

SQL - Basics

CS 4750 Database Systems

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QUERY LANGUAGES

- Parts of a query language (such as Relational Algebra and SQL) are divided into two main categories:

Data Definition Language (DDL)

- Effects **schema**
- CREATE TABLE
- ALTER TABLE
- DROP TABLE

Data Manipulation Language (DML)

- Effects **instance**
- SELECT
- INSERT
- UPDATE
- DELETE

Structured Query Language (SQL)

- Standard language for relational database managements
- Domain-specific language
 - SQL only works on relational databases
 - Not for general purpose programming (e.g., Java, C/C++, Python)
- Include the ability to process sets of data
 - Querying data
 - Controlling access to the database and its objects
 - Guaranteeing database consistency
 - Updating rows in a table
 - Creating, replacing, altering, and dropping objects

Make it possible to work with data at the logical level

SQL (cont.)

- Provides standard type; for example,
 - Numbers: `INT`, `FLOAT`, `DECIMAL(p, s)`
 - Strings:
 - `CHAR(n)` – fixed length n
 - `VARCHAR(n)` – variable length, max length n
 - `TEXT` – for large value; not support `DEFAULT` values, `NOT NULL`
 - `BOOLEAN`
 - `DATE`, `TIME`, `TIMESTAMP`
 - `DATE` – year, month, and day values
 - `TIME` – hour, minute, and second values
 - `TIMESTAMP` – year, month, day, hour, minute, and second values
 - `BLOB` (Binary Large Object) – varying-length binary string; for file, image, video, large object

SQL Statements

CREATE TABLE ...

DROP TABLE ...

ALTER TABLE ... ADD / REMOVE ...

INSERT INTO ... VALUES

DELETE FROM ... WHERE ...

UPDATE ... SET ... WHERE ...

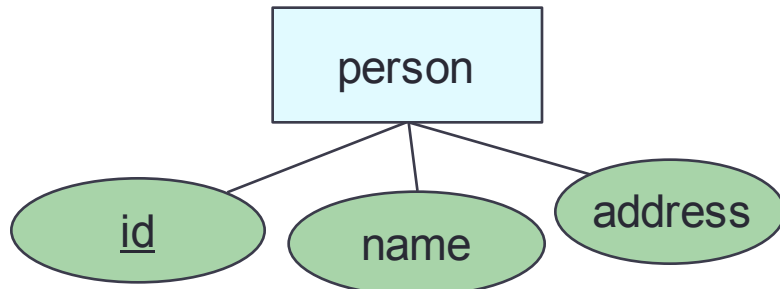
SELECT ... FROM ...

... UNION ...

... INTERSECT ...

[More constraints and referential constraint maintenance later]

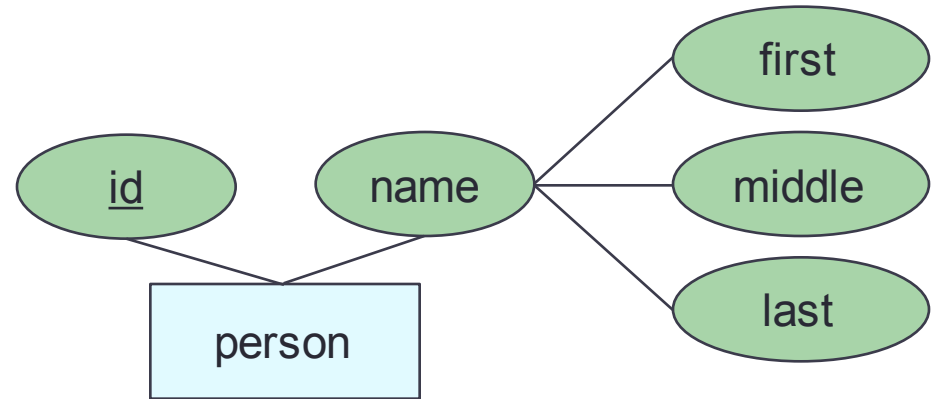
CREATE TABLE (Entity Set)



```
person(id, name, address)
```



```
CREATE TABLE person (  
  id INT,  
  name VARCHAR(40),  
  address VARCHAR(255),  
  PRIMARY KEY (id) );
```

