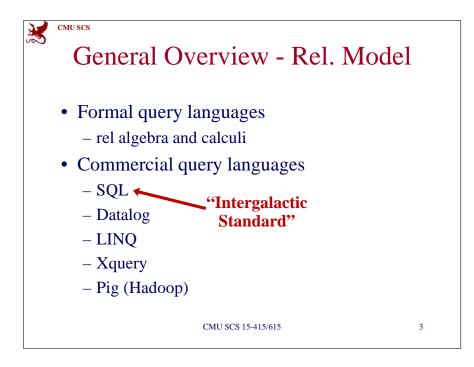


# Carnegie Mellon Univ. Dept. of Computer Science 15-415/615 - DB Applications

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#### Relational Languages

- A major strength of the relational model: supports simple, powerful *querying* of data.
- User only needs to specify the answer that they want, not how to compute it.
- The DBMS is responsible for efficient evaluation of the query.
  - Query optimizer: re-orders operations and generates query plan

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## Relational Languages

- Standardized DML/DDL
  - **DML** → Data Manipulation Language
  - **DDL** → Data Definition Language
- Also includes:
  - View definition
  - Integrity & Referential Constraints
  - Transactions

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#### History

- Originally "SEQUEL" from IBM's System R prototype.
  - Structured English Query Language
  - Adopted by Oracle in the 1970s.
- ANSI Standard in 1986, ISO in 1987
  - Structured Query Language

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# History

- Current standard is **SQL:2011** 
  - **SQL:2011** → Temporal DBs, Pipelined DML
  - SQL:2008 → TRUNCATE, Fancy ORDER
  - SQL:2003 → XML, windows, sequences, auto-generated IDs.
  - **SQL:1999** → Regex, triggers, OO
- Most DBMSs at least support SQL-92
- System Comparison:
  - <a href="http://troels.arvin.dk/db/rdbms/">http://troels.arvin.dk/db/rdbms/</a>

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# Example Database

#### **CUSTOMER**

cname	acctno
Georg Hegel	A-123
Friedrich Engels	A-456
Max Stirner	A-789

#### **ACCOUNT**

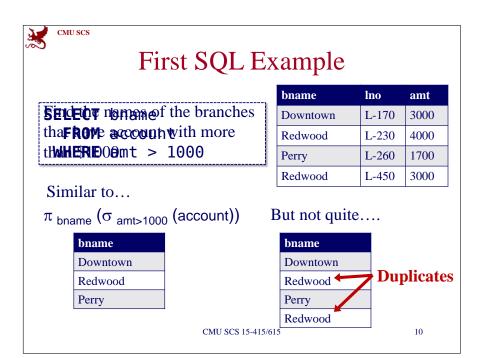
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A-123	Redwood	1800
A-789	Downtown	2000
A-123	Perry	1500
A-456	Downtown	1000

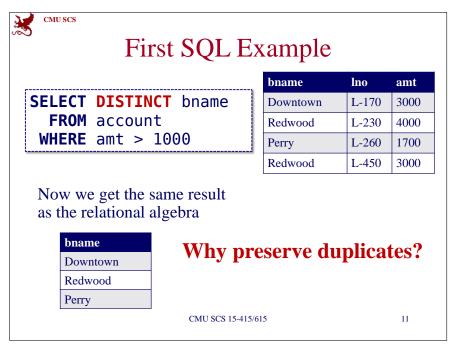
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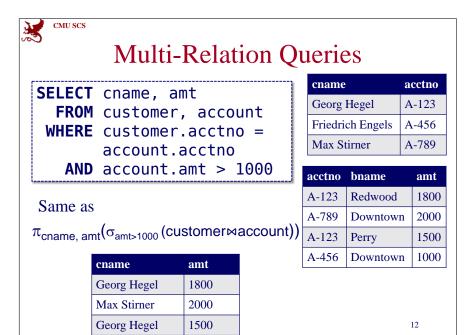
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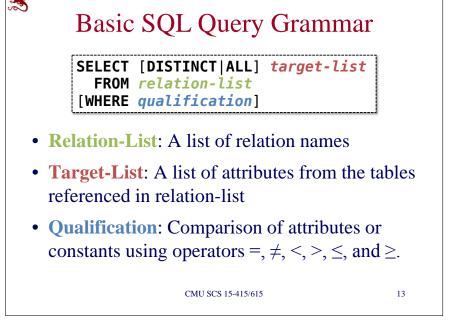
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# Formal Semantics of SQL

- To express SQL, must extend to a bag algebra:
  - A bag is like a set, but can have duplicates
  - -Example:  $\{4, 5, 4, 6\}$

acctno	bname	amt
A-123	Redwood	1800
A-789	Downtown	2000
A-123	Redwood	1800
A-456	Downtown	1000

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# Formal Semantics of SQL

- A SQL query is defined in terms of the following evaluation strategy:
  - **1. Execute FROM clause**Compute cross-product of all tables
  - **2. Execute WHERE clause** Check conditions, discard tuples
  - **3. Execute SELECT clause** Delete unwanted columns.
- Probably the worst way to compute!

