

Chapter 8: SQL – Data Management

Content:

- Using the data manipulation language in SQL to change data in a database system

Next:

- Physical data organization: indexing

Changes in the database: Insert

Insert of tuples by explicitly giving values:

insert into Students (StudNr, Name)

values (28121, 'Archimedes'), (4711, 'Pythagoras');

Changes in the database: Insert

Insert of tuples via a query

insert into attend

select StudNr, LectureNr

from Students, Lectures

where Title= `Logik` ;

(Mandatory registration of all students for ,Logik`)

Changes in the database : Insert

Insert of tuples from a file

Database system specific programs, e.g. DB2:

- **Import:**

```
IMPORT FROM studis.tbl OF DEL  
INSERT INTO Students;
```

Analogously: EXPORT TO studis.tbl OF DEL
SELECT * FROM Students;

- **Load:**

High-Performance alternative to import

Oracle: Load, Datapump, ...

Changes in the Database: delete, update

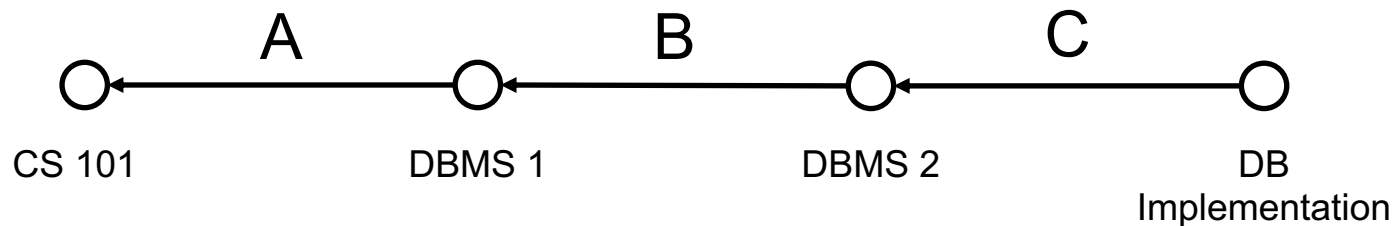
```
delete from Students  
where Semester > 13;
```

Note: **delete from** Students
deletes all tuples from the relation

```
update Students  
set Semester = Semester + 1;
```

Example

```
delete from Require
  where predecessor in (select successor
                       from Require);
```



Changes in two phase

1. Candidates for changes are determined and marked
2. Changes are performed at the marked tuples

Otherwise changes can depend on the order of the tuples.

delete from Require

**where predecessor in (select successor
from Require);**



Data Definition Language

DDL

Changes to the schema

- **drop table** <Table name>
- **alter table** <Table name>
 - drop** | **add column** <Attribute name> <Data type>
 - alter column** <Attribute name> **set default** <default>
 - ...

Further commands vendor specific, e.g. Oracle:

- **alter table** <Table name>
 - **modify** | **add column** <Attribute name> <Data type>
 - **drop column** <Attribute name>
 - **add** | **drop** | **enable** | **disable** <constraint clause>

Views ...

- Belong to DDL:
create view <view name> **as** <select-statement>
- Often used to design queries more clear
- Are kind of a "virtual relation"
- Show an excerpt of the database

Advantages

- Simplify the access for certain user groups
- Can be used to restrict the access to the data

Disadvantages

- Not all (mostly none) views can be modified

Remember this query ??

```
select tmp.StudNr, tmp.Name, tmp.Number_of_Lectures
from (select s.StudNr, s.Name, count(*) as Number_of_Lectures
      from Students s, attend a
      where s.StudNr = a.StudNr
      group by s.StudNr, s.Name) tmp
where tmp.Number_of_Lectures > 2
```

... alternatively with view

```
create view tmp (StudNr, Name, Number_of_Lectures) as  
(select s.StudNr, s.Name, count(*)  
  from Students s, attend a  
  where s.StudNr=a.StudNr  
  group by s.StudNr, s.Name)  
  
select * from tmp where Number_of_Lectures > 2;  
  
drop view tmp;
```

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```

→ With creates a temporary table, only valid within the query

Simplifying Queries with Views

Complex query: Names of all professors who give a lecture with more weekly hours than the average weekly hours per lecture and with more than three assistants.

