

Introduction to Data Management Relational Algebra

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Announcements

- HW3 due next Friday

- Midterm on Friday, 4/26 in class
 - Closed books, no cheat sheet (you won't need it)
 - Some practice midterms on the course website

Quantifiers

Recap: Predicates on Subqueries

- EXISTS / NOT EXISTS
- IN / NOT IN
- ANY / ALL

The are “equivalent” meaning that a query that you can write using one, you can also write using the others

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- To write a query that uses a universal quantifier, use DeMorgan's laws (next few slides)

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predicate holds **forall** elements
if and only if
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$$\forall x, (A(x) \rightarrow B(x)) = \text{not}(\exists x(A(x) \wedge \text{not}(B(x))))$$

Brief Review of First Order Logic

Query: persons **P** that drive **only** cars made after 2017:

$$\forall R \in \text{Regist}, (\mathbf{P}. \text{UserID} = R. \text{UserID}) \Rightarrow (R. \text{Year} > 2017)$$

Negation: persons **P** that drive **some** car made on/before 2017:

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Discussion

Writing universally quantified queries in SQL requires creativity

- Try using DeMorgan's laws
- Try using ALL
- Try using aggregates, checking count=0

Relational Algebra

Motivation

- SQL is a declarative language:
we say **what**, we don't say **how**
- The query optimizer needs to convert the query into some language that can be executed
- That language is Relational Algebra

The Five Basic Relational Operators

1. Selection $\sigma_{\text{condition}}(S)$
2. Projection $\Pi_{\text{attrs}}(S)$
3. Join $R \bowtie_{\theta} S = \sigma_{\theta}(R \times S)$
4. Union \cup
5. Set difference $-$
 - Rename ρ

Let's discuss them one by one

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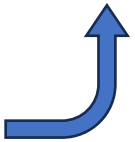
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intersection (2 tuples)

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Even More Joins

- Inner join \bowtie
 - Eq-join, theta-join, cross product, natural join
- Outer join
 - Left outer join $\bowtie\llcorner$
 - Right outer join $\lrcorner\bowtie$
 - Full outer join $\bowtie\ltimes$
- Semi join \ltimes