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#### **SELECT** Clause

• Use \* to get all attributes

**SELECT \* FROM** account

SELECT account.\* FROM account

• Use **DISTINCT** to eliminate dupes

SELECT DISTINCT bname FROM account

• Target list can include expressions

SELECT bname, amt\*1.05 FROM account

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#### FROM Clause

• Binds tuples to variable names

```
SELECT * FROM customer, account
WHERE customer.acctno = account.acctno
```

• Define what kind of join to use

```
SELECT customer.*, account.amt
  FROM customer LEFT OUTER JOIN account
WHERE customer.acctno = account.acctno
```

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#### **WHERE** Clause

Complex expressions using AND, OR, and NOT

```
SELECT * FROM account
WHERE amt > 1000
AND (bname = "Downtown" OR
NOT bname = "Perry")
```

• Special operators **BETWEEN**, **IN**:

```
SELECT * FROM account
WHERE (amt BETWEEN 100 AND 200)
   AND bname IN ("Leon", "Perry")
```

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#### Renaming

- The **AS** keyword can also be used to rename tables and columns in **SELECT** queries.
- Allows you to target a specific table instance when you reference the same table multiple times.

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## Renaming – Table Variables

• Find customers with an account in the "Downtown" branch with more than \$100.

```
FROM customer.cname, account.amt
FROM customer, account
WHERE customer.acctno = account.acctno
AND account.bname = "Downtown"
AND account.amt > 1000
```

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## Renaming – Table Variables

• Find customers with an account in the "Downtown" branch with more than \$100.

```
SELECT C.cname, A.amt AS camt
FROM customer AS C, account AS A
WHERE C.acctno = A.acctno
AND A.bname = "Downtown"
AND A.amt > 1000
```

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# Renaming – Self-Join

• Find all unique accounts that are open at more than one branch.

acctno	bname	amt
A-123	Redwood	1800
A-789	Downtown	2000
A-123	Perry	1500
A-456	Downtown	1000

```
SELECT DISTINCT al.acctno
  FROM account AS al, account AS a2
WHERE al.acctno = a2.acctno
  AND al.bname != a2.bname
```

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#### More SQL

- INSERT
- UPDATE
- DELETE
- TRUNCATE

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#### **INSERT**

• Provide target table, columns, and values for new tuples:

```
INSERT INTO account
  (acctno, bname, amt)
VALUES
  ("A-999", "Pittsburgh", 1000);
```

• Short-hand version:

```
INSERT INTO account VALUES
  ("A-999", "Pittsburgh", 1000);
```

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#### **UPDATE**

- **UPDATE** must list what columns to update and their new values (separated by commas).
- Can only update one table at a time.
- WHERE clause allows query to target multiple tuples at a time.

```
UPDATE account
   SET bname = "Compton",
        amt = amt + 100
WHERE acctno = "A-999"
AND bname = "Pittsburgh"
```



#### **DELETE**

- Similar to single-table **SELECT** statements.
- The WHERE clause specifies which tuples will deleted from the target table.
- The delete may cascade to children tables.

**DELETE FROM** account **WHERE** amt < 0

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#### **TRUNCATE**

- Remove all tuples from a table.
- This is usually faster than **DELETE**, unless it needs to check foreign key constraints.

