Lecture 3: Advanced SQL

Relational Language

- User only needs to specify the answer that they want, not how to compute it.
- The DBMS is responsible for efficient evaluation of the query.
 - Query optimizer: re-orders operations and generates query plan

SQL History

- Originally "SEQUEL" from IBM's **System R** prototype.
 - ► <u>S</u>tructured <u>E</u>nglish <u>Q</u>uery <u>L</u>anguage
 - ► Adopted by Oracle in the 1970s.
 - ► IBM releases DB2 in 1983.
 - ▶ ANSI Standard in 1986. ISO in 1987
 - Structured Query Language

SQL History

- Current standard is SQL:2016
 - ► SQL:2016 → JSON, Polymorphic tables
 - ► SQL:2011 Temporal DBs, Pipelined DML
 - ► SQL:2008 TRUNCATE, Fancy sorting
 - ► SQL:2003 → XML, windows, sequences, auto-gen IDs.
 - ► SQL:1999 → Regex, triggers, OO
- Most DBMSs at least support SQL-92
- Comparison of different SQL implementations

Relational Language

- Data Manipulation Language (**DML**)
- Data Definition Language (<u>DDL</u>)
- Data Control Language (DCL)
- Also includes:
 - View definition
 - Integrity & Referential Constraints
 - Transactions
- Important: SQL is based on bag semantics (duplicates) not set semantics (no duplicates).

Today's Agenda

- Aggregations + Group By
- String / Date / Time Operations
- Output Control + Redirection
- Nested Queries
- Join
- Common Table Expressions
- Window Functions

Example Database

cid

name

SQL Fiddle: Link

<u>sid</u>	name	login	age	gpa
1	Maria	maria@cs	19	3.8
2	Rahul	rahul@cs	22	3.5
3	Shiyi	shiyi@cs	26	3.7
4	Peter	peter@ece	35	3.8

	sid	cid	grade
	1	1	B
enrolled	1	2	A
	2	3	В
	4	2	C

courses

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Aggregates

- Functions that return a single value from a bag of tuples:
 - ightharpoonup AVG(col) \longrightarrow Return the average col value.
 - ► MIN(col) → Return minimum col value.
 - ► MAX(col) Return maximum col value.
 - ► SUM(col) \longrightarrow Return sum of values in col.
 - ► COUNT(col) → Return number of values for col.

Aggregates

- Aggregate functions can only be used in the SELECT output list.
- Task: Get number of students with a "@cs" login:

```
SELECT COUNT(login) AS cnt
FROM students WHERE login LIKE '%@cs'

SELECT COUNT(*) AS cnt
FROM students WHERE login LIKE '%@cs'

SELECT COUNT(1) AS cnt
FROM students WHERE login LIKE '%@cs'

CNT
3
```

Multiple Aggregates

• Task: Get the number of students and their average GPA that have a "@cs" login.

```
SELECT AVG(gpa), COUNT(sid)
FROM students WHERE login LIKE '%@cs'
```

AVG	CNT
3.6666	3

Distinct Aggregates

- COUNT, SUM, AVG support DISTINCT
- Task: Get the number of unique students that have an "@cs" login.

```
SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT login)
FROM students WHERE login LIKE '%@cs'

COUNT
3
```

Aggregates

- Output of columns outside of an aggregate.
- Task: Get the average GPA of students enrolled in each course.

```
SELECT AVG(s.gpa), e.cid
FROM enrolled AS e, students AS s
WHERE e.sid = s.sid
```

AVG	e.cid	
3.5	???	

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3.5 ???
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 column "e.cid" must appear in the GROUP BY clause or be used in an aggregate function

Group By

- Project tuples into subsets and calculate aggregates of each subset.
- Task: Get the average GPA of students enrolled in each course.

```
SELECT e.cid, AVG(s.gpa)
  FROM enrolled AS e, students AS s
  WHERE e.sid = s.sid
  GROUP BY e.cid
```

e.cid	AVG
1	3.8
3	3.5
2	3.8

Group By

• Non-aggregated values in SELECT output clause must appear in GROUP BY clause.

```
SELECT e.cid, AVG(s.gpa), s.name
FROM enrolled AS e, students AS s
WHERE e.sid = s.sid
GROUP BY e.cid

SELECT e.cid, AVG(s.gpa), s.name
FROM enrolled AS e, students AS s
WHERE e.sid = s.sid
GROUP BY e.cid, s.name
```

