

Introduction to Data Management SQL Subqueries

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Recap

- In the first 2 lectures, you have seen almost all of the SQL that people use on a day-to-day basis
 - SELECT-FROM-WHERE
 - "I'm a PhD student in databases and I don't remember the last time I wrote a SQL query with a GROUP BY"
 - Someone in the DB Lab
- In the 5 previous lectures, you have seen almost all of the SQL that people will ever touch
 - Analytical queries
 - CREATE TABLE ...

Recap – The Witnessing Problem

- A question pattern that asks for data associated with a maxima of some value
 - Observed how to do it with grouping
 - "Self join" on values you find the maxima for
 - GROUP BY to deduplicate one side of the join
 - HAVING to compare values with respective maxima

The Witnessing Problem

```
SELECT P1.Name, MAX(P2.Salary)
```

FROM Payroll AS P1, Payroll AS P2

```
WHERE P1.Job = P2.Job
```

GROUP BY P2.Job, P1.Salary, P1.Name-

HAVING P1.Salary MAX(P2.Salary)

Group on additional attributes that you are argmax-ing for

P1 P2

UserID	Name	Job	Salary	UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000	123	Jack	TA	50000
123	Jack	TA	50000	345	Allison	TA	60000
345	Allison	TA	60000	345	Allison	TA	60000
345	Allison	TA	60000	123	Jack	TA	50000
567	Magda	Prof	90000	567	Magda	Prof	90000
567	Magda	Prof	90000	789	Dan	Prof	100000
789	Dan	Prof	100000	789	Dan	Prof	100000
789	Dan	Prof	100000	567	Magda	Prof	90000

The Witnessing Problem

```
SELECT P1.Name, MAX(P2.Salary)
  FROM Payroll AS P1, Payroll AS P2
WHERE P1.Job = P2.Job
GROUP BY P2.Job, P1.Salary, P1.Name
HAVING P1.Salary = MAX(P2.Salary)
```

P1 P2

UserID	Name	Job	Salary	UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000	123	Jack	TA	50000
123	Jack	TA	50000	345	Allison	IA	69990
345	Allison	TA	60000	345	Allison	TA	60000
345	Allison	TA	60000	123	Jack	TA	50000
567	Magda	Prof	90000	567	Magda	Prof	90000
567	Magda	Prof	90000	789	Dan	Prof	100000
789	Dan	Prof	100000	789	Dan	Prof	100000
789	Dan	Prof	100000	567	Magda	Prof	90000

Goals for Today

- Conclude our unit on SQL queries
 - After today you'll have essentially all the building blocks of most all queries you can think of
- Use SQL queries to assist other SQL queries

Outline

- Witnessing via subquery
- Subquery mechanics
 - Set/bag operations
 - SELECT
 - FROM
 - WHERE/HAVING
- Decorrelation and unnesting along the way
- Notes about HW3

- Wanted to join respective maxima
 - GROUP BY technique was interesting
 - People have suggested that we can just compute the maxima first then join

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

Return the person (or people) with the highest salary for each job type

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UserID	Name	Job	Salary	maxima
123	Jack	TA	50000	60000
345	Allison	TA	60000	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000	100000
789	Dan	Prof	100000	100000

Return the person (or people) with the highest salary for each job type

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567	Magda	Prof	90000	100000
789	Dan	Prof	100000	100000

Return the person (or people) with the highest salary for each job type

MaxPay

Job	Salary
TA	60000
Prof	100000



WITH MaxPay AS

We can compute the same thing!

```
SELECT P1.Name, MAX(P2.Salary)
  FROM Payroll AS P1, Payroll AS P2
WHERE P1.Job = P2.Job
GROUP BY P2.Job, P1.Salary, P1.Name
HAVING P1.Salary = MAX(P2.Salary)
```

```
SELECT P1.Name, MAX(P2.Salary)
  FROM Payroll AS P1, Payroll AS P2
WHERE P1.Job = P2.Job
GROUP BY P2.Job, P1.Salary, P1.Name
HAVING P1.Salary = MAX(P2.Salary)
```

```
Useful intermediate result!
WITH MaxPay AS
      (SELECT P1.Job AS Job,
              MAX (P1. Salary) AS Salary
         FROM Payroll AS P1
       GROUP BY P1.Job)
SELECT P.Name, P.Salary
  FROM Payroll AS P, MaxPay AS MP
 WHERE P.Job = MP.Job AND
       P.Salary = MP.Salary
```