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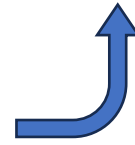
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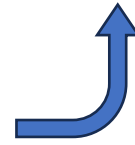
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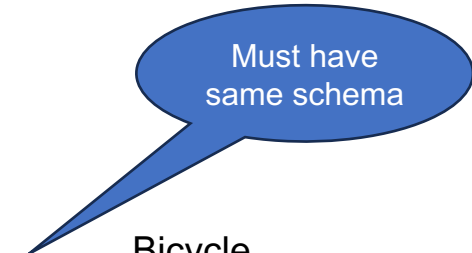
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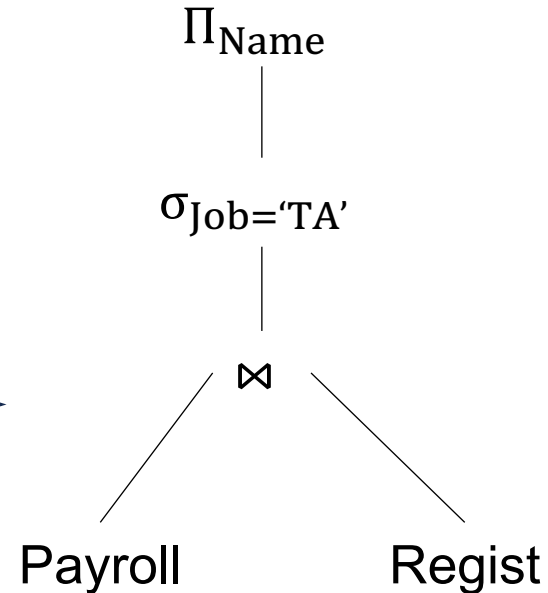
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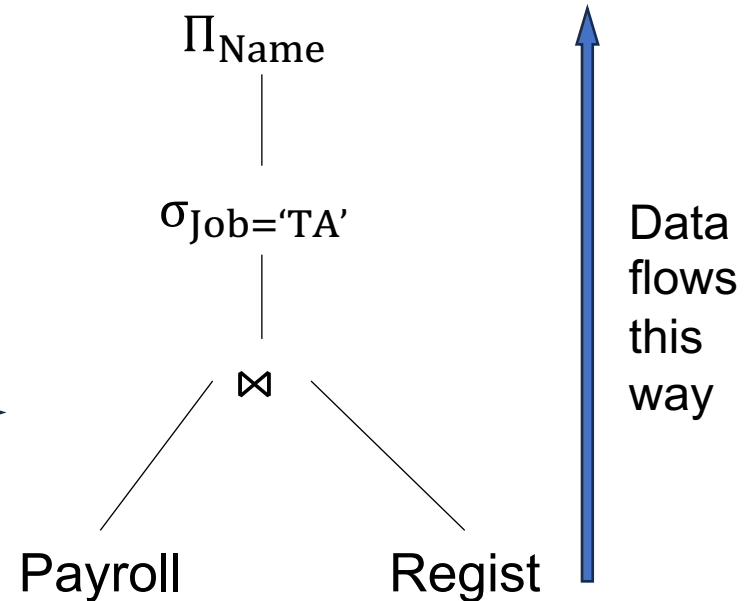
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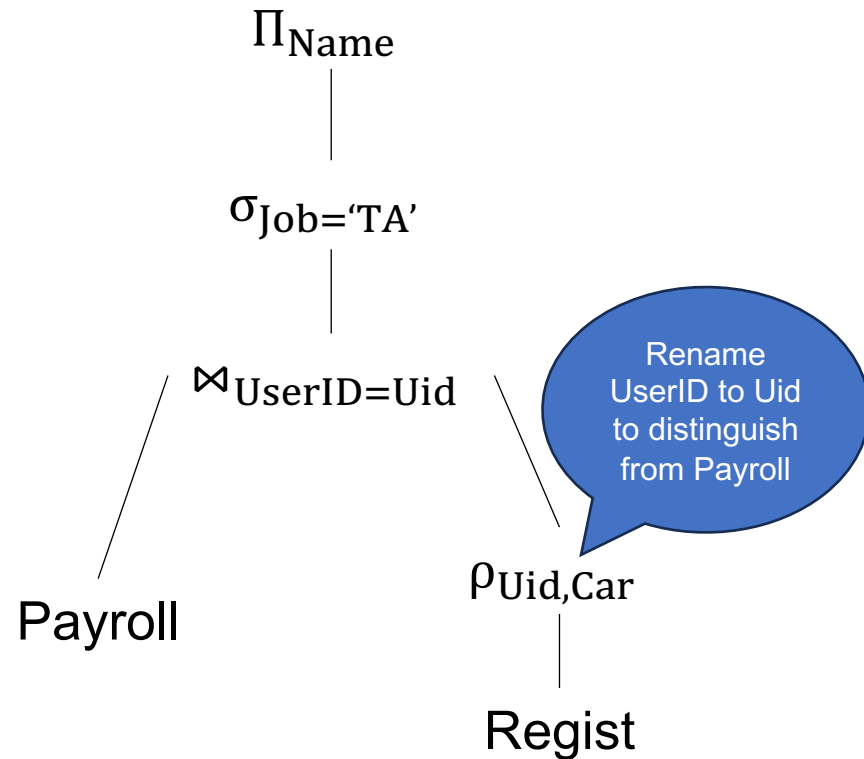
