Introduction to Database Systems

Lecture 3: SQL Joins (including most of Ch. 6.1-6.2)

SQL Joins

Can use data from multiple tables:

 This is a selection and projection of the "join" of the Product and Company relations.

- A JOIN B produces one row for every pair of rows
 - one row from A and one row from B

Cname	Country	Pname	Price	Manufacturer
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GizmoWorks	USA	Gizmo	19.99	GizmoWorks
		PowerGizmo	29.99	GizmoWorks

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JOIN

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PowerGizmo	29.99	GizmoWorks

- This join produces 6 different rows
 - in general, # rows in join is (# rows in A) * (# rows in B)
 - number of rows often much smaller after selection...
 - DBMS will do everything in its power to not compute A JOIN B

Interpreting Joins (2)

Can think of a join in terms of code:

```
for every row C in Company {
  for every row P in Product {
    if (P.manufacturer = C.cname and
        C.country = 'Japan' and
        P.price < 150.00)
      output (C.cname, C.country,
          P.pname, P.price, P.category,
          P.manufacturer);
```

Types of Joins

- We usually think of the selection as part of the join
 - e.g., manufacturer = cname and country = 'Japan' and ...
 - called the "join predicate"
- Join without a predicate is cross product / cross join
- Special names depending on predicate
 - natural join if "=" between pairs of columns with same name
 - with well chosen col names, many joins become natural
- These are "inner" joins. We will discuss outer later...

```
SELECT al, a2, ..., an FROM Rl, R2, ..., Rm
WHERE Cond
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Company(<u>cname</u>, country)
Product(<u>pname</u>, price, category, manufacturer)
– manufacturer is foreign key

```
SELECT DISTINCT cname
```

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

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WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Product

pname	category	manufacturer
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks
Camera	Photo	Hitachi
OneClick	Photo	Hitachi

cname	country
GizmoWorks	USA
Canon	Japan
Hitachi	Japan

SELECT DISTINCT cname

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Product

pnamecategorymanufacturerGizmogadgetGizmoWorksCameraPhotoHitachiOneClickPhotoHitachi

2	cname	country
	GizmoWorks	USA
	Canon	Japan
	Hitachi	Japan

pname	category	manufacturer	cname	country
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks	GizmoWorks	USA

SELECT DISTINCT cname

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Product

1	pname	category	manufacturer	
	Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks	
, h	Camera	Photo	Hitachi	
	OneClick	Photo	Hitachi	

Company

	cname	country
GizmoWorks		USA
l	Canon	Japan
8	Hitachi	Japan

Not output because country != 'USA' (also cname != manufacturer)

SELECT DISTINCT cname

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Product

	pname	category	manufacturer	
l	Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks	
	Camera	Photo	Hitachi	
	OneClick	Photo	Hitachi	

Company

cname	country
GizmoWorks	USA
Canon	Japan
Hitachi	Japan

Not output because country != 'USA'

SELECT DISTINCT cname

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Product

	pname	category	manufacturer
1	Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks
	Camera	Photo	Hitachi
	OneClick	Photo	Hitachi

Company

4	cname	country
l	GizmoWorks	USA
2	Canon	Japan
	Hitachi	Japan

Not output because category != 'gadget' (and ...)

SELECT DISTINCT cname

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Product

pname	category	manufacturer	
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks	
Camera	Photo	Hitachi	
OneClick	Photo	Hitachi	

Company

	cname	country
	GizmoWorks	USA
	Canon	Japan
n	Hitachi	Japan

Not output because category != 'gadget'

SELECT DISTINCT cname

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Product

pname	category	manufacturer
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks
Camera	Photo	Hitachi
OneClick	Photo	Hitachi

Company

cname	country
GizmoWorks	USA
Canon	Japan
Hitachi	Japan

Not output because category != 'gadget'

SELECT DISTINCT cname

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Product

pname	category	manufacturer
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks
Camera	Photo	Hitachi
OneClick	Photo	Hitachi

Company

cname	country
GizmoWorks	USA
Canon	Japan
Hitachi	Japan

Not output because category != 'gadget' (with any Company)

SELECT DISTINCT cname

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Product

pname	category	manufacturer
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks
Camera	Photo	Hitachi
OneClick	Photo	Hitachi

restrict to category = 'gadget'

cname	country
GizmoWorks	USA
Canon	Japan
Hitachi	Japan

SELECT DISTINCT cname

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Product (where category = 'gadget')

pname	category	manufacturer
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks

Company

cname	country
GizmoWorks	USA
Canon	Japan
Hitachi	Japan

restrict to country = 'USA'

SELECT DISTINCT cname

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Product (where category = 'gadget')

pname	category	manufacturer
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks

Company (where country = 'USA')

cname	country
GizmoWorks	USA

Now only one combination to consider

(Query optimizers do this too.)