Payroll

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

MaxPay

Job	Salary
TA	60000
Prof	100000

Solving a subproblem can make your life easy

Payroll

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

MaxPay

Job	Salary
TA	60000
Prof	100000

Payroll

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

MaxPay

Job	Salary
TA	60000
Prof	100000



The Punchline about Subqueries

- Subqueries can be interpreted as single values or as whole relations
 - A single value (a 1x1 relation) can be returned as part of a tuple
 - A relation can be:
 - Used as input for another query
 - Checked for containment of a value

Set Operations

- SQL mimics set theory in many ways, but with duplicates
 - Instead of sets, called bags = duplicates allowed
 - UNION (ALL) → set union (bag union)
 - **INTERSECT** (ALL) → set intersection (bag intersection)
 - **EXCEPT** (ALL) → set difference (bag difference)
- SQL Server Management Studio 2017
 - INTERSECT ALL not supported
 - EXCEPT ALL not supported



Set Operations

 SQL set-like operators basically slap two queries together (not really a subquery...)

> (SELECT * FROM T1) UNION (SELECT * FROM T2)

- Must return a single value
- Uses:
 - Compute an associated value

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"Correlated" subquery!

Definition: A subquery that references an attribute from the outer query (Payroll P is in the outer query, P1 is in the inner query)

- Must return a single value
- Uses:
 - Compute an associated value

The Semantics of a correlated subquery are that the entire subquery is recomputed for each tuple

FROM Payroll AS P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

FROM Payroll AS P

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
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567	Magda	Prof	90000
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FROM Payroll AS P

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
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567	Magda	Prof	90000
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FROM Payroll AS P

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

55000

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

FROM Payroll AS P

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

55000

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```
SELECT P.Name, (SELECT AVG(P1.Salary)
```

FROM Payroll AS P1
WHERE P.Job = P1.Job)

FROM Payroll AS P

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

55000

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

WHERE P.Job = P1.Job)

FROM Payroll AS P

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

55000

Payroll P1

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

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```
SELECT P.Name, (SELECT AVG(P1.Salary)
```

FROM Payroll AS P1

WHERE P.Job = P1.Job)

FROM Payroll AS P

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

55000

55000

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

FROM Payroll AS P

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary	
123	Jack	TA	50000	55000
345	Allison	TA	60000	55000
567	Magda	Prof	90000	95000
789	Dan	Prof	100000	

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
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FROM Payroll AS P

Payroll P

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345	Allison	TA	60000	55000
567	Magda	Prof	90000	95000
789	Dan	Prof	100000	95000

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
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789	Dan	Prof	100000

For each person find the average salary of their job

Same (decorrelated and unnested)

```
SELECT P1.Name, AVG(P2.Salary)
  FROM Payroll AS P1, Payroll AS P2
WHERE P1.Job = P2.Job
GROUP BY P1.UserID, P1.Name
```

For each person find the number of cars they drive

```
SELECT P. Name, (SELECT COUNT (R. Car)
                   FROM Regist AS R
                  WHERE P.UserID =
                         R. UserID)
  FROM Payroll AS P
                      Same? Discuss!
SELECT P.Name, COUNT (R.Car)
  FROM Payroll AS P, Regist AS R
WHERE P.UserID = R.UserID
GROUP BY P.UserID, P.Name
```

For each person find the number of cars they drive

```
SELECT P.Name, (SELECT COUNT(R.Car)

FROM Regist AS R

WHERE P.UserID =

R.UserID)
```

FROM Payroll AS P

0-count case not covered!

```
SELECT P.Name, COUNT(R.Car)
  FROM Payroll AS P, Regist AS R
WHERE P.UserID = R.UserID
GROUP BY P.UserID, P.Name
```

Subqueries in SELECT

For each person find the number of cars they drive

SELECT P.Name, (SELECT COUNT (R.Car)

FROM Regist AS R

WHERE P.UserID =

R. UserID)

FROM Payroll AS P

Name Count

Jack 1

O-count

Allison 0

Magda 2

Dan 0

SELECT P. Name, COUNT (R. Car)

FROM Payroll AS P, Regist AS R

WHERE P.UserID = R.UserID

GROUP BY P.UserID, P.Name

Name	Count
Jack	1
Magda	2

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Subqueries in SELECT

For each person find the number of cars they drive

```
FROM Regist AS R

WHERE P.UserID =

R.UserID)

FROM Payroll AS P

Still possible to decorrelate and unnest
```