TRUNCATE account

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## Example Database

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#### **STUDENT**

shakur@cs

sid	name	login	age	gpa
53666	Trump	trump@cs	45	4.0
53688	Bieber	jbieber@cs	21	3.9

#### **ENROLLED**

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sid	cid	grade
53831	Pilates 101	С
53688	Reggae203	D
53688	Topology112	A
53666	Massage105	D

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## Table Definition (DDL)

```
CREATE TABLE <table-name>(
  [column-definition]*
  [constraints]*
) [table-options];
```

- Column-Definition: Comma separated list of column names with types.
- **Constraints**: Primary key, foreign key, and other meta-data attributes of columns.
- **Table-Options**: DBMS-specific options for the table (not **SQL-92**).

```
Table Definition Example
CREATE TABLE student (
   sid
         INT.
         VARCHAR(16),
                           > Integer Range
   name
   login VARCHAR(32)
         SMALLINT?
   age
         FLOAT
   gpa
                            Variable String Length
CREATE TABLE enrolled
   sid
         INT.
         VARCHAR (32),
   cid
                            Fixed String Length
   grade CHAR(1)
);
```



#### Common Data Types

- CHAR(n), VARCHAR(n)
- TINYINT, SMALLINT, INT, BIGINT
- NUMERIC(p,d), FLOAT, DOUBLE, REAL
- DATE, TIME
- BINARY(n), VARBINARY(n), BLOB



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#### Comment About BLOBs

- Don't store large files in your database!
- Put the file on the filesystem and store a URI in the database.
- Many app frameworks will do this automatically for you.
- More information:
  - <u>To BLOB or Not To BLOB: Large Object</u> Storage in a Database or a Filesystem?

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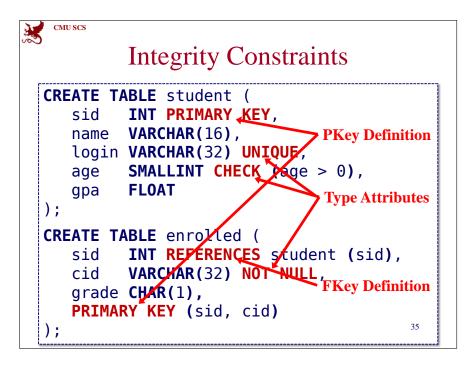
# Useful Non-standard Types

- TEXT
- BOOLEAN
- ARRAY
- Geometric primitives
- XML/JSON
- Some systems also support user-defined types.

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# **Primary Keys**

• Single-column primary key:

```
CREATE TABLE student (
   sid INT PRIMARY KEY,
   :
```

• Multi-column primary key:

```
CREATE TABLE enrolled (
:
PRIMARY KEY (sid, cid)
```

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# Foreign Key References

• Single-column reference:

```
CREATE TABLE enrolled (
   sid INT REFERENCES student (sid),
   :
```

• Multi-column reference:

```
CREATE TABLE enrolled (
:
FOREIGN KEY (sid, ...)
REFERENCES student (sid, ...)
```

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# Foreign Key References

- You can define what happens when the parent table is modified:
  - CASCADE
  - RESTRICT
  - NO ACTION
  - SET NULL
  - SET DEFAULT

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# Foreign Key References

• Delete/update the enrollment information when a student is changed:

```
CREATE TABLE enrolled (
:
    FOREIGN KEY (sid)
    REFERENCES student (sid)
    ON DELETE CASCADE
    ON UPDATE CASCADE
```

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#### **Value Constraints**

• Ensure one-and-only-one value exists:

```
CREATE TABLE student (
   login VARCHAR(32) UNIQUE,
```

• Make sure a value is not null:

```
CREATE TABLE enrolled (
  cid VARCHAR(32) NOT NULL,
```

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#### Value Constraints

• Make sure that an expression evaluates to true for each row in the table:

```
CREATE TABLE enrolled (
   age    SMALLINT CHECK (age > 0),
```

• Can be expensive to evaluate, so tread lightly...

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#### Auto-Generated Keys

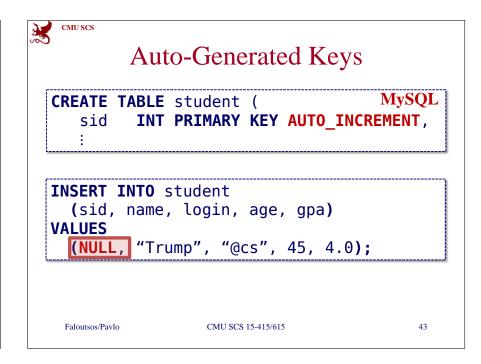
- Automatically create a unique integer id for whenever a row is inserted (last + I).
- Implementations vary wildly:
  - SQL:2003 → IDENTITY
  - $-MySQL \rightarrow AUTO INCREMENT$
  - **Postgres → SERIAL**
  - SQL Server  $\rightarrow$  SEQUENCE
  - DB2  $\rightarrow$  SEQUENCE
  - Oracle → SEOUENCE

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#### Conditional Table Creation

