

Learning Objectives

After completing this unit, you should be able to:

- Compare and contrast database systems with file systems.
- Design a small relational database given examples of data.
- Evaluate relational operations (*select, project, join*) by hand.
- Write SQL queries using `SELECT`, `FROM`, `WHERE`, and `ORDER BY`.
- Interpret the meaning and predict the result of SQL queries.
- Describe the CSV file format and how it represents a table.
- Summarize data mining activities and related social issues.

Textbook Sections

- 9.1 Database Fundamentals
- 9.2 The Relational Model
- 9.6 Data Mining
- 9.7 Social Impact of Database Technology

Video Lectures

- Database Systems
- What is Database & SQL?

Assignments

Act11 Relational Operations; Chapter 9 Problems

Lab11 Codecademy (SQL); Exploring your SQLite data

Unit 11 Checklist: Nov 11 – Nov 17

Before Wednesday	Date Completed
FINISH models 1 and 2 of Relational Operations	
READ textbook 9.1 Database Fundamentals (take notes) ANSWER questions 1 and 3 in your notes	
READ textbook 9.2 The Relational Model (take notes) ANSWER questions 1, 4, and 5 in your notes	
WATCH video lecture: Database Systems (take notes)	
START Lab11: Exploring your SQLite data	(10 pts)
Before Friday	Date Completed
READ textbook 9.6 Data Mining (take notes) ANSWER question 2 in your notes	
READ textbook 9.7 Social Impact of Databases (take notes)	
WATCH video: What is Database & SQL? (take notes)	
DO tutorial: Codecademy (Learn SQL)	
START Act11 exercises (complete at least 75%)	(15 pts)
Before Monday	Date Completed
COMPARE your Lab11 and Act11 with the solutions in Canvas	
SUBMIT Quiz11 – 1st attempt closed: see what you don't know	
STUDY your notes, ask questions on Piazza, meet with the TAs	
SUBMIT Quiz11 – 2nd attempt open: try to get the full 10 points	(10 pts)
TAKE Exam11	(40 pts)

Activity 11: Relational Operations

Model 1 Select and Project

In relational databases, *data* is organized as tables. We use *SELECT* to work with rows and *PROJECT* to work with columns. The names of the columns are called the *schema*.

snacks

name	owner	calories	price
Snickers	Mars	215	1.25
Peanut M&M's	Mars	250	1.00
Twix	Mars	286	1.25
Reeses Pieces	Hershey	234	1.00
Butterfinger	Nestle	275	1.25
Milk Duds	Hershey	218	1.50
Milky Way	Mars	264	1.25
Baby Ruth	Ferrero	275	1.50
Doritos	Frito-Lay	140	0.75
Cheetos	Frito-Lay	160	0.75

Examples:

SELECT price \geq 1.50 (snacks)

name	owner	calories	price
Milk Duds	Hershey	218	1.50
Baby Ruth	Ferrero	275	1.50

SELECT price $<$ 0 (snacks)

name	owner	calories	price
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PROJECT name (SELECT price = 0.75 (snacks))

name
Doritos
Cheetos

PROJECT owner, calories (snacks)

owner	calories
Mars	215
Mars	250
Mars	286
Hershey	234
Nestle	275
Hershey	218
Mars	264
Ferrero	275
Frito-Lay	140
Frito-Lay	160

Questions (10 min)

Start time: _____

- How many rows and columns are in:
 - the original snacks table?
 - selecting price ≥ 1.50 ?
 - selecting price < 0 ?
 - projecting owner and calories?
- Which operation (SELECT or PROJECT) affects the schema? Justify your answer.
- The bottom-left example in Model 1 uses both SELECT and PROJECT. Describe the data source of each operation (the part in parentheses):
 - SELECT ... (which data?)
 - PROJECT ... (which data?)
- In addition to the data source, what other information (the part in subscript) is required for:
 - a SELECT operation?
 - a PROJECT operation?
- Explain what is wrong with this example: $\text{SELECT}_{\text{price} = 0.75} (\text{PROJECT}_{\text{name}} (\text{snacks}))$
- Write the following *queries* using SELECT and/or PROJECT:
 - List the name and price of all snacks.
 - Find snacks with less than 200 calories.
 - Which company makes Twix?

Model 2 Product and Join

Mathematically speaking, we combine tables by “multiplying” them. Every row in the right table is appended to every row in the left table:

A
let
A
B
C

B
num
1
2

A × B	
let	num
A	1
A	2
B	1
B	2
C	1
C	2

In relational databases, a *join* operation is a product followed by a condition. The condition is used to specify which of the combined rows should be part of the result.

course		
cid	dept	num
13466	CS	101
13468	CS	149
56482	MATH	231

teach	
cid	pid
13466	2774
13468	2774
13466	9036
13468	9036

professor		
pid	dept	name
2774	CS	Mayfield
9036	CS	Stewart
1158	MATH	Taalman
5241	SCOM	Hazard

course × teach

cid	dept	num	cid	pid
13466	CS	101	13466	2774
13466	CS	101	13468	2774
13466	CS	101	13466	9036
13466	CS	101	13468	9036
13468	CS	149	13466	2774
13468	CS	149	13468	2774
13468	CS	149	13466	9036
13468	CS	149	13468	9036
56482	MATH	231	13466	2774
56482	MATH	231	13468	2774
56482	MATH	231	13466	9036
56482	MATH	231	13468	9036

JOIN_{course.cid = teach.cid} (course, teach)

cid	dept	num	cid	pid
13466	CS	101	13466	2774
13466	CS	101	13466	9036
13468	CS	149	13468	2774
13468	CS	149	13468	9036

Questions (10 min)

Start time: _____

7. How many rows and columns are in:

- a) the course table?
- b) the teach table?
- c) $\text{course} \times \text{teach}$?

8. Consider a table with i rows and j columns, and another table with k rows and l columns.

- a) how many rows will be in the product?
- b) how many columns will be in the product?

9. Discuss how the results of “ $\text{course} \times \text{teach}$ ” are different from the JOIN operation. Then in Model 2, draw an arrow from each result in the JOIN to the corresponding row in the product.

10. What is the result of $\text{JOIN}_{\text{teach.pid} = \text{professor.pid}}(\text{teach}, \text{professor})$? Don't forget to include the column names.

11. Describe what relational operations you would have to use to find the names of all professors who teach CS 101. (The results should have 2 rows and 1 column.)

Chapter 9: Database Systems

Complete the following Chapter Review Problems on pages 439–440.

#5 (benefits of separating app from DB)

#7 (levels within a database system)

#9 (design a relational database) – *write your answer as two tables; each one should have seven rows*

#12 (project, select, and join) – *write your answer as four tables; show the schema and data of each*

#14 (three queries with SQL) – *write each clause on its own line, and use ALL CAPS for keywords*

a)

c)

b)

#20 (design a relational database) – *list relation names and make up 2-3 attributes each*

#27 (3-way join with condition) – *don't use ALL CAPS for table names; it's a mistake in the book!*