Subqueries in SELECT

For each person find the number of cars they drive

```
SELECT P. Name, (SELECT COUNT (R. Car)
                      FROM Regist AS R
                     WHERE P.UserID =
                           R. UserID)
   FROM Payroll AS P
                         Still possible to decorrelate and unnest
SELECT P.Name, COUNT(R.Car)
  FROM Payroll AS P LEFT OUTER JOIN
       Regist AS R ON P.UserID = R.UserID
 GROUP BY P.UserID, P.Name
```

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Subqueries in FROM

- Equivalent to a WITH subquery
- Uses:
 - Solve subproblems that can be later joined/evaluated

```
WITH MaxPay AS
       (SELECT P1.Job AS Job,
               MAX(P1.Salary) AS Salary
                                               Syntactic sugar
          FROM Payroll AS P1
         GROUP BY P1.Job)
SELECT P.Name, P.Salary
 FROM Payroll AS P, MaxPay AS MP
WHERE P.Job = MP.Job AND
       P.Salary = MP.Salary
SELECT P.Name, P.Salary
 FROM Payroll AS P, (SELECT P1.Job AS Job,
                             MAX(P1.Salary) AS Salary
                        FROM Payroll AS P1
                       GROUP BY P1.Job) AS MP
WHERE P.Job = MP.Job AND
       P.Salary = MP.Salary
```

Recap

 Usually best to avoid nested queries if trying for speed

- Be careful of semantics of nested queries
 - Correlated vs. decorrelated

- Think about edge cases
 - Zero matches
 - Null values

Review of Subqueries in SELECT/FROM

SELECT

- The subquery must return a single value
- The subquery is correlated if it references a relation in the outer query.
 - Correlated subqueries run again for every tuple in the outer query

FROM

Can write subquery in the style of:

FROM (<subquery>) AS alias

 The normal semantics in the FROM clause apply! Be careful of cross products and don't forget join predicates.

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Uses:

- ANY → ∃
- ALL $\rightarrow \forall$
- (NOT) IN → (∉) ∈
- (NOT) EXISTS \rightarrow ($\emptyset = ...$) $\emptyset \neq ...$

Mathematical notation:

∃ "There exists"

∀ "For all"

€ "Is contained in"

Ø "The empty set"

But first! Without subqueries:

UserID	Car	UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Charger	123	Jack	TA	50000
567	Civic	345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Pinto	567	Magda	Prof	90000
		789	Dan	Prof	100000

But first! Without subqueries:

UserID	Car	UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Charger	123	Jack	TA	50000
567	Civic	345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Pinto	567	Magda	Prof	90000
		789	Dan	Prof	100000

But first! Without subqueries:

```
SELECT P.Name, P.Salary
FROM Payroll AS P, Regist AS R
WHERE P.UserID = R.UserID
```

UserID	Car	UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Charger	123	Jack	TA	50000
567	Civic	345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Pinto	567	Magda	Prof	90000
		789	Dan	Prof	100000

But first! Without subqueries:

```
SELECT P.Name, P.Salary
FROM Payroll AS P, Regist AS R
WHERE P.UserID = R.UserID
```

Name	Salary
Jack	50000
Magda	90000
Magda	90000

UserID	Car	UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Charger	123	Jack	TA	50000
567	Civic	345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Pinto	567	Magda	Prof	90000
		789	Dan	Prof	100000

But first! Without subqueries:

Find the name and salary of people who do drive cars

SELECT DISTINCT P.Name, P.Salary
FROM Payroll AS P, Regist AS R
WHERE P.UserID = R.UserID

Name	Salary
Jack	50000
Magda	90000

EXISTS (subquery) evaluates to **true** when subquery returns **at least one tuple**

■ SELECT WHERE EXISTS (sub); Ø ≠ {sub}

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```
SELECT ..... WHERE EXISTS (sub);
```

```
■ SELECT ...... WHERE NOT EXISTS (sub); \emptyset = \{sub\}
```

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    SELECT ..... WHERE NOT EXISTS (sub);
```

```
    SELECT ...... WHERE EXISTS (sub); Ø ≠ {sub}
    SELECT ...... WHERE NOT EXISTS (sub);
```

Find the name and salary of people who do drive cars

```
FROM Payroll AS P

WHERE EXISTS (SELECT *

FROM Regist AS R

One single Boolean predicate WHERE P.UserID = R.UserID)
```

that is true or false

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When in doubt, go back to for-each semantics, starting with FROM clause in outer query!

