

# More SQL, continued

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# 2 kinds of values in SQL

<b>data values</b>
256
10.33
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"UCLA"
<b>NULL</b>

<b>logical values</b>
T
F
<b>UNKNOWN</b>

a.k.a. NULL in SQLite 🦴

# 3 kinds of operators in SQL

<b>op. kind</b>	<b>example</b>	<b>input→output</b>
data	+ - * /	data→data
predicate	> < =	data→logic
logical	AND OR NOT	logic→logic

# rules for NULL

op. kind	example	output w/null
data	+ - * /	NULL
predicate	> < =	UNKNOWN
logical	AND OR NOT	<b>3 valued logic</b>

To check if x is NULL: **x IS NULL**

# 3 valued logic

AND	T	F	U
T	T	F	<b>U</b>
F	F	F	<b>F</b>
U	<b>U</b>	<b>F</b>	U

OR	T	F	U
T	T	T	<b>T</b>
F	F	F	<b>U</b>
U	<b>T</b>	<b>U</b>	U

not U = U

```
SELECT *  
FROM R  
WHERE x < y
```

Only return rows where  $x < y$  is **TRUE**

# outer joins

name	addr	phone	job
remy	...	123	UCLA
zifan	...	234	UCLA
vincent	...	345	UCLA
remy	...	123	UW
dan	...	456	UW
remy	...	123	<b>USC</b>

name	addr
UCLA	LA
UW	seattle

# outer joins

name	addr	phone	job	name	addr
remy	...	123	UCLA	UCLA	LA
zifan	...	234	UCLA	UCLA	LA
vincent	...	345	UCLA	UCLA	LA
remy	...	123	UW	UW	seattle
dan	...	456	UW	UW	seattle
remy	...	123	<b>USC</b>	<b>NULL</b>	<b>NULL</b>

name	addr
UCLA	LA
UW	seattle

```
SELECT * FROM p LEFT OUTER JOIN e  
ON p.job = e.name
```

Aggregates ignore NULLs

# What should these return?

**R = { NULL, 1 }**

**SELECT COUNT(x) FROM R**

**SELECT SUM(x) FROM R**

**SELECT AVG(x) FROM R**

**SELECT MIN(x) FROM R**

# What should these return?

**R = { NULL }**

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**SELECT AVG(x) FROM R**

**SELECT MIN(x) FROM R**

**SELECT TOTAL(x) FROM R**

Q: how many offices?

name	addr	phone	job
remy	...	123	UCLA
zifan	...	234	UCLA
vincent	...	345	UCLA
remy	...	123	UW
dan	...	456	UW
remy	...	123	<b>USC</b>
seymour	...	367	<b>USC</b>

name	addr
UCLA	LA
UW	seattle

Q: how many offices?

name	addr	phone	job
remy	...	123	UCLA
zifan	...	234	UCLA
vincent	...	345	UCLA
remy	...	123	UW
dan	...	456	UW
remy	...	123	USC
seymour	...	367	USC

name	addr
UCLA	LA
UW	seattle

```
SELECT COUNT(addr)
FROM p, e
WHERE p.job=e.name
GROUP BY p.name
```

```
SELECT p.name, COUNT(addr)
FROM p OUTER JOIN e
        ON p.job = e.name
GROUP BY p.name
```

name	addr	phone	job
remy	...	123	UCLA
zifan	...	234	UCLA
vincent	...	345	UCLA
remy	...	123	UW
dan	...	456	UW
remy	...	123	<b>USC</b>
seymour	...	367	<b>USC</b>

name	addr
UCLA	LA
UCLA	LA
UCLA	LA
UW	seattle
UW	seattle
<b>NULL</b>	<b>NULL</b>
<b>NULL</b>	<b>NULL</b>

name	addr	phone	job		name	addr
remy	...	123	UCLA		UCLA	LA
remy	...	123	UW		UW	seattle
remy	...	123	<b>USC</b>		<b>NULL</b>	<b>NULL</b>
zifan	...	234	UCLA		UCLA	LA
vincent	...	345	UCLA		UCLA	LA
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**COUNT**  
(addr)

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vincent	...	345	UCLA		UCLA	LA
dan	...	456	UW		UW	seattle
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**COUNT**  
(addr)

2

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zifan	...	234	UCLA		UCLA	LA
vincent	...	345	UCLA		UCLA	LA
dan	...	456	UW		UW	seattle
seymour	...	367	<b>USC</b>		<b>NULL</b>	<b>NULL</b>

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(addr)

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1

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vincent	...	345	UCLA		UCLA	LA
dan	...	456	UW		UW	seattle
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**COUNT**  
(addr)

2

1

1

1

**0**

The witness problem (*argmax*):

Q: who's the oldest cat?

<b>name</b>	<b>breed</b>	<b>age</b>	<b>origin</b>	<b>kind</b>	<b>person</b>
casa	tabby	8	seattle	cat	remy
kira	tuxedo	6	hawaii	cat	remy
toby	border collie	17	seattle	dog	remy
maya	husky	10	LA	dog	sam

# The ORDER BY trick

```
SELECT * FROM R ORDER BY x
```

```
SELECT name, age  
FROM pets  
WHERE kind = "cat"  
ORDER BY age  
LIMIT 1
```

Multiple oldest cats?

