SQL – Data Manipulation Language

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Based on Jennifer Widom slides

Intersect operator

SELECT sID FROM Apply WHERE major='CS' INTERSECT
SELECT sID FROM Apply WHERE major='EE';

sID123
345

Some DBMS don't support the intersect operator

How to rewrite this query without the intersect operator?

College(<u>cName</u>, state, enr)

Student(sID, sName, GPA, sizeHS)

Intersect operator

College(<u>cName</u>, state, enr)
Student(<u>sID</u>, sName, GPA, sizeHS)
Apply(<u>sID</u>, <u>cName</u>, <u>major</u>, decision)

SELECT A1.sID

FROM Apply A1, Apply A2

WHERE A1.sID = A2.sID AND A1.major = 'CS' AND A2.major = 'EE';

Duplicates are not eliminated now

How to eliminate them?

SELECT DISTINCT A1.sID

FROM Apply A1, Apply A2

WHERE A1.sID = A2.sID AND A1.major = 'CS' AND A2.major = 'EE';

College(cName, state, enr)

Student(<u>sID</u>, sName, GPA, sizeHS)

Apply(sID, cName, major, decision)

Except operator

It's called difference in Relational Algebra

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SELECT sID FROM Apply WHERE major='CS'

EXCEPT

SELECT sID FROM Apply WHERE major='EE';

Some DBMS don't support the except operator

How to rewrite this query without the except operator?

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Student(<u>sID</u>, sName, GPA, sizeHS)

Apply(sID, cName, major, decision)

Except operator

SELECT DISTINCT A1.sID

FROM Apply A1, Apply A2

WHERE A1.sID=A2.sID AND A1.major='CS' AND A2.major<>'EE';

Finding one pair that satisfies this doesn't mean there's not another pair with the same student where he applied to 'CS' and 'EE'

This query is finding students who applied to 'CS'

Not possible to rewrite the except query with the operators seen until now

	sID	
	123	
n	345	
	543	
	876	
	987	

Agenda

Introduction

The JOIN family of operators

Basic SQL Statement

Aggregation

Table Variables and Set Operators

Null values

Subqueries in WHERE clauses

Data Modification statements

Subqueries in FROM and SELECT clauses

Subqueries in WHERE

Subqueries are nested SELECT statements

Subqueries generate sets that are used for comparison

A first example

SELECT sID, sName

FROM Student

WHERE sID in

sID	sName
123	Amy
345	Craig
987	Helen
876	Irene
543	Craig

(SELECT sID FROM Apply WHERE major='CS');

Subquery that finds the IDs of students who have applied to a major in CS

IDs and names of students who have applied to a major in CS at some college

How can we do this query without the subquery?

A first example

SELECT DISTINCT Student.sID, sName

FROM Student, Apply

WHERE Student.sID = Apply.sID and major='CS';

sID	sName
123	Amy
345	Craig
987	Helen
876	Irene
543	Craig

Could we write sID instead of Student.sID?

Why is DISTINCT necessary here and not in the previous query?

A second example - duplicates

SELECT sName

FROM Student

WHERE sID in

(SELECT sID FROM Apply WHERE major='CS');

Amy
Craig
Helen
Irene
Craig

Names of students who have applied to a major in CS at some college

College(cName, state, enr)

Student(sID, sName, GPA, sizeHS)

A second example - duplicates

SELECT DISTINCT sName

FROM Student, Apply

WHERE Student.sID = Apply.sID and major='CS';

sName
Amy
Craig
Helen
Irene

Why is the result different from the one in the previous query?

The two different Craigs turned in one result

College(cName, state, enr)

Student(<u>sID</u>, sName, GPA, sizeHS)

Third example - duplicates

Can we list the GPA of students who have applied to a major in CS at some college using a subquery?

SELECT GPA

3.9

FROM Student

WHERE sID in

(SELECT sID FROM Apply WHERE major='CS');

Third example - duplicates

Can we list the GPA of students who have applied to a major in CS at some college without using a subquery?