• **IF NOT EXISTS** prevents the DBMS from trying to create a table twice.

```
CREATE TABLE IF NOT EXISTS student (
    sid INT PRIMARY KEY,
    name VARCHAR(16),
    login VARCHAR(32) UNIQUE,
    age SMALLINT CHECK (age > 0),
    gpa FLOAT
);
```

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#### **Dropping Tables**

• Completely removes a table from the database. Deletes everything related to the table (e.g., indexes, views, triggers, etc):

```
DROP TABLE student;
```

• Can also use **IF EXISTS** to avoid errors:

```
DROP TABLE IF EXISTS student:
```

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# **Modifying Tables**

• SQL lets you add/drop columns in a table after it is created:

ALTER TABLE student
ADD COLUMN phone VARCHAR(32) NOT NULL;

ALTER TABLE student DROP COLUMN login;

• This is really expensive!!! Tread lightly...

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#### **Modifying Tables**

• You can also modify existing columns (rename, change type, change defaults, etc):

ALTER TABLE student Postgres
ALTER COLUMN name TYPE VARCHAR(32);

ALTER TABLE student MySQL CHANGE COLUMN name name VARCHAR(32);

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# **Accessing Table Schema**

- You can query the DBMS's internal INFORMATION\_SCHEMA catalog to get info about the database.
- ANSI standard set of read-only views that provide info about all of the tables, views, columns, and procedures in a database
- Every DBMS also have non-standard shortcuts to do this.

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#### Accessing Table Schema

• List all of the tables in the current database:

SELECT \* FROM INFORMATION\_SCHEMA.TABLES
WHERE table\_catalog = '<db name>'

\d; Postgres
SHOW TABLES; MySQL
.tables; SQLite

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# Accessing Table Schema

• List the column info for the student table:





#### **NULLs**

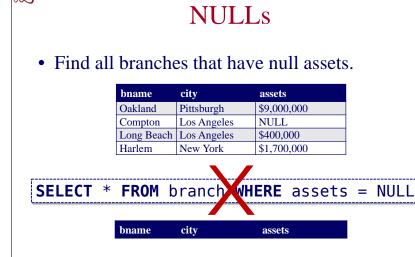
• The "dirty little secret" of SQL, since it can be a value for any attribute.

bname	city	assets
Oakland	Pittsburgh	\$9,000,000
Compton	Los Angeles	NULL
Long Beach	Los Angeles	\$400,000
Harlem	New York	\$1,700,000

- What does this mean?
  - We don't know Compton assets?
  - Compton has no assets?

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#### **NULLs**

• Find all branches that have null assets.

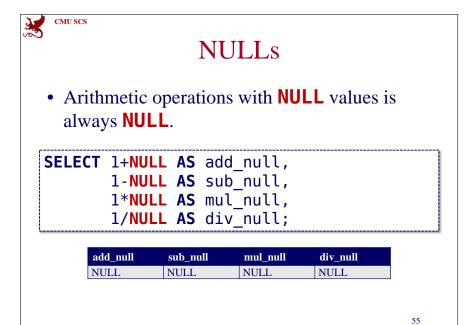
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bname	city	assets
Compton	Los Angeles	NULL

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#### **NULLs**

• Comparisons with **NULL** values varies.

```
SELECT true = NULL AS eq_bool,
    true != NULL AS neq_bool,
    true AND NULL AS and_bool,
    NULL = NULL AS eq_null,
    NULL IS NULL AS is_null;
```

eq_bool	neq_bool	and_false	eq_null	is_null
NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	TRUE

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# **String Operations**

	<b>String Case</b>	<b>String Quotes</b>
SQL-92	Sensitive	Single Only
Postgres	Sensitive	Single Only
MySQL	Insensitive	Single/Double
SQLite	Sensitive	Single/Double
DB2	Sensitive	Single Only
Oracle	Sensitive	Single Only
WHERE UP	PER(name) = '	EURKEL' SQL-92
WHERE na	me = "EURKEL"	MvSOL



# **String Operations**

- **LIKE** is used for string matching.
- String-matching operators
  - "%" Matches any substring (incl. empty).
  - "\_" Match any one character

```
SELECT * FROM enrolled AS e
WHERE e.cid LIKE 'Pilates%'
```

```
SELECT * FROM student AS s
WHERE s.name LIKE '%rum '
```

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# **String Operations**

- **SQL-92** defines string functions.
  - Many DBMSs also have their own unique functions
- Can be used in either output and predicates:

```
SELECT SUBSTRING(name,0,5) AS abbrv_name
FROM student WHERE sid = 53688
```

```
SELECT * FROM student AS s
WHERE UPPER(e.name) LIKE 'TRUM%'
```

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# **Date/Time Operations**

- Operations to manipulate and modify DATE/TIME attributes.
- Can be used in either output and predicates.
- Support/syntax varies wildly...
- Demo: Get the # of days since the beginning of the year.

