



Relational Algebra

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Relational Algebra Overview



Relational algebra is the basic set of operations for the relational model



These operations enable a user to specify **basic retrieval requests** (or **queries**)



The result of an operation is a *new relation*, which may have been formed from one or more *input* relations

This property makes the algebra “closed” (all objects in relational algebra are relations)

Relational Algebra Overview (continued)



The **algebra operations** thus produce new relations

These can be further manipulated using operations of the same algebra



A sequence of relational algebra operations forms a **relational algebra expression**

The result of a relational algebra expression is also a relation that represents the result of a database query (or retrieval request)

Relational Algebra Overview

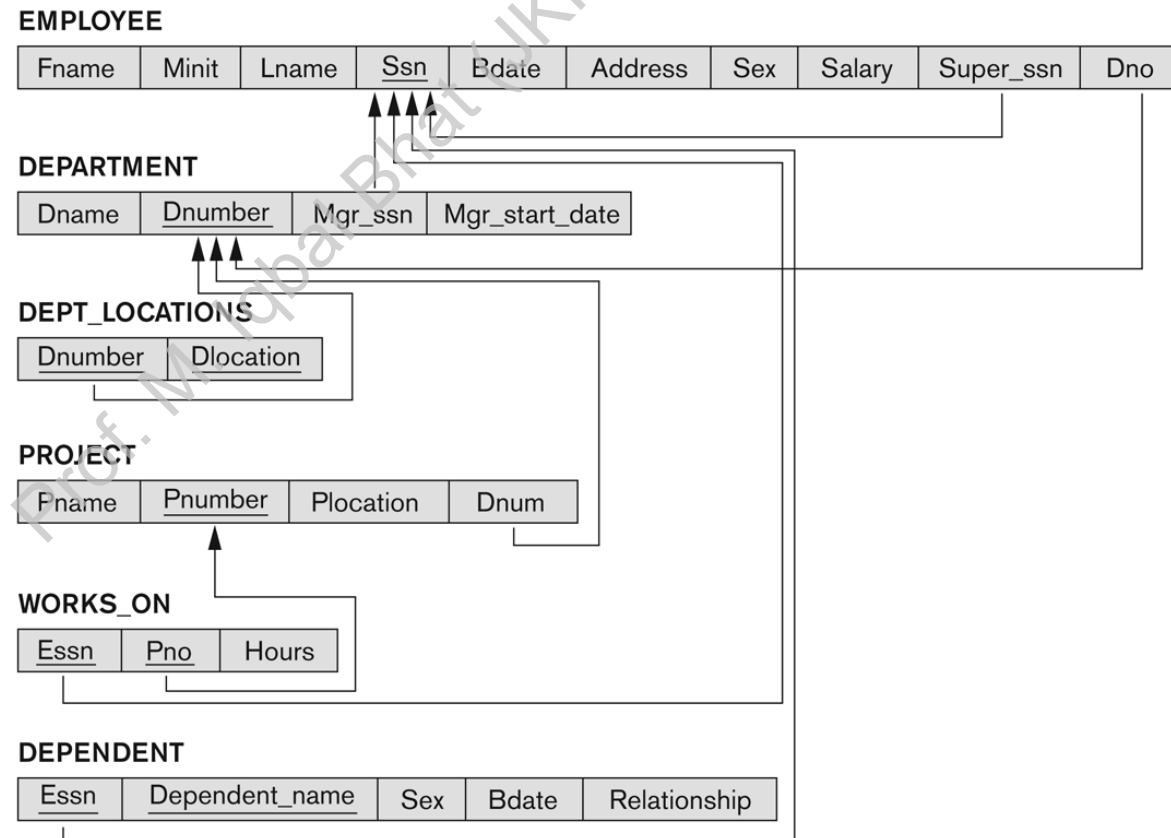
- Relational Algebra consists of several groups of operations
 - Unary Relational Operations
 - SELECT (symbol: σ (sigma))
 - PROJECT (symbol: π (pi))
 - RENAME (symbol: ρ (rho))
 - Relational Algebra Operations From Set Theory
 - UNION (\cup), INTERSECTION (\cap), DIFFERENCE (or MINUS, $-$)
 - CARTESIAN PRODUCT (\times)
 - Binary Relational Operations
 - JOIN (several variations of JOIN exist)
 - DIVISION
 - Additional Relational Operations
 - OUTER JOINS, OUTER UNION
 - AGGREGATE FUNCTIONS (These compute summary of information: for example, SUM, COUNT, AVG, MIN, MAX)

Database State for COMPANY

- All examples discussed below refer to the COMPANY database shown here.

Figure 5.7

Referential integrity constraints displayed on the COMPANY relational database schema.