First find the oldest age...

Then find the cats

First find the oldest age...

```
SELECT max(age)
FROM pets
WHERE kind = "cat"
```

Then find the cats

First find the oldest age...

```
SELECT max(age)
FROM pets
WHERE kind = "cat"
```

Then find the cats

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets
WHERE kind = "cat"
AND age = (●)
```



```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets
WHERE kind = "cat"
AND age = (SELECT max(age)
            FROM pets
            WHERE kind = "cat")
```

Q: oldest pets per kind?

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets
WHERE kind = "cat"
AND age = (SELECT max(age)
            FROM pets
            WHERE kind = "cat")
```

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets
WHERE kind = "cat"
AND age = (SELECT max(age)
           FROM pets
           WHERE kind = "cat")
```

```
SELECT name, age  
FROM pets
```

```
WHERE age = (SELECT max(age)  
            FROM pets  
            WHERE kind =      )
```

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets as p1

WHERE age = (SELECT max(age)
              FROM pets as p2
              WHERE kind =      )
```

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets as p1

WHERE age = (SELECT max(age)
FROM pets as p2
WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind)
```



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```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets as p1
WHERE age = (SELECT max(age)
FROM pets as p2
WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind)
```

Replace nesting with join

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets as p1
WHERE age = (SELECT max(age)
              FROM pets as p2
              WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind)
```

merge

merge

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets as p1, pets as p2

WHERE age = max(age)
AND p2.kind = p1.kind
```

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets as p1, pets as p2

WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind
HAVING p1.age = max(p2.age)
```

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets as p1, pets as p2

WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind
GROUP BY p2.kind
HAVING p1.age = max(p2.age)
```

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets as p1
WHERE age = (SELECT max(age)
             FROM pets as p2
             WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind)
```

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets as p1, pets as p2
WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind
GROUP BY p2.kind
HAVING p1.age = max(p2.age)
```

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets as p1
WHERE age = (SELECT max(age)
              FROM pets as p2
              WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind)
```

```
SELECT max(p2.age)
FROM pets as p2
GROUP BY p2.kind
```

```
SELECT name, age
FROM pets as p1, pets as p2
WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind
GROUP BY p2.kind
HAVING p1.age = max(p2.age)
```

```
SELECT name, age
```

```
FROM pets as p1
```

```
WHERE age = (SELECT max(age)
```

```
FROM pets as p2
```

```
WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind)
```

```
SELECT max(p2.age)
```

```
FROM pets as p2
```

```
GROUP BY p2.kind
```

```
SELECT name, age
```

```
FROM pets as p1, pets as p2
```

```
WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind
```

```
GROUP BY p2.kind
```

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```

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```

```
SELECT max(p2.age)
```

```
FROM pets as p2
```

```
GROUP BY p2.kind
```

```
SELECT name, age
```

```
FROM pets as p1, pets as p2
```

```
WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind
```

```
GROUP BY p2.kind
```

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WHERE p2.kind = p1.kind)
```

```
SELECT max(p2.age)
```

```
FROM pets as p2
```

```
GROUP BY p2.kind
```

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SELECT name, age
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```

```
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GROUP BY p2.kind
```

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HAVING p1.age = max(p2.age)
```

**EXISTS (SELECT ...)**

**X IN (SELECT ...)      X NOT IN (SELECT ...)**

**X > ANY (SELECT ...)**

**X >= ALL (SELECT ...)**

**EXISTS (SELECT ...)** Find people with pets

**X IN (SELECT ...)**

**X NOT IN (SELECT ...)**

Find strays

**X > ANY (SELECT ...)**

**X >= ALL (SELECT ...)** Find oldest pets

Find people with pets

```
SELECT people.name FROM people
WHERE EXISTS (
  SELECT * FROM pets
  WHERE pets.person = people.name
)
```

Find strays

```
SELECT pets.name FROM pets  
pets.person NOT IN (  
    SELECT name FROM people  
)
```

Find oldest pets

```
SELECT pets.name FROM pets
WHERE pets.age >= (
    SELECT max(age) FROM pets
)
```

Q: unnest these?

Find people with pets

```
SELECT people.name FROM people
WHERE EXISTS (
  SELECT * FROM pets
  WHERE pets.person = people.name
)
```

```
SELECT pets.name FROM pets
  pets.person NOT IN (
  SELECT name FROM people
)
```

Find people with pets

```
SELECT people.name FROM people
WHERE EXISTS (
    SELECT * FROM pets
    WHERE pets.person = people.name
)
```

```
SELECT people.name FROM people, pets
WHERE pets.person = people.name
```

```
SELECT pets.name FROM pets
  pets.person NOT IN (
    SELECT name FROM people
  )
```