- Not all at once → divide into smaller more concise parts
- These parts can be realized by using views or or named intermediate results ('with')

Simplification

1. All professors ids with weekly hours more than the average of weekly hours:

```
create view AboveAverageWeeklyHours as  
select given_by  
from Lectures  
where WeeklyHours >  
    (select avg (WeeklyHours) from Lectures);
```

Simplification

2. All professors ids with more than three assistants:

```
create view ManyAssistants as  
select Boss  
from Assistants  
group by Boss  
having count(*) > 3;
```


Simplification

- Combine
- Views can be used like common relations

```
select Name
from Professors
where PersNr in
    (select given_by
     from AboveAverageWeeklyHours) and
    PersNr in
    (select Boss
     from ManyAssistants);
```

Expanding when executed

```
select Name
from Professors
where PersNr in
  (select Given_by
   from (select Given_by
        from Lectures
        where WeeklyHours >
          (select avg (WeeklyHours)
           from Lectures))) and
        PersNr in
  (select Boss
   from (select Boss
        from Assistants
        group by Boss
        having count(*) > 3));
```

AboveAverageWeeklyHours

ManyAssistants

Views ...

For data privacy

```
create view testView as
```

```
    select StudNr, LectureNr, PersNr  
from test
```

For statistics

```
create view TestQual(Name, QualLevel) as  
    (select p.Name, avg(t.Grade)  
    from Professors p join test t on  
        p.PersNr = t.PersNr  
    group by p.Name, p.PersNr  
    having count(*) > 50)
```