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## Set/Bag Operations

- Set Operations:
  - -UNION
  - INTERSECT
  - **-EXCEPT**
- Bag Operations:
  - -UNION ALL
  - -INTERSECT ALL
  - -EXCEPT ALL

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# **Set Operations**

(SELECT cname FROM customer)

???

(SELECT cname FROM account)

#### UNION

Returns names of customers with or without an account.

#### **INTERSECT**

Returns names of customers with an account.

#### **EXCEPT**

Returns names of customers without an account.

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## **Output Redirection**

- Store query results in another table:
  - Table must not already be defined.
  - Table will have the same # of columns with the same types as the input.

SELECT DISTINCT cid INTO CourseIds SQL-92
FROM enrolled;

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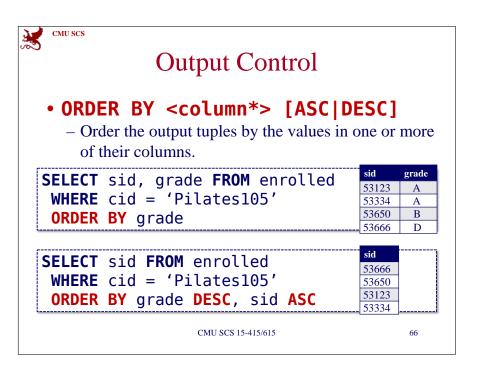
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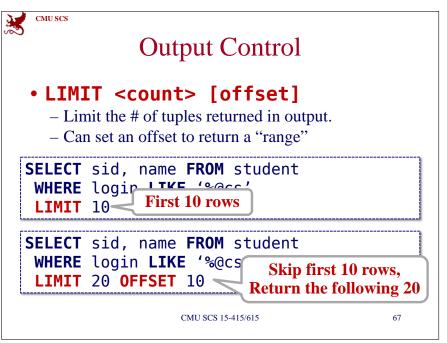
## **Output Redirection**

- Insert tuples from query into another table:
  - Inner SELECT must generate the same columns as the target table.
  - DBMSs have different options/syntax on what to do with duplicates.

INSERT INTO CourseIds
(SELECT DISTINCT cid FROM Enrolled);

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# Aggregates

- Functions that return a single value from a bag of tuples:
  - $-AVG(col) \rightarrow Return the average col value.$
  - -MIN(col) → Return minimum col value.
  - $-MAX(col) \rightarrow Return maximum col value.$
  - $-SUM(col) \rightarrow Return sum of values in col.$
  - COUNT(col) → Return # of values for col.

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#### Aggregates

- Functions can only be used in the **SELECT** attribute output list.
- Get the number of students with a @cs login:

SELECT COUNT(login) AS cnt
FROM student WHERE login LIKE '%@cs'



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# Aggregates

- Can use multiple functions together at the same time.
- Get the number of students and their GPA that have a @cs login.

SELECT AVG(gpa), COUNT(sid)

FROM student WHERE login LIKE '%@cs'

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# Aggregates

- COUNT, SUM, AVG support DISTINCT
- Get the number of unique students that have an @cs login.

SELECT COUNT(DISTINCT login)

COUNT(DISTINCT login)
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FROM student WHERE login LIKE '%@cs'

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# Aggregates

• Output of other columns outside of an aggregate is undefined:

SELECT AVG(s.gpa), e.cid

FROM enrolled AS e, student AS s

WHERE e.sid = s.sid

• Unless...

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#### **GROUP BY**

• Project tuples into subsets and calc aggregates against each subset.

SELECT AVG(s.gpa), e.cid
 FROM enrolled AS e, student AS s
WHERE e.sid = s.sid

**GROUP BY** e.cid

e.sid	s.sid	s.gpa	e.cid
53435	53435	2.25	Pilates101
53439	53439	2.70	Pilates101
53423	53423	2.98	Topology112
56023	56023	2.75	Reggae203
59439	59439	3.90	Reggae203
53961	53961	3.50	Reggae203
58345	58345	1.89	Massage105

 AVG(s.gpa)
 e.cid

 2.46
 Pilates101

 3.39
 Reggae203

 2.98
 Topology112

 1.89
 Massage105



#### **GROUP BY**

• Non-aggregated values in **SELECT** output clause must appear in **GROUP BY** clause.