Having

- Filters results based on aggregate value.
- Predicate defined over a group (WHERE clause for a GROUP BY)

```
SELECT AVG(s.gpa) AS avg_gpa, e.cid

FROM enrolled AS e, students AS s

WHERE e.sid = s.sid AND avg_gpa > 3.9

GROUP BY e.cid

SELECT AVG(s.gpa) AS avg_gpa, e.cid

FROM enrolled AS e, students AS s

WHERE e.sid = s.sid

GROUP BY e.cid

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e.cid	AVG
1	3.8
2	3.8

	String Case	String Quotes
SQL-92	Sensitive	Single Only
Postgres	Sensitive	Single Only
MySQL	Insensitive	Single/Double
SQLite	Sensitive	Single/Double
DB2	Sensitive	Single Only
Oracle	Sensitive	Single Only

```
WHERE UPPER(name) = UPPER('MaRiA') // SQL-92
WHERE name = 'MaRiA' // MySQL
```

- LIKE is used for string matching.
- String-matching operators
 - %: Matches any substring (including empty strings).
 - _: Match any one character

```
SELECT * FROM student AS s
WHERE s.login LIKE '%@%'
SELECT * FROM student AS s
WHERE s.login LIKE '%@c_'
```

- SQL-92 defines string functions.
 - Many DBMSs also have their own unique functions
- These functions can be used in any expression (projection, predicates, *e.t.c.*)

```
SELECT SUBSTRING(name,0,5) AS abbrv_name
FROM students WHERE sid = 1
SELECT * FROM students AS s
WHERE UPPER(e.name) LIKE 'M%'
```

• SQL standard says to use || operator to concatenate two or more strings together.

```
SQL-92

SELECT name FROM students WHERE login = LOWER(name) || '@cs'

MSSQL

SELECT name FROM students WHERE login = LOWER(name) + '@cs'

MySQL

SELECT name FROM students WHERE login = CONCAT(LOWER(name), '@cs')
```

Date/Time Operations

- Operations to manipulate and modify DATE/TIME attributes.
- Can be used in any expression.
- Support/syntax varies wildly!
- Task: Get the number of days since 2000.
- Demo Time!

```
PostgreSQL

SELECT (now()::date - '2000-01-01'::date) AS days;

MySQL

SELECT DATEDIFF(CURDATE(), '2000-01-01') AS days;

SQL Server

SELECT DATEDIFF(day, '2000/01/01', GETDATE()) AS days;
```

Output Redirection

- Store query results in another table:
 - ► Table must not already be defined.
 - ► Table will have the same number of columns with the same types as the input.

```
SQL-92
```

```
FROM enrolled;

MySQL

CREATE TABLE CourseIds (

SELECT DISTINCT cid FROM enrolled
);
```

SELECT DISTINCT cid INTO CourseIds

Output Redirection

- Insert tuples from query into another table:
 - ▶ Inner SELECT must generate the same columns as the target table.
 - ▶ DBMSs have different options/syntax on what to do with duplicates.

SQL-92

```
INSERT INTO CourseIds
  (SELECT DISTINCT cid FROM enrolled);
```

Output Control

- ORDER BY <column*> [ASC|DESC]
 - ▶ Order the output tuples by the values in one or more of their columns.

Advanced SQL

```
SELECT sid, grade FROM enrolled
 WHERE cid = 2
 ORDER BY grade
SELECT sid, grade FROM enrolled
 WHERE cid = 2
 ORDER BY grade DESC, sid ASC
 sid grade
```

Output Control

- LIMIT <count> [offset]
 - Limit the number of tuples returned in output.
 - Can set an offset to return a "range"

```
SELECT sid, name FROM students
WHERE login LIKE '%@cs'
LIMIT 10

SELECT sid, name FROM students
WHERE login LIKE '%@cs'
LIMIT 20 OFFSET 10
```

- Queries containing other queries.
- They are often difficult to optimize.
- Inner queries can appear (almost) anywhere in query.

```
SELECT name FROM students --- Outer Query
WHERE sid IN
(SELECT sid FROM enrolled) --- Inner Query
```

```
SELECT name FROM students WHERE ...
```

```
SELECT name FROM students
WHERE ...
SELECT sid FROM enrolled
WHERE cid = 2
```

```
SELECT name FROM students
WHERE sid IN (
SELECT sid FROM enrolled
WHERE cid = 2
)
name
Maria
Peter
```

- ALL → Must satisfy expression for all rows in sub-query
- IN \longrightarrow Equivalent to '=ANY()'.
- EXISTS → Returns true if the subquery returns one or more records.