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

Regist R

UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

Payroll P

	UserID	Name	Job	Salary
>	123	Jack	TA	50000
	345	Allison	TA	60000
	567	Magda	Prof	90000
	789	Dan	Prof	100000

Regist R

UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

Regist R

UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

```
(SELECT *
FROM Regist AS R
WHERE 123 = R.UserID)
```

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

Regist R

UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

(SELECT *

FROM Regist AS R
WHERE 123 = R.UserID)
returns one tuple, so EXISTS
(subquery) is true for the Jack
tuple

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

Regist R

UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

(SELECT *
FROM Regist AS R
WHERE 123 = R.UserID)
returns one tuple, so EXISTS
(subquery) is true for the Jack
tuple

Name	Salary
Jack	50000

Payroll P

	UserID	Name	Job	Salary
	123	Jack	TA	50000
>	345	Allison	TA	60000
	567	Magda	Prof	90000
	789	Dan	Prof	100000



UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

(SELECT *
FROM Regist AS R
WHERE **345** = R.UserID)
returns nothing, so EXISTS
(subquery) is false for Allison

Name	Salary
Jack	50000

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000



UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

(SELECT *
FROM Regist AS R
WHERE 567 = R.UserID)
returns two tuples, so EXISTS
(subquery) is true for the Magda
tuple

Name	Salary
Jack	50000
Magda	90000

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000



Regist R

UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

(SELECT *
FROM Regist AS R
WHERE **789** = R.UserID)
returns nothing, so EXISTS
(subquery) is false for Dan

Name	Salary
Jack	50000
Magda	90000

```
    SELECT ...... WHERE EXISTS (sub); Ø ≠ {sub}
    SELECT ..... WHERE NOT EXISTS (sub);
```

NOT EXISTS (subquery) evaluates to **true** when subquery returns **no tuples**

```
■ SELECT ..... WHERE EXISTS (sub);
```

■ SELECT WHERE NOT EXISTS (sub); $\emptyset = \{sub\}$

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SELECT ..... WHERE EXISTS (sub);
```

```
■ SELECT ...... WHERE NOT EXISTS (sub); \emptyset = \{sub\}
```

```
FROM Payroll AS P

WHERE NOT EXISTS (SELECT *

FROM Regist AS R

Person Ps.t. WHERE P.UserID = R.UserID)

Ø = {cars P drives}
```

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000



UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

(SELECT *
FROM Regist AS R
WHERE **345** = R.UserID)

Output

Name Salary

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000



UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

(SELECT *
FROM Regist AS R
WHERE 345 = R.UserID)
returns nothing, so NOT EXISTS
(subquery) is true for the Allison
tuple

Output

Name	Salary
Allison	60000

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000



Regist R

UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

Output

Name	Salary
Allison	60000
Dan	100000

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```

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NOT EXISTS (subquery) evaluates to true when subquery returns no tuples

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
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345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000

Exercise:

"Find the names of people who are the ONLY employee with their job in the Payroll table."

NOT EXISTS (subquery) evaluates to true when subquery returns no tuples

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000

Exercise:

"Find the names of people who are the ONLY employee with their job in the Payroll table."

May be easier if we re-write:

"Find the names of people where there does not exist another person with the same job."

NOT EXISTS (subquery) evaluates to true when subquery returns no tuples

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000

Exercise:

"Find the names of people where there does not exist another person with the same job."

NOT EXISTS (subquery) evaluates to true when subquery returns no tuples

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000

Exercise:

"Find the names of people where there does not exist another person with the same job."

```
FROM Payroll AS P
WHERE NOT EXISTS (SELECT *
FROM Payroll AS P1
WHERE P.Job = P1.Job AND
P.UserID != P1.UserID )
```

```
    SELECT ....... WHERE EXISTS (sub);
    SELECT ...... WHERE NOT EXISTS (sub);
    SELECT ...... WHERE attribute IN (sub); e ∈ {sub}
    SELECT ...... WHERE attribute NOT IN (sub); e ∉ {sub}
```

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attribute IN (subquery) evaluates to **true** when value of attribute matches some result in (subquery)

```
    SELECT ...... WHERE EXISTS (sub);
    SELECT ...... WHERE NOT EXISTS (sub);
    SELECT ...... WHERE attribute IN (sub); e ∈ {sub}
    SELECT ...... WHERE attribute NOT IN (sub); e ∉ {sub}
```

Find the name and salary of people who do drive cars

attribute NOT IN (subquery) evaluates to **true** when value of attribute matches nothing in (subquery)