Unary Relational Operations: SELECT

- The SELECT operation (denoted by σ (sigma)) is used to select a *subset* of the tuples from a relation based on a **selection condition**.
 - The selection condition acts as a **filter**
 - Keeps only those tuples that satisfy the qualifying condition
 - Tuples satisfying the condition are *selected* whereas the other tuples are discarded (*filtered out*)
- Examples:
 - Select the EMPLOYEE tuples whose department number is 4:

$\sigma_{DNO = 4}$ (EMPLOYEE)

- Select the employee tuples whose salary is greater than \$30,000:

$\sigma_{SALARY > 30,000}$ (EMPLOYEE)

Unary Relational Operations: SELECT

- In general, the *select* operation is denoted by

$\sigma_{\langle \text{selection condition} \rangle}(R)$ where

- the symbol σ (sigma) is used to denote the *select* operator
- the selection condition is a Boolean (conditional) expression specified on the attributes of relation R
- tuples that make the condition **true** are selected
 - appear in the result of the operation
- tuples that make the condition **false** are filtered out
 - discarded from the result of the operation

Unary Relational Operations: SELECT (continued)

■ SELECT Operation Properties

- The SELECT operation $\sigma_{\langle \text{selection condition} \rangle}(R)$ produces a relation S that has the same schema (same attributes) as R
- SELECT σ is commutative:
 - $\sigma_{\langle \text{condition1} \rangle}(\sigma_{\langle \text{condition2} \rangle}(R)) = \sigma_{\langle \text{condition2} \rangle}(\sigma_{\langle \text{condition1} \rangle}(R))$
- Because of commutativity property, a cascade (sequence) of SELECT operations may be applied in any order:
 - $\sigma_{\langle \text{cond1} \rangle}(\sigma_{\langle \text{cond2} \rangle}(\sigma_{\langle \text{cond3} \rangle}(R))) = \sigma_{\langle \text{cond2} \rangle}(\sigma_{\langle \text{cond3} \rangle}(\sigma_{\langle \text{cond1} \rangle}(R)))$
- A cascade of SELECT operations may be replaced by a single selection with a conjunction of all the conditions:
 - $\sigma_{\langle \text{cond1} \rangle}(\sigma_{\langle \text{cond2} \rangle}(\sigma_{\langle \text{cond3} \rangle}(R))) = \sigma_{\langle \text{cond1} \rangle \text{ AND } \langle \text{cond2} \rangle \text{ AND } \langle \text{cond3} \rangle}(R))$
- The number of tuples in the result of a SELECT is less than (or equal to) the number of tuples in the input relation R

The following query results refer to this database state

Figure 5.6

One possible database state for the COMPANY relational database schema.

EMPLOYEE

Fname	Minit	Lname	Ssn	Bdate	Address	Sex	Salary	Super_ssn	Dno
John	B	Smith	123456789	1965-01-09	731 Fondren, Houston, TX	M	30000	333445555	5
Franklin	T	Wong	333445555	1955-12-08	638 Voss, Houston, TX	M	40000	888665555	5
Alicia	J	Zelaya	999887777	1968-01-19	3321 Castle, Spring, TX	F	25000	987654321	4
Jennifer	S	Wallace	987654321	1941-06-20	291 Berry, Bellaire, TX	F	43000	888665555	4
Ramesh	K	Narayan	666884444	1962-09-15	975 Fire Oak, Humble, TX	M	38000	333445555	5
Joyce	A	English	453453453	1972-07-31	5631 Rice, Houston, TX	F	25000	333445555	5
Ahmad	V	Jabbar	987987987	1969-03-29	980 Dallas, Houston, TX	M	25000	987654321	4
James	E	Borg	888665555	1937-11-10	450 Stone, Houston, TX	M	55000	NULL	1

DEPARTMENT

Dname	Dnumber	Mgr_ssn	Mgr_start_date
Research	5	333445555	1988-05-22
Administration	4	987654321	1985-01-01
Headquarters	1	888665555	1981-06-19

DEPT_LOCATIONS

Dnumber	Dlocation
1	Houston
4	Stafford
5	Bellaire
5	Sugarland
5	Houston

WORKS_ON

Essn	Pno	Hours
123456789	1	32.5
123456789	2	7.5
666884444	3	10.0
453453453	1	20.0
453453453	2	20.0
333445555	2	10.0
333445555	3	10.0
333445555	10	10.0
333445555	20	10.0
999887777	30	30.0
999887777	10	10.0
987987987	10	35.0
987987987	30	5.0
987654321	30	20.0
987654321	20	15.0
888665555	20	NULL

PROJECT

Pname	Pnumber	Plocation	Dnum
ProductX	1	Bellaire	5
ProductY	2	Sugarland	5
ProductZ	3	Houston	5
Computerization	10	Stafford	4
Reorganization	20	Houston	1
Newbenefits	30	Stafford	4

DEPENDENT

Essn	Dependent_name	Sex	Bdate	Relationship
333445555	Alice	F	1986-04-05	Daughter
333445555	Theodore	M	1983-10-25	Son
333445555	Joy	F	1958-05-03	Spouse
987654321	Abner	M	1942-02-28	Spouse
123456789	Michael	M	1988-01-04	Son
123456789	Alice	F	1988-12-30	Daughter
123456789	Elizabeth	F	1967-05-05	Spouse

Unary Relational Operations: PROJECT

- PROJECT Operation is denoted by π (pi)
- This operation keeps certain *columns* (attributes) from a relation and discards the other columns.
 - PROJECT creates a vertical partitioning
 - The list of specified columns (attributes) is kept in each tuple
 - The other attributes in each tuple are discarded
- Example: To list each employee's first and last name and salary, the following is used:

$\pi_{\text{LNAME, FNAME, SALARY}}(\text{EMPLOYEE})$

Unary Relational Operations: PROJECT (cont.)