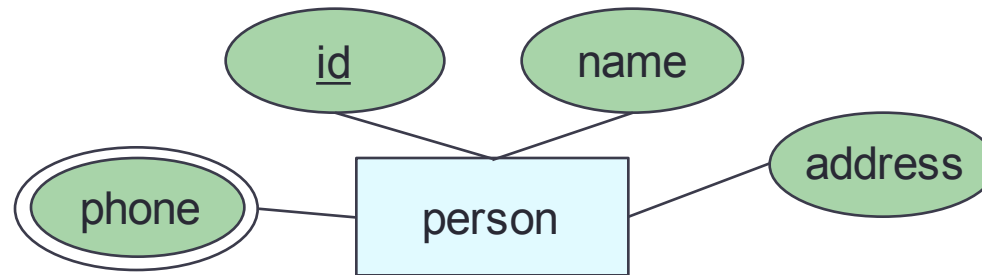


```
person(id, first_name,  
  middle_name, last_name)
```



```
CREATE TABLE person (  
  id INT,  
  first_name VARCHAR(20),  
  middle_name VARCHAR(3),  
  last_name VARCHAR(20),  
  PRIMARY KEY (id) );
```

CREATE TABLE (Entity Set)



```
person(id, name, address)  
person_phone(id, phone)
```



```
CREATE TABLE person ( id INT,  
                       name VARCHAR(40),  
                       address VARCHAR(255),  
                       PRIMARY KEY (id) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE person_phone ( id INT REFERENCES person(id),  
                              phone VARCHAR(10),  
                              PRIMARY KEY (id, phone) );
```

CREATE TABLE (One-to-One)

Option 1: create tables for entity sets and a relationship set



```
CREATE TABLE product(pid VARCHAR(10), ...,  
    PRIMARY KEY (pid) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE company(cname VARCHAR(100), ...,  
    PRIMARY KEY (cname) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE makes(  
    [ cname VARCHAR(100) UNIQUE REFERENCES company(cname),  
    pid VARCHAR(100) UNIQUE REFERENCES product(pid),  
    ... );
```

```
PRIMARY KEY (cname, pid)
```

Do we need all these tables?

CREATE TABLE (One-to-One)

Option 2: create tables for entity sets, store a primary key of one entity in another entity, no table for relationship set



```
CREATE TABLE product(pid VARCHAR(10), ...,
    PRIMARY KEY (pid) );

CREATE TABLE company(cname VARCHAR(100), ...,
    pid VARCHAR(10),
    PRIMARY KEY (cname),
    FOREIGN KEY (pid) REFERENCES product(pid) );
```

Make use of the one-to-one fact. Better design – fewer tables

CREATE TABLE (Many-to-Many)



```
CREATE TABLE product(pid VARCHAR(10), ...,  
    PRIMARY KEY (pid) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE company(cname VARCHAR(100), ...,  
    PRIMARY KEY (cname) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE makes(  
    cname VARCHAR(100) REFERENCES company(cname),  
    pid VARCHAR(100) REFERENCES product(pid), ...,  
    PRIMARY KEY (cname, pid) );
```

CREATE TABLE (One-to-Many / Many-to-One)

Option 1: create tables for entity sets and a relationship set



```
CREATE TABLE product(pid VARCHAR(10), ...,  
    PRIMARY KEY (pid) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE company(cname VARCHAR(100), ...,  
    PRIMARY KEY (cname) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE makes(  
    [ cname VARCHAR(100) REFERENCES company(cname),  
    pid VARCHAR(100) REFERENCES product(pid), ...,  
    PRIMARY KEY (pid) );
```

```
FOREIGN KEY (cname) REFERENCES company(cname)
```

Do we need all these tables?