SELECT AVG(s.gpa), e.cid, s.name
FROM enrolled AS e, student AS s
WHERE e.sid = s.sid
GROUP BY e.cid

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#### **GROUP BY**

• Non-aggregated values in **SELECT** output clause must appear in **GROUP BY** clause.

SELECT AVG(s.gpa), e.cid, s.name
 FROM enrolled AS e, student AS s
WHERE e.sid = s.sid
GROUP BY e.cid, s.name



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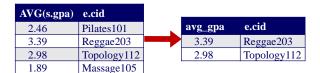
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#### **HAVING**

- Filters output results
- Like a WHERE clause for a GROUP BY

FROM enrolled AS e, student AS s
WHERE e.sid = s.sid
GROUP BY e.cid
HAVING avg\_gpa > 2.75;





# All-in-One Example

• Store the total balance of the cities that have branches with more than \$1m in assets and where the total balance is more than \$700, sorted by city name in descending order.

SELECT bcity, SUM(balance) AS totalbalance
 INTO BranchAcctSummary
 FROM branch AS b, account AS a
 WHERE b.bname=a.bname AND assets > 1000000
 GROUP BY bcity
HAVING totalbalance >= 700
 ORDER BY bcity DESC



# All-in-One Example

#### Steps 1,2: FROM, WHERE

b.bname	b.city	b.assets	a.bname	a.acct_no	a.balance
Downtown	Boston	\$9,000,000	Downtown	A-101	\$500
Compton	Los Angeles	\$2,100,000	Compton	A-215	\$700
Long Beach	Los Angeles	\$1,400,000	Long Beach	A-102	\$400
Harlem	New York	\$7,000,000	Harlem	A-202	\$350
Marcy	New York	\$2,100,000	Marcy	A-305	\$900
Marcy	New York	\$2,100,000	Marcy	A-217	\$750

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# All-in-One Example

**Step 3: GROUP BY** 

**Step 4: SELECT** 

b.city	totalbalance	
Boston	500	
Los Angeles	1100	
New York	2000	

**Step 5: HAVING** 

b.city	totalbalance	
Los Angeles	1100	
New York	2000	

Step 6: ORDER BY

b.city	totalbalance		
New York	2000		
Los Angeles	1100		

**Step 7: INTO** 

< Store in new table >

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## Summary

Clause	Evaluation Order	Semantics (RA)
SELECT[DISTINCT]	4	p* (or p)
FROM	1	X*
WHERE	2	s*
INTO	7	<del>(</del>
GROUP BY	3	Cannot Express
HAVING	5	S*
ORDER BY	6	Cannot Express

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# Advantages of SQL

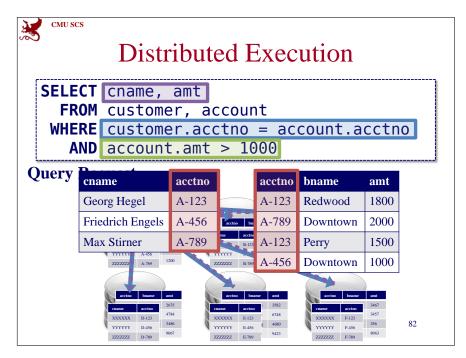
- Write once, run everywhere (in theory...)
  - Different DBMSs
  - Single-node DBMS vs. Distributed DBMS

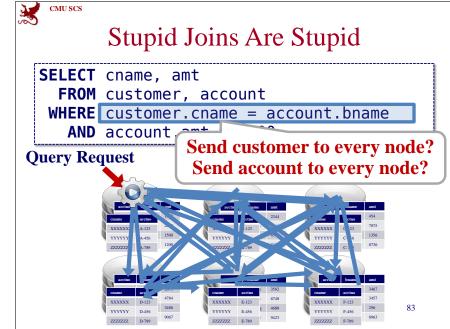
**SELECT** cname, amt

FROM customer, account

WHERE customer.acctno = account.acctno

AND account.amt > 1000







#### **Additional Information**

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- Online SQL validators:
  - http://developer.mimer.se/validator/
  - <a href="http://format-sql.com">http://format-sql.com</a>
- When in doubt, try it out!



#### **Next Class**

- Complex Joins
- Views
- Subqueries
- Common Table Expressions
- Window Functions
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