- The general form of the *project* operation is:

$$\pi_{\langle \text{attribute list} \rangle}(R)$$

- π (pi) is the symbol used to represent the *project* operation
- $\langle \text{attribute list} \rangle$ is the desired list of attributes from relation R.
- The project operation *removes any duplicate tuples*
 - This is because the result of the *project* operation must be a *set of tuples*
 - Mathematical sets *do not allow* duplicate elements.

Unary Relational Operations: PROJECT (contd.)

■ PROJECT Operation Properties

- The number of tuples in the result of projection $\pi_{\langle \text{list} \rangle}(R)$ is always less or equal to the number of tuples in R
 - If the list of attributes includes a *key* of R , then the number of tuples in the result of PROJECT is *equal* to the number of tuples in R
- PROJECT is *not* commutative
 - $\pi_{\langle \text{list1} \rangle}(\pi_{\langle \text{list2} \rangle}(R)) = \pi_{\langle \text{list1} \rangle}(R)$ as long as $\langle \text{list2} \rangle$ contains the attributes in $\langle \text{list1} \rangle$

Examples of applying SELECT and PROJECT operations

Figure 8.1 Results of SELECT and PROJECT operations. (a) $\sigma_{(Dno=4 \text{ AND } Salary > 25000) \text{ OR } (Dno=5 \text{ AND } Salary > 30000)}$ (EMPLOYEE). (b) $\pi_{Lname, Fname, Salary}$ (EMPLOYEE). (c) $\pi_{Sex, Salary}$ (EMPLOYEE).

(a)

Fname	Minit	Lname	Ssn	Bdate	Address	Sex	Salary	Super_ssn	Dno
Franklin	T	Wong	333445555	1955-12-08	638 Voss, Houston, TX	M	40000	888665555	5
Jennifer	S	Wallace	987654321	1941-06-20	291 Berry, Bellaire, TX	F	43000	888665555	4
Ramesh	K	Narayan	666884444	1962-09-15	975 Elm Oak, Humble, TX	M	38000	333445555	5

(b)

Lname	Fname	Salary
Smith	John	30000
Wong	Franklin	40000
Zelaya	Alicia	25000
Wallace	Jennifer	43000
Narayan	Ramesh	38000
English	Joyce	25000
Jabbar	Ahmad	25000
Borg	James	55000

(c)

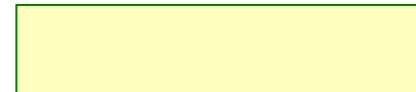
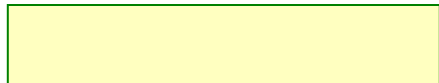
Sex	Salary
M	30000
M	40000
F	25000
F	43000
M	38000
M	25000
M	55000

Relational Algebra Expressions

- We may want to apply several relational algebra operations one after the other
 - Either we can write the operations as a single **relational algebra expression** by nesting the operations, or
 - We can apply one operation at a time and create **intermediate result relations**.
- In the latter case, we must give names to the relations that hold the intermediate results.

Single expression versus sequence of relational operations (Example)

- To retrieve the first name, last name, and salary of all employees who work in department number 5, we must apply a select and a project operation
- We can write a *single relational algebra expression* as follows:
 - $\pi_{\text{FNAME, LNAME, SALARY}}(\sigma_{\text{DNO}=5}(\text{EMPLOYEE}))$
- OR We can explicitly show the *sequence of operations*, giving a name to each intermediate relation:
 - $\text{DEP5_EMPS} \leftarrow \sigma_{\text{DNO}=5}(\text{EMPLOYEE})$
 - $\text{RESULT} \leftarrow \pi_{\text{FNAME, LNAME, SALARY}}(\text{DEP5_EMPS})$



Unary Relational Operations: RENAME

- The RENAME operator is denoted by ρ (rho)
- In some cases, we may want to *rename* the attributes of a relation or the relation name or both
 - Useful when a query requires multiple operations
 - Necessary in some cases (see JOIN operation later)

Unary Relational Operations: RENAME (continued)

- The general RENAME operation ρ can be expressed by any of the following forms:
 - $\rho_S(B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n)(R)$ changes both:
 - the relation name to S , *and*
 - the column (attribute) names to B_1, B_1, \dots, B_n
 - $\rho_S(R)$ changes:
 - the *relation name* only to S
 - $\rho_{(B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n)}(R)$ changes:
 - the *column (attribute) names* only to B_1, B_1, \dots, B_n

Unary Relational Operations: RENAME (continued)

- For convenience, we also use a *shorthand* for renaming attributes in an intermediate relation:
 - **If we write:**
 - $\text{RESULT} \leftarrow \pi_{\text{FNAME, LNAME, SALARY}}(\text{DEP5_EMPS})$
 - RESULT will have the *same attribute names* as DEP5_EMPS (same attributes as EMPLOYEE)
 - **If we write:**
 - $\text{RESULT}(\text{F, M, L, S, B, A, SX, SAL, SU, DNO}) \leftarrow \rho_{\text{RESULT}}(\text{DEP5_EMPS})$
(F.M.L.S.B,A,SX,SAL,SU, DNO)
 - The 10 attributes of DEP5_EMPS are *renamed* to F, M, L, S, B, A, SX, SAL, SU, DNO, respectively

Note: the \leftarrow symbol is an assignment operator

Example of applying multiple operations and RENAME

Figure 8.2 Results of a sequence of operations. (a) $\pi_{Fname, Lname, Salary}(\sigma_{Dno=5}(EMPLOYEE))$.
(b) Using intermediate relations and renaming of attributes.