Relational Modelling of the Generalization

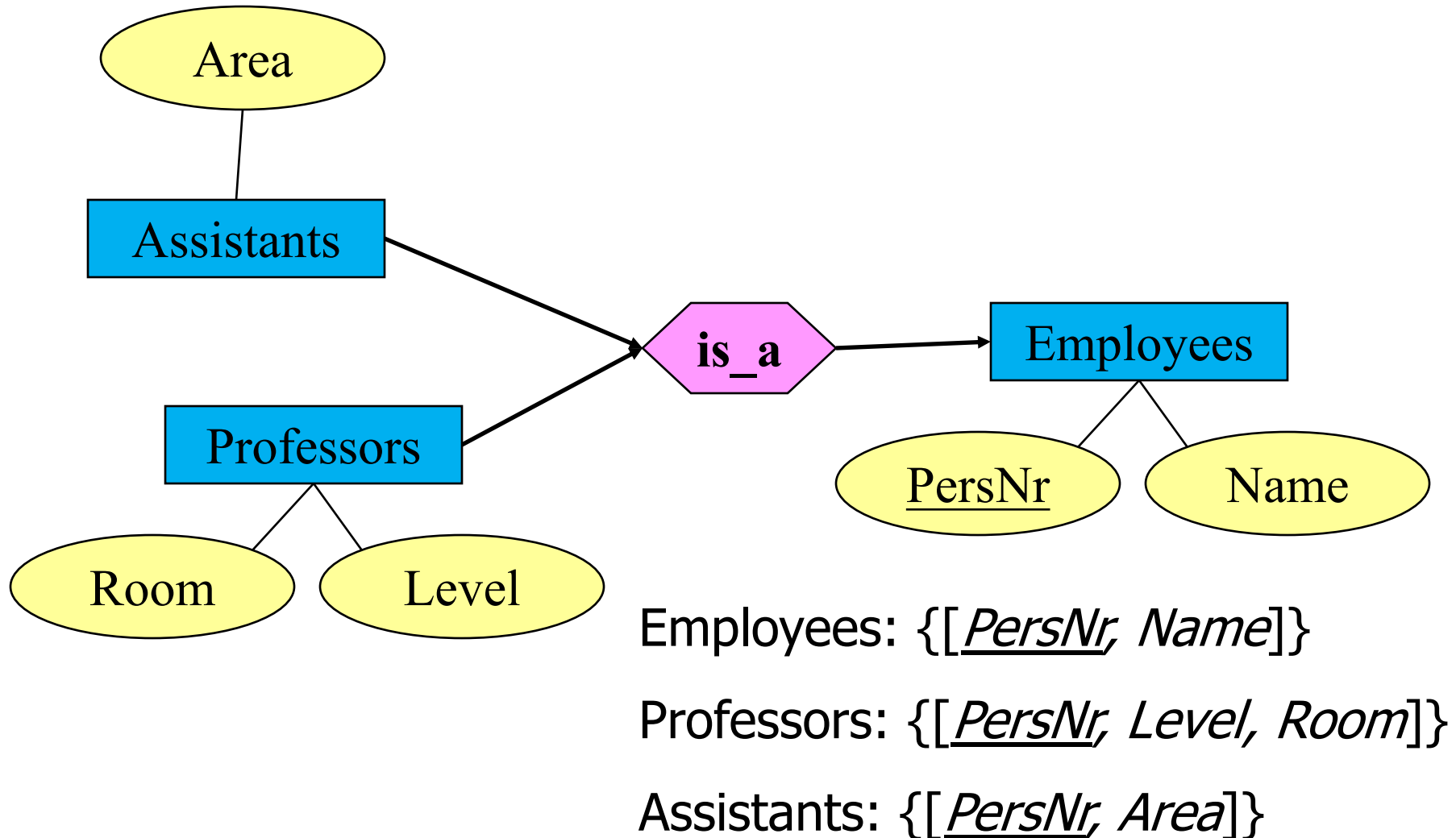


Table Definition

create table Employees

(PersNr **integer not null**,
Name **varchar (30) not null**);

create table ProfData

(PersNr **integer not null**,
Level **character(2)**,
Room **integer**);

create table AssData

(PersNr **integer not null**,
Area **varchar(30));**

Views to model generalization

create view Professors **as**

select *

from employees e, ProfData p

where e.PersNr=p.PersNr;

create view Assistants **as**

select *

from Employees e, AssData d

where e.PersNr=a.PersNr;

→ subtypes as view

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Room **integer);**

create table Assistants

(PersNr **integer not null,**
Name **varchar (30) not null,**
Area **varchar (30));**

create table OtherEmployees

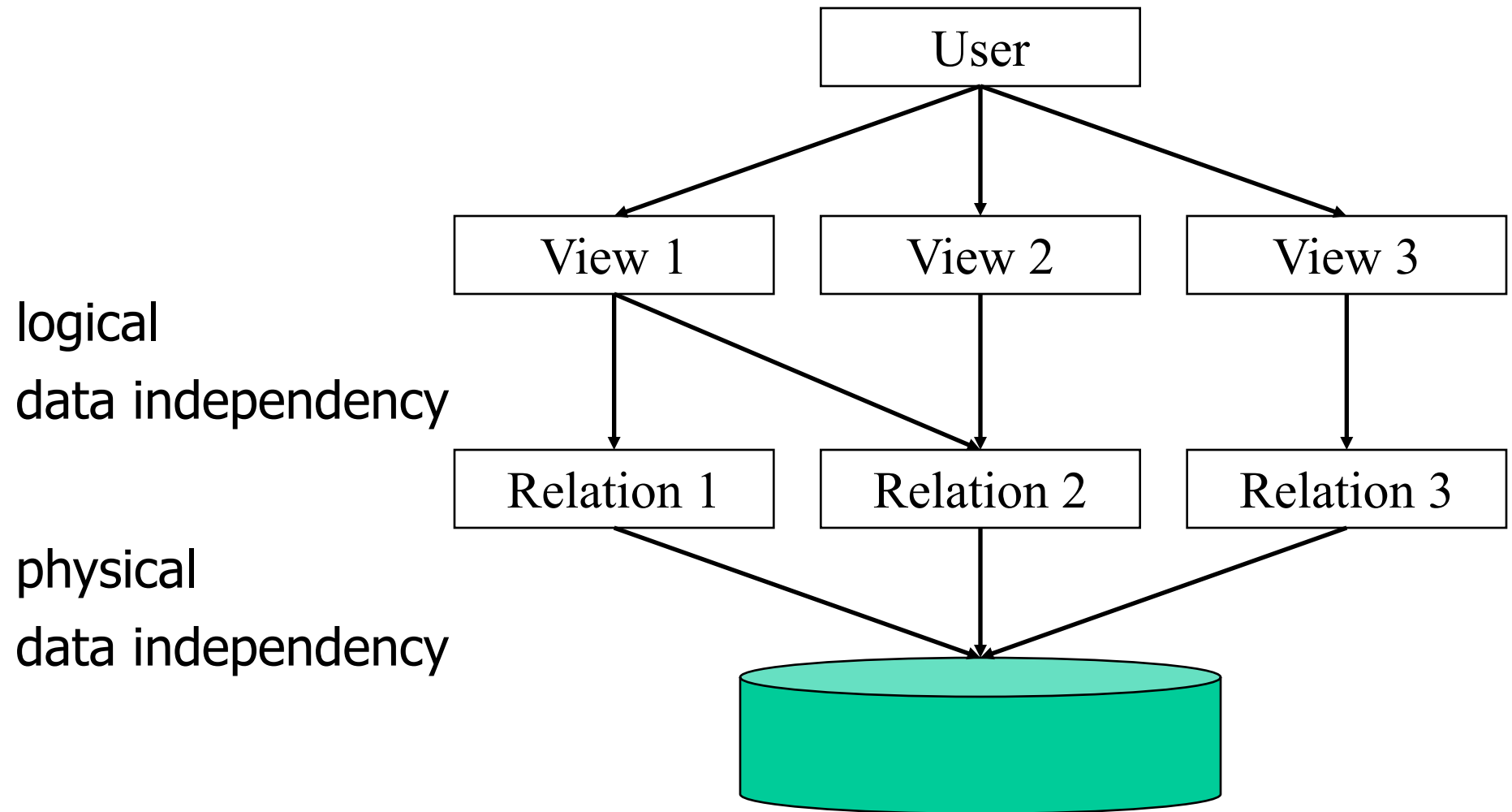
(PersNr **integer not null,**
Name **varchar (30) not null);**

