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# **SELECT Statement (4)**

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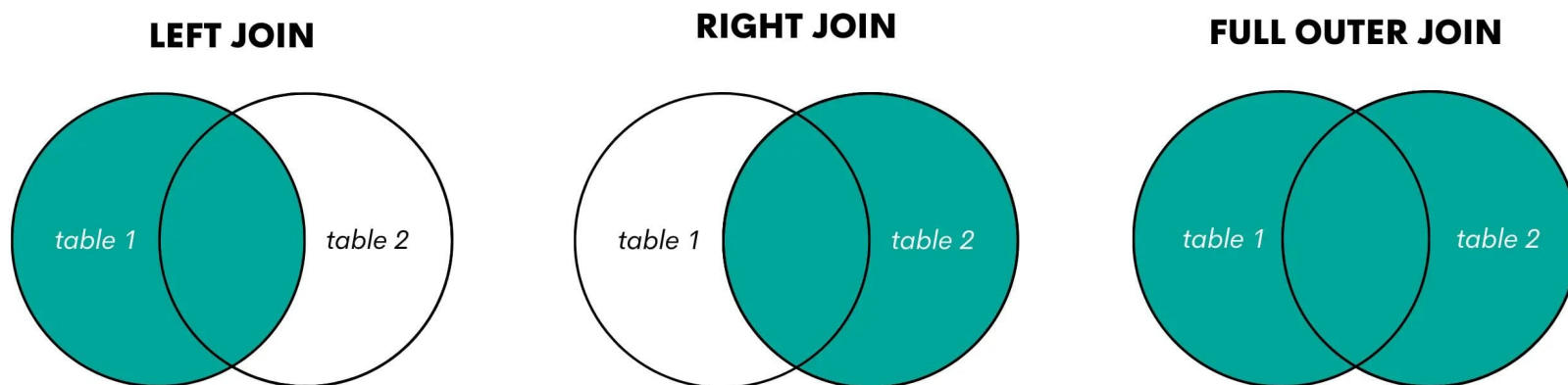
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# Outer Join queries

**Left Outer Join operation** joins the rows from two relational tables and appends to the results of join all rows from the **left argument** of the operation that cannot be joined with any row from the **right argument** of the operation with **NULLs** used in all places where the values are missing

**Right Outer Join operation** joins the rows from two relational tables and appends to the results of join all rows from the **right argument** of the operation that cannot be joined with any row from the **left argument** of the operation with **NULLs** used in all places where the values are missing

**Full Outer Join operation** unions the result of **left outer join operation** and the results of **right outer join operation**



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# Outer join queries

## Sample database

```
CREATE TABLE DEPARTMENT(  
  name          VARCHAR(50)          NOT NULL,  
  code          CHAR(5)              NOT NULL,  
  total_staff_number DECIMAL(2)      NOT NULL,  
  chair         VARCHAR(50)          NULL,  
  budget        DECIMAL(9,1)         NOT NULL,  
  CONSTRAINT dept_pkey PRIMARY KEY(name),  
  CONSTRAINT dept_cke1 UNIQUE(code),  
  CONSTRAINT dept_cke2 UNIQUE(chair),  
  CONSTRAINT dept_check1 CHECK (total_staff_number BETWEEN 1 AND 50) );
```

CREATE TABLE statement

```
CREATE TABLE COURSE(  
  cnum          CHAR(7)              NOT NULL,  
  title         VARCHAR(200)         NOT NULL,  
  credits       DECIMAL(2)           NOT NULL,  
  offered_by    VARCHAR(50)          NULL,  
  CONSTRAINT course_pkey PRIMARY KEY(cnum),  
  CONSTRAINT course_check1 CHECK (credits IN (6, 12)),  
  CONSTRAINT course_fkey1 FOREIGN KEY(offered_by)  
    REFERENCES DEPARTMENT(name) ON DELETE CASCADE );
```

CREATE TABLE statement

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# Outer join queries

Consider the following query: find the names of departments together with the titles of all courses offered by each department

```
SELECT name, title  
FROM DEPARTMENT JOIN COURSE  
ON name = offered_by;
```

SELECT statement with JOIN operation

What about the departments that offer no courses and what about the courses not assigned to any department ?