(a)

Fname	Lname	Salary
John	Smith	30000
Franklin	Wong	40000
Ramesh	Narayan	38000
Joyce	English	25000

(b)

TEMP

Fname	Minit	Lname	San	Bdate	Address	Sex	Salary	Super_ssn	Dno
John	B	Smith	123456789	1985-01-09	731 Fondren, Houston, TX	M	30000	333445555	5
Franklin	T	Wong	333445555	1985-12-08	638 Voss, Houston, TX	M	40000	888665555	5
Ramesh	K	Narayan	666884444	1982-09-15	975 Fire Oak, Humble, TX	M	38000	333445555	5
Joyce	A	English	453453453	1972-07-31	5631 Rice, Houston, TX	F	25000	333445555	5

R

First_name	Last_name	Salary
John	Smith	30000
Franklin	Wong	40000
Ramesh	Narayan	38000
Joyce	English	25000

Relational Algebra Operations from Set Theory: UNION

■ UNION Operation

- Binary operation, denoted by \cup
- The result of $R \cup S$, is a relation that includes all tuples that are either in R or in S or in both R and S
- Duplicate tuples are eliminated
- The two operand relations R and S must be “type compatible” (or UNION compatible)
 - R and S must have same number of attributes
 - Each pair of corresponding attributes must be type compatible (have same or compatible domains)

Relational Algebra Operations from Set Theory: UNION

■ Example:

- To retrieve the social security numbers of all employees who either *work in department 5* (RESULT1 below) or *directly supervise an employee who works in department 5* (RESULT2 below)
- We can use the UNION operation as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{DEP5_EMPS} &\leftarrow \sigma_{\text{DNO}=5}(\text{EMPLOYEE}) \\ \text{RESULT1} &\leftarrow \pi_{\text{SSN}}(\text{DEP5_EMPS}) \\ \text{RESULT2}(\text{SSN}) &\leftarrow \pi_{\text{SUPERSSN}}(\text{DEP5_EMPS}) \\ \text{RESULT} &\leftarrow \text{RESULT1} \cup \text{RESULT2} \end{aligned}$$

- The union operation produces the tuples that are in either RESULT1 or RESULT2 or both

Figure 8.3 Result of the UNION operation $\text{RESULT} \leftarrow \text{RESULT1} \cup \text{RESULT2}$.

RESULT1

Ssn
123456789
333445555
666884444
453453453

RESULT2

Ssn
333445555
888665555

RESULT

Ssn
123456789
333445555
666884444
453453453
888665555

Relational Algebra Operations from Set Theory

- Type compatibility of operands is required for the binary set operation UNION \cup , (also for INTERSECTION \cap , and SET DIFFERENCE $-$, see next slides)
- $R1(A1, A2, \dots, An)$ and $R2(B1, B2, \dots, Bn)$ are type compatible if:
 - they have the same number of attributes, and
 - the domains of corresponding attributes are type compatible (i.e. $\text{dom}(Ai)=\text{dom}(Bi)$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$).
- The resulting relation for $R1 \cup R2$ (also for $R1 \cap R2$, or $R1 - R2$, see next slides) has the same attribute names as the *first* operand relation $R1$ (by convention)

Relational Algebra Operations from Set Theory: INTERSECTION

- INTERSECTION is denoted by \cap
- The result of the operation $R \cap S$, is a relation that includes all tuples that are in both R and S
 - The attribute names in the result will be the same as the attribute names in R
- The two operand relations R and S must be “type compatible”

Relational Algebra Operations from Set Theory: SET DIFFERENCE (cont.)

- SET DIFFERENCE (also called MINUS or EXCEPT) is denoted by $-$
- The result of $R - S$, is a relation that includes all tuples that are in R but not in S
 - The attribute names in the result will be the same as the attribute names in R
- The two operand relations R and S must be “type compatible”

Example to illustrate the result of UNION, INTERSECT, and DIFFERENCE

Figure 8.4 The set operations UNION, INTERSECTION, and MINUS. (a) Two union-compatible relations. (b) $\text{STUDENT} \cup \text{INSTRUCTOR}$. (c) $\text{STUDENT} \cap \text{INSTRUCTOR}$. (d) $\text{STUDENT} - \text{INSTRUCTOR}$. (e) $\text{INSTRUCTOR} - \text{STUDENT}$.