```
SELECT name FROM students AS s
WHERE EXISTS ( --- EXISTS operator
    SELECT sid FROM enrolled AS e
    WHERE cid = 2 and s.sid = e.sid
)
```

```
SELECT (SELECT s.name --- Inner query in projection expression
FROM students AS s
WHERE s.sid = e.sid) AS sname
FROM enrolled AS e
WHERE cid = 2
```

```
SELECT name FROM students WHERE sid ...
```

• Task: Get the names of students <u>not</u> in course 2

```
SELECT name FROM students

WHERE sid != ALL (

SELECT sid FROM enrolled

WHERE cid = 2

)

name

Rahul
Shiyi
```

```
--- Won't work in SQL-92
SELECT MAX(e.sid), s.name
FROM enrolled AS e, students AS s
WHERE e.sid = s.sid;
```

```
--- "Is greater than every other sid"
SELECT sid, name
 FROM students
 WHERE
--- "Is greater than every other sid"
SELECT sid, name
  FROM students
     WHERE sid >= ALL(
             SELECT sid FROM enrolled
  sid name
        Peter
```

```
SELECT sid, name FROM students
FROM students
WHERE sid IN (
SELECT MAX(sid) FROM enrolled
)

SELECT sid, name FROM students
WHERE sid IN (
SELECT sid FROM enrolled
ORDER BY sid DESC LIMIT 1
```

• Task: Find all courses that has no students enrolled in it.

```
SELECT * FROM courses
WHERE ...
--- "with no tuples in the 'enrolled' table"
```

• Task: Find all courses that has no students enrolled in it.

```
SELECT * FROM courses

WHERE NOT EXISTS(

SELECT * FROM enrolled

WHERE course.cid = enrolled.cid
)

cid name

4 Peter
```

- Performs a "sliding" calculation across a set of related tuples.
- Unlike GROUP BY, tuples do not collapse into a group
- So needed if must refer back to individual tuples

```
SELECT ... FUNC-NAME(...) --- Special Window Functions, Aggregation Functions
OVER(...) --- How to slice up data? Can also sort.
FROM tableName
```

- Special window functions:
 - ▶ ROW_NUMBER() → Number of the current row
 - ightharpoonup RANK() \longrightarrow Order position of the current row.
- Aggregation functions:
 - ▶ All the functions that we discussed earlier (*e.g.*, MIN, MAX, AVG)

```
SELECT *, ROW_NUMBER()
OVER () AS row_num
FROM enrolled
```

sid	cid	grade	row_num
1	1	В	1
1	2	A	2
2	3	В	3
4	2	A	4

- The OVER keyword specifies how to <u>group</u> together tuples when computing the window function.
- Use PARTITION BY to specify group.

```
SELECT cid, sid, ROW_NUMBER()

OVER (PARTITION BY cid) --- Note the row numbering

FROM enrolled

ORDER BY cid
```

cid	sid	row_number
1	1	1
2	1	1
2	4	2
3	2	1

 You can also include an ORDER BY in the window grouping to sort entries in each group.

```
SELECT cid, sid, ROW_NUMBER()

OVER (ORDER BY cid) --- Note the row numbering
FROM enrolled

ORDER BY cid
```

cid	sid	row_number
1	1	1
2	1	2
2	4	3
3	2	4

• Task: Find the students with the highest grade for each course.

```
SELECT cid, sid, grade, rank FROM (
   SELECT *, RANK() -- Group tuples by cid and then sort by grade
   OVER (PARTITION BY cid ORDER BY grade ASC) AS rank
   FROM enrolled
) AS ranking
WHERE ranking.rank = 1
```

cid	sid	grade	rank
1	1	В	1
2	1	A	1
3	2	В	1

• Task: Get the name of the students with the second highest grade for each course.

```
SELECT cid, sid, grade, rank FROM (
   SELECT *, RANK()
   OVER (PARTITION BY cid ORDER BY grade ASC) AS rank
   FROM enrolled
) AS ranking
WHERE ranking.rank = 2 --- Update rank

cid sid grade rank
```

• Task: Get the name of the students with the second highest grade for each course.