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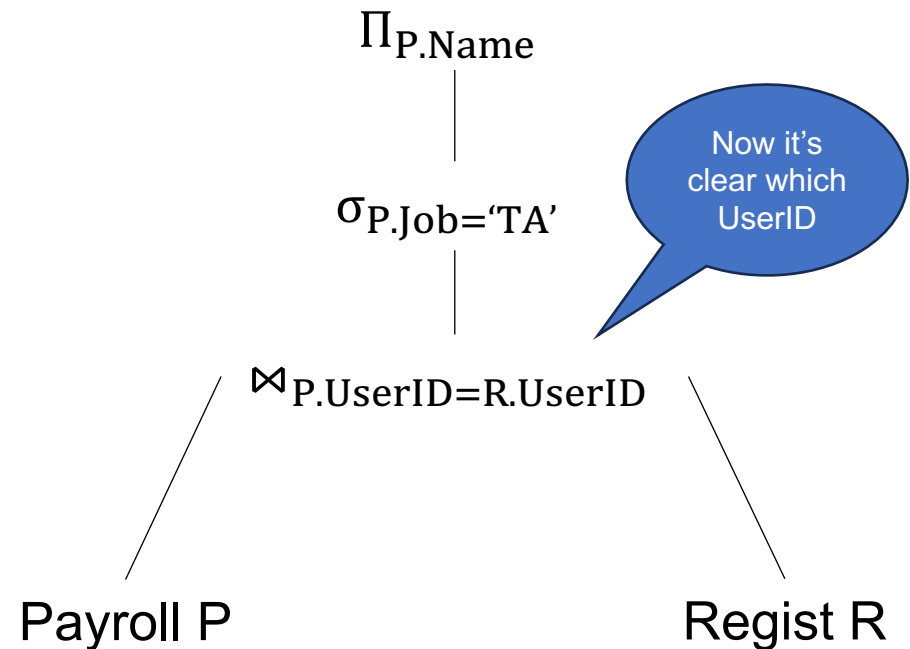
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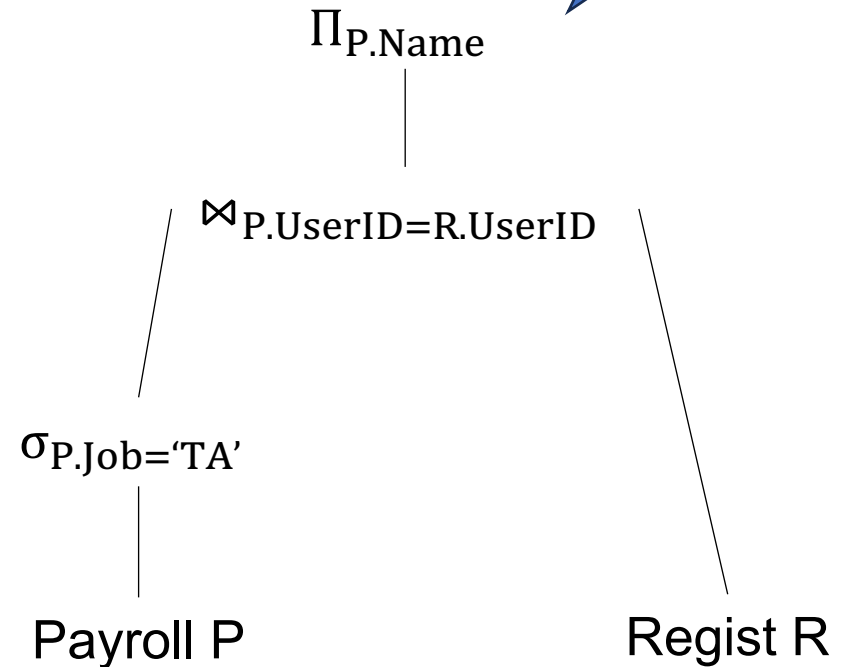
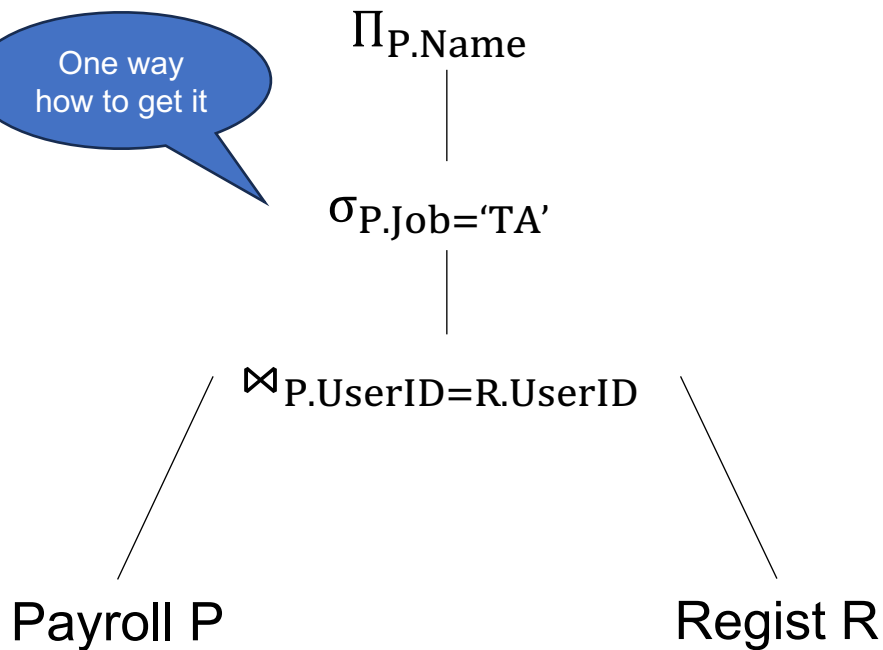