(a) STUDENT		INSTRUCTOR		(b)	
Fn	Ln	Fname	Lname	Fn	Ln
Susan	Yao	John	Smith	Susan	Yao
Ramesh	Shah	Ricardo	Browne	Ramesh	Shah
Johnny	Kohler	Susan	Yao	Johnny	Kohler
Barbara	Jones	Francis	Johnson	Barbara	Jones
Amy	Ford	Ramesh	Shah	Amy	Ford
Jimmy	Wang			Jimmy	Wang
Ernest	Gilbert			Ernest	Gilbert
				John	Smith
				Ricardo	Browne
				Francis	Johnson

(c)		(d)		(e)	
Fn	Ln	Fn	Ln	Fname	Lname
Susan	Yao	Johnny	Kohler	John	Smith
Ramesh	Shah	Barbara	Jones	Ricardo	Browne
		Amy	Ford	Francis	Johnson
		Jimmy	Wang		
		Ernest	Gilbert		

Some properties of UNION, INTERSECT, and DIFFERENCE

- Notice that both union and intersection are *commutative* operations; that is
 - $R \cup S = S \cup R$, and $R \cap S = S \cap R$
- Both union and intersection can be treated as n-ary operations applicable to any number of relations as both are *associative* operations; that is
 - $R \cup (S \cup T) = (R \cup S) \cup T$
 - $(R \cap S) \cap T = R \cap (S \cap T)$
- The minus operation is not commutative; that is, in general
 - $R - S \neq S - R$

Relational Algebra Operations from Set Theory: CARTESIAN PRODUCT

- **CARTESIAN (or CROSS) PRODUCT Operation**
 - This operation is used to combine tuples from two relations in a combinatorial fashion.
 - Denoted by $R(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n) \times S(B_1, B_2, \dots, B_m)$
 - Result is a relation Q with degree $n + m$ attributes:
 - $Q(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n, B_1, B_2, \dots, B_m)$, in that order.
 - The resulting relation state has one tuple for each combination of tuples—one from R and one from S .
 - Hence, if R has n_R tuples (denoted as $|R| = n_R$), and S has n_S tuples, then $R \times S$ will have $n_R * n_S$ tuples.
 - The two operands do NOT have to be "type compatible"

Relational Algebra Operations from Set Theory: CARTESIAN PRODUCT (cont.)

- Generally, CROSS PRODUCT is not a meaningful operation
 - Can become meaningful when followed by other operations
- Example (not meaningful):
 - $FEMALE_EMPS \leftarrow \sigma_{SEX='F'}(EMPLOYEE)$
 - $EMP_NAMES \leftarrow \pi_{FNAME, LNAME, SSN}(FEMALE_EMPS)$
 - $EMP_DEPENDENTS \leftarrow EMP_NAMES \times DEPENDENT$
- EMP_DEPENDENTS will contain every combination of EMP_NAMES and DEPENDENT
 - whether or not they are actually related

Relational Algebra Operations from Set Theory: CARTESIAN PRODUCT (cont.)

- To keep only combinations where the DEPENDENT is related to the EMPLOYEE, we add a SELECT operation as follows
- Example (meaningful):
 - $FEMALE_EMPS \leftarrow \sigma_{SEX='F'}(EMPLOYEE)$
 - $EMP_NAMES \leftarrow \pi_{FNAME, LNAME, SSN}(FEMALE_EMPS)$
 - $EMP_DEPENDENTS \leftarrow EMP_NAMES \times DEPENDENT$
 - $ACTUAL_DEPS \leftarrow \sigma_{SSN=ESSN}(EMP_DEPENDENTS)$
 - $RESULT \leftarrow \pi_{FNAME, LNAME, DEPENDENT_NAME}(ACTUAL_DEPS)$
- RESULT will now contain the name of female employees and their dependents

Binary Relational Operations: JOIN

- JOIN Operation (denoted by \bowtie)
 - The sequence of CARTESIAN PRODUCT followed by SELECT is used quite commonly to identify and select related tuples from two relations
 - A special operation, called JOIN combines this sequence into a single operation
 - This operation is very important for any relational database with more than a single relation, because it allows us *combine related tuples* from various relations
 - The general form of a join operation on two relations $R(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n)$ and $S(B_1, B_2, \dots, B_m)$ is:
$$R \bowtie_{\langle \text{join condition} \rangle} S$$
 - where R and S can be any relations that result from general *relational algebra expressions*.

Binary Relational Operations: JOIN (cont.)

- Example: Suppose that we want to retrieve the name of the manager of each department.
 - To get the manager's name, we need to combine each DEPARTMENT tuple with the EMPLOYEE tuple whose SSN value matches the MGRSSN value in the department tuple.
 - We do this by using the join \bowtie operation.
 - $DEPT_MGR \leftarrow DEPARTMENT \bowtie_{MGRSSN=SSN} EMPLOYEE$
- MGRSSN=SSN is the join condition
 - Combines each department record with the employee who manages the department
 - The join condition can also be specified as DEPARTMENT.MGRSSN= EMPLOYEE.SSN

Some properties of JOIN

- Consider the following JOIN operation:

- $R(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n) \bowtie_{R.A_i=S.B_j} S(B_1, B_2, \dots, B_m)$

- Result is a relation Q with degree $n + m$ attributes:
 - $Q(A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n, B_1, B_2, \dots, B_m)$, in that order.
- The resulting relation state has one tuple for each combination of tuples— r from R and s from S , but *only if they satisfy the join condition* $r[A_i]=s[B_j]$
- Hence, if R has n_R tuples, and S has n_S tuples, then the join result will generally have *less than* $n_R * n_S$ tuples.
- Only related tuples (based on the join condition) will appear in the result

Some properties of JOIN

- The general case of JOIN operation is called a Theta-join:



