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Outer Join

- An extension of the join operation that avoids loss of information.
- Computes the join and then adds tuples form one relation that does not match tuples in the other relation to the result of the join.
- Uses *null* values.



Left Outer Join

course_id	title	dept_name	credits
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3

course_id	prereq_id
BIO-301	BIO-101
CS-190	CS-101
CS-347	CS-101



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BIO-301 CS-190	Genetics Game Design	Biology Comp. Sci.	4 4	BIO-101 CS-101
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3	null

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Right Outer Join

course natural right outer join prereq

course_id	title	dept_name	credits	prere_id
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4	BIO-101
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4	CS-101
CS-347	null	null	null	CS-101

course_id	title	dept_name	credits
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CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3

course_id	prereq_id
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CS-347	CS-101



Full Outer Join

course natural full outer join prereq

course_id	title	dept_name	credits	prere_id
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4	BIO-101
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4	CS-101
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3	null
CS-347	null	null	null	CS-101

course_id	title	dept_name	credits
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CS-347	CS-101



Joined Relations

- Join operations take two relations and return as a result another relation.
- Join type defines how tuples in each relation that do not match any tuple in the other relation (based on the join condition) are treated.
- Join condition defines which tuples in the two relations match, and what attributes are present in the result of the join.

Join types	Join Conditions
inner join	natural
left outer join	on < predicate>
right outer join	using $(A_1, A_1,, A_n)$
full outer join	



Joined Relations – Examples

course inner join prereq on course.course_id = prereq.course_id

course_id	title	dept_name	credits	prere_id	course_id
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4	BIO-101	BIO-301
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4	CS-101	CS-190

course left outer ioin prerea on course.course id = prereq.course_id

course_id	title	dept_name	credits	prere_id	course_id
BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4	BIO-101	BIO-301
CS-190	Game Design	Comp. Sci.	4	CS-101	CS-190
CS-315	Robotics	Comp. Sci.	3	null	null

course natural right outer ioin prerea

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BIO-301	Genetics	Biology	4	BIO-101
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course full outer join prereq using (course_id)

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Views

- In some cases, it is not desirable for all users to see the entire logical model (that is, all the actual relations stored in the database.)
- A view provides a mechanism to hide certain data from the view of certain users.
- A view of instructors without their salary

create view faculty as select ID, name, dept_name from instructor

Find all instructors in the Biology department select name from faculty where dept_name = 'Biology'



Update of a View

Add a new tuple to *faculty* view which we defined earlier **insert into** *faculty* **values** ('30765', 'Green', 'Music'); This insertion must be represented by the insertion of the tuple ('30765', 'Green', 'Music', null) into the *instructor* relation.



Constraints on a Single Relation

not null

- primary key
- **unique** $(A_1, A_2, ..., A_m)$
 - The unique specification states that the attributes A1, A2, ... Am form a candidate key.
 - Candidate keys are permitted to be null (in contrast to primary keys).
 - check (P), where P is a predicate

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create table teaches (
    course_id varchar (8),
    instructor_id varchar (8),
    semester varchar (6),
    year numeric (4,0),
    classroom varchar (6) not null,
    primary key (course_id, instructor_id, semester, year),
        // implies unique (course_id, instructor_id, semester, year),
        check (semester in ('Fall', 'Winter', 'Spring', 'Summer'))
);
```



Referential Integrity

Ensures that a value that appears in one relation for a given set of attributes also appears for a certain set of attributes in another relation.

Example: If "Biology" is a department name appearing in one of the tuples in the *instructor* relation, then there exists a tuple in the *department* relation for "Biology".

create table *course* (*course_id* char(5) primary key, *title* varchar(20), *dept_name* varchar(20) references *department*)



Assertion

create assertion <assertion-name> check <predicate>;

Every loan has at least one borrower who maintains an account with a minimum balance of \$1000.00

create assertion balance_constraint check
(not exists (
 select *
 from loan
 where not exists (
 select *
 from borrower, depositor, account
 where loan.loan_number = borrower.loan_number
 and borrower.customer_name = depositor.customer_name
 and depositor.account_number = account.account_number
 and account.balance >= 1000)))



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