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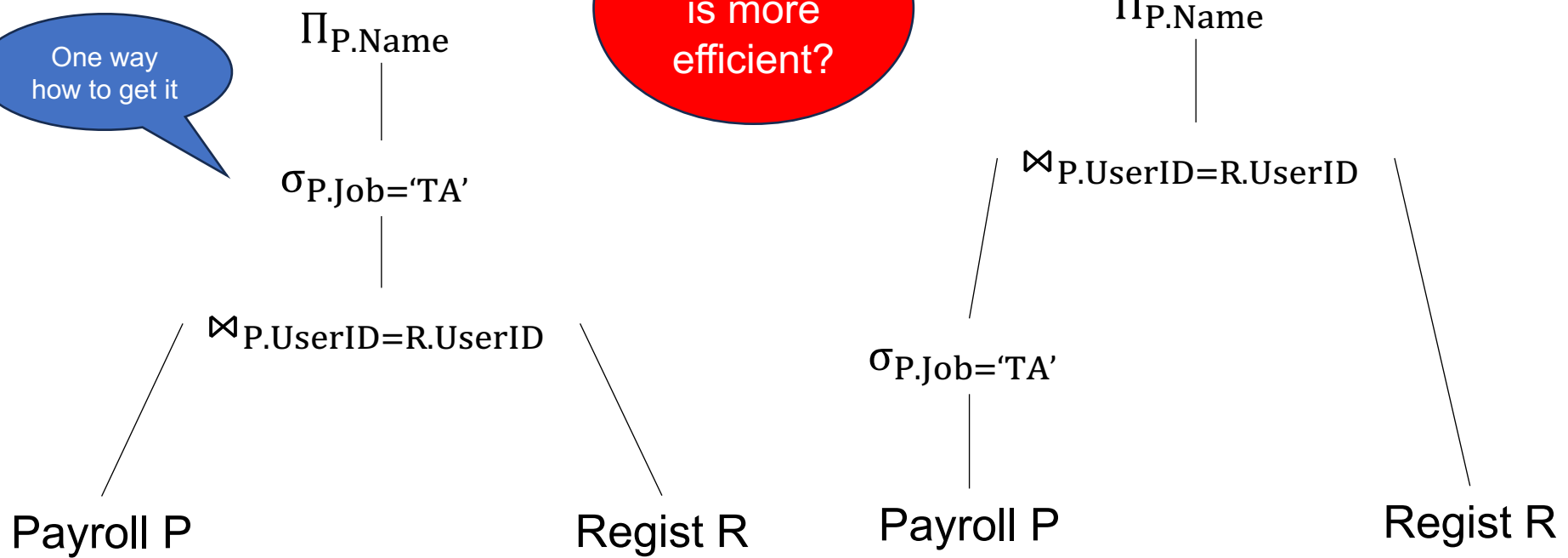
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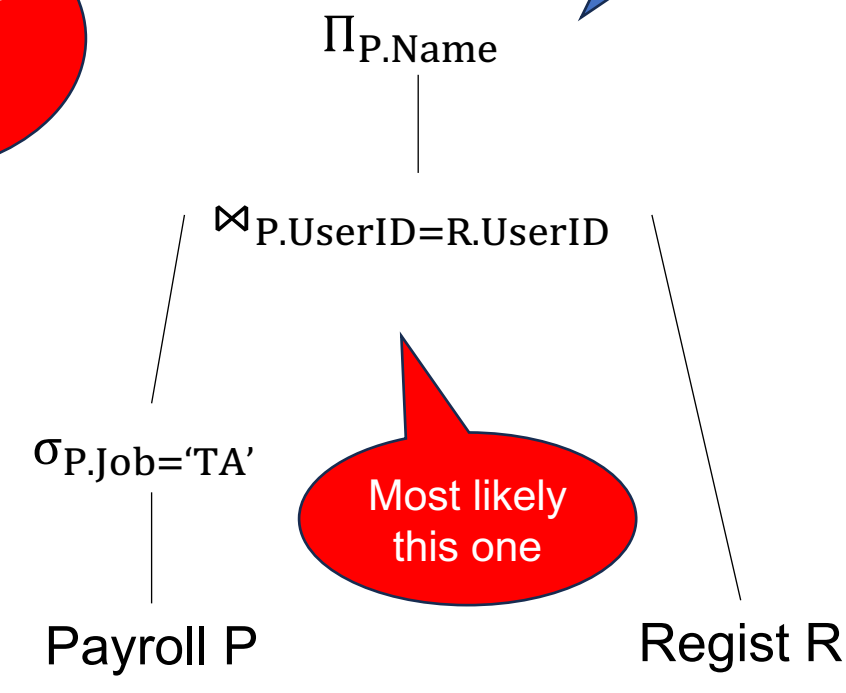
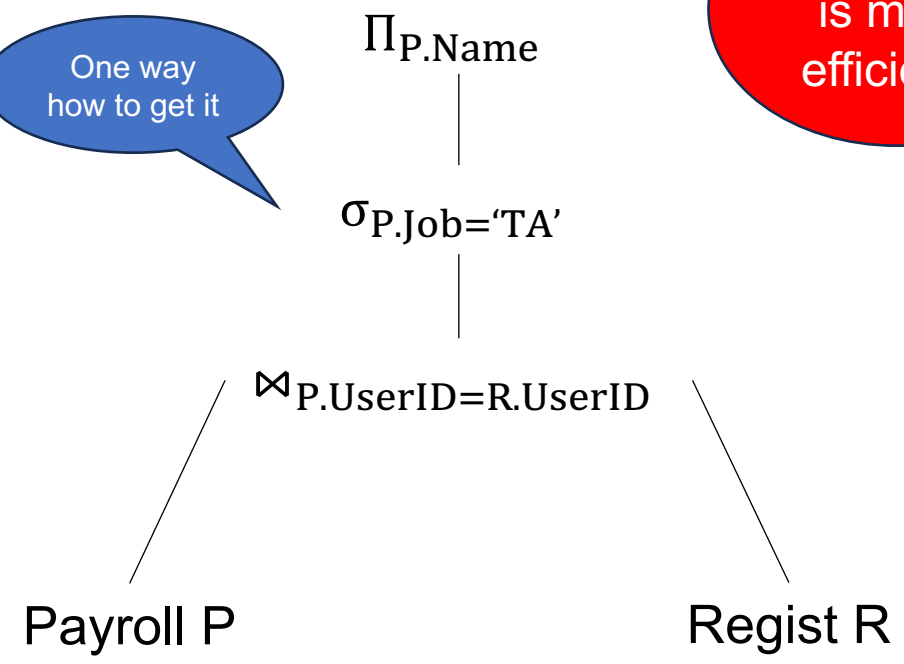
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