```
SELECT * FROM (
   SELECT C.name, S.name, E.grade, RANK()
   OVER (PARTITION BY E.cid ORDER BY E.grade ASC) AS grade_rank
   FROM students S, courses C, enrolled E
   WHERE S.sid = E.sid AND C.cid = E.cid --- Connect with students
) AS ranking
WHERE ranking.grade_rank = 2
```

name	name	grade	rank
Machine Learning	Peter	С	2

Common Table Expressions

- Provides a way to write auxiliary statements for use in a larger query.
 - Think of it like a temp table just for one query.
- Alternative to nested queries and <u>materialized views</u>.

```
WITH cteName AS (
SELECT 1
)
SELECT * FROM cteName

column
1
```

Common Table Expressions

• You can bind output columns to names before the AS keyword.

```
WITH cteName (col1, col2) AS (

SELECT 1, 2
)
SELECT col1 + col2 FROM cteName

column
3
```

Common Table Expressions

Common Table Expressions – Recursion

• **Task:** Print the sequence of numbers from 1 to 10.

Types of Join

- Types of Join
 - ightharpoonup (INNER) JOIN (\bowtie) \longrightarrow Returns records that have matching values in both tables
 - ► LEFT OUTER JOIN (⋈) → Returns all records from the left table, and the matched records from the right table
 - ▶ RIGHT OUTER JOIN (⋈) → Returns all records from the right table, and the matched records from the left table
 - ► FULL OUTER JOIN (⊃⊂) Returns all records when there is a match in either left or right table

Example Database

SQL Fiddle: Link

	<u>sid</u>	name	
	1	Maria	
students	2	Rahul	hobbies
	3	Shiyi	
	4	Peter	

sid	hobby
1	Stars
1	Climbing
2	Coding
5	Rugby

Types of Join: Inner Join

• Task: List the hobbies of students.

```
SELECT name, hobby
FROM students JOIN hobbies
ON students.id = hobbies.user_id;
```

name	grade
Maria	Stars
Maria	Climbing
Rahul	Coding

Types of Join: Left Outer Join

• Task: List the hobbies of <u>all</u> students.

```
SELECT name, hobby
FROM students LEFT OUTER JOIN hobbies
ON students.id = hobbies.user_id;
```

name	grade
Maria	Stars
Maria	Climbing
Rahul	Coding
Peter	NULL
Shiyi	NULL

Types of Join: Right Outer Join

• Task: List <u>all</u> the hobbies of students.

```
SELECT name, hobby
FROM students RIGHT OUTER JOIN hobbies
ON students.id = hobbies.user_id;
```

name	grade
Maria	Stars
Maria	Climbing
Rahul	Coding
NULL	Rugby

Types of Join: Full Outer Join

• Task: List <u>all</u> the hobbies of <u>all</u> students.

```
SELECT name, hobby
FROM students FULL OUTER JOIN hobbies
ON students.id = hobbies.user_id;
```

name	grade
Maria	Stars
Maria	Climbing
Rahul	Coding
NULL	Rugby
Peter	NULL
Shiyi	NULL

More Types of Join

- SEMI JOIN (⋉)
 - \triangleright Returns record from the left table if there is **a** matching record in the right table
 - ▶ Unlike regular JOIN, only returns columns from the left table and no duplicates.
 - We do not care about the values of other columns in the right table's record
 - Used to execute queries with EXISTS or IN operators
- ANTI JOIN (▷)
 - Opposite of a SEMI JOIN
 - ▶ Returns record from the left table if there is <u>no</u> matching record in the right table
 - Used to execute queries with NOT EXISTS or NOT IN operators
- LATERAL JOIN (►<--) (*a.k.a.*, Dependent Join, CROSS APPLY)
 - Subqueries appearing in FROM clause can be preceded by the key word LATERAL
 - ► Table functions appearing in FROM clause can also be preceded by the key word LATERAL

Types of Join: Semi Join

• Task: List the names of students with hobbies.

```
SELECT name
FROM students
WHERE sid IN
(SELECT sid
FROM hobbies);

name
Maria
Rahul
```

Types of Join: Anti Join

• Task: List the names of students without hobbies.

```
SELECT name
FROM students
WHERE sid NOT IN
(SELECT sid
FROM hobbies);

name
Shiyi
Peter
```

Types of Join: Lateral Join

• Task: List the names of students with hobbies.

```
SELECT name
FROM students, LATERAL (SELECT sid FROM hobbies
WHERE students.sid = hobbies.sid) ss;
```

name

Maria

Maria

Rahul

Conclusion

- SQL is not a dead language.
- You should (almost) always strive to compute your answer as a single SQL statement.

Next Class

• Storage Management

References I