CREATE TABLE (One-to-Many / Many-to-One)

Option 2: create tables for entity sets, store a primary key of the "one" side in the "many" side, no table for relationship set

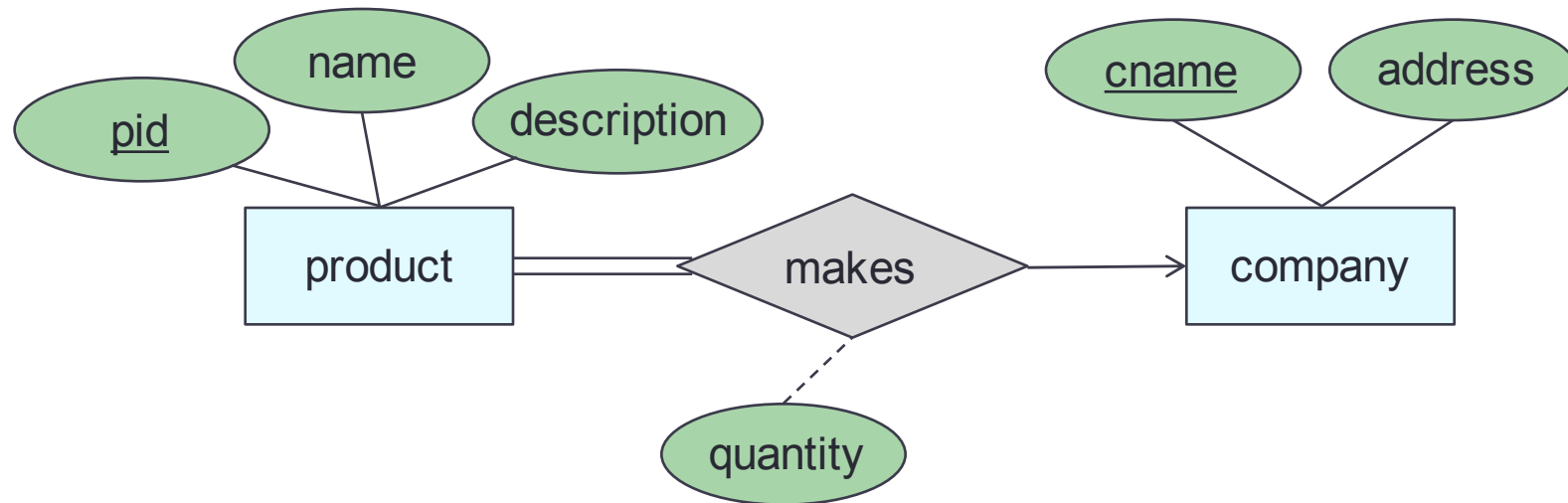


```
CREATE TABLE product(pid VARCHAR(10), ...,  
    cname VARCHAR(100),  
    PRIMARY KEY (pid),  
    FOREIGN KEY (cname) REFERENCES company(cname) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE company(cname VARCHAR(100), ...,  
    PRIMARY KEY (cname) );
```

CREATE TABLE (Total Participation)

Option 1: use a FOREIGN KEY constraint

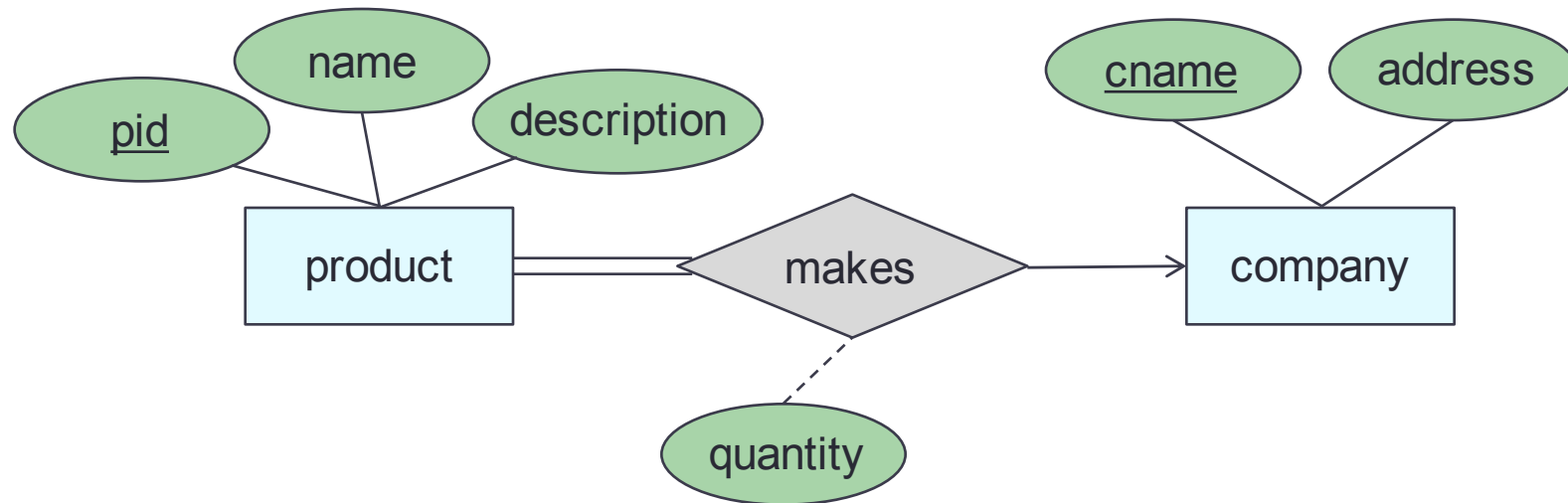


```
CREATE TABLE product(pid VARCHAR(10), ...,  
    quantity INT,  
    cname VARCHAR(100)  
    PRIMARY KEY (pid),  
    FOREIGN KEY (cname) REFERENCES company(cname) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE company(cname VARCHAR(100), ...,  
    PRIMARY KEY (cname) );
```

