

SQL

- Developed by IBM (for System R) in the 1970s.
- Standard used by many vendors.
 - SQL-86 (original standard)
 - SQL-89 (minor revisions; integrity constraints)
 - SQL-92 (major revision; basis for modern SQL)
 - SQL-99 (XML, window queries, generated default values)
 - SQL 2003 (major revisions to XML support)
 - SQL 2008 (minor extensions)
 - SQL 2011 (minor extensions; temporal databases)

A Basic SQL Query

(optional) keyword indicating that the answer should not contain duplicates



SELECT **[DISTINCT]** *target-list*

A list of attributes of relations in *relation-list*

FROM *relation-list*

A list of relation names

(possibly with a range-variable after each name)

WHERE *condition*

Comparisons ('=', '<>', '<', '>', '<=', '>=') and other boolean predicates,
combined using AND, OR, and NOT
(a boolean formula)

A Basic SQL Query

`net.sf.jsqlparser.statement.select.PlainSelect`

SELECT **[DISTINCT]** **target-list**

`mySelect.getDistinct()`

`mySelect.getSelectItems()`

FROM **relation-list**

`mySelect.getFromItem()` and `mySelect.getJoins()`

WHERE **condition**

`mySelect.getWhere()`

Query Evaluation

```
SELECT    [DISTINCT] target-list
FROM      relation-list
WHERE     condition
```

- 1) Compute the 2^n combinations of tuples in all relations appearing in *relation-list*
- 2) Discard tuples that fail the *condition*
- 3) Delete attributes not in *target-list*
- 4) If **DISTINCT** is specified, eliminate duplicate rows

This is the least efficient strategy to compute a query!

A good optimizer will find more efficient strategies to compute **the same answer**.

Example-Wildcards

Find all officers on the Enterprise (Ship 1701A)

'*' denotes all attributes

'Officers.*' denotes all attributes in Officers

```
SELECT *  
FROM Officers  
WHERE Ship = '1701A'
```

| <u>FirstName</u> , | <u>LastName</u> , | <u>Ship</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| [James, | Kirk, | 1701A] |
| [Leonard, | McCoy, | 1701A] |
| [Spock, | SonOfSarek, | 1701A] |
| . . . | | |

| <u>FirstName</u> , | <u>LastName</u> , | <u>Ship</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| [James, | Kirk, | 1701A] |
| [Leonard, | McCoy, | 1701A] |
| [Spock, | SonOfSarek, | 1701A] |
| . . . | | |

```
net.sf.jsqlparser.statement.select.AllColumns  
net.sf.jsqlparser.statement.select.AllTableColumns
```

Example-Condition

Find all officers on the Enterprise (Ship 1701A)

```
SELECT *  
FROM Officers  
WHERE Ship = '1701A'
```



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|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| [James, | Kirk, | 1701A] |
| [Leonard, | McCoy, | 1701A] |
| [Spock, | SonOfSarek, | 1701A] |
| [Montgomery, | Scott, | 1701A] |
| [Pavel, | Chekov, | 1701A] |
| [Nyota, | Uhura, | 1701A] |

| <u>FirstName</u> , | <u>LastName</u> , | <u>Ship</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|
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| [Spock, | SonOfSarek, | 1701A] |
| [Montgomery, | Scott, | 1701A] |
| [Hikaru, | Sulu, | 2000] |
| [Pavel, | Chekov, | 1701A] |
| [Nyota, | Uhura, | 1701A] |
| [Christine, | Chapel, | 0001] |

Example-Target List

Find just **names** of all officers on the Enterprise

```
SELECT O.FirstName,O.LastName  
FROM Officers O  
WHERE O.Ship = '1701A'
```



| <u>FirstName</u> , | <u>LastName</u> | |
|--------------------|-----------------|---|
| [James, | Kirk |] |
| [Leonard, | McCoy |] |
| [Spock, | SonOfSarek |] |
| [Montgomery, | Scott |] |
| [Pavel, | Chekov |] |
| [Nyota, | Uhura |] |

| <u>FirstName</u> , | <u>LastName</u> , | <u>Ship</u> |
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| [Christine, | Chapel, | 0001] |

Example-Multiple Relations

In English, what does this query compute?

```
SELECT FirstName, LastName
FROM Officers, Ships
WHERE Ship = ID
AND Location = 'Vulcan'
```

↓ ↓ ↓

| <u>FirstName,</u> | <u>LastName</u> |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| [Hikaru, | Sulu] |

Who is on a ship located at Vulcan?