- The join condition is called *theta*
- *Theta* can be any general boolean expression on the attributes of R and S; for example:
 - $R.A_i < S.B_j \text{ AND } (R.A_k = S.B_l \text{ OR } R.A_p < S.B_q)$
- Most join conditions involve one or more equality conditions “AND”ed together; for example:
 - $R.A_i = S.B_j \text{ AND } R.A_k = S.B_l \text{ AND } R.A_p = S.B_q$

Binary Relational Operations: EQUIJOIN

- EQUIJOIN Operation
- The most common use of join involves join conditions with *equality comparisons* only
- Such a join, where the only comparison operator used is =, is called an EQUIJOIN.
 - In the result of an EQUIJOIN we always have one or more pairs of attributes (whose names need not be identical) that have identical values in every tuple.
 - The JOIN seen in the previous example was an EQUIJOIN.

Binary Relational Operations: NATURAL JOIN Operation

■ NATURAL JOIN Operation

- Another variation of JOIN called NATURAL JOIN — denoted by * — was created to get rid of the second (superfluous) attribute in an EQUIJOIN condition.
 - because one of each pair of attributes with identical values is superfluous
- The standard definition of natural join requires that the two join attributes, or each pair of corresponding join attributes, *have the same name* in both relations
- If this is not the case, a renaming operation is applied first.

Binary Relational Operations NATURAL JOIN (continued)

- Example: To apply a natural join on the DNUMBER attributes of DEPARTMENT and DEPT_LOCATIONS, it is sufficient to write:
 - $DEPT_LOCS \leftarrow DEPARTMENT * DEPT_LOCATIONS$
- Only attribute with the same name is DNUMBER
- An implicit join condition is created based on this attribute:
 $DEPARTMENT.DNUMBER=DEPT_LOCATIONS.DNUMBER$

- Another example: $Q \leftarrow R(A,B,C,D) * S(C,D,E)$
 - The implicit join condition includes *each pair* of attributes with the same name, “AND”ed together:
 - $R.C=S.C \text{ AND } R.D=S.D$
 - Result keeps only one attribute of each such pair:
 - $Q(A,B,C,D,E)$

Complete Set of Relational Operations

- The set of operations including SELECT σ , PROJECT π , UNION \cup , DIFFERENCE $-$, RENAME ρ , and CARTESIAN PRODUCT \times is called a *complete set* because any other relational algebra expression can be expressed by a combination of these five operations.
- For example:
 - $R \cap S = (R \cup S) - ((R - S) \cup (S - R))$
 - $R \bowtie_{\langle \text{join condition} \rangle} S = \sigma_{\langle \text{join condition} \rangle} (R \times S)$

Binary Relational Operations: DIVISION

■ DIVISION Operation

- The division operation is applied to two relations
- $R(Z) \div S(X)$, where X subset Z . Let $Y = Z - X$ (and hence $Z = X \cup Y$); that is, let Y be the set of attributes of R that are not attributes of S .
- The result of DIVISION is a relation $T(Y)$ that includes a tuple t if tuples t_R appear in R with $t_R [Y] = t$, and with
 - $t_R [X] = t_s$ for every tuple t_s in S .
- For a tuple t to appear in the result T of the DIVISION, the values in t must appear in R in combination with every tuple in S .

Example of DIVISION

Figure 8.8 The DIVISION operation. (a) Dividing SSN_PNOS by SMITH_PNOS. (b) $T \leftarrow R \div S$.

(a)

SSN_PNOS	
Essn	Pno
123456789	1
123456789	2
666884444	3
453453453	1
453453453	2
333445555	2
333445555	3
333445555	10
333445555	20
999887777	30
999887777	10
987987987	10
987987987	30
987654321	30
987654321	20
888665555	20

SMITH_PNOS
Pno
1
2

SSNS
Sen
123456789
453453453

(b)

R	
A	B
a1	b1
a2	b1
a3	b1
a4	b1
a1	b2
a3	b2
a2	b3
a3	b3
a4	b3
a1	b4
a2	b4
a3	b4

S
A
a1
a2
a3

T
B
b1
b4

Table 8.1 Operations of Relational Algebra

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OPERATION	PURPOSE	NOTATION
SELECT	Selects all tuples that satisfy the selection condition from a relation R .	$\sigma_{\langle \text{selection condition} \rangle}(R)$
PROJECT	Produces a new relation with only some of the attributes of R , and removes duplicate tuples.	$\pi_{\langle \text{attribute list} \rangle}(R)$
THETA JOIN	Produces all combinations of tuples from R_1 and R_2 that satisfy the join condition.	$R_1 \bowtie_{\langle \text{join condition} \rangle} R_2$
EQUIJOIN	Produces all the combinations of tuples from R_1 and R_2 that satisfy a join condition with only equality comparisons.	$R_1 \bowtie_{\langle \text{join condition} \rangle} R_2$, OR $R_1 \bowtie_{(\langle \text{join attributes 1} \rangle), (\langle \text{join attributes 2} \rangle)} R_2$
NATURAL JOIN	Same as EQUIJOIN except that the join attributes of R_2 are not included in the resulting relation; if the join attributes have the same names, they do not have to be specified at all.	$R_1 \star_{\langle \text{join condition} \rangle} R_2$, OR $R_1 \star_{(\langle \text{join attributes 1} \rangle), (\langle \text{join attributes 2} \rangle)} R_2$ OR $R_1 \star R_2$

