

Practical 6

Working with more than one table (JOINS)

Learning objectives

1. Use different forms of joins to obtain information from more than one table.
 - a. INNER JOIN
 - b. OUTER JOIN
 - c. NATURAL JOIN
2. Sort and group results of queries (ORDER BY, GROUP BY) based on different columns
3. Use HAVING clause to retrieve data with a condition when grouping data
4. Run multiple SQL scrip files using a single SQL file.

Setting-up

- Do this practical in DBS/Prac06 directory. If Prac06 directory is not there, create a one.
- **Task 1** of this practical does not require MySQL. Write the answers in a file named Prac06Task1.txt file
- **Task 2 and Task 3 :**
 - Download and copy the given nine sql files from the practical-6 link to your Prac06 directory.
 - In the Prac06 directory and get a Terminal and connect to the MySQL server using the usual password.
 - Use a suitable command record all the commands and query results to *Prac06Workings.out* file
 - Get another Terminal, open a sql file in Vim (> vim *Prac06Commands.sql*) or any text editor you wish to use. First create your commands in this file before pasting them on MySQL prompt. Use a comment line with the question number before starting each task.

1. Task 1

The tables for the activities in task are not going to be created in MySQL. Write the answers in the *Prac06Task1.txt* file

1. Consider two relations *Actors*(actorname, address, age) and *Performs*(moviename, star, date) where *Actors* store information of actors and *Performs* stores the main star actor of movies. *Performs* store the name of the movie, the name of the main star and the date that the movie.
A list of actors who have been a main star, and the movies that they have been the main star of is required.

Decide on the most appropriate join to use for answering the above query that requires linking the two relations and what attributes to join on.

2. Consider two relations *Properties*(address, *lot*, *type*) and *Offers*(customer, address, date, *agent*) where *address* is the address of the property concerned and the *customer* and *agent* are the names of the people involved in the offer.

A list of the address and type of each property along with the date offers were made is required. A property may be shown multiple times in the results, if there are multiple offers, but should be shown even if no offers have been made. If there are no offers, the date field should be NULL.

Decide on the most appropriate join to use for answering the above query that requires linking the two relations and what attributes to join on.

3. Consider the two relations *Cruises*(shipname, origin, destination, departure, duration, cost) and *Ships*(shipname, *line*, *cabins*, *rating*).

The aim of a query is to list all cruises with the origin and destination ports, their cost and the star rating of the ship involved.

Decide on the most appropriate join to use for the above query that requires linking the two relations and what attributes to join on.

2. Task 2: creating the required tables

This activity use several tables showing employees and their departments, projects etc. *Emp*, *Dept*, *Proj* and *Pworks* are the four tables involved, which holds information about employees, departments, projects and the employee's work on projects respectively. (*Emp* and *Dept* tables are already used in the practical -3).

SQL script files (.sql files) which contain the statements for creating the above tables and inserting sample data to the tables are given:

createemp.sql : creating Emp table.

createdept.sql : creating Dept table.

createproj.sql : creating Proj table.

createpworks.sql: creating Pworks table.

Insemp.sql, *insdept.sql*, *insproj.sql* and *inspworks.sql* scripts contains statements to insert sample data to *Emp*, *Dept*, *Proj* and *Pwork* tables respectively.

Descriptions of the tables are given below.

Emp (Employee Table)

COL NAME	TYPE	SIZE	NULL	DESCRIPTION
empno	CHAR	6	no	Employee number, unique
firstname	VARCHAR	12	no	First name
midinit	CHAR	1	no	Middle initial
lastname	VARCHAR	15	no	Last name
workdept	CHAR	3		Employee's dept number
phoneno	CHAR	4		Employee's telephone number
hiredate	DATE			Date hired
job	CHAR	8		Job held by employee
edlevel	INT	2		No. of years of formal educ.
sex	CHAR	1		M=male, F=female
birthdate	DATE			Date of birth
salary	DECIMAL	(8,2)		Annual salary
bonus	DECIMAL	(8,2)		Annual bonus
comm	DECIMAL	(8,2)		Annual commission

Dept (Department Table)

COL NAME	TYPE	SIZE	NULL	DESCRIPTION
deptno	CHAR	3	no	Department number, unique
deptname	VARCHAR	36	no	Department name
mgrno	CHAR	6		Dept manager's employee no.
admrdept	CHAR	3	no	ID of administrative dept

Proj (Project Table)

COL NAME	TYPE	SIZE	NULL	DESCRIPTION
projno	CHAR	6	no	Project number, unique
projname	VARCHAR	24	no	Project name
deptno	CHAR	3	no	Department number of responsible dept
respemp	CHAR	6	no	EMPNO of responsible employee
prstdate	DATE			Project start date
prendate	DATE			Project end date
majproj	CHAR	6		PROJNO of the major project for a sub-project

If a project is not a sub-project of any other project, then it has a MAJPROJ value of null.

