JOIN Queries and NULL Values PDBM 7.3.1.5–7.3.1.6

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More than one relation

```
SELECT *
FROM movie, movie_info
WHERE movie.id = movie_info.movie_id
LIMIT 10;
```

Is this a cross product or a join?

```
SELECT *
FROM movie AS m, movie_info AS i
WHERE m.id = i.movie_id
LIMIT 10;
```

How did we disambiguate attributes?

SQL join expressions

```
SELECT *
FROM movie, movie_info; -- implicit product
```

```
SELECT *
FROM movie
CROSS JOIN movie_info; -- explicit product
```

```
SELECT *
FROM movie AS m -- theta join (a.k.a. inner join)
JOIN movie_info AS i ON m.id = i.movie_id
```

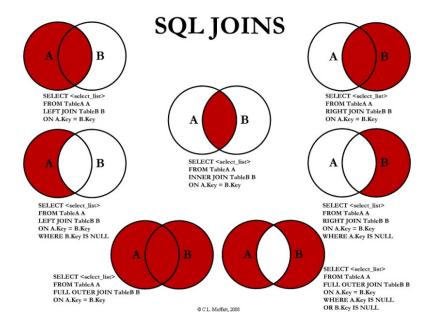
SQL Exercises: imdb

For each "Frozen" what kind of movie was it? What is the plot of the movie Frozen (2013)? Hint: plot is info_id = 98 in movie_info



Outer joins in SQL

```
-- return all movies, with optional plots
SELECT *
FROM movie AS m
 LEFT JOIN movie_info AS i
    ON m.id = i.movie_id AND i.info_id = 98
-- return all plots, with optional movies
SELECT *
FROM movie AS m
 RIGHT JOIN movie_info AS i
    ON m.id = i.movie_id AND i.info_id = 98
-- return all movies and plots (side by side)
SELECT *
FROM movie AS m
 FULL JOIN movie_info AS i
    ON m.id = i.movie_id AND i.info_id = 98
```



See full article on CodeProject

NULL and UNKNOWN

In SQL, attribute values may be NULL

- ▶ integer may be -2147483648 to +2147483647 or NULL
- text may be 'Hello' or '' or NULL

Rules for NULL

- 1. Any operation on NULL is NULL
- 2. Any comparison with NULL is UNKNOWN

What is the value of:

- SELECT 5 + NULL
- ▶ WHERE title = NULL -- incorrect

WHERE title IS NULL -- correct

SQL Exercises: imdb

What is the budget of each movie? (if known) What is the runtime of each movie? (if known) Hint: in movie_info, budget is 105, runtime is 1