CREATE TABLE (Total Participation)

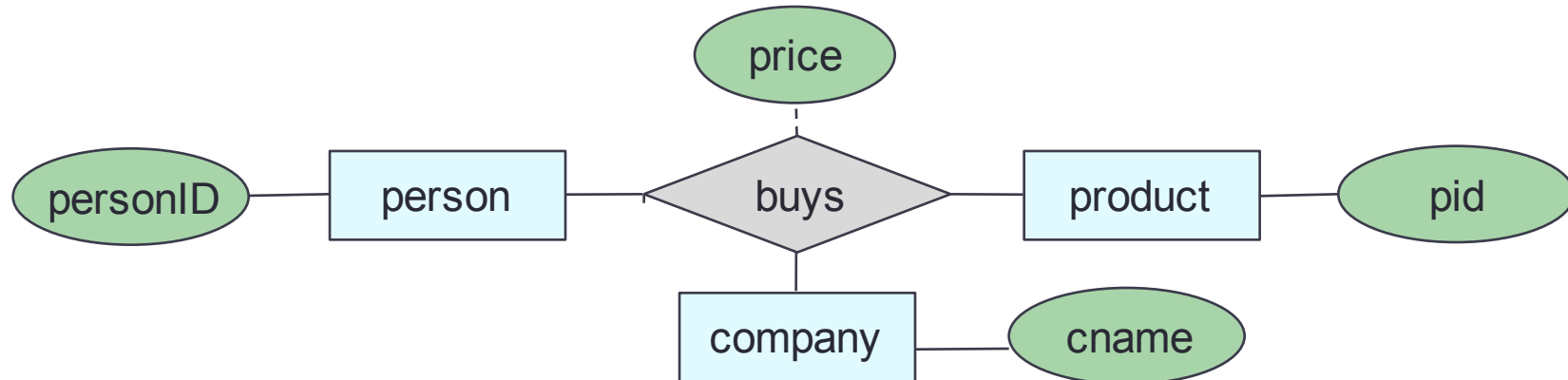
Option 2: use a NOT NULL constraint



```
CREATE TABLE product(pid VARCHAR(10), ...,  
    quantity INT,  
    PRIMARY KEY (pid),  
    cname VARCHAR(100) NOT NULL REFERENCES company(cname));
```

```
CREATE TABLE company(cname VARCHAR(100), ...,  
    PRIMARY KEY (cname));
```

CREATE TABLE (Multi-Way Relations)