No

SELECT DISTINCT GPA

FROM Student, Apply

WHERE Student.sID = Apply.sID and major='CS';

The same problem as in previous example

GPA	
3.9	
3.5	
3.7	
3.4	

College(cName, state, enr)

Student(sID, sName, GPA, sizeHS)

Apply(sID, cName, major, decision)

Fourth example

Can we now write a query to list the students that have applied to a major in CS but have not applied to a major in EE, without using the except operator?

SELECT sID, sName

FROM Student

WHERE sID in (select sID from Apply where major='CS') AND sID not in (select sID from Apply where major='EE');

Equivalent

sID	sName
987	Helen
876	Irene
543	Craig

SELECT sID, sName

FROM Student

WHERE sID in (select sID from Apply where major='CS') AND not sID in (select sID from Apply where major='EE');

College(<u>cName</u>, state, enr)
Student(<u>sID</u>, sName, GPA, sizeHS)

Apply(sID, cName, major, decision)

Exists operator

Checks whether a subquery is empty or not

Write a query that finds all colleges, such that there's some other college that is in the same state

<u>cName</u>	state	enr
Stanford	CA	15000
Berkeley	CA	36000
MIT	MA	10000
Cornell	NY	21000

cName	state
Stanford	CA
Berkeley	CA

Exists operator

SELECT cName, state

FROM College C1

WHERE exists (select * from College C2 where C2.state=C1.state);

Correlated reference

cName	state		
Stanford	CA		
Berkeley	CA	-	What's the prob
MIT	MA		
Cornell	NY		

Every college is in the same state as itself

Exists operator

SELECT cName, state
FROM College C1
WHERE exists (select * from College C2
where C2.state=C1.state and C1.cName<>C2.cName);

cName	state
Stanford	CA
Berkeley	CA

College(cName, state, enr)
Student(sID, sName, GPA, sizeHS)
Apply(sID, cName, major, decision)

Getting the largest value

Find the college that has the largest enrollment

SELECT cName
FROM College C1
WHERE not exists (select * from College C2
where C2.enr > C1.enr);

Find all colleges where there does not exist another college whose enrollment is higher than the first college



To look for something that's the largest or the smallest

Getting the largest value – example 2

Find the student with the highest GPA

SELECT sName
FROM Student C1
WHERE not exists (select * from Student C2
where C2.GPA > C1.GPA);

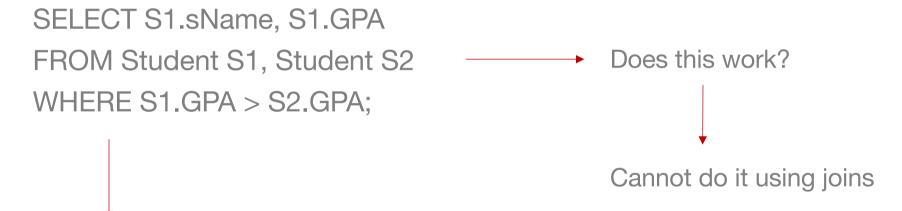


College(cName, state, enr)

Student(sID, sName, GPA, sizeHS)

Getting the largest value – example 2

Can we find the student with the highest GPA without subqueries?



Finds all students such that there is some other student whose GPA is lower, that is, all students except those who have the lowest GPA

College(cName, state, enr)
Student(sID, sName, GPA, sizeHS)
Apply(sID, cName, major, decision)

Alternatives to Intersect and Except

(SELECT R.A, R.B FROM R)

INTERSECT

(SELECT S.A, S.B FROM S)



SELECT R.A, R.B FROM R WHERE EXISTS(SELECT * FROM S WHERE R.A=S.A AND R.B=S.B)

(SELECT R.A, R.B FROM R)

EXCEPT

(SELECT S.A, S.B FROM S)



SELECT R.A, R.B FROM R WHERE NOT EXISTS(SELECT * FROM S WHERE R.A=S.A AND R.B=S.B)

All operator

Checks whether the value has a certain relationship with **all** the results of the subquery

SELECT sName

FROM Student

WHERE GPA >= all (select GPA from Student);



College(cName, state, enr)

Student(<u>sID</u>, sName, GPA, sizeHS)

All operator

SELECT sName

FROM Student S1

sName

WHERE GPA > all (select GPA from Student S2 where S2.sID <> S1.sID);

Does this work?