Views to Model Generalization

```
create view Employees as  
  (select PersNr, Name  
  from Professors)  
  union  
  (select PersNr, Name  
  from Assistants)  
  union  
  (select *  
  from OtherEmployees);
```

→ supertype as view

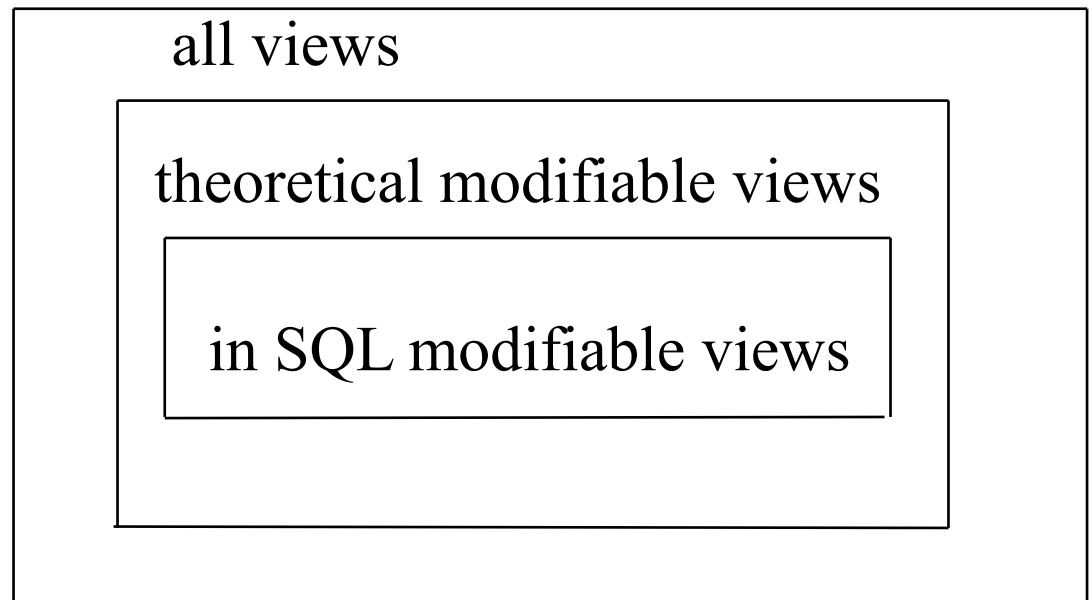
Views to guarantee data independency



Modifiability of views

In SQL

- Only one base relation
- Key must be part of
- No aggregation, grouping, duplicate elimination



Quiz

Table Airplane:

| Producer | Type | NumberSeats |
|----------|----------|-------------|
| Boeing | B747-400 | 550 |
| Boeing | B737-300 | 380 |
| Airbus | A340-600 | 380 |
| Airbus | A320-200 | 179 |
| Airbus | A380 | NULL |

Every producer together with its type of airplane with the most seats

Result:

| Producer | Type | SeatsMax |
|----------|----------|----------|
| Boeing | B747-400 | 550 |
| Airbus | A340-600 | 380 |

Quiz: Solution

**with GroupProducer (Producer, SeatsMax)
as**

**(select Producer, max (NumberSeats)
from Airplane
group by Producer)**

**select A.Producer, Type, SeatsMax
from Airplane A, GroupProducer G
where A.Producer = G.Producer and
A.Seats = G.SeatsMax**