**JOIN** operation eliminates from the **left argument** all rows that cannot be joined with any row from the **right argument** and ...

**JOIN** operation eliminates from the **right argument** all rows that cannot be joined with any row from the **left argument** and ...

sometimes, we would like to include into an answer the rows from the **left** or **right** arguments, that cannot be joined with any row from the opposite argument

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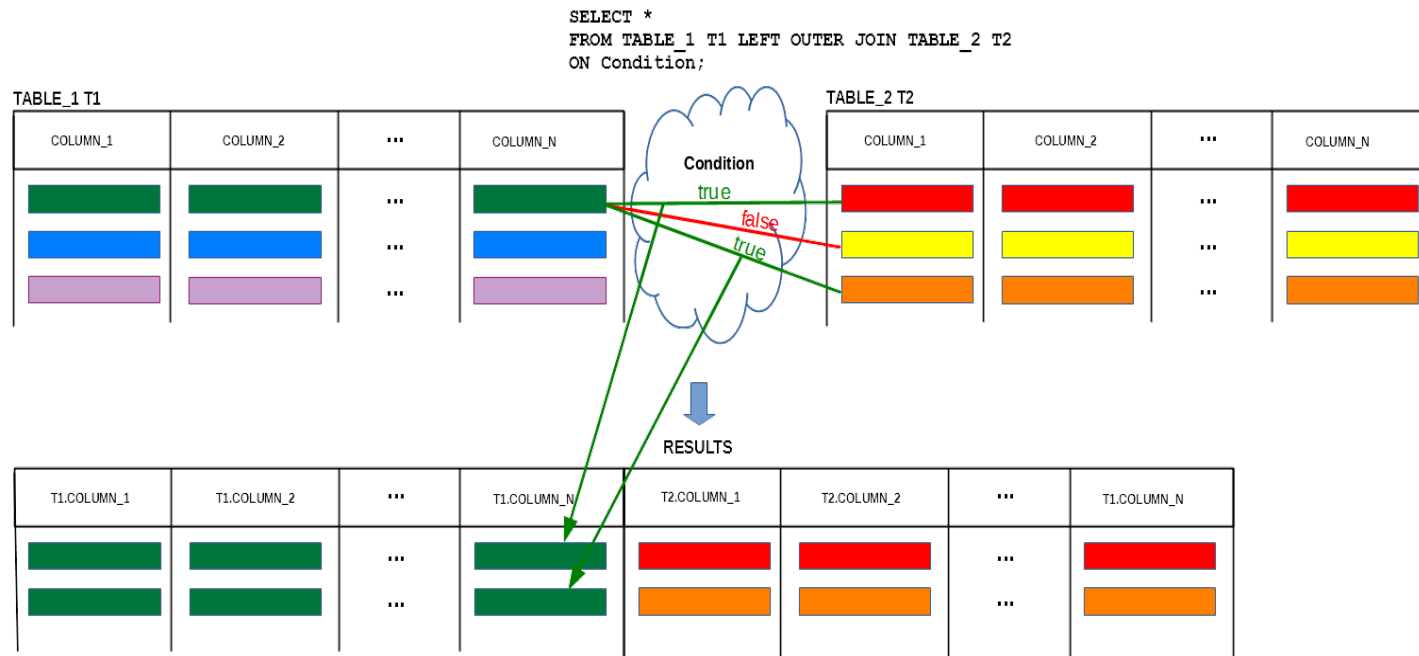
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# Left Outer Join queries

Left Outer Join operation joins the rows from two relational tables and appends to the results of join all rows from the left argument of the operation that cannot be joined with any row from the right argument of the operation with **NULLs** used in all places where the values are missing