Pworks (Employees working on projects)

COL NAME	TYPE	SIZE	NULL	DESCRIPTION
empno	CHAR	6	no	Employee number
projno	CHAR	6	no	Project number
hours	SMALLINT	6		Number of hours per week

The combination of employee number and project number is unique for rows of this table.

4. Look at the SQL scripts which creates tables and identify the order in which these files are needed to be run to create the four given tables and fill them with sample data.

Note -1

- Note that these scripts first delete any existing tables of those names. Normally, a DELETE TABLE command will generate an error message if the table doesn't exist, however the scripts use the IF EXISTS option, which means that the command only executes if the given object already exists.

5. Create a new database called *company* to store the above four tables using the following command.

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mysql> CREAT DATABASE company;
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6. When there are many SQL scripts to run, all the commands can be added to a separate SQL script file in the correct order and that file can be run so that all the other SQL scripts are executed one by one.

rebuild.sql script file contains command to create all the tables and inserting sample data.

Open the *rebuild.sql* file and have a look to verify the order the commands are executed would be correct.

Run the *rebuild.sql* file (source the file) to create the tables and fill them with sample data in the newly created *company* database.

Your database should now have all four tables in it with sample data.

7. Use suitable commands and verify all four tables are created and data is inserted.

3. Task 3: Writing queries

Write and execute SQL SELECT statements to answer the queries given below. Prepare a script of all the queries by writing them into the *prac06Commands.sql* before pasting them into the MySQL window.

Note -2

- In queries involving more than one table, it is a good practice to write the column names with the table name (e.g. *Studeents.id*) even when the column name is not the same in other tables. This way, users need not to look at table schemas to know from which table the attributes are taken.

1. Write a join query to display the *last name*, *job* and *salary* of employees who are responsible for projects where the project name includes the string 'Design'. Display the project names also in the query results to verify the results.
2. Use a join query to show the *firstname*, *lastname*, *job*, *managing department number* and the *name of the managing department* of each department manager. Use suitable column names for the managing department number and the name of the managing department.
3. Revise the above query (Q2) to show the *department number*, *department name*, *manager's firstname*, *lastname* and *job* for each department.
4. Use a join query to display the *last name*, *job* and *education level* of all employees who have at least the education level of the employee whose job description is 'Pres'.
5. Show the *minimum salary*, *maximum salary* and the number of employees in the job category for each job.
6. For each *workdept* that has more than 5 employees, find the *average salary of employees*. Display *workdept* and the number of employees in each *workdept* also in the query results.

Hint: You'll have to look up how to use the HAVING keyword:

<https://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/8.0/en/select.html>

Note -3

- The HAVING clause, like the WHERE clause, specifies selection conditions. The WHERE clause specifies conditions on columns in the select list, but cannot refer to aggregate functions. The HAVING clause specifies conditions on groups, typically formed by the GROUP BY clause.

7. For all employees who work on projects, get the *empno*, *lastname*, *salary*, and the *total number of hours per week they work on projects*. Display the total number of hours per week they work under a column 'TotalHrs'.
8. For all employees, show the *empno*, *lastname*, *salary*, *total number of hours per week they work on projects* and the *number of projects they work*. Display the total number of hours per week they work under a column 'TotalHrs'. If any employee is not working in projects, total number of hours per week they work on projects should be shown as NULL.

9. In the query results of Q8, identify by which column the results are sorted in ascending order. (This is the default ordering)
Show the same results of the Q8, sorted by *TotalHrs*” in descending order.
10. For each project, list the *project number* and *project name* along with the *project name* and the *project number* of any sub-projects. All the project, irrespective whether they have sub-projects or not should be listed.
11. For projects with sub-projects, list the *project number* and *project name* along with the project name and project number of any sub-projects.
(Only the projects having sub-projects should be listed)

4. Submitting your work

Your prac06 directory should have *prac06Task1*, *Prac06Commands.sql* and *Prac06Workings.out* files.

Zip your Prac06 directory and upload it to Blackboard under ‘Assessments/In Class Practical Submissions’

Check whether you have achieved learning outcomes:

I am confident that I can,

Use appropriate joins (INNER JOIN, OUTER JOIN or NATURAL JOIN) to retrieve data using more than one table	
Sorting the query results using ORDER BY clause	
Use suitable aggregate functions (MIN, MAX, SUM, COUNT, AVG)	
Group the query results using GROUP BY clause	
Use HAVING clause when grouping data	
Create a new database with the CREATE DATABASE statement	
Execute several SQL scripts by calling them in a separate SQL script file	✓

Please refer lecture slides, reading materials, and online resources and attempt again, if all the learning outcomes were not achieved. Ask your tutor and get help if you need any clarification.

It’s always a good practise to try to finish the practical of a particular week, before attempting the next practical worksheet as your work will be building upon the previous week’s tasks.