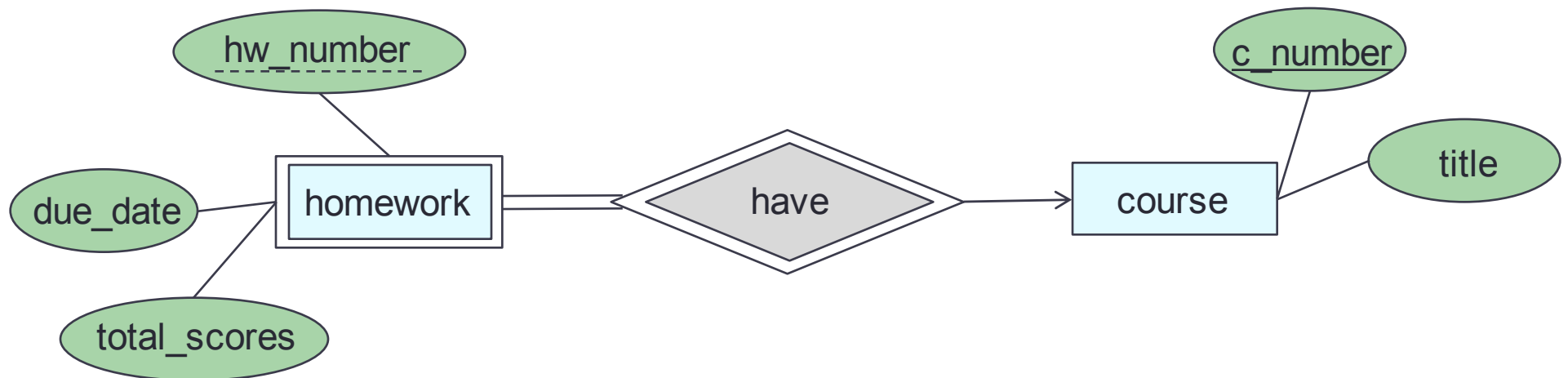
```
CREATE TABLE product(pid VARCHAR(10), ...,  
PRIMARY KEY (pid) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE company(cname VARCHAR(100), ...,  
PRIMARY KEY (cname) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE person VARCHAR(10), ...,  
PRIMARY KEY (personid) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE buys(  
cname VARCHAR(100) REFERENCES company(cname),  
pid VARCHAR(100) REFERENCES product(pid),  
personID VARCHAR(10) REFERENCE person(personID), ...,  
price FLOAT,  
PRIMARY KEY (cname, pid, personID,) );
```

CREATE TABLE (Weak Entity Set)



```
CREATE TABLE course(c_number VARCHAR(10), ...,  
PRIMARY KEY (c_number) );
```

```
CREATE TABLE homework(hw_number VARCHAR(10), ...,  
c_number VARCHAR(10) REFERENCES course(c_number),  
PRIMARY KEY (c_number, hw_number) );
```


Let's Try

Let's verify that you have access to the DB server and the DB server works properly, and practice writing and interpreting SQL

1. Start your DB server (or SQL instance)
2. Log in to your DB server (phpMyAdmin or MySQL environment)
3. Select a DB you want to use
 - If you have not created one, create it

```
CREATE DATABASE your_DB_name
```

4. Create a `my_todo` table. You may include any attributes you'd like or use the following example.

```
my_todo(id, task, priority)
```



```
CREATE TABLE my_todo (id INT,  
                        task VARCHAR(20),  
                        priority VARCHAR(10),  
                        PRIMARY KEY (id));
```

Try to create twice.
What happen?

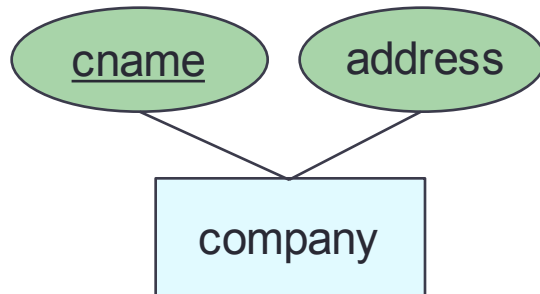
DROP TABLE

```
DROP TABLE table_name;
```

```
DROP TABLE homework;
```

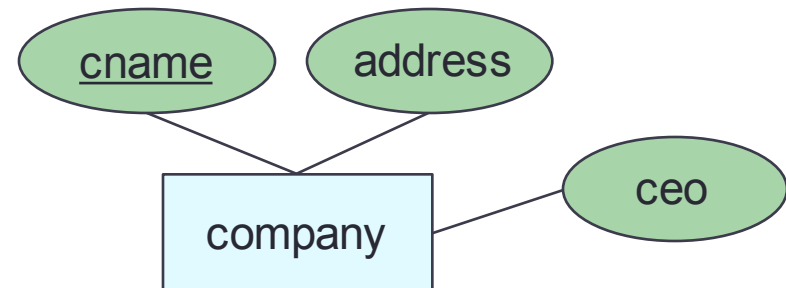
This cannot be undone !!