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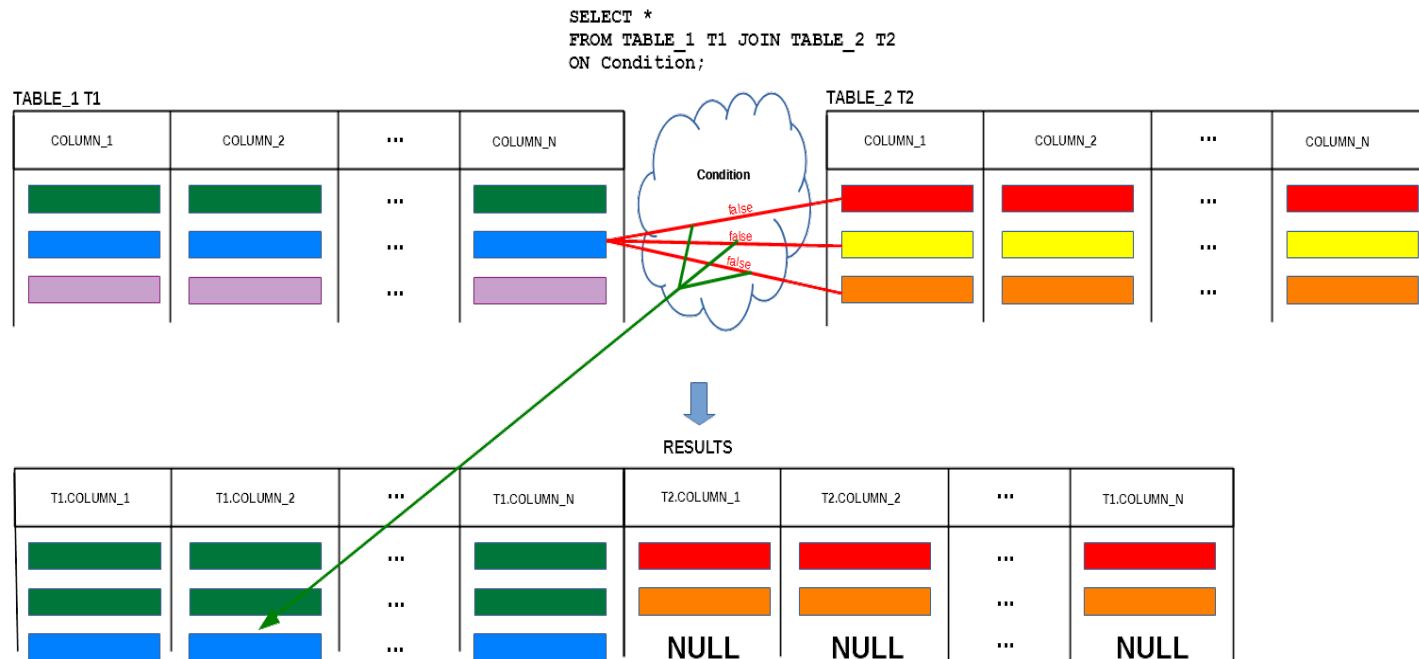
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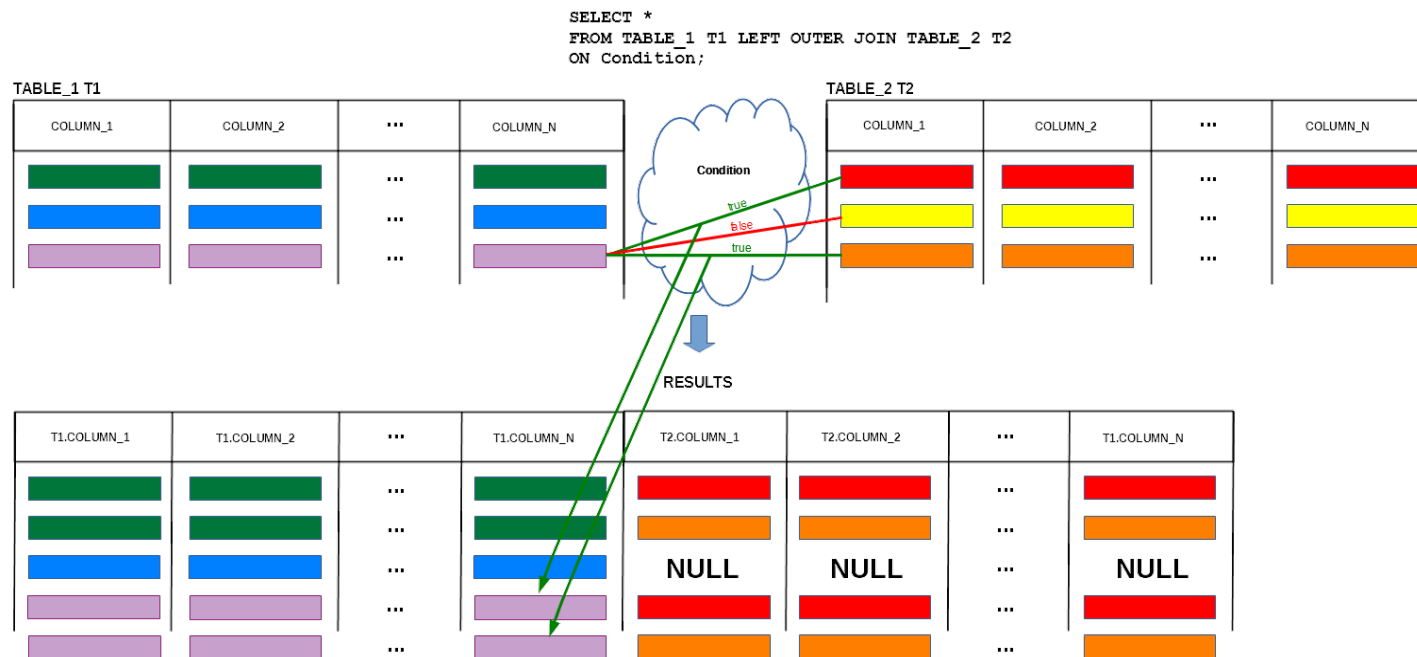
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# Left Outer Join queries