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Table 8.1 Operations of Relational Algebra (continued)

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OPERATION	PURPOSE	NOTATION
UNION	Produces a relation that includes all the tuples in R_1 or R_2 or both R_1 and R_2 ; R_1 and R_2 must be union compatible.	$R_1 \cup R_2$
INTERSECTION	Produces a relation that includes all the tuples in both R_1 and R_2 ; R_1 and R_2 must be union compatible.	$R_1 \cap R_2$
DIFFERENCE	Produces a relation that includes all the tuples in R_1 that are not in R_2 ; R_1 and R_2 must be union compatible.	$R_1 - R_2$
CARTESIAN PRODUCT	Produces a relation that has the attributes of R_1 and R_2 and includes as tuples all possible combinations of tuples from R_1 and R_2 .	$R_1 \times R_2$
DIVISION	Produces a relation $R(X)$ that includes all tuples $t[X]$ in $R_1(Z)$ that appear in R_1 in combination with every tuple from $R_2(Y)$, where $Z = X \cup Y$.	$R_1(Z) \div R_2(Y)$



Examples on Relational Algebra

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
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29	Brutus	1	33.0
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95	Bob	3	63.5

Figure 4.15 An Instance *S3* of Sailors

<i>bid</i>	<i>bname</i>	<i>color</i>
101	Interlake	blue
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<i>sid</i>	<i>bid</i>	<i>day</i>
22	101	10/10/98
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31	103	11/6/98
31	104	11/12/98
64	101	9/5/98
64	102	9/8/98
74	103	9/8/98

Figure 4.16 An Instance *R2* of Reserves

1. Select sname and age of sailors with rating > 6

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
58	Rusty	10	35.0
64	Horatio	7	35.0
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31	103	11/6/98
31	104	11/12/98
64	101	9/5/98
64	102	9/8/98
74	103	9/8/98

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π sname, age (σ rating > 6 (Sailors))

2. Select name of boats with red color

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
58	Rusty	10	35.0
64	Horatio	7	35.0
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31	103	11/6/98
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64	101	9/5/98
64	102	9/8/98
74	103	9/8/98

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$\pi_{\text{bname}}(\sigma_{\text{color} = \text{'red'}}(\text{Boats}))$

3. Find the names of sailors who have reserved boat 103.

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
58	Rusty	10	35.0
64	Horatio	7	35.0
71	Zorba	10	16.0
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22	104	10/7/98
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31	103	11/6/98
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64	101	9/5/98
64	102	9/8/98
74	103	9/8/98

Figure 4.16 An Instance *R2* of Reserves

$$\pi_{sname}((\sigma_{bid=103} Reserves) \bowtie Sailors)$$

3. Find the names of sailors who have reserved boat 103.

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
58	Rusty	10	35.0
64	Horatio	7	35.0
71	Zorba	10	16.0
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85	Art	3	25.5
95	Bob	3	63.5

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22	103	10/8/98
22	104	10/7/98
31	102	11/10/98
31	103	11/6/98
31	104	11/12/98
64	101	9/5/98
64	102	9/8/98
74	103	9/8/98

Figure 4.16 An Instance *R2* of Reserves

$$\pi_{sname}((\sigma_{bid=103} Reserves) \bowtie Sailors)$$

4. Find the names of sailors who have reserved a red boat.

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
58	Rusty	10	35.0
64	Horatio	7	35.0
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22	104	10/7/98
31	102	11/10/98
31	103	11/6/98
31	104	11/12/98
64	101	9/5/98
64	102	9/8/98
74	103	9/8/98

Figure 4.16 An Instance *R2* of Reserves

$$\pi_{sname}((\sigma_{color='red'} Boats) \bowtie Reserves \bowtie Sailors)$$

5. Find the colors of boats reserved by Lubber

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
58	Rusty	10	35.0
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22	104	10/7/98
31	102	11/10/98
31	103	11/6/98
31	104	11/12/98
64	101	9/5/98
64	102	9/8/98
74	103	9/8/98

Figure 4.16 An Instance *R2* of Reserves

$$\pi_{color}((\sigma_{sname='Lubber'} Sailors) \bowtie Reserves \bowtie Boats)$$

6. Find the names of sailors who have reserved at least one boat.

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
58	Rusty	10	35.0
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31	103	11/6/98
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64	102	9/8/98
74	103	9/8/98

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$\pi_{sname}(Sailors \bowtie Reserves)$

7. Find the names of sailors who have reserved a red or a green boat

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
58	Rusty	10	35.0
64	Horatio	7	35.0
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22	104	10/7/98
31	102	11/10/98
31	103	11/6/98
31	104	11/12/98
64	101	9/5/98
64	102	9/8/98
74	103	9/8/98

Figure 4.16 An Instance *R2* of Reserves

$$\rho(\text{Tempboats}, (\sigma_{\text{color}='red'} \text{Boats}) \cup (\sigma_{\text{color}='green'} \text{Boats}))$$

$$\pi_{\text{sname}}(\text{Tempboats} \bowtie \text{Reserves} \bowtie \text{Sailors})$$