```
    SELECT ...... WHERE EXISTS (sub);
    SELECT ...... WHERE NOT EXISTS (sub);
    SELECT ...... WHERE attribute IN (sub); e ∈ {sub}
    SELECT ...... WHERE attribute NOT IN (sub); e ∉ {sub}
```

Find the name and salary of people who do not drive cars

```
SELECT P.Name, P.Salary
FROM Payroll AS P
WHERE P.UserID NOT IN (SELECT UserID
FROM Regist)
```

Find the name and salary of people who do not drive cars

Our NOT EXISTS method:

Our NOT IN method:

Find the name and salary of people who do not drive cars

Our NOT EXISTS method:

Our NOT IN method:

Decorrelated! Our EXISTS version was a correlated subquery

For-each semantics

SELECT P.Name, P.Salary
FROM Payroll AS P
WHERE P.UserID NOT IN (SELECT UserID
FROM Regist)

Payroll P

UserID	Name	Job	Salary
123	Jack	TA	50000
345	Allison	TA	60000
567	Magda	Prof	90000
789	Dan	Prof	100000

Regist R

UserID	Car
123	Charger
567	Civic
567	Pinto

(SELECT UserID FROM Regist)

returns

UserID	
123	
567	
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```

Now, on to quantifier logic!

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```
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```

```
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```

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Subquery Takeaways

- Lots of different ways to get the same answer
 - You have an arsenal of tools now

- Side note: Depending on the DBMS/optimizer subqueries could be slow
 - Use them when needed, or when subquery is the more clear solution (like argmax/argmin)

Encoding Universal Quantifiers

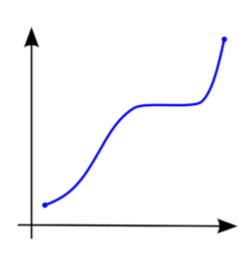
- SQL (and all relational query languages) naturally support the existential quantifier ∃ with joins.
- Could we ever encode a universal quantifier with a SELECT-FROM-WHERE query with no subqueries or aggregates?
- "Do I need to do something complex?"

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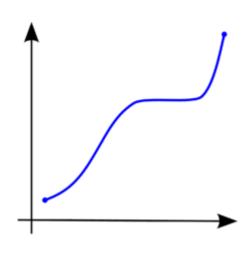


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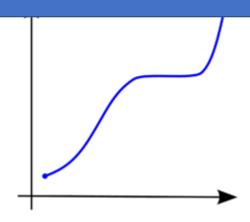
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In other words, adding more tuples to the input table never removes tuples from the output on the next query.

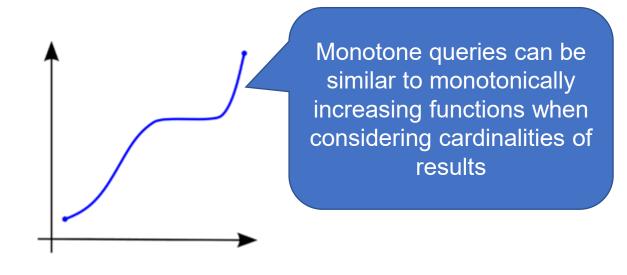


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I can add a tuple to Payroll that has a higher salary value than any other

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- Proof. We use the nested loop semantics: if we insert a tuple in a relation R_i, this will not remove any tuples from the answer

```
SELECT a_1, a_2, ..., a_k
FROM R_1 AS x_1, R_2 AS x_2, ..., R_n AS x_n
WHERE Conditions
```

```
for x<sub>1</sub> in R<sub>1</sub> do
  for x<sub>2</sub> in R<sub>2</sub> do
    ...
  for x<sub>n</sub> in R<sub>n</sub> do
    if Conditions
    output (a<sub>1</sub>,...,a<sub>k</sub>)
```

Consequence: If a query is not monotonic, then we cannot write it as a SELECT-FROM-WHERE query without nested subqueries or aggregates.

- Queries with universal quantifiers are not generally monotone
- You have to do something "complex" if you need to code a universal quantifier

Takeaways

 SQL is able to mirror logic over sets more or less directly

- The internal interpretation of nested queries can be quite involved
 - But often the DBMS will derive such interpretations automagically and pick the fastest method

Next Unit

- We are done with lectures on SQL queries!
- Up next:
 - Relational Algebra
 - Data modeling
 - Ethics and Security