
SQL - 2

Week 7



BETWEEN and AND operators

- The **BETWEEN** and **AND** operator selects a range of data between two values.
- These values can be numbers, text, or dates.

BETWEEN and AND Example

Find the names of sailors whose age is between 25 and 35

```
SELECT S.sname  
FROM Sailors S  
WHERE S.age BETWEEN 25 AND 35;
```

ANY and ALL operators

Find sailors whose rating is better than some sailor named Horatio

```
SELECT S.sid  
FROM Sailors S  
WHERE S.rating > ANY (SELECT S2.rating  
                       FROM Sailors S2  
                       WHERE S2.sname= 'Horatio' );
```

(Can you find the probable bug in this SQL query??)

Hint: what if there are several sailors named Horatio?

Using ALL operator

*Find sailors whose rating is better than **every** sailor named Horatio*

```
SELECT S.sid
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.rating > ALL(SELECT S2.rating
                     FROM Sailors S2
                     WHERE S2.sname= 'Horatio' );
```

Post Processing

- Processing on the result of an SQL query:
 - Sorting: can sort the tuples in the output by any column (even the ones not appearing in the SELECT clause)
 - Duplicate removal
 - Example:

```
SELECT DISTINCT S.sname
FROM Sailors S, Reserves R
WHERE S.sid=R.sid AND R.bid=103
ORDER BY S.sid ASC, S.sname DESC;
```
- Aggregation operators

Aggregate operators

- What is aggregation?
 - Computing arithmetic expressions, such as **Minimum** or **Maximum**
- The aggregate operators supported by SQL are:
COUNT, SUM, AVG, MIN, MAX

Aggregate Operators

- **COUNT(A)**: The number of values in the column A
- **SUM(A)**: The sum of all values in column A
- **AVG(A)**: The average of all values in column A
- **MAX(A)**: The maximum value in column A
- **MIN(A)**: The minimum value in column A

(We can use **DISTINCT** with **COUNT**, **SUM** and **AVG** to compute only over non-duplicated columns)

Using the COUNT operator

Count the number of sailors

```
SELECT COUNT (*)  
FROM Sailors S;
```

Example of SUM operator

Find the sum of ages of all sailors with a rating of 10

```
SELECT SUM (S.age)
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.rating=10;
```

Example of AVG operator

Find the average age of all sailors with rating 10

```
SELECT AVG (S.age)
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.rating=10;
```

Example of MAX operator

Find the name and age of the oldest sailor

```
SELECT S.sname, MAX(S.age)  
FROM Sailors S;
```

But this is illegal in SQL!!

Correct SQL Query for MAX

```
SELECT S.sname, S.age
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.age = ( SELECT MAX(S2.age)
                FROM Sailors S2 );
```

Alternatively...

```
SELECT S.sname, S.age  
FROM Sailors S  
WHERE ROWNUM <= 1  
ORDER BY S.age DESC;
```

Another Aggregate Query

Count the number of different sailor names

```
SELECT COUNT (DISTINCT S.sname)  
FROM Sailors S
```

Banking Examples

branch (branch-id, branch-city, assets)

customer (customer-id, customer-name, customer-city)

account (account-number, branch-id, balance)

loan (loan-number, branch-id, amount)

depositor (customer-id, account-number)

borrower (customer-id, loan-number)

IN...Example 1

“Find the account numbers opened at branches of the bank in Fairfax”

IN...Example 2

“Find the account numbers opened at branches 101 and 102 of the bank”

EXISTS

The *EXISTS* predicate is TRUE if and only if the Subquery returns a non-empty set.

The *NOT EXISTS* predicate is TRUE if and only if the Subquery returns an empty set.

The *NOT EXISTS* can be used to implement the SET DIFFERENCE operator from relational algebra.

EXISTS...Example 1

“Select all the account balances where the account has been opened in a branch in Fairfax”

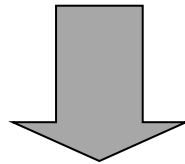
What about “... *has not been opened..*”?