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# Left outer join queries

Consider an extended version of the previous query: Find the names of departments together with the titles of all courses offered by each department and include the names of departments that offer no courses at all

```
SELECT name, title
FROM DEPARTMENT LEFT OUTER JOIN COURSE
ON name = offered_by;
```

SELECT statement with LEFT OUTER JOIN operation

An operation of **LEFT OUTER JOIN** includes into the results all rows from the **left argument** of the operation

If a row from the **left argument** of the operation cannot be joined with any row from the **right argument** of the operation then it is extended with **NULLs** and it is appended to the result

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# Left outer join queries

What are the outcomes of the following **SELECT** statement ?

SELECT statement with LEFT OUTER JOIN operation

```
SELECT name, title
FROM DEPARTMENT LEFT OUTER JOIN COURSE
      ON name = offered_by;
```

Relational tables

name	code	t_s_n	chair	budget	cnum	title	credits	offered_by
Mathematics	MATH	7	Peter	200.0	MATH101	Calculus	6	Mathematics
Physics	PHY	5	Albert	100.1	PHYS101	Mechanics	6	Physics
Biology	BIOL	0	Mary	0.0	MATH300	Topology	12	NULL

The results of **LEFT OUTER JOIN** operation

Results of LEFT OUTER JOIN

name	code	t_s_n	chair	budget	cnum	title	credits	offered_by
Mathematics	MATH	7	Peter	200.0	MATH101	Calculus	6	Mathematics
Physics	PHY	5	Albert	100.1	PHYS101	Mechanics	6	Physics
Biology	BIOL	0	Mary	0.0	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL

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# Left outer join queries

What are the outcomes of the following **SELECT** statement ?

```
SELECT name, title
FROM DEPARTMENT LEFT OUTER JOIN COURSE
ON name = offered_by;
```

SELECT statement with LEFT OUTER JOIN operation

The final results of **PROJECTION** on the columns **name** and **title**

name	title
Mathematics	Calculus
Physics	Mechanics
Biology	NULL

The results from processing of SELECT statement above

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## Right outer join queries

Consider the following query: find the names of departments together with the titles of all courses offered by each department and include the titles of all courses do not assigned to any department

```
SELECT name, title  
FROM DEPARTMENT RIGHT OUTER JOIN COURSE  
ON name = offered_by;
```

SELECT statement with RIGHT OUTER JOIN operation

An operation of **RIGHT OUTER JOIN** includes into the results all rows from the **right argument** of the operation