```
SELECT DISTINCT cname
```

FROM Product, Company

WHERE country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND

manufacturer = cname

Alternative syntax:

```
SELECT DISTINCT cname
```

FROM Product JOIN Company ON

country = 'USA' AND category = 'gadget' AND manufacturer = cname

Emphasizes that the predicate is part of the join.

Self-Joins and Tuple Variables

- Ex: find companies that manufacture both products in the 'gadgets' category and in the 'photo' category
- Just joining Company with Product is insufficient: need to join Company with Product with Product

```
FROM Company, Product, Product
```

- When a relation occurs twice in the FROM clause we call it a self-join; in that case every column name in Product is ambiguous (why?)
 - are you referring to the tuple in the 2nd or 3rd loop?

Name Conflicts

we used cname / pname to avoid this problem

When a name is ambiguous, qualify it:

```
WHERE Company.name = Product.name AND ...
```

For self-join, we need to distinguish tables:

```
FROM Product x, Product y, Company
```

- These new names are called "tuple variables"
 - can think of as name for the variable of each loop
 - can also write "Company AS C" etc.
 - can make SQL query shorter: C.name vs. Company.name

SELECT DISTINCT z.cname

FROM Product x, Product y, Company z

WHERE z.country = 'USA'

AND x.category = 'gadget'

AND y.category = 'photo'

AND x.manufacturer = cname

AND y.manufacturer = cname;

Product

pname	category	manufacturer
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks
SingleTouch	photo	Hitachi
MultiTouch	photo	GizmoWorks

cname	country
GizmoWorks	USA
Hitachi	Japan

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WHERE z.country = 'USA'

AND x.category = 'gadget'

AND y.category = 'photo'

AND x.manufacturer = cname

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Product

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cname	country
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AND y.category = 'photo'

AND x.manufacturer = cname

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WHERE z.country = 'USA'

AND x.category = 'gadget'

AND y.category = 'photo'

AND x.manufacturer = cname

AND y.manufacturer = cname;

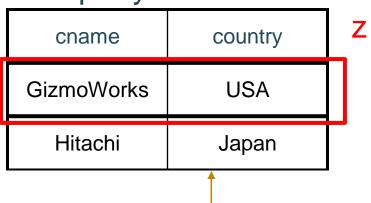
Product

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pname	category	manufacturer
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks
SingleTouch	photo	Hitachi
MultiTouch	photo	GizmoWorks

Company



restrict to country = 'USA'

Not output because y.category != 'photo'