EXISTS...Example 2

“Find customers who opened accounts in all branches in Fairfax”

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```
SELECT C.customer-id
FROM customer C
WHERE NOT EXISTS (SELECT B.branch-id
                  FROM branch B
                  WHERE B.branch-city= 'Fairfax'
                  EXCEPT
                  SELECT A.branch-id
                  FROM depositor D, account A
                  WHERE D.customer-id = C.customer-id AND
                        D.account-number = A.account-number)
```



Quantified Comparison Predicate *(ANY/ALL) Example*

*“Select account numbers of the accounts with the minimum
balance”*

Aggregate Functions in SQL...

revisited

SQL provides five built-in aggregate functions that operate on sets of column values in tables:

COUNT(), *MAX()*, *MIN()*, *SUM()*, *AVG()*.

With the exception of *COUNT()*, these set functions must operate on sets that consist of simple values-that is, sets of numbers or sets of character strings, rather than sets of rows with multiple values.

Aggregate Functions in SQL

Example 1

“Select the total amount of balance of the account in branches located in Fairfax”

Aggregate Functions in SQL

Example 2

“Select the total number of opened accounts”

Value functions

- Values can be transformed before aggregated:
Select sum(S.A/2) from S;
- An interesting decode function (Oracle specific):
decode(value, if1, then1, if2, then2, ..., else):

```
Select sum(decode(major, 'CS', 1, 0)) as Num_CS_Stu,  
         sum(decode(major, 'CS', 0, 1)) as Num_NonCS_Stu
```

```
From student ;
```

```
if (major == 'CS')  
    result = 1;  
else  
    result = 0;
```

Value functions

- Example:

Transcript (sid:integer, Dept:string, Course_no:integer, *Grade*:{'A','B','C','F'})

Write a query to compute a given student's GPA

GROUP BY and HAVING

- So far, we've applied aggregate operators to all (qualifying) tuples. Sometimes, we want to apply them to each of several *groups* of tuples.
- Consider: *Find the age of the youngest sailor for each rating level.*
 - In general, we don't know how many rating levels exist, and what the rating values for these levels are!
 - Suppose we know that rating values go from 1 to 10; we can write 10 queries that look like this (!):

For $i = 1, 2, \dots, 10$:

```
SELECT MIN (S.age)
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.rating = i
```

Queries With GROUP BY and HAVING

```
SELECT    [DISTINCT] target-list
FROM      relation-list
WHERE     qualification
GROUP BY  grouping-list
HAVING    group-qualification
```

- The *target-list* contains (i) attribute names (ii) terms with aggregate operations (e.g., MIN (*S.age*)).
 - The attribute list (i) must be a subset of *grouping-list*. Intuitively, each answer tuple corresponds to a *group*, and these attributes must have a single value per group. (A *group* is a set of tuples that have the same value for all attributes in *grouping-list*.)

Conceptual Evaluation

- The cross-product of *relation-list* is computed, tuples that fail *qualification* are discarded, 'unnecessary' fields are deleted, and the remaining tuples are partitioned into groups by the value of attributes in *grouping-list*.
- The *group-qualification* is then applied to eliminate some groups. Expressions in *group-qualification* must have a single value per group!
 - In effect, an attribute in *group-qualification* that is not an argument of an aggregate op also appears in *grouping-list*. (SQL does not exploit primary key semantics here!)
- One answer tuple is generated per qualifying group.

Find the age of the youngest sailor with age ≥ 18 ,
for each rating with at least 2 such sailors

```
SELECT S.rating, MIN (S.age)
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.age  $\geq$  18
GROUP BY S.rating
HAVING COUNT (*) > 1
```

sid	sname	rating	age
22	dustin	7	45.0
31	lubber	8	55.5
71	zorba	10	16.0
64	horatio	7	35.0
29	brutus	1	33.0
58	rusty	10	35.0

rating	age
1	33.0
7	45.0
7	35.0
8	55.5
10	35.0

rating	
7	35.0

Answer relation

- Only S.rating and S.age are mentioned in the SELECT, GROUP BY or HAVING clauses; other attributes 'unnecessary'.
- 2nd column of result is unnamed. (Use AS to name it.)

For each red boat, find the number of reservations for this boat

```
SELECT B.bid, COUNT (*) AS scount
FROM Boats B, Reserves R
WHERE R.bid=B.bid AND B.color='red'
GROUP BY B.bid
```

- Grouping over a join of two relations.
- What do we get if we remove *B.color='red'* from the WHERE clause and add a HAVING clause with this condition?