ALTER TABLE ... ADD/DROP

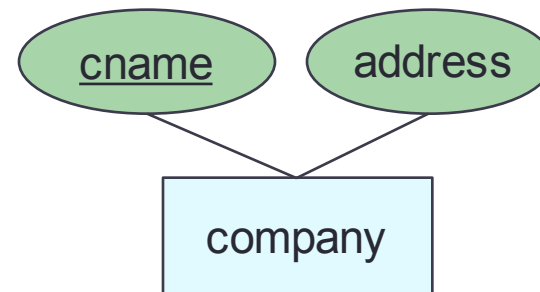


```
CREATE TABLE company (  
  cname VARCHAR(40),  
  address VARCHAR(255),  
  PRIMARY KEY (cname));
```

```
ALTER TABLE company  
ADD ceo VARCHAR(40);
```



```
ALTER TABLE company  
DROP ceo;
```

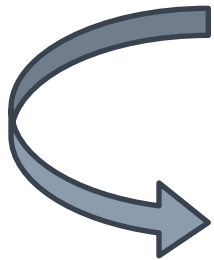


INSERT INTO ... VALUE

Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
2345	1400 E. Bellows	Database Systems	Humpty
3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Web Programming Lang.	Mickey
5678	2131 Forest Lake Ln.	Software Analysis	Minnie

```
INSERT INTO Student_lecture
VALUES ("9999", "85 Engineer's Way",
       "Database Systems", "Humpty");
```



Student_lecture

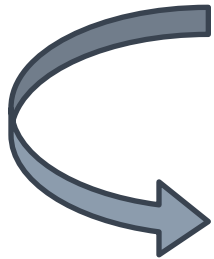
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9999	85 Engineer's Way	Database Systems	Humpty

UPDATE ... SET ... WHERE

Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
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3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty
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```
UPDATE Student_lecture
SET Teaching_assistant = "Humpty"
WHERE S_id = "5678";
```



Student_lecture

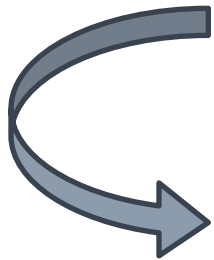
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3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Web Programming Lang.	Mickey
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DELETE FROM ... WHERE

Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
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```
DELETE FROM Student_lecture  
WHERE Teaching_assistant = "Humpty";
```



Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty
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Let's Try (2)

5. Insert data into a table

```
INSERT INTO my_todo VALUES (99, "read book", "low");  
INSERT INTO my_todo VALUES (101, 'do homework 2', "normal");  
INSERT INTO my_todo VALUES (212, "write sql", "high");  
INSERT INTO my_todo VALUES (114, "practice", "normal");
```

Try to insert twice.
What happen?

6. Update data

```
UPDATE my_todo SET priority="high" where task="write sql";
```

```
UPDATE my_todo SET priority="normal" where task="do homework 2";
```

```
UPDATE my_todo SET priority="low";
```

What happen?

7. Delete data from table

```
DELETE FROM my_todo WHERE task="do homework 2";
```

```
DELETE FROM my_todo;
```

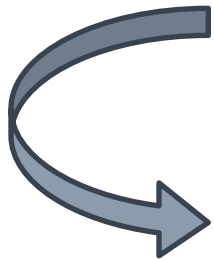
Oops!!

SELECT * FROM ...