8. Find the names of sailors who have reserved a red and a green boat.

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
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31	103	11/6/98
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64	101	9/5/98
64	102	9/8/98
74	103	9/8/98

Figure 4.16 An Instance *R2* of Reserves

$$\rho(\text{Tempboats2}, (\sigma_{\text{color}='red'} \text{Boats}) \cap (\sigma_{\text{color}='green'} \text{Boats}))$$

$$\pi_{\text{sname}}(\text{Tempboats2} \bowtie \text{Reserves} \bowtie \text{Sailors})$$

9. Find the sids of sailors with age over 20 who have **not** reserved a **red** boat

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
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31	103	11/6/98
31	104	11/12/98
64	101	9/5/98
64	102	9/8/98
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Figure 4.16 An Instance *R2* of Reserves

$$\pi_{sid}(\sigma_{age > 20} Sailors) - \pi_{sid}((\sigma_{color = 'red'} Boats) \bowtie Reserves \bowtie Sailors)$$

10. Find the names of sailors who have reserved all boats

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
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31	103	11/6/98
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64	102	9/8/98
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Figure 4.16 An Instance *R2* of Reserves

$$\rho(\text{Tempsids}, (\pi_{sid, bid} \text{Reserves}) / (\pi_{bid} \text{Boats}))$$

$$\pi_{sname}(\text{Tempsids} \bowtie \text{Sailors})$$

11. Find the names of sailors who have reserved all boats called Interlake

<i>sid</i>	<i>sname</i>	<i>rating</i>	<i>age</i>
22	Dustin	7	45.0
29	Brutus	1	33.0
31	Lubber	8	55.5
32	Andy	8	25.5
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64	102	9/8/98
74	103	9/8/98

Figure 4.16 An Instance *R2* of Reserves

$$\rho(\text{Tempsids}, (\pi_{sid,bid} \text{Reserves}) / (\pi_{bid}(\sigma_{bname='Interlake'} \text{Boats})))$$

$$\pi_{sname}(\text{Tempsids} \bowtie \text{Sailors})$$

Assignment 1:

Suppliers(*sid*: integer, *sname*: string, *address*: string)

Parts(*pid*: integer, *pname*: string, *color*: string)

Catalog(*sid*: integer, *pid*: integer, *cost*: real)

1. Find the names of suppliers who supply some red part.
2. Find the sids of suppliers who supply some red or green part.
3. Find the sids of suppliers who supply some red part or are at 221 Packer Ave.
4. Find the sids of suppliers who supply some red part and some green part.
5. Find the sids of suppliers who supply every part.
6. Find the sids of suppliers who supply every red part.
7. Find the sids of suppliers who supply every red or green part.
8. Find the sids of suppliers who supply every red part or supply every green part.

Assignment 1:

Suppliers(sid: integer, sname: string, address: string)

Parts(pid: integer, pname: string, color: string)

Catalog(sid: integer, pid: integer, cost: real)

State what following queries compute:

- $\pi_{sname}(\pi_{sid}(\sigma_{color='red'} Parts) \bowtie (\sigma_{cost < 100} Catalog) \bowtie Suppliers)$
- $\pi_{sname}(\pi_{sid}((\sigma_{color='red'} Parts) \bowtie (\sigma_{cost < 100} Catalog) \bowtie Suppliers))$
- $(\pi_{sname}((\sigma_{color='red'} Parts) \bowtie (\sigma_{cost < 100} Catalog) \bowtie Suppliers)) \cap$
 $(\pi_{sname}((\sigma_{color='green'} Parts) \bowtie (\sigma_{cost < 100} Catalog) \bowtie Suppliers))$
- $(\pi_{sid}((\sigma_{color='red'} Parts) \bowtie (\sigma_{cost < 100} Catalog) \bowtie Suppliers)) \cap$
 $(\pi_{sid}((\sigma_{color='green'} Parts) \bowtie (\sigma_{cost < 100} Catalog) \bowtie Suppliers))$
- $\pi_{sname}((\pi_{sid, sname}((\sigma_{color='red'} Parts) \bowtie (\sigma_{cost < 100} Catalog) \bowtie Suppliers)) \cap$
 $(\pi_{sid, sname}((\sigma_{color='green'} Parts) \bowtie (\sigma_{cost < 100} Catalog) \bowtie Suppliers)))$

Assignment 2:

Flights(flno: integer, from: string, to: string,
distance: integer, departs: time, arrives: time)

Aircraft(aid: integer, aname: string, cruisingrange: integer)

Certified(eid: integer, aid: integer)

Employees(eid: integer, ename: string, salary: integer)

1. Find the eids of pilots certified for some Boeing aircraft.
2. Find the names of pilots certified for some Boeing aircraft.
3. Find the aids of all aircraft that can be used on non-stop flights from Bonn to Madras.
4. Identify the flights that can be piloted by every pilot whose salary is more than \$100,000.
5. Find the names of pilots who can operate planes with a range greater than 3,000 miles but are not certified on any Boeing aircraft.
6. Find the eids of employees who make the highest salary.
7. Find the eids of employees who make the second highest salary.
8. Find the eids of employees who are certified for the largest number of aircraft.
9. Find the eids of employees who are certified for exactly three aircraft.
10. Find the total amount paid to employees as salaries.



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Questions?