```
SELECT DISTINCT z.cname
FROM
        Product x, Product y, Company z
WHERE z.country = 'USA'
   AND x.category = 'gadget'
   AND y.category = 'photo'
   AND x.manufacturer = cname
   AND y.manufacturer = cname;
```

	Product		
X	pname	category	
			F

pname	category	manufacturer
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks
SingleTouch	photo	Hitachi

Company

cname	country	Z
GizmoWorks	USA	
Hitachi	Japan	

Not output because y.manufacturer != cname

SELECT DISTINCT z.cname

FROM Product x, Product y, Company z

WHERE z.country = 'USA'

AND x.category = 'gadget'

AND y.category = 'photo'

AND x.manufacturer = cname

AND y.manufacturer = cname;

Product

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pname	category	manufacturer
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MultiTouch	photo	GizmoWorks

cname	country	Z
GizmoWorks	USA	
Hitachi	Japan	_

x.pname	x.category	x.manufacturer	y.pname	y.category	y.manufacturer	z.cname	z.country
Gizmo	gadget	GizmoWorks	MultiTouch	Photo	GizmoWorks	GizmoWorks	26 _{USA}

Outer joins

Product(<u>name</u>, category)
Purchase(prodName, store) -- prodName is foreign key

```
SELECT Product.name, ..., Purchase.store
```

FROM Product, Purchase

WHERE Product.name = Purchase.prodName

Or equivalently:

```
SELECT Product.name, ..., Purchase.store
```

FROM Product JOIN Purchase ON

Product.name = Purchase.prodName

But some Products may not be not listed. Why?

Outer joins

Product(<u>name</u>, category)
Purchase(prodName, store) -- prodName is foreign key

If we want to include products that never sold, then we need an "outer join":

SELECT Product.name, ..., Purchase.store
FROM Product LEFT OUTER JOIN Purchase ON
Product.name = Purchase.prodName

SELECT Product.name, Purchase.store FROM Product JOIN Purchase ON Product.name = Purchase.prodName

Product Purchase

Name	Category
Gizmo	gadget
Camera	Photo
OneClick	Photo

ProdName	Store
Gizmo	Wiz
Camera	Ritz
Camera	Wiz

SELECT Product.name, Purchase.store FROM Product JOIN Purchase ON

Product.name = Purchase.prodName

Name	Category
Gizmo	gadget
Camera	Photo
OneClick	Photo

ProdName	Store
Gizmo	Wiz
Camera	Ritz
Camera	Wiz

Name	Category
Gizmo	gadget
Camera	Photo
OneClick	Photo

ProdName	Store
Gizmo	Wiz
Camera	Ritz
Camera	Wiz

Name	Store
Gizmo	Wiz

Name	Category
Gizmo	gadget
Camera	Photo
OneClick	Photo

ProdName	Store
Gizmo	Wiz
Camera	Ritz
Camera	Wiz

Name	Store
Gizmo	Wiz

Name	Category
Gizmo	gadget
Camera	Photo
OneClick	Photo

ProdName	Store
Gizmo	Wiz
Camera	Ritz
Camera	Wiz

Name	Store
Gizmo	Wiz

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Gizmo	gadget
Camera	Photo
OneClick	Photo

ProdName	Store
Gizmo	Wiz
Camera	Ritz
Camera	Wiz

Name	Store
Gizmo	Wiz

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Camera	Photo
OneClick	Photo

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OneClick	Photo

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OneClick	Photo

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Camera	Wiz

Name	Store
Gizmo	Wiz
Camera	Ritz
Camera	Wiz
OneClick	NULL

Product

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Gizmo	gadget
Camera	Photo
OneClick	Photo

Name	Store
Gizmo	Wiz
Camera	Ritz
Camera	Wiz
NULL	Foo

Purchase

ProdName	Store
Gizmo	Wiz
Camera	Ritz
Camera	Wiz
Phone	Foo
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Name	Category
Gizmo	gadget
Camera	Photo
OneClick	Photo

Name	Store
Gizmo	Wiz
Camera	Ritz
Camera	Wiz
OneClick	NULL
NULL	Foo

ProdName	Store
Gizmo	Wiz
Camera	Ritz
Camera	Wiz
Phone	Foo

Outer Joins

- Left outer join:
 - Include the left tuple even if there's no match
- Right outer join:
 - Include the right tuple even if there's no match
- Full outer join:
 - Include both left and right tuples even if there's no match
- (Also something called a UNION JOIN, though it's rarely used.)
- (Actually, all of these are used much more rarely than inner joins.)

Join Examples

• See lec03-sql-joins.sql...