Student_lecture

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1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
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```
SELECT * FROM Student_lecture;
```



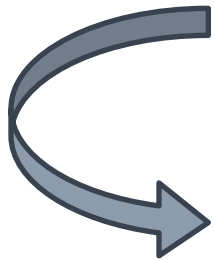
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SELECT Specific Attribute

Student_lecture

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```
SELECT S_id, Course FROM Student_lecture;
```



S_id	Course
1234	Database Systems
2345	Database Systems
3456	Cloud Computing
1234	Web Programming Lang.
5678	Software Analysis

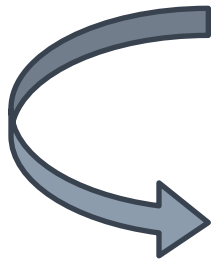
“Projection”

SELECT with WHERE Clause (1)

Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
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1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Web Programming Lang.	Mickey
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```
SELECT * FROM Student_lecture  
WHERE Teaching_assistant = "Minnie" ;
```



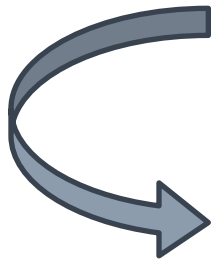
S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
5678	2131 Forest Lake Ln.	Software Analysis	Minnie

SELECT with WHERE Clause (2)

Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
2345	1400 E. Bellows	Database Systems	Humpty
3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Web Programming Lang.	Mickey
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```
SELECT S_id, Course FROM Student_lecture  
WHERE Teaching_assistant = "Minnie" ;
```



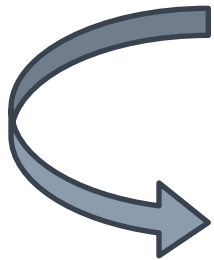
S_id	Course
1234	Database Systems
5678	Software Analysis

SELECT with WHERE Clause (3)

Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
2345	1400 E. Bellows	Database Systems	Humpty
3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Web Programming Lang.	Mickey
5678	2131 Forest Lake Ln.	Software Analysis	Minnie

```
SELECT S_id, Course FROM Student_lecture
WHERE Teaching_assistant = "Minnie" OR
      Teaching_assistant = "Mickey" ;
```



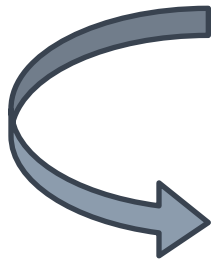
S_id	Course
1234	Database Systems
1234	Web Programming Lang.
5678	Software Analysis

SELECT DISTINCT

Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
2345	1400 E. Bellows	Database Systems	Humpty
3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty
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```
SELECT DISTINCT Teaching_assistant  
FROM Student_lecture ;
```



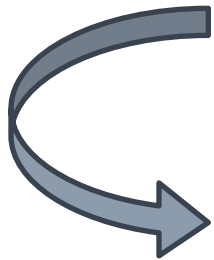
Teaching_assistant
Minnie
Humpty
Dumpty
Mickey

SELECT with Pattern Matching

Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
2345	1400 E. Bellows	Database Systems	Humpty
3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty
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```
SELECT Teaching_assistant FROM Student_lecture  
WHERE Course LIKE 'Data%';
```



Teaching_assistant
Minnie
Humpty

Let's Try (3)

8. Retrieve data

```
SELECT * FROM my_todo;
```

```
SELECT * FROM my_todo WHERE priority="high";
```

```
SELECT * FROM my_todo WHERE priority='normal';
```

```
SELECT task FROM my_todo WHERE priority="normal";
```

```
SELECT * FROM my_todo WHERE task LIKE "%sql" OR priority = "low";
```

```
SELECT DISTINCT * FROM my_todo;
```

```
SELECT DISTINCT priority, task FROM my_todo;
```

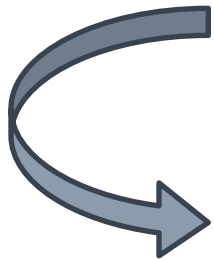
```
SELECT DISTINCT priority FROM my_todo;
```

ORDER BY (Ascending)

Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
2345	1400 E. Bellows	Database Systems	Humpty
3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Web Programming Lang.	Mickey
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```
SELECT S_id, Course FROM Student_lecture  
WHERE Teaching_assistant != "Dumpty"  
ORDER BY S_id;
```



S_id	Course
1234	Database Systems
1234	Web Programming Lang.
2345	Database Systems
5678	Software Analysis

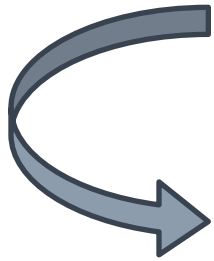
Ascending, by default
Or include ASC

ORDER BY (Descending)

Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
2345	1400 E. Bellows	Database Systems	Humpty
3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Web Programming Lang.	Mickey
5678	2131 Forest Lake Ln.	Software Analysis	Minnie

```
SELECT S_id, Course FROM Student_lecture  
WHERE Teaching_assistant != "Dumpty"  
ORDER BY S_id DESC;
```



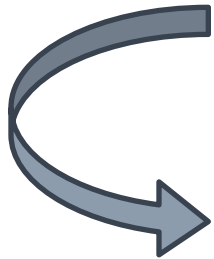
S_id	Course
5678	Software Analysis
2345	Database Systems
1234	Web Programming Lang.
1234	Database Systems

SELECT with Aliases

Student_lecture

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
2345	1400 E. Bellows	Database Systems	Humpty
3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Web Programming Lang.	Mickey
5678	2131 Forest Lake Ln.	Software Analysis	Minnie

```
SELECT S_id as ID, Course as "Course Name"  
FROM Student_lecture  
WHERE Teaching_assistant != "Dumpty" ;
```



ID	Course Name
1234	Database Systems
1234	Web Programming Lang.
2345	Database Systems
5678	Software Analysis

UNION

- Combine two tables
- Each tables must have the **same number of columns**
- The columns must have similar / **compatible data types**
- The columns in both tables must be in the **same order**
- Tuples of the second table comes after the first

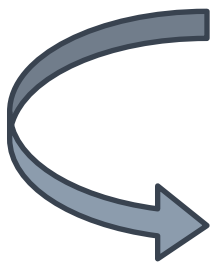
S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie
2345	1400 E. Bellows	Database Systems	Humpty

Student_lecture1

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant
3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty

Student_lecture2

```
(SELECT S_id, Course FROM Student_lecture1) UNION  
(SELECT S_id, Course FROM Student_lecture2)
```



S_id	Course
1234	Database Systems
2345	Database Systems
3456	Cloud Computing

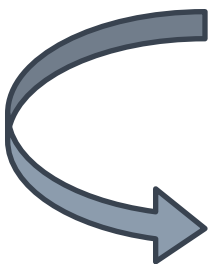
INTERSECT

- Combine two tables
- Each table must have the **same number of columns**
- The columns must have similar / **compatible data types**
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S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant	Student_lecture1
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Database Systems	Minnie	
2345	1400 E. Bellows	Database Systems	Humpty	

S_id	Address	Course	Teaching_assistant	Student_lecture2
3456	900 S. Detroit	Cloud Computing	Dumpty	
1234	57 Hockanum Blvd	Web Programming Lang.	Mickey	

(SELECT S_id FROM Student_lecture1) INTERSECT
(SELECT S_id FROM Student_lecture2)



S_id
1234

MySQL doesn't support
INTERSECT operator

Queries Involving Multiple Relations

- Combine the tables based on common columns

TAHiring

computingID	name	year	hours_worked
ht1y	Humpty	4	20
dt2y	Dumpty	3	20
md3y	Mickey	4	15
mn4e	Minnie	4	16
dh5h	Duhhuh	3	10

Payrate

year	hourly_rate
4	12
3	10

```
SELECT computingID, name, TAHiring.year, hourly_rate, hours_worked,  
FROM TAHiring, Payrate  
WHERE TAHiring.year = Payrate.year
```

“Self join” with
condition(s)

computingID	name	year	hourly_rate	hours_worked
ht1y	Humpty	4	12	20
dt2y	Dumpty	3	10	20
md3y	Mickey	4	12	15
mn4e	Minnie	4	12	16
dh5h	Duhhuh	3	10	10

DBMS --
“Natural
join”

Wrap-Up

- Keep the number of tables small – reduce the number of tables when you can (in many-to-one and one-to-many)
- Simple, commonly used SQL syntax

What's next?

- More SQL