNER JOINS

```
SELECT
  table_A.columnX,
  table_A.columnY,
  table_B.columnZ, table_C columnW
FROM table_A
INNER JOIN table_B ON table_B.foreign_key = table_A.primary_key
INNER JOIN table_C ON table_C.foreign_key = table_B.primary_key;
```

Let's join some tables!

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Mix n match - LEFT & RIGHT joins

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The rationale for LEFT and RIGHT joins

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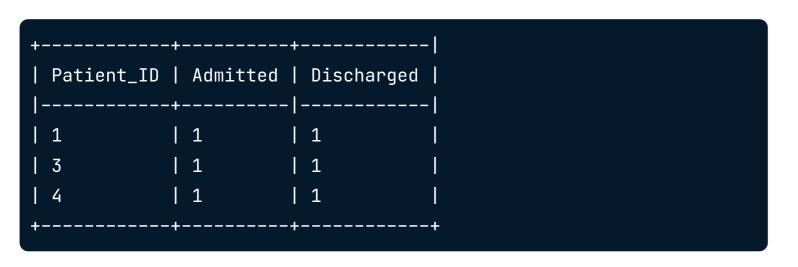
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Admissions table

| | سنو ا |
|-------------------|-------|
| Patient_ID Admi | itted |
| | 1 |
| 1 1 | 1 |
| 2 1 | 1 |
| 3 1 | 1 |
| 4 1 | 1 |
| 5 1 | 1 |
| + | + |

Discharges table

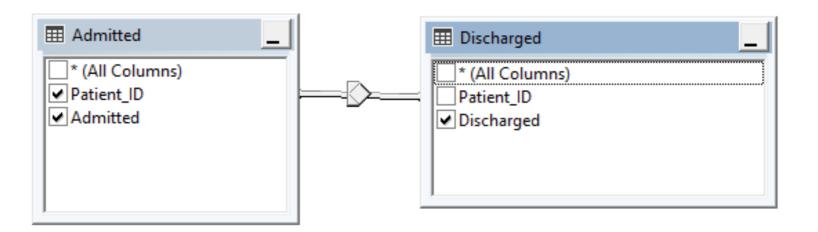
INNER JOIN:



LEFT JOIN:

LEFT JOIN SYNTAX

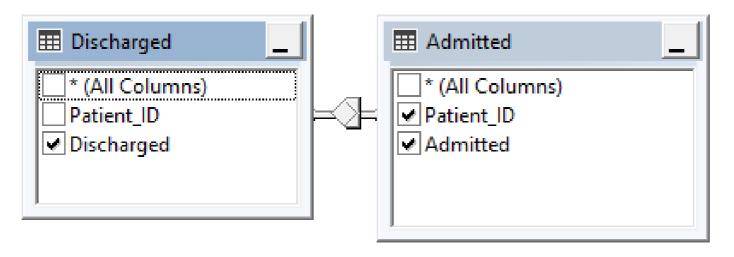
```
SELECT
  Admitted.Patient_ID,
  Admitted,
  Discharged
FROM Admitted
LEFT JOIN Discharged ON Discharged.Patient_ID = Admitted.Patient_ID;
```



```
SELECT
  Admitted.Patient_ID,
  Admitted,
  Discharged
FROM Admitted
LEFT JOIN Discharged ON Discharged.Patient_ID = Admitted.Patient_ID;
```

RIGHT JOIN

```
SELECT
  Admitted.Patient_ID,
  Admitted,
  Discharged
FROM Discharged
RIGHT JOIN Admitted ON Admitted.Patient_ID = Discharged.Patient_ID;
```



RIGHT JOIN results

```
SELECT
  Admitted.Patient_ID,
  Admitted,
  Discharged
FROM Discharged
RIGHT JOIN Admitted ON Admitted.Patient_ID = Discharged.Patient_ID;
```

Summary

- INNER JOIN: Only returns matching rows
- LEFT JOIN (or RIGHT JOIN): All rows from the main table plus matches from the joining table
- NULL: Displayed if no match is found
- LEFT JOIN and RIGHT JOIN can be interchangeable

INNER JOIN

| LEFT TABLE | RIGHT TABLE |
|---|---|
| MATCHES RETURNED, NON MATCHES DISCARDED | MATCHES RETURNED, NON MATCHES DISCARDED |

LEFT JOIN

| LEFT - MAIN TABLE | RIGHT - JOINING TABLE |
|-------------------|---|
| ALL ROWS RETURNED | MATCHES RETURNED, NON MATCHES RETURN NULL |

RIGHT JOIN

| LEFT - JOINING TABLE | RIGHT - MAIN TABLE |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| MATCHES RETURNED, NON MATCHES | ALL ROWS RETURNED |
| RETURN NULL | |



Let's Practice!

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UNION & UNION ALL

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```
SELECT

album_id,

title,

artist_id

FROM album

WHERE artist_id IN (1, 3)
```

```
SELECT

album_id,

title,

artist_id

FROM album

WHERE artist_id IN (1, 4, 5)
```

Combining results

```
SELECT
  album_id,
  title,
  artist id
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN (1, 3)
UNION
SELECT
  album_id,
  title,
  artist_id
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN (1, 4, 5);
```

Duplicate rows are excluded

UNION ALL

```
SELECT
  album_id,
 title,
  artist_id
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN (1, 3)
UNION ALL
SELECT
  album_id,
 title,
  artist_id
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN (1, 4, 5);
```

Includes duplicate rows

Creating new column names for final results

```
SELECT
  album_id AS ALBUM_ID,
 title AS ALBUM_TITLE,
  artist_id AS ARTIST_ID
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN(1, 3)
UNION ALL
SELECT
  album_id AS ALBUM_ID,
 title AS ALBUM_TITLE,
  artist_id AS ARTIST_ID
FROM album
WHERE artist_id IN(1, 4, 5)
```

Summary

• UNION or UNION ALL: Combines queries from the same table or different tables
If combining data from different tables:

- Select the same number of columns in the same order
- Columns should have the same data types

If source tables have different column names

Alias the column names

UNION: Discards duplicates (slower to run)

UNION ALL: Includes duplicates (faster to run)

Let's practice!

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