| <u>FirstName,</u> | <u>LastName,</u> | <u>Ship</u> |
|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| [James, | Kirk, | 1701A] |
| [Leonard, | McCoy, | 1701A] |
| [Spock, | SonOfSarek, | 1701A] |
| [Montgomery, | Scott, | 1701A] |
| [Hikaru, | Sulu, | 2000] |
| [Pavel, | Chekov, | 1701A] |
| [Nyota, | Uhura, | 1701A] |
| [Christine, | Chapel, | 0001] |

| <u>ID,</u> | <u>Name,</u> | <u>Location</u> |
|------------|---------------|----------------------|
| [1701A, | Enterprise-A, | Andoria] |
| [2000, | Excelsior, | Vulcan] |
| [1864, | Reliant, | Ceti Alpha VI] |

Range Variables

```
SELECT FirstName, LastName
FROM Officers, Ships
WHERE Ship = ID
      AND Location = 'Vulcan'
```

But it's good style to use range variables and fully-qualified attribute names!

is the same as

```
SELECT Officers.FirstName, Officers.LastName
FROM Officers, Ships
WHERE Officers.Ship = Ships.ID
      AND Ships.Location = 'Vulcan'
```

is the same as

```
SELECT O.FirstName, O.LastName
FROM Officers O, Ships S
WHERE O.Ship = S.ID
      AND S.Location = 'Vulcan'
```

JSqlParser calls this an “alias”

Expressions

```
SELECT  O.age,  
        age1 = O.age*0.2,  
        O.age*3.0 AS age2  
FROM    Officers O
```

↓
[age, age1, age2]

Arithmetic expressions can appear in targets or conditions.

Use '=' or 'AS' to assign names to these attributes.

(The behavior of unnamed attributes is unspecified)

Strings

```
SELECT O.FirstName, O.LastName  
FROM   Officers O  
WHERE  S.LastName LIKE 'Ch%e%'
```



```
[Pavel,      Chekov]  
[Christine,  Chapel]
```

SQL uses single quotes for 'string literals'

Strings

```
SELECT O.FirstName, O.LastName  
FROM Officers O  
WHERE O.LastName LIKE 'Ch%e%'
```



```
[Pavel, Chekov]  
[Christine, Chapel]
```

LIKE is used for String Matches
'%' matches 0 or more characters
(like RegEx /.*/)

Strings

```
SELECT O.FirstName, O.LastName  
FROM Officers O  
WHERE O.LastName LIKE 'Ch_%e%'
```



```
[Pavel, Chekov]  
[Christine, Chapel]
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UNION

Computes the **union** of any two **union-compatible sets** of tuples

```
SELECT O.FirstName  
FROM Officers O  
WHERE O.LastName = 'Kirk'  
      OR O.LastName = 'Picard'
```

is the same as

```
SELECT O.FirstName FROM Officers O  
WHERE O.LastName = 'Kirk'
```

UNION

```
SELECT O.FirstName FROM Officers O  
WHERE O.LastName = 'Picard'
```

UNION

```
net.sf.jsqlparser.statement.select.Union
```

```
SELECT O.FirstName FROM Officers O  
WHERE O.LastName = 'Kirk'
```

```
UNION
```

```
SELECT O.FirstName FROM Officers O  
WHERE O.LastName = 'Picard'
```

```
myUnion.getPlainSelects()
```

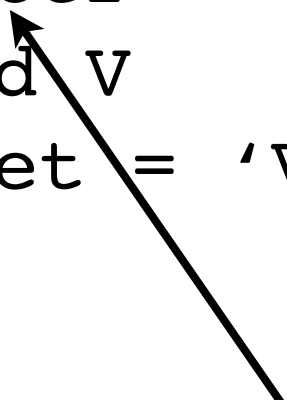
Nested Queries

What does this query compute?

```
SELECT O.FirstName, O.LastName
FROM Officers O
WHERE O.ID IN (SELECT V.Officer
               FROM Visited V
               WHERE V.Planet = 'Vulcan')
```

Use NOT IN for
all officers who
have never
visited 'Vulcan'

IN nested query must
have exactly **one** attribute

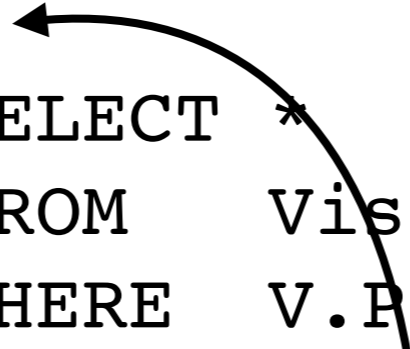


```
net.sf.jsqlparser.expression.operators.relational.InExpression
net.sf.jsqlparser.statement.select.SubSelect
```


Nested Queries

(With Correlation)

