

# Advanced SQL

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# Objectives

Today's Objectives:

- Be **aware** of a little bit of the advanced functionality available in SQL

# Agenda

- Morning questions/review
- **UNION**, **EXCEPT**, and **INTERSECTION**
- **Window** Functions

# Why does this matter?

- If you're interviewing for or working at a SQL-heavy job, this advanced SQL functionality can give you a leg up and/or make your life a little easier.
  - ▶ Technically, you can get all of the functionality of this “advanced” stuff out of what you already know.

# SQL Tables

Recall the tables we're working with:

```
CREATE TABLE disney_chars (  
    id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY,  
    name VARCHAR(255),  
    princess BOOLEAN,  
    prince BOOLEAN,  
    mulan BOOLEAN  
);
```

```
CREATE TABLE users (  
    id INTEGER PRIMARY KEY,  
    name VARCHAR(255),  
    nickname VARCHAR(255),  
    fav_disney_char INTEGER references disney_chars(id),  
    tswift_rating INTEGER  
);
```

# UNION, EXCEPT, INTERSECT

**UNION**, **EXCEPT**, and **INTERSECT** allow us to combine multiple queries with a set-like syntax.

- Let's grab the names of those Disney characters that **don't** have an equivalent in our users table:

```
SELECT name FROM disney_chars  
EXCEPT SELECT name FROM users;
```

- Let's grab the names of those Disney characters that **do** have an equivalent in our users table:

```
SELECT name FROM disney_chars  
INTERSECT SELECT name FROM users;
```

# Window Functions

A **window** function performs a calculation across a set of table rows that are somehow related to the current row.

- Compute each person's `tswift_rating` with the average rating for users with the same `fav_disney_char`:

```
SELECT name, fav_disney_char, tswift_rating,  
       AVG(tswift_rating) OVER (PARTITION BY fav_disney_char)  
FROM users;
```

- Rank each of the users by their `tswift_rating`, but **WITHIN** their `fav_disney_char` group:

```
SELECT name, fav_disney_char, tswift_rating,  
       rank() OVER (PARTITION BY fav_disney_char  
                    ORDER BY tswift_rating)  
FROM users;
```