The query would be correct if we knew that every student's GPA was unique

College(cName, state, enr)

Student(sID, sName, GPA, sizeHS)

Any operator

College(<u>cName</u>, state, enr)
Student(<u>sID</u>, sName, GPA, sizeHS)
Apply(<u>sID</u>, <u>cName</u>, <u>major</u>, decision)

Checks whether the value has a certain relationship with **at least one** element of the results of the subquery

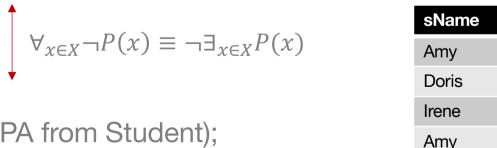
SELECT sName

FROM Student

WHERE not GPA < any (select GPA from Student);

SELECT sName

WHERE GPA>= all (select GPA from Student);



Any operator – example 2

Find all students who are not from the smallest high school in the database

SELECT sID, sName, sizeHS

FROM Student

WHERE sizeHS > any (select sizeHS from Student);

SQLite does not support the any and all operators

Have to rewrite the queries using exists and not exists

How can we rewrite this query using exists?

sName	HS
Amy	1000
Doris	1500
Irene	500
Amy	1000
Edward	2000
Gary	800
Helen	800
Irene	400
Jay	1500
Amy	1000
Craig	2000
	Amy Doris Irene Amy Edward Gary Helen Irene Jay Amy

Any operator – example 2

College(<u>cName</u>, state, enr)
Student(<u>sID</u>, sName, GPA, sizeHS)
Apply(<u>sID</u>, <u>cName</u>, <u>major</u>, decision)

SELECT sID, sName, sizeHS
FROM Student S1
WHERE exists (select * from Student S2
where S2.sizeHS < S1.sizeHS);

An any or all query can always be written using exists or not exists

sID	sName	HS
123	Amy	1000
234	Doris	1500
345	Irene	500
456	Amy	1000
567	Edward	2000
789	Gary	800
987	Helen	800
876	Irene	400
765	Jay	1500
654	Amy	1000
543	Craig	2000

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College(cName, state, enr)

Student(<u>sID</u>, sName, GPA, sizeHS)

Apply(sID, cName, major, decision)

Any operator – example 3

Can we rewrite the query that finds students who have applied to a major in CS and have not applied to a major in EE?

SELECT sID, sName

FROM Student

WHERE sID in (select sID from Apply where major='CS') AND sID not in (select sID from Apply where major='EE');

sID	sName
987	Helen
876	Irene
543	Craig

SELECT sID, sName

FROM Student

WHERE sID = any (select sID from Apply where major = 'CS') AND sID <> any (select sID from Apply where major = 'EE');

Satisfied as long as there's anybody who applied to EE that is not the same as the student we're looking at

sID	sName
123	Amy
345	Craig
987	Helen
876	Irene
543	Craig

Any operator – example 3

College(<u>cName</u>, state, enr)
Student(<u>sID</u>, sName, GPA, sizeHS)
Apply(<u>sID</u>, <u>cName</u>, <u>major</u>, decision)

SELECT sID, sName

FROM Student

WHERE sID = any (select sID from Apply where major = 'CS') AND sID <> any (select sID from Apply where major = 'EE');

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How can we correct it?

SELECT sID, sName

FROM Student

WHERE sID = any (select sID from Apply where major = 'CS') AND not sID = any (select sID from Apply where major = 'EE');

sID	sName
987	Helen
876	Irene
543	Craig

Kahoot time!

Any doubts?

Readings

Jeffrey Ullman, Jennifer Widom, A first course in Database Systems 3rd Edition

Section 6.1 – Simple Queries in SQL

Section 6.2 – Queries Involving More Than One Relation

Section 6.3 - Subqueries

Section 6.4 – Full-Relation Operations

Section 6.5 – Database Modifications

Philip Greenspun, SQL for Web Nerds, http://philip.greenspun.com/sql/