```
SELECT O.FirstName, O.LastName
FROM Officers O
WHERE EXISTS (SELECT *
              FROM Visited V
              WHERE V.Planet = 'Vulcan'
                  AND O.ID = V.Officer)
```



EXISTS is true if the nested query returns at least one result

The nested query can refer to attributes from the outer query

`net.sf.jsqlparser.expression.operators.relational.ExistsExpression`

More Set Operators

IN \longrightarrow NOT IN

EXISTS \longrightarrow NOT EXISTS

More Set Operators

[op] ANY

[op] ALL

```
SELECT * FROM Officers O
WHERE O.Rank > ALL (SELECT O2.rank
                    FROM Officers O2,
                    Ships S
                    WHERE O2.Ship = S.ID
                    AND S.Name = 'Enterprise'
                    )
```

What does this compute?

Which officers outrank every officer on the Enterprise?

`net.sf.jsqlparser.expression.AllComparisonExpression`

From-Nesting

```
SELECT *
FROM Officers O,
    (SELECT V.Officer
     FROM Visited V
     WHERE V.Planet = 'Andoria'
    ) A
WHERE O.ID = A.Officer
```

Queries are relations!

`net.sf.jsqlparser.statement.select.SubSelect`

Aggregate Operators

```
SELECT COUNT(*)  
FROM Officers O, Ships S  
WHERE O.Ship = S.ID  
      AND S.Name = 'Enterprise'
```

What does this compute?
How many officers are on the Enterprise?

```
net.sf.jsqlparser.expression.Function
```

Aggregate Operators

COUNT (*)

COUNT (DISTINCT A [, B [, ...]])

SUM ([DISTINCT] A)

AVG ([DISTINCT] A)

MAX (A)

MIN (A)

Single Column/Expression



Group Exercise

```
SELECT * FROM Officers O
WHERE O.Rank > ALL (SELECT O2.rank
                    FROM Officers O2,
                    Ships S
                    WHERE O2.Ship = S.ID
                    AND S.Name = 'Enterprise'
                    )
```

How could you write this query without `ALL`?

Aggregate Operators

This query is illegal!

Why?

```
SELECT S.Name, AVG(O.Age)
FROM Officers O, Ships S
WHERE O.Ship = S.ID
GROUP BY S.Name
```

Grouping columns used in aggregate functions must be in the GROUP BY clause.

Group-By Queries

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

The *target-list* now contains
(a) grouped attributes
(b) aggregate expressions

Targets of type (a) must be a **subset** of the *grouping-list*

(intuitively each answer tuple corresponds to a single group,
and each group must have a single value for each attribute)

Group-By Queries

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

The **condition** is applied before grouping
The **having-condition** is applied after grouping

Group-By Queries

```
SELECT [DISTINCT] target-list  
FROM relation-list  
WHERE condition
```

```
GROUP BY grouping-list  
HAVING group-condition
```

`mySelect.getGroupByColumnReferences()`

`mySelect.getHaving()`

Order By/Limit

How can we compute the Top 5 officers by rank?

```
SELECT O.Name, O.Rank
FROM Officers O
ORDER BY O.Rank
LIMIT 5
```

`mySelect.getLimit()` →

`mySelect.getOrderByElements()` →

Defining Relations in SQL

```
CREATE TABLE Officers
(  FirstName CHAR(20),
  LastName  CHAR(20),
  Ship      CHAR(5),
  ID        INTEGER
)
```

```
CREATE TABLE Ships
(  ID      CHAR(5),
  Name    CHAR(20),
  Location CHAR(40)
)
```

The schema defines not only the column names, but also their types (domains)

For example a 20-character string

Modifying Relations

Destroy the relation 'Officers'
All schema information AND tuples are deleted

```
DROP TABLE Officers
```

Add a new column (field) to the Ships relation
Every tuple in the current instance is extended with a
'null' value in the new field

```
ALTER TABLE Ships  
ADD COLUMN Commissioned DATE
```

Adding and Deleting Tuples

Insert single tuples using:

```
INSERT INTO Officers (FirstName, LastName, Ship)
VALUES ('Benjamin', 'Sisko', '74205')
```

Can delete all tuples satisfying some condition (e.g., Ship = 2000)

```
DELETE FROM Officers O
WHERE O.Ship = '2000'
```

More powerful data manipulation commands are available in SQL
(We'll discuss them later in the course)

SQL

- SQL is a language for querying relations
 - **SELECT** to access (query) data
 - Different features for different access patterns.
 - **INSERT INTO, DELETE FROM** to modify data
 - **CREATE TABLE, DROP TABLE, ALTER TABLE** to modify relations
- Next time...
 - Translating SQL to Relational Algebra (equivalence)