If a row from the **right argument** of the operation cannot be joined with any row from the **left argument** of the operation then it is extended with **NULLs** and it is appended to the result

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# Right outer join queries

What are the outcomes of the following **SELECT** statement ?

```
SELECT name, title
FROM DEPARTMENT RIGHT OUTER JOIN COURSE
ON name = offered_by;
```

SELECT statement with RIGHT OUTER JOIN operation

The relational tables

name	code	t_s_n	chair	budget	cnum	title	credits	offered_by
Mathematics	MATH	7	Peter	200.0	MATH101	Calculus	6	Mathematics
Physics	PHY	5	Albert	100.1	PHYS101	Mechanics	6	Physics
Biology	BIOL	0	Mary	0.0	MATH300	Topology	12	NULL

The results of **RIGHT OUTER JOIN** operation

The results of processing RIGHT OUTER JOIN operation

name	code	t_s_n	chair	budget	cnum	title	credits	offered_by
Mathematics	MATH	7	Peter	200.0	MATH101	Calculus	6	Mathematics
Physics	PHY	5	Albert	100.1	PHYS101	Mechanics	6	Physics
NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	NULL	MATH300	Topology	12	NULL

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# Right outer join queries

What are the outcomes of the following **SELECT** statement ?

```
SELECT name, title
FROM DEPARTMENT RIGHT OUTER JOIN COURSE
ON name = offered_by;
```

SELECT statement with RIGHT OUTER JOIN operation

The final results of **PROJECTION** on the columns **name** and **title**

name	title
Mathematics	Calculus
NULL	Topology
Physics	Mechanics

The results from processing SELECT statement above

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# Full outer join queries

Full outer join SQL query is equivalent to a union of the results from left outer join and right outer join

Consider the following query: find the names of departments together with the titles of all courses offered by each department, and ...

... include the names of departments that offer no courses and ...

... include the titles of courses not offered by any department

```
SELECT name, title
FROM DEPARTMENT FULL OUTER JOIN COURSE
ON name = offered_by;
```

SELECT statement with FULL OUTER JOIN operation

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# Full outer join queries

MySQL does not support **full outer join**

**Full outer join** can be simulated in MySQL by **UNION** of **SELECT** statements that implement left outer join and right outer join

SELECT statement with LEFT OUTER JOIN and RIGHT OUTER JOIN operation equivalent to FULL OUTER JOIN operation

```
SELECT name, title
FROM DEPARTMENT LEFT OUTER JOIN COURSE
      ON name = offered_by

UNION

SELECT name, title
FROM DEPARTMENT RIGHT OUTER JOIN COURSE
      ON name = offered_by;
```

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Do you remember the following query: Find the names of all departments together with the total number of all courses offered by each department

SELECT statement with GROUP BY clause and aggregation function COUNT

```
SELECT offered_by, COUNT(*)  
FROM COURSE  
GROUP BY offered_by;
```

What about the departments that offer no courses ?

Find the names of all departments together with the total number of all courses offered by each department and list the names of departments that offer no courses with a value 0

SELECT statement with LEFT OUTER JOIN operation, GROUP BY clause, and aggregation function COUNT

```
SELECT name, count(title)  
FROM DEPARTMENT LEFT OUTER JOIN COURSE  
ON DEPARTMENT.name = COURSE.offered_by  
GROUP BY name;
```

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Find the names of all departments together with the total number of all courses offered by each department and list the names of departments that offer no courses with a value 0

SELECT statement with LEFT OUTER JOIN operation, GROUP BY clause, and aggregation function COUNT

```
SELECT name, count(title)
FROM DEPARTMENT LEFT OUTER JOIN COURSE
                ON DEPARTMENT.name = COURSE.offered_by
GROUP BY name;
```

Note, that:

- we must use a relational table **DEPARTMENT** to get the names of all departments
- we must use **LEFT OUTER JOIN** (or **RIGHT OUTER** join if a name of relational table **DEPARTMENT** is on the right hand side of **OUTER JOIN** operation) to include the names of departments that offer no courses
- we must count the values in a column **title** with **COUNT(title)** in the results of **LEFT OUTER JOIN** (and not the rows with **COUNT(\*)**)

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