```
SELECT B.bid, COUNT (*) AS scount
FROM Boats B, Reserves R
WHERE R.bid=B.bid
GROUP BY B.bid
HAVING B.color='red' ←
```

Illegal!

Can be rewritten using EVERY in HAVING:

```
SELECT B.bid, COUNT (*) AS scount
FROM Boats B, Reserves R
WHERE R.bid=B.bid
GROUP BY B.bid
HAVING EVERY(B.color='red') 8
```

Find the age of the youngest sailor with age ≥ 18 ,
for each rating with at least 2 sailors (of any age)

```
SELECT S.rating, MIN (S.age)
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.age  $\geq$  18
GROUP BY S.rating
HAVING 1 < (SELECT COUNT (*)
            FROM Sailors S2
            WHERE S.rating=S2.rating)
```

- Shows HAVING clause can also contain a subquery.
- Compare this with the query where we considered only ratings with 2 sailors over 18!

Find those ratings for which the average age is
the minimum over all ratings

- Aggregate operations cannot be nested!

WRONG:

```
SELECT S.rating
FROM Sailors S
WHERE S.age = (SELECT MIN (AVG (S2.age)) FROM Sailors S2)
```

Correct solution in SQL/92 (but does not work in Oracle):

```
SELECT Temp.rating, Temp.avgage
FROM (SELECT S.rating, AVG (S.age) AS avgage
      FROM Sailors S
      GROUP BY S.rating) AS Temp
WHERE Temp.avgage = (SELECT MIN (Temp.avgage)
                    FROM Temp)
```

Continue from previous

However, this should work on Oracle 8 (or later):

```
SELECT S.rating
FROM Sailors S
GROUP BY S.rating
HAVING AVG(S.age) = (SELECT MIN (AVG (S2.age))
                     FROM Sailors S2
                     Group by rating);
```

Can use nested aggregates with Group By

Null Values

- We use *null* when the column value is either *unknown* or *inapplicable*.
- A comparison with at least one null value always returns *unknown*.
- SQL also provides a special comparison operator *IS NULL* to test whether a column value is *null*.
- To incorporate nulls in the definition of duplicates we define that two rows are duplicates if corresponding rows are equal or both contain *null*.

Deal with the null value

- Special operators needed to check if value is/is not *null*.
 - “is null” always true or false (never unknown)
 - “is not null”
- Is $rating > 8$ true or false when *rating* is equal to *null*?
 - Actually, it's unknown.
 - Three-valued logic

Three valued logic

AND	False	True	Unknown
False	False	False	False
True	False	True	Unknown
Unknown	False	Unknown	Unknown

OR	False	True	Unknown
False	False	True	Unknown
True	True	True	True
Unknown	Unknown	True	Unknown

	NOT
False	True
True	False
Unknown	Unknown

Other issues with the null value

- WHERE and HAVING clause eliminate rows that don't evaluate to true (i.e., rows evaluate to false or unknown).
- Aggregate functions ignore nulls (except count(*))
- DISTINCT treats all nulls as the same

Outer Joins

- Let R and S be two tables. The outer join preserves the rows of R and S that have no matching rows according to the join condition and outputs them with nulls at the non-applicable columns.
- There exist three different variants: *left outer join*, *right outer join* and *full outer join*.

Outer joins

<u>sid</u>	sname	rating	age
22	dustin	7	45.0
31	lubber	8	55.5
58	rusty	10	35.0

(left outer-join)

<u>sid</u>	<u>bid</u>	<u>day</u>
22	101	10/10/96
58	103	11/12/96

=

<u>sid</u>	sname	rating	age	bid	day
22	dustin	7	45.0	101	10/10/96
31	lubber	8	55.5	Null	Null
58	rusty	10	35.0	103	11/12/96

In Oracle

Select *

From Sailor S, Reserve R

Where S.sid = R.sid(+);

How about:

Select S.sid, count(R.bid)

From Sailor S, Reserve R

Where S.sid = R.sid(+)

Group by S.sid;

OR

Select S.sid, count(*)

From Sailor S, Reserve R

Where S.sid = R.sid(+)

Group by S.sid;

More outer joins

- Left outer join
 - + sign on the right in Oracle:
Select * from R, S where R.id=S.id(+)
- Right outer join
 - + sign on the left in Oracle:
Select * from R, S where R.id(+)=S.id
- Full outer join
 - not implemented in Oracle 8
 - Added for Oracle 9 (or later)
 - Use full text instead of '+' s: “full outer join”, “left outer join”, “right outer join”, “inner join”

Overall:

Conceptual order in query evaluation

- First the relational products of the tables in the *FROM* clause are evaluated.
- From this, rows not satisfying the *WHERE* clause are eliminated.
- The remaining rows are grouped in accordance with the *GROUP BY* clause.
- Groups not satisfying the *HAVING* clause are then eliminated.
- The expressions in the *SELECT* list are evaluated.
- If the keyword *DISTINCT* is present, duplicate rows are now eliminated.
- Evaluate *UNION*, *INTERSECT* and *EXCEPT* for Subqueries up to this point.
- Finally, the set of all selected rows is sorted if the *ORDER BY* is present.